



MRS WAITARA CONTEST

A wine and cheese evening was organised, and successfully too, to find the woman to represent the Waitara Plunket in the district finals of the Mrs New Zealand contest. It was one of the best-organised evenings connected with the Mrs NZ contest we have seen, and we feel sure that it was enjoyed by all who attended. Here are the contestants. Top, from left: Elizabeth Le Roux, Inglewood, Raina Tito, Motonui, Miriam Hura, Waitara. Above, from left: Barbara Ovens, Inglewood, Mary Sutton, Inglewood, and Veta Hills, Urenui. Right: Mina Timutimu, Waitara. Left: After the announcement of the winner, Anne Hinch, Waitara, found a smile for our photographer.



Above: Kiss of victory in the Mrs Waitara contest for winner Anne Hinch, from the Mayor of Waitara, Mr A. D. Wilson.

Below: After the initial congratulations were over, Mr Wilson proceeded to put the winner's sash on, and he made quite a job of it too.

Above, right: Anne Hinch and Barbara Ovens while away the time, waiting for the judges to come to a decision.

Below, right: Cherrill Parker was on hand with the free cigarettes, and here offers them to Wayne Bowden and his wife Pat.



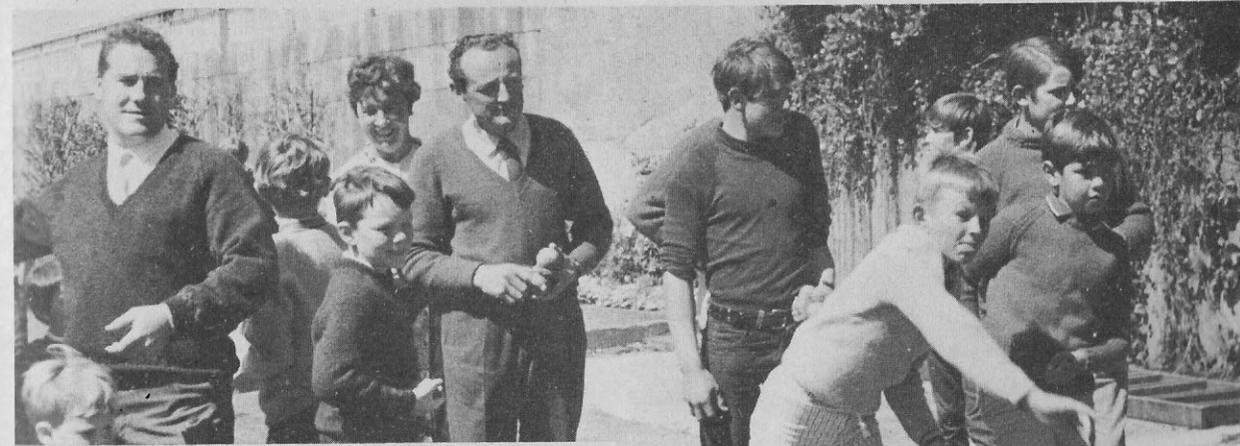


Atkinson Building Opened

Now officially opened and in full use is the new Atkinson building. Unfortunately, the weather caused the official function to be held inside the building. To our layman mind, this building seems a very workmanlike structure, which will allow many government departments to work in modern and well-lit surroundings.

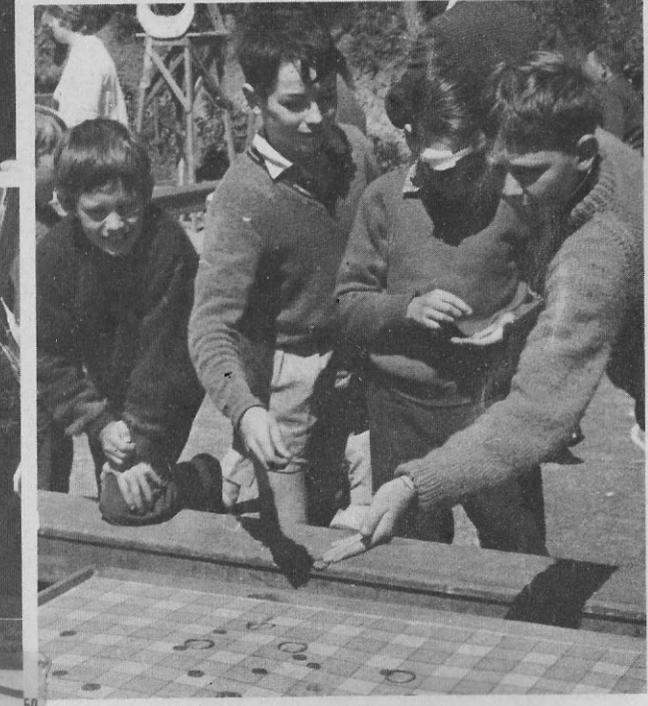
Above: Mayor of New Plymouth, Mr A. G. Honnor, is shown making his speech, which was the last of his official speeches at the end of his term of office as Mayor of the city. Left: Deputy Prime Minister J. R. Marshall performed the official opening ceremony, and was presented with a painting of Egmont by the building contractor, Mr K. Roebuck. We think the idea of presenting pictures of Egmont to nearly all visiting Ministers is to let them know we have a tourist attraction in the province!

Below, left: Mr Marshall with other members of the official party admire the painting. Below: Exterior view of the new building, now in full operation.



WEST END GALA

Blessed with fine weather, the West End School gala was well patronised. This is a gala we like very much as there is such a varied fare for the people to enjoy, from coconut shies to the old bran tub. Above: There was almost a queue for the coconut shies, and it was the young boys who seemed to get all the spoils. Left: This amazed us--there was a queue of about 100 youngsters waiting to buy tickets for their mystery parcels. Below, left: The Aunt Sally was another stall well patronised. Below: Here are some young chaps after easy money!





Poster Painting Winners

Nine primary schoolchildren with friends and relations gathered at 22P NP recently to receive their prizes for winning a savings bank poster painting competition. The Mayor, Mr A.G.Honnor, presented the successful artists with their trophies. When asked by Mr Honnor where they got the ideas for their paintings, the youngsters came up with answers which drew chuckles from the interested audience. Several of the children's ideas came from pets or books. Above: Janet Heaven, who was third in the 8-9 years age group, receives her prize from Mr Honnor. Above, right: The children with announcer Pat Hadyn, Mr Honnor, and Mr Paton, the Post Office Savings Bank representative. Right: Allan Mosop, third in the 10-11 years age group. Far right: Winner of the 10-11 years age group was Vicki Gadd. Below: First in the 8-9 years age group, Wayne Selby, receives his prize from the Mayor. Below, right: Mark Gadd, who was second in the 8-9 years age group, brought another prize to his family.



Above, left: Evan Jones, second in the 10-11 years age group. Above, centre: Second in the 5-7 years age group, Kaye Adams, looks apprehensively at the camera. Above, right: Karen Hollis winner of the 5-7 years age group. Left: Ashley Brooks was third in the 5-7 years age group.



ANTIQUE SHOW

The WDFP recently held a combined flower, produce and antique show at Tururutangi. The antique section contained some interesting and historical articles. Left: A beautiful rug. The colour in this piece was eye-catching. Right: Some of the visitors inspecting the garments on display.





Married

Above: BUCHANAN-GRIEVE. At the Waitara Anglican Church, Glenys Marie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs E. C. Grieve, Waitara, to Alan Albert, second son of Mr and Mrs W. T. Buchanan, Oamaru. The bridesmaids were Saralie Tair, Awakino, and Lea Rankin, Waitara. Best man was Dean McDermott, Wellington, and the groomsmen were Andy Coxson, Wellington. The flower-girl was Tania Grieve, Waitara. Future home will be in Wellington.

Below: ROGERS-ANNABELL. At the Trinity Methodist Church, Wanganui, Carol May, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. A. Annabell, Wanganui, to Max Gerald, son of Mr and Mrs J. T. Rogers, NP. The bridesmaids were Pauline, Lois and Janet Annabell, sisters of the bride, Wanganui. Best man was Malcolm Tobeck, NP, and the groomsmen were Trevor Webster, NP, and Ron Payne, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.



Trophies Galore For Oxford



The Hempton Hall at Okato was the scene of a social to mark the winning of so many awards for the Oxford Dairy Company. Trophies were presented to the manager, Mr R. R. Glentworth. Here he is shown receiving them. **Above, left:** The NZ Dairy Board Cup from Mr S. J. Hickey. **Left:** The A. J. Mills perpetual cup from Mr L. D. Hickford. **Below, left:** Leslie Gernhoefer cup from Mr C. McGuiness. **Above:** The H. H. Moller trophy for Mr Glentworth and his assistant, Mr G. Smith, from Mr Norton Moller. **Below:** Johnson memorial trophies by Mr L. Dickie. **Bottom:** Two notable ladies present were Mrs Roland Tooke, wife of an original supplier, and Mrs E. B. Corbett, wife of an ex-chairman of the company.





TOP INDOOR BOWLERS

Trophies night was recently held at the Central Hall in Belt Road Camp for the winding up of the indoor bowling season. The official party included the Mayor Mr A. G. Honnor, and Mrs Honnor, the new Mayor, Mr D. V. Sutherland, and Mrs Sutherland, Mr and Mrs Gale and Mrs R. Barclay, wife of the local Member. Certificates were presented to the winners. Above: Sutherland trophy winners were from the Wellbourn club: Mrs R. Reynolds, R. Reynolds, R. Holswich and R. Reynolds (almost a family team). Below left: Cr. Mrs Gale presented the Muir Thomson certificate to the president of the victorious club, Jim Hanover, Spotswood. Below, right: Mrs D. V. Sutherland presented the certificate to the first ever woman to win the champion of champions singles event, Mrs Dot Kurta.



Retiring Mayoress Honoured

Women from many organisations gathered at the YWCA recently to pay their tributes to the retiring Mayoress of New Plymouth, Mrs A. G. Honnor. Here Mrs Honnor replies to all the kind and well-earned things that had been said about her. She received many gifts too.



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More City Progress

There is ample evidence of activity down at the port these days. What with the news of the oil rig out to sea north of the city, and the exciting prospect of oil right under our doorstep plus the progress made with the new wharf, this area of the city is at present a hive of industry. Each Sunday hundreds of people visit this area and watch with interest the progress being made there. Our photograph, above, which we took on a Sunday, shows Railways Department men laying a new siding to the new wharf.

Below: A very old house-cum-shop was recently demolished in St. Aubyn Street. This is near the new St. John building and when cleared should see erected a building that will help raise the standard of buildings in this area. The heavy machinery doing this job had the house flattened in about five shakes.



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ROVING CAMERA

Above: Neville Sharrock (left) and Leslie Johns, members of the Waitara Scout Group, who have won their Queen's Scout awards. They have worked hard for this honour, and now have their warrants for appointment as assistant Cub leaders.

Below, left: New Plymouth seems to abound in four generation families. Perhaps the city is the right place to live if one is looking for longevity. From left: Great-grandmother Mrs H.M. Clark with baby Pauline Truscott, mother Mrs M.Truscott, and grandmother Mrs I.Howe. All are of New Plymouth.

Below, right: Snow man? No, you're wrong. It was made of hailstones, which fell at Inglewood recently. With the hailstone man is Denise Whittle, who built it. At the time she was staying with her grandparents, Mr and Mrs C.Pattinson, of Inglewood.



FUN AT MAKAKA

The Makaka WCI, with a total of fourteen members, recently organised an evening in the Makaka (it's not even marked on the map) Hall. Naturally the whole district turned out for this most enjoyable evening which included some very good items by the members of the institute. Above: Laugh event of the programme was the cow-cockies' wedding. This was well done, and caused much amusement. Here the bride, complete with long Johns, gets leg-roped. Above, right: Bride, groom and minister made a good job of their parts. Right: The in-laws looked every bit like in-laws. Below: The minstrel group rendered a bracket of songs.





CHAMPION WOMEN DARTSTERS

Here are some pretty good dart throwers. Wonder what they'd be like as cupids, complete with bows and arrows? They are members of the Omata Ladies' Dart Team which this season won the Taranaki Dart Association's championship. Back, from left: Dorrie Gower, Betty Rae, Roka Waipapa and Vera Scott. Front: Pearl Webster, Anne Clarke, captain, and Evelyn Jorgenson. Colleen Te Ruki was absent.

Below: These are the juniors of the Omata Ladies' Dart Club. They are the Omata Rovers, who in winning the recent Winter Show marathon created a world record by scoring 94,000 in 2 hours. From left, back row: Fay Tamatia, Geraldine Te Ruki, Janet Crowe and Maureen Clarke. Front row: Lorraine Leatherby, Sylvia Davies, captain, and Hilda Ngaia.



Wedding Bells

Above: **PITCAIRN-LAWRENCE.** At St. Paul's Catholic Church, Spotswood, Fay Veronica, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Lawrence, NP, to Robert John, eldest son of Mrs J.E. Pitcairn, Bell Block. The bridesmaids were Pauline Lawrence, sister of the bride, NP, and Raewyn Kemsley, NP. Best man was John Craig, NP, and the groomsmen were Garry Lawrence, NP. Future home, NP.

Below: **LOW-CRAIG.** At St. Mary's Anglican Church, NP, Suzanne Jane, second daughter of Mr and Mrs M.E. Craig, NP, to Kevin Francis, youngest son of Mrs Q. Low, Gisborne, and the late Mr A.H. Low. The bridesmaids were Lesley Morgan, NP, Jillian and Penelope Craig, sisters of the bride, NP. Best man was Brian Shepherd, Gisborne, and the groomsmen were Kerry Kelly and Jeffrey Davis, both Hamilton. Future home, Gisborne.





Hawera's Willow Pattern Garden

Hawera now has an attraction that will not be seen in many other towns. It is the Willow Pattern Garden, officially opened by the Nationalist Chinese Ambassador, Mr Konsin C. Shah, recently. It was a day of pageant for Hawera with a programme, associated with this opening, of national dancing from many countries of the world. Above: Mayor and Mayoress of Hawera, Mr and Mrs F.W. Finer, walk to the garden with the Ambassador and his wife before the ceremony began. Below: The Willow Pattern Garden is viewed by members of the official party after the opening Bottom: Part of the large gathering who attended the official opening.



Right: Members of the Dutch community, complete in their national costume, performed at the opening ceremony of the Willow Pattern Garden at Hawera. Below: Scottish dancers performed for the large gathering. Bottom, left: Youthful ballet dancers were a delight to watch. Below right: Wife of the Nationalist Chinese Ambassador, Mrs K.C. Shah, performed the opening ceremony. Bottom, right: Three young spectators, Ted and Phillipa Thomas, and Andrew Nichol.





Roving Camera

There was recently a test for the civil defence organisation of the city, when an imaginary quake shook the city, causing untold damage. It was designed to test the organisation, and the results proved very satisfactory. Above: Town Clerk Mr W. Connor and Miss L. Barnes worked well. Above, right: Mayor, Mr A. G. Honnor, controller of the defence system, with his assistant, Mr S. M. White. Right: Radio contact was maintained by Mr Pettigrew, shown here with the senior traffic officer, Mr J. Mahoney.

Below: Two pictures of the bargain hunters at the recent successful fair at the Knox Presbyterian Church at Fitzroy.



ODD SHOT

Below: We've heard of blokes sawing women in half, but we never thought we'd see a bloke with half a woman, and smiling about it! This shot was obtained at the recent motor show as Stan Clare is caught with his half. NB. The other half was a passenger in a show car...no room for the bottom part!



SORRY MR. BLYDE, I WAS ONLY TESTING THE DRILL --- IT MIGHT HELP JACK BODDY FINANCIALLY!



TRIBUTE TO RETIRING MAYOR

On the thousand and one occasions that we have been at functions and met the retiring Mayor and Mayoress, Mr and Mrs A.G.Honnor, we have found them, without exception, pleasant and helpful at all times. From our point of view we shall miss them but know that they are now going to enjoy a well-earned rest. Both have served this city faithfully and well for many years, which makes their rest all the more well-earned. No words of ours could do justice to the work done by this very charming couple, and it is our sincere wish that they enjoy many years of happy retirement together.



INTERESTING EVENING FOR TE MARA GUIDES



Thrill for the Guides of the Te Mara company, when police constable Alvin Burr and his dog Echo recently paid them a visit at one of their weekly meetings. They obviously enjoyed the lecture given by Alvin, who has a happy knack of making this type of talk so interesting and plain to his young audience. Echo went through his paces like the veteran he is, to the girls' everlasting excitement. Echo has proved to be the most popular visitor ever to the Te Mara Guides. Above: Showing his docility, Echo shakes hands with Shirley Jones. Above, right: Ann Copestake returns the handcuffs to Alvin Burr. Right: The pack has never been as attentive as when they listened to the lecture. Below: Question time could have been endless, so inquisitive were the girls.



New Day Nursery



Two young nurses have recently set up a day nursery in Barrett Street, NP, and are catering for working mothers or parents who just want to do a spot of shopping. They take children from 8.30am to 5.30pm. The nurses, Margaret Wilson and Heather Buchanan, have a licence to take 20 children, and from what we saw this would be a comfortable number, with all kinds of toys to amuse the children left in their charge. We believe this to be the first commercial enterprise of this nature in the city. Above: Margaret with twins Anita and Paula Corbett. Above, right: Ride in a cart for Sean Sant, with brother Michael acting as the horse. Below: Ring-a-ring of roses, we all fall down! Bottom, right: Michael Sant got fed up with playing horse, and decided to rest and make up a jig-saw puzzle.



The day nursery is also equipped to deal with very young babies with a room containing bassinets, and the necessary impedimenta that goes with the minding of babes. Above: Paula Corbett, held by nurse Heather Buchanan, eyes our photographer rather pensively. Above, right: A group of the children peacefully playing in this new nursery.



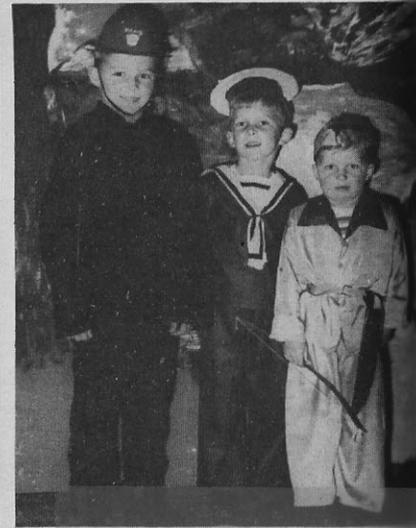
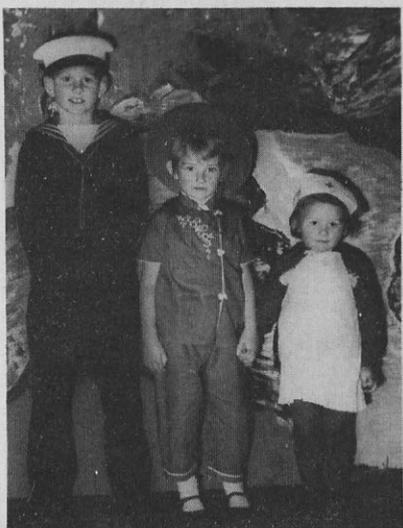
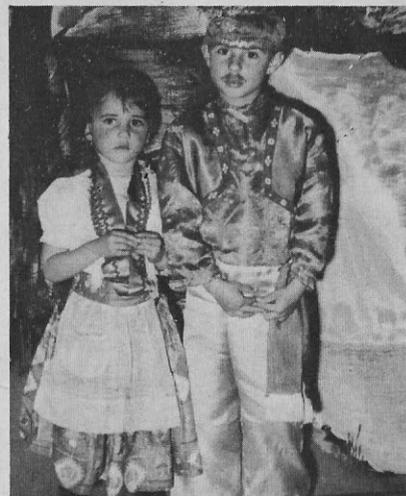
Helicopters Over City

Not often seen over our city are helicopters, but from now on, or at least while the drilling ship Discoverer II is working off the Taranaki coast, they will become a common sight. The most recent arrival is this two-ton Bell Helicopter, capable of carrying 14 passengers. Above: The firm's mechanics work on the engine immediately on its arrival in the city. Left: Here is the copter which will become a familiar sight to the people of our city as it flies between the city and the oil drilling ship, bringing men and supplies.



MARFELL FANCY DRESS PARTY

Photographed on this page are some of the children of the Marfell school who recently enjoyed their annual fancy dress party. It was a gay night for all concerned, and will no doubt be repeated each year in the future.
(Photos by Henry McGee)



Stratford Races

It was fairly fine for the races at Stratford recently, and though most women dressed for warmth, a lot of them looked as bright as buttons. Looks like our cameraman went to photograph the women rather than the horses. Above, left: Lisieux returns to the birdcage after running second in the hack event. Above, centre: Two of the smartest women were Mrs J. Thomson, NP, and Lois Carroll, Melbourne. Above, right: Colleen McDonald, Stratford, and Frances McBride, Mangatoki. Below, left: Mara McBride, Mangatoki, Vivienne Dwyer, Hawera, and Jocelyn McCormick, Mangatoki, posed for us. Below, right: Punters watch their fancy in the birdcage before the start of a race.





ENGAGED

Above, left: WILSON-BIRD. Lynette Mary, the younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.S. Bird, NP, to John Joseph, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Wilson, Auckland. (VOGUE).

Left: AIM-CALLENDER. Janice Marlene, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Callender, NP, to Bruce Alexander, twin son of Mr and Mrs S.A. Aim, New Plymouth. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below left: CLIFTON-BEALE. Sandra Ann, eldest daughter of Mrs N.M. Beale, NP, to Walter John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs H.A. Clifton, Arapuni. (VOGUE)

Above: BROWN-LOVERIDGE. Karen Dawn, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W.D. Loveridge, NP, to Rodney Jackson, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.A. Brown, New Plymouth. (VOGUE).

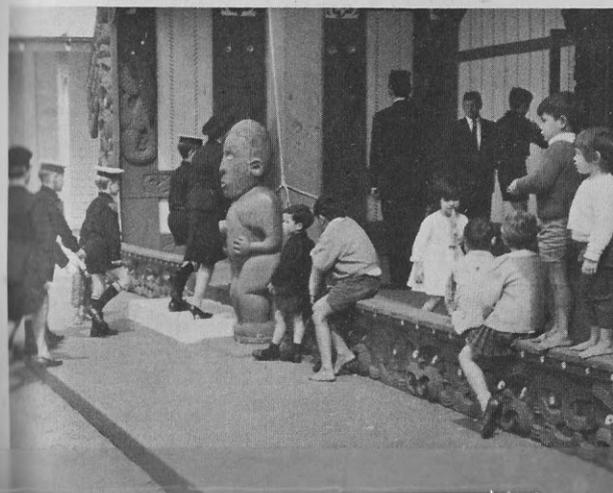
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Below: BORKUS-HOETA. At the Inglewood Catholic Church, Lorraine Hoeta, daughter of Mr and Mrs M. Pratt, NP, to Johannes, third son of Mrs L. Borkus, Holland, and the late Mr G. Borkus, The future home, Inglewood.



CHURCH PARADE AT WAITARA PA

Taranaki Boys' Brigade, in conjunction with lads from Wanganui, recently held a combined church parade at the Waitara Pa. The boys formed outside the old Post Office in Waitara and, led by the New Plymouth band, marched to the Pa. Above: Here they are on their way, and a smart creditable bunch of boys they were too. Below: On arrival at the Pa, they were joined by the junior Boys' Brigade. Bottom, left: Young children at the Pa watch as the boys file in for the church parade. Bottom, right: Colour party halts at the Pa entrance.



Oakura Boxing Presentation

End of the season function for the Oakura Boxing club saw the most prized trophies distributed to the various winners. Patron of the club, Alan Clark, made the presentations, and the evening was, as is now usual, a huge success. **Right:** The Martin Ryan Cup for the most successful boxers in the club was won jointly by Pat Ryan and Ron Jackson. **Below:** Ian Drewery made a presentation to the club trainer, Martin Ryan, and Mrs Ryan. **Below, right:** Most improved boxer cup went to Russell Farrant. **Bottom, left:** Ian Drewery won the trophy for the most keen boxer.



Getting Married?

We've had to disappoint some brides lately who don't let us know about their wedding. Some brides bring in a studio print three or even six months after the event. Unfortunately we cannot accept them, as we do try to keep as much up-to-date as we possibly can.

All you have to do, as early before the wedding as you like, is to ring us and we'll do the rest. Our phone number is 6101 or after hours 88712. So now you've been warned.

Ouch!

This freak picture was taken at the Greatest Show on Earth at Inglewood. It certainly looks as though one of these demonstrators of fencing has been run through and is about to fall. Just try and imagine how this would feel! No wonder the poor fellow said "Ouch!"