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OUR COVER

It's a funny thing, but whenever we go down to the beach with a camera, we seem to get at least one, and sometimes two pretty girls in the viewfinder. This is what happened when we toddled down to the back beach behind Paritutu recently. We were going to take a nice coloured picture of old man Paritutu, when into our viewfinder came these two lovelies, Barbara Dudding, a nurse, and Pamela Thompson, a teacher.

BACK COVER:

Great progress is being made with the new post-primary school at Spotswood. Our photograph shows the whole section to be occupied by the school, with two blocks completed and the assembly hall now under construction.

Left: Good-bye to an old and faithful friend. St. John's Church at Waitara, now being demolished, is framed in the gateway to the church.
Below: Two members of the Luton Girls' Choir Carole Mintz and Jean Clarke will long remember their stay in New Plymouth. They stayed with Mr and Mrs Franklin, Cameron Street, New Plymouth, and confided in the "Photo News" photographer, that it was the homeliest place they had struck during the whole of their tour. Thank you girls, we enjoyed having you.



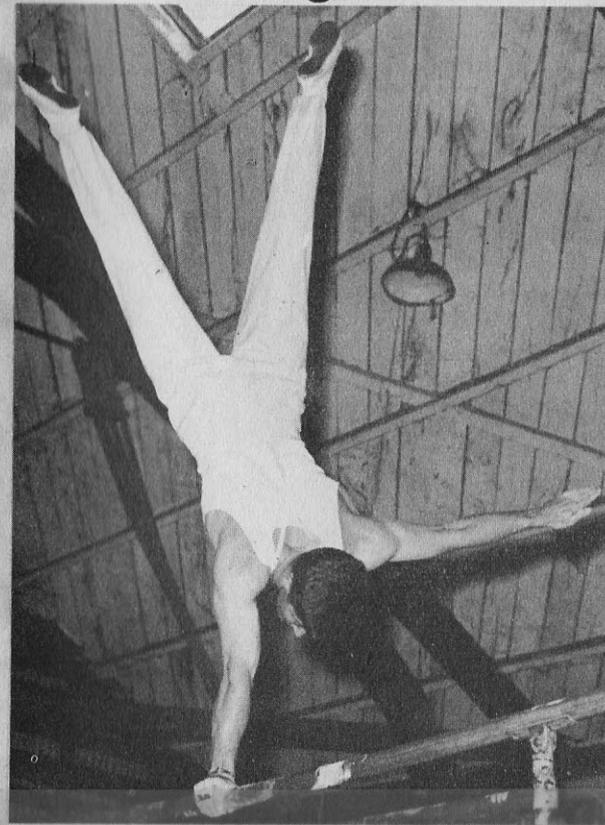
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Olympic Gym Expert At The High School

Producing wholesome entertainment of a particularly high standard, the YMCA recently put on a gymnastic show by the Australian Olympic expert, Graham Bond. Graham gave those present a show of gymnastics that is very seldom seen in New Plymouth.

Above, right and left: Graham is shown doing some of the difficult balancing feats.
Above, left: Also demonstrating were Neil Crosby, the Auckland champion, left, Graham Bond, and Brian Cleaver, a pupil of the New Plymouth Boys' High School.



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An elderly lady who knows that art of growing old gracefully is Hannah Hogg, who recently celebrated her 93rd birthday at the home of Mr and Mrs Norman Chilcott, Smart Road, New Plymouth.





Benedicts Close Season

The New Plymouth Benedicts Club closed their winter season with a highly successful ball at the Masonic Hall, New Plymouth, recently. One of the features of these Benedicts dances is the beauty of both the dancing and dress.

Above: Members of the committee pose for an end-of-season photograph.

Below, left: Vice-president, Mrs Rita Atkinson, presents a spray to the club president, Mrs Gladys Ross.

Below, right: And then the president presented a floral tribute to Moira Horne, who provided the music during the evening.



Wedding Bells

Above: WALLIS--FRASER. At St. Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Gwen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.F.Fraser, New Plymouth, to Peter Gordon, only son of Mrs Martin, New Plymouth. The matron of honour was Ngare Hollis, and the bridesmaid was Jan Martin. The best man was Rex Lewis. The future home of the couple will be Okato.

Below: RUSS--COLLINS. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Irene, third daughter of Mr and Mrs D.Collins, New Plymouth, to Ian, only son of Mr and Mrs I.A.Russ, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Jean Parker, Tarurutangi, and Valerie Russ, sister of the groom. The best man was Derek Albrechysen, New Plymouth, and the groomsmen was Brian Carton, Palmerston North. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



It isn't often that New Plymouth gets such a bevy of beautiful visitors, as they did when the Luton Girls' Choir came here to sing at the Brooklands Bowl. Many people waited along Devon Street to get a glimpse of these female songsters as they were driven through the town by those lucky enough to own a new Vauxhall car.

The concert at the Bowl, though a terrific success from the entertainment viewpoint, unfortunately was marred by the cold wind and conditions that prevailed on the night. The programme was cut short because of these conditions.

Right: Four of our fair visitors, ready to embark in their transport: Pat Esley, Beryl Brown, Maureen Rennie and Barbara Chance.

Below: It didn't take the Transport Department long to get acquainted. Traffic Officer Jones greets Vera Tyreman with a very charming smile.

Below, right: Edith Fletcher and Eunice Nightingale enjoy a pictorial view publication of New Plymouth.



Warm Welcome for Luton Girls' Choir

On arrival in New Plymouth, the girls were entertained to tea at the premises of Johnson Motors in Devon Street. The Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor bade the girls welcome, after which they met their hosts.

Right: Seated at the official table are Mr and Mrs Alf Davies, the conductor and his wife, Julie Barnett and Julie Matthews.



Lionel Dickie greets Beryl Brown



Johnson Motors' office staff enjoyed watching the girls arrival



Here they are, the girls with voices like nightingales and looks to match

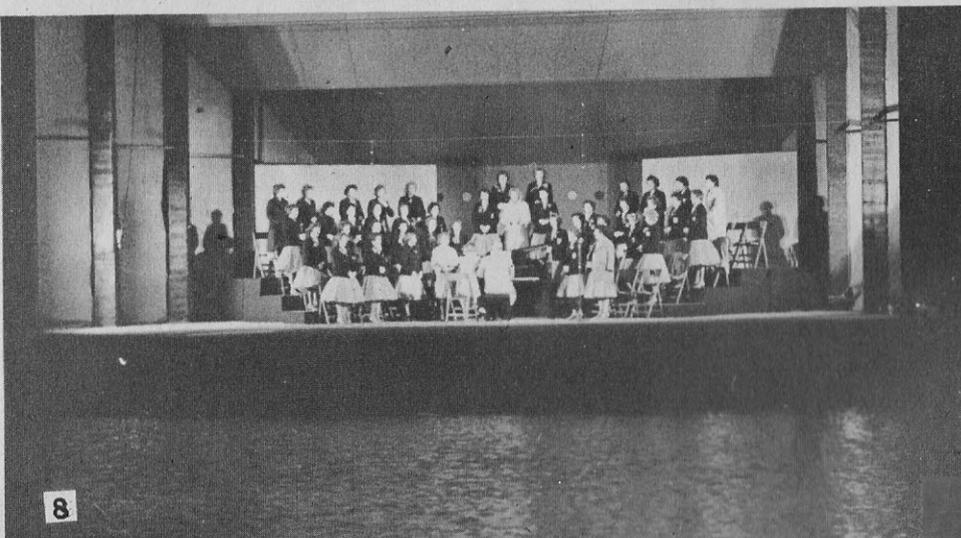


Above: You'd have to go a long way to find a better fleet of cars than these parked by the Mangorei Service Station, as they waited for the Luton Girls Choir to arrive from Hawera.

Right: Seeing that the girls came from Luton, they just had to have their picture taken by the side of a car made at Luton.



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Left: Looking charming, but chilled, the choir gave a brilliant performance at the Bowl of Brooklands to about 2000 people. The chill wind blew across the lake, but the show went on, just as it would have done on a summer's night. The secret of course is a little extra wool, nearer the skin and out of sight.



Stratford Basketbblers

Above: Stratford Technical Old Girls Basketbblers, who were runners-up in the 2nd division Senior B grade competition. From left, back row, Janet Stephenson, Gwen Percy, Jessie McCutcheon, and Yvonne Armstrong. Front row, Ailsa Follett, Valerie Burt, Fay Cameron (coach), Coleen Hendry (captain), and Marie Thacker.

Below: The junior team of the same club were winners of the Central 2nd division junior grade. From left, back row, Jill Bevins, Rosina Lee, Coleen Hendry (coach), Lorraine Collins and Pamela Webb. Front Row, Dawn Mosen, Beryl Stark, Nancy Clifford (captain), Lillian See and Linda Kumeroa.





Roving Camera

Above: Noel Reginald, only son of Mr and Mrs N.R.Spice, Toko, recently celebrated his coming-of-age at a well-attended party at the Toko Hall.

Above, right: And during the evening, he announced his engagement to Cecile, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Leo Goble, Midhurst.

Below: At every meeting of the motor cycle club, a race is run for the pushers. These lads go over the same course as the motor-cyclists, up hills and down dales, usually finishing up out of breath. Our picture shows one of the competitors who has a preference for walking up the hills.

Right: Mrs H.R.Walsh and Mrs E.M.Elliott are two of the WDFW members who did so much for the visiting Luton Girls' Choir when they were entertained at afternoon tea. Also in the picture is Jennifer Powell, a member of the choir.



Married in the Rain

Below: GOODWIN--LAWSON: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Ruth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Lawson, New Plymouth, to Maurice, elder son of Mrs A.Goodwin, Oakura. The bridesmaid was Beverley Campbell, New Plymouth, and the best man was Peter Goodwin, Kinleith. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Right: HINE--TOPLESS: At St.Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Beverley Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.Topless, Waitara, to Harold Selwyn, fourth son of Mrs and the late Ernest Hine, New Plymouth. Matron of honour was Patricia Peterson of Waitara, and the bridesmaid was Lois Brunston of Oakura. The best man was Ernie Hine, brother of the groom, and the groomsman was Brian McGill. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below, right: When the bride arrived at the church, it was raining cats and dogs, and it just kept raining, until the happy couple emerged from the church, when it started to rain even harder, which necessitated the use of one large umbrella. Nevertheless, the rain didn't dampen the happy event.



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Round the Mountain in the Rain

Experienced officials described the 100-mile Round the Mountain Professional Cycle Race as being run under the worst-ever weather conditions, making the winner's time a remarkable achievement. Not only did the cyclists have to contend with windy conditions, they also had to face 100 miles of rain. On some stretches of the race, the rain was so intense, that it was almost impossible to see. The above picture shows the first bunch of competitors ready for the starter's gun. And knowing what was in front of them, they could still find a smile for the cameraman.

Below: Despite these atrocious conditions, there was a good muster of people to see the start of this well-organised race.



Left: Here comes the scratch bunch, pushing their way up Devon Street West, not a mile from the start. At this stage, it was only a drizzle of rain and these were probably the best conditions on the whole of the 100 miles.

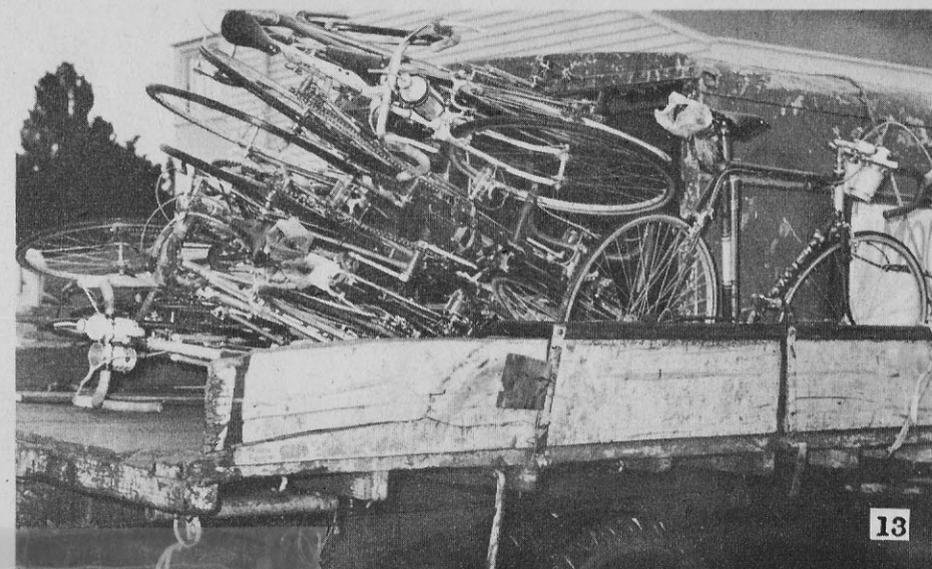
Below: Here's one of the bunches getting away in rain so hard that it recorded on the photograph.

Bottom: Some of the competitors tossed it in, were glad to pack their crash machines onto the crash wagon. This truck arrived at the racecourse heaped high with machines of those who met misfortune on the way.



BRIDES!

You'll no doubt want your wedding group in "Photo News," but you might miss out, unless you give us a ring, at 88712 or 6101. We'll give your wedding full coverage, or just nip along to get one picture for "Photo News." So don't forget, a ring's the thing. Remember, "Photo News" has readers throughout Taranaki and New Zealand, many of whom are expecting to see your happy day recorded in "Photo News".

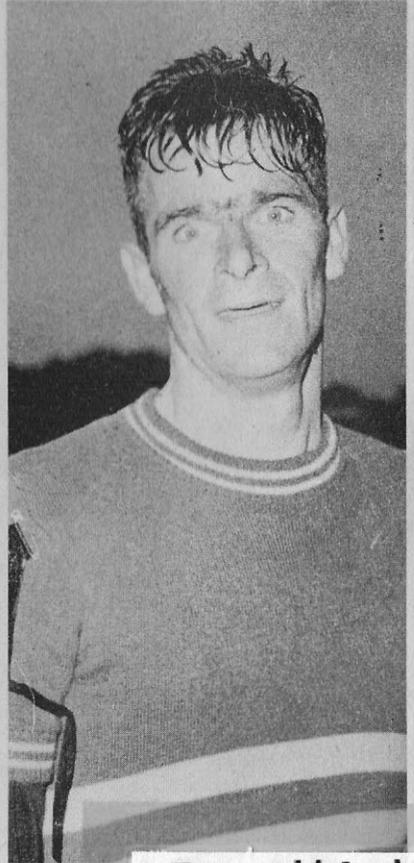
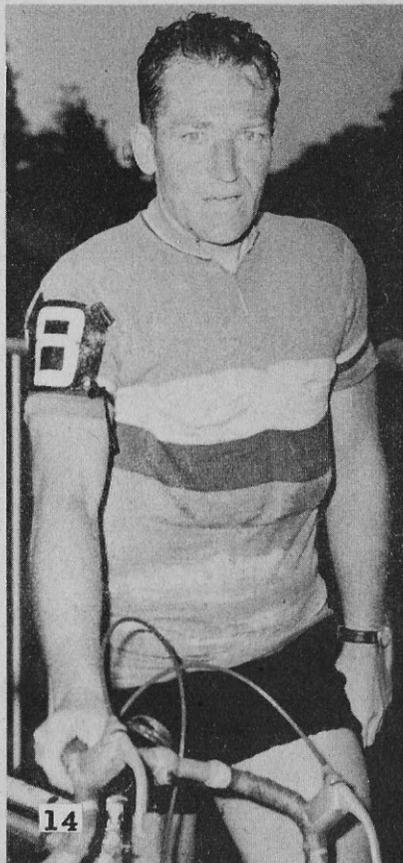
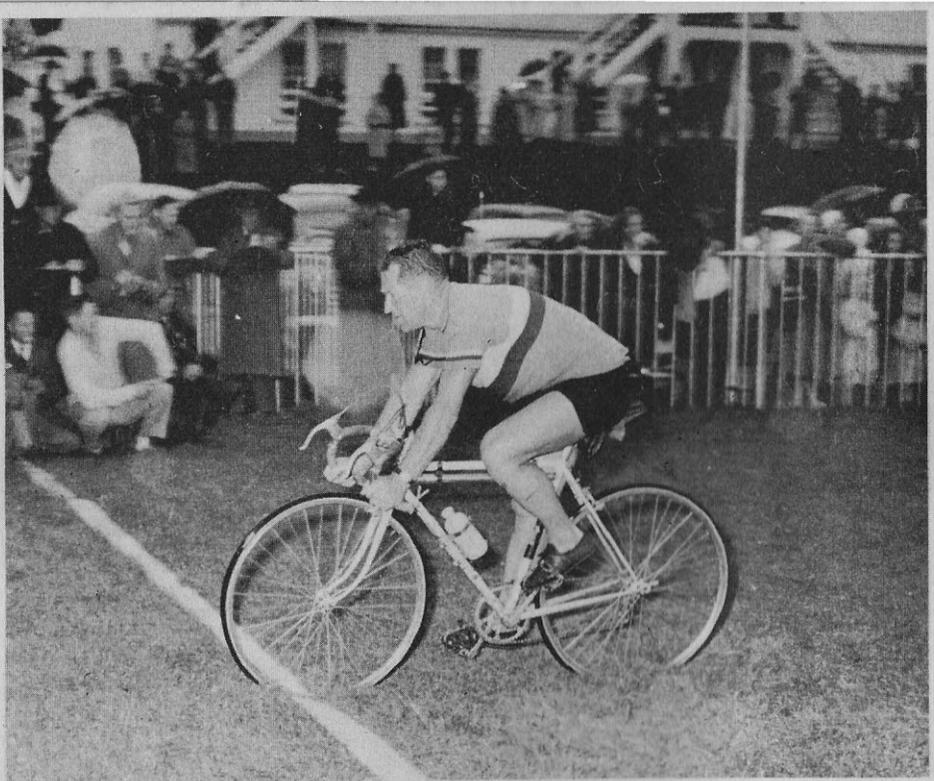


What a welcome sight that white tape must be to the winner of a race like the professional 100-mile cycle race. Fred Tredrea of Auckland crosses the line, about 20 yards in front of his nearest rival. Not only had Fred won £100 and a beautiful trophy, plus another trophy for fastest time, but believe it or not, the rain stopped, yes, it actually STOPPED.

Below, left: That's the winner, Fred Tredrea of Auckland, looking reasonably fresh after the gruelling ride.

Below, centre: The second man home, Bill Anderson of Auckland.

Below, right: Third man home looked ready for a long rest. He is R. Dawson, also of Auckland.



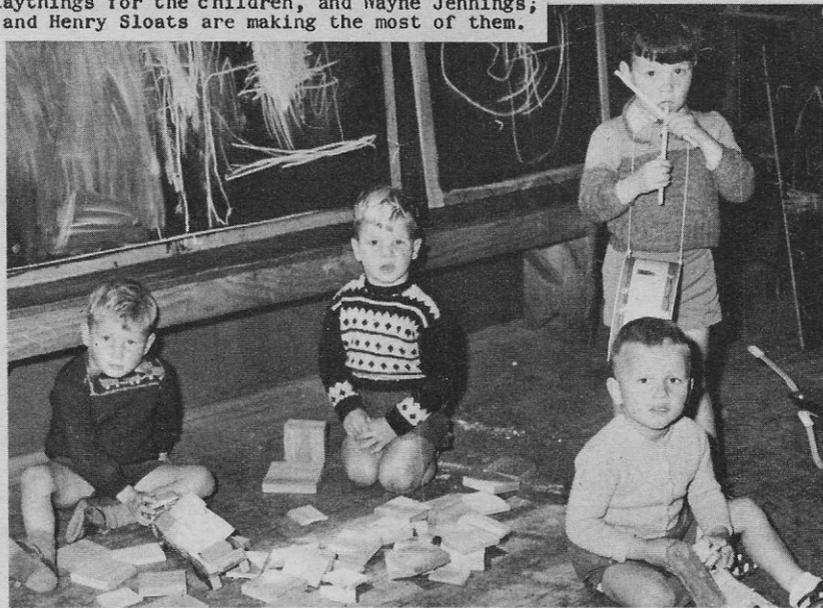
New Play Centre At Westown

Another amenity was made available to the mothers of Westown recently, with the opening of a play centre in the Westown Hall in Omata Road. Starting with a roll of about fifteen children, it looks as though the centre will receive plenty of patronage in the future.



Bottom, left: Playing in the miniature kitchen, with a tiny cooker to match, are Diane Webster, Grazia Van Hattum, Pamela Stubbs and Maanteen Van Hattum.

Bottom, right: There are plenty of playthings for the children, and Wayne Jennings, Maanteen Van Hattum, Andriennes Dungan and Henry Sloats are making the most of them.





The "Dinks" Reunion

The "Dinks" - dinkum soldiers of the New Zealand Rifle Brigade, recently held their most successful reunion for some years, when over 500 Dinks from all parts of New Zealand attended. It is a truly remarkable thing that after 40 years, a brigade that had existed for only four years should be remembered so clearly and steadfastly.

Above: Prominent among those attending the reunion were, from left, Mr and Mrs J.S. Thompson from Nelson, Sir Herbert and Lady Hart, Masterton, and Col. T.T. Murray, Stratford.

Below: The official table at the dinner in the Agricultural Hall, when over 500 old soldiers sat down to a repast fit for a king.



Below, left: Culy Lith, Auckland, Joe Whittaker, Waitara, Les Markwell and Hugh Limmer, both of Thames, seen to be recalling many of the happier memories associated with reunions.

Below, right: Lon Dwan, Wellington, Mrs Mabel Wright, New Plymouth, an ex-nurse, and John Wiley of Waitara face the camera with smiling faces.



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The reunion concluded with a memorial service in the Agricultural Hall. Afterwards, the Dinks marched again, to the Cenotaph where wreaths were laid. They presented a stirring sight, with their numerous medals glinting in the sunshine. At the right moment they were solemn in remembering their fallen comrades, and in marching, they marched with their heads high and backs straight.

Above: The standard bearer, and the official party, prior to the laying of wreaths.

Below: On the march and all in step, after 40 years.



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Left: The thrill of martial music attracted a large crowd, when the Dinks marched to the New Plymouth Cenotaph, to culminate their reunion.

Centre, left: Lt-Col R.St.J.Beere lays a wreath at the Cenotaph.

Centre, right: Then the Mayor of New Plymouth, Mr A.G.Honnor paid his tribute.

Bottom: Age never seems to halt marching feet.

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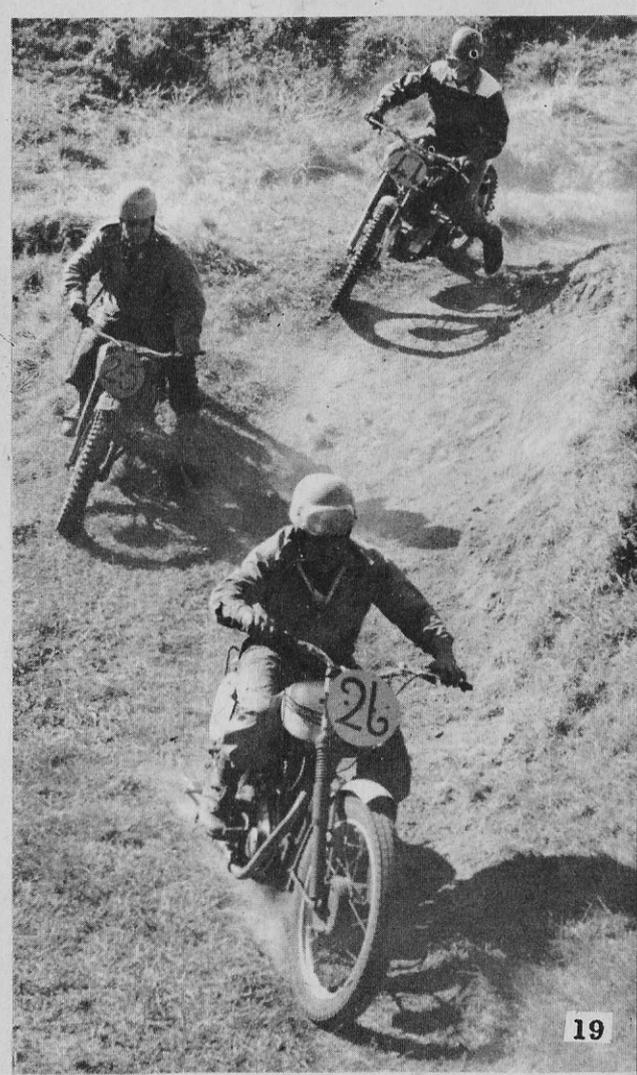
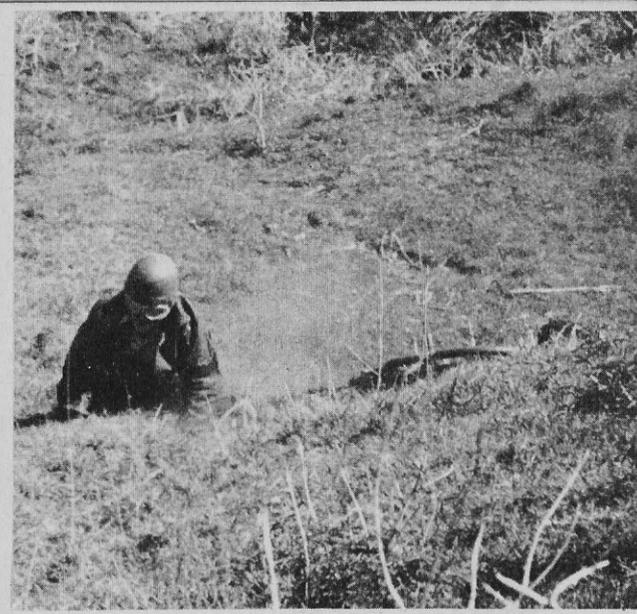
Taranaki Scramble Champs

The North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club's scramble course at Beach Road, Omata, proved to be as popular as ever, when the Taranaki championships were held recently. As usual, there were thrills and spills galore. Not only that, but a deadheat for the major trophy culminated a real first class day's sport.

Above, left: Dave Morehead parts company with his machine, after he had taken a nasty jolt from his unpadded saddle...and finished up, right, crawling up the hill on his hands and knees.

Below: A battle royal developed between John Furze, left, and Dave Morehead.

Right: Monty Pratt leads Mike Taylor and Selwyn Tate, round what is virtually "the garden path".



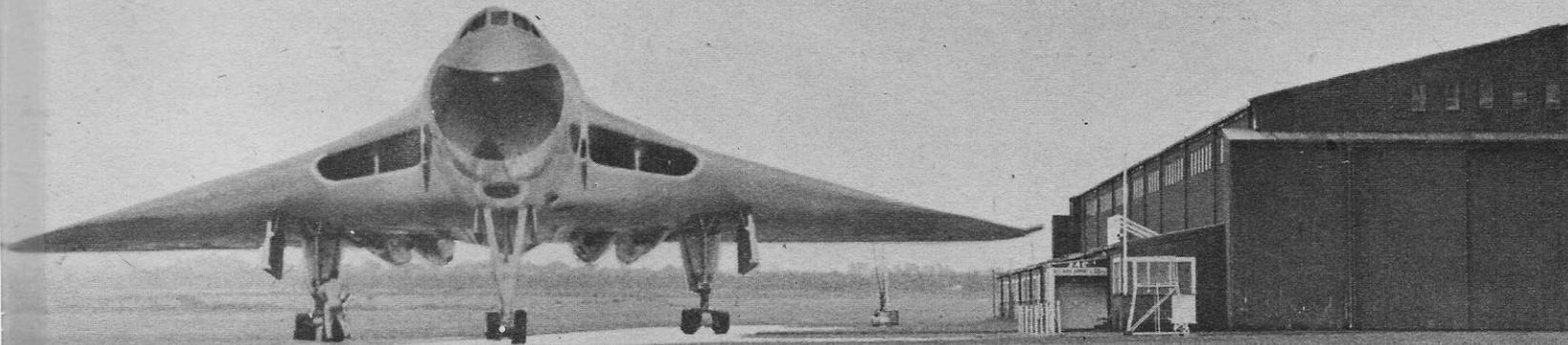


Wedding Bells

Above: GILL—SANGER: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Sylvia, eldest daughter of Mr and the late Mrs Sanger, Omata, to Henry, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Gill, Spotswood. The matron of honour was Betty Ordish, Awakino, and the bridesmaid was Nola Sanger, sister of the bride. Best man was Noel Martin, Ohura, and the groomsman was Allen Daniels, Hunterville. The future home of the couple will be Waitara.

Below: SHEARER—WILSON: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Barbara Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M. Wilson, Okato, to Murray David, youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs H. Shearer, Palmerston North. Fay Kidney of Rahotu was the matron of honour. Shirley Ann Wilson, sister of the bride, and Jean Arthur of Inglewood were the bridesmaids. Sandra and Judy Johnstone were the flowergirls. Best man was Neil Rook and the groomsman were Cyril Wilson and Ray Johnstone. The future home of the couple will be Okato.





A Distinguished Visitor to N.P.

Thousands of eyes were turned skywards recently, when the Vulcan, one of the R.A.F. bombers, flew over Taranaki, and showed us the shape of things to come. And talking of things to come, she certainly looks a fine sight on the New Plymouth airport at Bell Block towering above the hangars. Something a bit out of this world. We wonder how long it will be before planes like this DO land on this drome. Not too long, we hope, but just to whet your appetites, we stuck this one on, just to see what it would look like.

Right: Here's a young pianist with a great future. Max Karena, heard and seen by many theatre-goers in Taranaki.

Extreme right: Mannequins at the recent Mother and Daughter parade, staged by the St. Margaret's Ladies Guild.



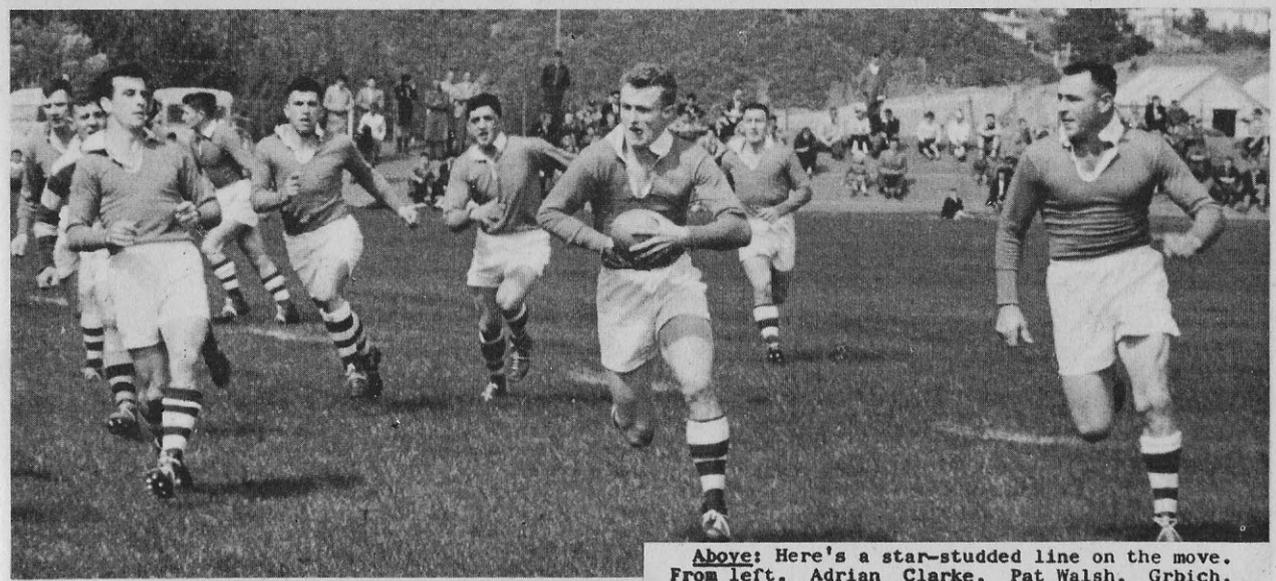


Season's Last Game

Playing the last game of the season, Taranaki under the leadership of Peter Burke played some sparkling football against Wilson Whineray's XV which contained some of the country's best footballers.

Above: Peter Burke crouches while members of the visiting team perform a haka.

Below, left and right: Eric Keith makes a smothering tackle on Caulton, as Adrian Clarke comes into assist.



Above: Here's a star-studded line on the move. From left, Adrian Clarke, Pat Walsh, Grbich, Caulton, Kevin Briscoe and the great Don Clarke.

Left: Eric Keith brings Wellington's Caulton down with Adrian Clarke and Cameron coming in looking for the loose ball.

Below: The only thing that marred the game was the unfortunate accident that occurred to Eric Keith, who broke a collarbone. Eric did this in tackling Caulton, who fortunately escaped injury. The St. John Ambulance soon had the injury strapped up, helping to relieve the pain until Eric could be got to hospital.





Croquet & Bowling Clubs Open Season

Above: It looks as if the East End Croquet Club is due for a bumper season with this large number of members. The photograph was taken at the official opening of the club, when they began their summer season recently. The function was graced by the presence of Mrs N.Bellinger, president of the Taranaki Croquet Association.

Above, left: Miss G.Pavitt, patroness of the Taranaki Croquet Association, making the first stroke of the new season.

Left: Another club that looks as though it is going to have a bumper year, is the Fitzroy Bowling Club. When they held their official opening day, they also opened a new pavilion, that will, no doubt, be a real asset to the club.

(Pix by Crago).



Westown Badminton Closing Night

After one of their most successful seasons, the Westown Badminton Club reluctantly closed for the summer season. It was a gay night, and ended on a very high note.

Above: During the night, the season's prizewinners were presented with their trophies. Shown here, is Murray McNaie (centre) presenting prizes to Doded Scriven, left, and Graham Taylor.

Right: Dave Moorhead, of motor-cycle fame, is also a force to be reckoned with on the badminton court.

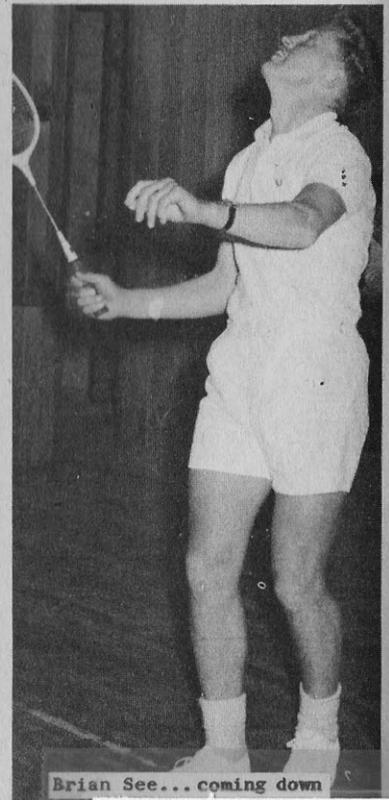


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Elsa Volske...grimly determined



Marie Lobb gets her lines crossed



Brian See... coming down



Inglewood Gymkhana Attracts 400 Entries

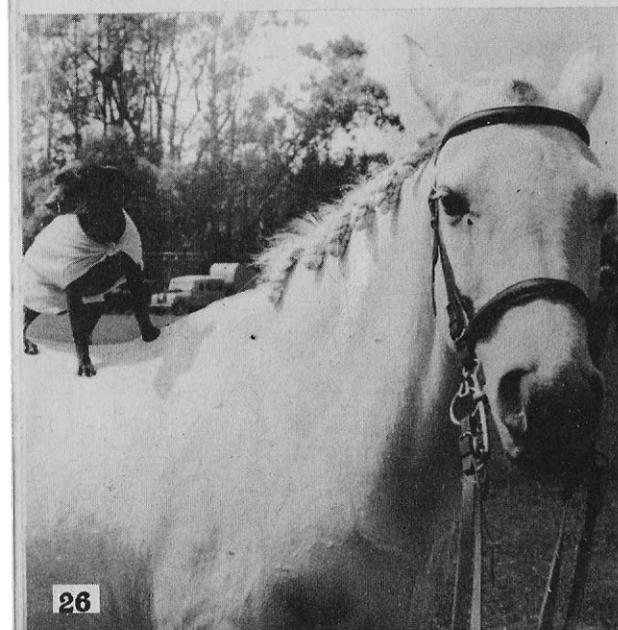
Over four hundred entries ensured a successful day for the Inglewood pony Club when it held its open gymkhana at Carnival Park recently.

Above: Lindy Bates, winner of the best pony 13.2 to 14.2 hands and also of the champion pony ribbon.

Above, right: Placegetters in the best pony up to 13.2 hands. From left, Carol Hanright (Eltham) on Fleetfoot 2nd, Sally Thompson (N.P.) on Grey Fella 1st, and Robert Watson (Inglewood) on Shane, 3rd.

Below: Minnie the Mouse-hound, ½ a hand high, gets a free ride on an unattended pony.

Right: Mrs Joy Bates, secretary of the club, presents ribbons to Marie Harris (Eltham), who won the maiden pony event.



Giving their horses the first airing of the season, horsemen from all parts of Taranaki competed in the Inglewood Pony Club's first function of the season.

Right: Taking time out from events are, from left, Margaret Northcott (Eltham), Doreen Gibbons, Joyce Gibbons and Judith Sangster, all from Wherehuia.

Below: Marie Harris (Eltham) on Glamour Girl, winner of the Maiden Pony 13.2 to 14.2 hands canters up to receive her ribbon - and doesn't she look the part too?

Below, right: Two very charming horsewomen give our camera a nice smile. They are Valerie Crowe (Inglewood) and Jennie Rose (Inglewood).

