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OUR COVER

One of the most attractive launches to be seen off Ngamotu Beach almost any weekend is the *Dulcie May*, built and owned by Bill Riddick. Her sleek lines and powerful engine give her a fair turn of speed. Bill spent something like nine months of spare time working on the *Dulcie May*. This colour photograph was taken on a recent Sunday afternoon, when Bill was out for a spin with his daughters Nancy, Janet and Barbara, who enjoy sitting on the cabin top while the launch slices its speedy way through the calm water off Ngamotu beach.

BACK COVER: For our back cover in colour we feature an aerial view taken recently of the heart of the city.

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LECTURER:

Right: Dr. Peter Sears who recently lectured to farmers at a Field Day at the Stratford Demonstration Farm.

ENGAGED:

Left: Eleanor, the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Elliott of New Plymouth to Barry, second son of Mr and Mrs C.W. Matthews, New Plymouth.

AUSTRALIAN WEDDING:

Below: At Windsor Presbyterian Church, Brisbane, Catherine Jean, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. MacKenzie, Brisbane, to William Alexander, eldest son of Mr and Mrs W.G. Crisp, Mill Road, New Plymouth. Robin Faull of New Plymouth was the best man and John Crisp, brother of the groom, was the groomsman. Future home, Brisbane.



Fireworks Night at Ngamotu—

Above: Colleen Skelton and Suzanne Tuck throw their guy onto the bonfire, he having outlived his usefulness.

Below: Three boys, one girl, one guy (my word I've seen that face before...) Neil Willans, Shane and Lee Dumbell and Sally Willans.



—and Inglewood

Above: The huge fire at Jubilee Park, Inglewood, illuminates the crowd, as they stand and watch things go up in smoke.

Below: Two Inglewood Jaycees put the match to the bonny, to start the evening off.



Below: Just before the fire was lit, the kids came up and dumped their guys onto the heap of rubbish. They looked a macabre lot, just lying there waiting to be cremated.





Home-made firework gun, operated by Michael Donnelly and John Beresford



Rae Brill, Janet Gash and Christine Brill content themselves with sparklers

Guy Fawkes Without a Fire

Starting off the fireworks season with a big bang, members of the Whiteley Bible Class organised an evening's entertainment for themselves, the Whiteley Youth Club, and they also invited along children of the Intellectually Handicapped School. Much fun was had by all. Following the fireworks, a sausage sizzle was organised, and all went home full and contented.



Sausage sizzlers Janet Marsh, Ann and Sandra Jamieson



Up goes another half-crown



Above: Ian Glander, organiser of the fireworks party for the I.H.C. children, puts more sausages on the fire to satisfy the demand.



Above, right: During the height of proceedings, somehow a spark got into the box of bangers, with the result that an impromptu explosion brought everyone running to see if any could be saved from the box. Unfortunately, crackers were going off in all directions, and all that was left was the small fire, watched by many saddened faces.

Identical Twins

Below: Don Kivell is very proud of the identical twin calves born on his farm at Midhurst. He sold them to the Stratford Experimental Farm, where they are now being looked after. Don eyed them with a critical gaze, and confided that the twins were doing fine. On the right is a close-up of the twins. Hard to tell them apart isn't it, even to the knobby knees.





One-Act Plays at Opunake

Three particularly bright and colourful one-act plays were presented recently by the Opunake players. The play photographed here is "The Elephant", a comedy by Yves Cabrol. Set in a small French Town, the play was both fast and frivolous. Actors in the comedy were Gaye Purser, Heather New, Margaret Ockhuysen, Judith Ditzel, Ewan Johnston, Arthur Hughson, Allen Wallis and George Witham.

Below, left: Gaye Purser mourns the lover, Arthur Hughson, who has been trodden on by an elephant.

Below, right: Judith Ditzel in a scene with her absent-minded husband, George Witham.



Above, left: A scene from the Opunake Players' production "The Elephant" shows Heather New and Ewan Johnstone.

Above, right: This scene shows a colourful fruit stall as part of the set, with actors Margaret Ockhuysen and Allen Wallis.

Below: One, two, three,....seven. Now how in the world does a loving mother keep her eye on that lot of trouble? Pretty as pictures, but a pack of pickles at the same time. These little fellows...we don't even know what they are...make a nice picture for "Photo News". (Pix by Crago)





Heroism Rewarded

An example to his fellow citizens, and a man with a knowledge of resuscitation that saved the life of a 12-year-old girl, Denise Mackie, is the record of Edmond Robert McCutcheon. Edmond is an employee of the Post and Telegraph Department, and was recently presented with the Royal Humane Society's Silver Medal for his heroic deed. The medal presented by New Plymouth's Mayor Mr Honnor, is a reward richly deserved for the part Edmond played in saving this young life, at the risk of his own.

Above: The Mayor pinning on the medal.

Above, right: A very proud mother gives her son a kiss after the presentation.

Right: Wynn Cornes batting in a softball game at Rugby Park, when a field day was held to find out what strength the game has in New Plymouth. Such a success was the day that the sport has a big future in the province.



Swimmers Start Season

The NPOB swimming club got away to a good start this season, when a record number of swimmers turned up for the first race night.

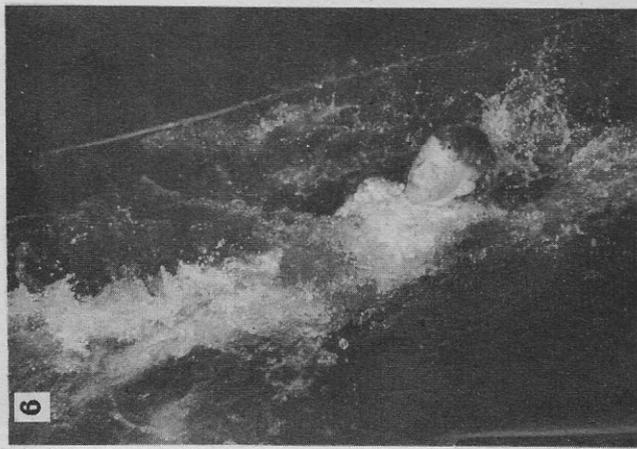
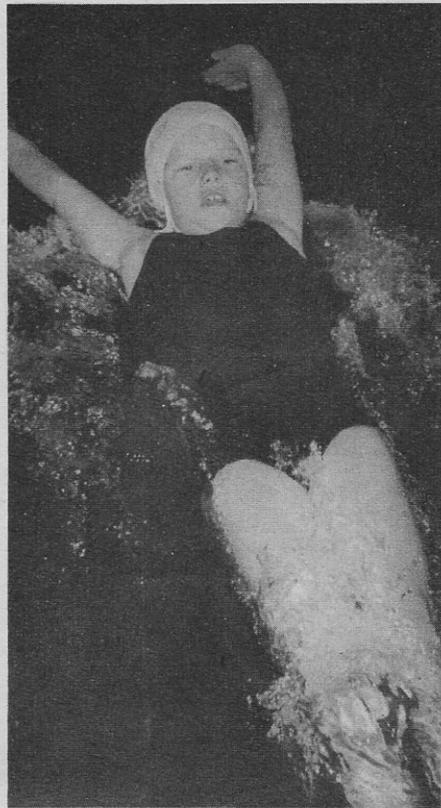
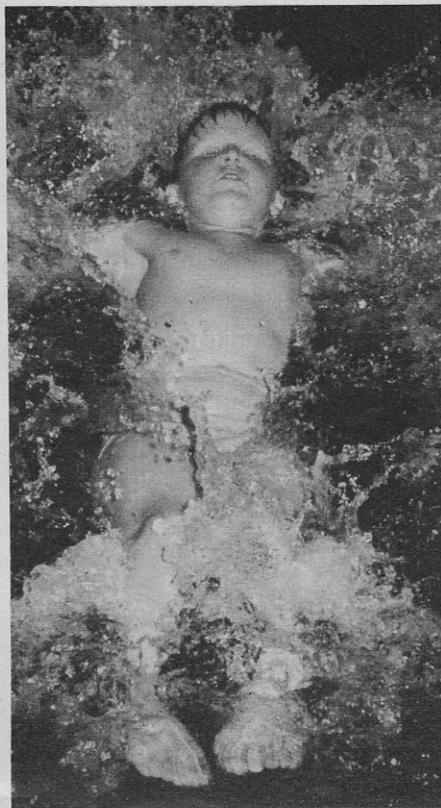
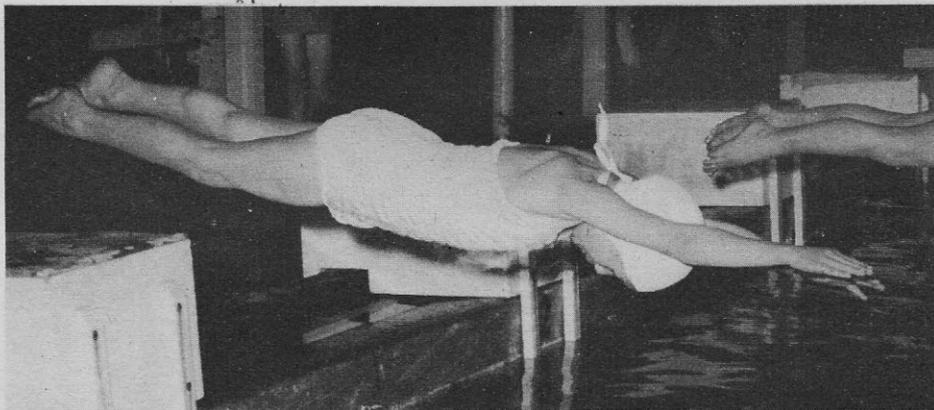
Right: Trudy Beatty shows fine starting technique for so early in the season.

Below: Jennifer Ward acted as runner for the announcer-starter Arthur Hayward.

Bottom: Haymish Anderson puts a spurt on in the back-stroke race.

Below, centre: Off to a good start in the back-stroke event is G.Roffe.

Below, right: Mary Lyle looks as if she will show good racing form this season.





Wedding Bells

Above: HARRIS-WISNESKI. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Marie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L.A. Wisneski, New Plymouth, to James Maxwell, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Harris, Christchurch. The bridesmaids were Jean Harris, sister of the groom, and Shirley Quayle. The best man was John Harris of North Canterbury, and the groomsmen were Barry Wisneski, brother of the bride. The future home of the couple will be Christchurch.

Below: BECKETT-GOLDSMITH: At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Tessa Joy, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs N.C. Goldsmith, New Plymouth, to Gordon, only son of Mr and Mrs H. Beckett of Fitzroy, and formerly of Ireland. The bridesmaids were Velma Roberts, Huntly, and Lorraine Goldsmith, sister of the bride. The best man was Garry Williamson, and the groomsmen were Fred Roberts of Huntly. Irish flowergirl was Judith Putt, and the pageboy was Rodney Dawson, both cousins of the bride. Future home of the couple will be Auckland.



Roving Camera

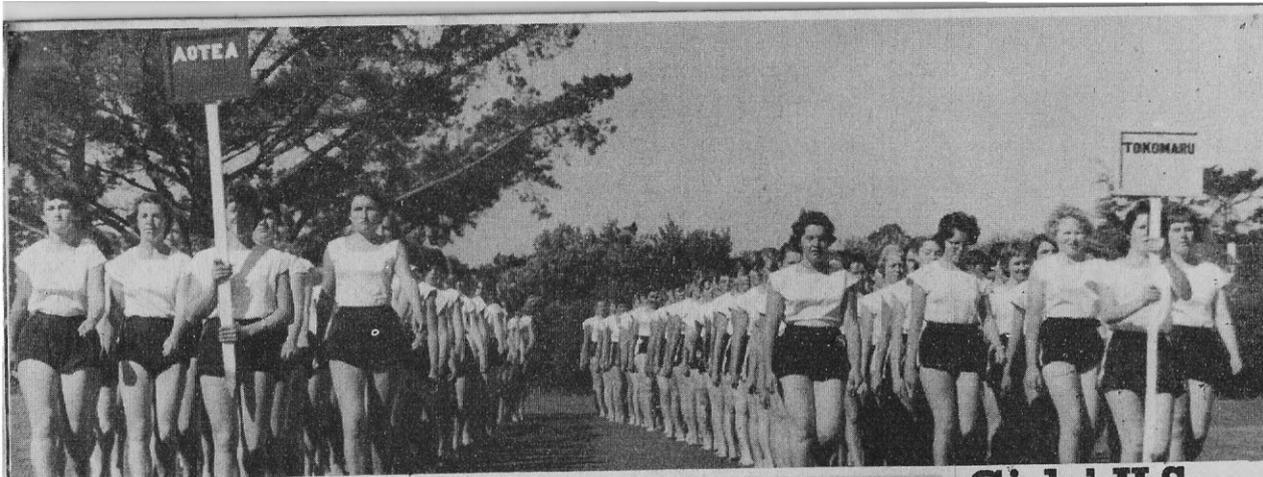
Above: Two pictures that are linked with the New Plymouth Repertory Society's recent production, "The Tinder Box". At left is the man with plenty of headaches over the lighting for this production, Dick Barlow. At right are some of the weird-looking characters who thrilled the youthful audiences. From the left, the players are Annabel Ross, Bromwin Kinsella, Rae-wyn Quickfall and Derek Treeby.

Below, left: Four young revellers at Ngamotu beach on Guy Fawkes Night enjoying the beauty of a "Flower Pot" are, from left, Carol Symmons, Decima Hobart, Valda Symmons and Vivienne Hobart.

Below, centre: Another visitor to Ngamotu on Guy Fawkes night was Mr Gordon Webber's dog Dollar. He chased hell out of the crackers and had probably the best time of anyone on the beach.

Right: Kasper John Patrick, eldest son of Mr and Mrs K.A. Butler of Spotswood, who recently celebrated his 21st birthday.





Girls' H.S. Sports Day

The sports day of New Plymouth Girls' High School, postponed from last year because of unfavourable weather, was favoured with a beautiful day when it was held recently.

Above: Winners of the House marching, Tokomaru on the right, with the second place-getters Aotea.

Left: Leaders of the Aotea House squad.

Below: Well trained and all in step are these girls, who presented a fine sight at the end of a perfect day's sport.



As usual, one of the highlights of the sports day was the relay race between the day girls and the boarders. The race, run at a scorching speed, created the keenest competition, as the girls shouted their favourites on until they were hoarse with excitement.

Above: Last runner of the Boarders' team comes home the winner with yards to spare, to the vociferous delight of supporters.

Below: Girls line track in tense group to watch race.

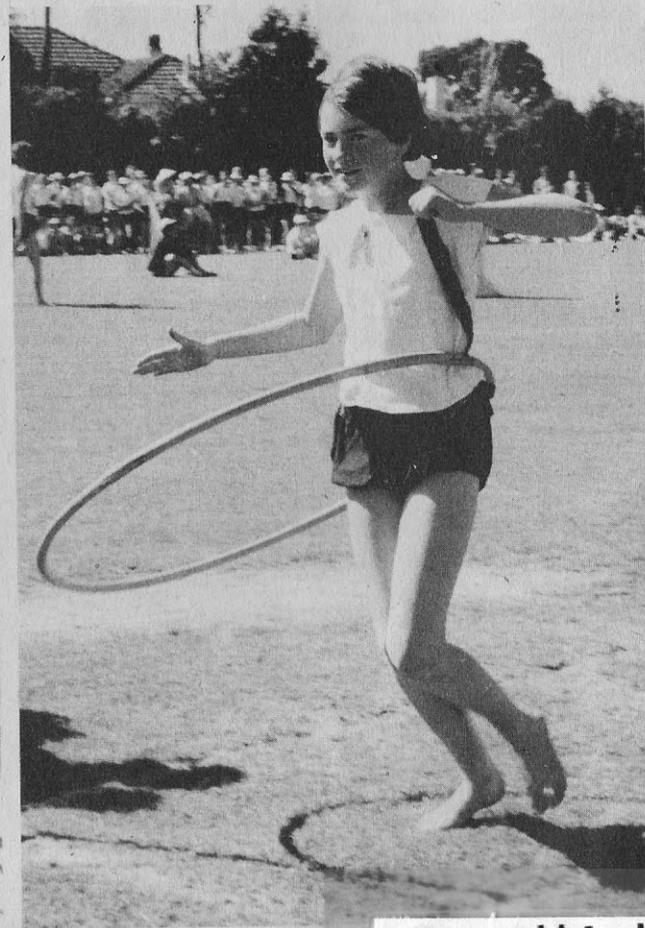


Right: The winning Boarders relay team, Virginia Mills, Jane Younger, Ann Smilie, Helen Walter, Alice Ferguson, Raewyn Mitchell, Barbara Murphy and Julie Ekdahl.

Below: G. Lawton just headed off Glennys Wilshier in the second bicycle race, which was a feature of the sports this year.

Bottom, left: Barbara Murphy digs in as she lands in the long jump event.

Bottom, right: Colleen Corney, winner of the Intermediate Hoop race.



Celebrations

Above, left: Mr. Jim Marsh, Motonui, and Mrs Aileen Spurdle were recently married at the Presbyterian Church, Waitara.

Above, right: Two boys, but only one birthday cake. Such is the lot of Neil and Kevin Hart, whose birthdays are so close together that they only get one party. This does not detract from the gaiety of the event, but rather adds to the fun. Our photo shows the brothers attempting to blow out the candles on their cake.

Right: Yvonne Ireson, who recently celebrated her 14th birthday.

Below, left: Not a thing to celebrate, except perhaps some beautiful warm sunshine, these two office girls do a spot of sunbathing during their lunch break. With luck, they should get a tan around the knees and ankles. They are Lorraine Hayward and Noeline Butler.



Speedway Working Bee

The buzz went round town that the Speedway was having a working bee. The response was amazing. The worker bees turned up in their dozens, and gave the whole of their weekend to tidying up the place, putting things in apple-pie order for the start of the season, which is not very far away.

Below: Ralph Simpson and Peter Jury get to work on the track, which is in excellent order.

Right: Don Rutherford, the club captain, Doug Harris and Gordon Lyford, the vice-president, really look like busy bees.



SPORTS AT DOUGLAS

Blessed with a particularly fine sunny day, the annual sports day held at the domain at Douglas turned out to be a huge success. It gave the back-country folk a chance to get together in both sports and social activities.

Below, right: The winners of the relay event. Between them they won a softball bat; perhaps now they will start their own softball team. From left, they are, Robert Stockman, Ken Lock, Annette Lock, Lorraine Cole, Ashley Lock and Sandra Rowe. On the left is Robert Stockman winning the race.



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Coming of Age Parties

Right: Naire Heather, daughter of Mrs H. Barron, Kaimiro, who recently celebrated her coming-of-age at a party held in the Kaimiro Hall. With her in the photograph is her mother, who poses with Naire and her beautiful birthday cake.

Left: David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.O. R. Clarke, cutting the cake which marked his 21st birthday at a party at the Kawarua Park Tennis Club recently.

Below, right: Something novel was staged recently, when a party celebrated the coming-of-age of Gabrielle Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Crawford, Inland North Road. The party was held on a fine, warm Sunday afternoon in the garden of her home. Our picture shows Gabrielle cutting her cake. In the picture on the left, Gabrielle hands round pieces of the celebration cake to some of the guests.



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**Girls' High School
House Plays**



Despite plays with all-female casts, some excellent acting was witnessed recently when the N.P. Girls' High School presented their House Plays. Much praise is due for some excellent make-up and fine character-acting on the part of the players.

Above: The Tokomaru house players, who presented "Tap Three Times". The performers are, Louise Heppburn, Kaye Anderson, Dorothy Cox, Ruth Hopson, Catherine Healion, Margaret Mandeno and Judith Russell.

Below: The Aotea house team, who played "Idols" produced very capably by Ann Smilie. Jayne Younger, Aylsa Campbell, Janise Franklin, Diane O'Neill, Pauline Macaneny and Sally Street.

Above, left: Aylsa Campbell uses her large brimmed hat as a fan, after having played an excellent part.



Left: The Kurahaupo house girls who gave a dramatic performance of "On A Spring Morning". This was a play that moved the audience, with its drama and pathos. Those taking part were, Valerie Pease, Mary Gale, Diana Steven, Jo Douglas-Brown, Rosalie Tarrant Pauline Price and Glen Carter.

Below: "Four Into Seven" played and produced by girls of the Tianui house was another play which was exceedingly well-acted with male parts that were most difficult. The players were Penelope Stubbs, Ann Hetherington, Judith Sowry, Elizabeth Slater and Ann Wolff.



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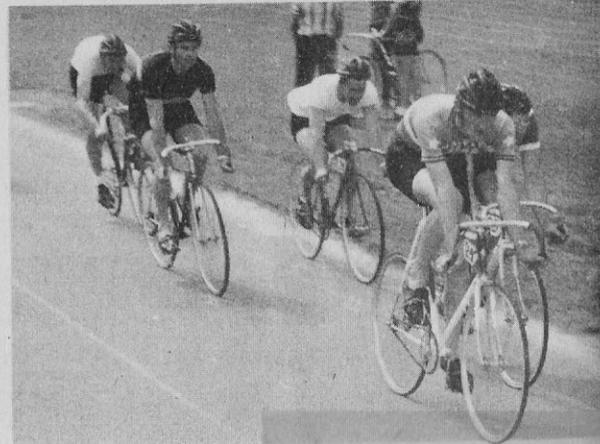
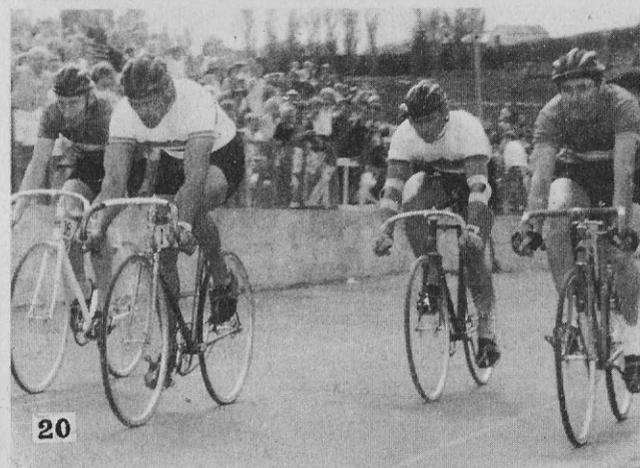
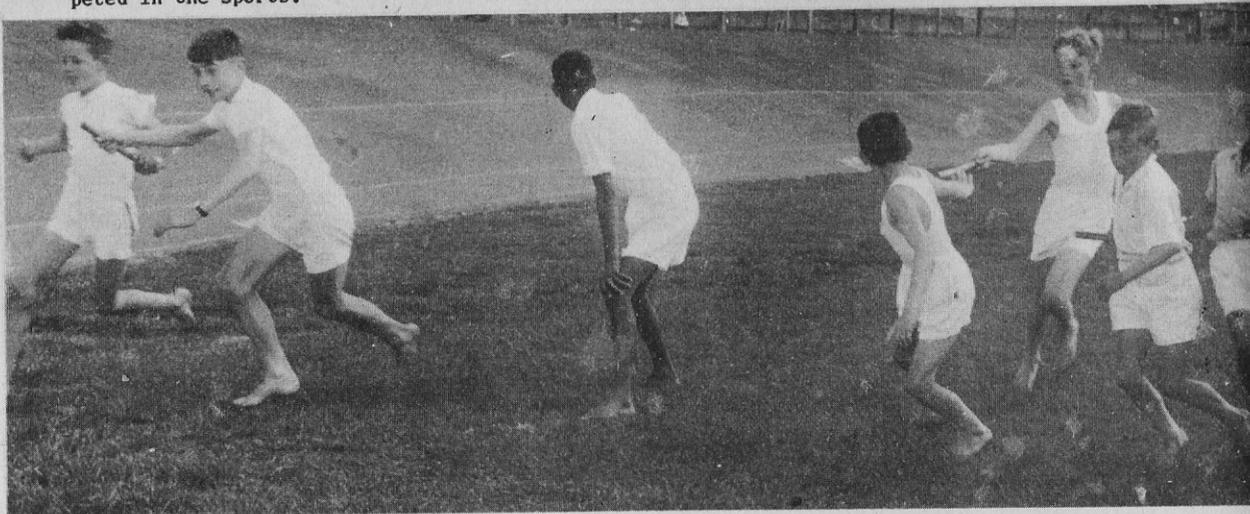
Labour Day Sports

Above: The finish of the primary schools' championship, boys under 15, 100 yards, shows O. Waitere winning from J. Mead and J. Marsden.

Below: In the boys' relay, at the first change-over, it appears that there is a straggler, as one of the competitors waits for his team-mate to reach him.

Bottom, left: Finish of the second heat of the two-mile wheelrace, with D. Cochrane winning from D. Swanson.

Bottom, right: Along the straight come some of the country's best professional riders, who competed in the sports.



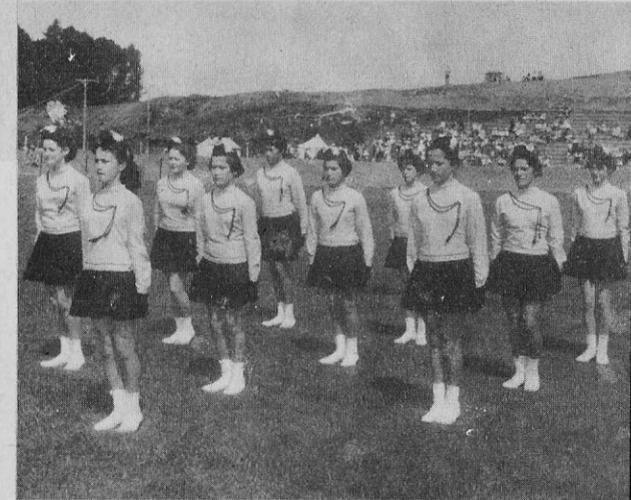
Above, left: Barbara Sole dancing in the Irish Reel, where competition was very keen.

Above, right: Cup winners at the competitions. From left, Nanette Collinson (Stratford), Christine Treweek (NP), Lynette Batten (Inglewood) and Denise Vovllaire (Inglewood).

Below: Lynette Batten and Karen Marsh performing their Irish Reel.

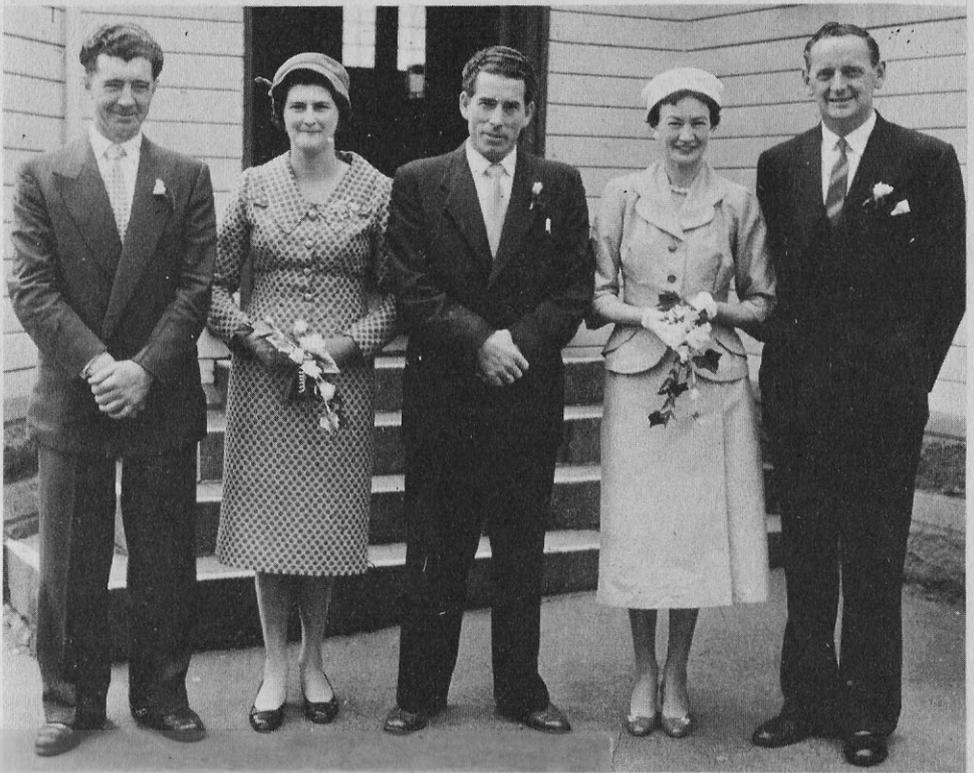
Right: The well-known Palieades marching team from Waitara, who gave their usual polished performance.

Right, below: The Eltham Midgets also gave a very good display.

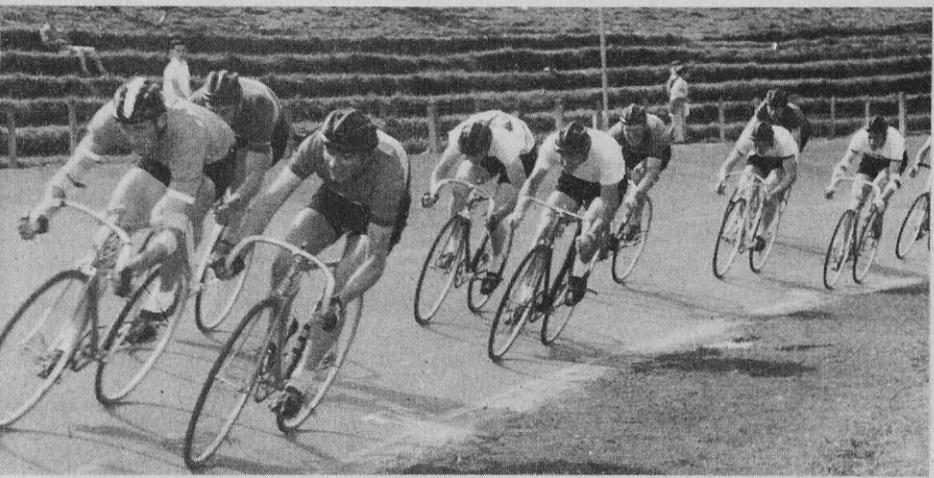




Above: Large fields for the cyclists were the order of the day, with some very exciting racing witnessed.
Right: Local boys Don Roebuck and Bonny Cook give a helping hand to Mike Tamati, who had a wee bit of bother with his bike.
Below: The field in the final of the Labour Day Wheelrace, puts on a bit of speed as they approach the turn.
Below, right: The man who supplied the piping for most of the National Dancing competitions, Bruce Smith.
Bottom, left: The Sunbeams of Hawera, looking smart to start the new season.
Bottom, right: The Militaires in shining new uniforms.



Married
Above: YOUNG-FINER: At Knox Presbyterian Church, Fitzroy, Valerie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs O. C. Finer, New Plymouth, to Donald, third son of Mr and Mrs A. Young, Stratford. Matron of honour was Joan Howie, Te Awamutu, sister of the bride. Mary Finer, another sister of the bride was the bridesmaid. The best man was Grant Young and the groomsmen were Barry Young, both brothers of the groom. Future home, Rotorua.
Left: DUNLEAVEY-COLLINS. At St. Joseph's Church, New Plymouth, Mavis, the eldest daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Ashcroft, Stratford, to William, youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs P. Dunleavy, of Co. Roscommon, Ireland. Best man Jim Cavanagh was from Pungarehu, and the bridesmaid was Val Julian. Future home, New Plymouth.



Tarata Hall Jubilee Ball

A right good time was had by all at the ball held to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Tarata Hall. Taranaki rep. footballer, John Mackie was the M.C. who kept things moving, and he helped to make the evening a very successful affair.

Right: Mr and Mrs Bob Smith and Mr and Mrs Bill Engelhardt.
Below: Mrs Noelle Linderman, Mrs Phil Herbert and Mr and Mrs Les O'Donnell.
Bottom: Mr and Mrs Don Gyde and Mr and Mrs Vin Stacherski.



Though four years overdue, because of the renovating of the hall, the golden jubilee of the settlement hall was a huge success, from every point of view. 50 years is a long time for a hall to have been of use to a community, but the Tarata Hall has weathered the passing of time very well.
Above: Local residents enjoying the jubilee dinner are Mr and Mrs R. Wisnewski, Mrs Nancy O'Donnell and Mrs Ruth Tompero.
Left: Nancy Sutton, who provided items at the dinner.
Below, left: Four of the oldest inhabitants who came and enjoyed the dinner are Mrs Emma Drummond, who came to the district in 1903, Mr Joe Smith (1889), Mrs Catherine Weston (1900) and Mr Richard Lovell (1904).
Below, right: Mrs Mona George cutting the jubilee cake which was a credit to the baker. With Mona are Mrs Ludeman and Mrs Edna Mackie.



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Overseas Club Dinner

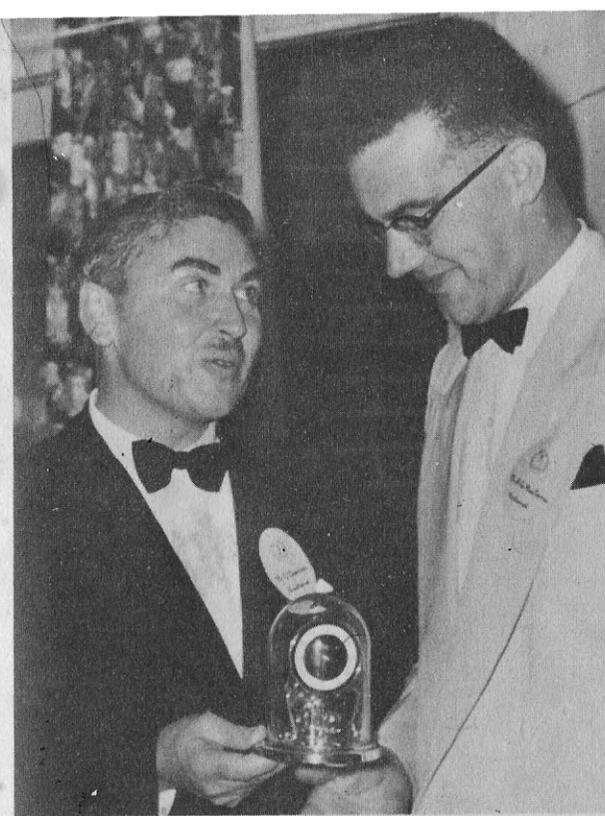
Above: The official party at the wind-up function of the N.P. Overseas Club. From left, Miss M.W. Murphy the club secretary, Mayor, Mr A.G. Honnor, Baroness Van Schoonheten, Mayoress Mrs Honnor, Baron Bentink van Schoonheten and Mrs Van Bebbekom.

Right: The Netherlands Envoy Extraordinary is given a traditional Maori welcome by a Maori extraordinary, Mr W. Grey.



Left: Guests, from left, Mr and Mrs W. Bennie, president of the Settlers Association, Wellington, Mrs and Mr Hedger, Mr Hickman and Mr John Buchanan.

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Left: Frank Darroch, the president of the Overseas Club, presenting a perpetual motion clock... "to replace some of your time given to the club"... to Mr A.G. Reitsma, who was the treasurer of the Overseas Club.

Above: The Club's secretary, Miss Winefride Murphy, pins a posie on Mrs F. Hackett, wife of the Minister of Immigration, while Mr Hackett looks on.

Below: Though the Royal has only just opened the new wing, it will be a long time before the hotel gets as many visitors as it had for this very colourful occasion. Many distinguished guests were present, mingling with the members of the club. (Pix by Crago).

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