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BRIDE OF THE MONTH

Our bride this month is Pamela Iris, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Keenan, NP, who was recently married to Bruce Norman Windleburn, Blenheim. The marriage took place at the St. Aubyn Methodist Church, NP. (VOGUE).



Caledonian Ball

Above: Some of the many who recently attended the annual Caledonian Ball at the Queen's Hall in New Plymouth.

Married

Below: HOPKINS-BATCHELOR. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Carol Lynette, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Batchelor, NP, to Ian John, the youngest son of Mr and Mrs A. Hopkins, NP. The bridesmaids were Wendy Lock, Helen Turley and Shirley Batchelor, sister of the bride, all of NP. Best man was John Castelli, NP, and the groomsmen were Murray Wright, NP. Future home, Palmerston North.



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OUR COVER

And yet another of the many nice New Plymouth girls graces our cover again this month. She is Diane Parker, shown here in one of the latest hats, kindly loaned to us by Accessory House. Diane works as a clerk in an insurance office.

BACK COVER

Top: Colourful picture of the wedding of Betty Adlam, NP, to Gary Martin. This picture was taken by Vogue studios.

Bottom: This old Maori canoe was recently found not far from the Tangarakau river of Puti-Kituna Road, way in the back of Stratford. The canoe is in fairly good preservation, and is one of many probably lying around Taranaki.

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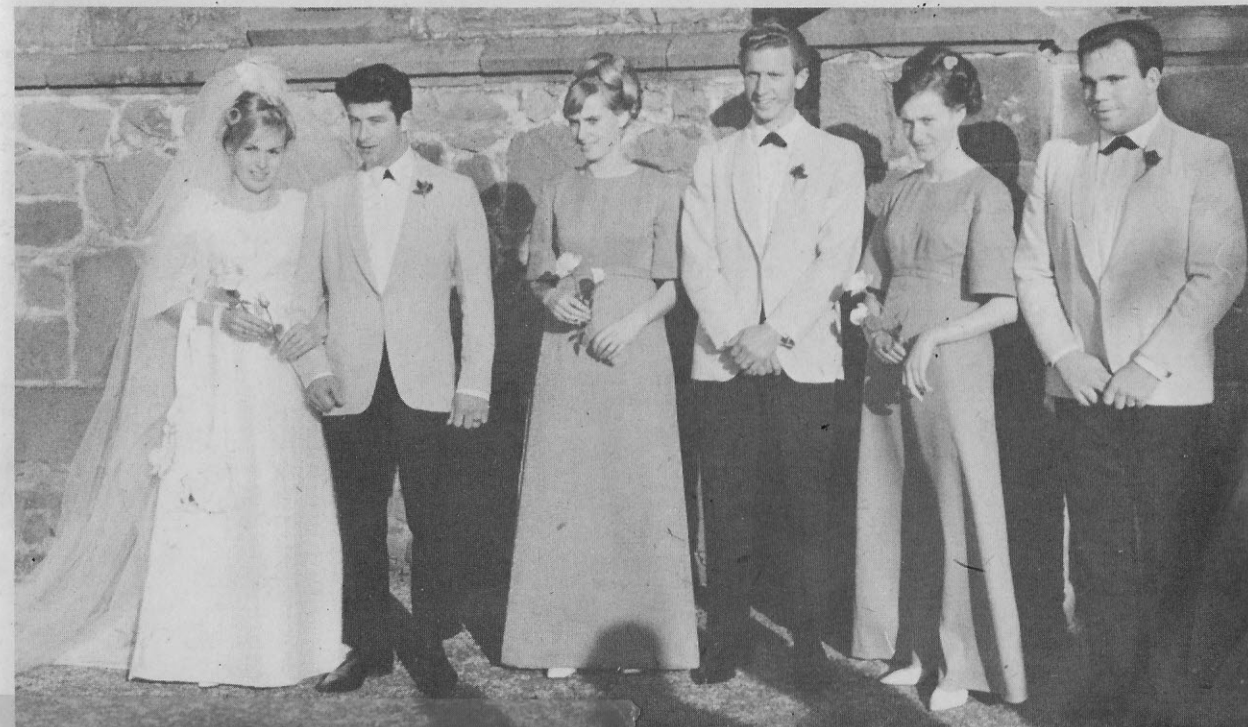
DRAMA LEAGUE FESTIVAL

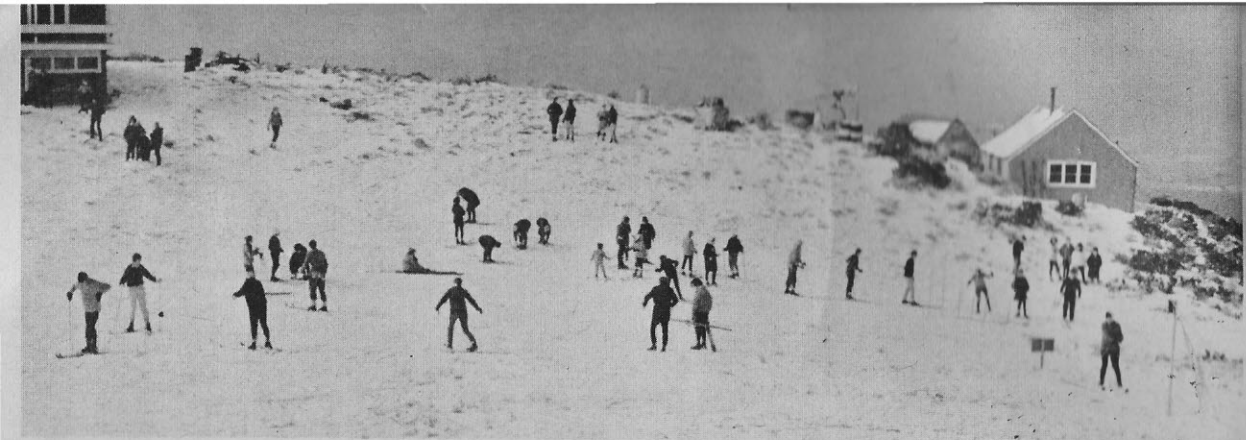
The North Taranaki Area of the British Drama League recently held its annual drama festival at the Little Theatre, when eight plays by local companies, were presented before the judge, Mr David Tinkham, Wellington. Some plays had been performed before to audiences in the area, while some were seen on stage for the first time. Above: After the last play had been performed, the president, Mrs Dorne Arthur, addressed the audience. Also on stage are from left, the judge, Mr Tinkham, Mrs Toy, Hawera, the Mayoress of NP, Mrs A.G. Honnor, partly obscured, and the Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor. Below, left: Mrs Honnor presents the trophy to the best actor, Tony Brown, who played in "The 73rd Day". Below, right: Winning producer was Brian Hannam, who produced his own play, "The 73rd Day".



Married

Left: O'LEARY-SCHWIETERS. At St. Paul's Church, Okato, Ngaire Sandra, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs M.F. Schwilters, Okato, to Neville Cornelius, elder son of Mr and Mrs C.C. O'Leary, Rahotu. The bridesmaid was Margaret O'Leary, sister of the groom, Rahotu, and the best man was Graham "Snow" Baylis, Opunake. Future home, Rahotu. (VOGUE).
Below: WEBSTER-BOWLER. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Jennifer Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H. Bowler, Port Ohope, to Gavin Wayne, only son of Mr and Mrs A. J. Webster, NP. The bridesmaids were Maree Bowler, sister of the bride, Port Ohope, and Karen Webster, sister of the groom, NP. Best man was Max Pennington, Rahotu, and the groomsmen was Henry Plowright, NP. Future home, NP.





A SUNDAY IN THE SNOW

Took a camera up Egmont on the Stratford side recently, and was surprised to find so many people enjoying the sport of skiing. It seems a pity that the higher slopes aren't a little more accessible. The walk from the mountain house to the Manganui ski grounds isn't exactly a Sunday afternoon stroll, and to go still further, where the best snow undoubtedly is, would need superb fitness. **Above:** Crowds of beginners on the very gentle nursery slopes. **Right:** Fixing the skis ready for the thrills. **Below:** The tow helps a lot. **Bottom:** Here is part of a very picturesque walk, up to the Manganui grounds.

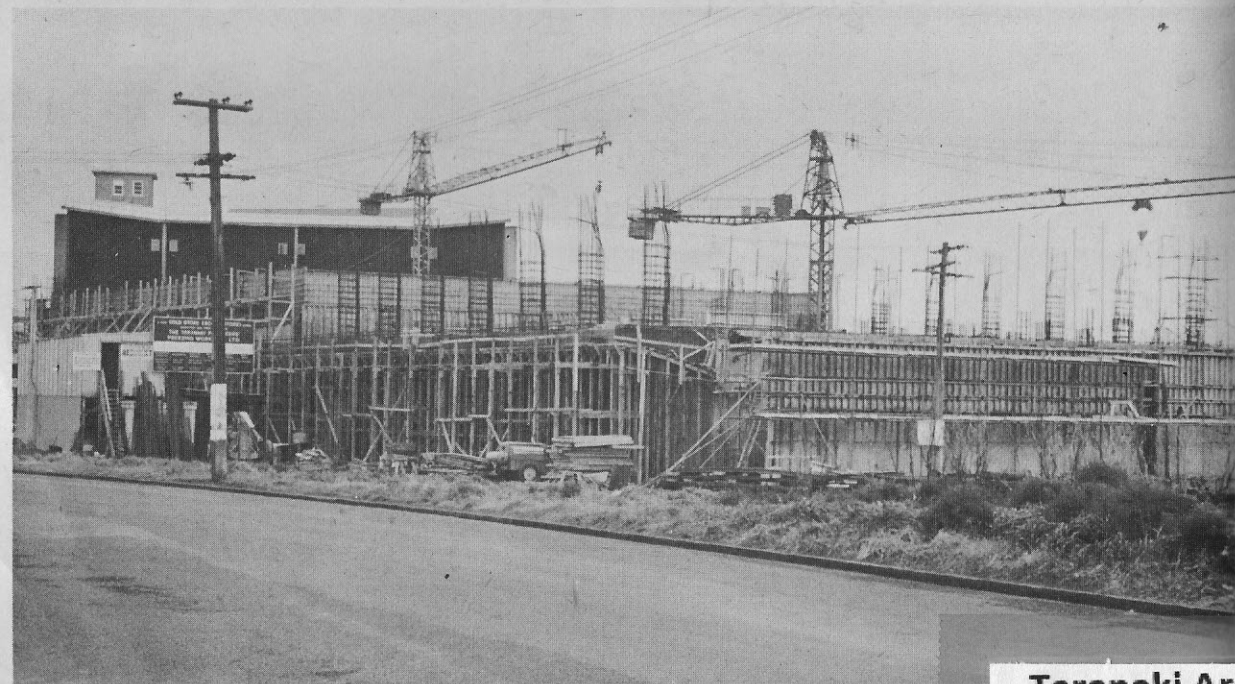


Left: Part of the reward of a trip up Mount Egmont is the breathtaking scenery. When we go up there we always feel that this part of the province is never advertised enough. Where could one find more rugged beauty than on the slopes of our mountain? **Below:** Sue Black carries the skis down, while friend Alan hobbles down after a fall which put him out of action. **Below, left:** Nigel Dwyer, NP, has forsaken his surf board for skis, and finds the sport more to his liking. **Bottom, left:** Even the very young can become expert in a short space of time.



PROGRESS

The area in which we live is growing so fast that much has to be done to progress and keep pace with this growth, no matter if it is in sport or industry. A ride round the district will surely convince the most sceptical that this part of NZ is showing as much progress as anywhere else. Above: In sport, the Clifton Bowling Club at Waitara, realising the growth in the popularity of the sport, has laid a second green for the members of their expanding club...progressive thinking on the part of the committee. Below: The new Taranaki Producers Freezing Works store in Breakwater Road is a building that will serve this community and port for many years to come, and again it shows that the board is thinking in the right direction...forward.



Above, left: THORNE-CLARRY. Judith Ann, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A.D.Clarry, Oaonui, to Robert Edward, younger son of Mr and Mrs A.K. Thorne, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

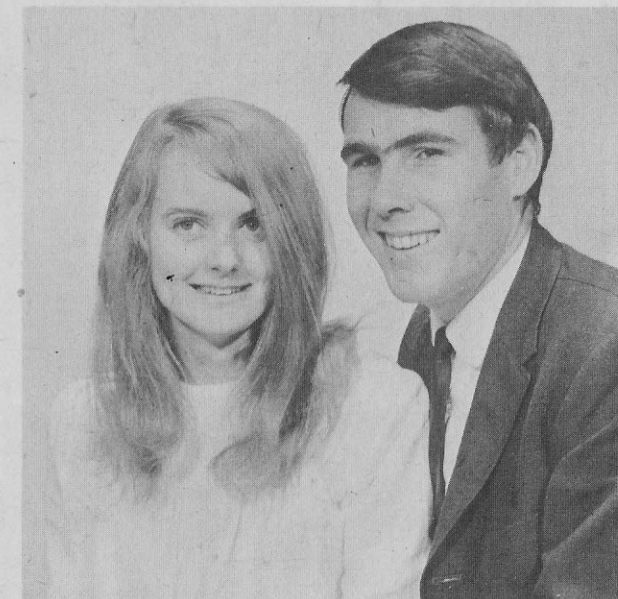
Left: WINMILL-HINZ. Janice Pauline, second daughter of Mr and Mrs P.L.Hinz, NP, to Murray Ian, second son of Mr and Mrs F.Winmill, New Plymouth (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below, left: ROSSER-TAYLOR. Shona Beverley, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E.Taylor, NP, to David James, elder son of Mr and Mrs C.K.Rosser, New Plymouth. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above: SINCLAIR-ELLIS. Colleen Patricia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A.W.Ellis, NP, to Murray Owen, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.R.Sinclair, New Plymouth. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: ROBERTSON-PAUL. Ila Jean, third daughter of Mr and Mrs R.L.Paul, Waitara, to Raymund Scott, fourth son of Mr and Mrs C.M.Robertson, Westport (VOGUE STUDIOS).

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BELL BLOCK W.D.F.F. RALLY

The annual rally of the Bell Block W.D.F.F. was held this year at the Waitara Memorial Hall, so popular has this event become. The hall was crowded for this show, and the interest taken by other branches is amazing. Above, left: The judges confer. (Hope they aren't playing something illegal!) Above, right: The trading table was sold out in no time. Right: The six judges are introduced by the Bell Block president, Dolly Langman. Below: The centre president, Mrs Colson, received a gift from vice-president Win Austin. Below, centre: Second prize in the competition went to Mrs Melva Gray of the Tarururangi branch. Below, right: Third prize to Mrs Madge Peters of the Kent Road division.



Above, left: Mrs Vea Fastier with the winning table of the Bell Block division. Above: Second table of the Tarururangi division. Left: Third place team, Mesdames Anne Herbert, Madge Peters, Mavis Way, Judy Payne and Rubie Jordan of the Kent Road branch. Below, left: The Inglewood table. Below, centre: Broxton's entry. Below: Women came all the way from Pehu to enter the competition with this table.



Clock Tower Controversy

UP or DOWN?

In their wisdom, the New Plymouth City Council has seen fit, following obtaining an expert opinion, to demolish the old post office clock tower, since it has been declared unsafe unless some \$36,000 is spent on renovation and up-grading to earthquake-proof standard. On the other hand, a "Save the clock" action group recently held a meeting and resolved to approach the City Council again with a view to retaining this tower.

We attended this public meeting along with another 44 people, including 3 City Councillors. Most of the arguments followed the theme that the tower is historic and a fine structure. Little was said regarding the \$36,000 which the Council would have to pay for renovation, but a lot was said about asking the Council to find a way of keeping the tower on a less expensive basis by relaxing the local by-laws.

We've had our doubts about the tower as a free standing structure, so have produced this photograph, taken from the Police Station, eliminating the buildings due for demolition, leaving the tower in its present position.



Personally, we think the thing looks hideous, and if this is what people call beautiful and historic, then why build any new buildings at all? Let's keep all the old ones!

Standing as it does surrounded by new and modern buildings like the Courthouse, the Atkinson building, the Commercial Travellers' Club, the County Offices and the Police Station, the tower is completely out of character in this modern portion of our city.

While we don't wholly agree with all the Council resolutions, we do at least accept that as a democratically elected body doing its best for our city as a whole, this stable body of men would surely not recommend demolition of the clock tower if it wasn't in the town's best interests.

So let's be fair with our City Council, the majority of whom have voted for demolition, and **PULL THE THING DOWN!** Before it FALLS down around our heads!



Welcome Home, Christine

There was a crowd of between two and three hundred at the New Plymouth Airport to welcome home our own Miss NZ, Christine Antunovic, on her return from Miami, where she competed in the Miss Universe competition. Above: Part of the crowd to bid her welcome back. Left: Dad Max poses with Christine and her new-found friend the monkey...can't think who he looks like! Below: Mrs Ivy Nuku and her young Maori group were on hand for the welcome.



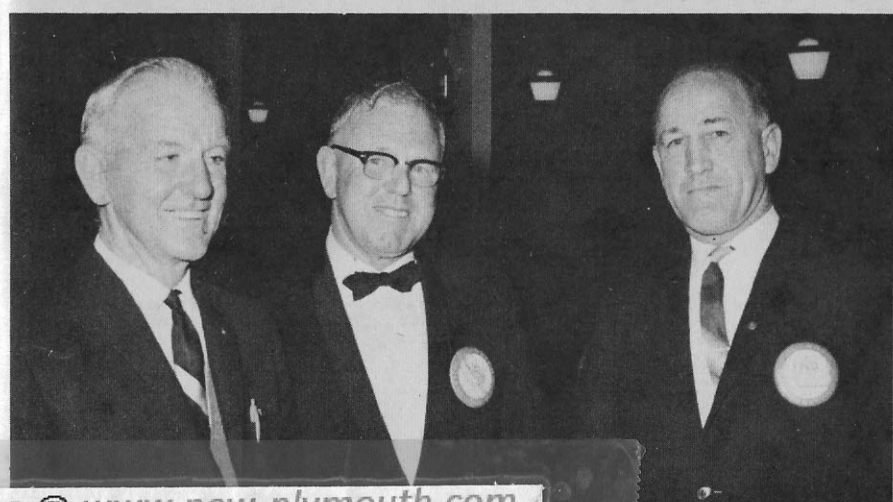
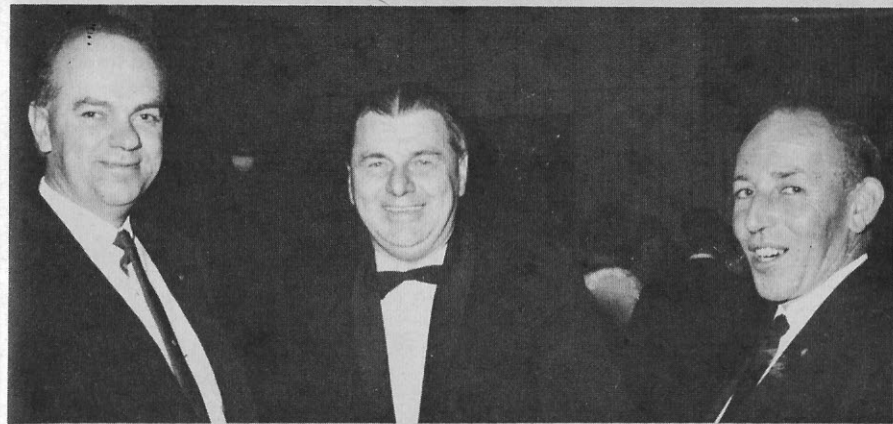
FITZROY ROTARY

The Fitzroy Rotarians and their wives recently attended a function at La Scala to mark the change-over of officers for the 1968-69 Rotary year. Above, left: The outgoing president, Claude Drury, presents his report. Above: Claude Drury wishes his successor, president Lance Lamport, every success for the coming year.



Left: Rotarians Wally Briggs (Sgt at Arms), Bram King and Hugh Meredith at the function. Below, left: Bill Cleland, John Withers and Fred Tucker, vice-president, enjoy the fellowship session after the formal part of the evening. Below: Past District Governor Stuart Hayton addressing the meeting on the importance of changing of officers.

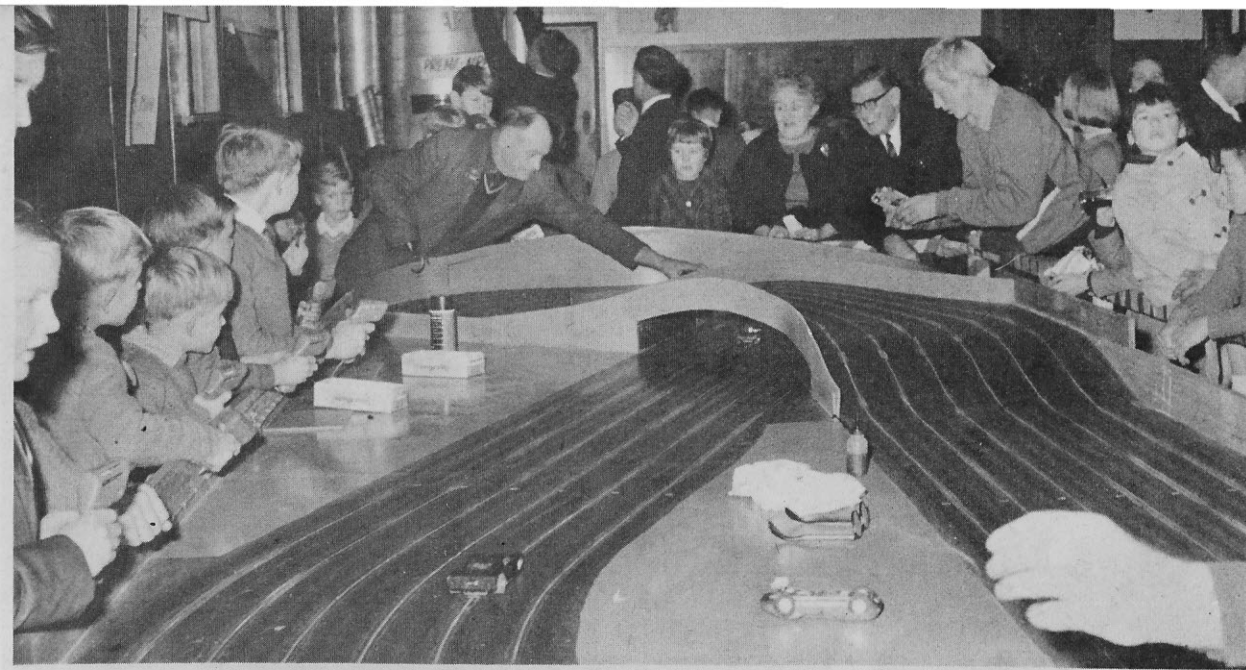
(NORMAN SQUIRE PHOTOGRAPHY)





Married

Above: GIDDY-SALISBURY. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Barbara Dawn, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L.F. Salisbury, NP, to David Warren, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.W. Giddy, NP. The bridesmaids were Robin Rail, NP, and Elaine Salisbury, sister of the bride, NP. Best man was Neville Jordan, NP, and the groomsmen were Colin Giddy, brother of the groom, NP. Future home, NP. (NORMAN SQUIRE PHOTOGRAPHY)
 Below: BUTLER-HOPKINS. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Hawera, Margaret Minnie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.J. Hopkins, Hawera, to Wayne Merlin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G.P. Butler, Inglewood. The bridesmaid was Linda Frost, NP, and the best man was John Waters, NP. Future home, Dunedin.



MANGOREI SCHOOL GALA

The Mangorei school had a novel idea when they ran their school gala recently, indoors, on a Saturday evening. There are a lot of school galas in the summer but this is the first one we've heard of in the winter, and because of this, we feel that the school must have made quite a pretty penny, softy, cent, out of it. The gala was certainly well-patronised. Above: Novelty for the kids was this slot car track, built and worked by the Civilian Amputees, and hired out to organisations of this kind. Below, left: The old bran tub is still a favourite with most children. Below, right: The young fry seemed intent on making their money grow!



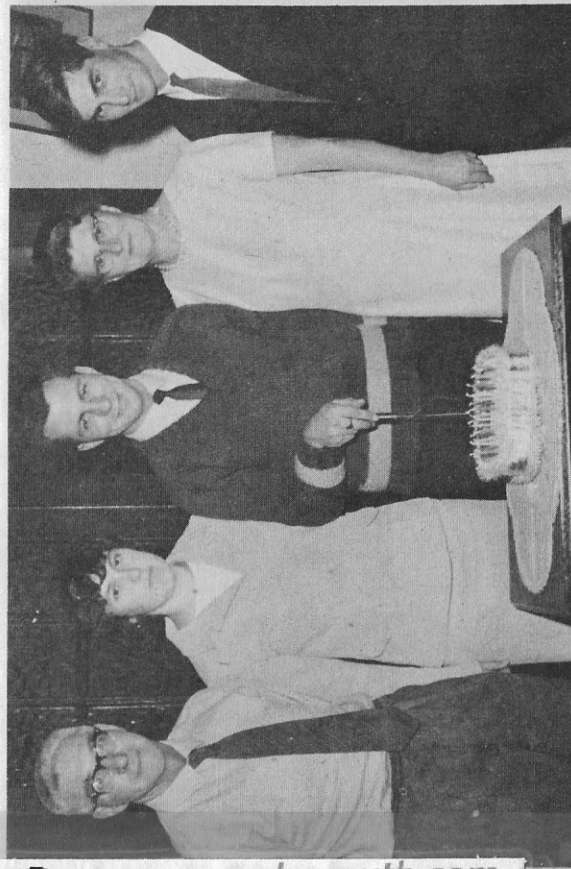


MARAMA KOEA MARRIED

A recent family gathering in New Plymouth was held to celebrate the marriage of well known radio and TV personality Marama Koea. Our picture shows the family group on this very important occasion. From left: Brother G.K.Koea, Mrs G.Koea, senior, Bertram Martin, the bridegroom, Marama, the bride, Mr G.Koea senior and Marama's sister, Mrs H.Sharland. Hearty congratulations, Marama and Bertram Martin. (Henry McGee).

PROGRESS AT ST. JOSEPH'S

Below: There is steady progress on the new Catholic centre fronting the old St. Joseph's church in Devon Street west. Our picture shows the work up to date, with the building beginning to take shape, and, from what we can see, it will be a fine structure and a welcome addition to our many new modern buildings in the city.



Celebrations



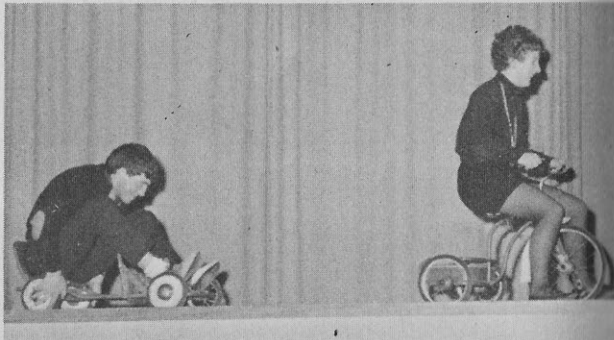
Above, left: The 21st birthday group of Ian, and younger son of Mr and Mrs V. Hall, NP, from left, Dad, fiancée Helen Hotter, Ian, Mum and brother Ron. (VOGUE).
Above, right: Birthday of Mrs C. Beeby, centre, with her son and daughters. From left: Bill, Alice Cleaver, Leila Smith and Edna Phillips. (VOGUE)
Left: Paul, son of Mr and Mrs M. Bracegirdle, with his family at his recent coming of age celebrations. (VOGUE).
Right: Carol, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Nicoll, NP, with her mother and father at her recent 21st birthday celebration. (VOGUE).



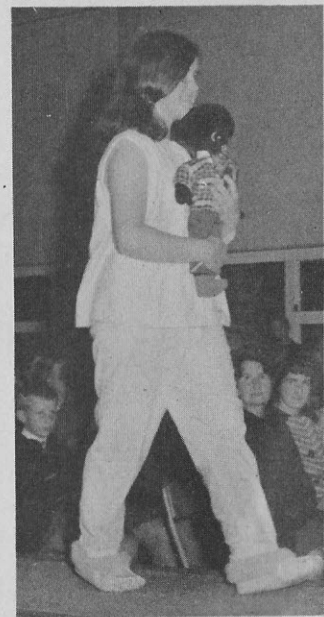


Inglewood Concert

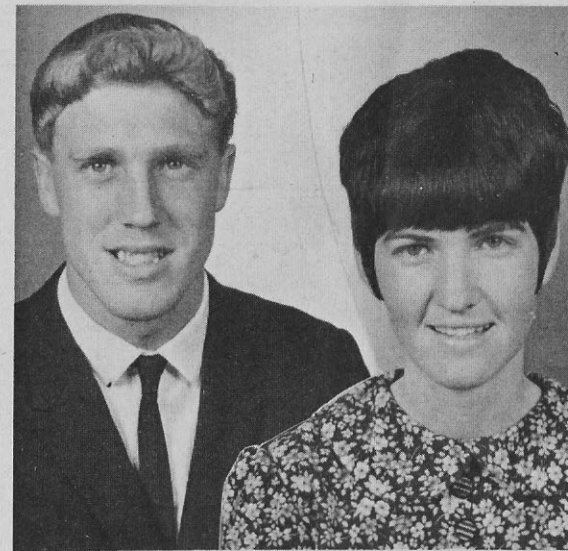
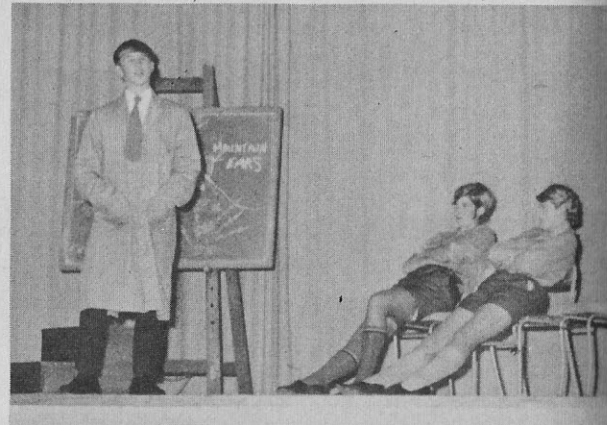
The High School at Inglewood recently ran a very successful concert. The hall was all but full for the two nights that the concert ran, and not only were the patrons treated to some good entertainment by good artists but there was also a large slice of comedy, enjoyed by all. Above: The school choir wound up the very successful programme. Right: Bennie Wickham and Betty Ewing race across the stage on their steeds. Below: Comedy spot of the show was the ballet put on by the teachers. Just look at those pretty ballet shoes!



Another part of the programme at the recent concert at the Inglewood High School was a mannequin parade by the girls of the sewing class. Left: Josie Price. Below, left: Helen Mercer was dressed for a party. Right: Senior boys in a singing item, approved by all. Below, right: A scene from one of the two plays put on. Bottom, left: Gym display had a touch of comedy, enough to keep everyone interested. Bottom, right: Fay Mumby paraded in her ready-for-bed wear.



Left: Rowena Bertrand was one of the mannequins at the Inglewood High School show. Right: Irene George looked professional. Far right: Phyllis Gorton was in a hurry. Below, left: Cow-girl dress worn by Gina Rata. Below, centre: Beverley Smith looked very smart. Below, right: Skit on the teachers of the school was well received, even by the teaching staff. Bottom, left: Those teachers certainly let their hair down in their ballet item. Bottom, right: Two gravediggers were John Shepherd and Lex Butler.



Engaged

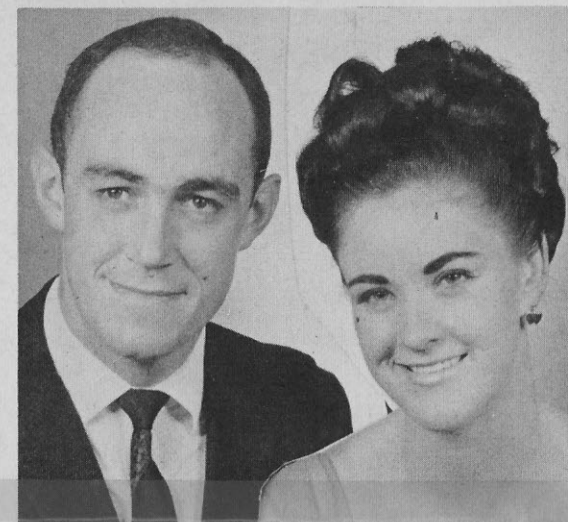
Above, left: OSMAN-MURPHY. Patricia, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C.Murphy, Manaia, to Roy, younger son of Mr and Mrs G.W.Osman, Opunake. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

Left: BUBLITZ-HIESTAND. Julia, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A.Hiestand, Awatuna, to Neville, elder son of Mr and Mrs L.Bublitz, Kapuni. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

Below, left: HARROP-GOLDFINCH. Shona, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C.G.Goldfinch, Hawera, to Edward, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs J. Harrop, Kaponga. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

Above: WALKER-CHAMBERLAIN. Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs L.Chamberlain, Kapuni, to Rodney, younger son of Mr and Mrs L.A.Walker, Otakeho. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

Below: RUSS-HARTLEY. Valerie Grace, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J.Hartley, Mahoe, to Neil Douglas, second son of Mr and Mrs L.Russ, Stratford.





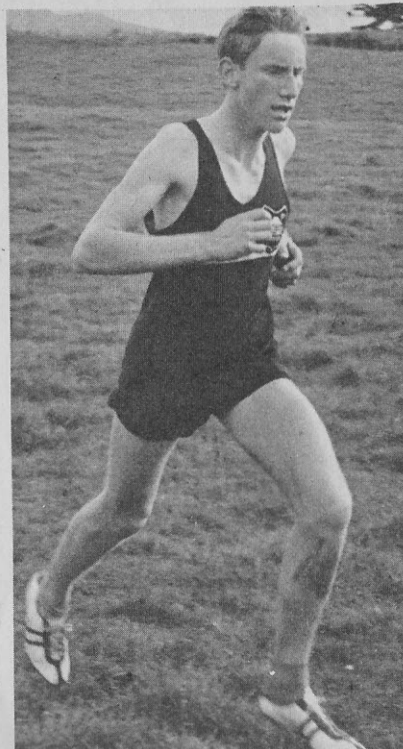
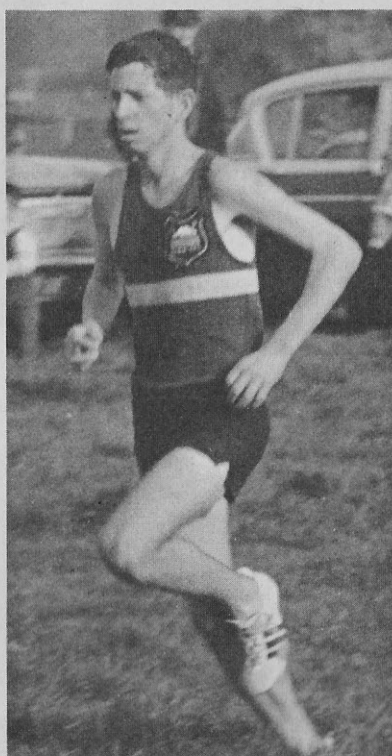
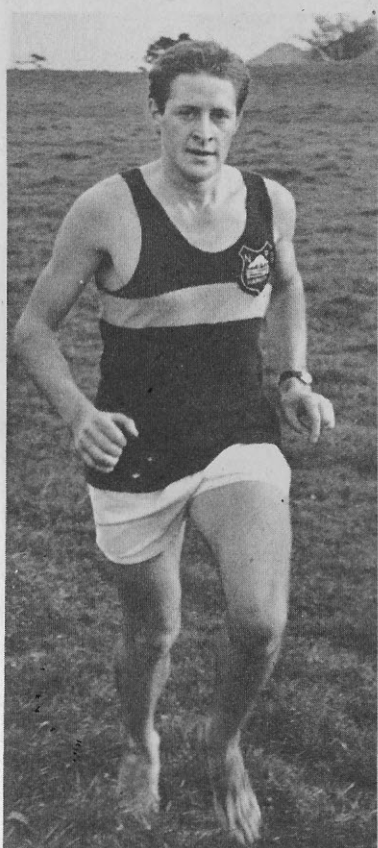
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N.P. HARRIERS' 40th JUBILEE

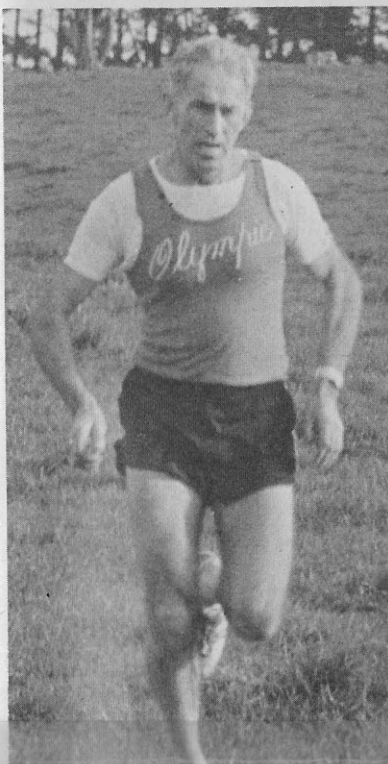
There was a good muster of members and past members for the 40th jubilee celebrations of the NP Harrier Club. The weekend started with club races over the Hurworth course, attended by a good muster of ex-harriers, right, who seemed to have plenty to talk about.

Above: Start of the senior race with a field of about twenty-five runners taking part. It should be mentioned here that a member of some 34 years ago also ran at least two laps of the course. He was Lionel Fox, who came all the way from Christchurch to attend the celebrations.





Above, left: Winner of the junior harriers race, held to commemorate the club's 40th jubilee was Gary Miller. Above, centre: Winner of the senior event was John Byrne, who has shown much improved form and has been a consistently good harrier over the past few years. Above, right: Second in the junior event was John Kurth. Below, left: Lionel Fox, all the way from Christchurch to attend the jubilee, went a couple of laps with the seniors.



ROSE PRUNERS

Below: Peter Shaw does a bit of tidying up after the annual rose pruning demonstration at Hempton Gardens. Below, right: Colin Hedley and Mrs M. Heslop were two very interested rose growers who learned a lot at the demonstration.

