



### Lost Weekend For Surfies

The city was invaded over the Easter week-end by hundreds of surfies from all over New Zealand and Australia for the national championship meeting at Fitzroy beach. The weather was wonderful over the period, but the surf was conspicuous by its absence. The contestants sat around on the beaches looking real dejected, as they waited for the surf to build up, but alas, no surf. Consequently the championships were postponed until Labour week-end, when, it is hoped, there will be enough surf to conduct them. The photographs on this page were taken on the Monday, when a fair surf was running at the beach, just two days too late for the competitions. On this occasion, the waves were six-footers, and seemed to be just what the surfie ordered.



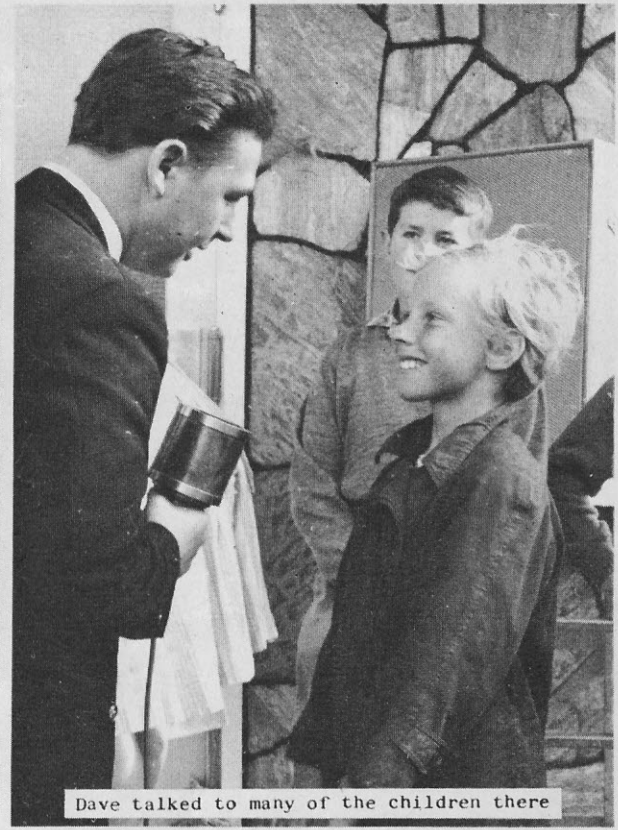
Dave had the largest of tables on which to work!

### 2XP Breakfast Session At New Supermarket

The new supermarket at Fitzroy was the target for a stunt by the staff of 2XP when they held a breakfast session at the market on the opening morning. The kids were there in their numbers as many free things were given away, but the star attraction was announcer Dave Linehan cooking breakfast for the staff of 2XP.



Cliff Walker and Brian Clark bring in the Easter egg for Marama Koea.



Dave talked to many of the children there



Interviewing Dave Littlejohn about the surf board championships that were due to start.



## Wedding Bells

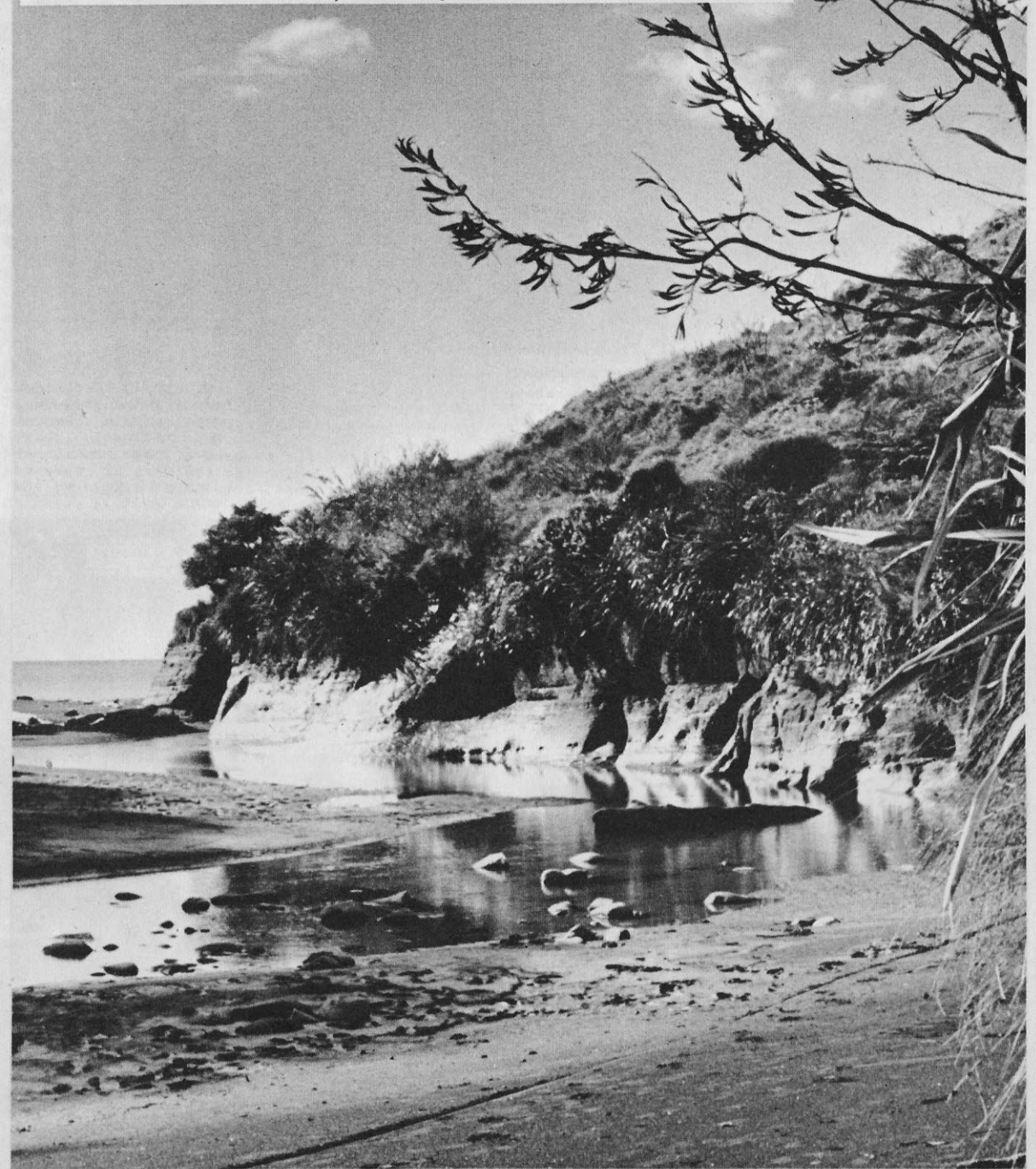
**Above: VINSEN-DENHAM.** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Lorraine Francesse, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.A. Denham, NP, to Garry Owen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Snow Vinsen, NP. The bridesmaids were Faye Denham, sister of the bride, NP, Christine Price, Auckland, and Sandra Vinsen, sister of the groom, NP. Best man was Terry Parrish, NP, and the groomsmen were Robert Peel and Robin Vinsen, brother of the groom, both NP. Future home, NP.

**Below: BRYAN-ELLIS.** At St. Andrew's, NP, Rita Marie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H. Ellis, Auckland, to Garry William, only son of Mr and Mrs C.W. Bryan, NP. Matrons of honour were Rosemarie Ellis and Patsy Thedens, both of Auckland, and the bridesmaid was Nancy Bryan, sister of the groom NP. Richard Ellis, brother of the bride, Auckland, was the best man, and the groomsmen were Tom Thedens, Auckland, and Bill Reid, Waitara. The flower-girls were Angela, Charmaine and Penny Rolfe all of Waitara. Future home, Auckland.



## Peaceful Beach

Within easy reach of town, yet away from the madding crowds is Pukearuru beach, less than thirty miles from town. This is one of our favourite spots, for just walking along the long stretch of sand, or lazing, or even fishing. Many a happy hour has been spent here, and we can thoroughly recommend it to any one who likes quietude. Round the headland, and you come face to face with White Cliffs, so clearly seen from the city on a fine day.





## Roving Camera

Above: Another trimaran to grace the seas around New Plymouth is this beautifully-built Hine-Moana, the work of Hugh White, Queens Road, NP. Hugh has been working on it for eighteen months, and recently launched it at Ngamotu Beach. This picture was taken just before the craft's removal from the family front garden.

Below: At morning tea recently at the Farmer's Co-Op store, executive members of the Retailers' Association presented Janice Barklay with a cheque for £50 before leaving for the Miss NZ contest. Janice is seen replying to a short speech by Mr E.Linden. Also present were Mrs W.Henery and Messrs D.Fairley, L.Ivil and G.Duff.



## Successful Teams

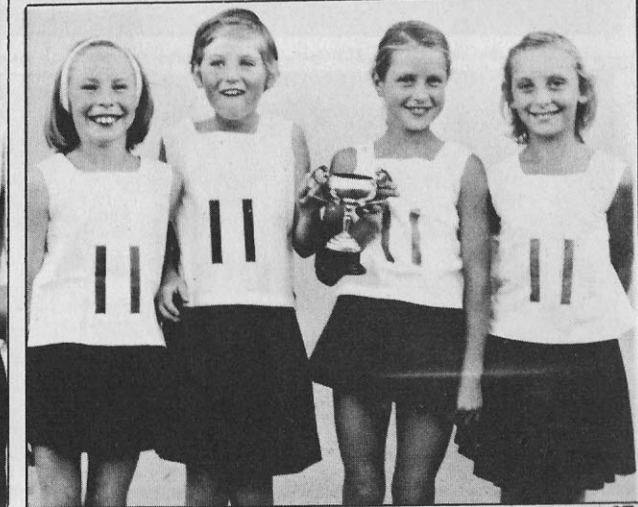
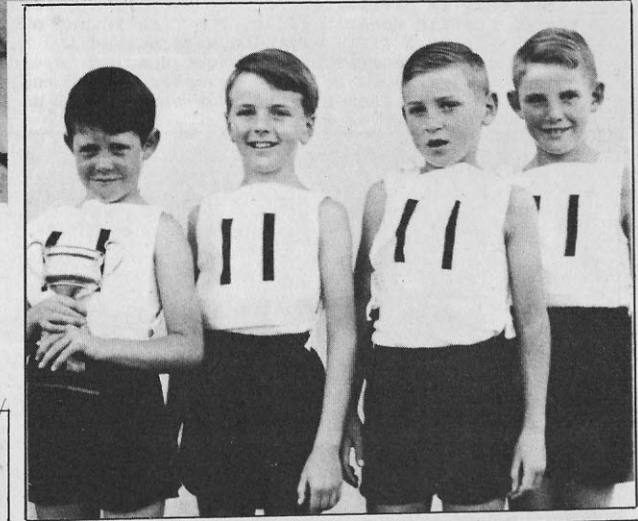
Right: Winning team at the recent St. John Ambulance Taranaki competitions was this one from New Plymouth. They won the Raynor Rowe for first aid and the Taranaki Nursing cup. From left, the team: Mrs J.Ryan, Mrs G.McCallum (team leader), Mrs J. Jamieson and Miss J.Mauldon.

(VOGUE STUDIO). Centre, right: The St. Joseph's boys' team which recently won the relay event at the annual Catholic Sports at Stratford. From left: David Stewart, Roger Stachurski, Kevin Walsh, and Michael Riordan.

Below, right: The girls of the school achieved the same success. From left: Moira Gaffney, Janet Carnegie, Jennifer Des Forges and Lenora Fleming.

Below, left: Michael Chivers, St. Pius school, who was the 5-year-old champion at the sports.

Below, centre: Here is Michael Riordan, St. Joseph's School, who was the 8-year-old champion.



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# Our City MUST Have Better Parking Facilities

Parking in the city is becoming increasingly harder for the average motorist. Something MUST be done about it soon, before the good people who come to town to spend their money in the shops decide to go elsewhere, where parking isn't such a problem. The City Council car park, shown at right, is consistently full with over 100 cars parked. On Friday when the parking problem is greatest, some of the cars park in No Parking areas, and who can blame them when there just isn't anywhere else to park. It would appear that little is being done by the City Council to relieve this situation, except that they have taken over a small section on the corner of Gover and Courtney streets for parking. What this city needs, and needs NOW is a parking building. The council have the site...the present one in Molesworth Street would suit admirably. What's wrong with a building there with perhaps one extra floor to start, with foundations good enough to add as the need arises? It's not impossible, and would prove its value in the near future. Already parking meters in this city make thousands of pounds annually, so why not use at least some of that money in providing parking for the shopper and businessman? As parking becomes more difficult, as no doubt it will, without better facilities, who could blame the housewife or farmer who does their shopping in another town?

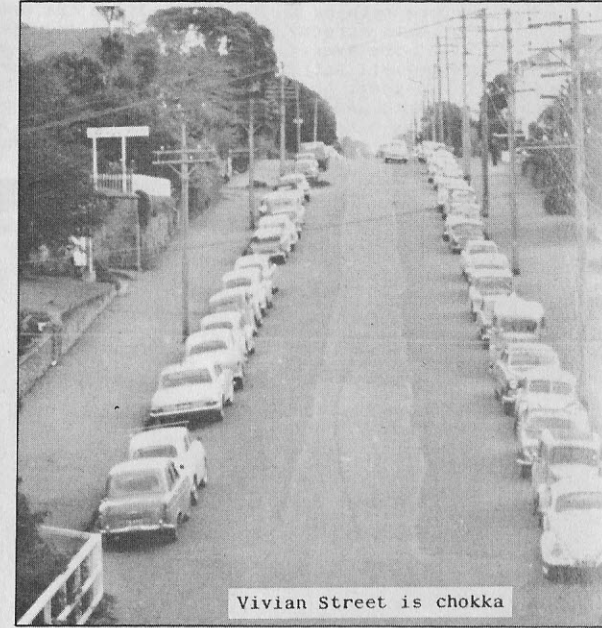
Not only is parking difficult, but often quite dangerous, in that with cars parked all over the place, traffic doesn't get a free flow in and out of town. All the pictures on these three pages were taken in a fifteen-minute walk around the city on a Friday at 2 p.m. Two hours later, there were twice the number of cars just doodling round the city looking for a space to park so that some shopping could be done. It could be, of course, that the parking is more acute because people prefer to drive themselves rather than travel on the city transport, which at best does not provide a sufficient service.



Molesworth Street, beyond the Gasworks, every space taken as far as the eye can see.



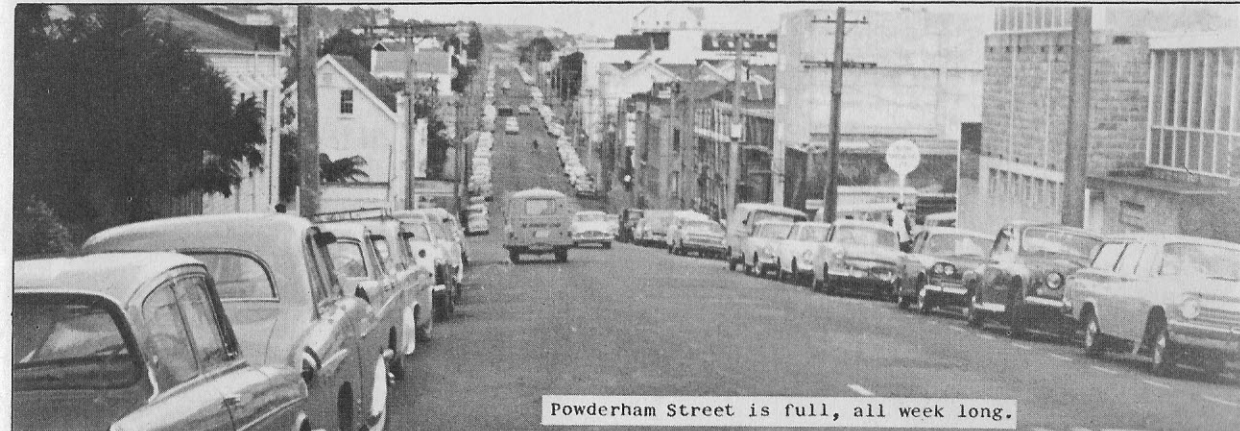
Parking on a dangerous corner at the beginning of Carrington Street



Vivian Street is chokka



Bottom end of Molesworth Street, with cars parked over business entrances.



Powderham Street is full, all week long.



**PARKING'S A NIGHTMARE IN NEW PLYMOUTH**

That's the only way to describe parking in the city, specially on a Friday, with many outsiders in town to spend on shopping. Even with the one-hour restriction on parking in Devon Street, that move has done nothing to help to relieve the problem. It doesn't even keep traffic moving in and out of the main street, as it would be a mammoth job for the meter maids to keep check on this new restriction. The average motorist accepts that he has to pay for parking and a new parking building would be well patronised, enabling the council to put more of the dangerous parts in the "No Parking" category. **Above:** The top end of Liardet Street is full all the week. **Below:** Scene of a fatal accident, and a road carrying a lot of traffic, Carrington Street should be free of parked cars, allowing a free flow of traffic. **Bottom:** Favourite place for parking is Vivian Street. Often with functions, funerals, etc., at St.Mary's Church, parking is extremely difficult for those who have to attend.



*Wedding Bells*

**Above: DANIELS-TOPLESS.** At St.Andrew's Church, NP, Noeline Anne, twin daughter of the late Mr N.Topless, Waitara, to Barry John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs L.Daniels, NP. The bridesmaids were Myra Day, Waitara, and Elaine Gadsby, NP. Pat Harvey, Waitara, was the best man and Kevin Daniels, brother of the groom, NP, was the groomsman. Future home, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).  
**Below: DEW-SHARP.** At the Eltham Anglican Church, Valerie, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.Sharp, Te Roti, to Colin George, elder son of Mr and Mrs G.Dew, Ngaere. Matron of honour was Audrey Jacobson, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaid was Ketha Sharp, sister of the bride. Best man was Alan Sharp, brother of the bride. Future home, Ngaere.





Part of the class listen intently to Bob Dornan

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### Budding Schoolgirl Golfers Get Professional Tuition

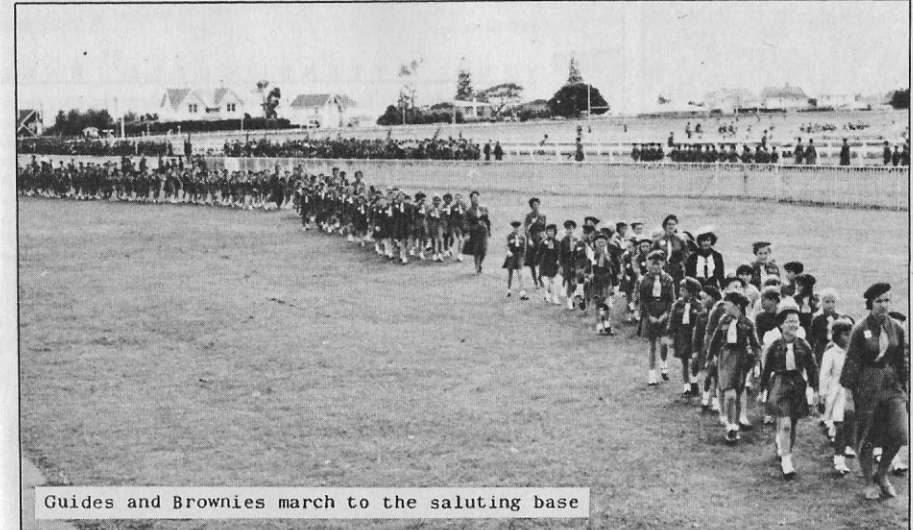
Coaching classes for schoolgirls have started at the Fitzroy golf course. This year, much more enthusiasm is being shown as the numbers of girl golfers increases. All these girls have the benefit of professional coaching, as Bob Dornan has been engaged to give the girls the benefit of his golf knowledge, which is pretty extensive.



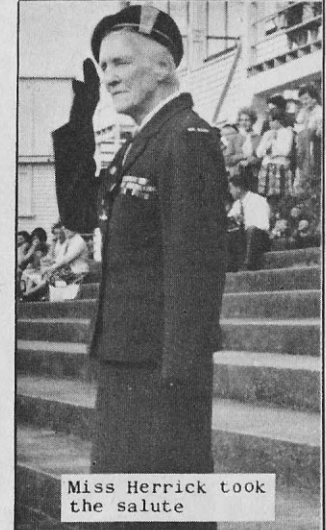
Robin Sykes gets individual tuition



Gay Faulkner practises a chip shot



Guides and Brownies march to the saluting base



Miss Herrick took the salute

### Rally Marks 40 Years Of Guiding In Taranaki

The New Plymouth racecourse echoed to the sound of marching feet of 1200 Guides and Brownies from the whole of the province, when a rally marked the 40th birthday of Guiding in Taranaki. The celebrations were honoured with the presence of the Dominion Commissioner, Miss Herrick, shown below presenting the Medal of Merit to Miss W.Knight (Hawera), the provincial secretary.



Every Guide attended the parade

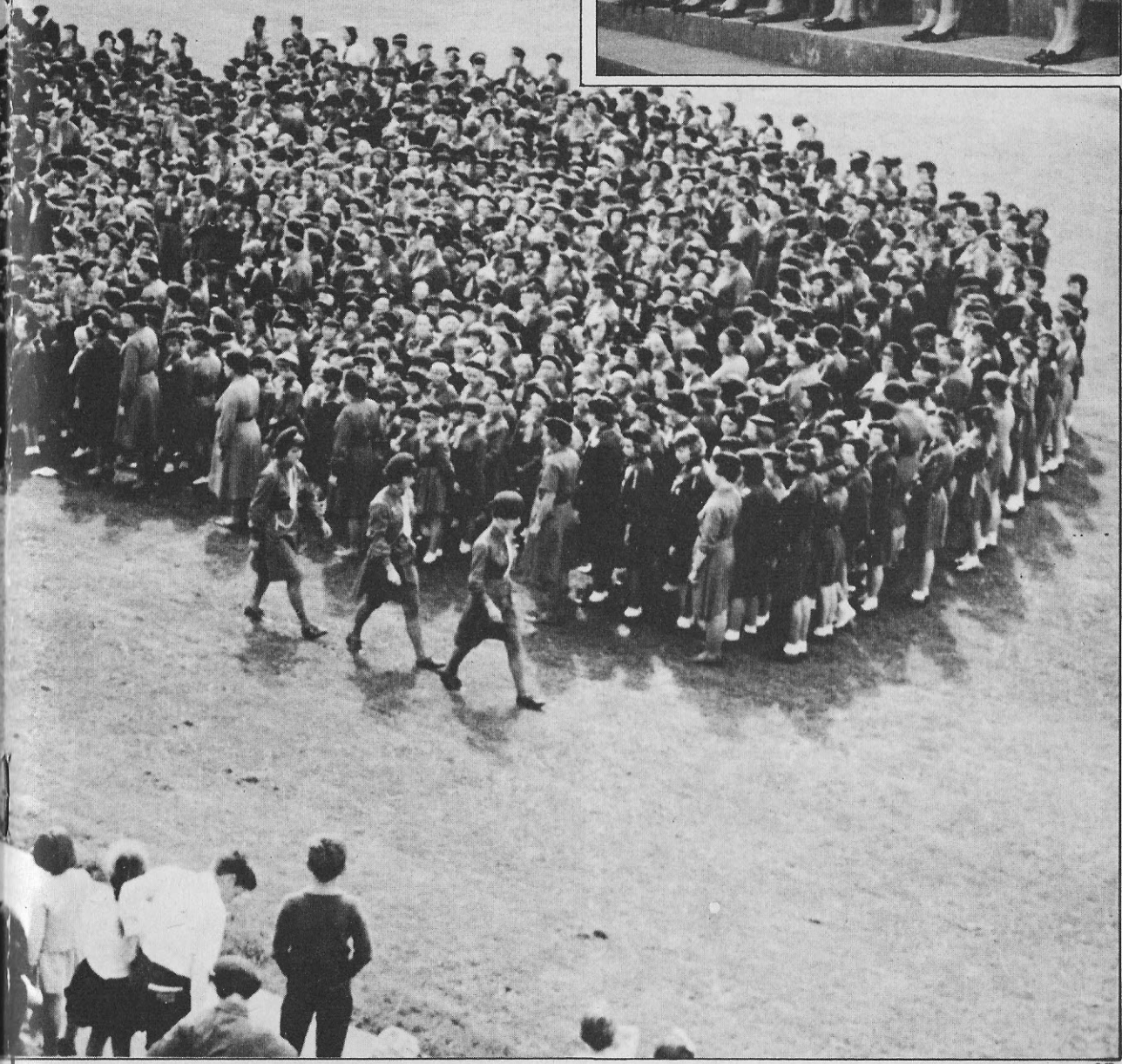
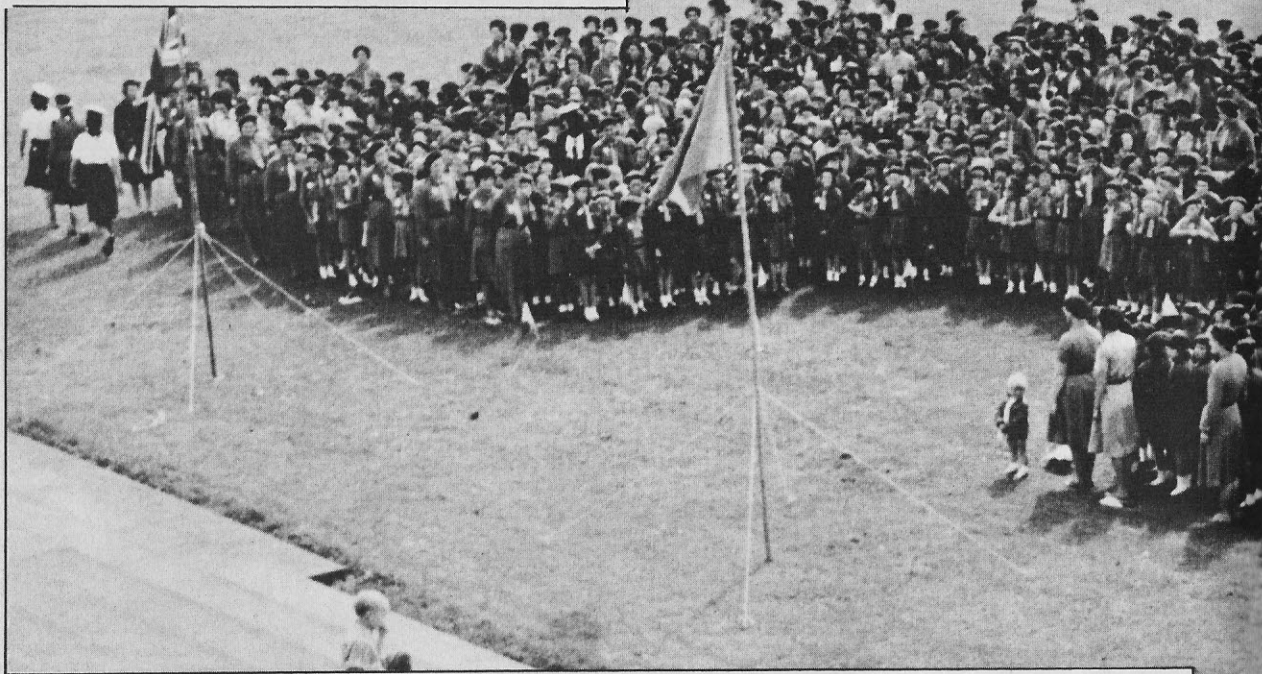


Inglewood pack in the march-past



1200 ATTEND GUIDE RALLY

The largest horseshoe ever formed by Guides in this province was made in front of the Dominion Commissioner, Miss Herrick, at the rally to celebrate forty years of Guiding in the district. The movement started at Stratford in 1925 with about half a dozen girls, and it has grown to a stage where it claims one of the best pro rata memberships of any province. Shown in this horseshoe are over 1200 Guides and Brownies from all over the province. It will be a long time before such a sight is witnessed again. **Left:** One of the smallest companies on parade. **Right:** Commissioners with numbers before the girls formed up for their activities. **Below, left:** The official party included all the local Commissioners, the Mayor and Mayoress of New Plymouth, Mr and Mrs A.G.Honnor, with Miss Herrick, the Dominion Commissioner, addressing the gathering.





**GUIDE RALLY (continued)**

**Above:** Senior Guides gathering around the microphone to lead the 1200 girls in singing the Guide songs.

**Below:** Honour of leading the parade went to the Oldest company, Stratford.

**Right:** New Plymouth had a large contingent at the parade.

**Below, right:** Each company had their own standard bearer.



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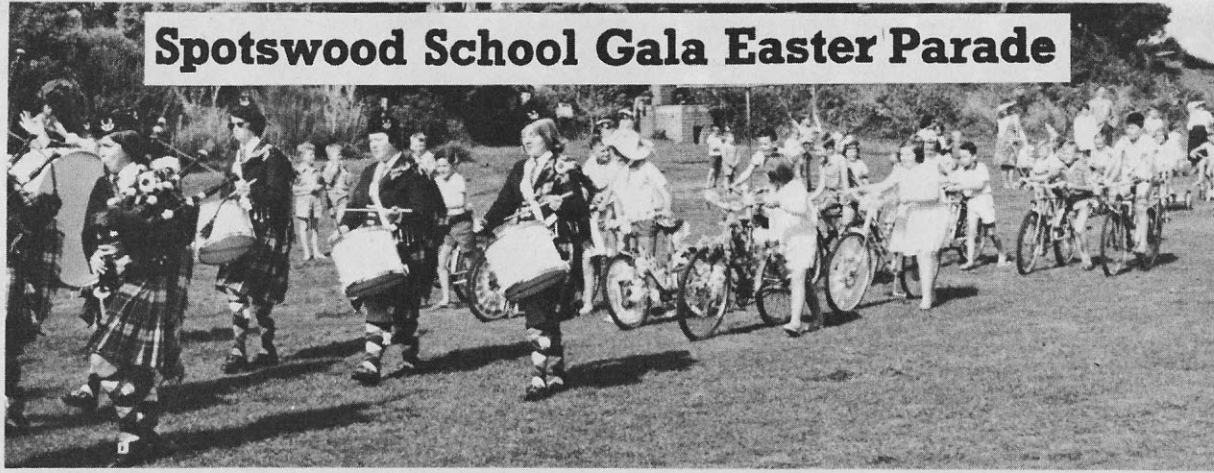
**Above: PYEFINCH-De THIERRY.** At the Okato Methodist Church, Anna Corinne, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.H.De Thierry, Puniho, to John, younger son of Mr and Mrs S.Pyefinch, England. Denise Sweeney, NP, was the bridesmaid, and Bruce Curry, Timaru, was best man. Future home, Wellington.

**Below: MUIR-DUDLEY.** At St.Patrick's Church, Okato, Margaret Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.J.Dudley, Okato, to Frederick Arthur Muir, Hamilton. The bridesmaids were Maureen Dudley, sister of the bride, Okato, and Margaret Ashcroft, Midhurst. Best man was Peter Collins, Stratford, and the groomsmen were Graham Dudley, brother of the bride, Okato.





# Spotswood School Gala Easter Parade



Customers at the recent Spotswood School gala saw something different with an Easter parade of decorated bikes, trikes and prams, plus a competition to see who could make the prettiest Easter bonnet. Led by the Taranaki Ladies' Pipe Band, the parade would round the school grounds to the delight of the many present. Top: Band leads the parade with cycles in front. Above: Not too many trikes, but enough to make keen competition. Below: Some of the decorated prams had taken a lot of time and thought to complete.



Winners of the various sections of the Spotswood School's Easter Parade are shown here. Above, left: Christine Martin won the decorated pram section, with a bed of roses surrounding a giant Easter egg. Above, right: Patricia Denny was a winner with her candy-striped bicycle. Below, left: Wayne Whittle won his prize for decorating his trike like an Easter chick. Below, right: Easter nest hat won the Easter bonnet prize for Sandra Walsh.





## Coming of Age

Left: David, youngest son of Mr and Mrs L.A. White, Queens Road, with his mother and father at this coming-of-age celebration.

Below, right: Brian, son of Mr and Mrs F.H. Norgate, Manaia. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

Below, left: Dawn, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs P.Dodunski, Inglewood, shown with her mother and father at her 21st party.

Bottom, left: Neville, son of Mr and Mrs F.Gilbert, NP, is shown with his mother and father, and brother Michael and sister Margaret at his recent 21st birthday celebration. (VOGUE).

Bottom, right: Elaine Ruth, daughter of Mrs D.Langman, NP, who recently celebrated her 21st birthday.



## Good Friday Fire

We were all set to have a good lie in on Good Friday morning, but such are the trials of being a photographer! We got called out to this house fire at the home of Mr R.Benton, Smart Road. The New Plymouth Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene, but most of the flames had been contained by helpful neighbours as the brigade arrived. Above: Belongings are passed out of the back window after the fire had been dealt with. Below: When the brigade arrived, most of the valuable furniture had been got out by those helpful neighbours. A fair amount of damage had been done to the rear of the house.



# Married

**Right: COLLINSON----**  
**KRUTZ.** At the Salvation Army Citadel, NP, Nancy Barbara, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E.Krutz, NP, to George Keith, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. Collinson, Invercargill. The bridesmaids were Bernice Hancock, Waitara, and Diedre Collinson, Invercargill. Oswald Collinson, brother of the groom, Invercargill, was the best man. Future home, Invercargill.

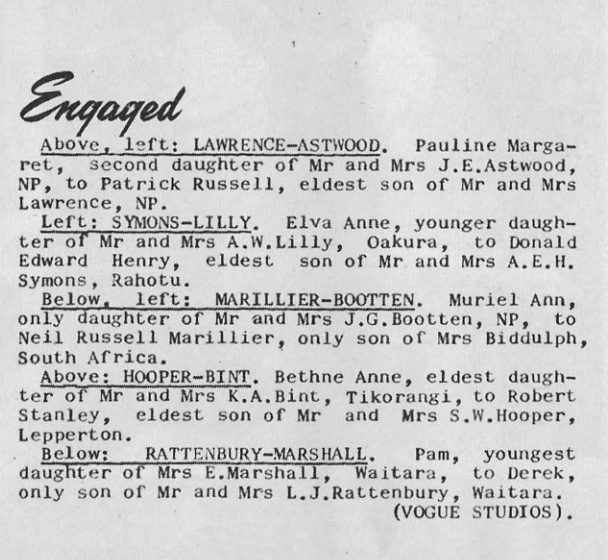
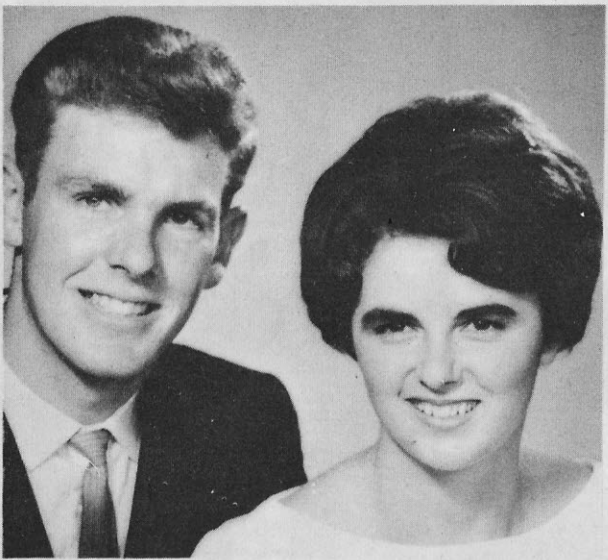
**Below: HELMS-STEVENS.**  
 At St. Luke's Church, Westown, Margaret Heather, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Stevens, NP, to Geoffrey Bernard, second son of Mr and Mrs V.L.Helms, Pungarehu. The bridesmaids were Erika Greedy, NP, and Isobel Helms, sister of the groom, Pungarehu. Best man was Stuart Helms, brother of the groom, Auckland. Future home, New Plymouth.



# S.T.C.W.I. Annual Meeting At Hawera

The annual council meeting of the South Taranaki Federation of CWI's was recently held at the Community Centre, Hawera. **Left:** President Mrs A.B.Hall addresses the meeting. **Below, left:** Visitors from North Taranaki attended. **Below:** The official table at the meeting. **Bottom, left:** Executive members pose for the camera. **Bottom right:** Mrs Hall presented a Good Service Badge to Mrs Benton, Riverlea. (Pix by ALDOR FILMS).





### Engaged

Above, left: LAWRENCE-ASTWOOD. Pauline Margaret, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J.E.Astwood, NP, to Patrick Russell, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Lawrence, NP.

Left: SYMONS-LILLY. Elva Anne, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A.W.Lilly, Oakura, to Donald Edward Henry, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.E.H. Symons, Rahotu.

Below, left: MARILLIER-BOOTTEN. Muriel Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.G.Bootten, NP, to Neil Russell Marillier, only son of Mrs Biddulph, South Africa.

Above: HOOPER-BINT. Bethne Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K.A.Bint, Tikorangi, to Robert Stanley, eldest son of Mr and Mrs S.W.Hooper, Lepperton.

Below: RATTENBURY-MARSHALL. Pam, youngest daughter of Mrs E.Marshall, Waitara, to Derek, only son of Mr and Mrs L.J.Rattenbury, Waitara. (VOGUE STUDIOS).



## Runners v. Cyclists

What happened to the cyclists? Only four starters amongst dozens of runners for the annual cyclists v. runners race at Barrat Road. Mind you, the officials had picked out a tough course for the cyclists, when they were running more often than riding. Still, they were up against a couple of crack runners in Brian Rose and Keith Dravitski.

More runners than cyclists at the start



Keith Dravitski, first man home



Brian Bowering comes home paced by his children



Brian Rose was close on Keith's heels



First cyclist home, Nev Cole



Member for Western Maori, Mrs I.M. Ratana, speaks at the official opening of the rally. With her is Mr J.N. Taiaroa, president of the Ratana Youth Organisation.



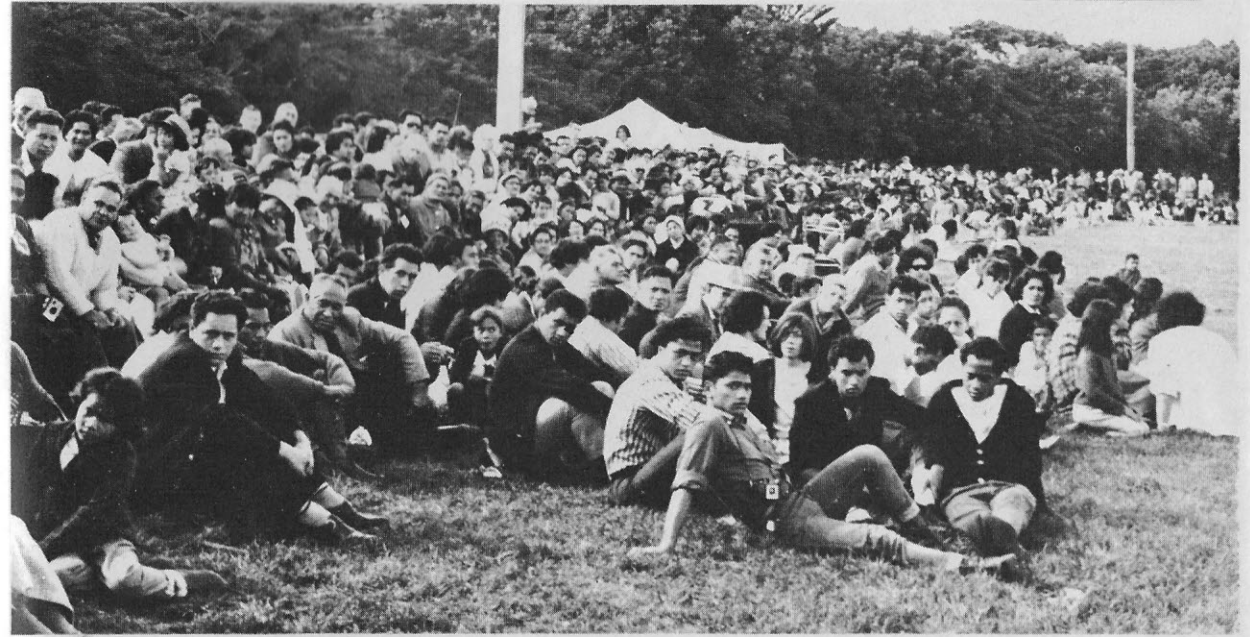
President of the Ratana Church, Mrs P. Ratahi, receives a posy from Rua Ratahi.

## 4000 At Opunake Rally

Over 4000 members of the Ratana Youth Clubs from as far afield as Whangarei descended on Opunake for their Easter rally, where they enjoyed competition at all types of sports. It was a particularly well-conducted rally, with emphasis on good organisation. And it needed to be with numerous teams taking part in a variety of sports competitions.



Massed band of the organisation proved they had plenty of talent and were a joy to hear.



The Opunake Domain was the venue for the sports fixtures of the Ratana Rally over the Easter holiday. Above: Hundreds of Maoris, from far and near, listen at the official opening ceremony. Below: Marching girls, football teams, and many other sports teams line up at the fall in. Bottom: Each Youth Club has its own band. Here the massed bands perform at the opening ceremony.

