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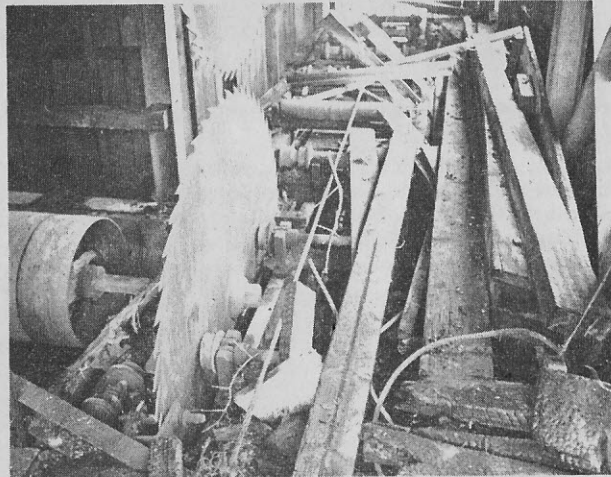
Fire ravaged the sawmill in Katere Road recently. The fire, the third major industrial fire in recent weeks, was believed to have been started by sparks from a welding unit. Damage to the mill was extensive and was estimated at roughly \$50,000. The only area not to be affected was the transport area.



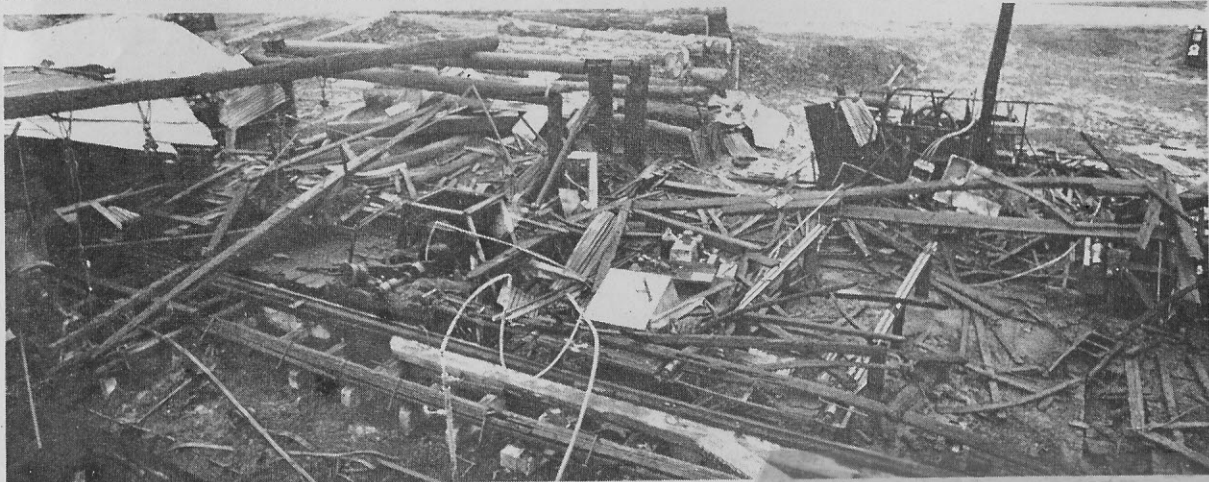
Flames and sparks leap and play during the night



Charred timbers rest at grotesque angles (ABOVE and BELOW)



The circular saws were bent by the heat of the fire



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## AROUND TOWN

### PRESENTATION

At a function recently, the Chairman of General Finance handed a cheque for \$100,000 to Mr A. E. Evans, a member of the Taranaki Hospital Board, as a contribution to the board's current loan. Pictured are F. V. Noble Beasley, C. Simpson, M. L. Betts, A. H. Armour, A. E. Evans and D. K. Adams.



### JUBILEE COMMITTEE

After the Moturoa School Jubilee was all over, members of the jubilee committee got together at the Royal Hotel for a quiet evening to celebrate the success of the reunion. Pictured are members of the committee. At back: G. M. Vinsen, A. C. Squire, A. T. Kirk, J. Rae, L. Lewis, E. N. Manning, J. Fitzpatrick, G. Baird, L. M. Emmett, G. D. Sole, W. Hankers and K. Jones. In front: D. M. Paton, B. Emmett, G. Ellis, Eric Thomas, Norma Cursons, Kai Thompson, Ellen Remington, Phil Baddiley and June Beckworth.

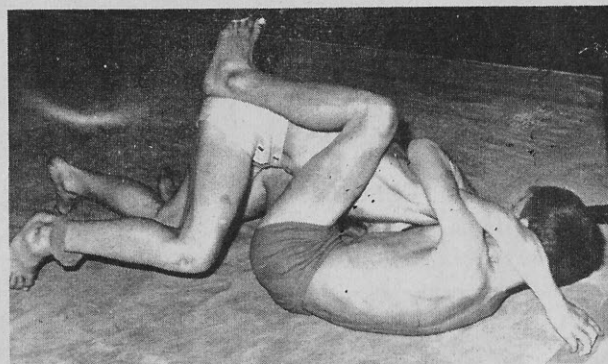


# TUG-O-WAR CHAMPS

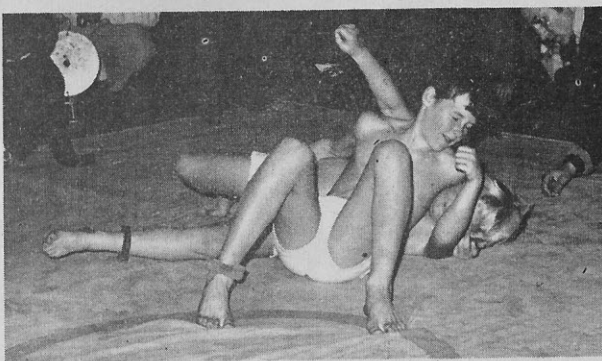
Taranaki, represented by the Alton No.1 team, won the Sonny Priest Lightweight Inter-provincial Cup in the recent Tug-O-War Championships held at Patea. The lightweight Taranaki title also went to Alton No.1 and the middleweight title went to Clive, with Alton as runners-up.



Wrestling bouts were featured in between tug-o-war matches. Here W. Herewini fights K. Peters



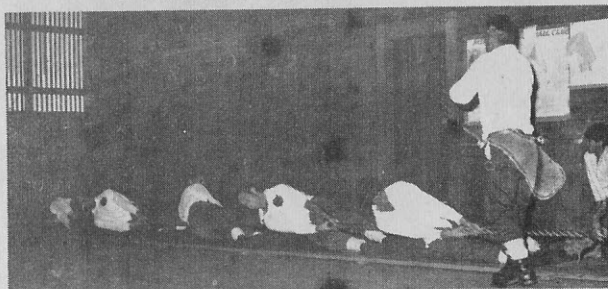
Chris Booker versus M. Peters



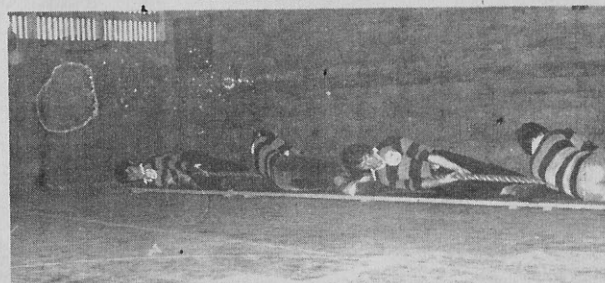
S. Wallace and D. McQuay on the mat



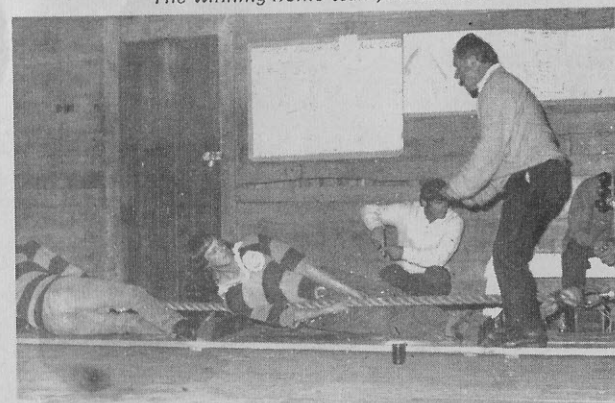
The Hastings United team



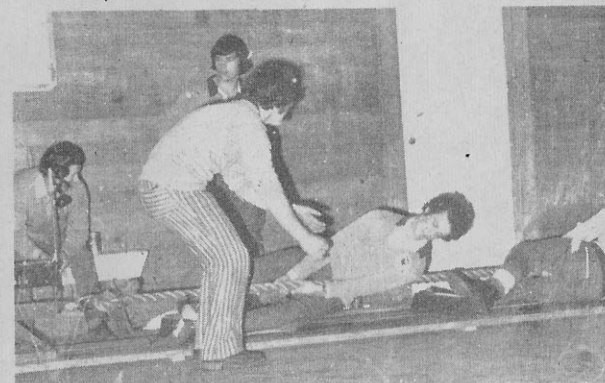
The winning home team, Alton No.1



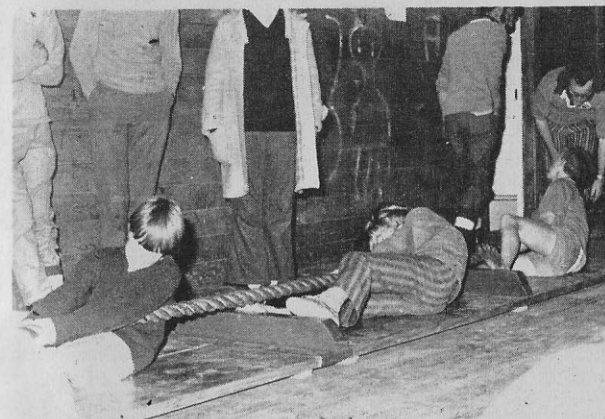
The previous champs, the Orini team from the Waikato



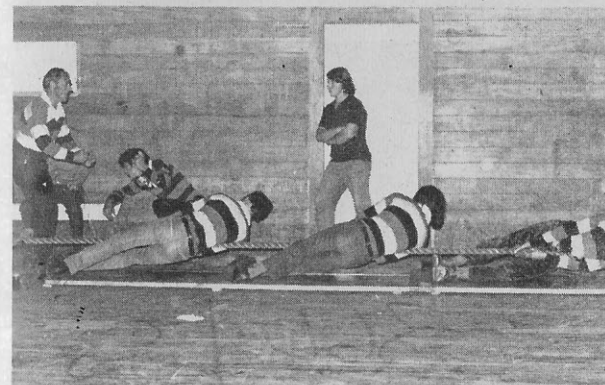
Bill and Walter Rees of the Alton No.2 team take the strain



The Orini team fought well, but our Alton team deserved their clear cut win



A group of wrestlers try their hand at the tug-o-war



Waikato has a hard time here



Our victorious Alton team



The Alton No.2 team was also very successful



Youngsters Dean and Glen Heal show their talent at the end of the rope

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*Of those present were Marise Willins and Brian Rees*



*Taking a break from singing was Sharon Whana of the Count Five*

# TUG-O-WAR CABARET

With the day's gruelling championships behind them, the entrants, their friends, and locals from Patea got together in a cordial, relaxed atmosphere at the Tug-o-War Cabaret. For many, the evening's entertainment was the highlight of the day and, need we add, everyone, but everyone, had a great time.



*Mr and Mrs Ronny Heal weren't quite sure of our camera girl*



*Ray Ponting and Dennis Ward were in fine fettle*



*Meanwhile, Mr A. and Mrs M. Pryor got to the cuddling stage*



*Colin and Kay Hurley*



*Julie Bond*



*Vincent and Jenny Sklenars*



*Lynden Purchase and Beverley Howie*



*Raymond Rees and Carol Thomas*



*Joan and Peter Amon*



*Shona Thompson and Brian Wishnowsky*



*Pauline Ward and Peter Pryor*



*Monica and Jim Booker*



*Mr and Mrs Hooper*



*The Alton team with its trophies — Vincent Sklenars, David Booker, M. Booker and, in front, G. Booker, R. Freer and David Rees*



# CELEBRATIONS



Jim and Betty Smith of New Plymouth recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a large surprise party at their home. (Vogue Studios).



ABOVE—Mr and Mrs Honeyfield seen here at the Bell Block Hotel, where a 60th birthday celebration was held.

BELOW—Mr and Mrs R. E. Rush of Eltham celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary with their children at the Bell Block Hotel. Pictured with Mr and Mrs Rush are Jonathon and Barbara Rush of Tikorangi, and Michael Rush of Eltham. (Vogue Studios).



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ABOVE—Ian, son of Mr and Mrs J. V. McIntyre of New Plymouth, recently celebrated his 21st with a party at his parents' home. (Vogue Studios). TOP RIGHT—Pamela, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. W. Luty of New Plymouth, celebrated her 21st recently. (Henry McGee). RIGHT—Bernard Anton Hiestand, pictured with his parents, Mr and Mrs J. A. Hiestand of Awatuna, recently celebrated his 21st. (Paul Connell Studios).



ABOVE—Mr and Mrs C. D. Field of Inglewood celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary a few weeks ago with a party at the Druids Hall, Inglewood. (Vogue Studios).

RIGHT—Michael Galvin, son of Mr and Mrs R. K. Berridge of New Plymouth, celebrated his 21st with a party at Kawaroa Bungalow. His engagement to Fay, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Taylor, also of New Plymouth, was announced at the party. (Vogue Studios).



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# PRObe

with BRYCE McPHERSON



It had been raining. The elderly farmer came on a man fishing in a pond near his farm. "Any luck?" he asked. The angler shook his head. Later in the day the farmer passed the same way, saw the same angler, asked the same question and got the same reply. "Are there any fish at all in this rotten pond?" asked the angler. "Don't rightly know," mused the old farmer. "Pond wasn't there yesterday."

A New Plymouth householder received a telephone call to say mail addressed to him had been found in parkland shrubbery. The householder wasted no time in collecting the errant mail – to find his income tax rebate cheque; a personal letter containing a \$5.00 note; and the usual bill. How the mail got into the shrubbery, I don't know. But it had been there for almost two weeks.

Another resident went to collect correspondence from his mail box – only to find the space occupied by the box vacant. An adjoining mail box had also disappeared. Someone must have been short of firewood.

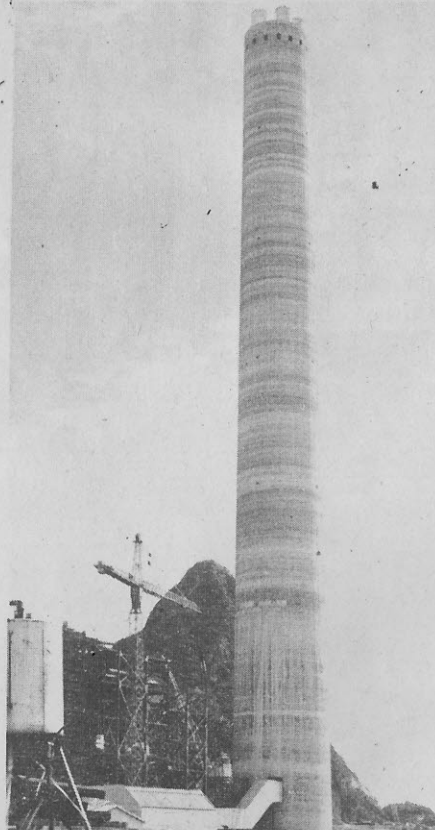
A woman driver is someone who gets caught in a traffic jam that wouldn't have happened if she wasn't there.

Drove at 20 m.p.h. for almost three miles while observing a restricted speed and Road Works sign on a provincial highway the other day. The works consisted of a grader parked in a side road, and a loader working well off the highway at the extremity of the signposted road works. Admittedly there were signs of recent work off the sealed surface. But surely this was a case of inconsiderate signposting – for the few motorists who observe the noted restrictions.

Noticed at the Eliot Street traffic lights: Woman motorist applying red to her lips while waiting for the green light. No time wasting for her.

Mt Egmont is Taranaki's highest point, a title that must remain forever unrivalled. New Plymouth's high point was, until quite recently, Paritutu, sentinel of the coastline and harbour. But Paritutu has now surrendered its title to the power project chimney, 650ft above sea level. The chimney is thus the second highest structure, by comparison with Egmont, in Taranaki. However, its reign will last only as long as it takes to construct the massive Maui platform off the Opunake coast. The drilling derrick will tower 700ft above the seabed and, while the visible section will only be about 300ft, the platform will, in its entirety, be taller than the chimney – give or take a little water.

She to he: "Darling, please whisper those three little words that will make me walk on air".  
"Go hang yourself."



## VISITING GROUP

Palmerston North gospel singers 'The Destiny' recently paid a visit to New Plymouth. The group, who have already appeared on the New Faces segment of 'Studio One,' appeared at a rally in the Baptist Youth Centre.



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Around the turn of the century, much of inland Taranaki was being surveyed. In the photo ABOVE we see a surveyor's camp in Taranaki in the early 1900s.



And this was the frontage of a typical Taranaki country store during the same period of time

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## FROM THE PAST

BELOW—Devon Street, New Plymouth, in the days when the horse was the only means of transport.



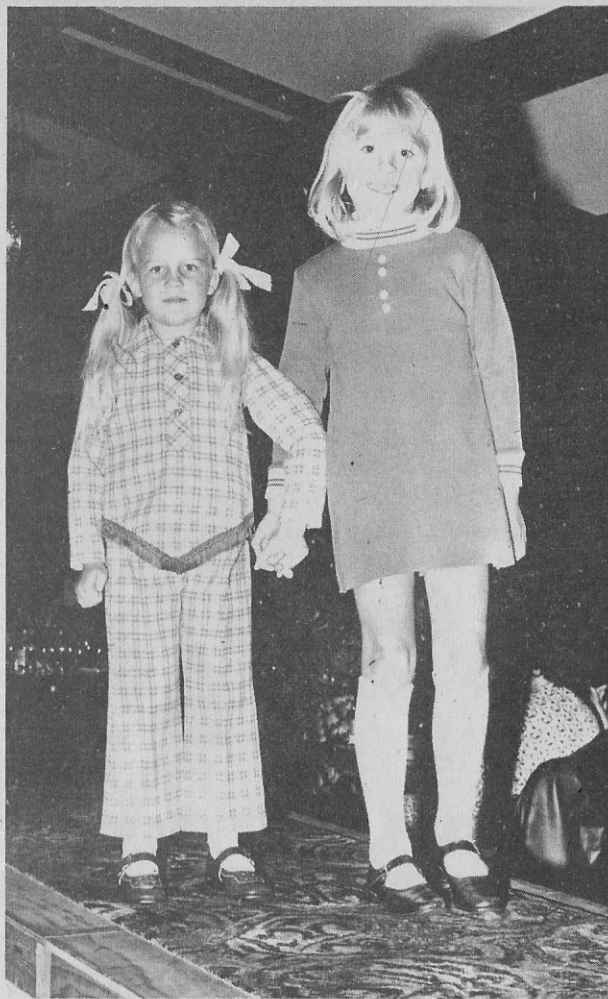
Devon St, New Plymouth 1879





# KINDY FASHION PARADE

The Bell Block Kindergarten held a fashion show at the Bell Block Hotel a short time ago. White Rabbit of Fitzroy provided most of the fashion garments and the kindy models stole the show.



Suzanne Hocken and Wendy Struthers



Sharon Newsome



Sharon Newsome



Leone Bridgeman



Lee Hocken



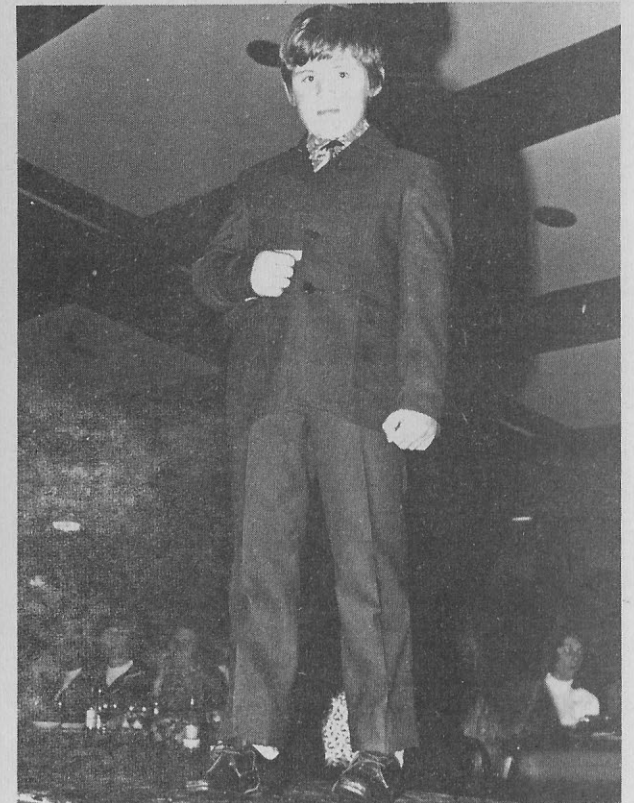
Leone Bridgeman



Richard Stenning and Colleen Wright



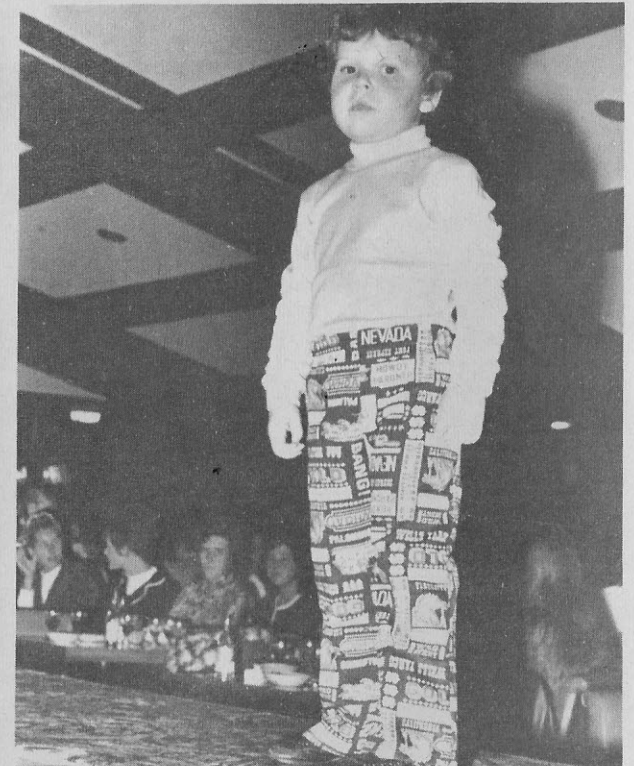
Karen Rowe



Ross Harvey



Colleen Wright



Lee Hocken





Above: TIPPETT-CHISNALL. At St Mary's Anglican Church, Hawera; Joy, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. A. Chisnall of Mokoia, to Ross, son of Mr and Mrs Athol Tippett of Hawera. The attendants were Marina Barkla of Whakamaru, Lynette Tippett of Hawera, Jennifer and Pauline Chisnall, both of Mokoia, Graeme Busby of Hawera and Dennis Catchpole, also of Hawera. The couple will live in Auckland. (David Paul Studios).

## WEDDING BELLS

Below: TEASDALE-RATAHI. At Stella Maris Catholic Church, Opunake, Ester, daughter of Mr and Mrs B. G. Ratahi of Opunake, to Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs I. Teasdale of County Durham, England. The attendants were Eileen O'Rourke and Alison Ratahi, both of Opunake, and Ian Proven of Scotland. The couple will live in Auckland. (Vogue Studios).



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Above: PARKES-BURNSIDE-BROWN. At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Coleen, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. S. Burnside-Brown of United States of America, to Kenneth Martin, son of Mr and Mrs D. S. Parkes of New Plymouth. The attendants were Kaye Williams of New Plymouth, Shelly Burnside-Brown of U.S.A. and Gary Cursons of New Plymouth. The couple will make their home in New Plymouth. (Fitzroy Studios).

Below: BLACKBOURN-JOHNS. At the Inglewood United Church, Raewyn, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. I. Johns of Inglewood, to Graeme, son of Mr and Mrs W. C. Blackburn, also of Inglewood. The attendants were Alison Keene of Morrinsville, Lynette Blackburn of Inglewood, Denise Whittle of New Plymouth, Wayne Gilmer of Stratford and John Burbich of Wellington. The couple will live in Lower Hutt. (Bernard Woods).

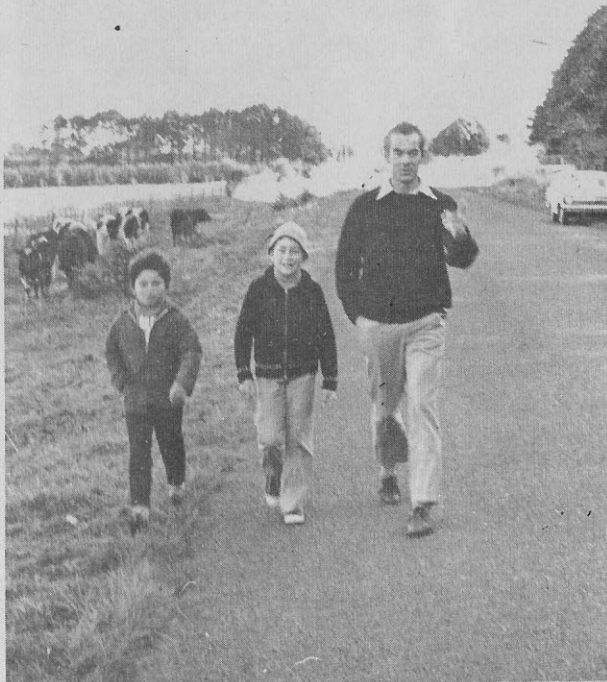


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# SPONSORED WALK

Waitara's Clifton Rugby Club held a sponsored walk, a short while back, from Waitara to Tikorangi and return. The purpose of the walk was to boost the funds of the club and over \$300 was raised by their efforts. It was noted that well over half the walkers were midgets and that the seniors were noticeable by their absence.



Shane Goffe, Brian Gable and Pat McDavitt



Donna Glentworth, Shelley Glentworth and Jackie Watson



Brent Henderson and Ross Kahu kept up a running conversation during their walk



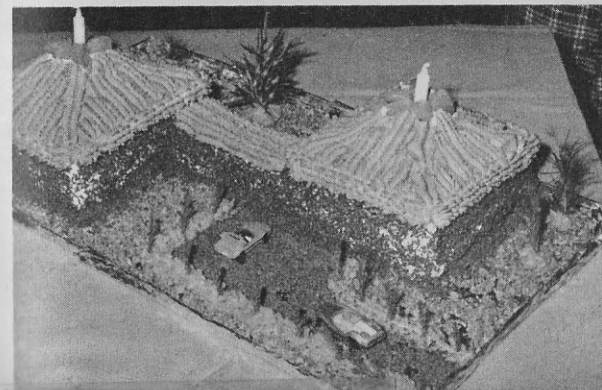
The walkers soon split up into groups, some large and some small. Above is one of the larger groups



Karen Cook leaps for a balloon floating above her



Mike Hoek hands out a huge bowl of sweets



The birthday cake was in the shape of the hotel

# WESTTOWN'S 2nd BIRTHDAY

The Westtown Motor Hotel invited the Crippled Children Society to a party at the hotel to celebrate its second birthday.



Kathy and Sue Dobson help out the piano player



After resisting temptation for some time, Mike and sister Jacqueline just had to sample those sweets



June Bond, field officer for Crippled Children, and Richard Hoel cut the cake



# ELECTRICAL DEPT REUNION

The New Plymouth City Council Electricity Department held a staff reunion for employees who worked for the department between the years 1906 and 1930. The reunion took the form of a morning get-together, a tour of council works in the afternoon, and a social in the evening.



Les Slyfield and Roy Burgess at the morning get-together



Henry Hendrickson and C. R. Feek chat over morning tea



Norm Kibby and Andy Kindberg. Norm started in 1916, just before Andy, and finished in 1940



Ken Jensen and Harry Buttimore



At the evening function our camera saw Claude and Mrs Phipps...



and Mr and Mrs Denny Sutherland



At the evening function we saw many happy faces, including Mr and Mrs D. J. Little



Norm and Mrs Bell



Roy and Mrs Smillie



Jack and Mrs Remington

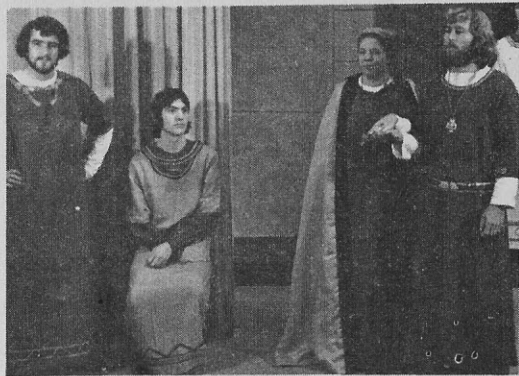


Mr and Mrs P. B. Priest



Tom and Mrs Murdoch

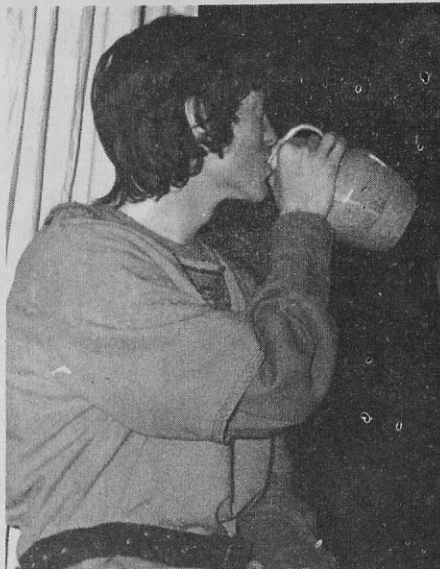




Members of the Royal family — Michael Laycock as Richard the Lionheart, Andrew Dungan as John, Rae Priest as Queen Eleanor and Tim Finn as the King

# “LION IN WINTER”

The Repertory Theatre's production of 'Lion in Winter' was staged recently in New Plymouth. The show was produced by Derek Treeby and written by James Goodman. It concerns the problems King Henry II encountered in dispensing his crown and kingdom to his three sons.



Andrew Dungan (John) takes a nip of 12th century wine



The King and Queen



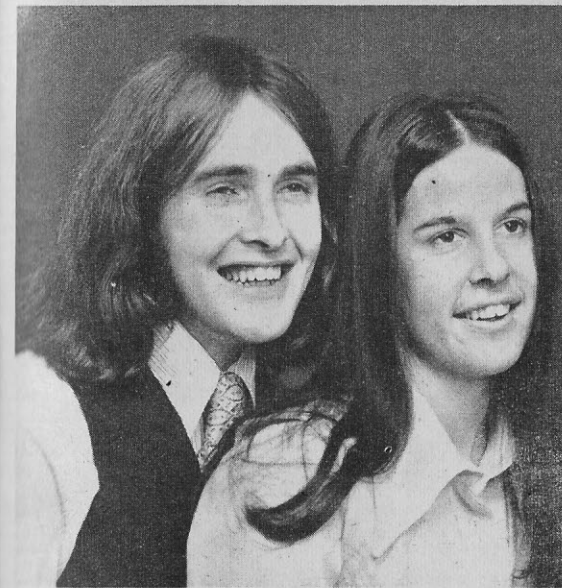
Tony Mackle as the King of France



King Henry threatens the King of France



A love scene between the King and one of his mistresses



## ENGAGEMENTS

Above: FARRELL—BOYLE. Cushla Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Boyle of New Plymouth, to Alan Richard, son of Mr and Mrs J. R. Farrell of Napier. (Fitzroy Studios).

Above Right: KAY—ALLEN. Lynnette, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. E. Allen of Waitara, to Vincent Kay, son of Mrs E. Pope of Greymouth, and the late Mr R. Kay. (Fitzroy Studios).

Right: FAULL—DAY. Hilary Rose, daughter of Rev. J. A. G. Day and Mrs Day of Waihi, to Bernard Maxwell, son of Mr and Mrs W. L. Faull of Tikorangi.

Below: HIESTAND—WHITAKER. Lauren Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs L. A. Whitaker of Lower Hutt, to Bernard Anton, son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Hiestand of Awatuna. (Paul Connell Studios).



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# ARTS & CRAFTS

A Maori arts and crafts weekend was held recently at the Taranaki Mission Centre in New Plymouth.

Flax work and wood carving both proved to be very popular, as is evidenced in the photos on these two pages.



This young lad is totally engrossed in his efforts, working the chisel with a fine and steady hand



The figures on the carving steadily take shape



Tutor Mrs E. Taylor of Bell Block shows Reihana Couch and friend one of the basic stages in flax weaving



ABOVE & BELOW—Under the expert tutelage of Mrs Taylor, young girls learn the secrets of turning flax into baskets



"Now you must hold the flax more firmly if you want to get the proper result," instructs Mrs Taylor



The girls find it's fun after they have learned the knack of it



## SPONSORED BIKE RIDE

Happy were the girls who started off from Inglewood on a sponsored bike ride, singing "Riding on my pushbike, honey." But as Waitara grew nearer, the muscles began to ache more and, by the end of the ride, most agreed it had been hard work. Over \$350 was raised by the efforts of those who rode the distance and the funds go to a new kindy at Waitara.



*This was the scene at the starting point*



*Heather Sait rides on her merry way*



*Cherry Reay calls out "Farewell" as she departs from Inglewood*



*Brian Williams*



*A happy Heather Ginty*



*J. Bubltz has a quick drink*



*Paulette Davey*

## STOP 713



In 1972 there were a total of 713 road fatalities. For a country of our small size this is far too many. 1973 is half-way gone and already we are exceeding the death toll for this time last year. In fact it looks as if we are in for a record death toll for this year — we might even push the year's tally up to over 800, the way we are going.

**STOP!** Doesn't this appal you? Eight hundred healthy people killed on the roads in one single year. Perhaps you think that you couldn't possibly ever be one of those statistics. Perhaps you think there is nothing you can do about reducing the toll.

Well my friend, you'd be wrong on both counts. To prove that there is something that you can do to avoid the annual slaughter on our roads, we feature a story on a defensive driving course showing just how the toll can be lowered. But it needs your help and mine.

There are many people in this country trying to STOP 713, people like Brian Williams of the Defensive Driving Council. See what he has to say about our annual road toll, elsewhere on this page.

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*\* SMASH \**

*An Emergency Exercise*



*The seriously injured victim of this car does not make a very pretty sight for the eyes*

The smash illustrated on these two pages was, in effect, a mock accident, an exercise for emergency organisations to enable them to tighten up on their procedure in the event of a real emergency. Those involved were members of St John, Police, Fire Brigade, Fire Police and the Ministry of Transport.

While it may have been only an exercise, nothing was spared to add to the realism of the occasion. Blood from the abattoirs was liberally spattered on the 'victims,' the wrecked car was set alight and plunged over a 50 foot bank.

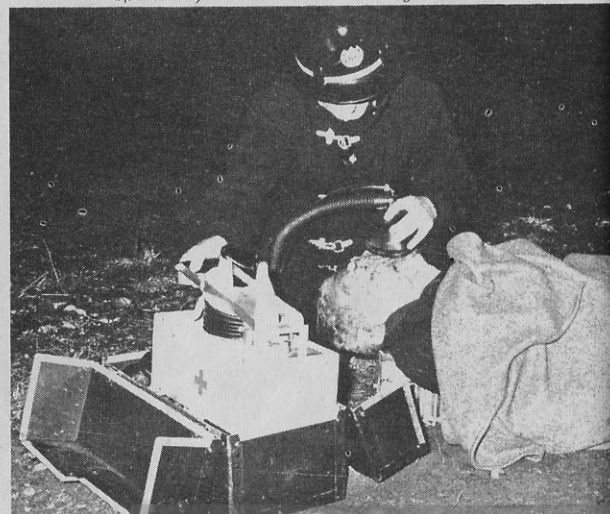
But the accident could have been real. It could have been even a worse smash.



*Wrecked and burning — a job for the firemen*



*Sparks fly as firemen cut through the vehicle*



*On-the-spot oxygen*



*A 'victim' is taken to the ambulance*



*Spectators line the banks of the roadway to watch, most of them not knowing it was staged*



*Firemen bring a 'victim' up the steep bank*



*Another casualty is brought to the top of the bank and the waiting ambulance*

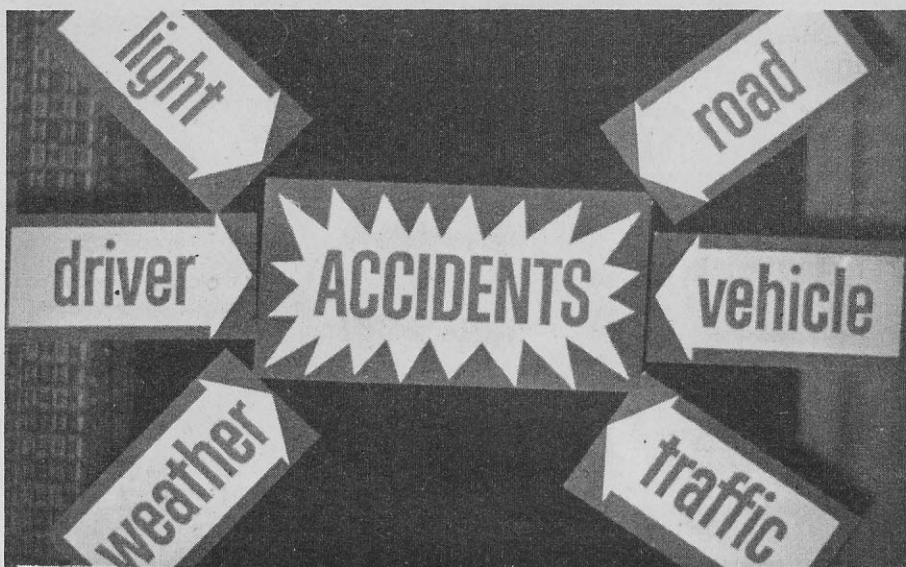


*The long haul up the bank, with some emergency oxygen given on the way*



*Two 'victims' receive emergency treatment prior to their removal to the ambulance*



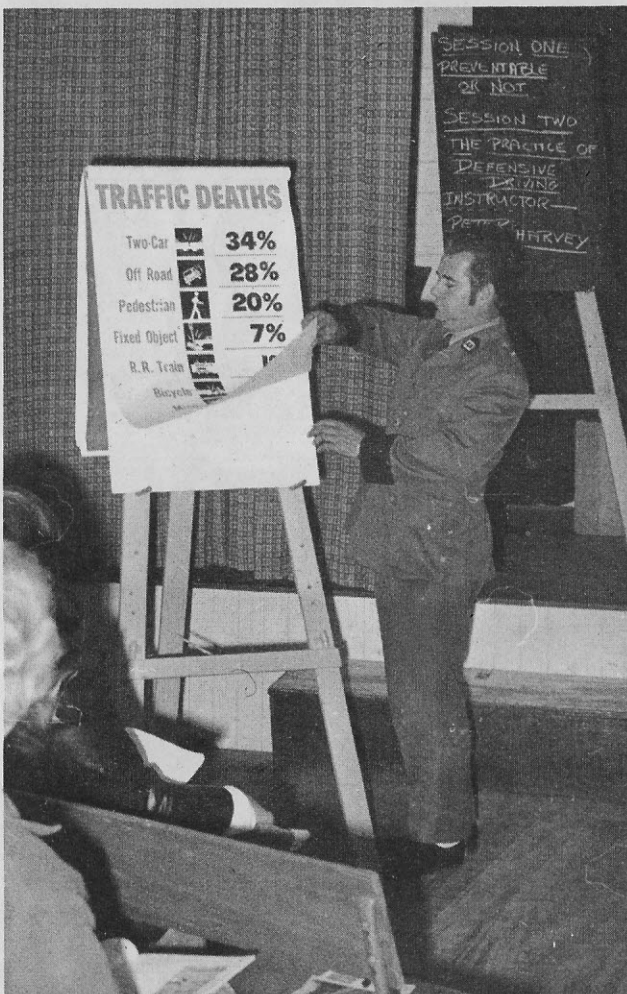


This shows the six main causes of accidents

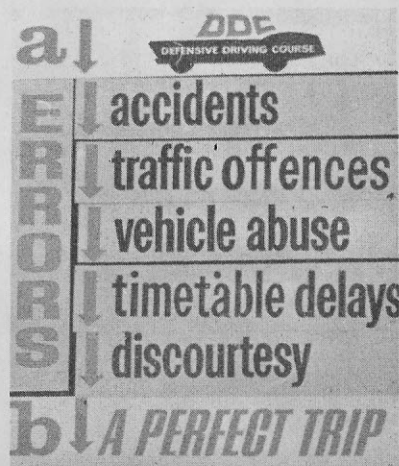
## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

"Photo News" recently attended an evening session of a Defensive Driving course. Our cameraman was so impressed that he intends to take a full course himself.

Instructors went to great lengths explaining the cause of various accidents and, more important, how they can be avoided by taking defensive action. For instance, the driver who follows too close to you. Simply slow down; this will force him to slow down or pass you and the danger to your vehicle is gone.



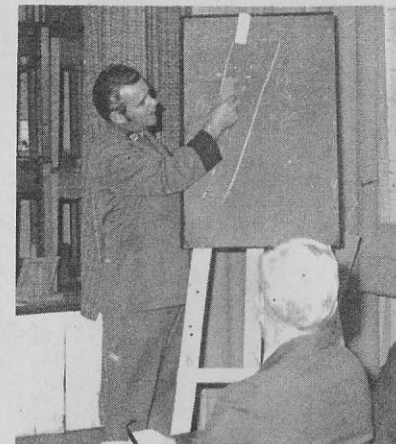
Causes of traffic deaths on a percentage basis



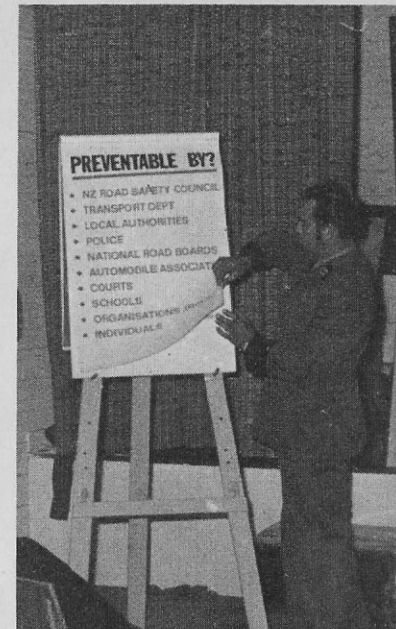
The address of your nearest Defensive Driving Council secretary is Bill Jamieson, 26 Watson Street, New Plymouth.



Visual alertness is a must in the prevention of accidents

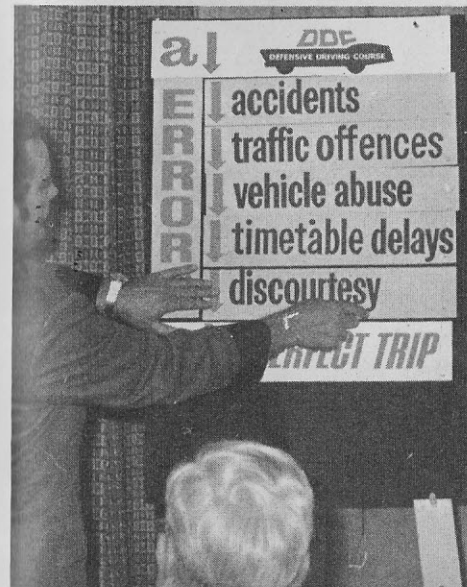


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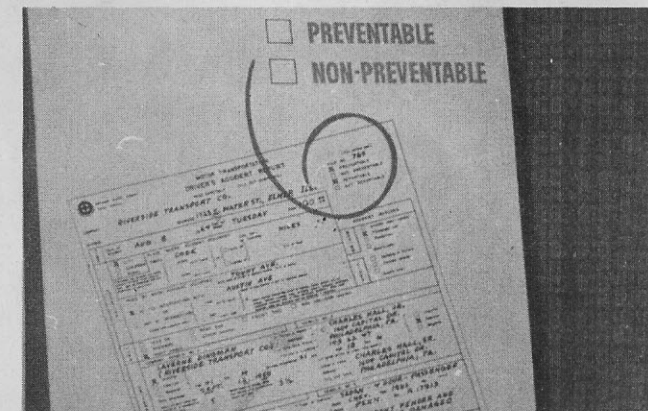


What is a preventable accident?

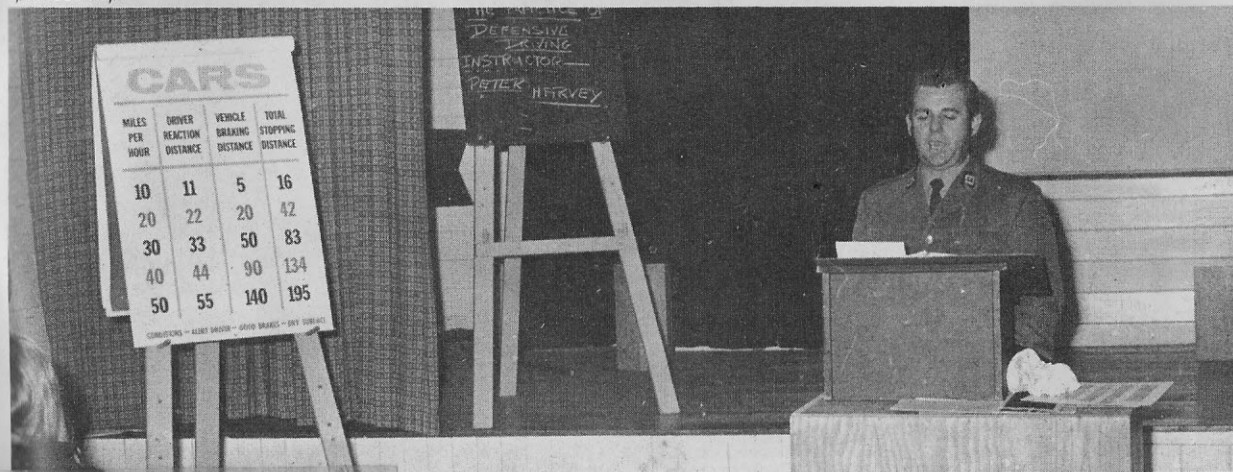
## STOP 713



Instructor Peter Harvey explains the definition of a perfect trip



Accident records help prevent disasters

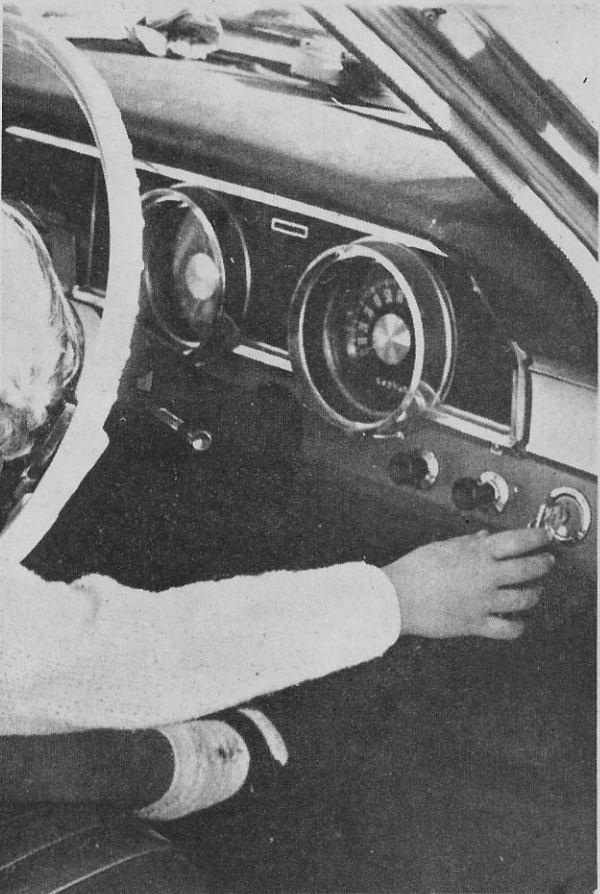


Saving lives is the object of the exercise





*Never, ever leave children in the car unattended. Too many things can happen*

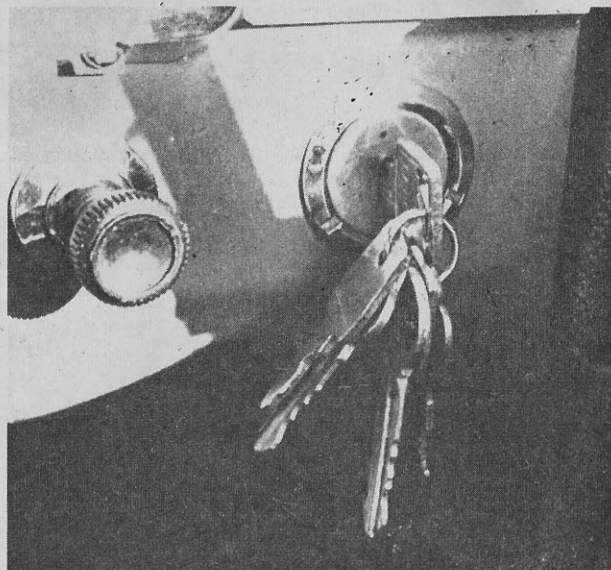


*Kids and keys are a dangerous combination. Small hands easily stray and . . .*

# CAR SAFETY

Much has been written about car safety, both on the road and off. On these two pages we want to illustrate the necessity of locking your vehicle when you park.

In the smaller centres, such as ours, we tend to become over-confident — “it could never happen to me” seems to be the prevailing attitude. But it can and DOES happen. A golden rule, when you leave your vehicle, is to remove children and valuables and then lock up.



*And don't go away (even for a few moments) and leave your keys in the vehicle. This is an open invitation for theft*



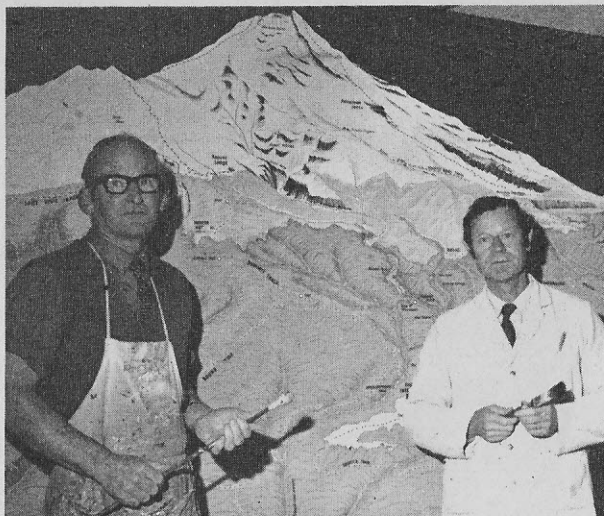
*Play safe . . . LOCK UP!*



*Don't leave valuables on the seat. Locked or unlocked, the temptation can be too great for someone, and car windows can almost always be prised open (or smashed)*



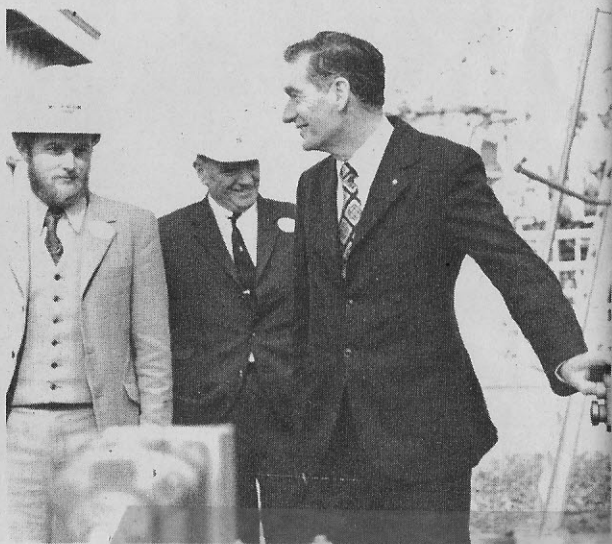
# SOUTH TARANAKI NEWS



The large map at LEFT, which shows the various tracks on South Egmont, is to be set just inside the main doors at the Dawson Falls Information Centre. Standing beside the map are Mr E. Terrill and Leo Park.

BELOW LEFT—Several Palmerston North skydivers visited Hawera recently for skydiving practice. One member, Mr D. Mardle (BELOW) had to open his emergency parachute when his main chute failed to open.

BOTTOM LEFT—The Minister of Mines, Mr Colman, visited Kapuni recently, to open the liquid petroleum gas extraction plant. Mr Colman is pictured, BOTTOM RIGHT, with Messrs J. Seymour and P. L. Laing.







## *Building Zooms Skyward*

The new additions to the Taranaki Base Hospital are progressing quite rapidly. This building, which was commenced about a year ago, will house, among other sections, the new intensive care unit.