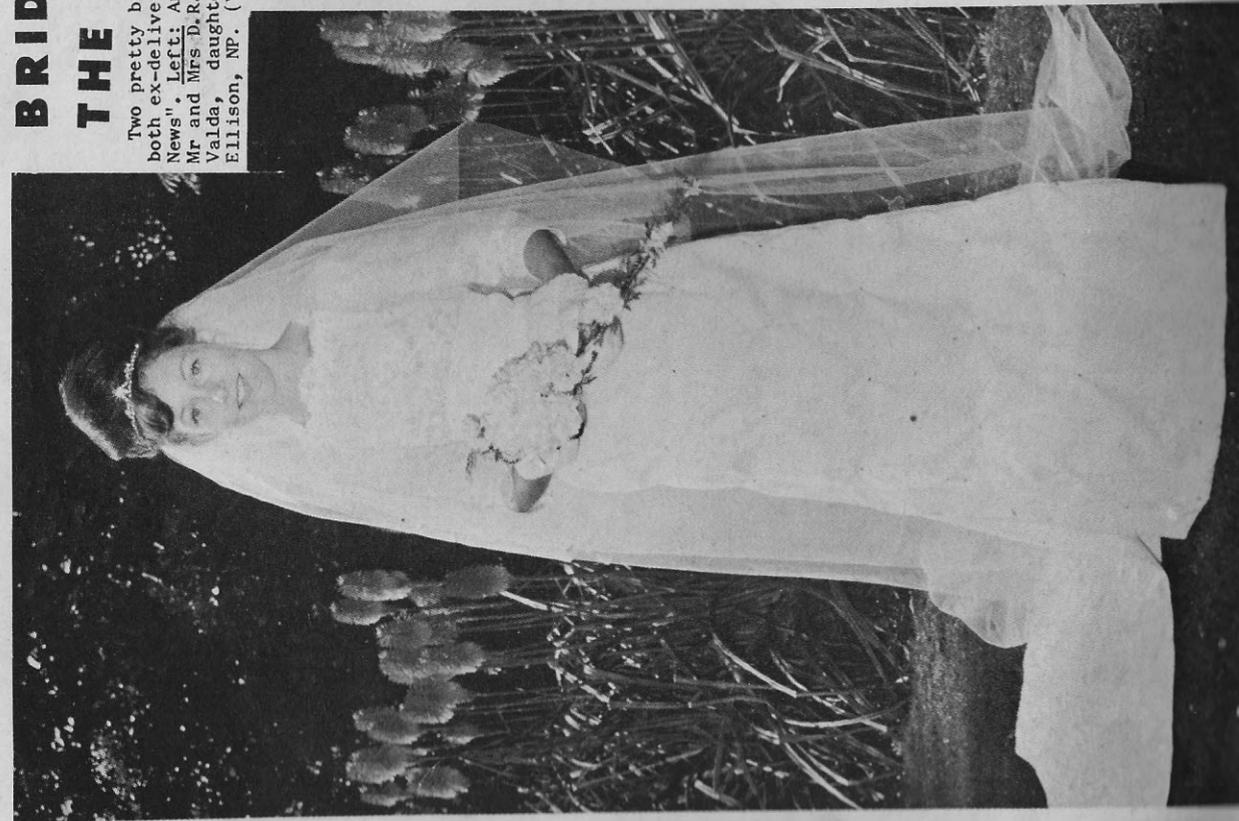


BRIDES OF THE MONTH

Two pretty brides this month, and both ex-delivery runners of "Photo News". Left: Ann, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D. R. Cundesen, NP. Right: Valda, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. C. Ellison, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).



Wedding Bells

Above: **KREBS-RUSS.** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Lucy Russ, NP, to Allan Krebs, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.



HE'S A CUTIE

Went out to Urenui recently for the annual parents v. pupils games and found this young chap getting in some training. He had no interest in the games of the elders, but concentrated on his own prowess at kicking. He had a smile a mile wide at each of his attempts and was a joy to watch. We only hope that one day he will achieve his ambitions, which we feel sure is to be another Don Clarke.

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OUR COVER

Here's a pretty trio. They are Maureen Honeyfield, winner of the Miss Personality title at the recent Winter Show, Hori of the Manukorihi Pa at Waitara and Miss Waitara, Robyn Eriwhata.

BACK COVERS

Top: It won't be long before one can visit the fernery at Pukekura Park and see the wonderful colours of begonias such as this.

Below: A view of Waitara, taken from the lookout just above the town bridge.

CONCENTRATION

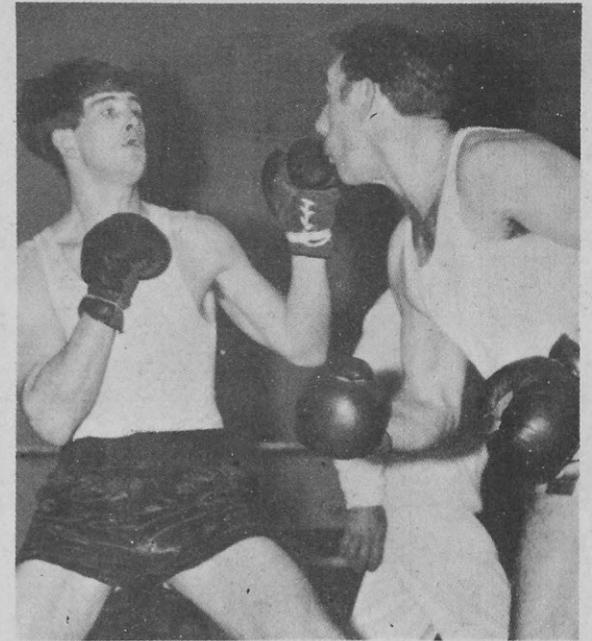
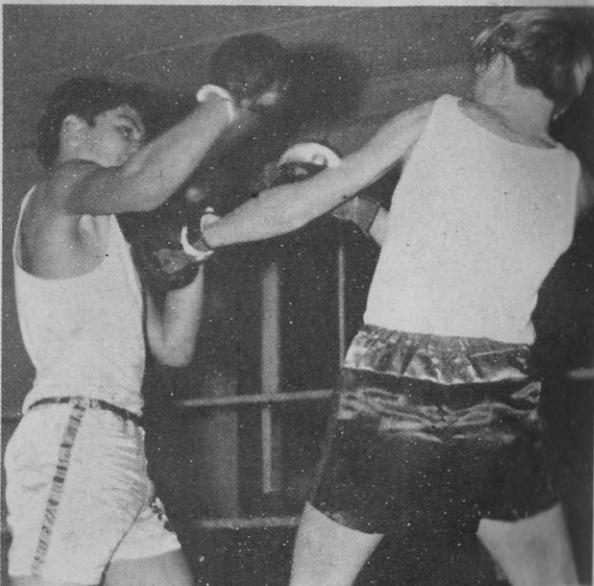
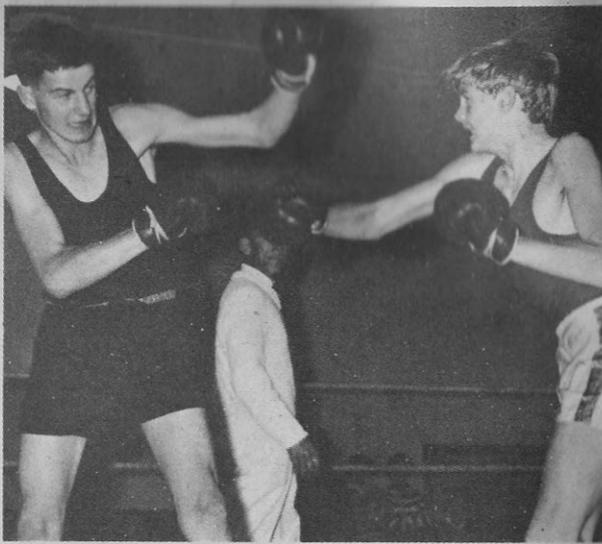
Below: Jack Kanawa, Hawera, a losing semi-finalist in the recent Taranaki snooker championships, shows his powers of concentration.



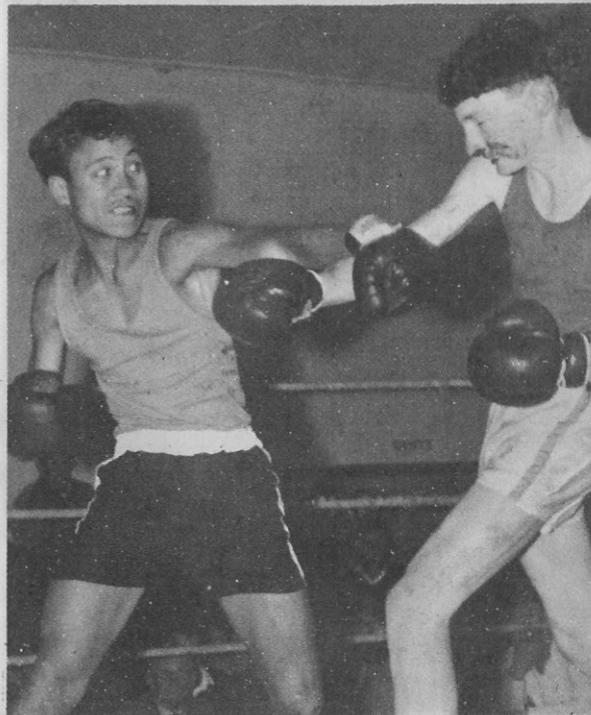


FULL HOUSE AT OAKURA

Once again the house full signs were out for the boxing tournament at Oakura. For those who did get in, it was a night of good boxing. Above: C.Rolls, PN, and Neil Farrant, Oakura, provided one of the best bouts of the night. Below: David Jackson, Oakura, had his opponent J.McKay, PN, in trouble. Above, right: J.McKee, Patea, in black, fights long range against K.Askew, Oakura. Right: Ron Jackson, Oakura, left, stalks his man, R.Ward, Opunake. Below, right: J.Wakefield, Opunake, left, and D.O'Brien, NP, mixed it well.



Above: R.Campbell, Oakura, finds himself under the arms of S.Bryant, NP, in their bout. Below: Best fight of the night was between P.Ryan, Oakura, right, and K.Emery, PN. Both boys gave of their best and received terrific applause for their efforts. Ryan won. Above, right: P.Gilmore, PN, and M.Connelly, Wanganui, were fighters in the heavier class. Right: Interested crowd...yes they were, and appreciative of some very good boxing. Below, right: W.Skedgewell, Eltham, had just a bit too much reach for his opponent, R. Broughton, Rahotu.

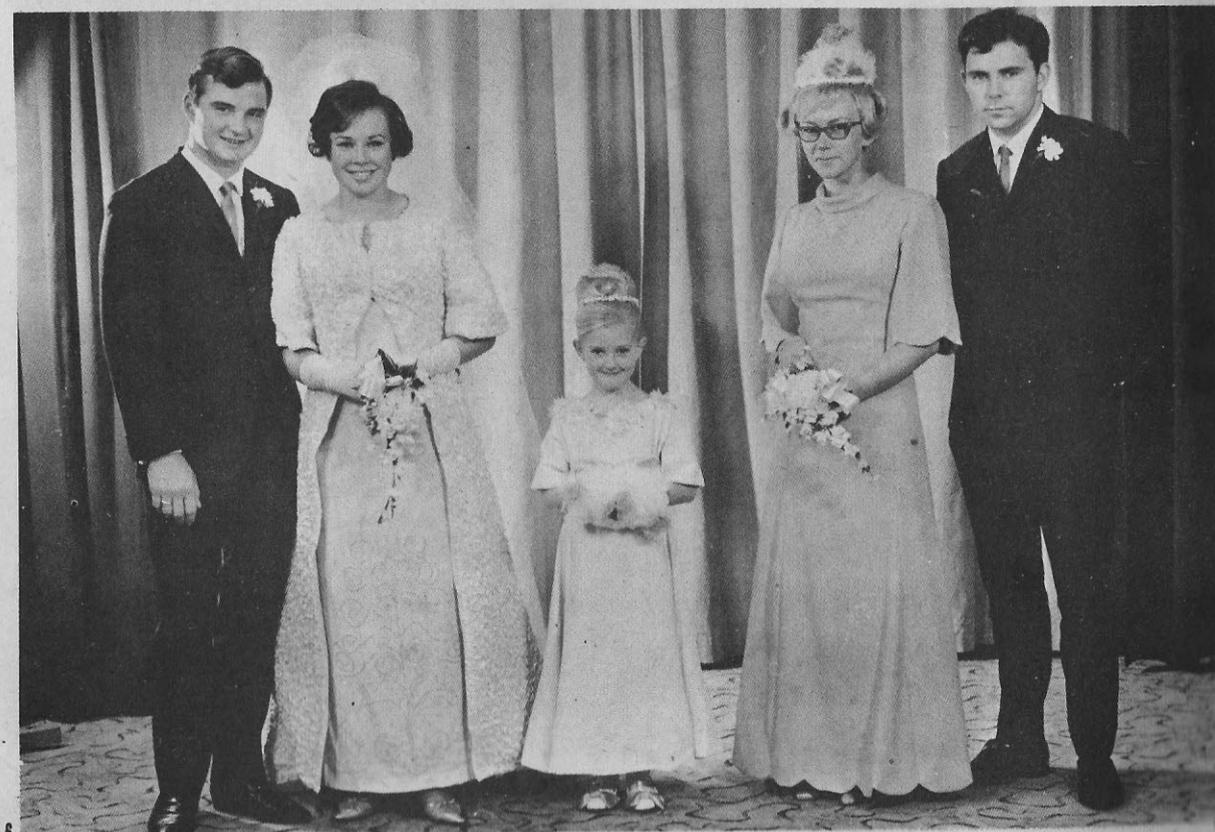




Wedding Bells

Left: DAVIDSON-ORCHARD.
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Suzanne, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs N. P. Orchard, NP, to Alan, younger son of Mr and Mrs W. L. Davidson, Australia. Kim Orchard, brother of the bride, NP, was the best man and Noelle Orchard, sister of the bride, NP, was the flower-girl. Future home, NP. (VOGUE)

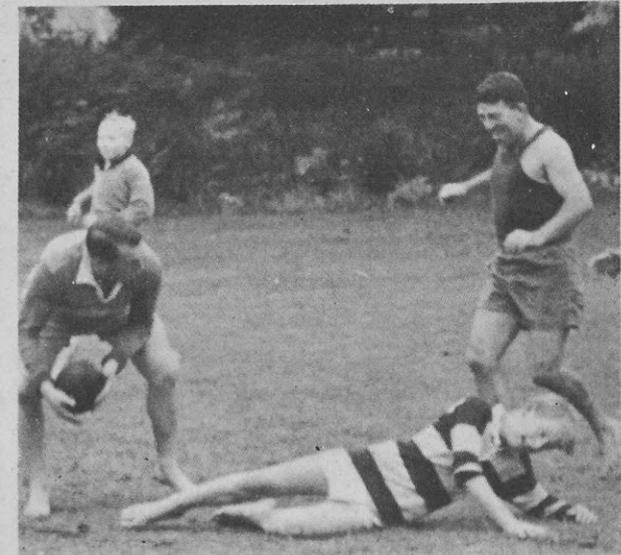
Below: McCARTHY-STACE.
At the Catholic Church, Fitzroy, Christine Lesley, second daughter of Mrs J. Stace, NP, to Danny McCarthy, youngest son of Mrs L. H. Johnston, Oakura. The bridesmaid was Nyree Johnston, Auckland, and the best man was Graham Stace, brother of the bride, NP. Sonya Stokell, NP, was the flower-girl. The future home, NP. (VOGUE)



MODEL OF THE YEAR

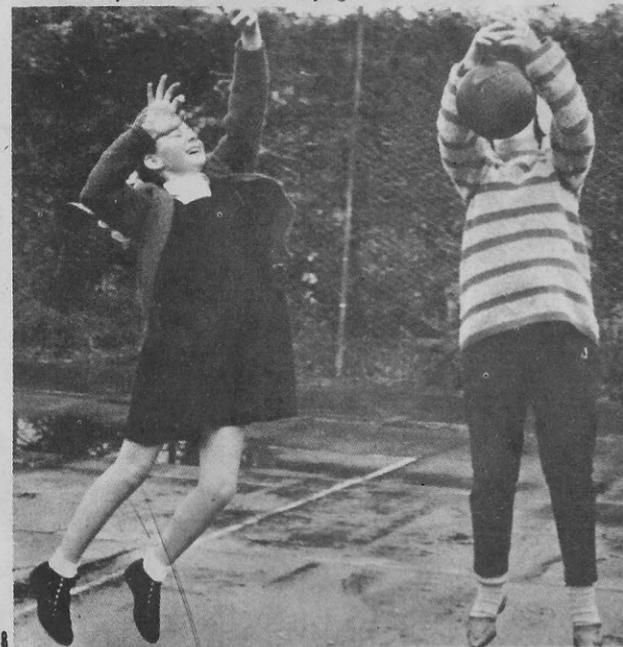
The Carol Braddord School of Modelling recently held its annual graduation ceremony at which the Model of the Year was announced, following a fashion parade by the model pupils. **Above, left:** Winner of the coveted title was Cheryl Parker, here receiving her cup from Miss Taranaki, Jill Edwards. **Above, right:** The first three places in the competition went to Dale McKeefrow, second, Cheryl Parker, the winner and Jerry Vango, third. **Below:** Here is the line of talented models of the school, from left, Elizabeth Grace, Jan Martin, Jenny Scott, Marilyn Nalder, Coroleen McCullough, Aithina Hamann, Lee Thomas, Margaret Butler, Dianne Parker, Anne Scott, Toni Black, Erin Murphy, Adria Horne, Christine Bone and Sheryl Thompson.





FUN AND GAMES AT URENUI

The annual football and basketball games between children and parents recently took place at the Urenui school, and it turned out to be the day of reckoning for the parents. Did those kids get stuck in! The first games were on the basketball courts, where the girls hammered their mothers, winning by a hefty margin. It did seem to us that one or two of the mothers were a bit butter-fingered! But it was all in good clean fun as the pictures on this page show.



Above: Father footballers take the field, and even after that short distance they had to have a breather! Below: Like taking candy off a kid! Above, right: This is the sort of thing the old chaps did to their sons—good job referee Neil Wilfe had a firm hand on the game! Right: This young chap had the right to appeal to the ref. Below, right: Time out for the injured...We didn't know that Fanta was so good for this sort of thing!



Engaged

Above, left: McDONALD-KNOWLES. Betty Lorraine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Knowles, Midhirst, to David Ian, only son of Mr and Mrs D. E. McDonald, Stratford. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Left: PHILLIPS-FARQUHAR. Gayle, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W. H. Farquhar, NP, to Desmond, fourth son of Mr and Mrs E. G. H. Phillips, Awatuna. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, left: BAKIE-COLLIER. Jeanette Louise, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. V. Collier, Sheffield, Canterbury, to Allan Alexander, only son of Mr and Mrs A. Bakie, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above: SIMPSON-DEACON. Doreen, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Deacon, NP, to Robert, the youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. H. Simpson, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: JURY-JORDAN. Pamela, youngest daughter of Mrs C. Jordan, NP, to John, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R. J. Jury, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).



TARANAKI PLAYED GREAT HOCKEY

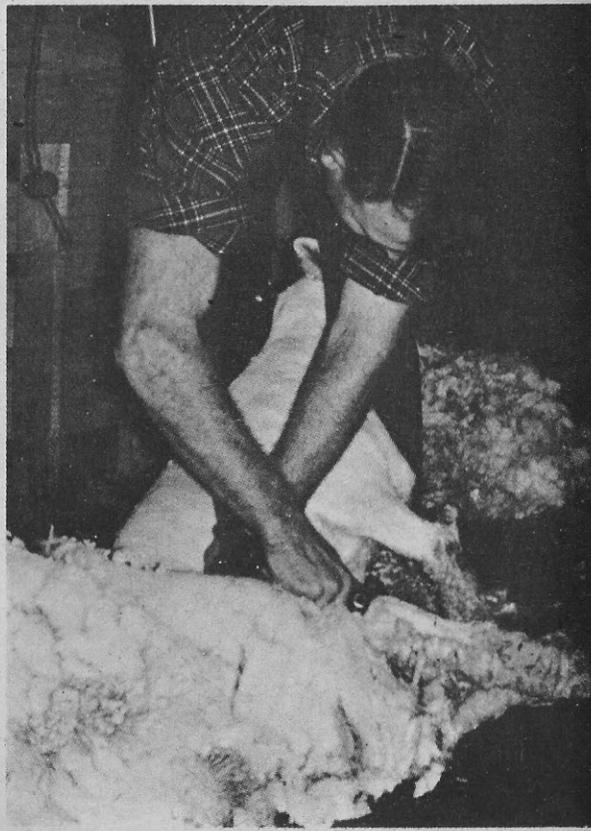
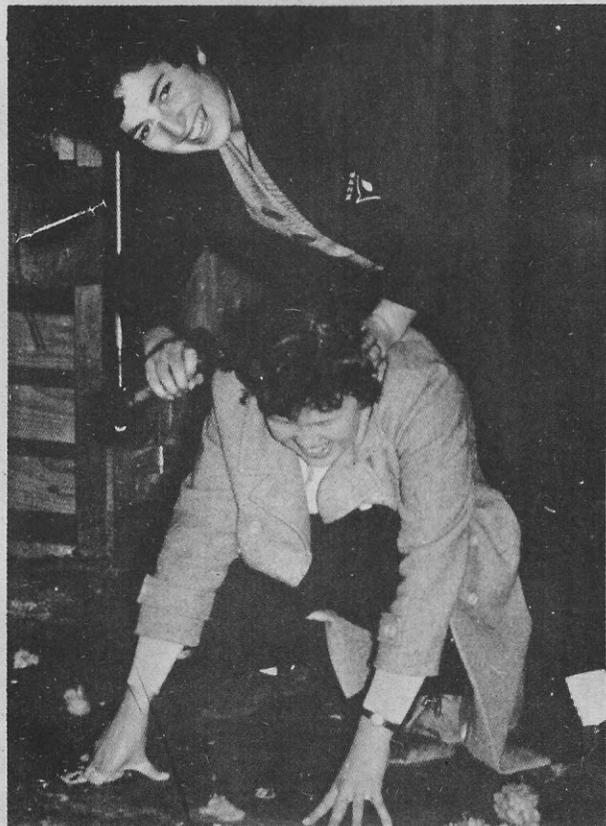
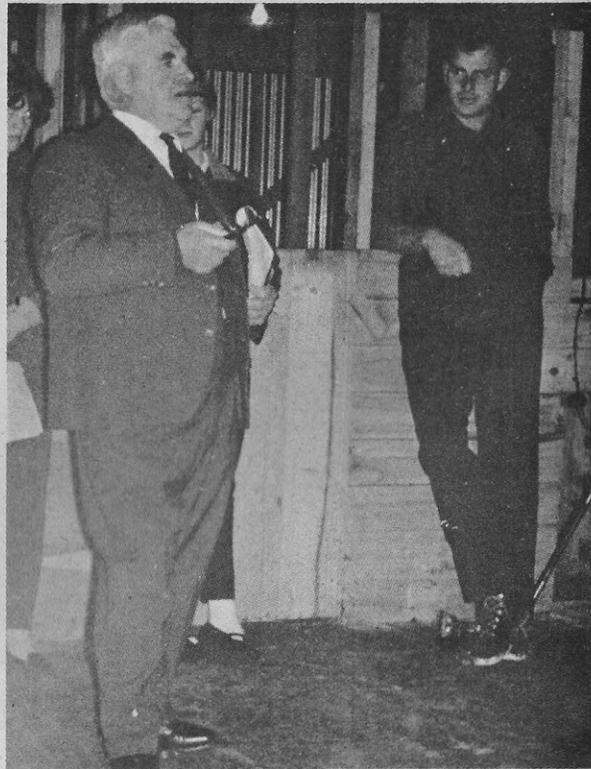
After trailing 3-0 at half time, the Taranaki senior hockey reps fought back against the strong and highly-rated Wanganui eleven, scoring two goals in the second spell, and making the visiting defence work hard to keep the local lads out. The Taranaki team went down eventually by 3-2. **Above:** Taranaki goalie Max Sayer, Hawera, and Graeme Phillips, Te Kiri, between them managed to keep this Wanganui forward from netting. **Below, left:** Roy Osman, No 6, intercepts one of Alan Lint's passes. **Below, right:** Again, Roy Osman, Te Kiri, broke up one of the numerous Wanganui attacks in the first spell of the game.





"YOUTH FOR CHRIST" RALLY

The monthly rally of the "Youth for Christ" movement took the form of a visit to a shearing demonstration in the backblocks and was voted a complete success. Above: Sharon Hunger and Les McKain at the show. Above, right: Mr Alf Herring, Toko, was the guest speaker. Below, right: Wallace Weir gave a demonstration of shearing. Below: Margaret Weir and Janet Cathie gave their own impromptu demonstration of shearing.



Wedding Bells

Left: LLOYD-LYNCH. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Hawera, Mary Catherine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Lynch, Hawera, to Brian Richard, Hawera, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. Lloyd, Stratford. The bridesmaid was Diane Pivac, Manaia, and the best man was John Sutcliffe, Auckland. Future home, Stratford. (DAVID PAUL STUDIO).

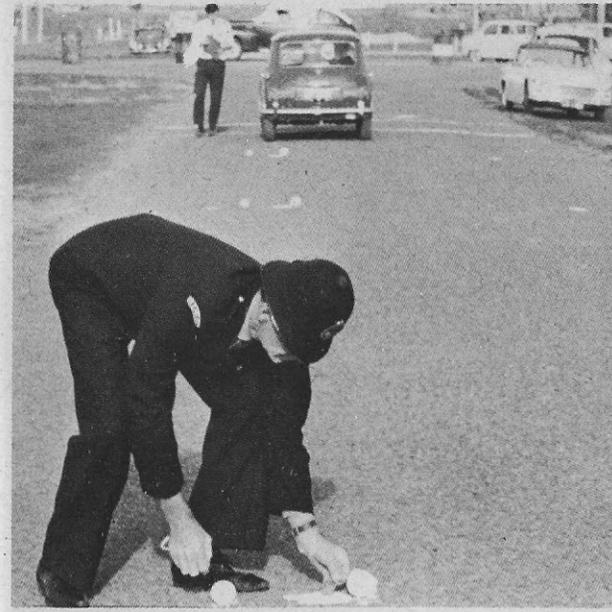
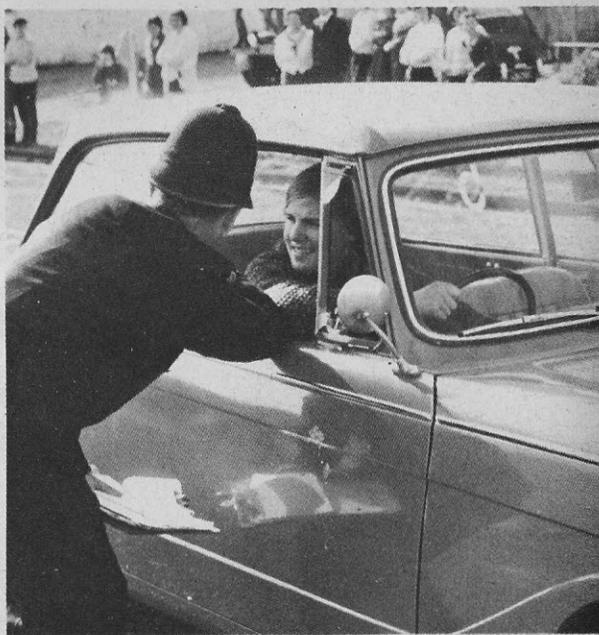
Below: ROBERTS-DRAVITZKI. At Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Manaia, Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. J. Dravitzki, Otakeho, to Richard Anthony, third son of Mrs J. C. Roberts, Okaiawa, and the late Mr Roberts. The bridesmaids were Gallia Caverhill, NP, Colleen Freyne, Hawera, and Anne Wall, Hawera. The best man was Fred Freeman, Okaiawa, and the groomsmen were Graham McCallum, Matapu. The future home, Okaiawa. (DAVID PAUL STUDIO).





TEENAGE DRIVERS AT WAITARA

The Waitara Jaycee recently conducted its teenage driving contest. There was a good muster of entries from the young people of Waitara. Above: Winner was Nigel Purdie, shown here with Neville Nickson at mike and Miss Waitara, Robyn Eriwhata, who presented the prizes. Below: The girls got a lot of co-operation from the local Jaycees. Here, Wendy Thornhill gets her instructions. Above, right: 2XP's Pat Heydon drives and interviews at the same time. Right: Jillian Moss gets a kind word from the law. Below, right: Jillian Moss rests her head in her hands ...did she foul up one of the moves?



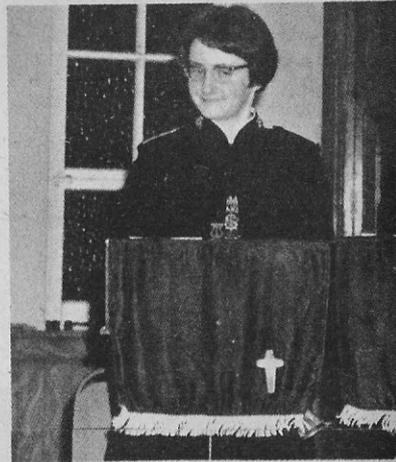
Above: That's right, constable, make it as tough as you can for them. These tennis balls had to be just so much apart, and driving between them was a matter of fine judgment. Below: Noel Moratti, who gained second place, is shown here receiving his instructions. Above, right: Gavin Brough was a lad who went well. Right: Raymond Staddon and his Riley 1100 negotiated the parking area. Below, right: Hello, what's this, an anxious mother watching her offspring?



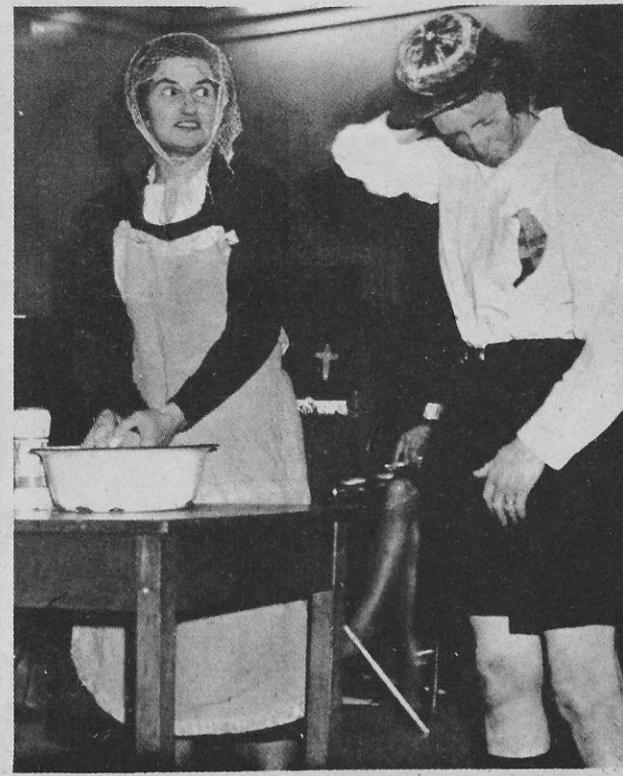


ALL WOMEN BAND

Probably for the first time in brass band history, an all-women band recently performed at NP. These ladies, all past members of the NP Salvation Army Band, came from many parts of New Zealand to a reunion. Above: The band consisted of over a dozen women. Right: The conductor, Maurice Castel. Far, right: Pam Ainsworth, one of the band members. Below: During a variety programme, a sketch was performed by members of the band. They are, from left, Shirley Tubby, Marion Smith, Olive Bone, and Lois Smith. Below, right: Peggy Robertson, Palmerston North, one of the soloists, played the trombone.



Above: Georgine Castel, NP, and Dot Briesman, Dunedin, sang a duet to the delight of a large audience. Above, centre: Georgine Castel, who played the tenor horn in the band. Above, right: Olive Bone, NP, played the baritone. Below, left: Peggy Robertson enjoys a joke after playing a solo and receiving well-deserved applause. Below, centre: Dulcie Wiseman, Wellington, a singer who pleased with a bracket of songs. Below, right: A humorous sketch was acted by Peggy Robertson, Palmerston North, and Shirley Collinson, NP --this item nearly brought the house down.





Married

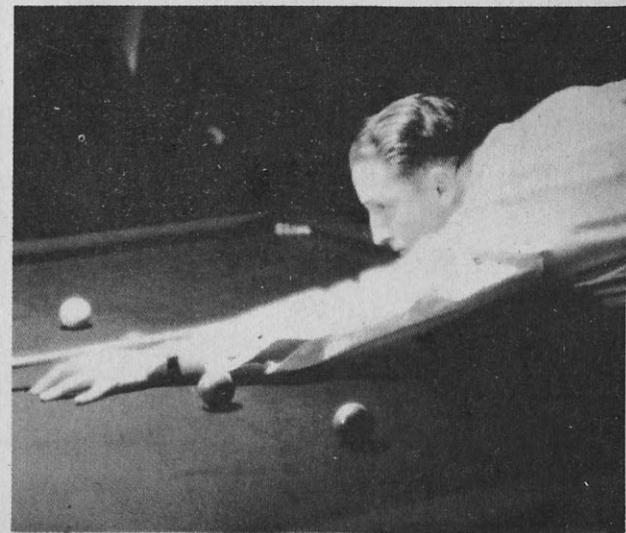
Above: WILSON-WELLS. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Lynda, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. L. Wells, Huirangi, NP, to Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs O. E. J. Wilson, Lepperton. The bridesmaids were Bernice Hunger, Lepperton, and Marion Wells, sister of the bride, Huirangi. The best man was Carey Wells, brother of the bride, Huirangi, and the groomsmen was Roger Worsley, Auckland. The flower-girl was Lisa Wharehoka. NP. Future home, Huirangi. (VOGUE STUDIO).

Below: WOOD-BROADMORE. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Lynette, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. L. Broadmore, NP, to Russell, only son of Mr and Mrs E. J. Wood, NP. The matron of honour was Molly Nagle, NP, and the bridesmaids were Vivienne Broadmore, sister of the bride, NP, and Marilyn Harding, NP. The best man was Don Penwarden, NP, and the groomsmen were Max Sole, Warea, and Colin Harrison. NP. Future home, New Plymouth.



TARANAKI SNOOKER CHAMPS

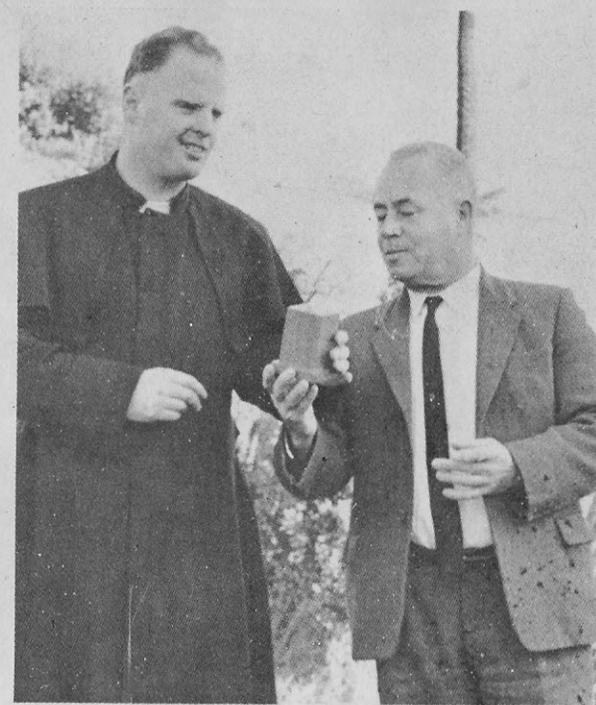
Amazing just how popular this game is. When the Taranaki snooker champs were recently held at Hawera, not only was there a good entry for this title, but there were just as many interested spectators. The final between Dennis Kelly of Hawera and Ivan Lamplough of Stratford was a thriller if ever we saw one, with both potting with remarkable accuracy. **Above:** Member for Egmont, Mr V. S. Young, congratulates the winner, Ivan Lamplough as Dennis Kelly smiles his approval. **Above, right:** Dennis Kelly sinks another red. **Right:** Serious business, this watching the final. **Below:** Ivan takes the rest to get his red down. **Below, right:** Brian Bennett, NP, was eliminated in the semi-final round.





FIRST SOD TURNED FOR NEW ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

It was a red-letter day for the St. Joseph's parish recently when the first sod was turned to begin the \$278,000 project of building a new church, hall and youth centre on the present St. Joseph's site. Boys and girls of the convent schools of the district were present to witness this very impressive ceremony. Above: Children line the area for a short dedication service by Father H.F. Doogan. Below: Mr David Robinson, the architect, presents a stainless steel spade to Father Doogan for the job in hand. Below, right: Father Doogan lifts the first sod.



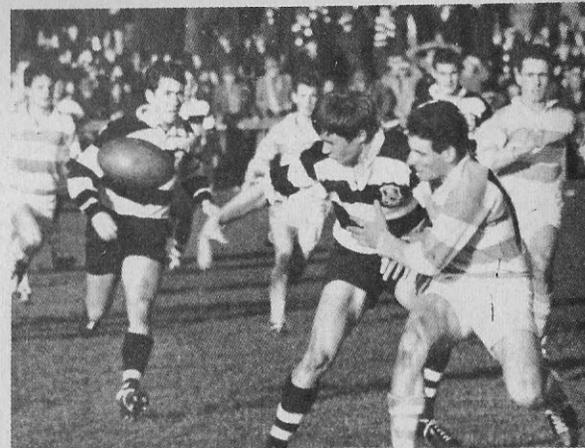
Above, left: Father Doogan speaks at the official ceremony. He was assisted by Father J. Sorahan. Also shown, holding the presentation spade, was the contractor, Mr Nev Roebuck with Russell Lloyd. Above, right: Mr Roebuck presents a memento of the occasion to Father Doogan. Below: In a matter of minutes after the ceremony was over did the earthmovers get on the job. They had part of the area cleared in no time at all. This is the site for the Youth Centre, with a frontage on Devon Street. It will be used as the church until the new church is built.





BOYS' HIGH BEATEN

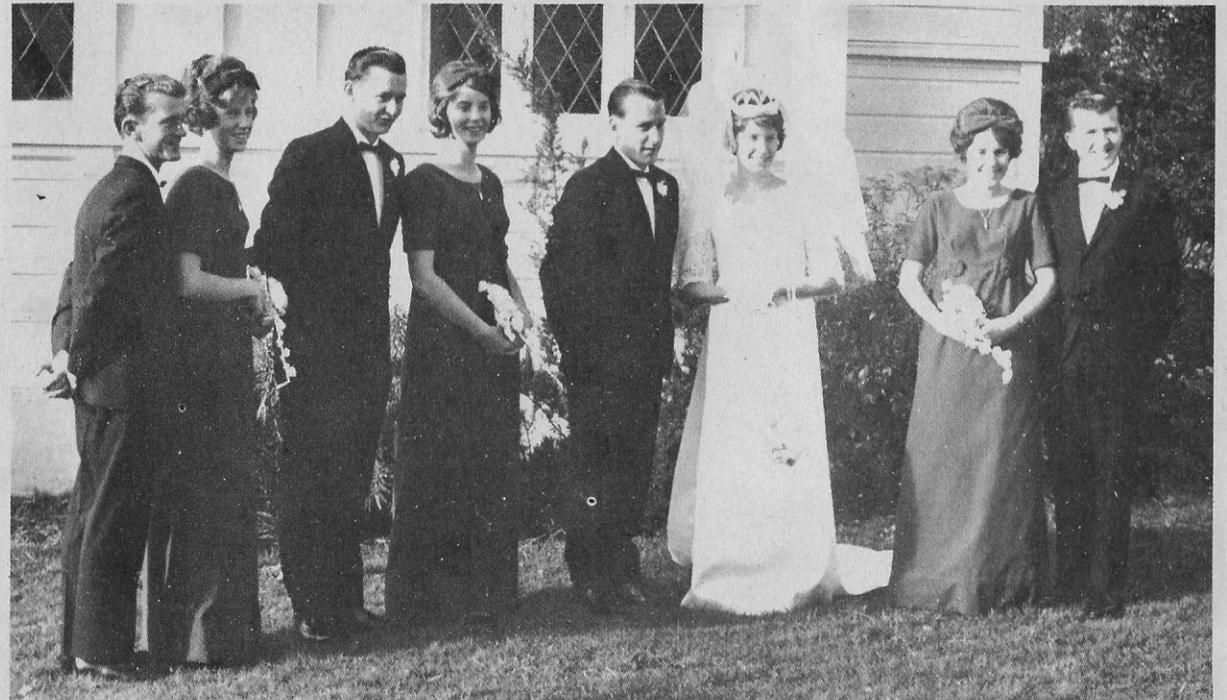
In a fast open game, St. Pat's Silverstream beat the NPBHS 17-6 at Hawera recently. The game for the spectators was marred by a chilly north-easterly wind, but we suspect that the players wouldn't have noticed it, so fast was the play. Above: NP forward gets to the ball first. Below: Over the line, but not a try. Above, right: Forward rush by the NPBHS. Right: Passing at the right time. Below, right: Good line kicking was a feature of the NP players.



Wedding Bells

Above: AISH-GUNDESEN. At the Robe Street Gospel Hall, NP, Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. R. Gundersen, NP, to Walter, youngest son of Mr and Mrs E. C. Aish, Inglewood. The bridesmaids were Denise Barriball, NP, and Janice and Lois Gundersen, twin sisters of the bride, NP. The best man was Philip Aish, brother of the groom, Putaruru, and the groomsmen were Ian Lamb, Stratford, and David Hamill, Inglewood. The flower-girl was Carine Aish, Lepperton. Future home, Inglewood. (VOGUE STUDIO).

Below: FITZWATER-BARKER. At St. Chads Anglican Church, NP, Shirley Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. R. Barker, NP, to Malcolm John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Fitzwater, Stratford. The bridesmaids were Lynette and Beverly Barker, sisters of the bride, NP, and Leah Fitzwater, sister of the groom, Stratford. The best man was Braddley Diamond, Stratford, and the groomsmen were Bruce Berg, Hawera, and Graeme Thompson, Stratford. Future home, Stratford.



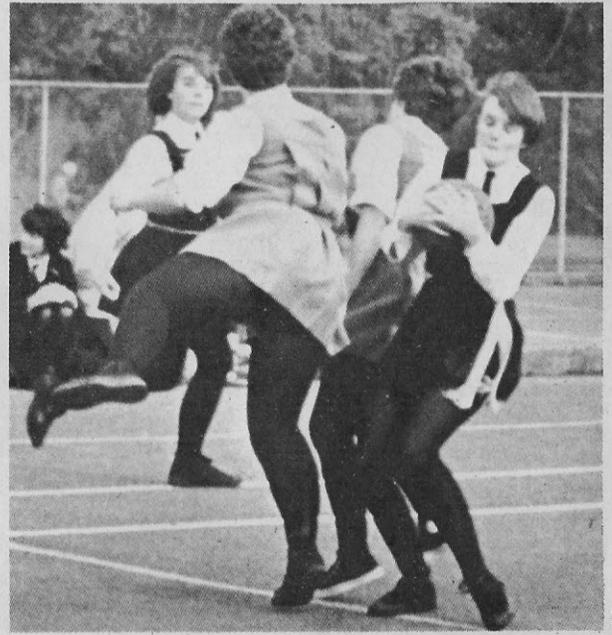


BEATEN BY MANAWATU

The Taranaki reps B grade team was recently beaten in a fast and enjoyable game by Manawatu at Stratford. Above: This is the home team. From left: Captain Margaret Whiteman, vice-captain Ann Howlett, Lyle Turner, Sue Hamlin, Anne Kofoed, Helen Witton, Sue Temata, Lynette Stockman and Alexis Neilson. Below, left: Helen Witton receives her pass. Below: Ann Howlett made a flying leap to intercept this pass.



Above: Lynette Stockman disputes possession with a Manawatu player. Below: Margaret Whiteman and her Manawatu opposition reach for the ball. Above, right: Sue Temata got both hands on the ball, but so did her opponent. Right: Part of a very appreciative crowd. Below, right: Helen Witton picks out the ball from two of her opponents.





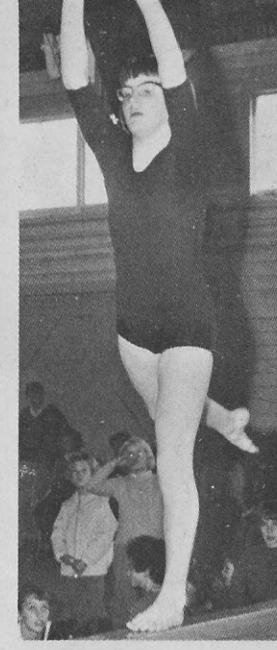
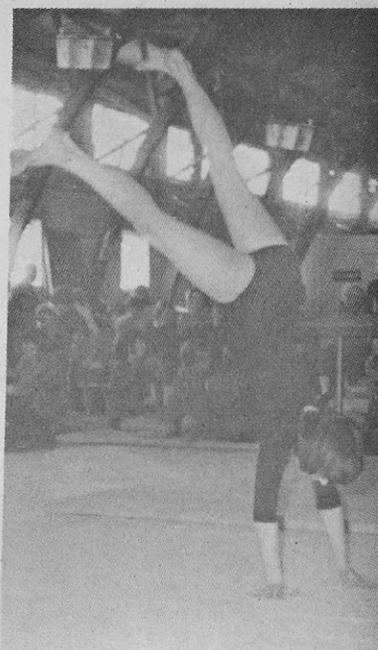
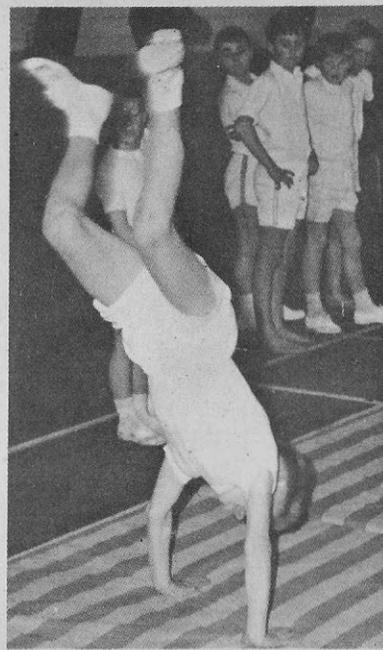
HUIRANGI CWI BIRTHDAY AT WAITARA

The Huirangi CWI recently celebrated its 34th birthday. Seemed to us a wonderful idea to celebrate it with the Old Folks at Waitara. The Huirangi women organised a concert and afternoon tea for the old 'uns, which we know was thoroughly appreciated by them. Above: The CWI choir opened the afternoon's programme with a bracket of songs. Below, left: Sketch on makeup was performed by Mrs J. Lacey, assisted unseen, by Doreen Harold. Below, right: Most of the old folks seemed to get a lot of fun out of the entertainment. Bottom: Another item by the CWI women which proved very funny to the whole audience.



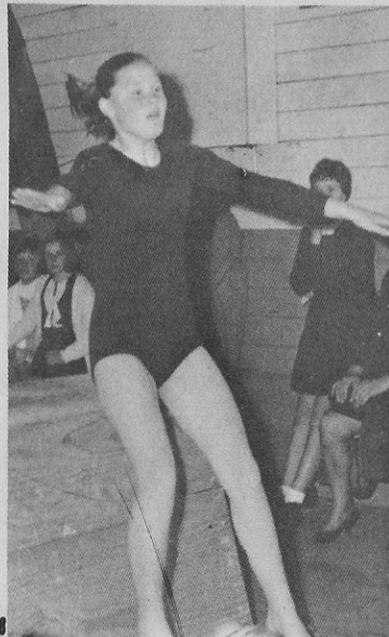
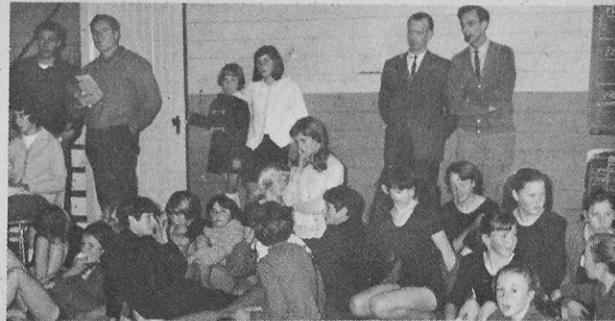
Young Farmers' Debutantes

Here are the six attractive young ladies who were presented to Mr and Mrs Peter Blyde at the recent YFC and CGC debutante ball at the New Plymouth War Memorial Hall. From left: Margaret Scott, Inglewood, Ruth Clark, Inglewood, Elaine Marsh, Okoki, Mr and Mrs Peter Blyde, Gillian Redford, NP, Margaret Lea, Bell Block, and June Whittaker, Okoki. (HENRY MCGEE STUDIOS).

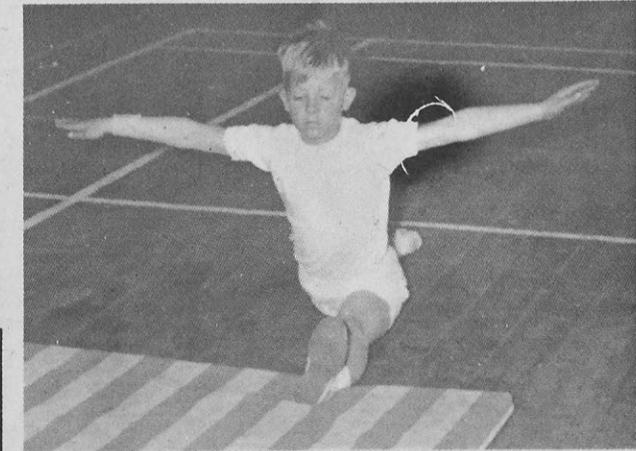


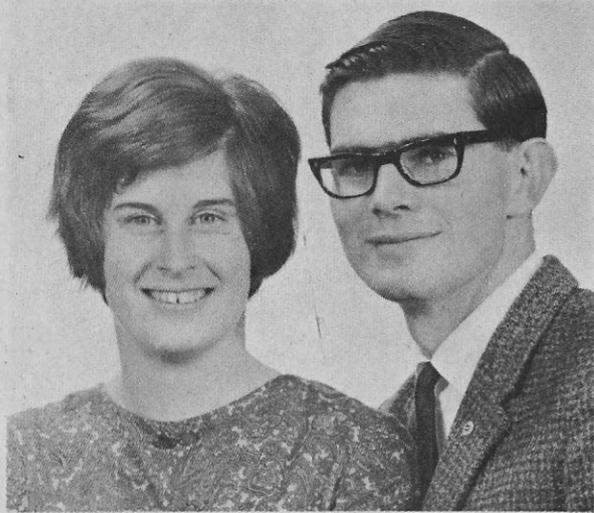
PRIMARY SCHOOL GYM CHAMPS

The Taranaki primary schools' gym champs seem to be becoming more and more popular. So large was the number of competitors this year that the Army Hall had to be used. Above, left: H.Trask, Devon, on the beam. Above, centre: J.Orr, Inglewood. Above, right: J.Rolls, Kaponga, does her floor exercises. Right: Competitors wait their turn to perform. Below, left: J.Dodunski, Dudley Road. Below, centre: G. Shotter, Okato. Below, right: C.Whitehead, Okato.



Competitors in the recent Taranaki Primary schools' gymnastic championships. Above, from left: K.Evans, Manaia, on the beam. J.Kelly, Kaponga, on her floor exercises. J.Abbott, Kaponga, on the beam. P.Urbahn, Highlands. Right: Outstanding boy of the champs was B.Hollis, Inglewood. Below, from left: J.Rolls, Kaponga, on the beam. P.Smith, Mahoe. H.Duggan, Manaia, and Debra George, Manaia.





Engaged

Above, left: HISLOP-McMILLAN. Marion Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.T. McMillan, NP, to Neville John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.N. Hislop, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Left: MOYS-MOORE. Beryl, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.C. Moore, NP, to Ross, second son of Mr and Mrs L.A. Moys, Tokoroa. (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below, left: SIMPSON-JULIAN. Marie Terese, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Julian, Okato, to Thomas Donald James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.H. Simpson, NP. (VOGUE STUDIO)

Above: MOLES-ROOKS. Joan, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.J. Rooks, NP, to Derek, only son of Mr and Mrs C.W. Moles, NP. (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below: TALBOT-LANDRIGAN. Colleen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs P.J. Landrigan, NP, to Tony, only son of Mr and Mrs L.D. Talbot, Sydney, Australia. (VOGUE STUDIO).



WIZARD OF OZ AT WAITARA

Perhaps a bit ambitious for Waitara, but nevertheless successful was this production of the "Wizard of Oz". There's little doubt of the success of the show, as each night of the season saw full houses. **Above:** Perhaps those who got most out of the show were the children of Oz, the Munchkins. They were a happy-looking lot. **Above, right:** Fred James played the part of the lion, and a good lion he was too. **Below:** Scene on stage with the children, the scarecrow, Ian Andrews and Dorothy, played by Sonya Jamieson.





Parking Problems Don't Improve

The picture above was taken on a week day, about mid-morning just five years ago, and shows the city car park in Kawan street. What a difference today, shown in the photograph below, taken just two weeks ago. To our way of thinking, it shows quite clearly the URGENT need for more parking space within the city. One of the reasons for the boom in free parking is that there are now many more parking meters in the side streets, and also many more restrictions than there were five years ago. Nowadays, if you want to use the city car park, you have to be in there before eight o'clock in the morning. We've had promises from the City Council about parking buildings, but as yet, nothing has been achieved that will ease the lot of the motorist who needs parking. It is only a pity that the council can't take such urgent action for a parking building as they did with the new art gallery. It's not much good having a slap-up art gallery for visitors if those same visitors cannot find some place to park their cars, is it?



LET'S BE CENTSIBLE...

After about two years of education through press, radio and television advertising, we have now changed to decimal currency. And let's face it, we HAVE changed, but looking in the windows of MOST Devon Street stores, you wouldn't know it. It almost seems that the shop-keepers have rebelled against it. The fact remains, we HAVE changed, and the sooner we learn the better. What good can be accomplished by keeping to the old LSD, goodness knows. One thing's for certain, the business community is not helping in any way. And neither are the publications who accept advertising in LSD. One would almost think that we were afraid of it, wouldn't one? We have found that the best possible way of getting used to the new dollars and cents is to completely forget LSD, and stop converting in our minds. If every transaction was done this way, then the confusion would soon disappear.

We know that the older people are not having too easy a time with the new currency, but while we keep LSD on our prices, then not only will the elderly folk be bamboozled, but so too will the younger fry, who have had nothing but decimal currency at school for many months past. It would appear that progress is very slow in the city. We know old habits die hard, but we MUST change sooner or later, so why not now?

Take a look at the picture, above, left. This is of a progressive business, surely, a man who recognises that there has been a change-over, and is prepared to do his part in educating the public. But...this store was one in about fifty with decimal prices on its sales tickets.

Most of the shops had their price tickets written out like the one below, left. Just look, after nearly two weeks of decimal currency, not the sign of a cent. But the sign that beat them all was the one below...makes it look as though our decimal currency is foreign, and they will change it for you, but under protest!



Social Candid's

By HENRY MCGEE

INGLEWOOD GOLF CLUB BALL. The Inglewood town hall was the venue for the annual ball of the Inglewood Golf Club, and it was filled to almost bursting point with a lively crowd of revellers who didn't get much further from the nineteenth than the dance floor.



HUIROA WDFB CONCERT

There was a very successful concert recently at the Huiroa Hall, organised by the Huiroa branch of WDFB. This was their first concert for five years, and judging by the performances, they had been rehearsing for nearly as long as that. It was a good night's entertainment for those people living in that area. Above: Opening the programme with community singing was a good idea. Below: Now who would have thought that the Huiroa WDFB had their own band? Bottom: Back to front line of chorus girls, or did we have our lens in the camera the wrong way round.

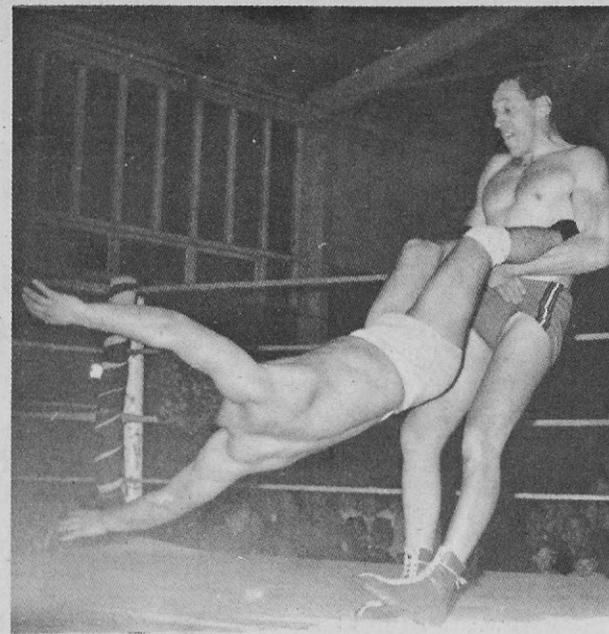
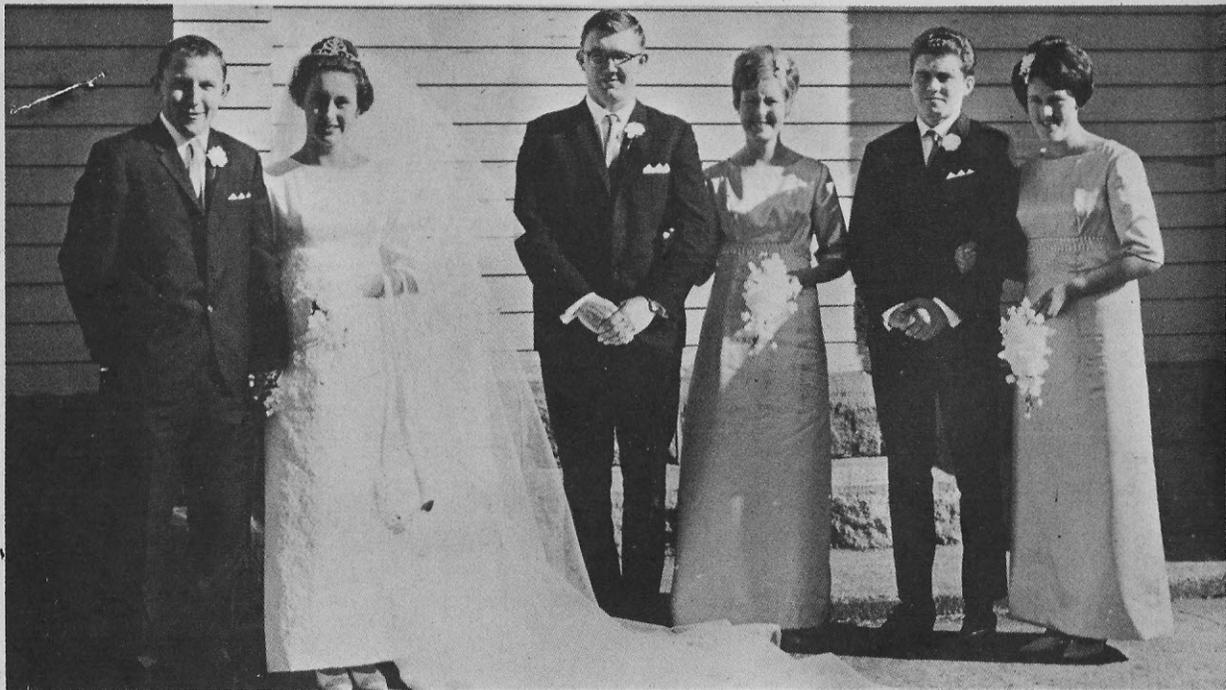




Wedding Bells

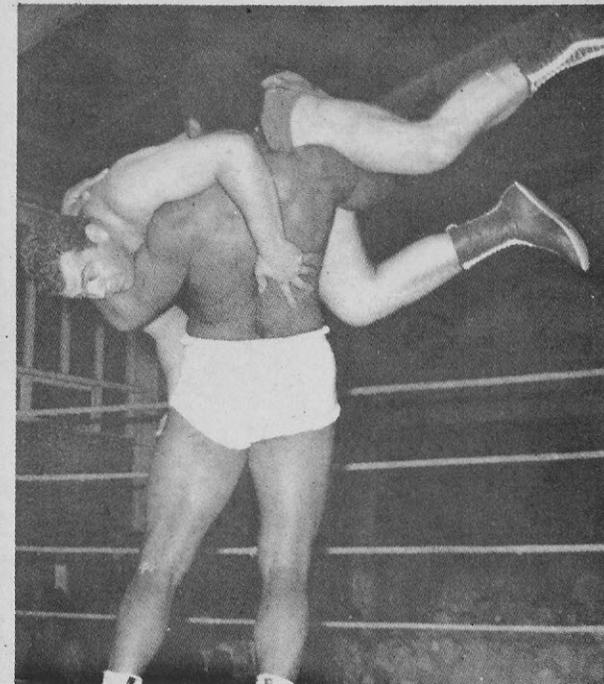
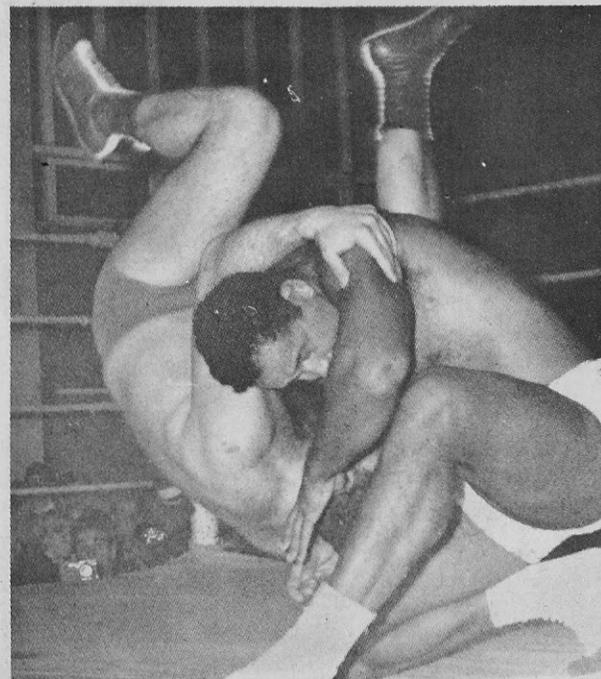
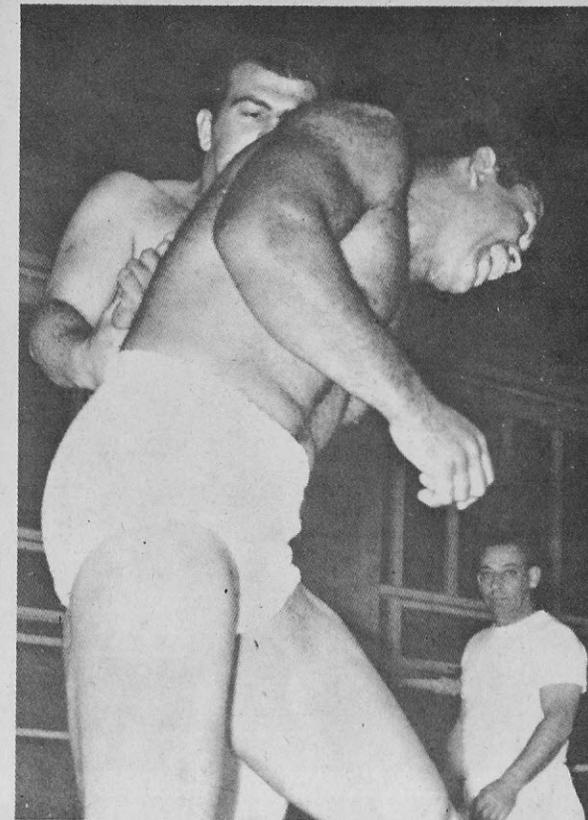
Above: CARTER-BRAID. At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Mary, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Braid, Wanganui, to Owen James, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. L. Carter, Inaha, Hawera. The bridesmaids were Jillian McCormick, Hawera, Judith Mawson, Waikanae, and Shona Rutherford, Wanganui. The best man was Llew Carter, brother of the groom, Hawera, and the groomsman was Neil Betts, Hawera. The flower-girl was Janice Hunt, Wellington.

Below: STACHURSKI-BOLGER. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, NP, Pauline, second daughter of Mrs G. M. Bolger, NP, to Joseph Francis, eldest son of Mr and Mrs T. S. Stachurski, Inglewood. Matron of honour was Marie Ching, sister of the bride, NP, the bridesmaid was Marlene Cloke, Lepperton, the best man was Mervyn Stachurski, Inglewood, and the groomsman was Terry Bolger, brother of the bride, NP. Future home. Inglewood.



GOOD WRESTLING

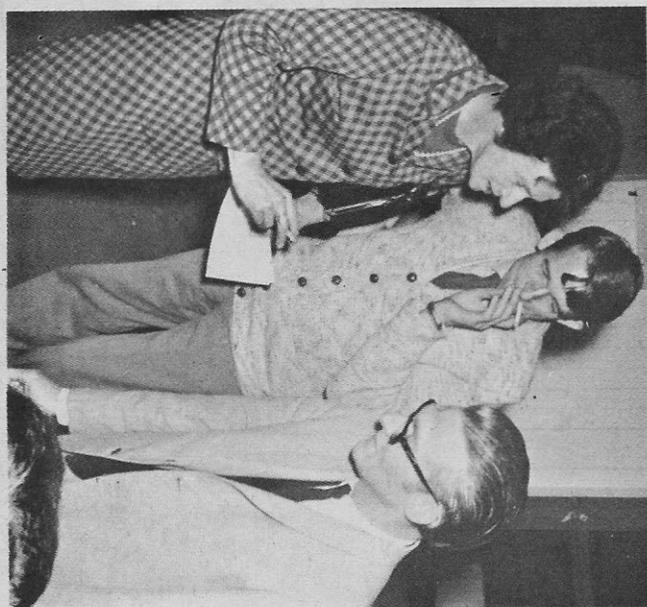
The capacity house at the Start Gym were well rewarded with some of the best wrestling seen in the city for many years. The main bout between NZ's John da Silva and Greek Clem Larkis was a real match if ever we saw one. **Above:** In one of the preliminary professional bouts, NP's Bernie Drader, seen on the right end of this roundabout, lost to Greek Tase Antipas. **Below:** John da Silva starts to tie up his opponent. **Above, right:** John is caught in a half Nelson. **Below, right:** Just fancy picking up a fully-grown man like that! Big John certainly had plenty of strength.



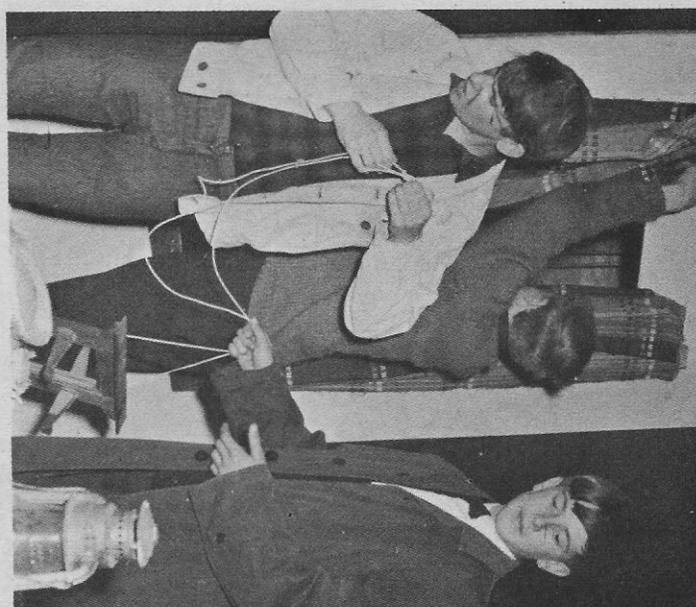


DRAMA FESTIVAL

Seven plays competed, and large audiences recently took part in the annual one act play festival of the BDL, North Taranaki branch. Above: The winning play was "Troubles come in three" by the NP Rep. In the cast were Jim Pickering, Bruce Gowan, David Gowan, Heather Loveridge, Christine Treeweek and Tony Girdler. Seated is producer Roger Page. Below: Members of the cast of "Western Night" by the NPBHS. Above, right: "Come Home for Christmas" by the NP Rep. was written by Martin Alexander, extreme left. Below, right: Mrs Russell talks to the Woodleigh centre CWI group which performed "The Loves of Pegeen".

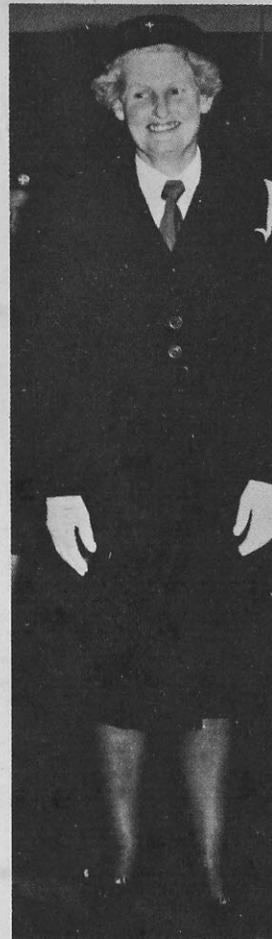
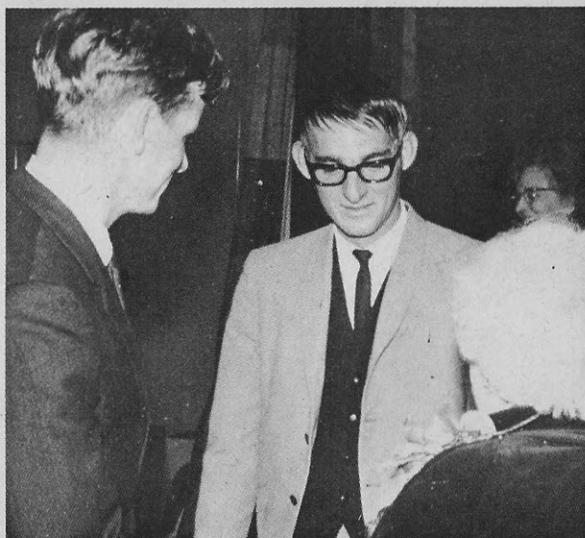


Above: NPBHS pupils who performed "Western Night" at the recent BDL drama festival of one-act plays get their set ready. Below: Before the announcement of winners, president Dorne Arthur, Bob Chetwin and Tony Girdler were deep in thought as to who would get the nod. Above, right: NPBHS cast of the "Bespoke Overcoat" were John Banas, Kevin Sharpe, Nigel Charters and David Thomas. Below, right: Little Theatre cast of "When the Old Cock Crows" were Bernie Sewell, Roy Long, Patricia Kelly, Neaite Young and Grace Taylor.





Above: Making up for their play in the BDL drama are boys of the High School. Below: Sound effects were an important factor in the winning play, and Bob Chetwin handled this department successfully. Above, right: Judge, Mrs Nancy Russell, Hawera, talks with the Mayor and Mayor-ess, Mr and Mrs A.G. Honnor. Right: Roger Page receives the cup for his winning presentation. Below, right: Cup for the best individual performance was won jointly by Ben Tatham and Tony Girdler.



Girls' Brigade -and Gideons

Above, left: Mrs R.Kirkland was recently presented with the 10-year service award, the first one in Taranaki, at the annual church parade of the Girls' Life Brigade. Above: These are the junior Brigaders to whom Mrs Kirkland has devoted so much of her time.

Below: Members of the recently-formed local "Gideons International" at their first presentation of bibles to a local motel in NP. On the right, making the presentation, is the president, Mr Kelvyn Autridge.



STRATFORD BRIDE OF THE YEAR



Thirty-five brides entered the Stratford Bride of the Year contest. We reproduce all the entries. Winner was Annette Behl, left. The contestants were, above, from left: Joyce Murtagh, Lorraine Chard, Beverley Mumby and Pauline Kennedy. From left, below: Mary Lloyd, Hilary Dodunski, Angela Potroz. Nearly 1100 people crowded the War Memorial Hall for this popular event, which was organised by the WDFP, and will no doubt prove a valuable financial asset in their work among philanthropic societies.



Stratford Bride of the Year entries. Above, from left: Margaret Eager, Judith Kelly, Patricia Thomas, Patricia Hasler, Joy Hosking and Marlene Meuli. Below, from left: Glennys Hitchcock, Joy Croton, Shirley Miller, Beverley Marx and Jocelyn Hartley.

