

## New S.P.C.A. Ambulance

After many years of campaigning and saving, the SPCA has at last got its new animal ambulance. The vehicle is so fitted out that injured or sick animals can be treated on the spot, or transported back to SPCA headquarters. Nothing has been left out in this unit. There's even a bird cage installed should the need arise. For those whose job it is to care for sick or injured animals, this ambulance will prove worth its weight in gold.

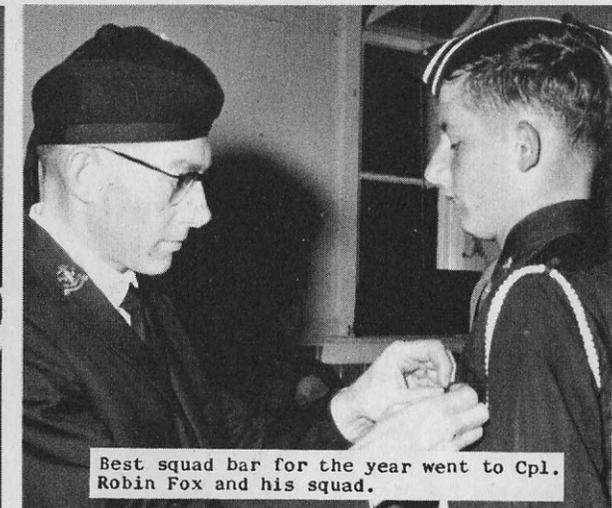
**Above, left:** This is the interior of this well-fitted-out ambulance, completely stocked with all the latest devices for the treatment of animals.

**Above, right:** President of the SPCA, Mr E.H. Marfurt, shows three young members of the Oakura group who have contributed over £200 by their efforts in that district this very fine ambulance. The girls are, from left, Patty Green, Desrie Jury and Margaret Sullivan.

**Below:** Mr Marfurt speaks to a small but enthusiastic audience at the official handing over of the vehicle.



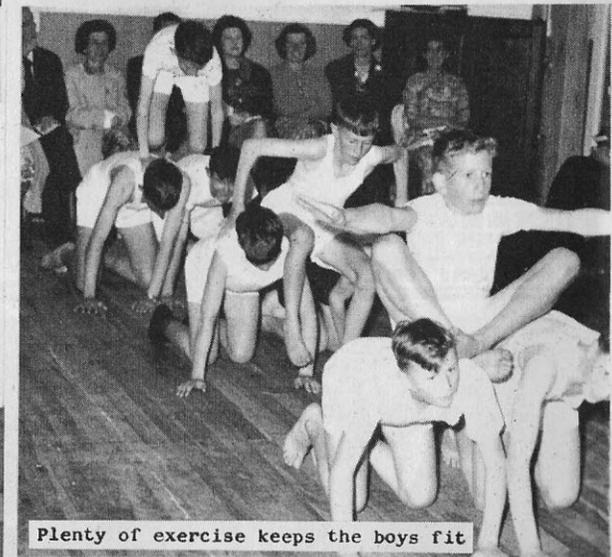
Mr R. Kirkland, president of the Taranaki officers' group presents the 3-year badge to Colin Thompson.



Best squad bar for the year went to Cpl. Robin Fox and his squad.

## Boys' Brigade Complete First Year

The 6th NP company of the Boys' Brigade of the Fitzroy Methodist Church has just completed its first full year as a company. Being a new company, they have shown exceptional enthusiasm, and have become a credit to the movement in the province. Pictures on this page were taken at their first parents' evening.



Plenty of exercise keeps the boys fit



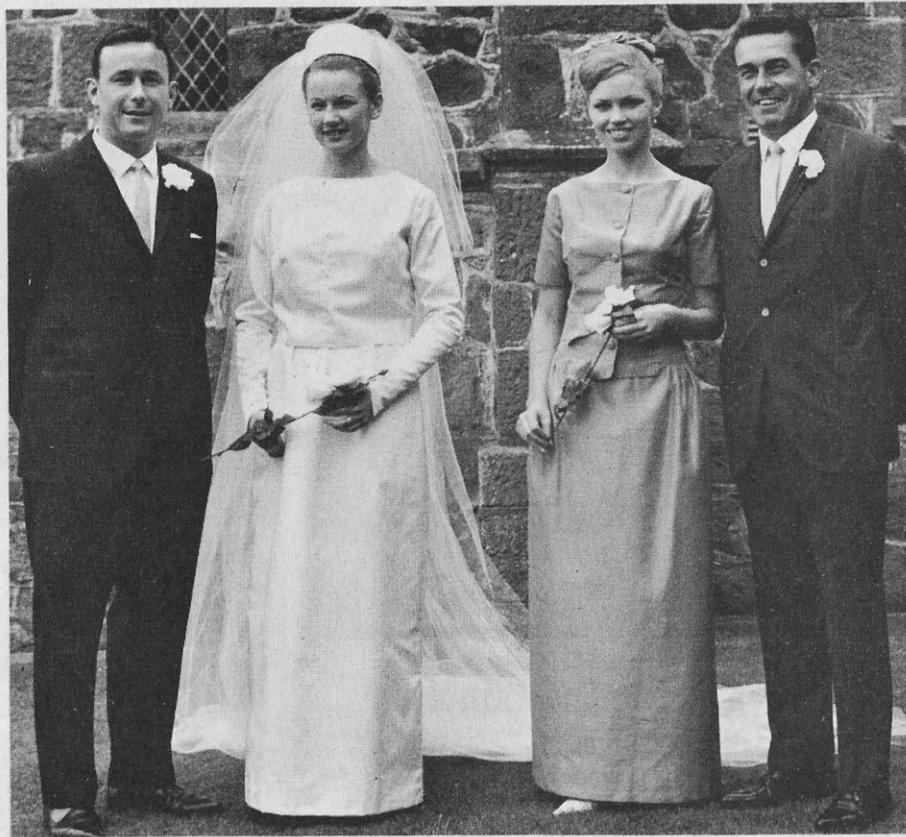
Best squad of the year, from left: Robin Fo, Michael Adlam, Wayne Bromley, Kevin Kibby and Michael Brinsley.

# Married

**Right: HOFFMANN-BEDFORD.** At St. Mary's, NP, Elizabeth Anne, youngest daughter of Mrs E. Bedford, Papakura, and the late Mr R. Bedford, to Peter John, only son of Mr and Mrs H.H. Hoffmann, NP. Joanne Saunders, Mt. Albert, was the bridesmaid, and Rex George, Auckland was the best man. Future home, Auckland.

**Below: PIERCE-MORRISON.** At St. Philomena's Catholic Church, NP, Kathleen, the second daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Morrison, NP, to Colin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E.R. Pierce, NP. The attendants were Lorraine Turnbull, Marie Pierce, sister of the groom, NP, Trevor Pierce, brother of the groom, NP, and Graham Corbett, Okato. Future home, Egmont Village.

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## Roving Camera

### HAT PARADE

**Above:** At the recent Catholic Women's League Christmas party, there was a novelty hat competition. Some very queer creations were on view, as you can see from the above photograph.

**Right:** Winner of the competition was Shirley Kelly, here being presented with her prize by Mrs G. Connell.



### TELEVISION SET WINNER

**Below:** Faull's store, Tikorangi, was the scene of much activity recently when it was discovered that one of the customers had won a television set in the 4-Square Happy Families competition. Mr and Mrs Bruce Hayman, left, were the lucky couple, with store owner Wilf Faull, centre, and Taranaki director of 4-Square, Mr Colin Williams at right making the presentation.





## Stratford Schools' Drama Festival

Some particularly good acting was witnessed at the recent Stratford and district schools' drama festival. Five plays were presented to a capacity audience at the Stratford Primary School, and enjoyed by all who saw them. Though sorely restricted for space, particularly back stage, the producers worked wonders with their plays and provided first-class entertainment. **Above:** Cast of the play by the Stratford Primary School were Michael Costello, Elizabeth Rawlinson, Deborah Stevens, Douglas Robinson, Ian Petty, Brian Davis and Roderick Bird. **Below:** The Pembroke Road School provided plenty of action in the play "Pocahontas".



**Above:** Players in the production of "The Sleeping Princess" played by pupils of the Avon School were Philip Wharton, Chantel Playle, Wendy Swindlehurst, Eileen Kemsley, Bruce Tocker, Karen Lawrence and Averill Crawford.

**Left:** Jackie Brown sat in the wings as a prompt and was not called on once, so well had the children learned their lines.

**Below, left:** Lea Barker was the prompt for the Stratford Primary School's Production.

**Below:** One of the many bands of the Stratford Primary school performed well.





**STRATFORD FESTIVAL (continued)**

**Above:** The pupils of the Mahoe School provided a play which was both well-done and full of action. The players were Rhonda Wallace, Phillip Holmes, Keith Benefield, Keith Withers and Alan Pryce.

**Below:** The Stratford School music group contained an endless variety of instruments and voices, and they delighted the audience with popular numbers, enjoyed by both performers and listeners.



**Wedding Bells**

**Above: McCULLOCH-ASTON.** At St. Luke's Methodist Church, Westown, Marion, younger daughter of the late Mr and Mrs H. Aston, Hamilton, to Thomas Francis, younger son of Mr T. McCulloch, NP, and the late Mrs E. McCulloch. The bridesmaids were Elizabeth Russell, Wanganui, and Barbara Allen, NP. The best man was Donald Harris, NP, and the groomsmen were Kevin Fowles, NP. Future home, NP. (VOGUE).

**Below: MEULI-LILE.** At St. Mary's Church, NP, Gail Margaret, third daughter of Mr and Mrs A.B. Lile, Huirangi, to David, youngest son of Mrs C. Meuli, NP. Matron of honour was Kay Clegg, NP, and the bridesmaid was Pat Lile, sister of the bride, NP. Trevor Clegg, NP, was the best man, and Allan Morris, NP, was the groomsmen. The flower-girl was Kim Scouller, NP. Future home, NP.





Mrs L. Pepperell, Fitzroy CWI, gets her court ready for the judge



Judge Mrs A. Gable at work on the courts

### C.W.I. International Day

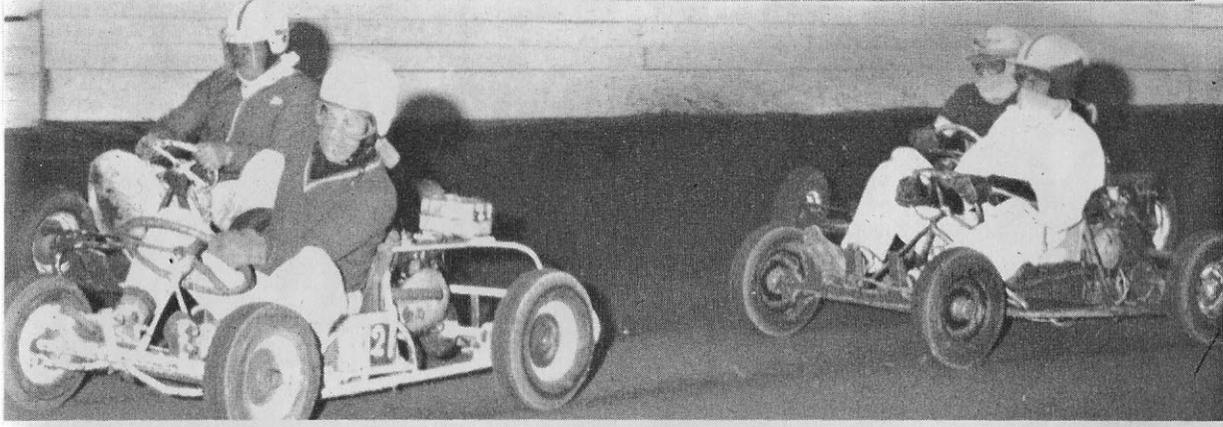
Members from all local branches competed in the annual International Day at the CWI rooms in New Plymouth. Each group constructed a court on a country of their choice, introducing articles from that country. Some very fine exhibits were on view, and the judge must have had a worrying time picking the winners.



Mrs J. Blackburn, Vogeltown CWI, on her set of Mexico

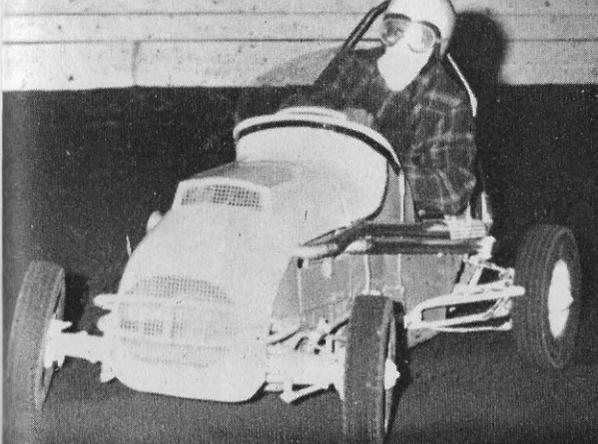


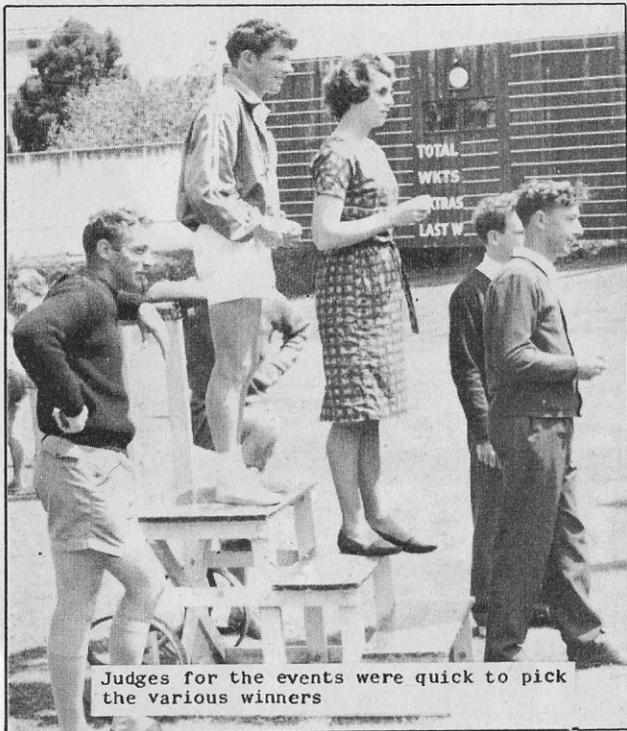
The Mexican scene as presented to the judge



### Speedway Will Be Good This Season

The first night of Speedway at the recent A & P show augers well for the remainder of the season. A new innovation is the introduction of Go-Karts instead of cycle racing for the first hour of the meeting. These little fliers are going to burn up a lot of track and will be a big thrill as they gain track experience. Then with their bigger brothers, the TQ's, more in number this year, some very good racing will be seen. With the large midgets rounding off the fields, many nights of excitement are in store for the speedway fan this year. On this page are pictures taken at the first meeting.





Judges for the events were quick to pick the various winners



Drastic effort at the finish of a sack race



Study in expressions as contestants fight for the lead to the tape



Here's another close finish, with every ounce of effort called for



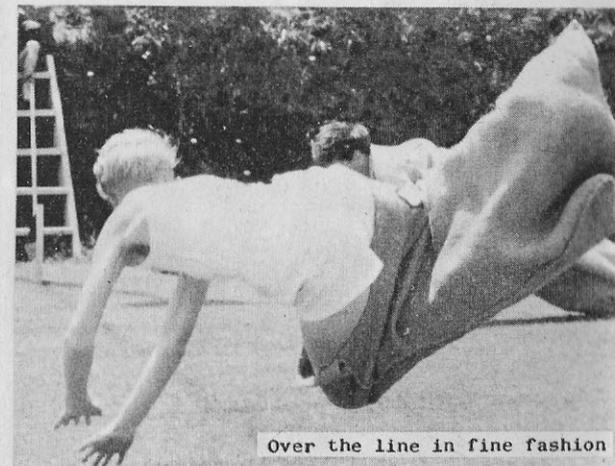
Francine Dove (Devon), a competitor in the girls' high jump event.



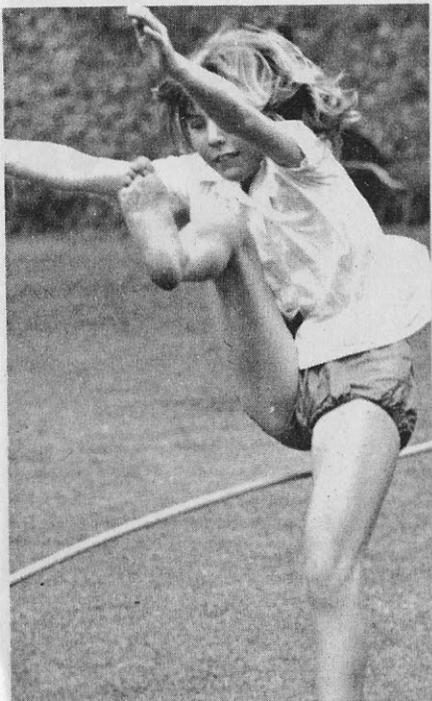
There was plenty of support from the terraces



The only casualty of the day at the Intermediate School's sports was a fall in the final of the girls' 75 yard event, above, and she received immediate attention on the spot by the teachers at the finishing line, below.



Over the line in fine fashion



**YOUTHFUL ATHLETES**

**Above:** Jill Campbell (Highlands) clears the bar with inches to spare in the high jump event at the recent Intermediate School's sports.

**Above, centre:** One down and one to go in a sack race final.

**Above, right:** These two boys found interest in a stray kitten rather than in the sports.

**Right:** Close finishes were the order of the day.

**Below, right:** Teachers' relay race caused the biggest roar of the day from the terraces.

**Engaged**

**Below: COURT-BOURKE.** Marilyn, third daughter of Mr and Mrs A.F.Bourke, Hawera, to Robin, only son of Mrs G.M.Court, NP, and the late Mr Court. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).



**Wedding Bells**

**Above: BEVAN-DRAVITZKI.** At St.Joseph's Catholic Church, NP, Jill Mary, second daughter of Mr and Mrs D.Dravitzki, NP, to Michael John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E.Bevan, Opunake. The bridesmaids were Marie Bevan, sister of the groom, Opunake, and Margaret Mace, NP. Keith Dravitzki, brother of the bride, was the best man, and Bob McGuire, NP, was the groomsman. Wendy Dravitzki, sister of the bride was the flower-girl. Future home, NP.

**Below: MCEWEN-WILLIAMSON.** At St.Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Pamela June, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.Williamson, NP, to Neale Douglas, elder son of Mrs B.Wilson, NP, and the late Mr S.McEwen. The bridesmaids were Diane Manning, Waitara, Irene Brookes, NP, and Anne McEwen, NP. The best man was Robert Peal, NP, and the groomsman was Gary Vinsen, NP. Future home, NP.





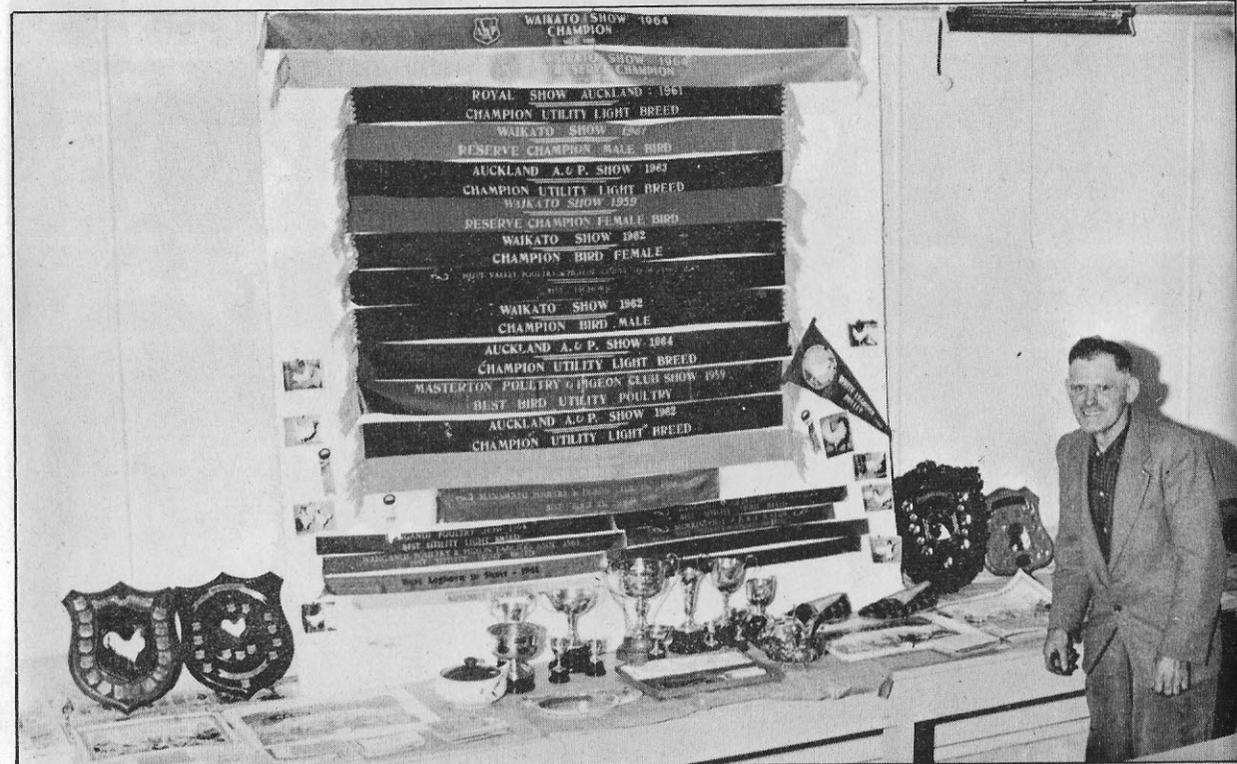
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**RARE CACTUS  
WITH OVER 150  
FLOWERS**

**Left:** This rare cactus plant, grown by Harry Whittaker, NP, has over 150 blooms of a very delicate pink shade. Last year it sported a dozen or so flowers, but this year has excelled itself to be one of the most beautiful plants that we have ever seen. Here, Harry tends his plant with loving care.

## SUCCESSFUL POULTRY BREEDER

**Below:** Here's a man who can claim more success in the poultry breeding and showing world than any other in New Zealand. He is Tom Torrey, Waitara, shown here with only some of his trophies. In all, he has won over 21 trophies outright, 16 challenge trophies, 6 NZ Championships and 14 North Island championships. Plus the huge total of over 400 tickets. This must be the best record of any in the poultry world.



## Waitara's New Baths Opened

Waitara's new £40,000 baths were officially opened recently, on one of the finest days this province has had for a long time. Valued at over £40,000, of which over £12,000 was voluntary labour (a fine record for the town) these baths will be one of the major assets to the town, and will get more use than any other amenity. **Above:** Mayor Roy Yardley speaks at the opening ceremony, while the small fry wait to get into the cool water. **Left:** The diving tower was a popular spot on opening day. **Below:** Viewed from the heights above the town, the baths appeared to be well laid out and in a very good location.





**Wedding Bells**

**Above: BAKER-SMITH.** At St.Mary's Church, NP, Diane Marion, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L.A. Smith, NP, to John Charles, only son of Mr and Mrs C.H.Baker, Rotorua. Matron of honour was Carol Chapman, Toko, and the bridesmaids were Maureen Smith and Judy Robinson, both NP. Robin Blackmore, NP, was the best man. Future home, Rotorua.

**ENGAGED**  
**Below, left: CLARK-TOOKE.** Beryl May, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs M.B.Tooke, Whakatane, to Raymond James, only son of Mr and Mrs K.A.Clark, Huirangi.  
**Below, right: MCFADYEN-MCCULLOCK.** Margaret Helen, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs W.T.McCulloch, Taumarunui, to Douglas Gordon, elder son of Mr and Mrs F.J.McFadyen, Kaitieke.



**Woodleigh C.W.I. Break-Up**

The break-up and Xmas party of the Woodleigh CWI was a pleasant one, enjoyed by many guests from other branches and from Bingham House. The members gave presents to all those attending. **Above:** Helping Marie Julian to cut the cake were angels Alla Patchett and Dorothy Rogers. **Below:** A present for Mrs Ivy Smith, the founder of the branch. Mrs Rene Bendall is shown at rear. **Above, right:** Visiting magician Fred Grundy from an empty box produced an endless supply of gifts. **Right:** One of these gifts went to an old friend of the Institute. **Below, right:** Angel Ella Patchett hands out a gift to Wayne Boyd.





### Engaged

**Above, left: GORDON-MEREDITH.** Lois Amy, youngest daughter of Mrs G.C.Meredith, NP, and the late Mr A.H.Meredith, to Howard Ellis, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J.F.Gordon, Inglewood.

**Left: LIMBERT-BICHENO.** Susan Ellen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C.H.Bicheno, Pukearuhe, to Russell Webster, eldest son of Mr and Mrs F. Limbert, Hamilton. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Below, left: HARDING-RIDDICK.** Alison, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E.Riddick, Kaponga, to Geoff, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.P.Harding, Kaponga. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

**Above: HUTCHINGS-INGRAM.** Maureen Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W.R.Ingram, Opunake, to Philip Newman, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.F. Hutchings, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Below: ARMS-SPENCER.** Lynette Barbara, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.L.Spencer, NP, to Murray Albert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs H.A.J. Arms, Waitara. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

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### Mothers' Union Xmas Party

Members of the Mothers Union at the Whiteley Church recently held their end-of-season party which had the flavour of Christmas about it. **Above:** Secretary Mrs M.Cook and president Mrs B. Cranson applaud the efforts of the oldest member, Mrs B.McCorrie, who is 95. **Above, right:** Santa, Mrs Pat Smith, and Helen McQuade smile for our cameraman. **Below:** Officials at the function, from left: Mesdames G.Peche, treasurer, M.Cook, secretary, B.Cranson, president and the Mayoress, Mrs A.G.Honnor.



SILVER WEDDING

**Right:** Mr and Mrs George Sutherland, Gill St., NP, who recently enjoyed a surprise party on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary. They are shown here cutting their cake.



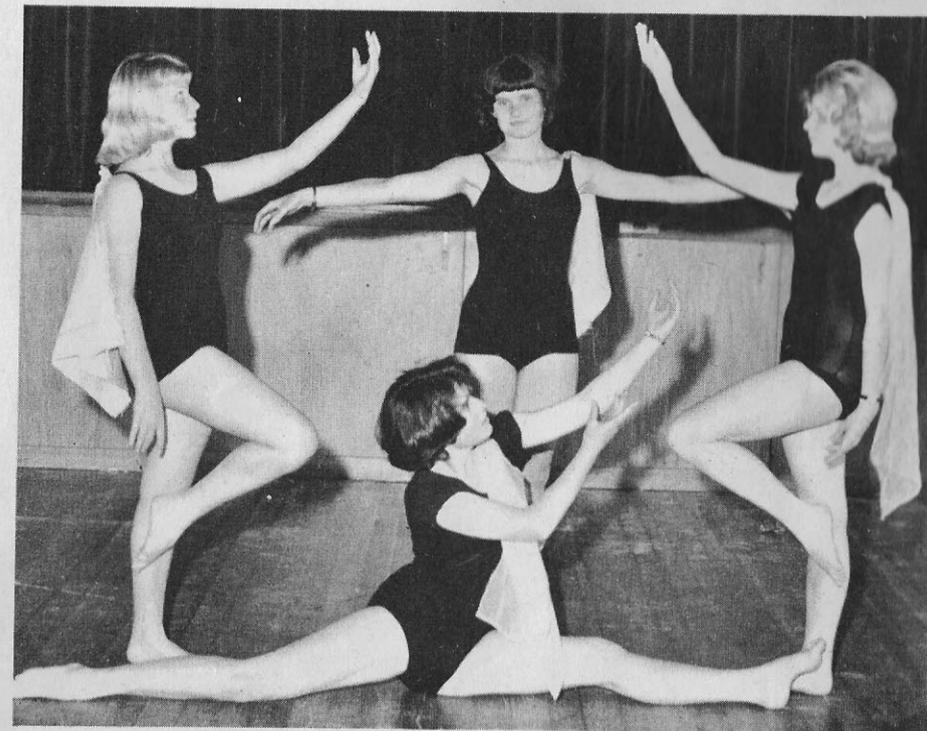


## Spotswood College Festival

Above: The Spotswood College massed choir and orchestra which performed at the recent Music Festival which included new features, modern dancing, ballet and a Christmas pageant.

Left: Members of one of the modern dance groups, from left: Sharon Clark, Vicki Erueti, Pene Boyce, Susan Flett, Janice Hunter, Maureen George and Lyn Kaye.

Right: These are the girls of the Fourth Form ballet group. From left: Heather Eley, Pat Boswell, Bonnie Moss and Sharon Williams.



# SOCIAL FUNCTIONS



**Above, left:** Four generations are shown in this photograph. From left, at back: mother, Mrs Steer and grandmother Mrs Woodhead. Front: Mark Steer and great-grandmother, Mrs E. Schicker.

**Above:** Bernard Shepherd, who recently celebrated his 21st birthday, photographed with his sisters, Gwenda and Moya. Bernard is at Canterbury University.

**Below, left:** 21st birthday celebrations for Peter Tulloch, shown here with his parents and sister Pamela.

(VOGUE STUDIOS).

**Below, centre:** Trevor Neilson, a member of the St. Joseph's Scout troop who is to attend the Scout jamboree in Australia in the New Year.

**Below, right:** John Hamilton, Huirangi, the Taranaki and Brixton Intermediate archery champion, with some of the trophies won during the past season.





ROOF OF TARANAKI

Here's a close-up not very often seen. It is the summit of Egmont, taken from an aeroplane. We publish this as a reminder that winter is always with us 8,000-odd feet up. Taking a second look, it might make a good place for the city water reservoir!