

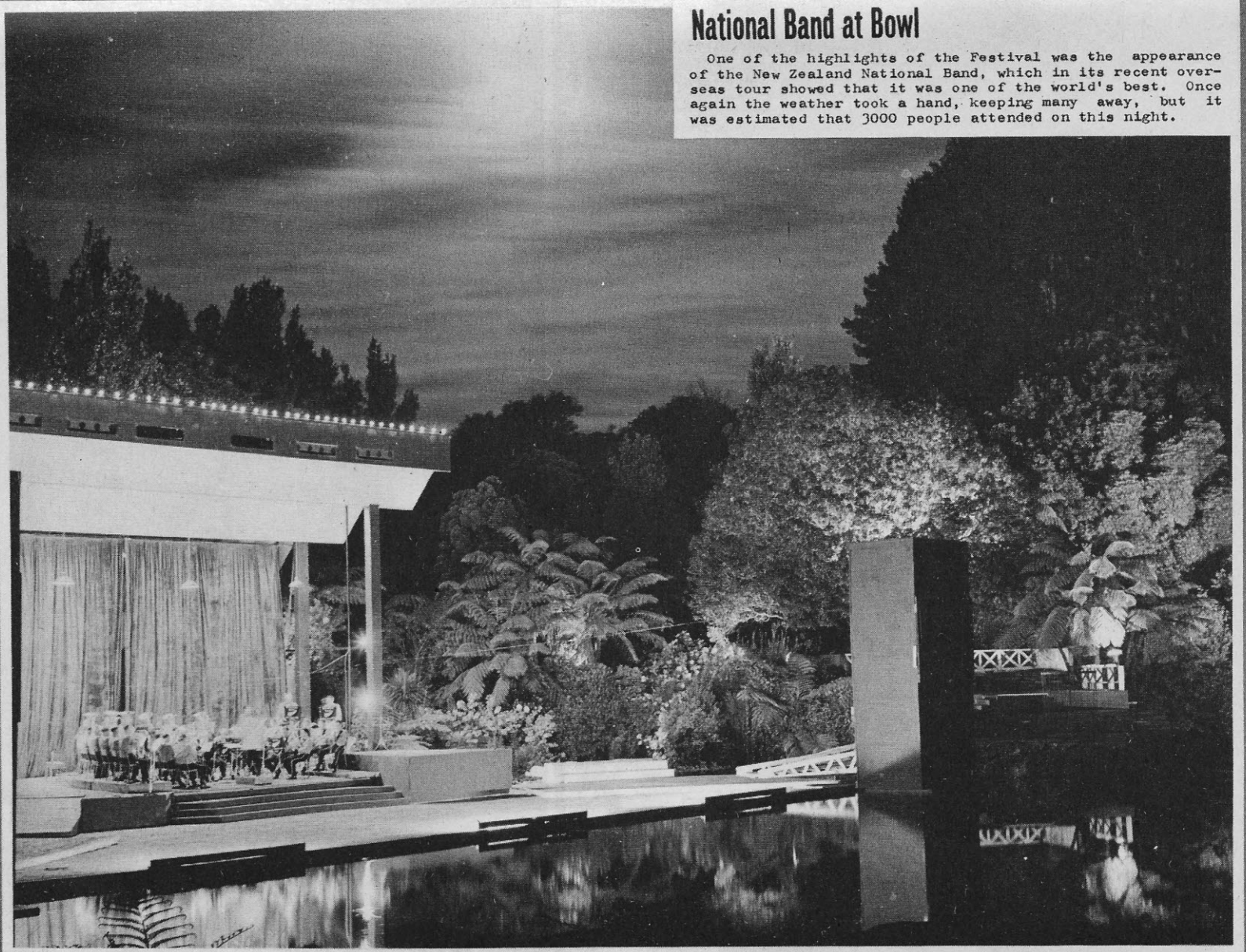


Magnificent Sets

A scene from the drama "Antony and Cleopatra", showing one of the most effective sets ever to be seen at the Bowl of Brooklands. The production was staged on two nights, and although no effort was spared, as the picture indicates, to make the presentation a dramatic masterpiece, the total attendance over both nights was only 3500. This gives rise once again to the suggestion that if the Festival is to be both popular and financial (if it is one, it will be the other), then lighter forms of entertainment are required, preferably spoken in the English of today, to be understood by all. What thinkest thou?

National Band at Bowl

One of the highlights of the Festival was the appearance of the New Zealand National Band, which in its recent overseas tour showed that it was one of the world's best. Once again the weather took a hand, keeping many away, but it was estimated that 3000 people attended on this night.

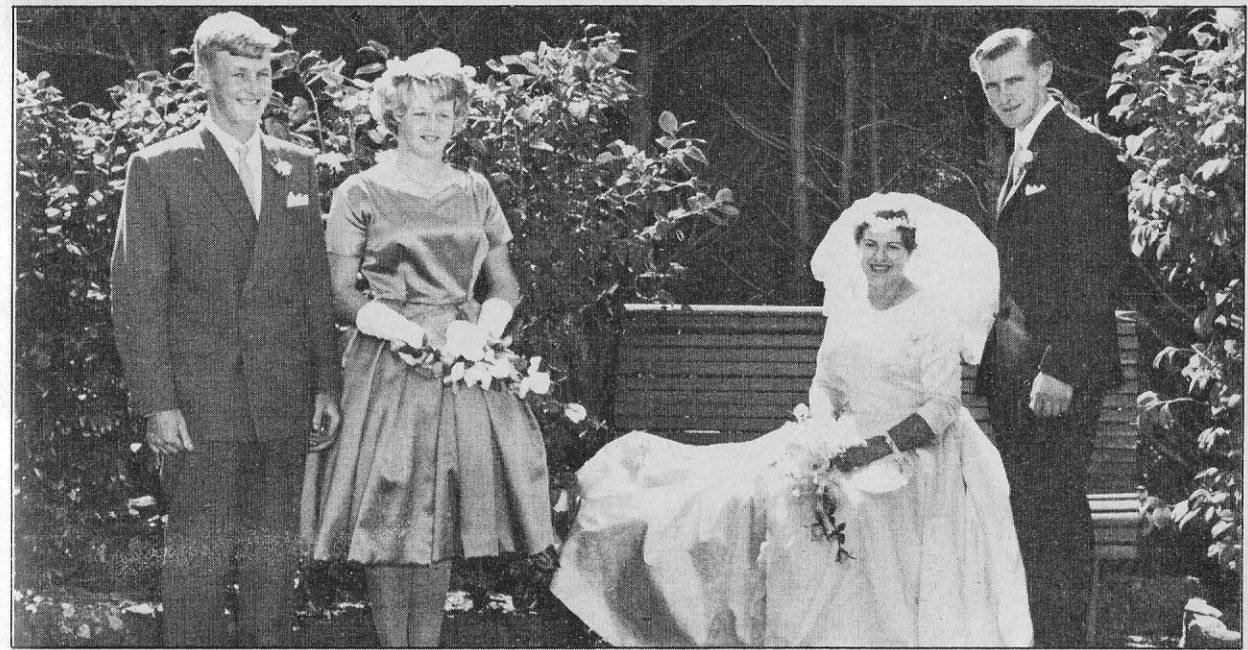
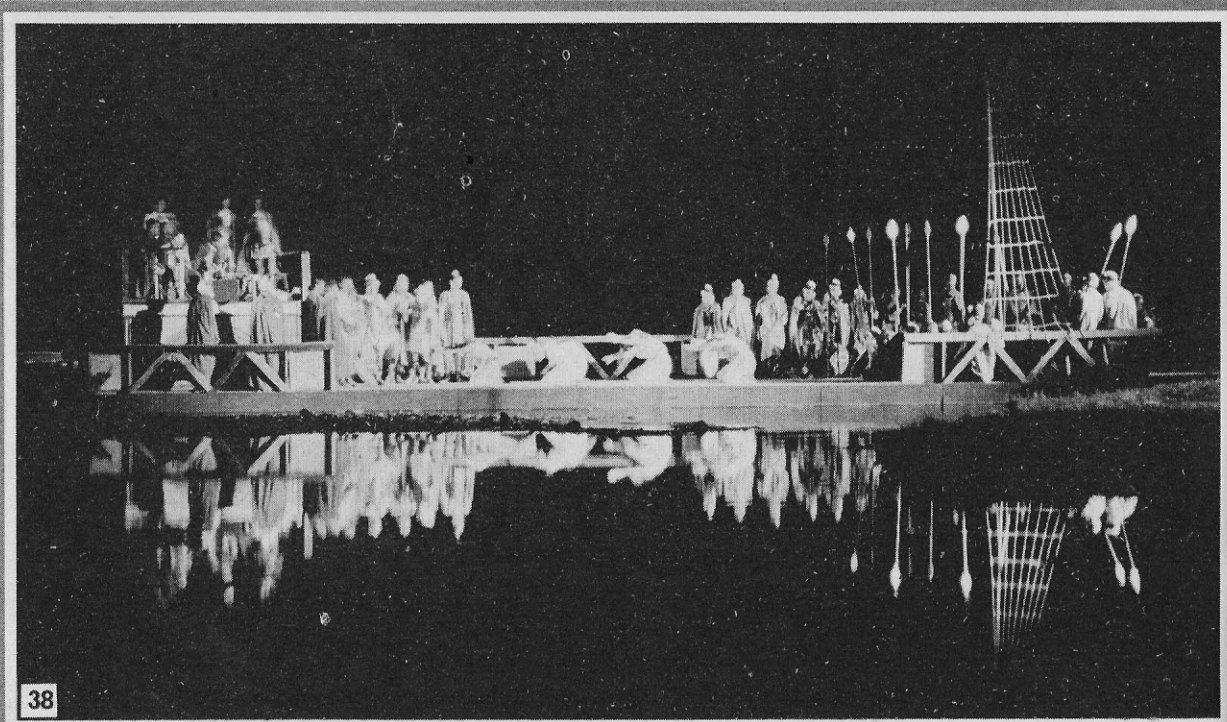




Variety and Drama

Above: The scene at the presentation of Miss Brooklands, seen here with her maids and some of those who contested the title with her.

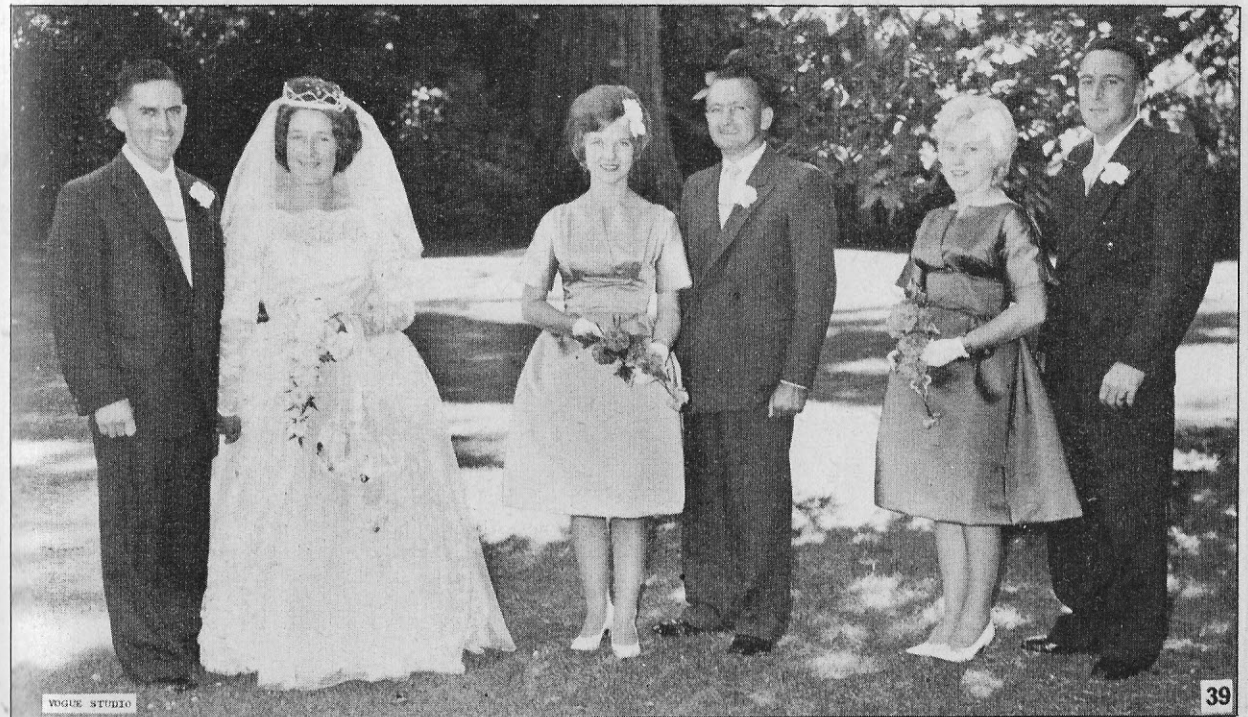
Below: Drama at the Festival was provided by Shakespeare's "Antony and Cleopatra", a lavish and imaginative production of the well-known classic. This is the scene on the galley, a set which was cunningly devised on the edge of the lake.



Wedding Bells

Above: LETHBRIDGE-COOKSON: At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Patricia, eldest daughter of Mrs L. and the late Mr Cookson, NP, to Richard, only son of Mr N. and the late Mrs Lethbridge, NP. Sister of the bride, Margaret Cookson, NP, was the bridesmaid, and Malcolm Campbell, Bell Block, was the best man. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below: SALT-LETHBRIDGE: At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Heather, youngest daughter of Mr L. and the late Mrs Lethbridge, Waitara, to Walter, youngest son of Mrs E. and the late Mr Salt, Eltham. The bridesmaids were Patricia Harkness and Eleanor Sexton, both of Waitara. Dick Sheehy NP, was the best man, and Fred Fenwick, Auckland, was the groomsman.



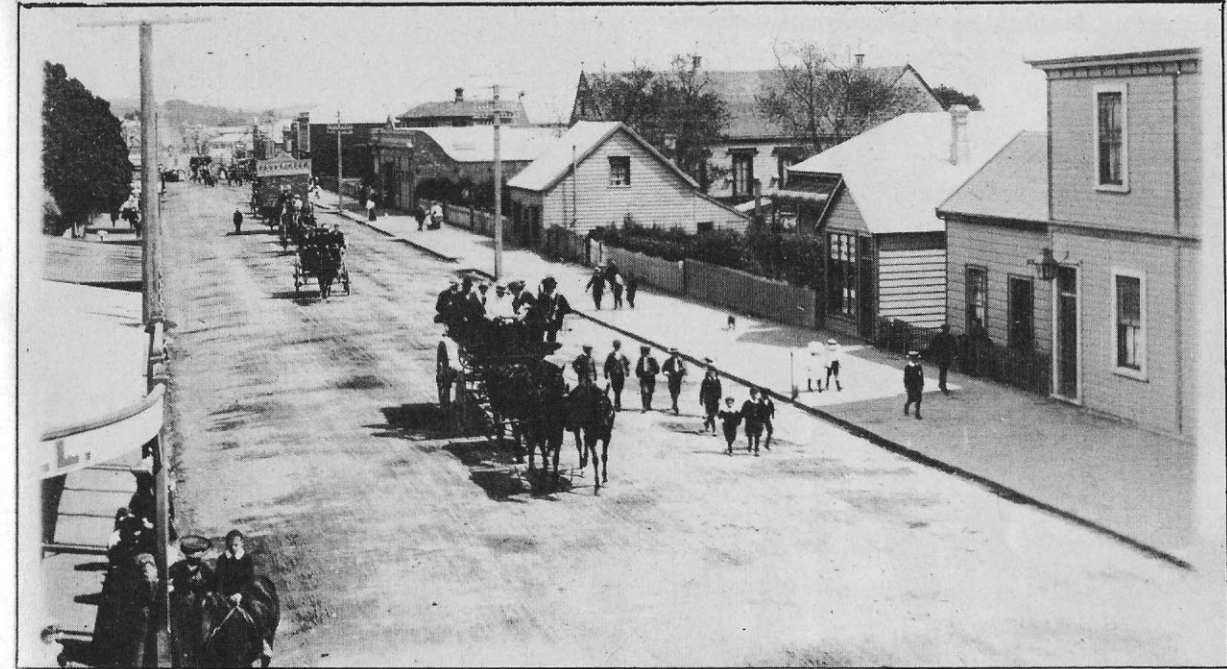
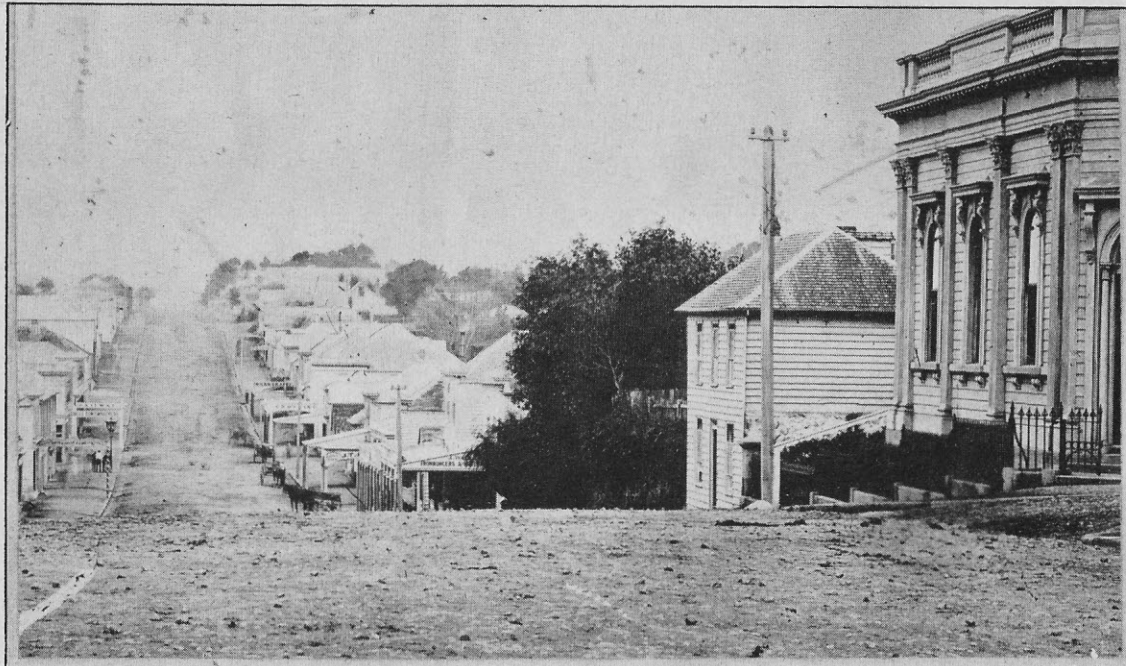


Old New Plymouth

Here are a couple of pictures of the city which give us some idea of the town as it looked to the older settlers. To us, it is hard to imagine what the town was really like in the distant past but these pictures conjure up some ideas of what life was like in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

Above: Here is a view overlooking the town from the top of Eliot street, just by the entrance to the NP Boys' High School. Plenty of building sections in those days. Wonder how much they were?

Below: View of Devon Street, taken from the corner of Robe Street, and showing the old Australasia Bank on the corner, a building which is still standing. We cannot date this picture, but it was taken well before the main street was sealed.



72 Years Has Changed Devon Street

Above: This photograph, taken on the occasion of the fifty years jubilee, in 1891, shows the remarkable growth of the business area of the town. The picture was taken on the Gover street corner, looking south. At that time, this part of Devon Street was still very much residential. But today, 72 years later, the main street has become a thriving business area, with fine new buildings. The photograph below was taken recently from the same point as that above, and indicates the difference in the town that has taken place during the past 72 years.





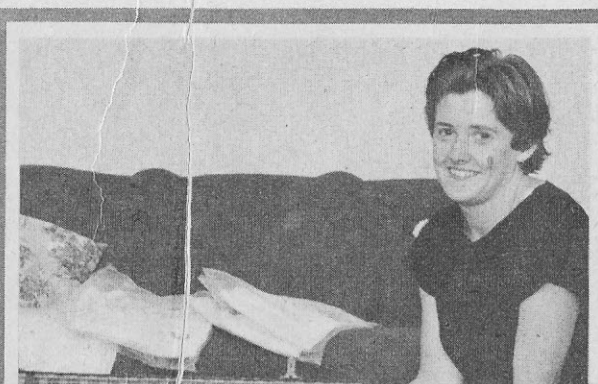
Celebrations

Above, left: Gerald, son of Mr and Mrs J.B. Hopkins, Hawera, is shown with his father as he cuts his 21st birthday cake.

Below, left: Isabel, daughter of Rev. and Mrs H.R. Wright, NP, is photographed on the occasion of her coming-of-age.

Above: Mr and Mrs Arthur Brown, Wilson Street, Hawera, who recently celebrated 60 years of happy married life.

Below: Mr and Mrs R.J. Chapman, Waitara, with their family on the occasion of the christening of their youngest child, Darrel. Also in the group is big brother Leigh.



Off To U.S.A.

Above: New Plymouth's leading lady badminton player, Miss Margaret Moorhead, is here seen packing, prior to her departure for the United States, where she will represent New Zealand in the series for the Uber Cup.

Wedding Bells

Left: HODGSON-BREMNER: At the Pahiatua Presbyterian Church, Daphne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Bremner, Balance, to Robert Victor, eldest son of Mrs R. Burnand, NP. Future home will be Palmerston North.

Below: MITCHELL-BUTLER: At the Inglewood Catholic Church, Davine Margaret Butler, Tariki, to Eric Victor Mitchell, Hawera. The bridesmaids were Gayleen Wilson, Patea, and Heather Brown, Tariki. Roy Candy was the best man, and Pat Comber was the groomsman. Flower girls were Angela Higgins and Carol Garlick. Future home: Hawera.



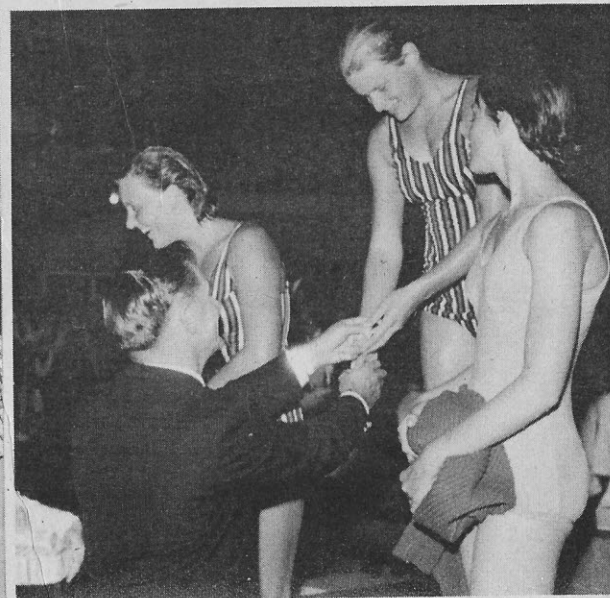


Taranaki Swimmers Did Well At N. Z. Champs

The junior team of swimmers from the province, who recently travelled to Auckland to contest the N.Z. Championships, did better than any other team before them has done. They collected one title, plus several placings in the finals to give them the highest number of points ever gained by a Taranaki junior team.

Above: Here is the team with its coach manager, Duncan Lang (NPOB). From left, back row, Barry Rangihaeata (Patea), Duncan Lang and Graham Dempsey (who was 2nd in the 440 yds freestyle, 4th in the 220 junior boys and qualified for the 110 butterfly final). Front row: John Egar (Stratford); Katie Taylor (NP), junior champion of NPGHS; Mary Lyle (NP), 5th in the final of the 220 breaststroke and 4th fastest time in the heats; Jennifer Froggatt (NP), won 220 breaststroke, 2nd 110 breaststroke, and swam for the North Island v. the South; and Scott Hamilton (Inglewood). Absent from this photograph were Stephen Bond (NP) and Kay Quickenden.

Below, left: Jennifer Froggatt displays her medals to a proud mother. **Below, right:** On the dais to receive her winner's medal from the president of the NZASA, Jennifer looks a happy girl.



Roving Camera

Above: Almost ready for occupation is the new Maritime Building, at the rear of and adjoining the Bank of New Zealand. It is to be occupied by the New Zealand Shipping Company, and will be a worthy addition to buildings in that area.

Below: A start has been made on the proposed new groyne at East End beach. The idea is to try and get a sand build-up on the beach, so that the city can then boast of two of the safest beaches in the Dominion. Should Ngamotu be lost to the Harbour Board for new wharves, then this new beach will be, like Ngamotu, the most popular place to be in summer. This sort of planning is a feather in the cap of the city council, who feel that safe beaches are one of a town's biggest assets.

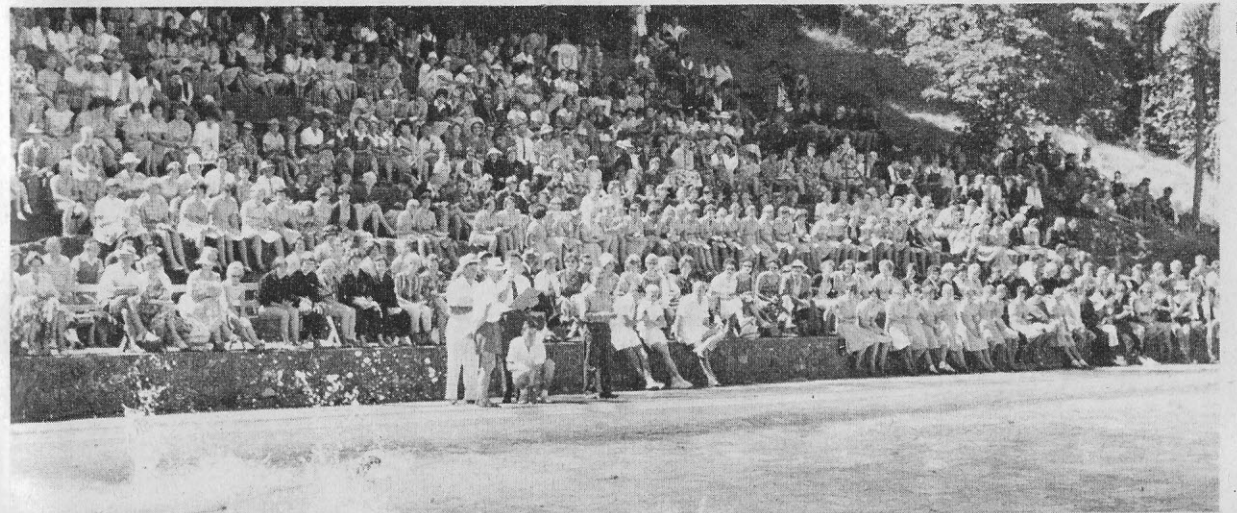




Wedding Bells

Above: MARSHALL-DRABBLE: At the Eltham Presbyterian Church, Leonie, daughter of Mr H.J.Drabble, Eltham, to Thomas Gary, second son of Mr and Mrs T.G.Marshall, Levin. Beryl Drabble, sister of the bride was the bridesmaid, and Brian Marshall, brother of the groom, was the best man. The future home of the couple will be Levin.

Below: PATON-ZEINDER: At the Eltham Presbyterian Church, Rosemary, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Zehnder, Eltham, to Laurence Alan, son of Mr and Mrs D.Paton, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Jennifer Moore, Heather Beattie, and Adrienne Zehnder, sister of the bride. The flower girl was Christine Parkinson, niece of the bride. Bob Paton was the best man and Bob Hamlin was the groomsman. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



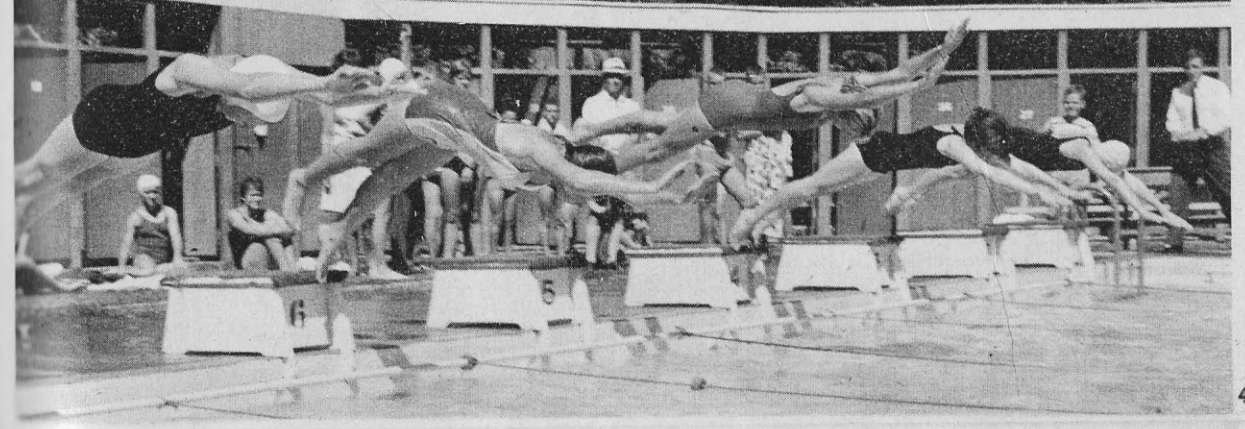
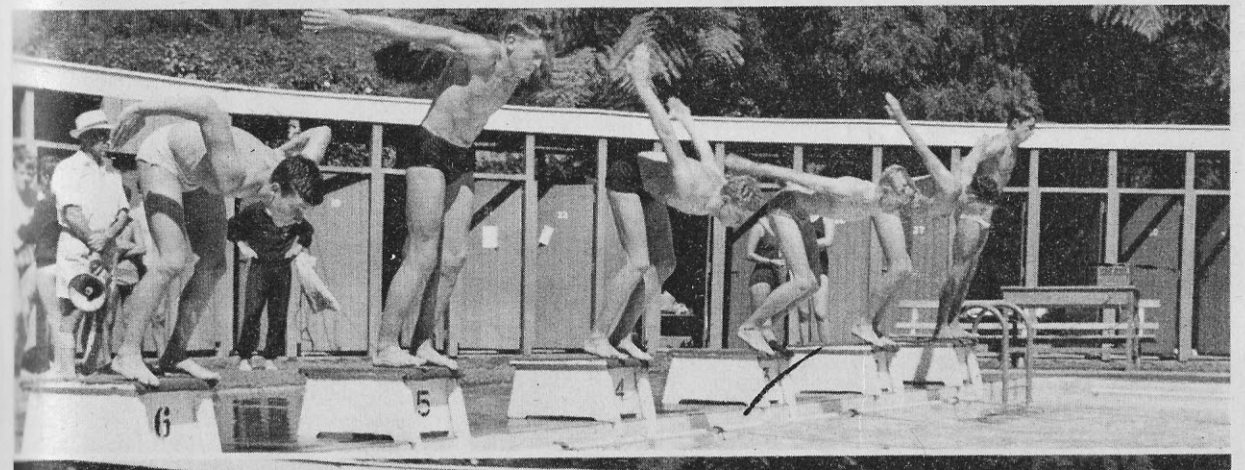
Inter-Secondary School Swimming

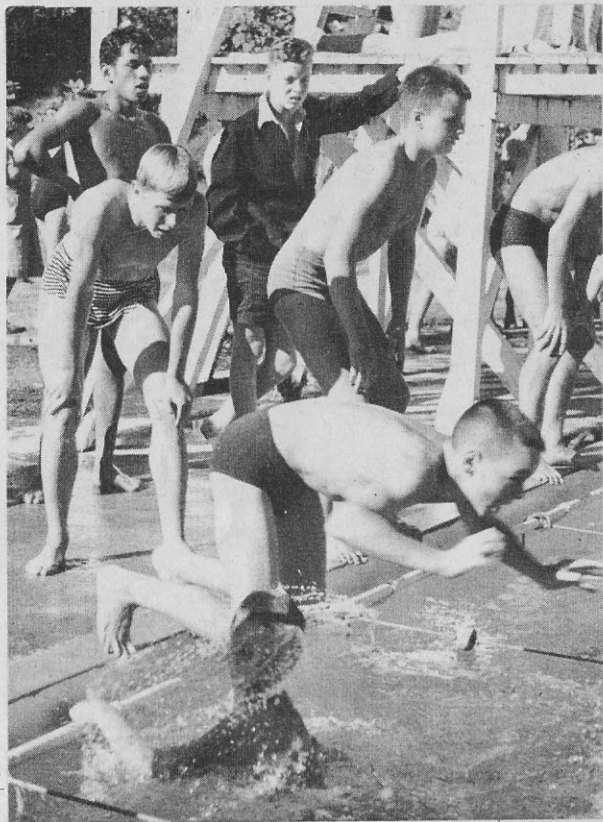
The New Plymouth Girls High School baths were the venue for the recent inter-secondary school swimming championships. Blessed with a gloriously fine day, the meeting saw records fall one after another. Each and every contestant was encouraged by cheers from the supporters on the terraces who came from all the secondary schools in Taranaki.

Above: The crowded terrace watching a race in progress.

Below: Start of the 50 yards freestyle, intermediate boys' event.

Bottom: Another start; this time it is of the junior girls' 50 yards freestyle event.





SECONDARY SCHOOL CHAMPIONS

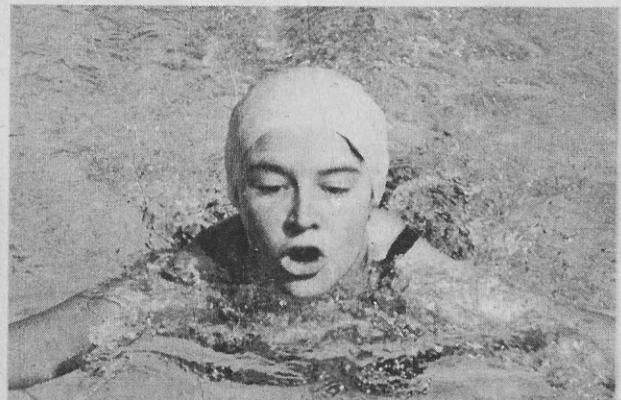
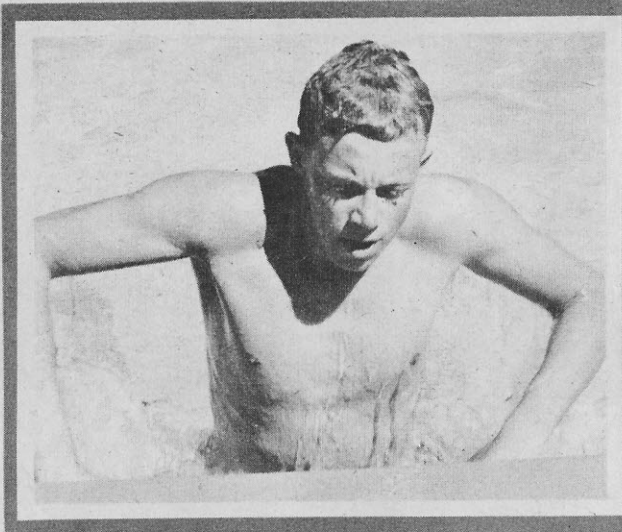
Above: Excitement runs high during a changeover in the junior boys' relay event.

Below: A. Gayford (NPBHS) winner of the senior boys' 100 yards freestyle final.

Above, right: A. Neilson (NPBHS), winner of the Intermediate 100 yards freestyle championship.

Right: C. Latham, (HTHS) winner of the 100 yards senior girls' event.

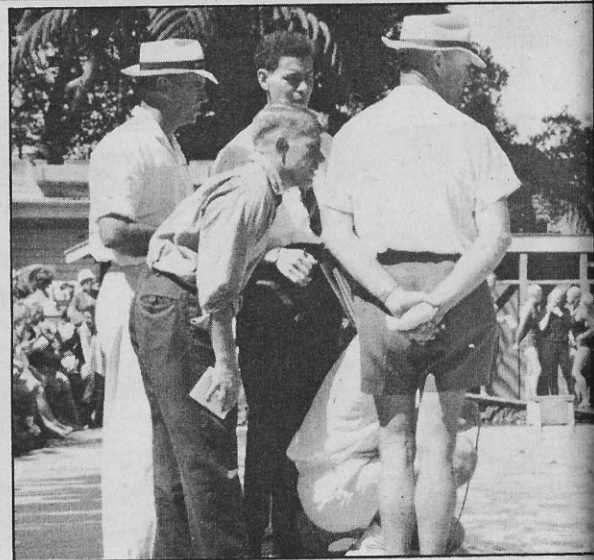
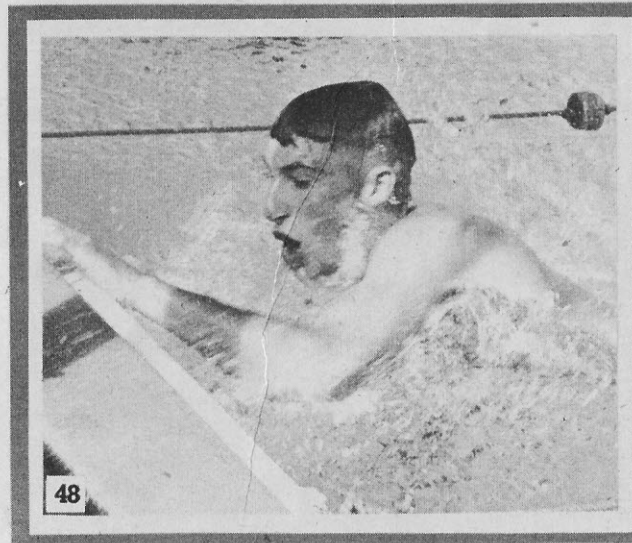
Below, right: Judges stand over the finishing line to record their verdict.

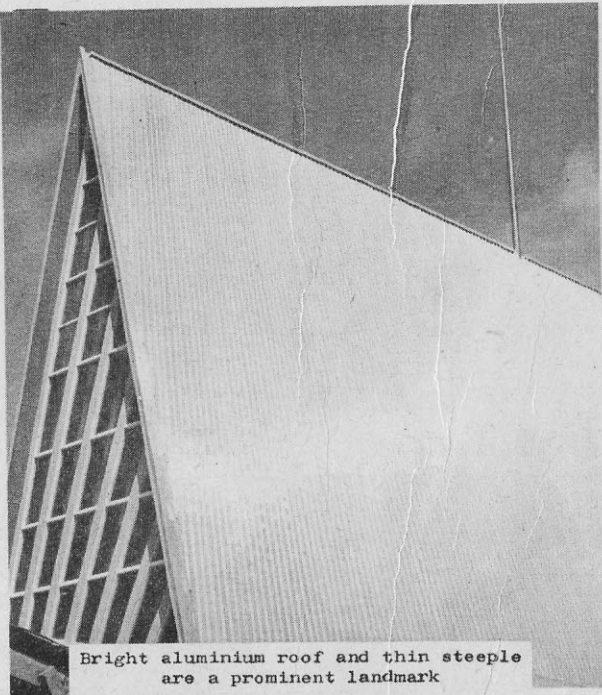


Roving Camera

Above, left: Members of the NPBHS junior relay team making a changeover during the inter-secondary schools swimming championships. **Top, right:** N. Penwarden (NPBHS), winner of the senior 100-yard breaststroke championship. **Above, right:** Junior girls breaststroke winner was K. Knight (HTHS).

Below: Carolyn Logan, Awakino, poses with Selwyn Toogood and Patsy Jeory, a radio personality of Gisborne, after winning the Miss Tainui beauty contest at the recent carnival held at Mokau.

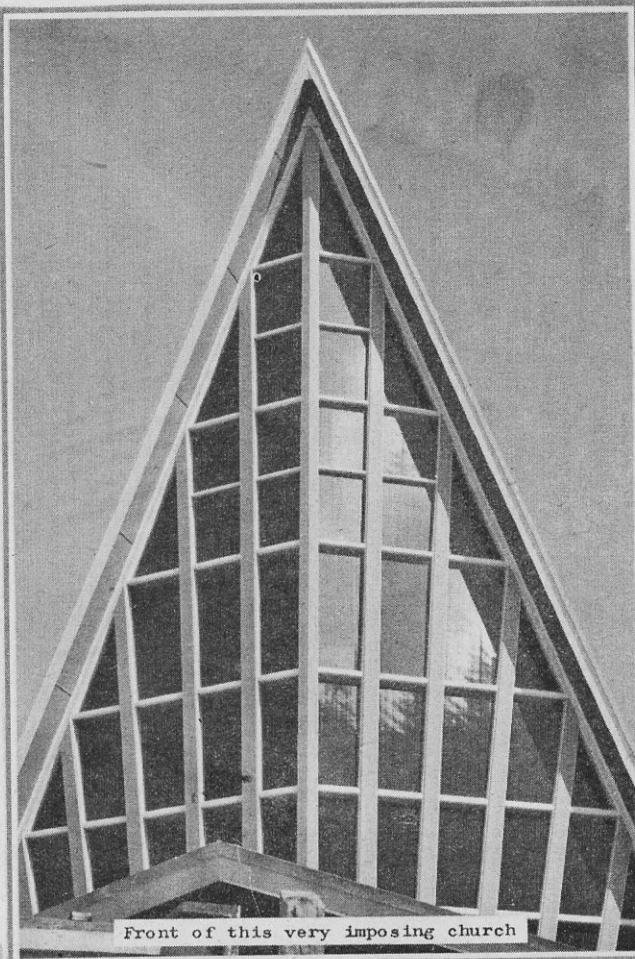




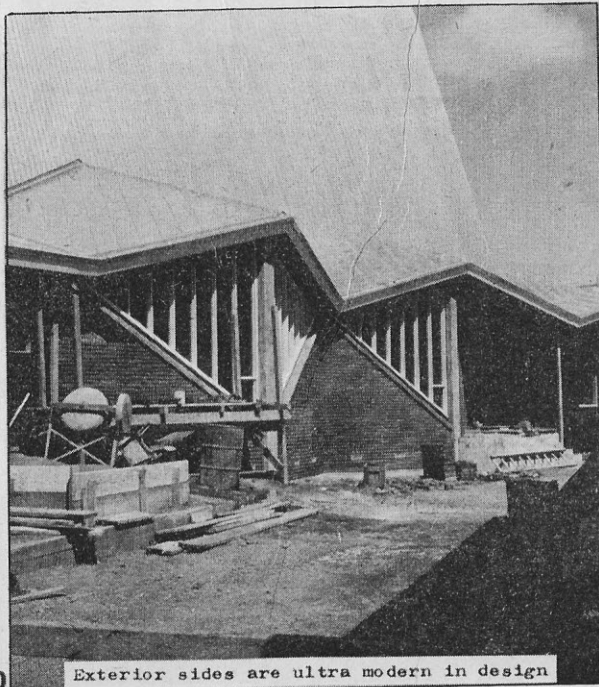
Bright aluminium roof and thin steeple are a prominent landmark

Whiteley Church Is Nearing Completion

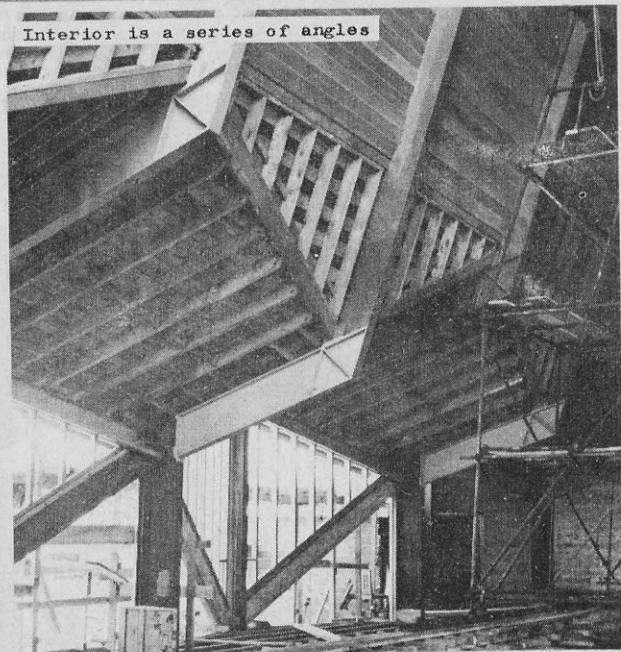
Now a very prominent landmark in the city, the new Whiteley Methodist Church is fast nearing completion. We took our camera into the church recently, and were amazed to find that so much had been done. At the present rate of progress it will not be long before the church will be in use.



Front of this very imposing church



Exterior sides are ultra modern in design



Interior is a series of angles



Miss Brooklands and Miss Nelson at Needlework Display

One very interesting display held in conjunction with Festival week, was the needlework display organised by the North Taranaki CWI. It was attended by Miss Brooklands and guest Miss Nelson, who are here shown above with the vice-president of the CWI, Mrs A. Wicksteed. Miss Nelson (Shirley McEwan) and Miss Brooklands (Adrienne Bond) stand on each side of Mrs Wicksteed.

Below, left: A shoulder spray for Miss Brooklands from Mrs Wicksteed, and below, right, another spray for Adrienne's mother, Mrs E.W. Bond.





Wedding Bells

Above: COOK-ROBERTS: At the Inglewood Methodist, Marlene Dawn, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Roberts, Inglewood, to Nelson Victor, eldest son of Mr and Mrs V. Cook, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Rana Wingrove, Genevieve Cook, sister of the groom, and Jocelyn Roberts, sister of the bride, all of New Plymouth. Colin Cook, New Plymouth, brother of the groom, was best man, and Don Roberts, brother of the bride, Inglewood, was groomsman. Future home of the couple will be NP.

Below: BURGESS-LARSEN: At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Shona Jean Larsen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. Moss, New Plymouth, to Donald Walsham, youngest son of Mr and Mrs R.M. Burgess, Inglewood. Carolyn Coltart, Opunake and Merle Elgar, Stratford, were the bridesmaids. Neil Larsen, brother of the bride, New Plymouth, was best man, and the groomsman was Ray Roebuck, Waitara. New Plymouth will be the future home of the couple.



Above: PURDY-WYATT: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Margaret, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C. Wyatt, New Plymouth, to Allan, elder son of Mr and Mrs V.S. Purdy, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Patricia Peplow, New Plymouth, and Joan Purdy, New Plymouth, sister of the groom. Leslie Purdy, New Plymouth, brother of the groom, was the best man and Caleb Wyatt, New Plymouth, brother of the bride, was groomsman. Future home of the couple will be Wellington.

Below: WYATT-YOUNG: At St. Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Diann June, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Young, New Plymouth, to Caleb William, only son of Mr and Mrs C. Wyatt, New Plymouth. The matron of honour was Margaret Purdy, sister of the groom, Wellington, and Joan Purdy, New Plymouth, was bridesmaid. Kenneth Brown, New Plymouth, was best man, and the groomsman was Raymond Young, brother of the bride, New Plymouth. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.





Festival Cycle Racing Was Best Meeting Yet

With all the top local riders pitted against three of England's best cyclists, the festival meeting at Rugby Park proved to be one of the best meetings ever held in the province. Some really excellent racing was witnessed by the rather small crowd who attended. With the addition of the attendance of Miss Brooklands and her guest, Miss Nelson, plus the Taranaki Ladies' Highland Pipe Band and the local marching girls, the two-day programme was varied, colourful and well worth seeing.

Above: Winner of the feature race, the Festival Five, K. Barton receives his trophy from Miss Brooklands, Adrienne Bond, with Colin Hollows (Palmerston North) who was second, and England's John Carey who was third.

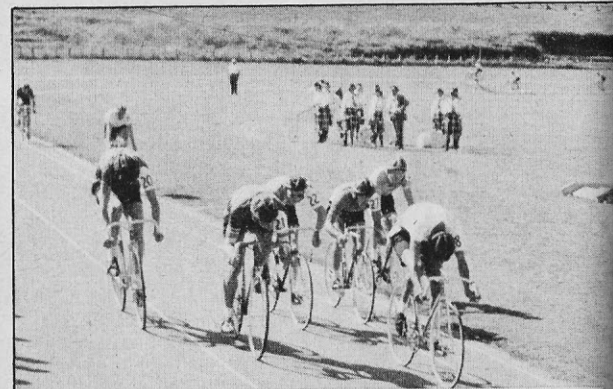
Below: Karl Barton acknowledges the applause of the crowd.



Karl Barton leads Colin Hollows who stuck to the English rider for the best part of the 5-mile journey in the "Festival Five".



The trophies were well worth winning



Most races finished with a tightly packed bunch



Above: Highlight of the programme was the arrival of Miss Brooklands, Adrienne Bond, and Miss Nelson, Shirley McEwan, who were accompanied by Mr D.V.Sutherland, chairman of the Businessmen's Association. Our picture shows the party as they were met by Reg Styles, president of the sponsoring club.



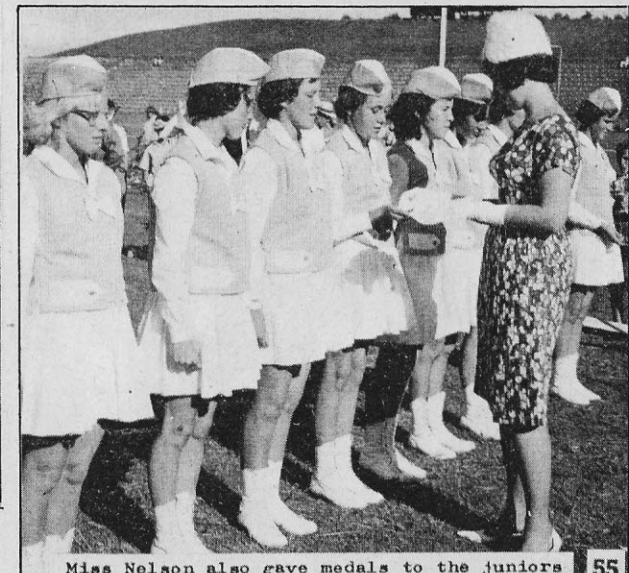
Miss Nelson, Shirley McEwan, presents a cup to the leader of the junior marching team.



Adrienne Bond presenting the cup to the leader of the senior winning team



There were medals for the rest of the team



Miss Nelson also gave medals to the juniors



PRIZEWINNERS AT FESTIVAL CYCLE RACING MEETING

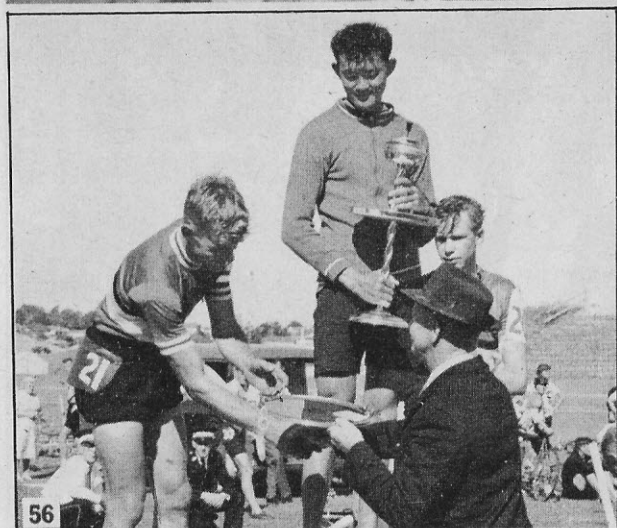
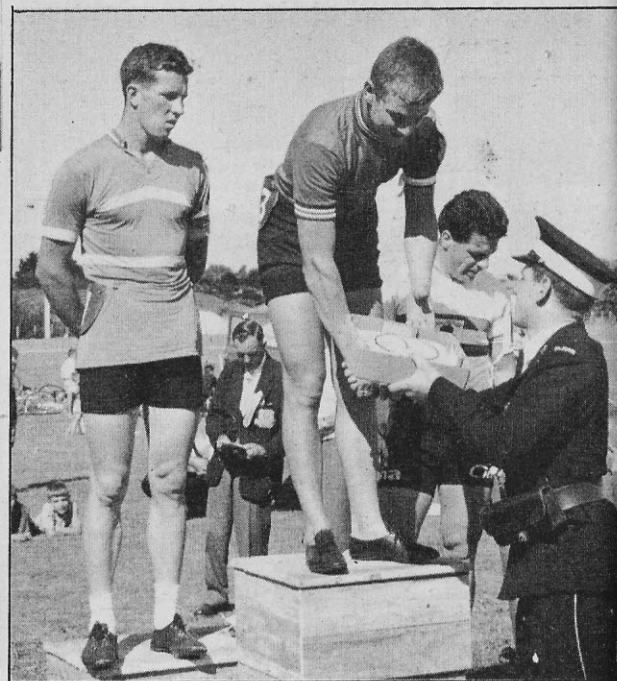
Above, left: Karl Barton, English sprint champion, crosses the line alone to win the feature race, the "Festival Five".

Left: Colt winners on the dais receive their trophy to the acknowledgment of the crowd.

Below, left: Eric Chang (NP) who scored a fine double in the junior mile and front-markers race, is here receiving his trophy from Mr Carmichael.

Above: Placegetters in the back-markers event get their trophies from Miss Nelson, Shirley McEwan.

Below: St. John's man Gordon Harvey presents trophies on behalf of the donor, Burgess Fraser.



Engaged

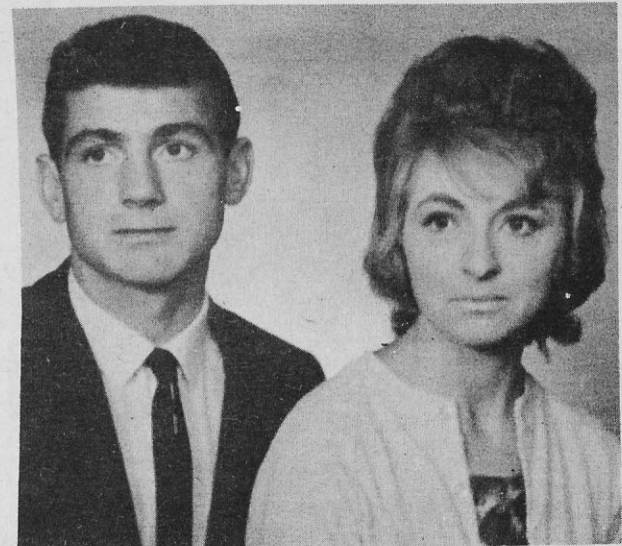
Above, left: LAMB-MORRIS: Josephine Iris, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.H.Morris, NP, to Peter Alfred, fourth son of Mr and Mrs R.A.Lamb, Inglewood.

Left: CLEMENT-MOODY: Lynnette, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.E.Moody, Hawera, to David William, eldest son of Mr and Mrs D.C.Clement, Te Roti.

Below, left: MASLIN-LOCK: Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H.Lock, Eltham, to Graham Edward, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E.Maslin, Eltham.

Above: CLELAND-HAILEY: Jill Carolyn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.M.Hailey, Whitianga, to Laurie, second son of Mr and Mrs W.Cleland, NP.

Below: PERRETT-RODGERS: Colleen Virginia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M.Rodgers, Stratford, to Colin John, second son of Mr and Mrs L.E.Perrett, Hawera.





Inglewood Four Wins Women's Open

Not quite as lucky with the weather as the men were, the 15th Women's Open Tournament was recently concluded on the Paritutu Club's green, with four Taranaki teams contesting the semi-finals. The final was played between Mrs D. Chard's four from Inglewood and Mrs G. Rowe's team from Waitara. Right up to the end of the game, any one of the teams could have been the winner. With superb bowls played at the end of the game, Mrs Chard's four ran out winners. Perhaps we would be forgiven for saying that the reason Mrs Chard won was that she played with the same aggressiveness as do the men. Some of her up shots were superbly executed. This is her second win in this very popular tournament.

Above: The winning four are all smiles for our camera. From left, Mesdames D.Chard, A.Spurdle, C.Bishop and N.Bishop.

Right: The handsome trophy for the winning team was presented to Mrs Chard by Mattie Erceg, whose wife donated the cup.

Below: Runners-up after a titanic struggle were, from left, Mesdames G.Rowe, D.Telfar, N. Hoskins and N.Fraser.



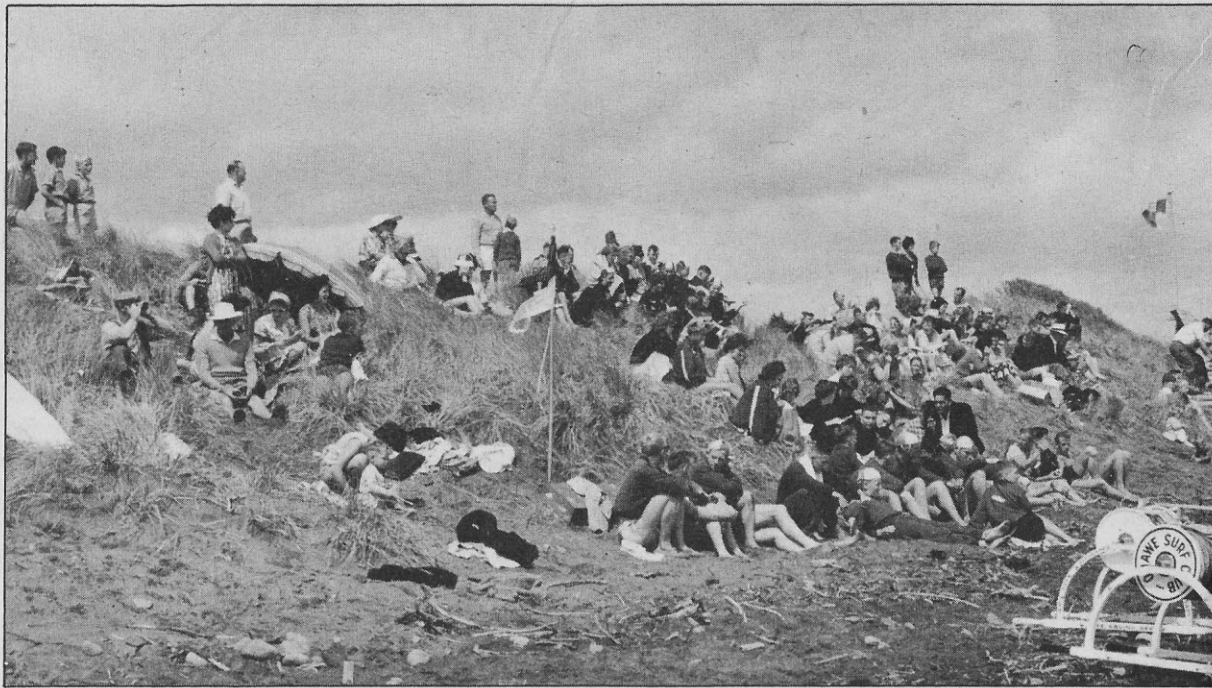
Above: The last four teams in the tournament listen to the speeches at the conclusion of the games. A very good crowd witnessed what must have been one of the best finals seen for a long time.

Right: Measures were frequent, with most of the heads being very tight.

Below: Mrs Margaret Cottier was the official umpire for the semi-finals and final. Here she marks scores on the big board.

Below, right: Mrs I.St.George, president of the Taranaki Bowling Centre, presents a trophy to Mrs Rowe (Waitara), skip for the runners-up.



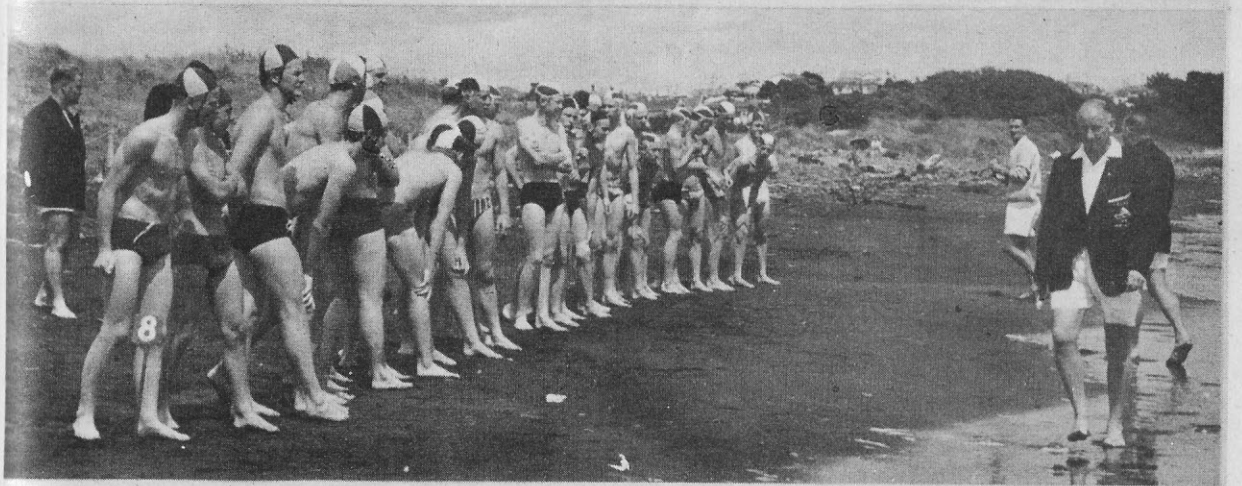


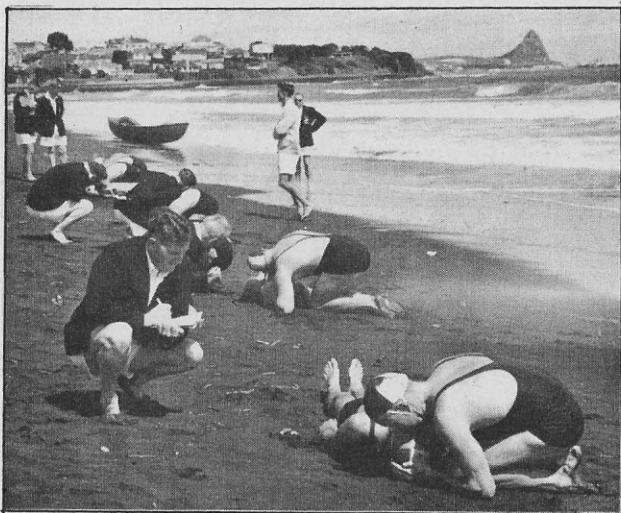
Poor Conditions For Surf Champs

Conditions were anything but pleasant for the provincial surf championships, held recently on Strandon Beach at the headquarters of the East End Surf Club. On the first of the two-day meet, the sea was as rough as it could be, besides being cold, with a colder wind blowing. Despite this, the performances put up by the surfers were excellent. **Above:** Only the weather could be blamed for the pitifully small crowd who attended the championship meeting. **Below:** The junior four-man alarm event in progress, showing the huge waves the contestants had to overcome.



Above: Hardy is hardly the word for these ladies who took part in the surf race. Thirteen competitors took part in this event, and they all finished what must have been a very tiring swim.
Below: Starters for the junior men's surf race face the water. Here again, the rough sea was no deterrent to these hardy young men.
Bottom: The senior event saw one of the biggest fields for the swim around the surf boat, pictured in the distance.





STRANDON BEACH WAS VENUE FOR SURF CHAMPS

Above: Competitors in the four-men alarm work on their patient under the watchful eye of the judges.

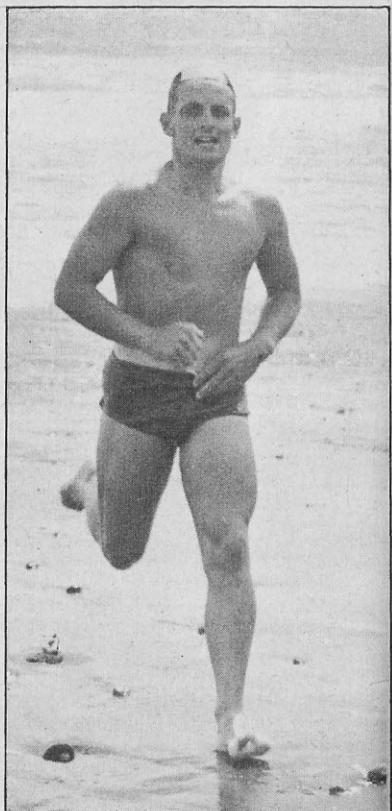
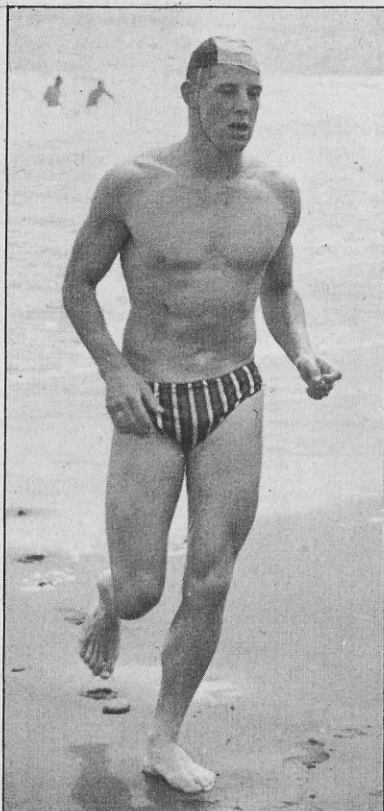
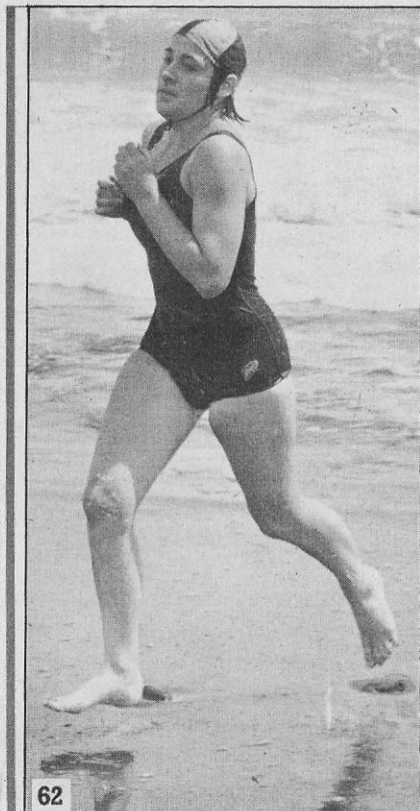
Above, right: East End ladies draw their numbers for the six-man event.

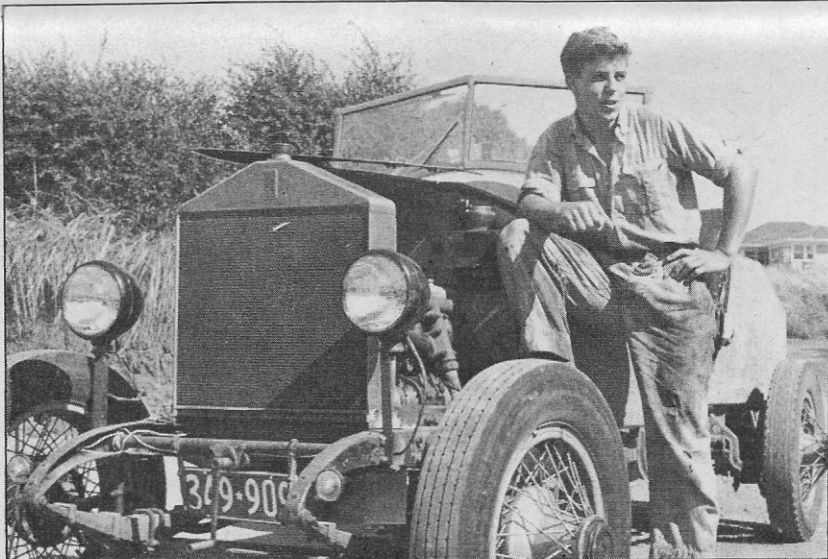
Right: Finishers sit on the sand to regain their breath after a gruelling surf race.

Below, left: Marie Adams (Patea), who won the ladies' surf race.

Below, centre: Neil Penwarden, an easy winner of the junior surf race.

Below, right: John Maclean sprints up the beach to win the senior event.

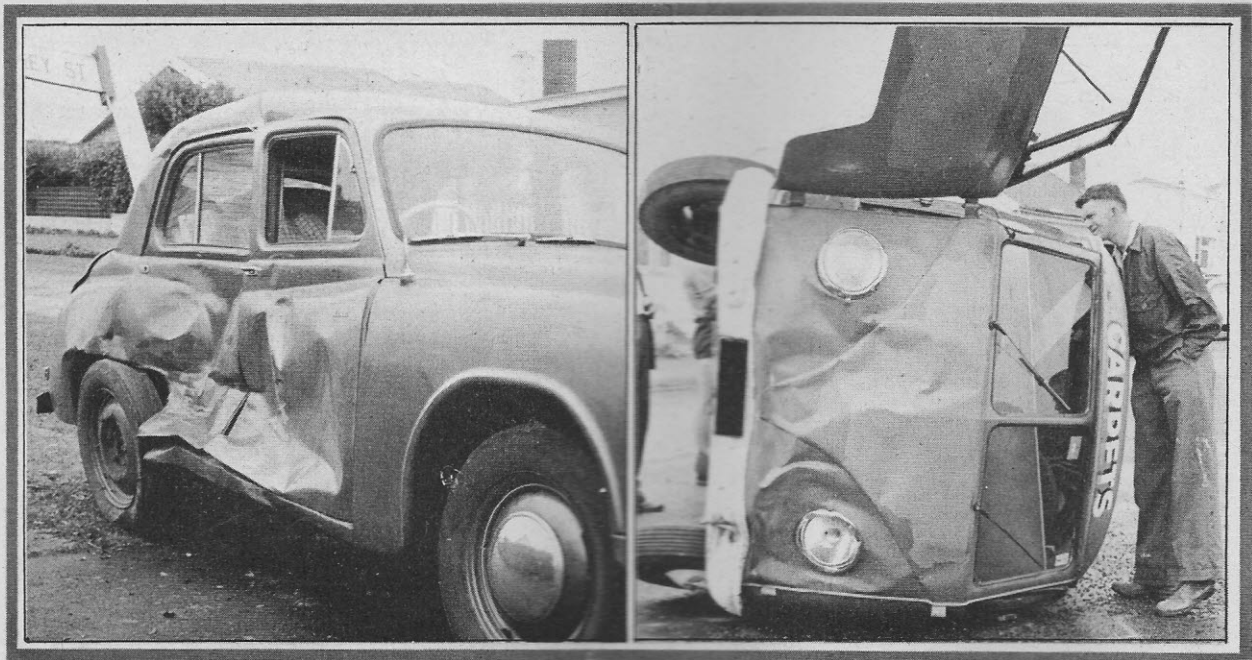




Above: Proud owner of a vintage Rolls Royce is Mr. Matthews, NP. He plans to renovate the old girl into her former glory.

Above right: Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Walter Nash, with the Mayor of NP, Mr. A.C. Honnor, and Mr. M. Fraser at the recent Master Grocers' Conference held in the city.

Right: Two vehicles recently came into collision at that favourite crash spot, the intersection of Powderham and Morley streets. Fortunately there was no very serious injury, but the vehicles sustained some damage. This accident spot has one of the worst records of any intersection in the city. It is to have a "Give Way" sign which should help to improve the situation.



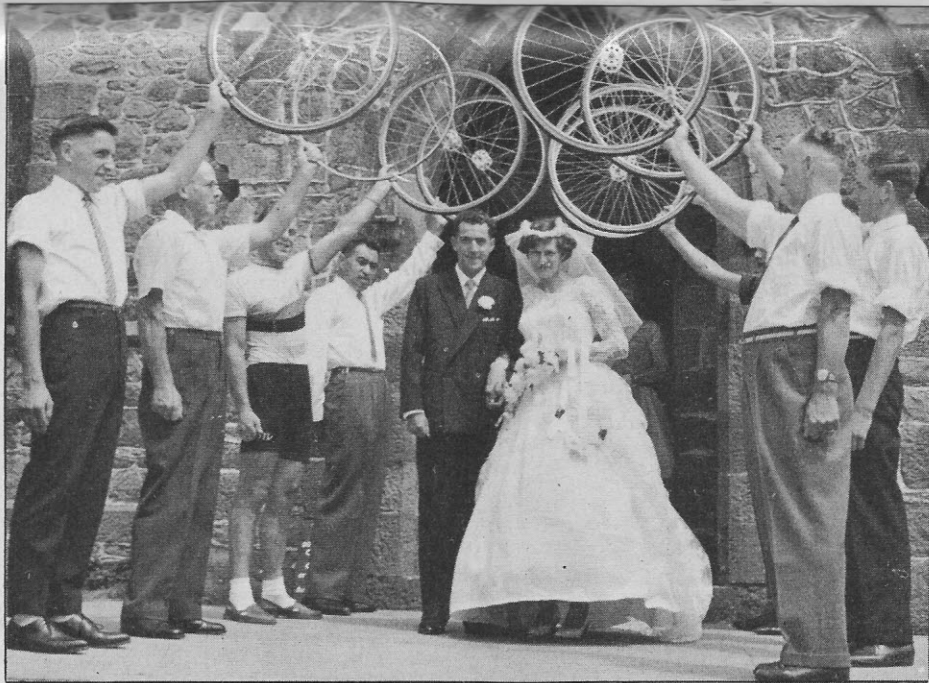


Wedding Bells

Above: KOOREY-IALE: At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Valerie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Hale, Mahoemui, to Kevin, youngest son of Mr and Mrs L.L.Koorey, New Plymouth, June Eaton, New Plymouth, was matron of honour, and Lyn Deacon, New Plymouth, the bridesmaid. The best man was Kelvin Eaton, New Plymouth, and Trevor Ashman, New Plymouth, the groomsmen. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below: TANNER-ADAMS: At the Gospel Hall, New Plymouth, Rosalie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Adams, New Plymouth, to Brian, only son of Mr and Mrs Tanner, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Dawn Adams, sister of the bride, and Marvynne Hunt, both of New Plymouth. Rodney Edward, New Plymouth, was the best man, and the groomsmen was Ken Tucker, Auckland. Niece of the bride, Karen Adams, New Plymouth, was flower girl and the page-boy was Paul Adams, nephew of the bride, New Plymouth. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

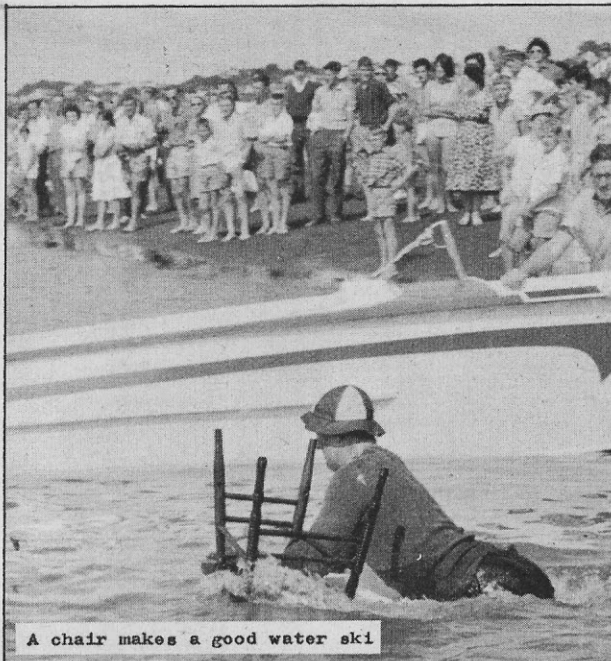




Above: HUDSON-WHEELER: At the Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Carole Lynette, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.R.Wheeler, New Plymouth, to Peter, youngest son of Mr and Mrs N.Hudson, Kaponga. Future home will be New Plymouth.

Above, left: WOOD-WHITAKER: At St Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Terence, third daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Whitaker, New Plymouth, to Vernon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Reg Wood, New Plymouth. New Plymouth will be the future home of the couple.

Left: BURTON-JUPP: At St Mark's Church, Warea, Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Jupp, Warea, to Peter, elder son of Mr and Mrs P. Burton, Manaia. The bridesmaids were Jennifer Jupp and Dianne Bint, both of Tikorangi. Bob Moore, Auckland, was the best man and the groomsman was Mike Rielly, Manaia. Future home: Patea.



A chair makes a good water ski

Water Ski Sports At Ngamotu

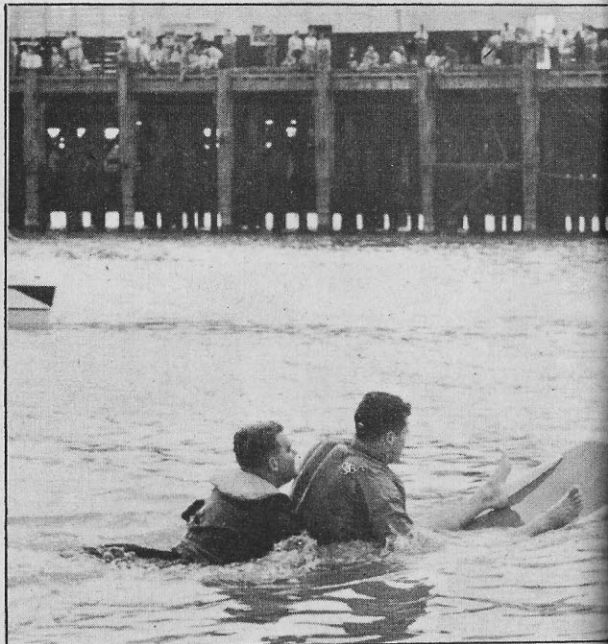
One of the biggest crowds seen at Ngamotu beach attended the water ski display recently. It is always hard to estimate a crowd, but we thought there would have been upwards of 5000 people on the beach to watch this very fine display by the New Plymouth club members.



Youngsters had a great time with the clowns

SUPER FISHERMEN

Right: Who says there's no fish around? These two fine specimens were caught just off our coast from a small boat. George Holmes, left, has a fine 35lb hapuka and his mate, Eric Metson, a 7ft. thresher shark.



Water tobogganing is a thrilling sport



DEVON STREET IN 1859 AND 1925

Here are two pictures of old New Plymouth, loaned to us by an old resident. The top picture shows Devon Street, looking west from Liardet Street, taken in 1859, just 104 years ago. This was at the time of the establishment of the Taranaki Rifle Volunteers, who later fought at Waireka, and were the first volunteer company in the British Empire to be under fire. One wonders at the living conditions in those days. Below, is a photograph taken in 1925, from the roof of Hannah's building on the corner of Brougham Street. It appears that Brougham Street was much wider in those days than it is today, and shows one of the city's electric buses. The demolition taking place was to make way for the present King's Buildings. The old Bank of New Zealand can just be seen on the left of the photograph.

