



Coming of Age

Above: Mr. James Barry Pepperell, who recently held his twenty-first birthday party at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.J.R. Pepperell, 15 Queen's Road, Fitzroy.

Below: An impromptu skiffle group at Barry's twenty-first, featured Barry on accordion.



Above: Close on 200 guests attended Mangorei Hall recently to join in the twenty-first birthday celebrations of Miss Nina Atkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Atkinson, Inglewood.

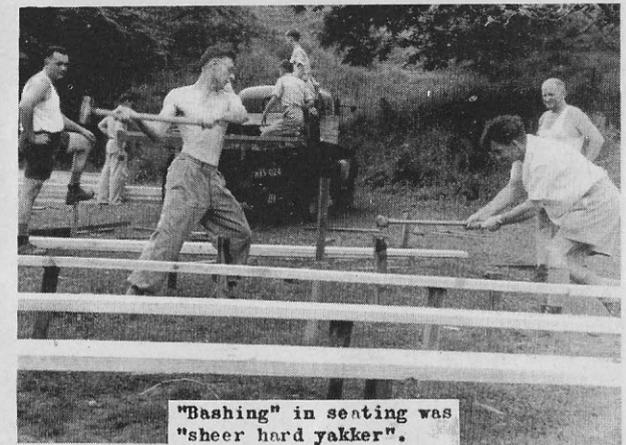
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Preparing for the Festival

With less than a week to go before the opening of the "Festival of the Pines" all haste is being put to the last minute preparations. Hopes are high for a successful festival - one to justify the tremendous amount of voluntary work which has gone into the preparation of the site. While it was but one phase of the work, raising the festival arch was no mean task. Nor was the preparation of the seating.



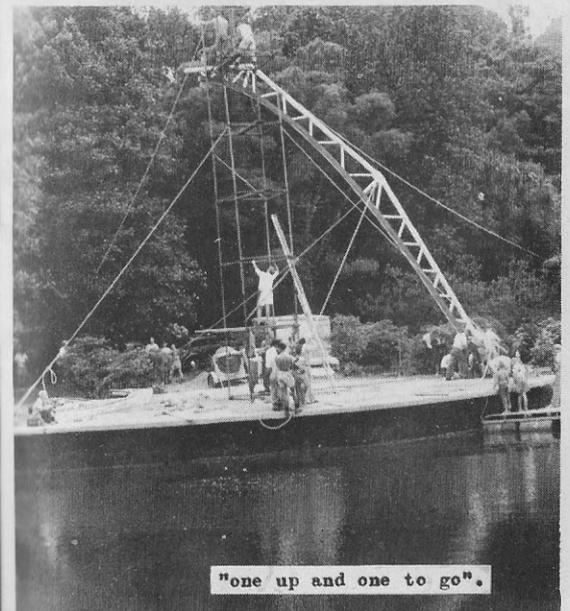
Raising scaffolding was first task.



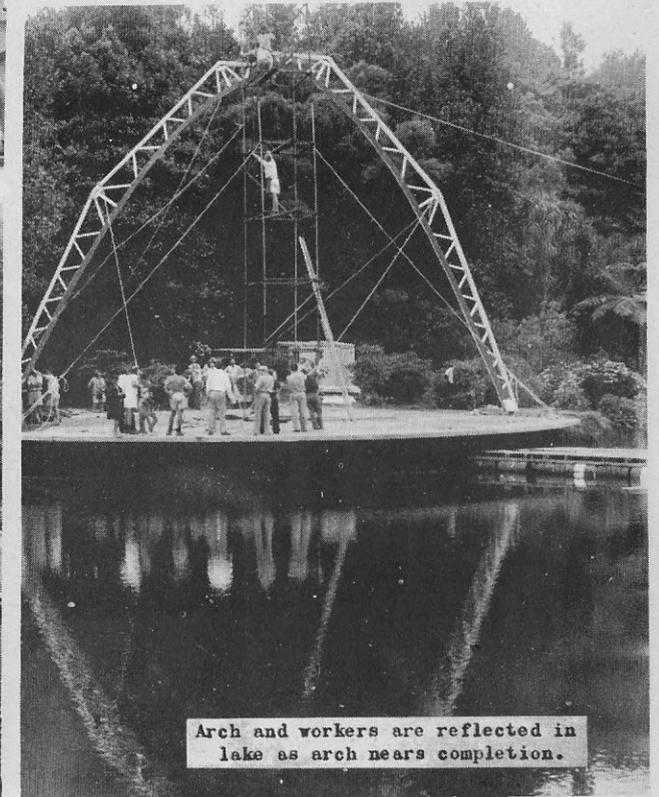
"Bashing" in seating was "sheer hard yakker".



Arch was a heavy lift.



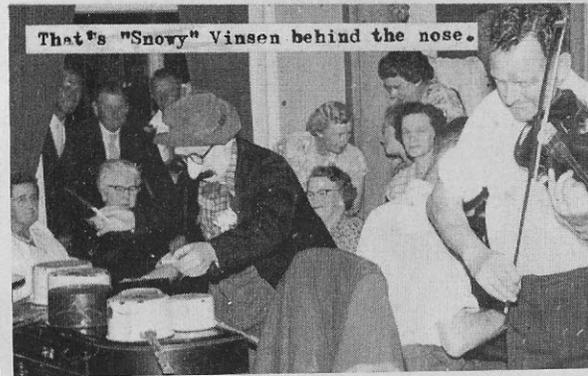
"one up and one to go".



Arch and workers are reflected in lake as arch nears completion.



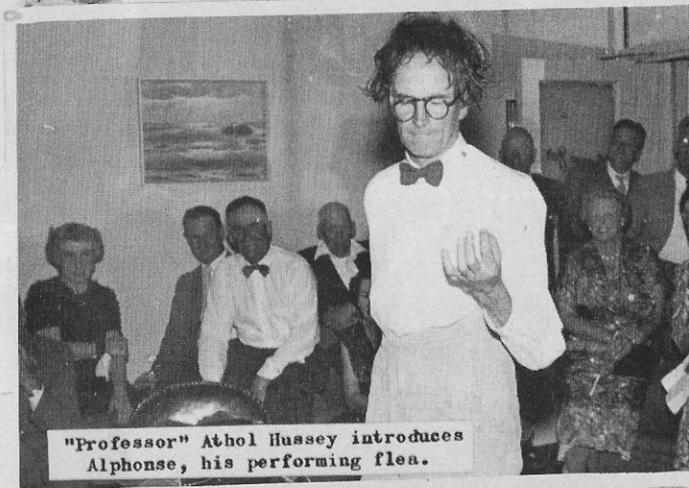
Lower Hutt's Jimmy Duncan balances on the end of an enormous cigar.



That's "Snowy" Vinsen behind the nose.

Fun in the Lounge

For some years during the Taranaki Open Four Tournament, it has been the custom with bowlers domiciled at the White Hart Hotel, to arrange an evening's entertainment in the hotel lounge. The evening was an hilarious one for all concerned.



"Professor" Athol Hussey introduces Alphonse, his performing flea.



Mesdames Forster, Casey and Russell with their "all shock up" TV show.



Delegates on stage.



"Whose little girl are you?"



Compere Cran Gilmour.



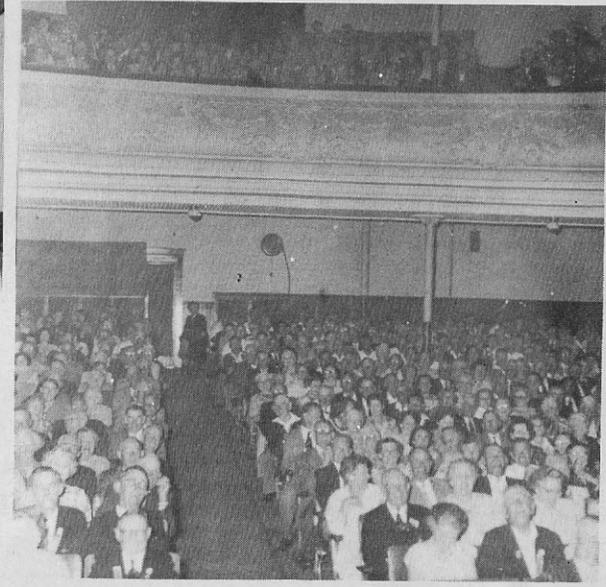
Al Jolson and friend.



BOWLERS' CONCERT

A packed Opera House (right) enjoyed every minute of the concert arranged of local and visiting artists to entertain the visiting bowlers.

The fact that Marilyn Monroe (left) was really Jim Hannan, worried none. It was almost as good as the real thing.



All performers on stage at the end of the show.



Guests really enjoyed the fun.

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Marching Girls on Parade

Junior and Midget marching girls from all parts of the North Island made a spectacular display on New Plymouth's Pukekura Park recently, to the delight of the large crowd assembled to watch the marching championships.



Spic and Span Midgets, Midhirst.



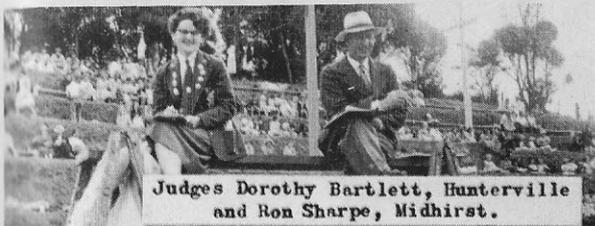
Sunbeam midgets, Hawera.



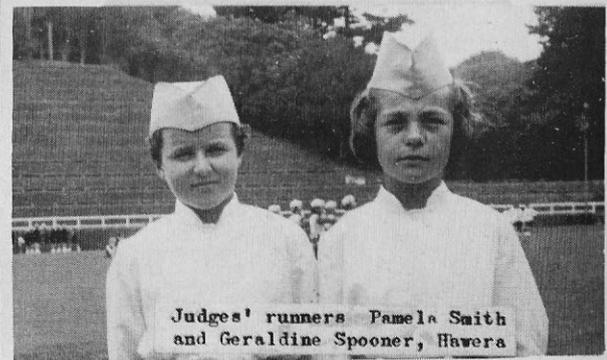
Masketeers juniors, New Plymouth.



Majorettes juniors, New Plymouth.



Judges Dorothy Bartlett, Hunterville and Ron Sharpe, Midhirst.



Judges' runners Pamela Smith and Geraldine Spooner, Hawera



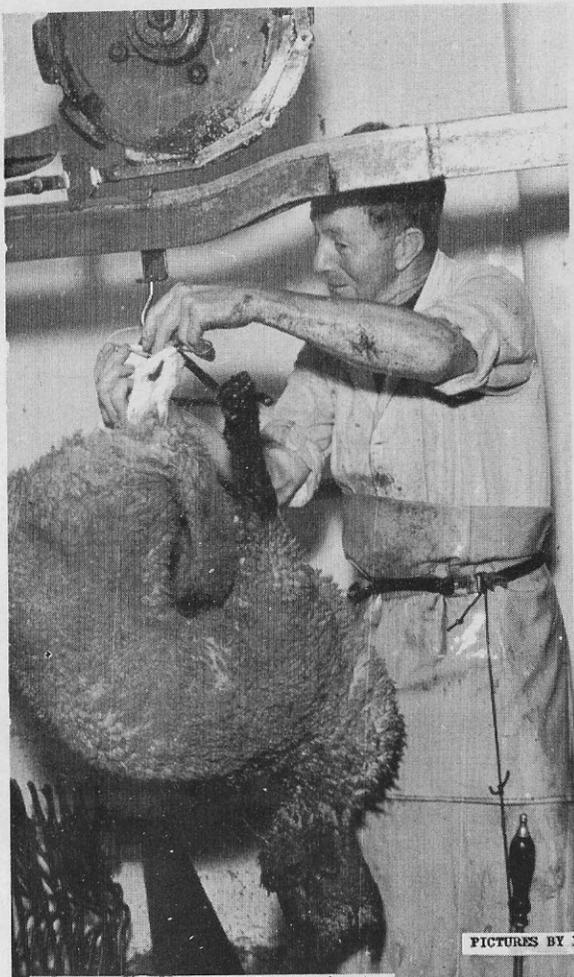
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Above left: Mr. Leonard Jarret, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Jarret, whose 21st birthday was celebrated at his home, 43 Whiteley St.

Above right: Miss Marie Wisneski, Frankley Road, who celebrated her 21st at Kawaroa Bungalow.

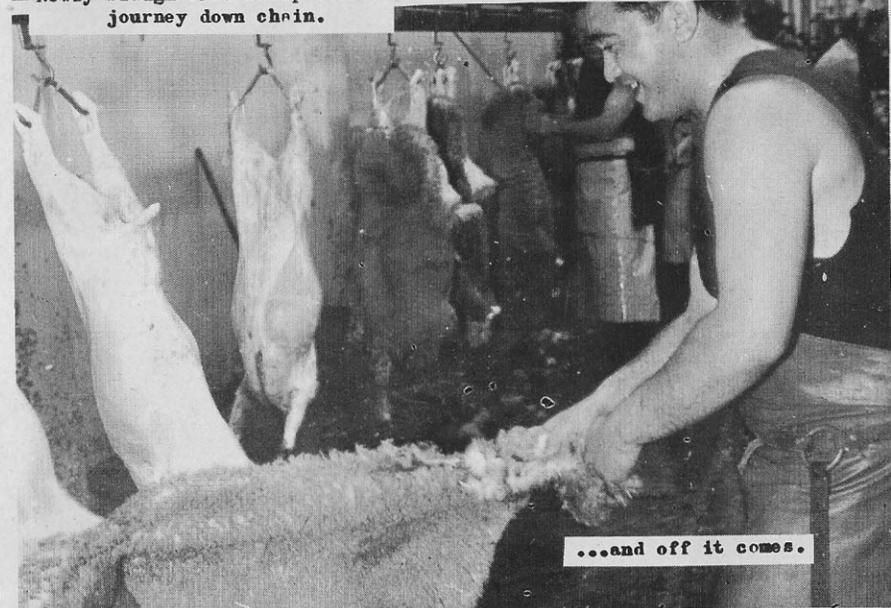
Left: Miss Rattenbury, pictured with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Rattenbury, Uremi, who recently celebrated her majority.



Newly slaughtered sheep starts journey down chain.



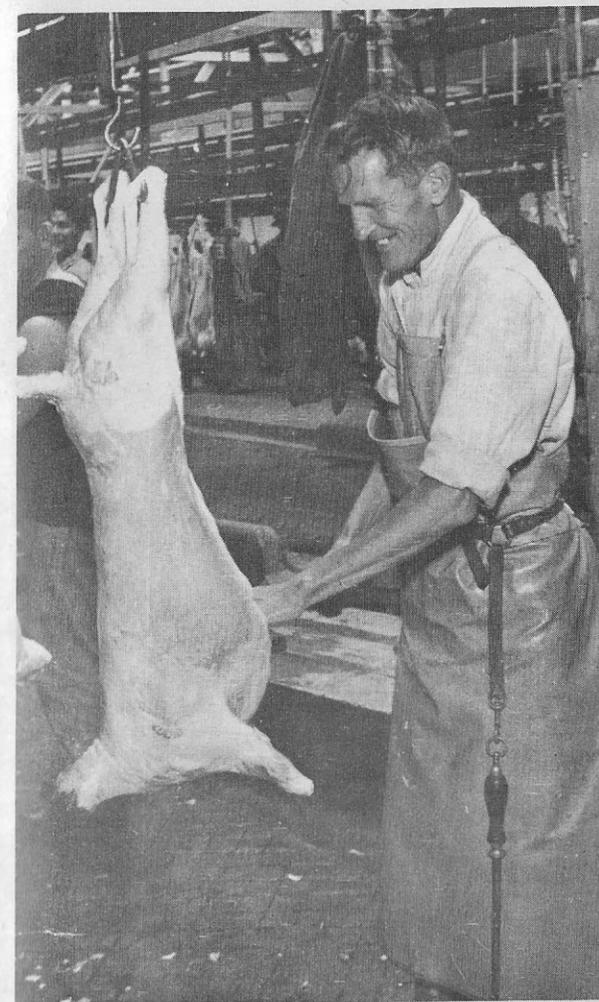
Preliminary cuts to the fleece.....



...and off it comes.

Sheep Killing Competition

When Thos. Borthwick & Son held a field day at their Waitara freezing works, all hands were at the ready to make the best of the competition sheep killing task in front of them.

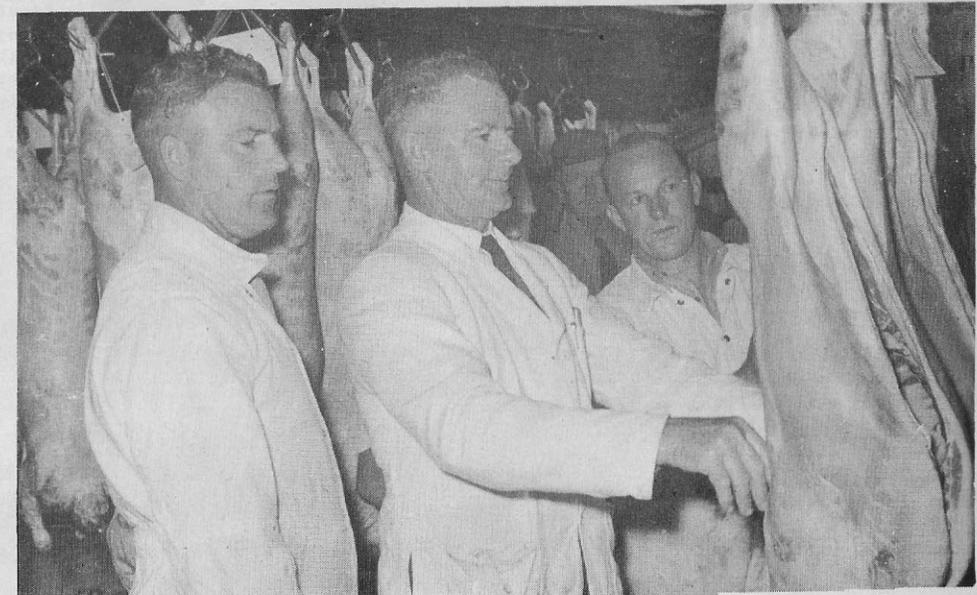


Above left: Carcase gets final dressing

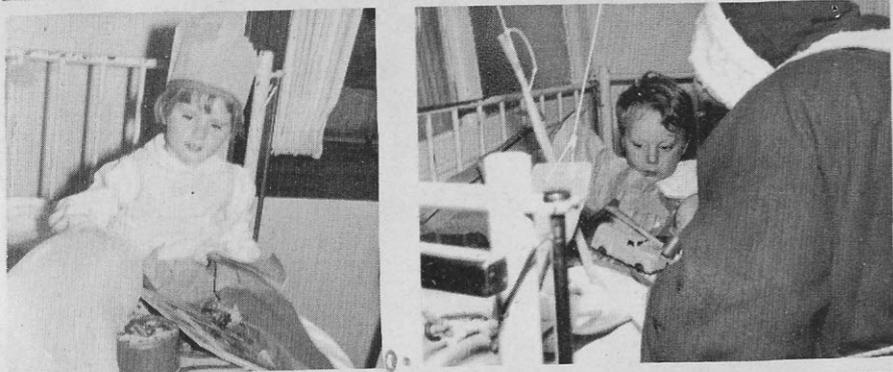
Above right: Weight ticket is attached after weighing.

Right: And from here the judge takes over to judge the promising entries in competition.

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THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS
Annual **XMAS CHEER** Trip
FOR CHILDREN in HOSPITALS



**Bringing
Christmas
Cheer**



Above: Commercial Travellers are sometimes referred to as "Windbags", but look at the concentration and struggle they are having to get that wind into balloons with which to decorate the ward.

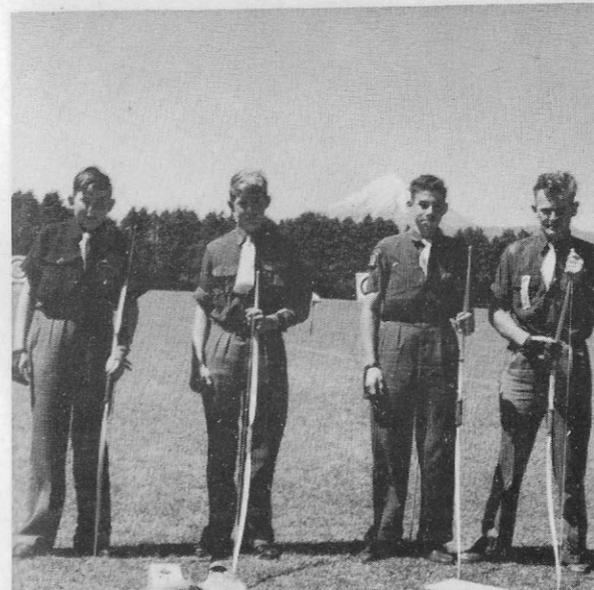
Right: Santa Claus waves out to passers-by as he moves in the procession along Devon St. towards the hospital. Included in procession was Pipe Band which provided suitable music from hospital grounds.



To spend Christmas in hospital is most unpleasant for anyone. For a child it could be a near catastrophe.

The Commercial Travellers and Warehousemen Association for Taranaki brightened the lives of children in hospital over the festive season by calling on them with presents and goodwill.

Three patients pictured above can now enjoy Christmas. Look at that gleeful grin adorning face of 6 month-old baby.



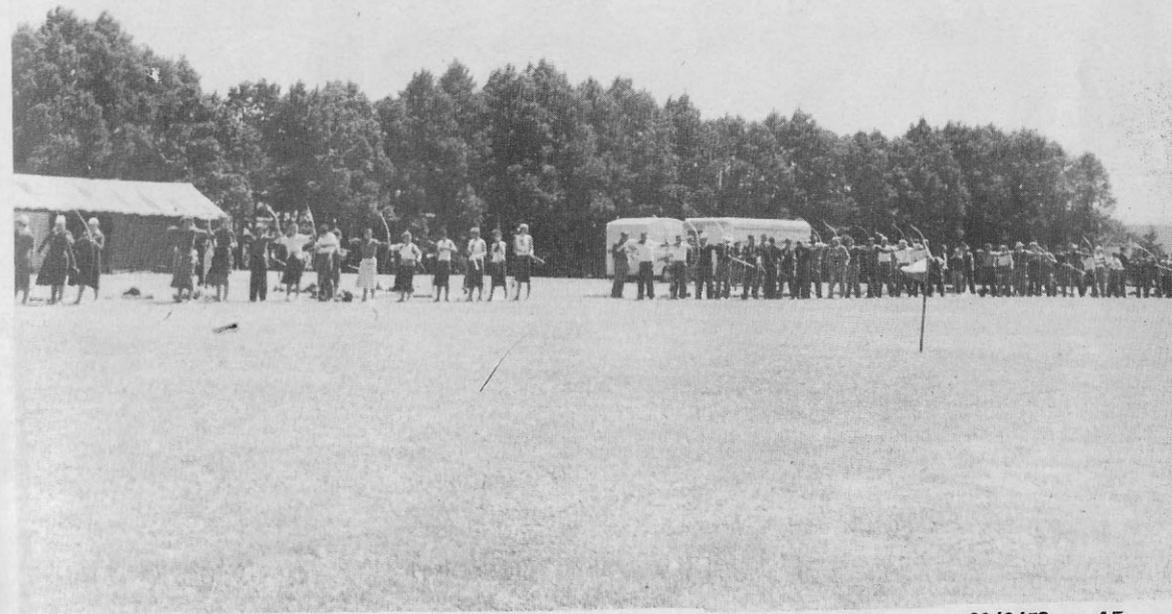
Robin Hood's Merry Men (and Women) of 1958

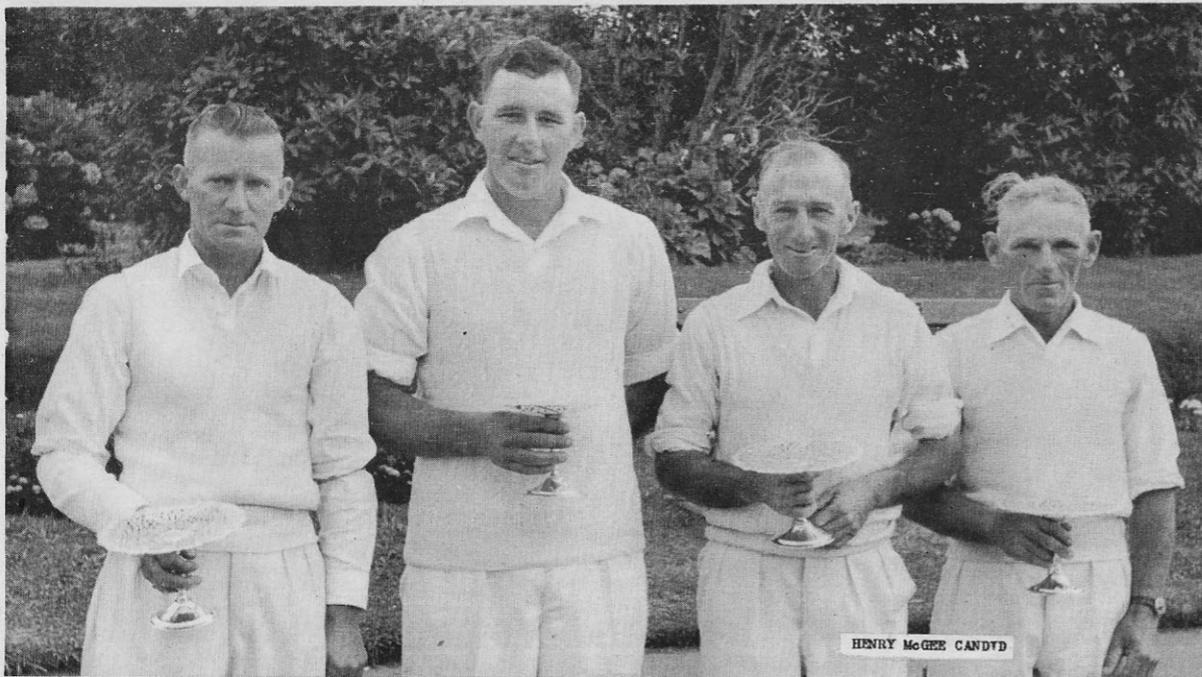
New Plymouth has had a good share of national championships in many fields of sport already this year and, what is more, there is more to come. While not as crowd-pleasing as other tournaments, the National Archery Championships, held here recently, displays its own brand of the spectacular. For several days archers drew their bows, arrows sliced through the Taranaki air, and sank hard into heavily padded targets.

Above: left; Mount Egmont and perimeter of pines form background to this picture of New Plymouth's Greenwood Archers.

Above right; One of the neatest uniforms to be seen were those of the Howick Women's team.

Below: General scene on Sanders Park as archers prepare for mass shoot.





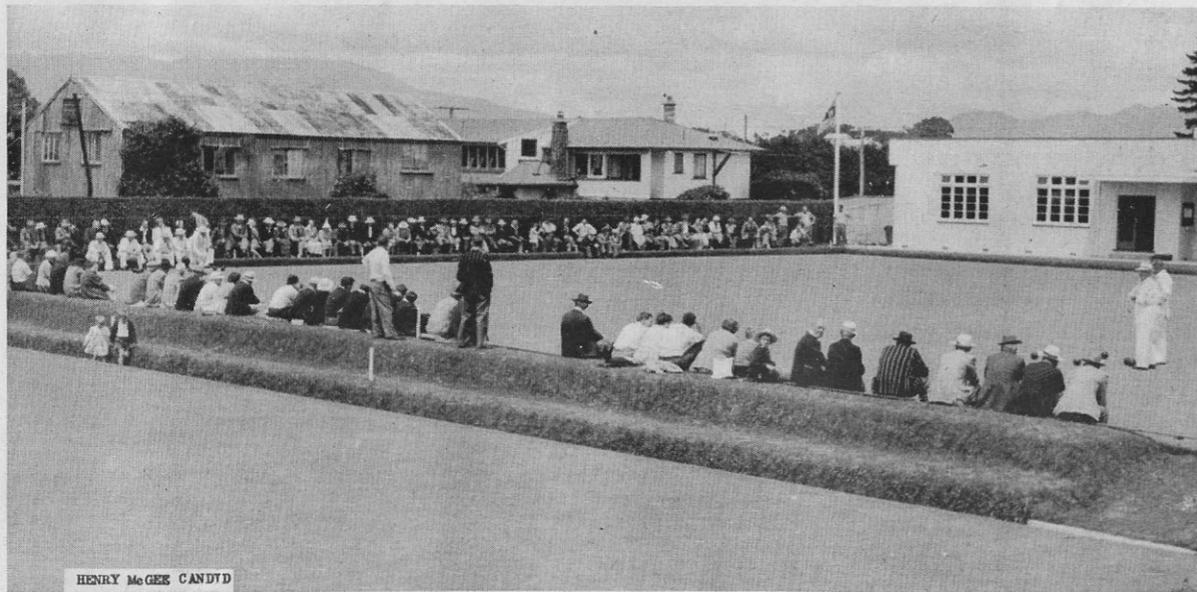
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New Year Bowls Tournament

After a closely contested game, held at the West End Club's green, a Kaponga Club team, skipped by L. Spurdle, beat C. Cook's East End team by 22-18 in the final.

The winning Kaponga team, pictured above, comprised R. Frost, J. Scott, L. Scott and L. Spurdle (Skip). The East End team was N. McCartney, C. Stewart, D. George and C. Cook (Skip).

Lower picture shows crowd gathered at West End green to watch the finals.



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Murray Mitchell at piano leads impromptu chorus.

Jaycees' Christmas Wind-up

After a very active year, the Jaycees' of New Plymouth gathered for the presentation of their Bruce McIntyre Cup, awarded annually to the outstanding Jaycee Member of the year. The man to receive the coveted award this year was Leo Ferguson, pictured above receiving the applause of fellow Jaycees. Following the presentation, Jaycees enjoyed an informal "get-together".



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It's an old Scots' custom. The traditional custom of piping bride and groom from the church following the ceremony was observed at the wedding of Miss Hanning and Mr. Freebairn, the details of which are below. Piper was John Hanning, brother of the bride.



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Wedding Bells

Above and left: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Barbara Mary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Hanning, Tukapo St., to Barrie Bruce, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Freebairn, Plimton St. Future Home: Wellington. The bridesmaids and flowergirl are pictured with the bride at left.



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Right: OKEROA-LEATHERBY: At Pungarehu Roman Catholic Church, Carol Ann, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Leatherby, Rahotu, to Dan, eldest son of Mrs. P. Okeroa, Pungarehu, and the late Mr. Okeroa. The bridesmaids are Dawn Mahotungo, Opunake, sister of the bride; Janice Astwood, Okau, bride's cousin, and Mona Leatherby, Rahotu. Flowergirls are Robyn Love, Waitara, and Lee Glengarry, New Plymouth.

Speedboat Regatta

A choppy sea made the going rough when the North Taranaki Power Boat Club held the regatta at Ngamotu Beach recently for the Jesta Trophy. Winner was Ralph Whitwell (Mangakino) in "Jimmy Cee".



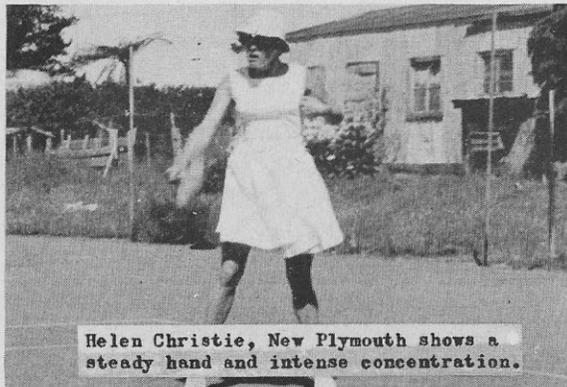
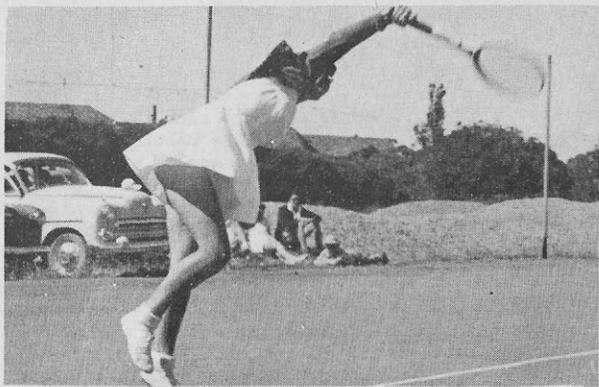
The Jesta Trophy was presented to the club by Mr Neville Roebuck and is a scale model of his own boat. Trophy is awarded to fastest boat powered by a car engine.



Winner Ralph Whitwell receives trophy from club secretary Mrs Vickery and president Ken Ward.



Dancing couples at Ngamotu Beach Palladium at presentation social.



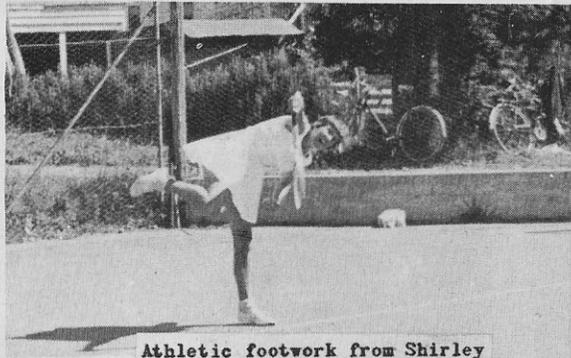
Helen Christie, New Plymouth shows a steady hand and intense concentration.

Junior Tennis

The Park courts were the scene of some spirited tennis and the showground of some obviously potent potential champions recently, during the Junior Lawn Tennis Committee's tournament. The powerful services, such as that shown in picture above left, kept the games fast and energetic.



Umpire Elaine Taylor, Hunterville.



Athletic footwork from Shirley Hay Campbell, Wanganui.



Tournament Secretary Basil Newland, Ian Webster and Mr. H. Purser, President of Junior Committee



Coming of Age

Left: Miss Maudie Bellshaw, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Bellshaw, Cutfield Road, who recently celebrated the attainment of her majority, with an evening at Westown Hall.

Maudie is pictured here with her parents as her father hands her the traditional "key of the door".

Right: A scene at Ngamotu Beach Palladium on the occasion of the twenty-first birthday of Mr. G. Wilmshurst son of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Wilmshurst, Dawson Street.

At left of picture is Miss A. Butterworth, Nelson, Mr. Wilmshurst's fiancee.



Left: Miss Dawn Raill, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P.N. Raill, Koru, who celebrated her twenty-first birthday in the Koru Hall.

Miss Raill is pictured here with her family.



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GOLDEN WEDDINGS

Above left: Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis, Waitara.

Above right: Mr. and Mrs. H. Sampson, Bell Block.

SILVER WEDDINGS

Below left: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene (Tim) Lynch, Clinton Street.

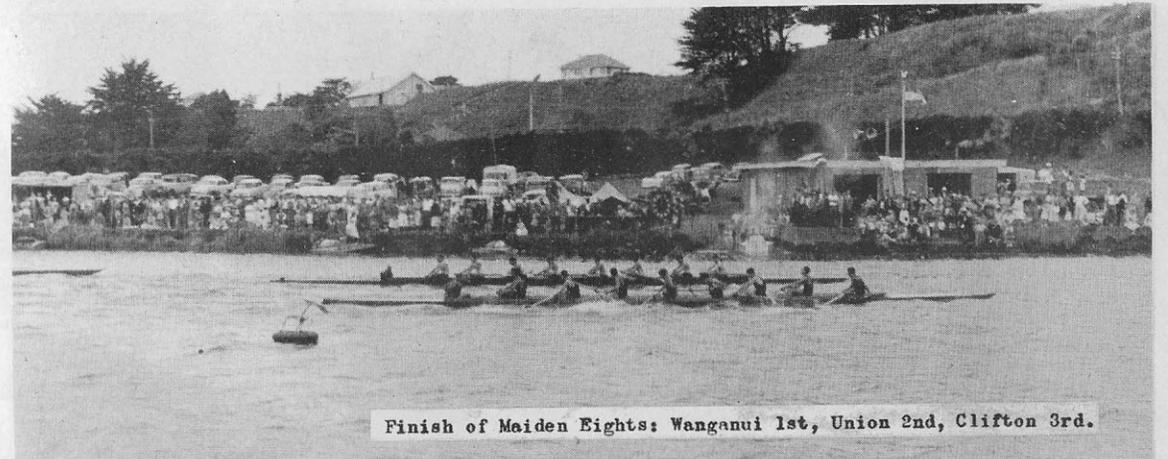
Below right: Mr. and Mrs. C.O. Heatley, Bayly Road.



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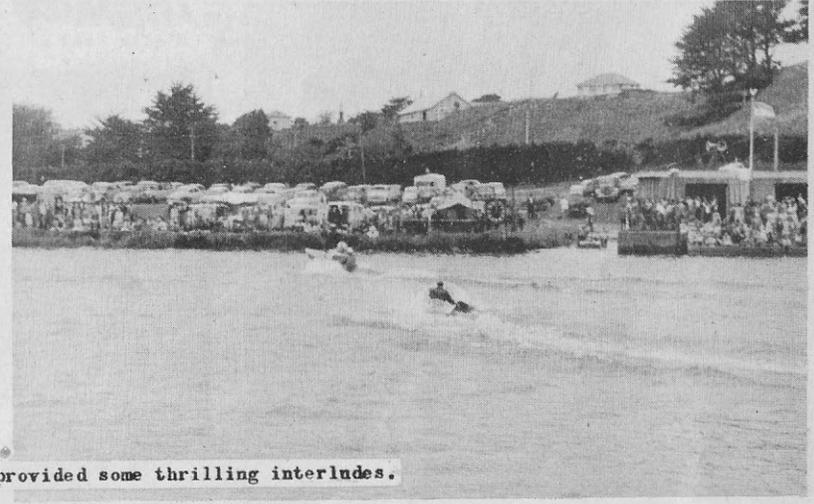
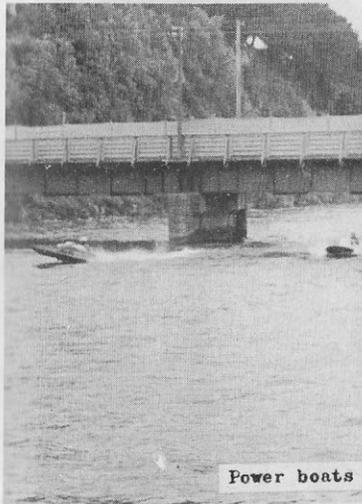
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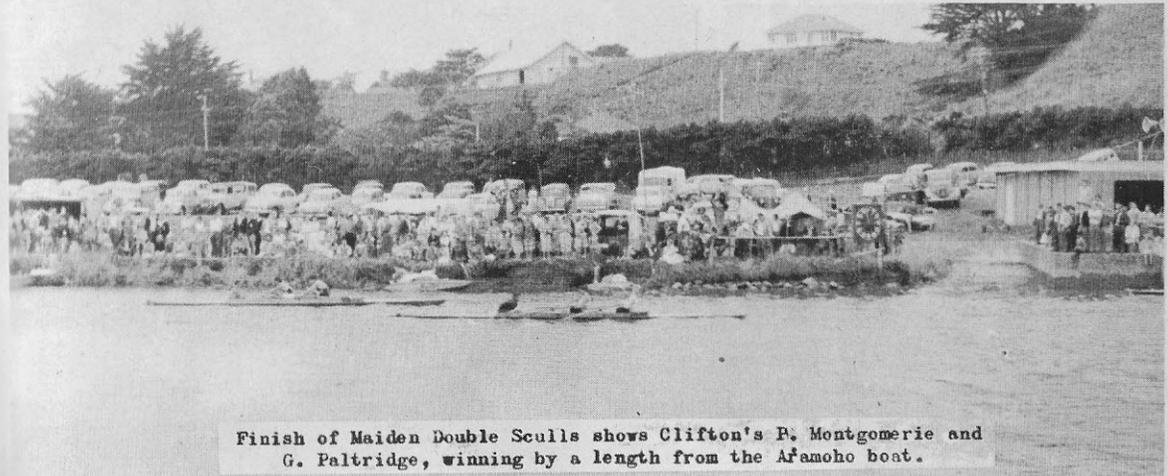
Finish of Maiden Eights: Wanganui 1st, Union 2nd, Clifton 3rd.

Rowing Regatta

The Clifton Rowing Club's annual regatta produced some fine rowing and close finishes despite the rather rough conditions in the Waitara River. Clifton had a runaway victory in the Collier Challenge Cup, awarded to the club gaining highest aggregate points over the day's events.



Power boats provided some thrilling interludes.



Finish of Maiden Double Sculls shows Clifton's P. Montgomerie and G. Paltridge, winning by a length from the A'amohe boat.



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Left: McKAY—SPENCE: Peggy Jon, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Spence, Omata. to Raymond Kenneth, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D. McKay, New Plymouth.

Bridesmaid is Miss Patricia Spence, sister of the bride, and best man is Mr Desmond McKay, brother of the groom.

Picture below left shows Janet and Faye Spence, sisters of the bride, with the lucky horseshoes they presented to their sister.



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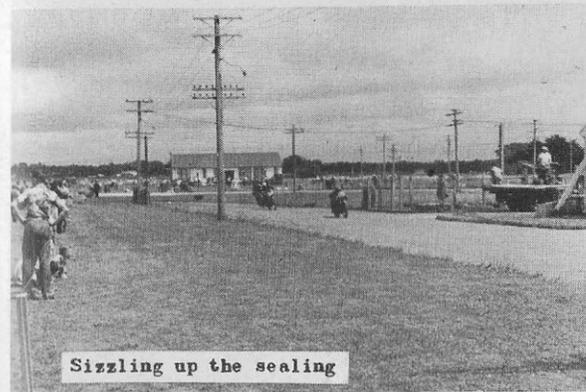
Married



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Right: McKEON—ROWBOTTOM: At St. Mary's Anglican Church, Nora Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Rowbottom, Edale, near Sheffield, England to Terence, younger son of Mr and Mrs E.R. McKeon, Glen Almond St. Future home: New Plymouth.

Attendants were Misses Thea and Lyn McKeon, sisters of the groom, and Mr Billy Brown, New Plymouth.



Sizzling up the sealing



SPEED!

And speed aplenty it was when the North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club held a short circuit grand prix for the first time on a sealed track at Bell Block Airport.

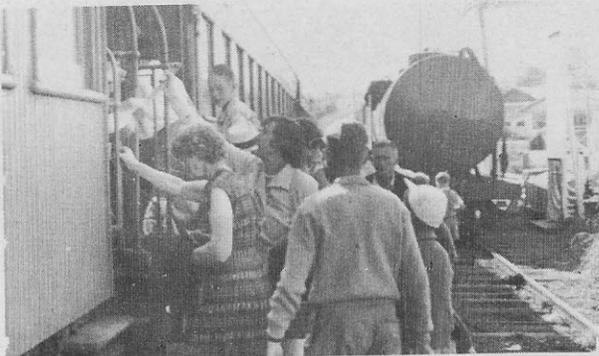
Seven events during the day, each with a good number of entries, kept spectators on their toes.

Top race of day was Taranaki Grand Prix of 25 laps. Senior trophy was presented to Bill Dempster, Te Awamutu, placed third (left). Junior trophy went to first place getter Hughie Anderson, Ohinewai (right).

Above right: Starters in 5th race line up for 350c.c. handicap.

Below: Spectators received full share of thrills.





Watersiders' Day Out

Every year a special train sets out from New Plymouth to carry its passengers to Eltham for a day of fun and games known to all as simply "The Watersiders' Picnic".

This year found the train as crowded as ever of people of all ages out to enjoy their day to the full.

Picnickers joined train at all points. Group above left climbed aboard in Breakwater Road, while others met the holiday express at stopping places all the way to Eltham.



Wedding Bells

SMEATON—LOCKE: At Holy Trinity Church, Elsie Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Locke, New Plymouth, to Barry Colquhon, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. P.C. Smeaton, Waiwaka Terrace.

The bridesmaids are Rosemary Locke, sister of the bride, Heather Smeaton, Jan Wilson and Anne Brewster. The best man is Mr. John Hanning. Future Home: Tawa Flat, Wellington.

Wedding ceremony was a choral service and picture below shows bride and groom with members of Holy Trinity Choir. Bride was superintendent of the Sunday School; groom was a Sunday School teacher and also a server at the church.



An Apology

Owing to the tremendous wealth of news material for inclusion in this issue of your Photo News, it has not been possible to feature all the weddings and other social activities which have taken place since the last issue.

Your editor sincerely regrets the omissions, but can assure readers that this will be fully rectified with the next issue due on March 20th.



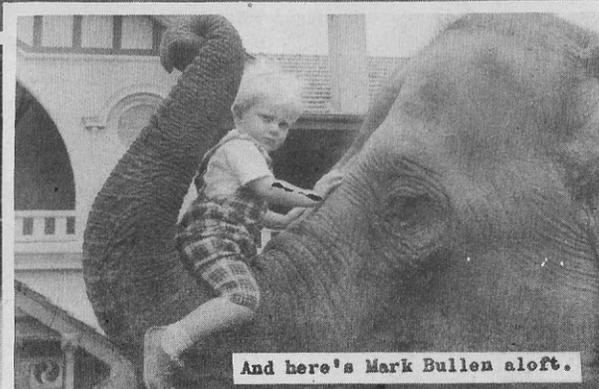
Circus Goes to Hospital

Sounds silly, but that's just what happened here in New Plymouth when Mr. Stafford Bullen took along an elephant from his circus, and a searchlight from Ngamotu Beach and paid a visit to hospital patients. When the searchlight proved too heavy a burden for car to tow up hill (above) elephant willingly gave a helping hand.

Nurses and patients line up with elephant and searchlight



Circus proprietor Stafford Bullen gets son Mark to offer mouth organ.



And here's Mark Bullen aloft.



Gymnastic trio gave fine performance.



Crowd gathered round soundshell.

Beach Gala

To provide entertainment for the thousands who came to New Plymouth to see the Queen Mother, a special gala was arranged on Ngamotu Beach. The weather could hardly have been more suited to a beach function.

The heat was oppressive, the water was fine, the sun was blazing; little wonder that many of the thousands who came to the beach made straight for the sea.

There were still many people left to enjoy roller-skating demonstrations, instruction by surf lifesaving club members in artificial respiration, as well as the show in the soundshell.



The strip-tease. They called her Desiree Vauchelle. Who was it? - Your guess!



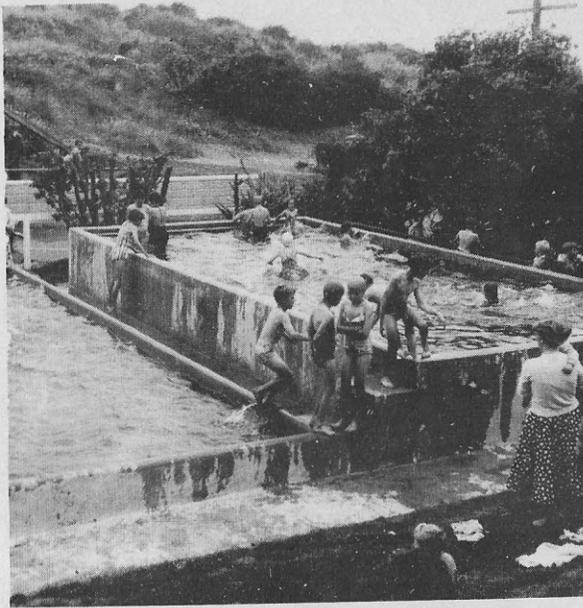
A surrender to the sun.



Crowds flock to the sea.....



....while the youngsters enjoy a quiet pool.



Fitzroy Paddling Pool

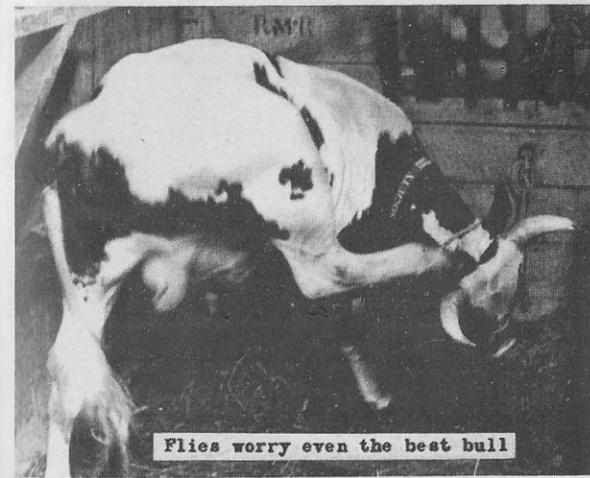
Of no small credit to the work of the Jaycee organisation in New Plymouth is the opening of Fitzroy's paddling pool. After a great deal of organisation and work had gone into it, the pool was officially opened shortly before Christmas.

Above left: General scene after opening.

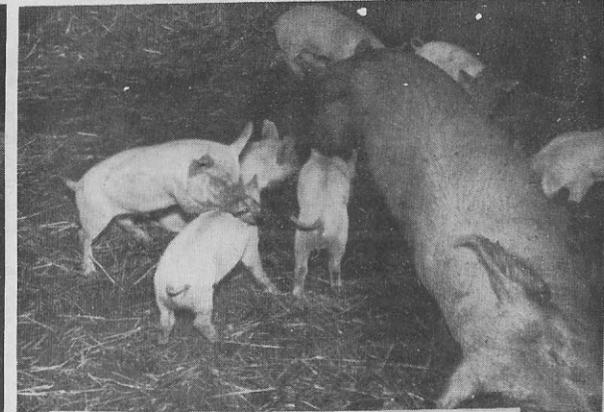
Above right: Convenor of this Jaycee project, Leo Ferguson naturally had to be first to sample the water. "Come on in, it's fine," he said.

Right: Official opening by his Worship the Mayor A.G. Honnor.

Below: Children enjoy first splash in newly opened pool. They too said it was fine.



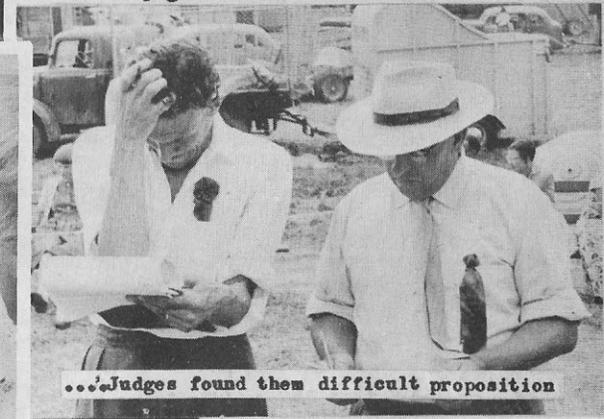
Flies worry even the best bull



Mother pig surrenders to family desires



Dogs were great attraction for youngsters.....



...Judges found them difficult proposition

At the Show

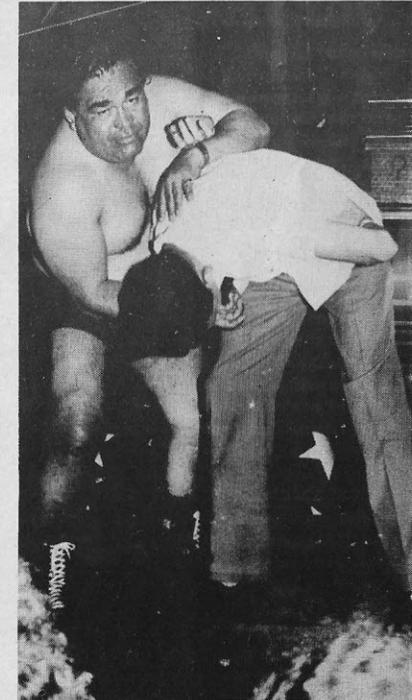
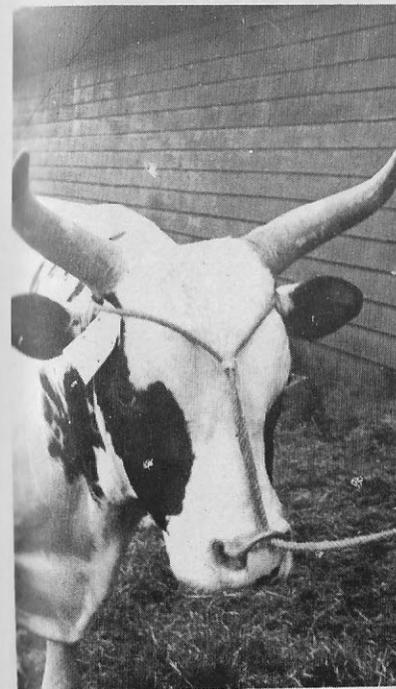
One of the most successful Taranaki A & P shows drew thousands of people to Waiwaka showgrounds two weeks back. Some were there as exhibitors, some judges, yet others to survey the wealth of the province, most, however were there simply to enjoy all the fun of the fair.

There was ample variety in the programme to keep all tastes fully occupied.

In addition to the exhibits and ring events, the New Plymouth Kennel Club added to the day's attractions with a championship show, for the first time at a local summer show.

Left: Champion bull displayed no desire to have his photograph taken. Cameraman, fortunately, came to no harm.

Right: Big Chief Little Wolf, in Amusements area, used members of his audience to demonstrate his wrestling prowess.

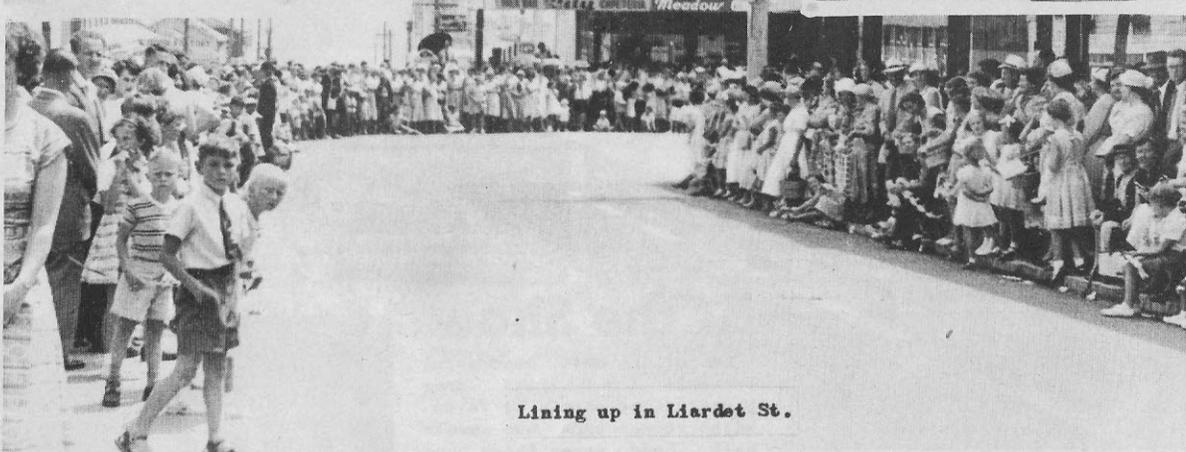


The Waiting Crowds

Even a Ranfurly Shield can't draw such crowds as thronged the Royal route on February 6th. From the early hours of the morning people were filing into Pukekura Park and setting themselves up in strategic spots along the streets.

That the Queen Mother's visit coincided with a lunch hour made no difference. Some, like group at left, near Strandon, just took their lunch with them and converted footpath into dining table.

Loyal young citizen at right was assured of perfect view from his "gutter gantry".



Lining up in Liardet St.



Crowd at Bell Block some two hours before scheduled arrival.

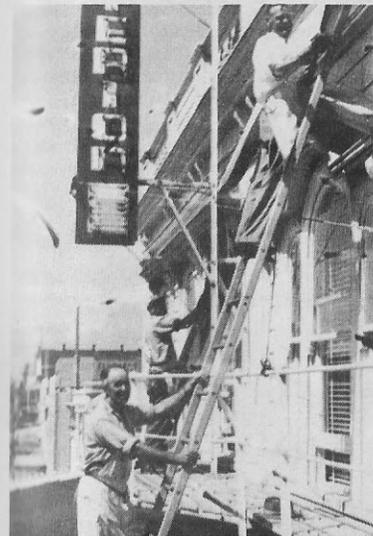


Where the Queen Mother Dined

A considerable amount of money and a tremendous degree of work went into preparing the Criterion Hotel for its Royal visitor on Feb 6th. The proprietor Mr. C.J. Petry spent many hours in planning and the hostess Mrs D.E. Connell made a superb job of the floral decorations.

Above left: Head waitress Miss Rae Callaghan (right), head steward Mr. Cyril Collins and Miss Jean Sykes discuss the menu.

Above right: Mr Petry and Mrs Connell pictured in the beautifully appointed Queen Mother's dining lounge shortly after final preparations had been made for Her Majesty's arrival.



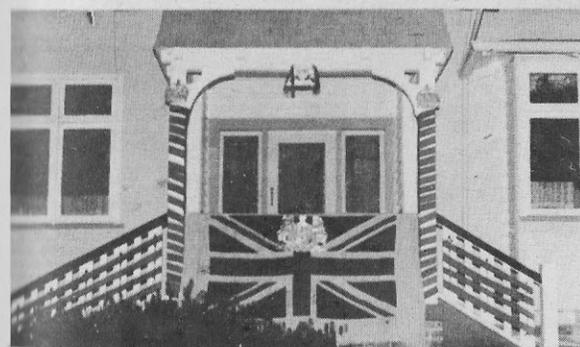
Left: Workers on roof of hotel affix decorative bunting.

Right: Radio commentators opposite hotel shelter from heat under colourful umbrellas.



Below left: Her Majesty no doubt noticed decorations on this house in Liardet Street.

Below right: View of huge crowd in Devon Street as seen from Criterion Hotel.





Wedding Bells

Above: BOLTON—BRIANT. At the Matawhero Presbyterian Church, Marion Lesley Briant, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.D.Briant, Patutahi, to Colin Keith Bolton, son of Mr and Mrs A.Bolton, New Plymouth. Attendants, left to right, are Mr E. Rydon, New Plymouth, Miss Janet Steele, Mr I. Colson, New Plymouth, and Miss Robin Briant, sister of the bride. Future home, Taranaki, where the bridegroom is farming.

Below: DAVIES—VON PEIN. At Holy Trinity Church, Gisborne, Gillian Daile von Pein, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.T.von Pein, Pukerata, Hangarua, to Llewellyn John Stothart Davies, New Plymouth, son of Mr and Mrs T.O.S.Davies, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids are Misses Robin Shanks and Glyn Davies, sister of the bridegroom, and Sally and Susan von Pein. Mr J.Williamson, Wellington, and Mr J. von Pein attended the 'groom. Future home, Nelson.



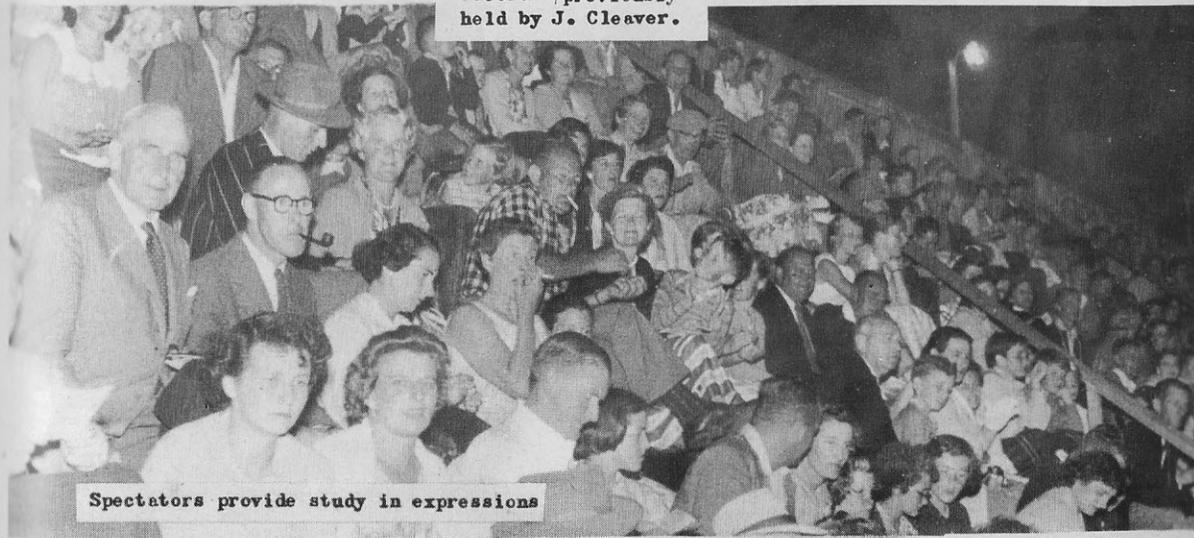
Swim Champs

A large and enthusiastic crowd of Municipal Baths enjoyed an evening of fine swimming in the 2nd section of Taranaki Centre's championship meetings.

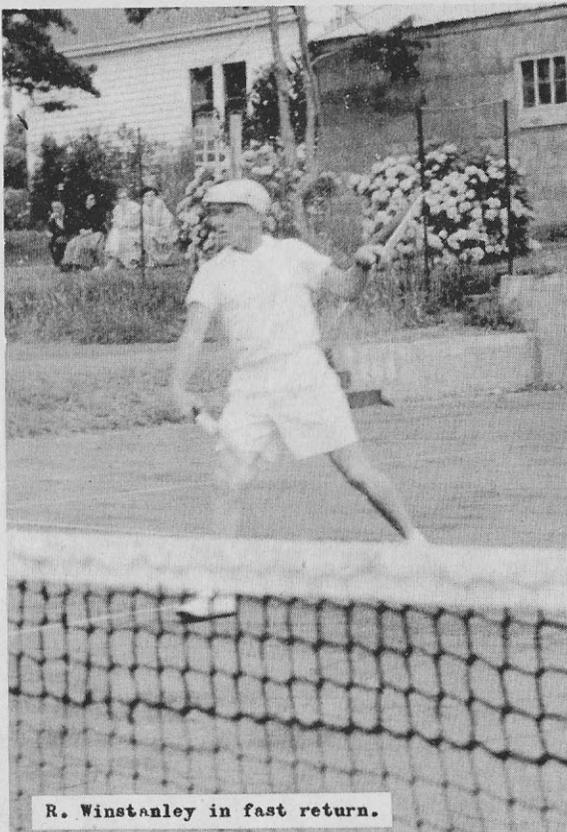
Outstanding event of meeting was new record of 3mins. 29.6 secs for the 220 yards Women's Breaststroke, created by Rayla Black, the only starter in the event.

Left: Rayla Black approaching end of first lap.

Right: Leading pool after breaking record previously held by J. Cleaver.



Spectators provide study in expressions



R. Winstanley in fast return.



B. Newland follows through from service.

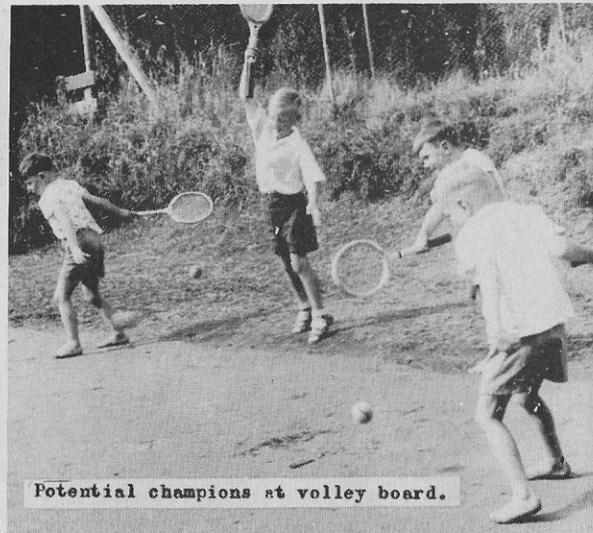
Tennis Champions

The Waiwaka Tennis Club's courts were the venue this year of the North Taranaki Residential Tennis Championships, held over a recent week-end. A. Roberts was an easy winner over veteran R. Winstanley for the men's singles, defeating him in two straight sets. Winstanley and T. Jenkins defeated B. Newland and P. Tyne for the men's doubles. Women's singles title was won by Miss S. Fields who defeated Mrs. J. Edwards in the final and the women's doubles by Misses Fields and A. Harrison in their defeat of Mrs. Edwards and Miss Lobb.

Pictures taken during men's singles semi-finals between Winstanley and Newland.



Spectators kept a critical eye on game.



Potential champions at volley board.



They Flew the Queen Mother

Above: Crew of R.N.Z.A.F. Dakota which brought Queen Mother to New Plymouth. From left to right back row they are: Squadron Leader K.A. Sawyer, Gisborne; Flight Lieutenant R.I. Garrett, Auckland; Squadron Leader A.F. Jacobsen, Christchurch; and Flight Lieutenant I.W. Duff, Reefton. L.A.C. (W)'s in front row are: N.M. Cook, Invercargill; K.G. Briden, Masterton; M.R. Allen, Kakahi; and P.C. Rutherford, Gisborne.

Below: Air Force personnel shelter from exhausting heat of midday sun under wing of Bristol Freighter.

