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OUR COVER

Unfortunately the magnolia season is all too short, because for beauty, there are few blooms to beat this fine spring tree. Our picture this month is Elsie Fredrickson of Norfolk Road with blooms from the magnolia tree which is growing in the Norfolk Road School grounds.

BACK COVER

This picture needs no introduction to any of our readers, and we always feel that this is perhaps one of the most attractive scenes in the province, with the mountain making a true reflection in Lake Mangamahoe.

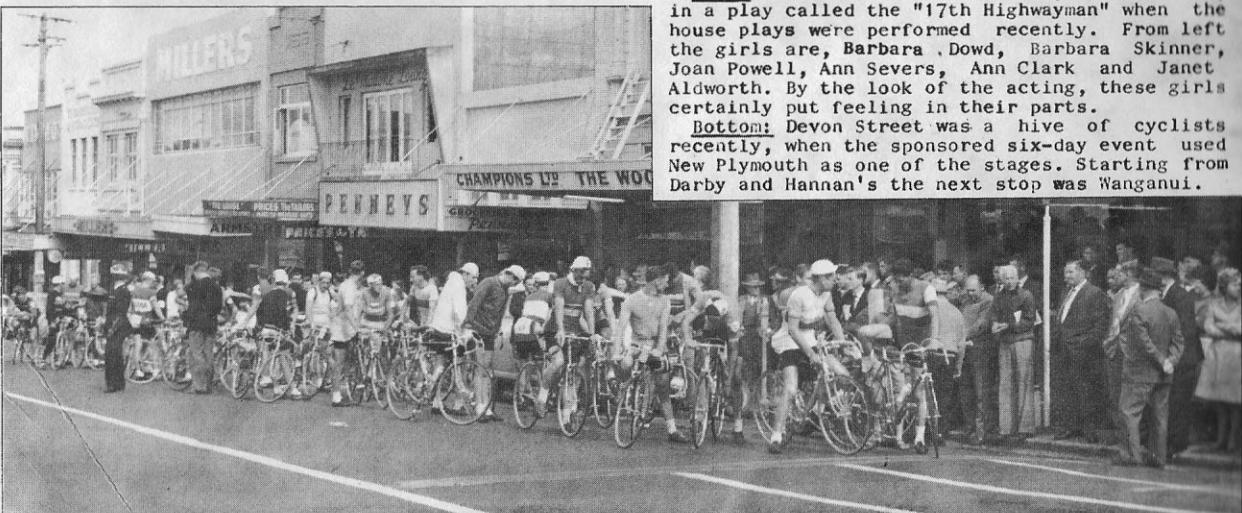
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Roving Camera

Below: Girls of the Aotea House, at the GHS, in a play called the "17th Highwayman" when the house plays were performed recently. From left the girls are, Barbara Dowd, Barbara Skinner, Joan Powell, Ann Severs, Ann Clark and Janet Aldworth. By the look of the acting, these girls certainly put feeling in their parts.

Bottom: Devon Street was a hive of cyclists recently, when the sponsored six-day event used New Plymouth as one of the stages. Starting from Darby and Hannan's the next stop was Wanganui.



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Married

Right: WOOD-CURTIS.
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Gail Maureen, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs H.Curtis, N.P., to Robert Leslie, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.E.Wood, N.P. Anne Cave, N.P., was the bridesmaid, and Alan Batten, N.P., was the best man. Cushla Healy was the flowergirl. Future home, N.P.



Left: GILBERT-BLANCHARD. At St. Mary's Church, N.P., Norme Cynthia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R.D.Blanchard, N.P., to Haddon, elder son of Mr and Mrs R.A.Gilbert, N.P. The bridesmaids were Margaret Blanchard, Diane Barndon, and Karen Barndon. Derek Gilbert was the best man and Rex Phillips and Don Blanchard were the groomsmen. Future home will be New Plymouth.

Below: Jacquelyn Mary, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W.R.McNuff, Worthing, England, to Grant Joseph, only son of Mr and Mrs J.Dalbeth, New Plymouth.





Ninth Birthday Party

The New Plymouth Maori Women's Welfare League recently celebrated their ninth birthday with a celebration at the home of Mrs Gable. The evening was a succession of games and items, that were thoroughly enjoyed by all those present, including presidents and representatives of most other leagues in Taranaki, shown as a party group in the photograph above.



Action songs were a popular item

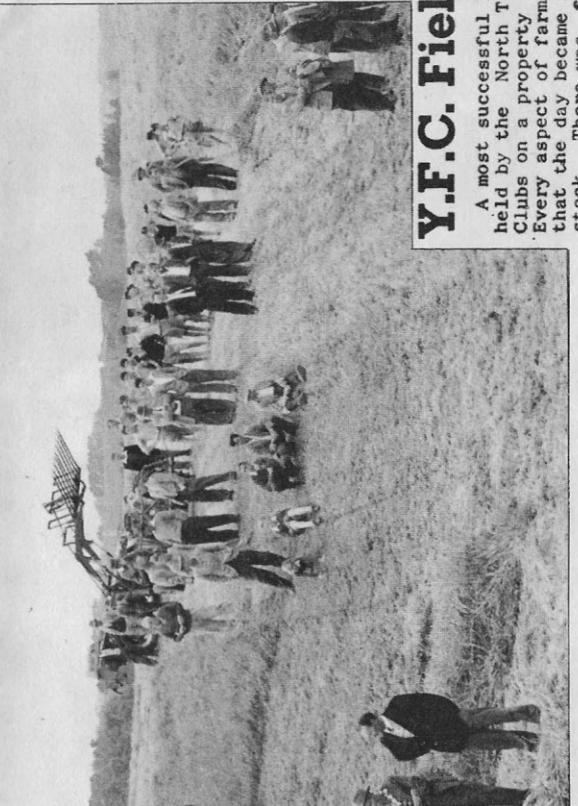


The cake was cut by Mrs R. Wright, who is the senior welfare officer for N.Z. and Mrs D. Walden, welfare officer for Taranaki.



Y.F.C. Field Day

A most successful Field Day was recently held by the North Taranaki Young Farmers' Clubs on a property in Carrington Road. Every aspect of farming was covered, so that the day became a show, without the stock. There was farm machinery of all kinds demonstrated by the young farmers, and to complete the day, some hundreds of farmers attended.



Concrete held the interest of many...

...As did mechanics of a tractor



Roving Camera

Above: The Singer sewing machine company recently bought in, in exchange for new, as many old machines as possible. The response was terrific in that they got hundreds of machines that must be ages old. Several museum pieces were amongst the trade-ins. Here is a heap of some of this scrap.

Left: Mrs H. Wilmshurst with two of the oldest machines are Norma Doherty and Lisbeth Austin with the very latest streamlined model in the centre.

Below: Posed with

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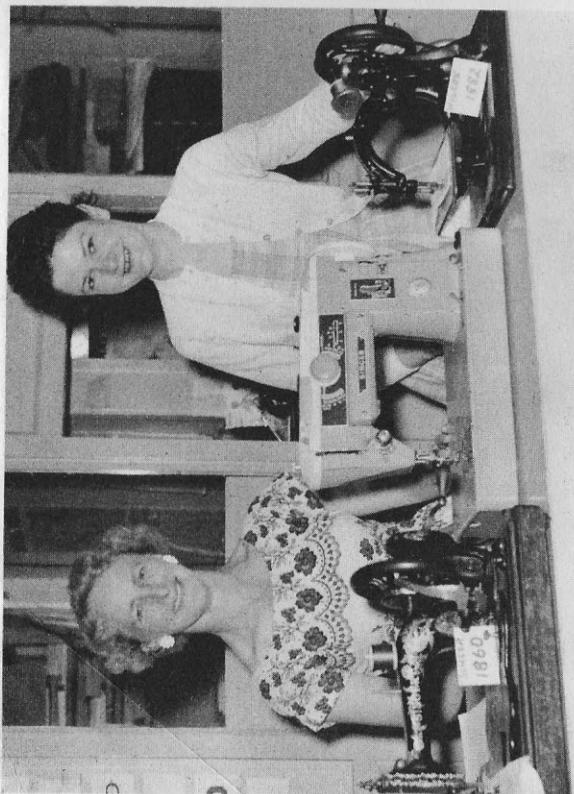
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South Inglewood Calf Club Day

Finals of the South Inglewood area were recently conducted at the Tariki school. The judges had a difficult time in finding winners, so good were the calves and lambs on show. They certainly all looked good to us, but then, we townies don't know much about stock, do we?

Above, left: Placegetters in the senior leading, were from left, Jennifer Bruce (Kaimata) 1, Beth Sultzberger (Tariki) 2, and Carole Stewart (Kaimata) 3.

Above: First three in the junior type were from left, Robert Ayling (Tariki) 1, Nancy O'Byrne (Norfolk) 2, and Dianne Sharrock (Kaimata) 3.

Left: Senior condition winners were from left, Christine Sharrock (Kaimata) 1, Jennifer Cornwall (Norfolk) 2, and Nigel Smith (Tarata) 3.

Below: There was a good muster of pet lambs, and they all looked as though they had had hours of labour spent on bringing them up to show standard.



Hawera Hospital Baths Opened

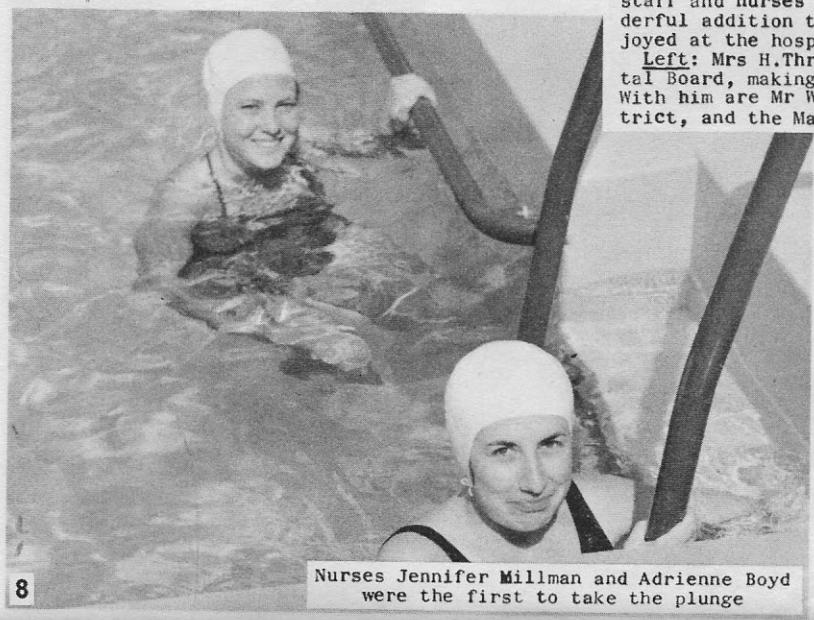


With weather to match this occasion, the new baths for nurses and staff at the Hawera hospital were opened recently. These baths, which will fill a long felt want by the staff and nurses at the hospital, are a wonderful addition to the amenities already enjoyed at the hospital.

Left: Mrs H. Thrush, chairman of the Hospital Board, making his speech at the opening. With him are Mr W. Sheat, M.P. for the district, and the Mayor of Hawera, Mr Finer.



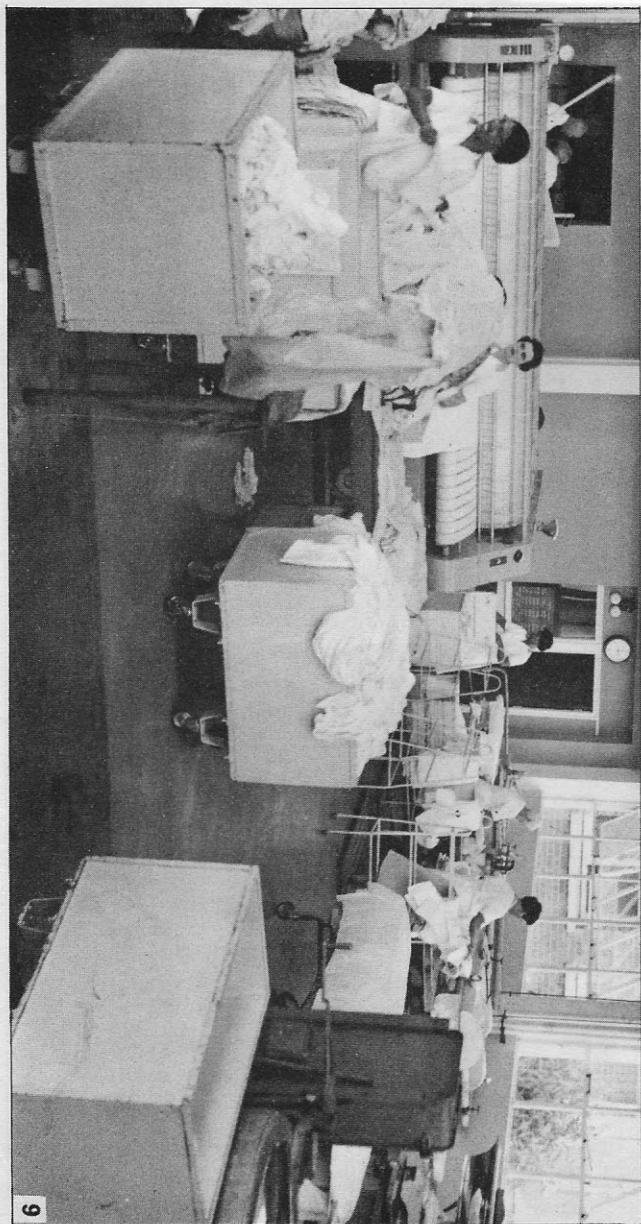
Staff and patients came out to see this very important ceremony



Nurses Jennifer Millman and Adrienne Boyd were the first to take the plunge



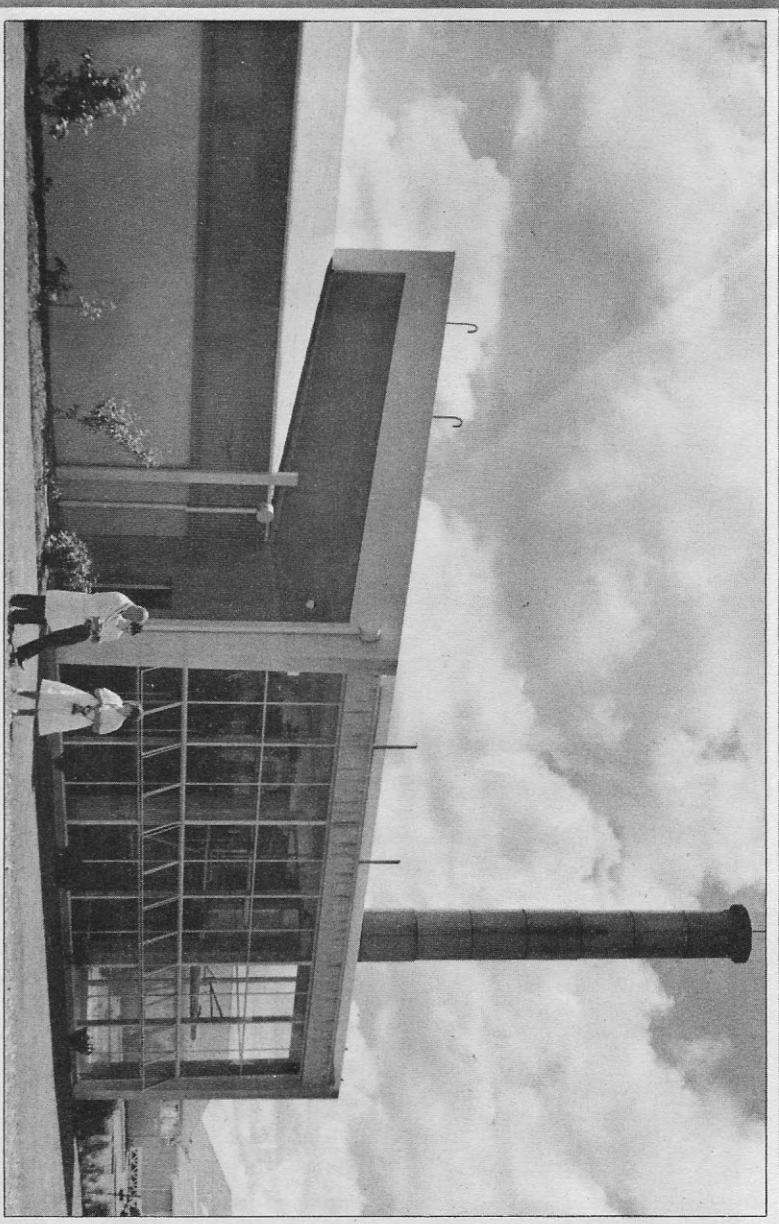
A good crowd of interested people attended the opening



HOSPITAL'S NEW LAUNDRY AND POWER HOUSE

Above: Set against the backdrop of a cloudy summer sky, the new generating plant at the Hawera hospital makes an impressive photograph with its modern and clean lines, yet workmanlike appearance. The building is made even more tidy by the surrounding gardens and shrubs, effectively planted to relieve the bareness of the walls.

Below: Even newer is the laundry, which boasts a record of thousands of garments per day cleaned and ironed. Including all the latest equipment, this laundry is one of the most modern in New Zealand, and those who work in it are really proud of this fine addition to the needs of the Hawera hospital.



Wedding Bells

Right: MORGAN-WRIGHT. At St. Joseph's Church, New Plymouth, Marion Rayne, only daughter of Mrs I.M. and the late Mr D.R.Wright, New Plymouth, to Peter, second son of Mr and Mrs M.Morgan, Palmerston North. The bridesmaid was Judith Crimmins, Paeroa, and the best man was Doug Archibald, P.N. Future home will be Wellington.

Below: WALLACE-MACDONALD. At Okato Methodist Church, Dorothy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A.MacDonald, Okato, to Rob, only son of Mr and Mrs F.Wallace, Eltham. The bridesmaids were Lois Mooby, Zena Whittle and Isobel Wright. Peter Le Bas was the best man and the groomsmen were Jim Hugheon and Rodney Smith. The future home is Okato.



BERNARD WOODS STUDIO



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Boat Show Was Popular

The New Plymouth Boat Show is fast becoming a popular event, with so many people buying or building their own craft. In this year's show, which was attended by over 7000 people, there were boats of all shapes and sizes, and not only that, every aspect of boating was represented. The organisers can feel justifiably proud of their efforts in the production of the boat show which is improving each year. A general view of one of the halls is reproduced below, whilst above, is a section of the crowd, interested in a very fine fashion show.



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Fashion Parade At C.G.C. Field Day

The highlight of the North Taranaki Country Girls' Club recent Field Day was the fashion parade. All the girls both made and modelled their clothes, and the amazing thing about it was that there were nearly sixty entries. It looks to us as though these country girls are as good as anyone when it comes to dressmaking. The dresses we saw, though we're not experts, looked as though they were particularly well made. The judges confided that they had had an unusually hard task in deciding who was the winner. We didn't envy them their job. Below, are three of the competitors, from left, Margaret Smith (Mangaoraka), Mary Brown (Rahotu) and Anna Kuriger (Rahotu).





Patricia Wells (Okato)



Lois Butler (Rahotu)



Aylsa Scott (Mangaoraka)



Beryl Sampson (Okato)



Lorraine McLeod
(Mangaoraka)



Vivienne Neilson (Okato)



Joan Stevens (Tikorangi)



Pat Barron (Rahotu)

"Wind In The Willows"

(Played by the Ingleswood Dramatic Society)
To be staged in the Town Hall, Ingleswood on Nov. 27th and 28th, and Dec. 4th and 7th, the very colourful "Wind in the Willows" should provide some fine entertainment for both young and old. With success after success, this year's production, though not the most ambitious, will be something well worth seeing. The producer is Ava Sommerfield.
(Pix by B.Woods)



Marigold (Alicia Bennett) and Nurse (Phyllis Taylor) in a scene from the play.



Five of the mice in the production



Mr Toad (Joe Watson), Ratty (Don Colbert) and Mole (Gwen Hill) make a fine trio



Court scene with Judge (Elsa Flavell), Usher (John Hammond) and Crier (Graham Schwartzeiger)

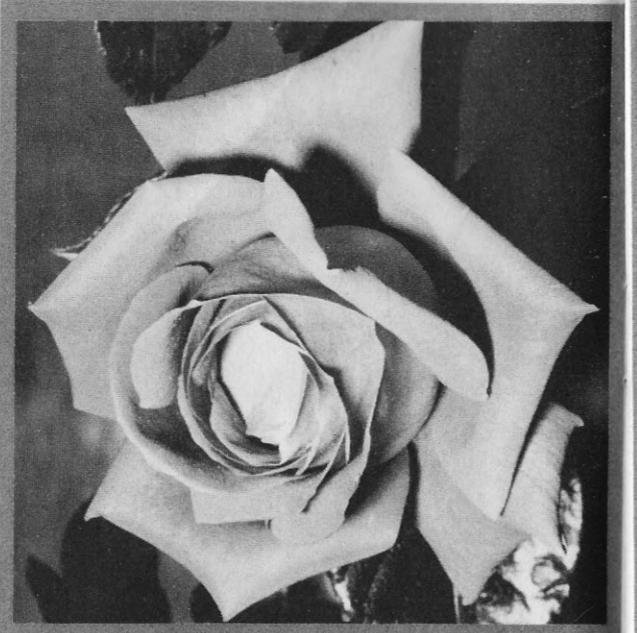


Wedding Bells

Above: COLEMAN-ADLAM. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Lily, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H. Adlam, New Plymouth, to John Albert, only son of Mr and Mrs J.A. Coleman, Remuera, Auckland. The bridesmaids were Elwyn Oliver, Lepperton, and Betty Adlam. Best man was Arthur Groube, and the groomsman was Doug Johnson, Ohura. Yvonne and Dawn Adlam were the flowergirls. Future home, Ohura.

Below: HENDERSON-STURMEY. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, to Kenneth John, elder son of Mr and Mrs J.T. Henderson, Tauranga. The bridesmaids were Colleen Sturmy, Christine Lloyd and Carol Forbes. The best man was Max Mancer, and the groomsman was Robert Henderson. Future home, New Plymouth.





Taranaki Rose Society's Show

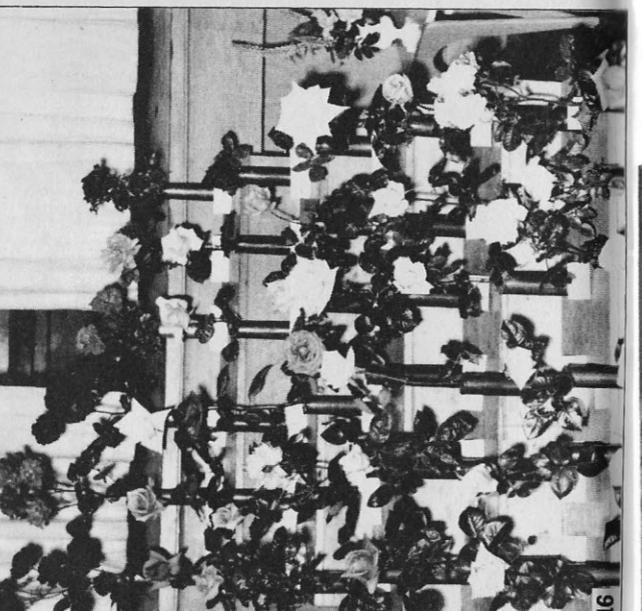
The weather has favoured the growing of roses, and consequently the recent Taranaki Society's show gave the judges many headaches. We thought that the roses were just about the best we have ever seen.

Above, left: Mary Finer, daughter of the society's president, is caught by our camera as she sprays some exhibits.

Above, right: Mrs G. R. Wilkinson, the judge of the show, from Hamilton, had a trying time with the beautiful blooms.

Left: Some of the magnificent roses.

Right: Close-up of what we thought was a perfectly-shaped bloom.



FULL BERTHS

Above: Almost thirty thousand tons of shipping are shown in this photograph of the Shaw Savill and Albion company's two ships, the Gothic, left, and the Persic, right. These two ships are frequent visitors to Port Taranaki and are two of the largest overseas vessels to call at the port.

MEDAL FOR EFFICIENT SERVICE

Below: W/O H.A.R. Brown, receiving the long service and good conduct medal from Major J.L. Knowles at a parade in New Plymouth recently. The medal is awarded for 18 years' efficient service.

21st BIRTHDAY

Right: Dorothy Joan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Morrison, Brooklands Road, New Plymouth, cuts the cake at the celebration of her 21st birthday.



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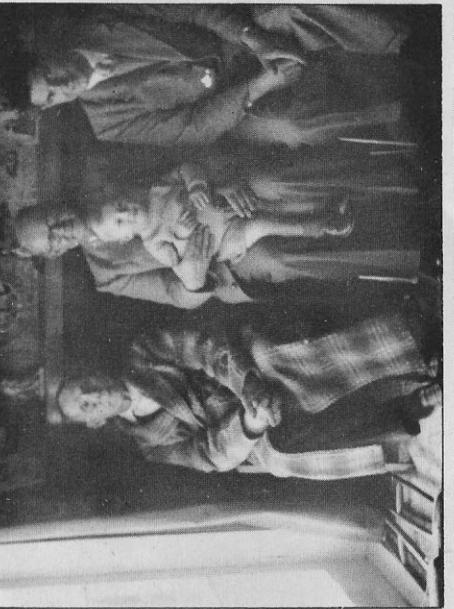


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Above, left: Smiling Jane Morrison, of St. Mary's School, Stratford, receives her Queen's Guide badge from the Taranaki District commissioner, Mrs E.S.Rutherford, at a ceremony held at the school recently.

Above, right: This is what might be called a posthumous possum. It was certainly not a live one just playing possum, or whatever they play. But it scared the wits out of the milkman, so much so, that he failed to leave the milk. This pest was found somewhere adjacent to Devon Street, and a prankster found it, deposited it on top of the milk box, complete with cigarette. It was a stinker of a joke really, because the possum had been dead some time.

Below, left: The staff at the New Plymouth hospital treated the younger patients to a grand firework display on Guy Fawkes day. Don't know who paid for the fizzers, but they certainly deserve a pat on the back for thinking of the children in hospital. Just look at the gleams of delight on the faces of the youngsters looking out of the top window, below, right.



Pot Pourri



Above, left: Chairman of the Taranaki Education Board, Mr P.C.Hill, left, presents to the retiring secretary-manager of the Board, Mr R.M. Foggin, and Mrs Foggin, a set of occasional tables to mark the retirement of Mr Foggin after 27½ years service.
Above, right: Four generations, from left, Mr A.Growcott, now 95 years old, Mr C.Growcott, the grandfather, Mr M.Growcott and his son John. Left: 85-year-old Aunt Kate (Mrs K.Looney) is shown here with Sylvia Jury on the occasion of Sylvia's 21st birthday.
Right: Phil Phelan caught by our candid camera at the St. Joseph's Gala Day busy raking in the shekels.



Girls' High School Sports

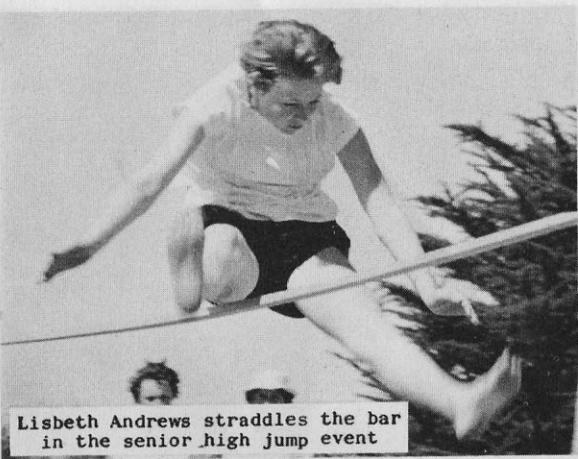
Favoured with weather of the brightest, the Girls' High School recently held their annual sports. Each year, a feature of the sports is that some records get broken. This year was no exception, when three records topped. We wonder where it will end, with jumpers forever getting higher and runners getting faster.

Above: The usual cheering was evident as the inter-house relays were fought out.

Right: Margaret Parker caught in mid-air in the long jump event.

Below: In the same event is Suzanne Korte.

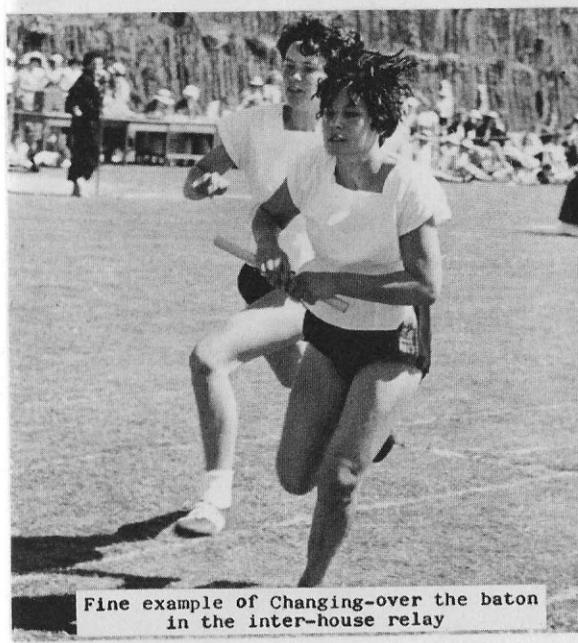
Bottom, right: Happy smiles as a three-legged pair come home first in their heat.



Lisbeth Andrews straddles the bar in the senior high jump event



Elvie Harrison just wins her heat in the open 75-yard event



Fine example of Changing-over the baton in the inter-house relay



Janet Waswo just clears the bar with absolutely nothing to spare



Three-legged race heat winners look pleased with themselves



This is what they call picking the baton by feel



Wedding Bells

Above: HALL-KENNEDY. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Jan Prudence, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.F.Kennedy, of New Plymouth, to Graham Walter, second son of Mr H.S.Hall, of Okaiawa. The bridesmaids were Wendy Rootes, Auckland, and Barbara Owen, Wellington. Best man was Glyn Evans, and the groomsman was Trevor West, Hamilton. Elizabeth and Robyn Moore were the flowergirls. The future home of the couple will be Tataraimaka.

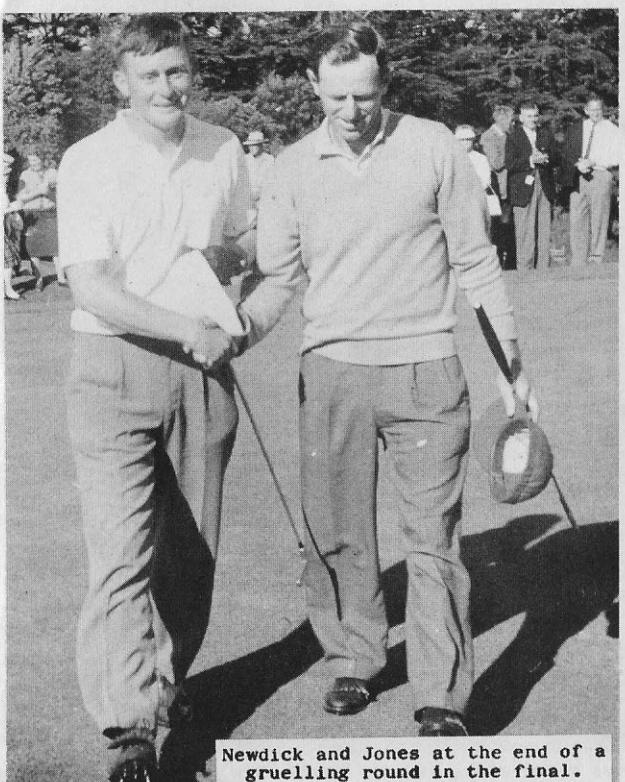
Below: NORRIS-MCGREGOR. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Gwenyth Merle, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M.McGregor, New Plymouth, to Thomas Joseph, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. Norris, New Plymouth. Margaret Sampson and Jill Mason were the bridesmaids, Grant Dalbeth was the best man and Alan Norris was the groomsman. Wendy Haskell was the flowergirl. Future home N.P.



Amateur champion S.G.Jones, Hawkes Bay receives his trophy from N.Z.G.A. president's wife, Mrs N.A.Nash.

N.Z.'s Top Golfers

Featured on this page are the winners of the New Zealand Professional and Amateur championships which concluded recently at the Ngamotu links. Some very fine golf was witnessed by the hundreds who followed the fortunes of those left in the last rounds of play.



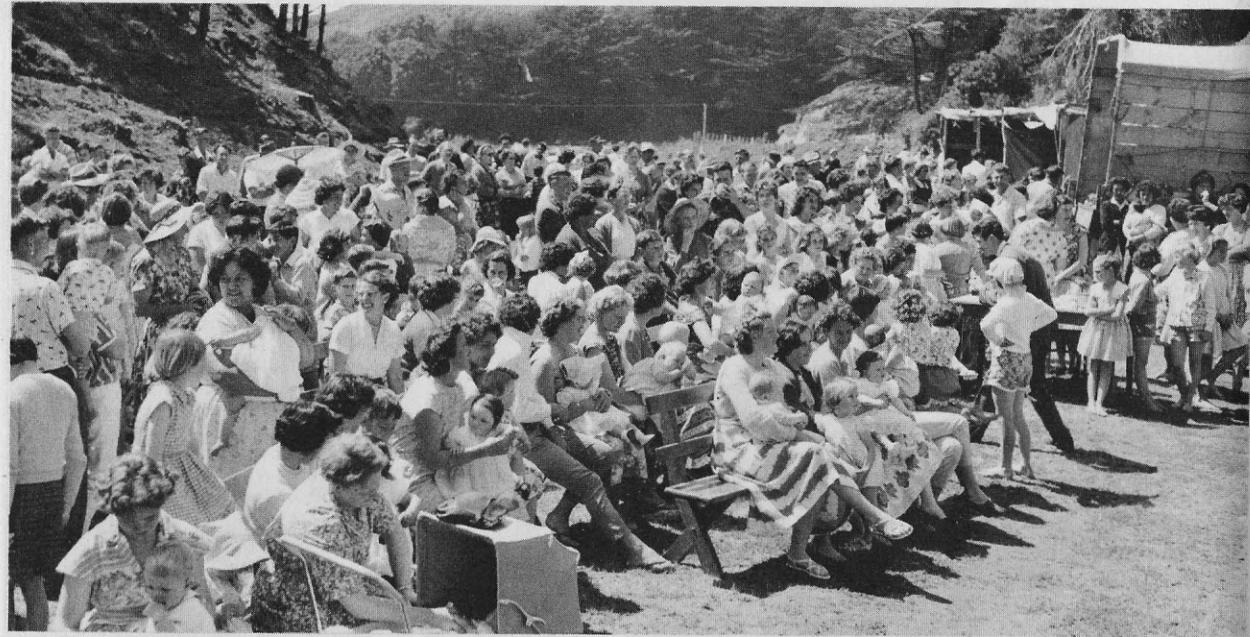
Newdick and Jones at the end of a gruelling round in the final.



Runner-up in the Amateur championship was R.Newdick, here seen receiving his trophy



Professional champion, Bob Charles, with his magnificent trophy



Wai-Iti Carnival Draws Crowd of 37,000

This carnival could have constituted a record, for the number of people who attended. 37,000 people went to Wai-Iti for the Labour weekend, to enjoy one of the best varieties of attractions ever to be held in Taranaki. At one stage, cars were carnival-bound at the rate of over 600 per hour. This, in itself, speaks volumes for those who had put so much work into the organising of this popular event, particularly for the organiser in chief, Laurie Petty. Here is a man who is endowed with the gift of knowing what the public want, and knowing how to attract them. Pity New Plymouth couldn't make more use of him. The weather too, played its part in bringing the people out into the sun. Summed up, we would venture to say that this was the most successful carnival ever held in the province.

Above: Part of the crowd that watched some of the items provided, which included everything from a baby show to a rock-and-roll item.

Below: Organiser Laurie Petty with some of the entrants in the tiny-tots beauty parade. Laurie certainly has a way with the kids.



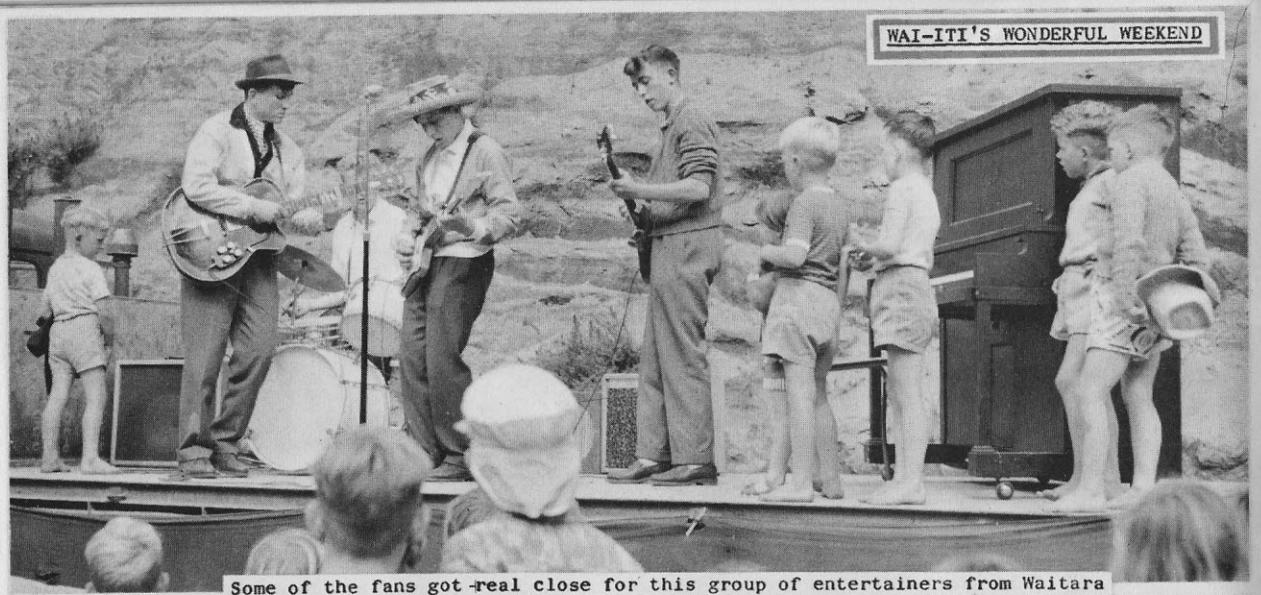
Well over 4,000 cars were comfortably accommodated during the carnival



Donkeys provided fun for the kids and funds for the Surf Life-Saving Club

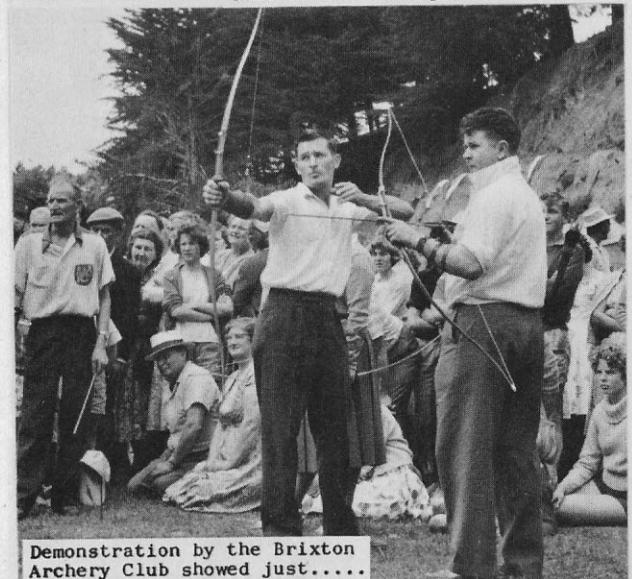


Mothers with their charges await their turn to enter the ring for the baby contest

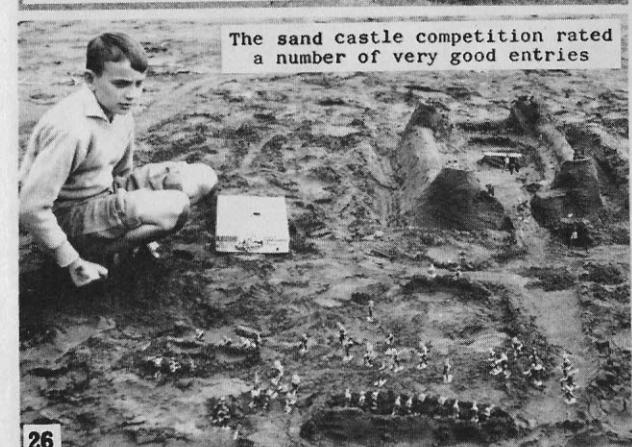


WAI-ITI'S WONDERFUL WEEKEND

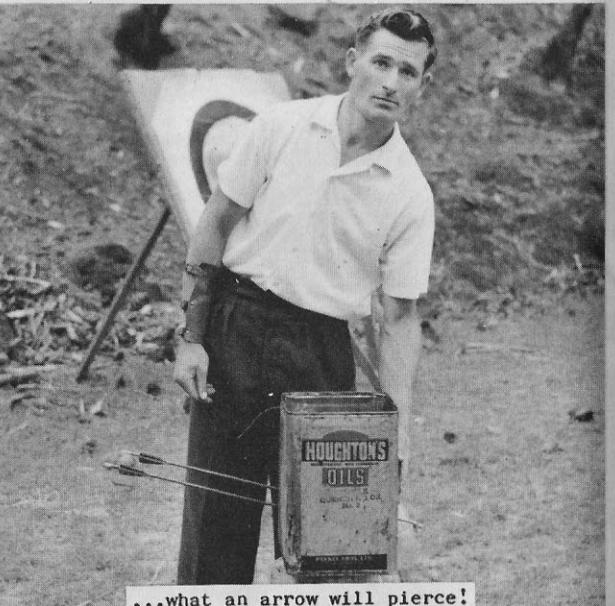
Some of the fans got real close for this group of entertainers from Waitara



Demonstration by the Brixton Archery Club showed just....



The sand castle competition rated a number of very good entries



...what an arrow will pierce!



Malcolm Harding and Lyle Rowe, up from Kaponga for the weekend are busy with their sand castle entry



PARACHUTISTS THRILL CROWD

Members of the Auckland Parachute Club thrilled the thousands at the Wai-iti carnival with normal and delayed drops. At the time that our cameraman was there, the club secretary, Mr E. Stewart-Killick, above, made what appeared to be a perfect drop, until he got nearer to terra-firma, when he only missed a wire fence by the smallest of margins, above, right. After his near miss, he was smiling happily with crowds of interested kids around him, right.

Below, right: Dolls were plentiful for the competitions.



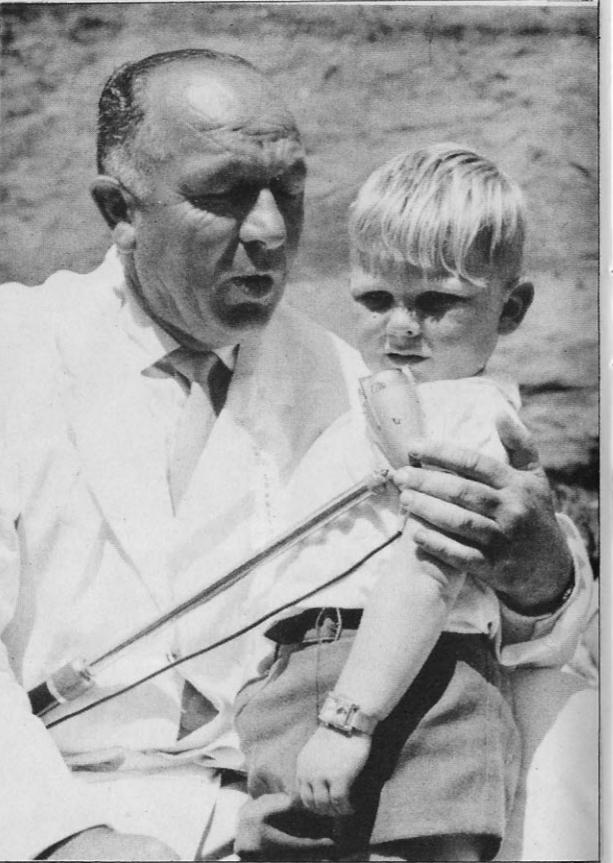


CARNIVAL ORGANISER DID A FINE JOB

Laurie Petty, organiser of the Wai-iti carnival, did what we thought was a wonderful job in the running of such a huge project. He worked from dawn to dusk for weeks prior to the big event, and he must have been a satisfied man to see over 37,000 support his efforts. He is shown in the two pictures above, interviewing two of the contestants for the tiny tots beauty title.

Below: Some of the local girls were there to do their bit for the reformed Wai-iti surf club, for whom the carnival was organised. These ladies had a busy time selling tickets for the mystery house. From left, they are, Melva Williamson, Margaret Liddall, Heather McCutchie and Jo Skelton.

Below, right: Three other very willing helpers were Noeline Rowe, Joy Wakelyn and Marion McDonald, all of Waitara. They sold hundreds of raffle tickets.



Spotswood College Gala Day

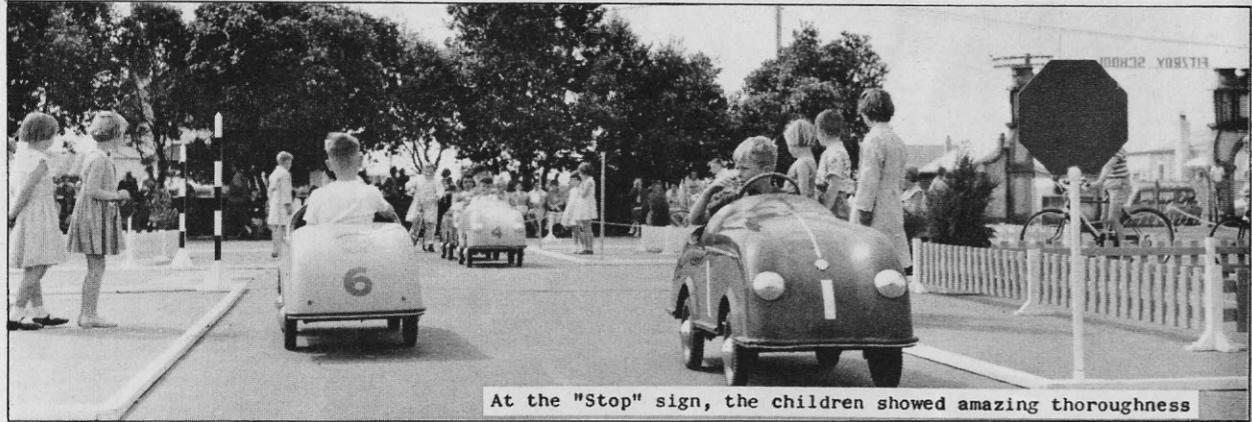
Spotswood College provided plenty of fun for those who went along to the gala day, which included a mannequin parade, where Linda Shaw, above, modelled some well-made clothes.

Right: Wendy Julian and Cheryl Dutton try their skill on the bowling alley.

Below: A model aeroplane display attracted most of the males, and thrilled them with some fine stunt flying.

Bottom: The coconut shies were perhaps the most popular entertainment, not that many of the participants could be called marksmen.

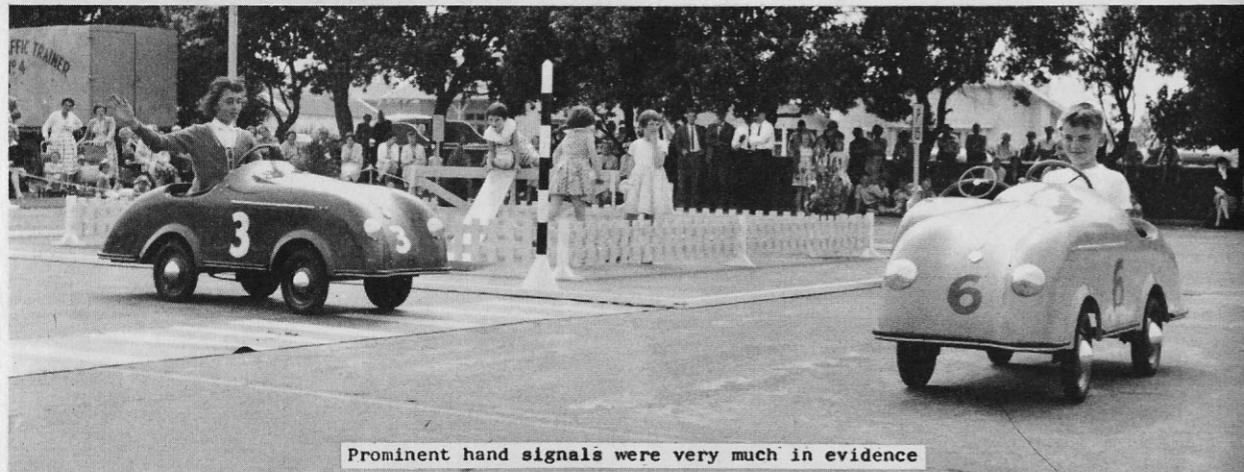




At the "Stop" sign, the children showed amazing thoroughness

Traffic Trainer In New Plymouth

What a wonderful thing this Shell Traffic Trainer is for the children. So much can be learned by actually using the cars and bicycles supplied for training purposes. We saw a demonstration by the children on this trainer, and were amazed how well they handled their traffic code. It made us wonder if it would be a good idea to have some of the so-called "seasoned" drivers take a course on this outfit. Perhaps it would be a good idea to have all the traffic offenders ordered by the magistrate to spend a couple of hours here. Perhaps then, they would become as proficient as the children we saw on this circuit.



Prominent hand signals were very much in evidence



Fitzroy schoolchildren certainly enjoyed their afternoon from lessons, but at the same time were learning something about the road code



Above: The interest shown by parents was very gratifying when the Shell traffic trainer recently came to New Plymouth.

Right: The Chief Traffic Officer, Mr Semple, speaks to the crowd of children and their parents.

Prizewinners

Below: These are the prizewinners of the Hurworth Indoor Bowls Club, who posed for us on the occasion of the closing of the winter season. To mark the occasion, they organised a highly successful social. To us, there seems a lot of trophy winners: can't help wondering if there might be one or two ring-ins!





Wet Welcome For H.M.N.Z.S. Taranaki

After weeks of perfect weather, the one day that we wanted fine for the welcome of the new frigate, H.M.N.Z.S. Taranaki, turned out to be a real wet day. With rough seas and driving rain, the ship made port right on time, and despite the lousy weather, there were still hundreds who braved the elements to welcome Taranaki's own warship.

Above: Though a long way away, we managed a picture of the ship as she rounded the breakwater, and took on a list of quite a few degrees as the force of the seas caught her broadside.



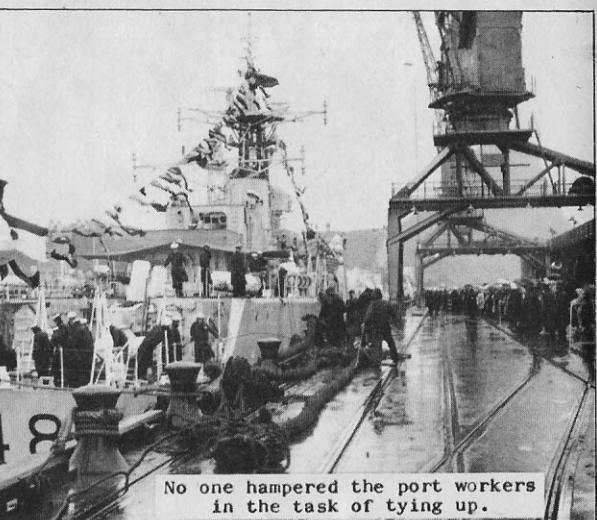
Patriotic flag-waver



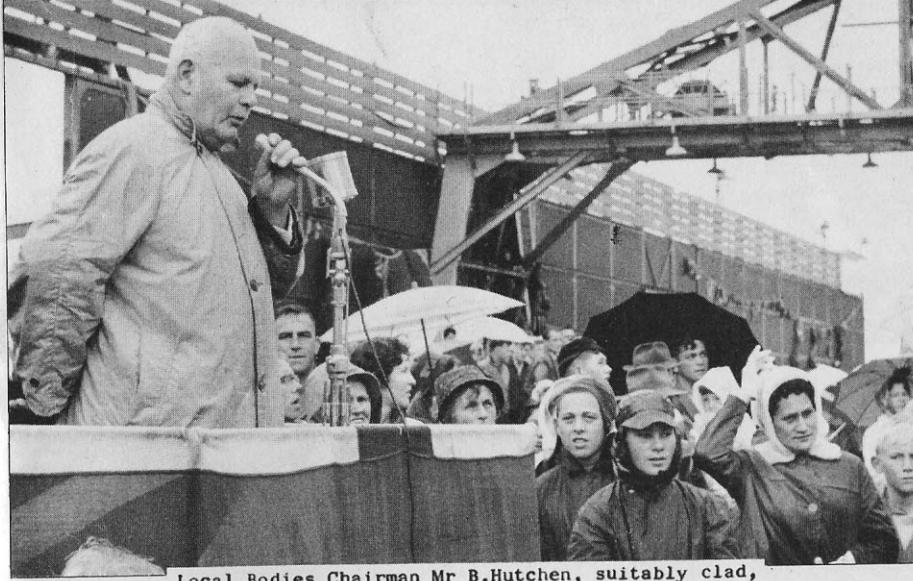
There's no shelter on the wharf



"Put the kettle on Mum, I won't be long now before I'm home".



No one hampered the port workers in the task of tying up.



Local Bodies Chairman Mr B. Hutchens, suitably clad, made his speech of welcome to the ship's company



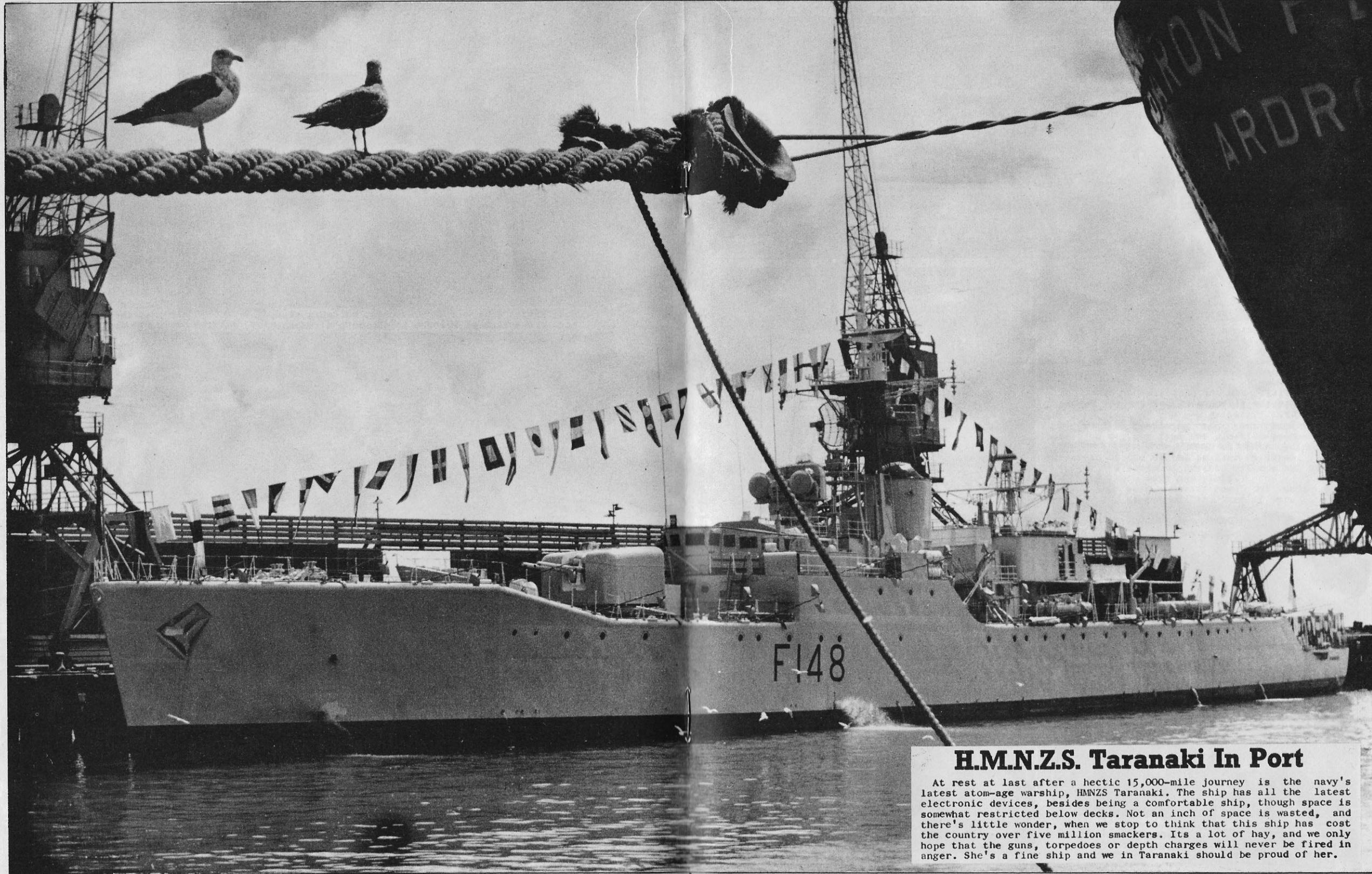
Reply from the captain of the Taranaki, Cmdr. N.D. Anderson..



Girls of the Rangiatea Maori Girls' Hostel who chanted their welcome, despite the uncomfortable conditions prevailing.



A haka from the ship's haka party helped to liven the proceedings.



H.M.N.Z.S. Taranaki In Port

At rest at last after a hectic 15,000-mile journey is the navy's latest atom-age warship, HMNZS Taranaki. The ship has all the latest electronic devices, besides being a comfortable ship, though space is somewhat restricted below decks. Not an inch of space is wasted, and there's little wonder, when we stop to think that this ship has cost the country over five million smackers. Its a lot of hay, and we only hope that the guns, torpedoes or depth charges will never be fired in anger. She's a fine ship and we in Taranaki should be proud of her.