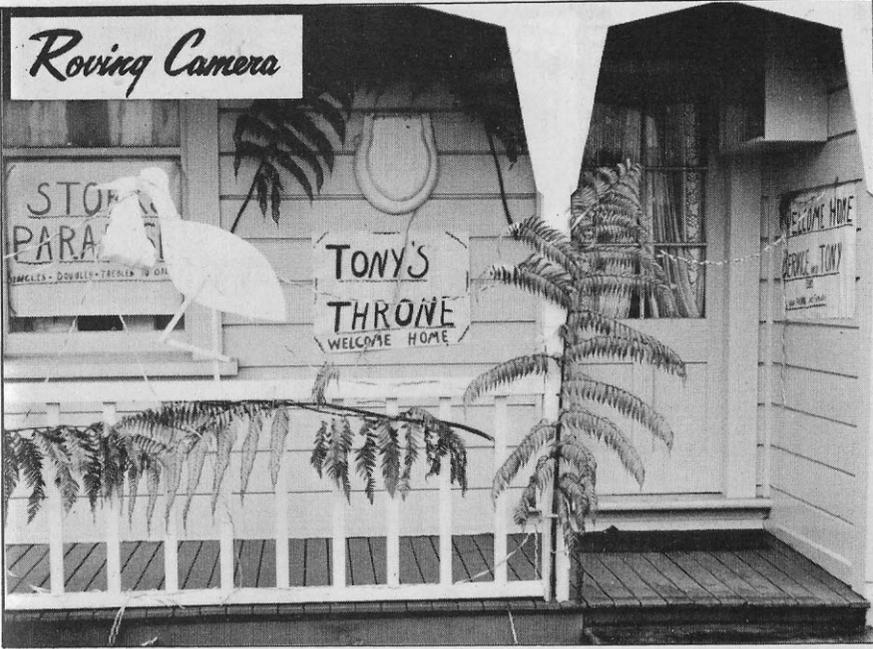


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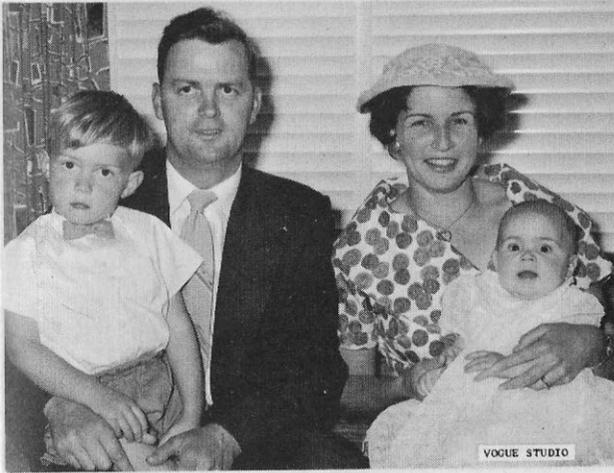
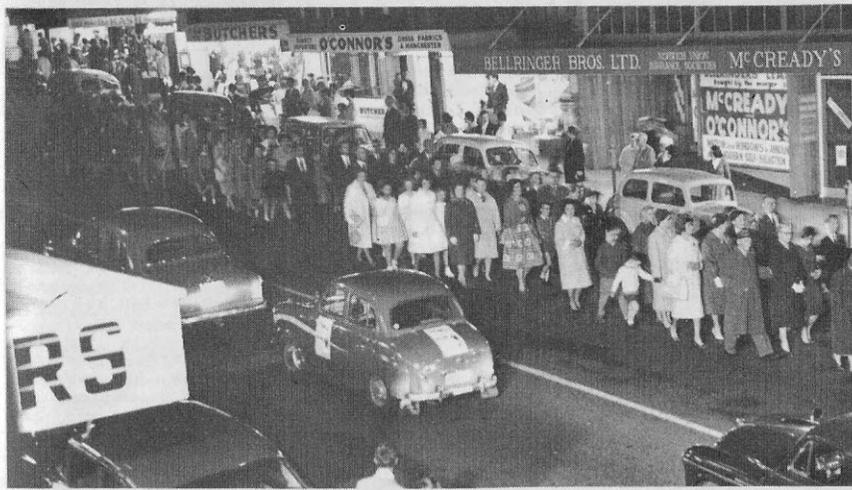


Left: What a fine thing to come home to from a honeymoon! This is what happens when you tell your cobbers where you are going to live. These were the signs which greeted a young couple recently. Don't know who the couple are, but we do know that the husband is a fireman.

Below: A torchlight procession was recently organised by St. Mary's Church on a Friday evening. The five hundred followers are here shown as they walk down Devon Street before attending a service at the church.

Bottom, left: Family group taken at the christening of Wendy Elizabeth. In the group are Grant, Mr and Mrs G. Dunlop, and baby Wendy.

Bottom, right: Wally Vincent and his granddaughter Lynette pose for our candid cameraman on the hull of one of the boats at the recent Boat Show.



VOGUE STUDIO





Wedding Bells

Above: McGUIRE-BAILEY. At St.Barnabas' Church, Opunake, Lorraine Beverley, only daughter of Mr and Mrs H.E.Bailey, to James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.McGuire, Hicks Bay. The bridesmaid was Janet Hohaia, Hawera, and the best man was Neil McGuire, brother of the groom, Wellington. The future home of the couple will be Wellington.

Above, right: STROMBOM-HARRISON. At St.Matthew's Church, Palmerston North, Diane, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G.P.Harrison, Palmerston North, to Peter, elder son of Mr and Mrs C.H.Strombom, NP. The bridesmaids were Cerryn and Sandra Harrison, sisters of the bride, Palmerston North, and Jill Strombom, sister of the groom, NP, and Sue McLean, Marton. The best man was Ian Lobb, NP, and the groomsman John Irwin, Kawerau. The future home of the couple will be Hastings.

Right: BENTON-HELLIER. At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Norma Joan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.Hellier, Lepperton, to Ian George, only son of Mr and Mrs C.B.Benton, Bell Block. Future home.....Fitzroy.



NEW STRATFORD CHURCH

The official opening of the new Methodist Church at Stratford recently took place before a very large gathering. Above: The exterior of a part of the church, which was filled to overflowing. Left: Rev. Haines of the Auckland Theological College enters the church after declaring it officially opened.

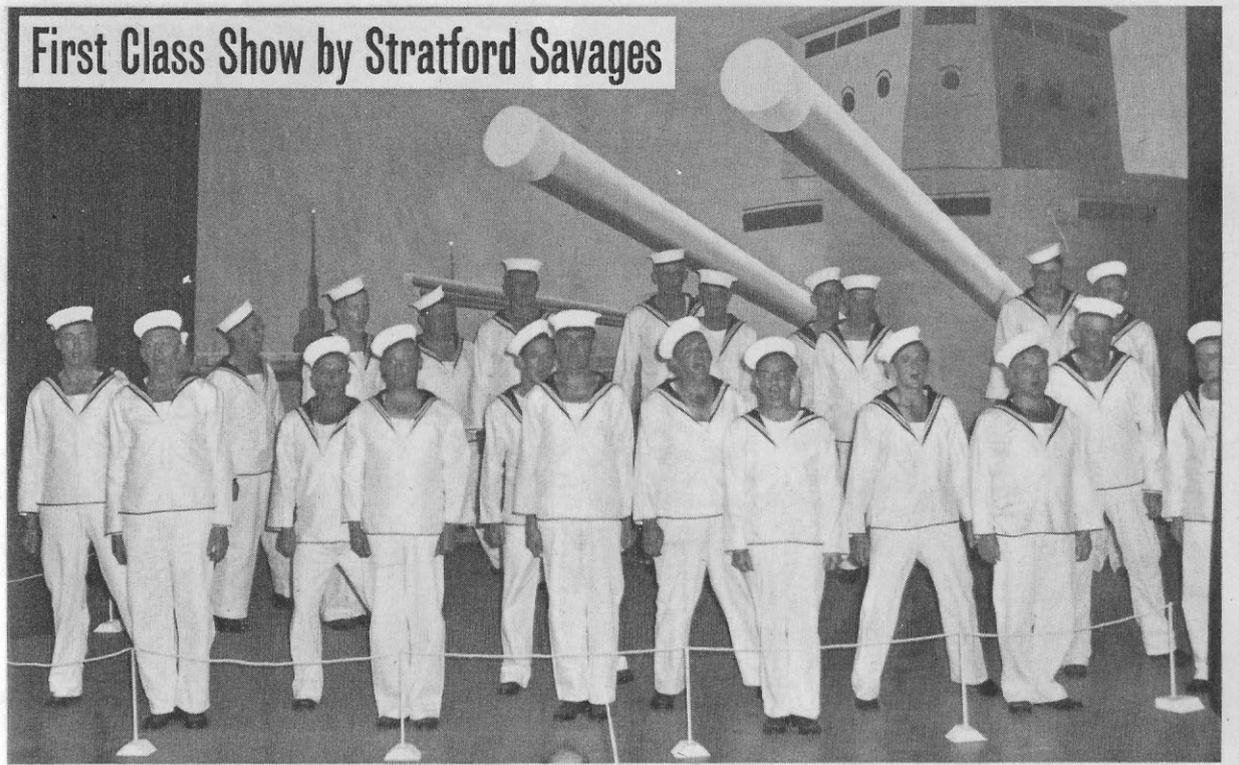


PROMOTED AND TRANSFERRED

Below: Beryl Robinson of Kaimiro, who has recently been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the NZ Police at Auckland. On promotion, she has been transferred to Wellington, and has now taken up her duties there. Beryl is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Bill Robinson, Kaimiro.



First Class Show by Stratford Savages



One of the best Savage shows we have seen was recently produced at Stratford, where the Town Hall was filled on each of five nights. We think that the local Savages must have worked very hard indeed to have produced such a fine show and some of the excellent back-drops, one of which is shown above in the item called "Navy Nonsense".

Below: Spiv M. Carman and conductor J. Sayers in a spot of nonsense.

Below, right: We don't know what these actors were playing in, but it gives some idea of the weird and wonderful costumes they wore for this very good concert.





Above, left: Actors from the item "Waitangi", from left: T. Mitchell, H. Lehmann, R. Webby, and D. Lobb.

Above: Three attractive bridesmaids. We have a very sneaking regard for those cute sun-hats. From left the boys are Don Davis, Snow McMahon, and Ken Haydon.

Below, left: These blokes put up a velly good show. From left, Bob Webby, Rusty Langslow, Eric Milne, and Ed Fraser.

Below: Three of the happiest clowns we have ever seen were Alan Follett, T. Mitchell, and J. Sayers.



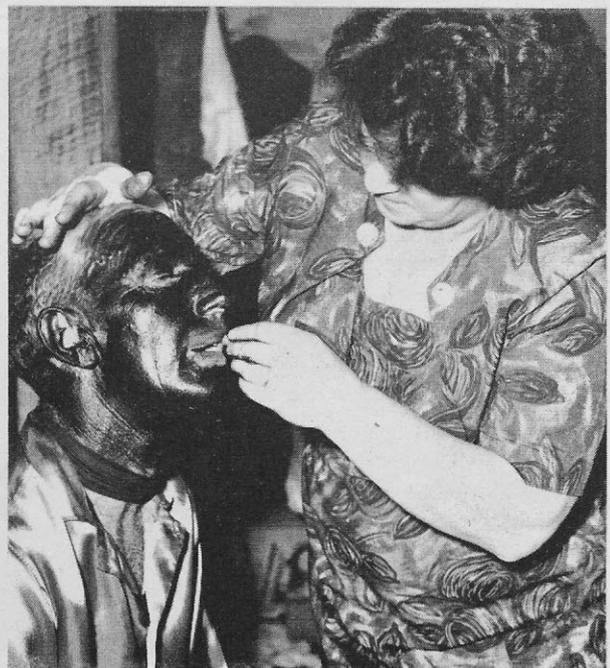
There's no doubt that the Stratford Savages have a wealth of talent in their midst, if the recent revue "Broadway Frolics" is any criterion.

Above, left: One of the best accordion combinations in the country, we have no doubt. So strong are the Stratford Savages that they have eight of these instruments with which they form a fine band.

Above, right: Quintet that would not disgrace any stage are Joe Witton, Kevin Michesfski, Murray Hickey, Marshall Langley, and Jim Hutchings.

Left: Rodney Kirk had something of a novelty with his musical bottles.

Right: Getting ready for the minstrel number is Jack Latham, and putting on the black is Mrs Erice McMahon.





Wedding Bells

Above: KEEGAN-REILLY. At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, NP, Jeanette, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs V.J.Reilly, NP, to Michael Thomas, third son of Mr and Mrs W.J.Keegan, Stratford. Matron of honour was Patricia Northcott, NP, a sister of the bride, and the best man was Bob Keegan, Stratford. The four junior bridesmaids were Shirley Smith, Carole Land, Valerie Crossland, and Heather Larsen. Future home.....Stratford.

Below: WILLIAMSON-ROBINSON. At Holy Trinity Church, Stratford, Judith, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Robinson, Stratford, to James, only son of Mr and Mrs J.Williamson, Eltham. The future home of the couple will be Stratford.





Celebrations

Above, left: Eddie, son of Mr and Mrs H.J. Coleman, N.P. holds his 21st key aloft. He is pictured here with his mother and father.

Above, right: Kevin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs S. A. Tiplady, NP, receives the key of the door from his father.

Left: Silver wedding was recently celebrated by Mr and Mrs A.J. Thompson, New Plymouth.

Right: Mr and Mrs A.J. Mander, Seymour Street, Waitara, who recently celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding.





School Drama Festival at Stratford

The Central Taranaki Junior Drama Festival attracted five schools this year. Though not quite as many as in previous years, what was lacking in numbers was made up for in the quality of the productions. Considering that each school has only about five minutes to change sets and to get ready for the curtain, all the plays were remarkably well-performed. This was not a competitive festival, and because of this, the remarks made by the critic, Mrs Nola Rush, were most helpful.

Above: Children of the Avon School on stage in their production "The Importance of Knowing".

Below, left: One who had a hard job was the make-up artist, Mrs Shirley Andrews, here shown making up Chris Holmes, and watched in her art by Ian McCullough, Russell Smith, and Alan Watts.

Below, right: Alison Tipler and Elizabeth Cross in a scene from the Ngaere School's play entitled "Burglars". This play was very well acted.





Above, left: Cast of the Pembroke Road School's play "Mr Jensen Investigates" were Ann and James Mace, Jill Fankhauser, Neil Needham, Chris Hignet, Helen Witton, Trevor Kemsley, and Bruce Goble.

Below, left: Mahoe School played "Pot o' Broth" and were represented by Chris Holmes, Ian McCullough, Gary Hickford, Rhonda Wallace, Michael Wilson, Alan Watts, and Russell Smith.

Above: Part of the cast of "The Importance of Knowing" by the Avon School. From left, Alison Findlay, Sandra Fisher, Marlene Heise, Christina McKay, and Barbara Brown.

Below: Hair-do by Barbara Hancock for Frances Linklater with Jocelyn Swindlehurst looking on.



1st Birthday of Waitara Maori Women's League



The Waitara branch of the Maori Women's Welfare League recently celebrated their first birthday with a social evening at the Little Theatre Rooms. A full evening's entertainment was enjoyed by a large gathering.

Above: Two of the very active members caught by our camera as they performed an action song.

Right: One-man haka team was enjoyed by all. The one man was Sidney Noble.

Below: Cutting their first birthday cake are, from left, Mrs A.G.Honnor, patroness of the NP District Council, Mrs G.Koea, president of the NP District Council, Mrs K.Matenga, host president, and Mrs R.Yardley, patroness of the Waitara branch.



Wedding Bells

Above: DOWNS-SIMPSON. At the Knox Presbyterian Church, Inglewood, Alexa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D.J.Simpson, Waiongona, to Graeme, only son of Mr and Mrs A.Downs, Inglewood. The bridesmaids were Tui Wisniewski, Inglewood, Valerie Morgan, Wanganui, and Irene Simpson, Hamilton. Stephen Young NP, was the best man, and Darrell Simpson, Inglewood, brother of the bride, was the groomsman. The future home of the couple will be Fiji.

Below: TWIGLEY-TUNNICLIFF. At St. Andrew's Church, Inglewood, Doreen May, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.L.Tunnickliff, Inglewood, to Graeme, son of Mr and Mrs J.Twigley, Gisborne. The bridesmaid was June Turner, NP, and the best man was Graham Gowers. The flowergirls were Suzanne and Judith Murray, Inglewood.





Calf Club Champions

Over 170 calves were entered from schools over the whole of North Taranaki for their annual championships at the NP showgrounds recently. Above: Two of the judges who had their share of worries over the closeness of the competition.

Above, right: Winners in the senior type were, from left, Diane Struthers (Bell Block) 1st, Elaine Salisbury (Motunui) 2nd, and Carey Lye (Tikorangi) 3rd.

Right: Placegetters in the senior leading were, from left, M. Charteris (Okato) 1st, J. Donald (Warea) 2nd, and L. Loveridge (Tariki) 3rd.

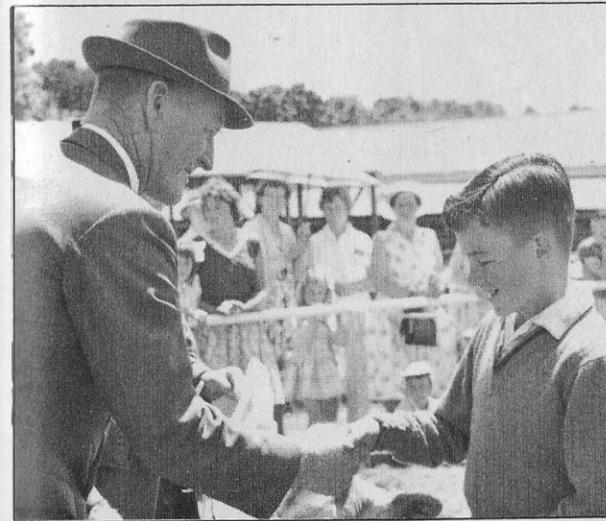
Below: Junior leading placegetters were, from left, Raewyn Purdie (Waitara) 1st, Michael Blacklock (Urenui) 2nd, and Ruth Topping (Ratapiko) 3rd.

Below, right: Mr Tom Weston, president of the N. Taranaki Calf Clubs, who presented the ribbons to winners in the junior leading.



Right: These three little girls got a big thrill when their entries were placed in the pet lamb section of the championships. From left, S. Watson (Tariki) 1st, Alison Hawkes (Bell Block) 2nd, and K. Radford (Mangorei) 3rd.

Below: Mr Bob Sampson, president of the A & P Society presents a winner's ribbon to M. Charteris (Okato).



Below, left: Christine Kuklinski, (Inglewood) gives her calf a final comb before taking it before the judges.

Below: Felicity Bannister (Newall) gives her calf a drink after a warm time in the show-ring.



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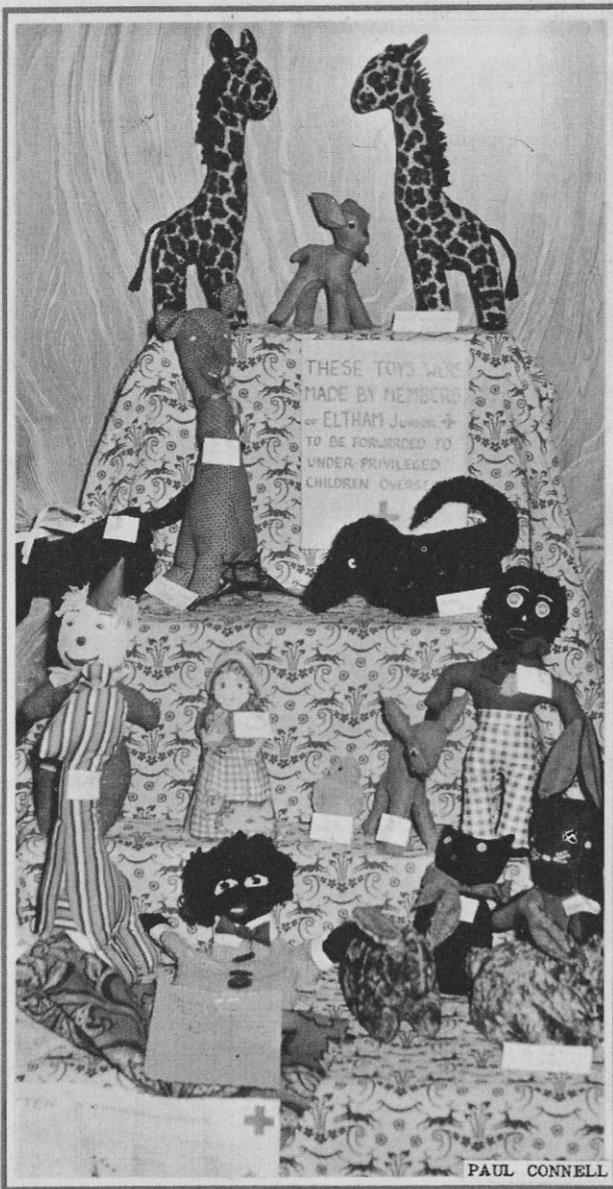


Roving Camera

Above: The occupant of this car had a lucky escape recently when his car shed a wheel while proceeding down Carrington Street and finished up like this. Fortunately the only damage done was to the car.

Right: This display of work done by the Eltham Junior Red Cross caused a lot of interest in the district recently. These toys will be forwarded to under-privileged children overseas.

Below: Sunshine, on one of the few fine Saturdays we have experienced lately, brought out the crowds for the Merrilands school annual gala day.



Married

Right: McDONALD--GEAR.

At St. Mary's Church, NP, Evelyn Grace, the daughter of Mr and Mrs W.A.Gear, NP, to Peter Ross, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J.McDonald, NP. The bridesmaids were Judith Gear, NP, sister of the bride, and Jill McDonald, a sister of the groom, NP. Junior bridesmaid was Lynette Inwood, NP. Best man was Murray Moratti, NP, and the groomsman was Allan Eliason, NP. Future home...New Plymouth.

Below: FIELDS-SMITH.

At St. James' Presbyterian Church, Oakura, Patricia, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Max Smith, Oakura, to James, twin son of Mr and Mrs C.D. Fields, Inglewood. June Black, Auckland, a sister of the bride, was the matron of honour, and Lynette Russell, NP, was the bridesmaid. Best man was Burton Hamilton, Whangarei, and the groomsman was Ken Gardner, Riverlea. Future home: Whangarei.





Inglewood Ladies' Table Tennis Club's 25 Years

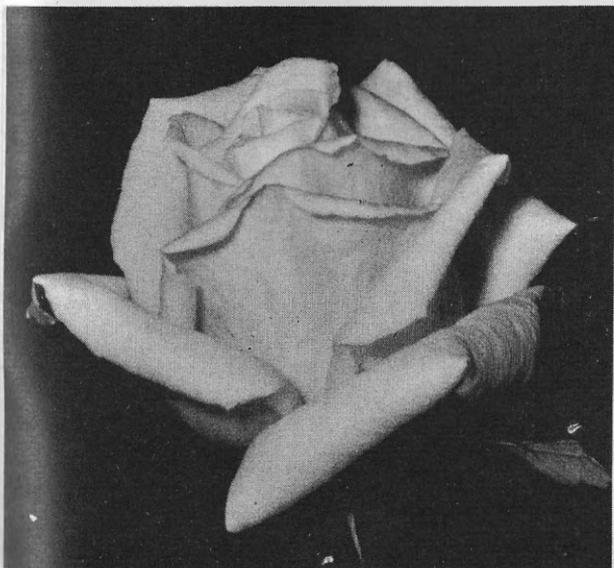
The silver jubilee of the Inglewood Ladies' Table Tennis club was recently celebrated in the Druids' hall with a social function, attended by many past members and officials of the club who have seen the growth of the club through the past 25 years.

Above: Mrs Aagaard and Mrs Carter watch Mrs Messenger as she cuts the jubilee cake, which, quite naturally, was in the shape of a table tennis table.

Above, right: Present committee of the club are, from left, back row, Mesdames L.Messenger, L.Drake, J.Titchener, M.Smart, A.Marshall and D.Nischewski; front row, Mesdames V.Kluklinski, D.Crone, L.Harwood, R.Richards and R.Brown.

Right: Past officials of the club who attended were, from left, Mesdames Codd, Cramer, Lindsey, Messenger, Aagaard, all past presidents, Mrs Carter, first secretary, and present president Mrs Harwood.





Colourful Blooms at the Rose Show

The recent Taranaki Rose Society's show was a riot of colour and variety with blooms looking lovelier and more colourful each year.

Above: Champion bloom of the show, "Diamond Jubilee" exhibited by Mr P. Dickson, who is shown above, right, with his bloom, and the rosebowl he won.

Below: A closer inspection for visitor Mrs Turner of Eltham.

Below, right: Almost every exhibit attracted much attention. Here inspecting some of the very fine roses are Mr W.G. Beckett, Mrs M. Crone, and Mrs J. Kempthorne.





Roving Camera

Above: Something new in aircraft was recently seen at Bell Block when this French Rallye Club plane landed. It belongs to the Matamata Aero Club and was hired for a trip around the North Island by a honeymoon couple from Australia. This little three-seater is one of the neatest planes we have seen for a long time.

Left: Chief instructor, Mrs Ann Burmester, talks to a gathering of the unmounted members of the NP Pony Club at a recent gathering of the club. These youngsters, though they are horseless, are nevertheless enthusiastic members, and are saving their pennies for their ultimate.....a pony of their own.



G.L.B. Tenth Birthday

The 3rd New Plymouth Company of the G.L.B. recently celebrated their 10th birthday with a tea and social evening in St. Andrew's Hall. Among those present were a full muster of the company, plus many ex-brigaders and pioneers.

Above, left: These are the cadets of the company, whose membership is as high as it has been for a long time.

Above, right: Here are the senior girls, called brigaders.

Left: The celebration cake was cut by the oldest brigader, Raewyn Anderson and the youngest cadet Carla Topping.

Right: Leaders in this fine company are, back row, from left, Sheryl Topping, Frances Page and Kathryn Anderson. The officers are Commandant Mrs J. Jeffrey and Mrs D. Gilliver.





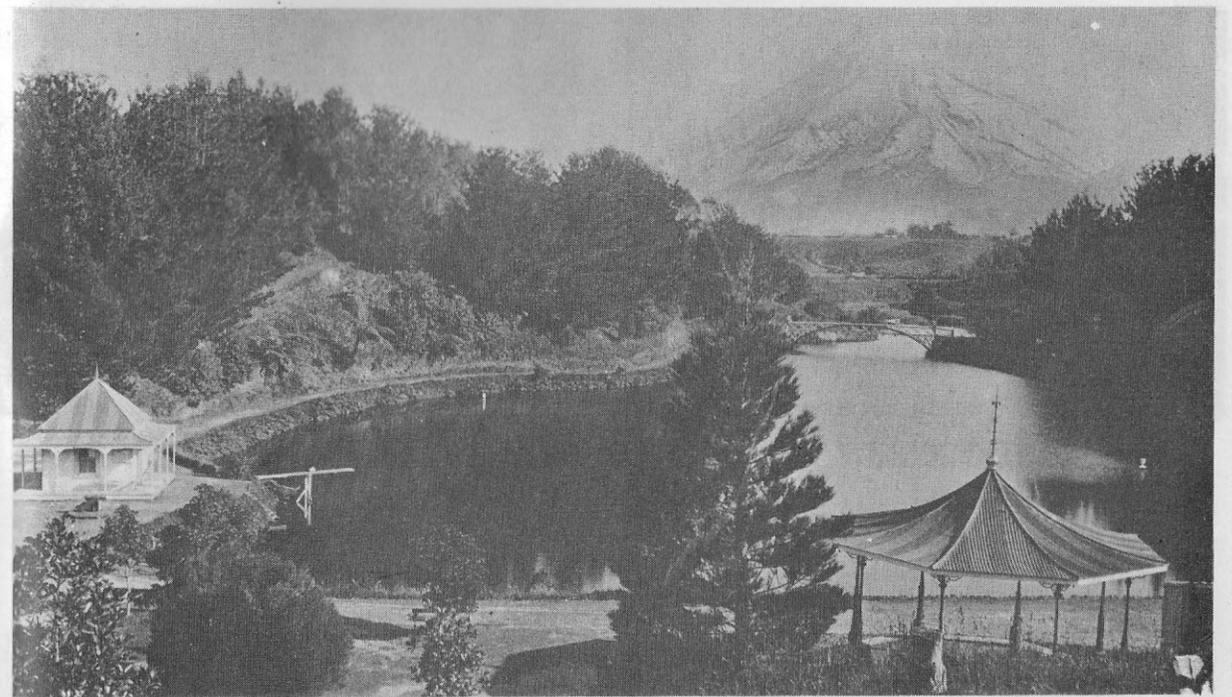
Wedding Bells

Above: VERRY-ROBERTSON. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Janet Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Robertson, NP, to George Robin Verry, Pukearuhe. The matron of honour was Gael Hotter, sister of the bride, Auckland, and Lesley Ramsay, Wellington, was the bridesmaid. Best man was Neville Baker, Rotorua, and Winston Verry, Pukearuhe, a brother of the groom, was the groomsman. Future home of the couple will be Wellington.

Below: KIRKBY-JOHNSTON. At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hawera, Kay, second daughter of Mr and Mrs N.H. Johnston, Hawera, to Wynn, youngest son of Mr and Mrs K.W. Kirkby, Hawera. The bridesmaids were Betty Mitchell, Hawera, Margaret Johnston, Hawera, a sister of the bride, and Glenys Griffiths, Opunake. The best man was Don Grant, Hawera. Future home...Hawera.

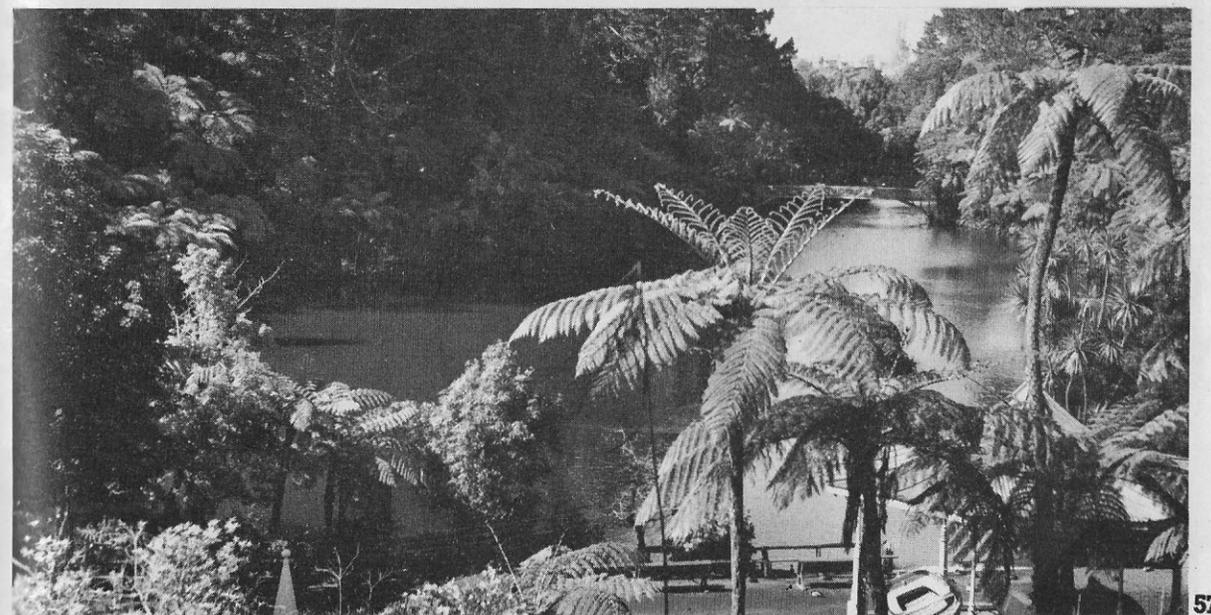


DAVID PAUL STUDIO



Pukekura Park Swimming Pool

Among old photographs loaned to us, the one above has a special significance, in that once upon a time, the lake in Pukekura Park was used as a swimming pool. Note the diving platform by the old house at left. Now our imagination isn't running riot when we say that we cannot imagine a better possie for a swimming pool. How nice to laze in the water and swim to the music of the local garrison band as they play on the rotunda! There's one thing that doesn't ring true, and that is that the photographer who took this picture must have had the tourist in mind, for he has planted the mountain in the wrong place, and far too near. Still, it makes a nice picture. The same place today is photographed below, with the lakeside bush now fully grown. When you take a long look at this picture, still with the ancient band rotunda, perhaps it wouldn't do as a swimming pool after all. Fascinating how things grow when you see two photographs taken a decade apart.





Wet Mountain Race For League Men

The professional Round-the-mountain cycle race was not favoured by good weather, though the times and riding quality were about the best ever witnessed for this event. New Plymouth cyclists had a field day, gaining nine of the first fifteen placings. Highlight of the race was the terrific ride by Warwick Dalton riding alone off the back mark.

Above: First bunch got away in a downpour of rain. **Below:** Off a handicap of three minutes are F.Treadrea (Auckland), R.Chapman (Waitara), and R.Craig (Christchurch). **Bottom:** Warwick Dalton, held up for 30 seconds by a puncture at the start, gets away on his own.



Above: Fighting finish on the grass at the NP racecourse between Vernon Wood (NPO) and John Carr (NP).

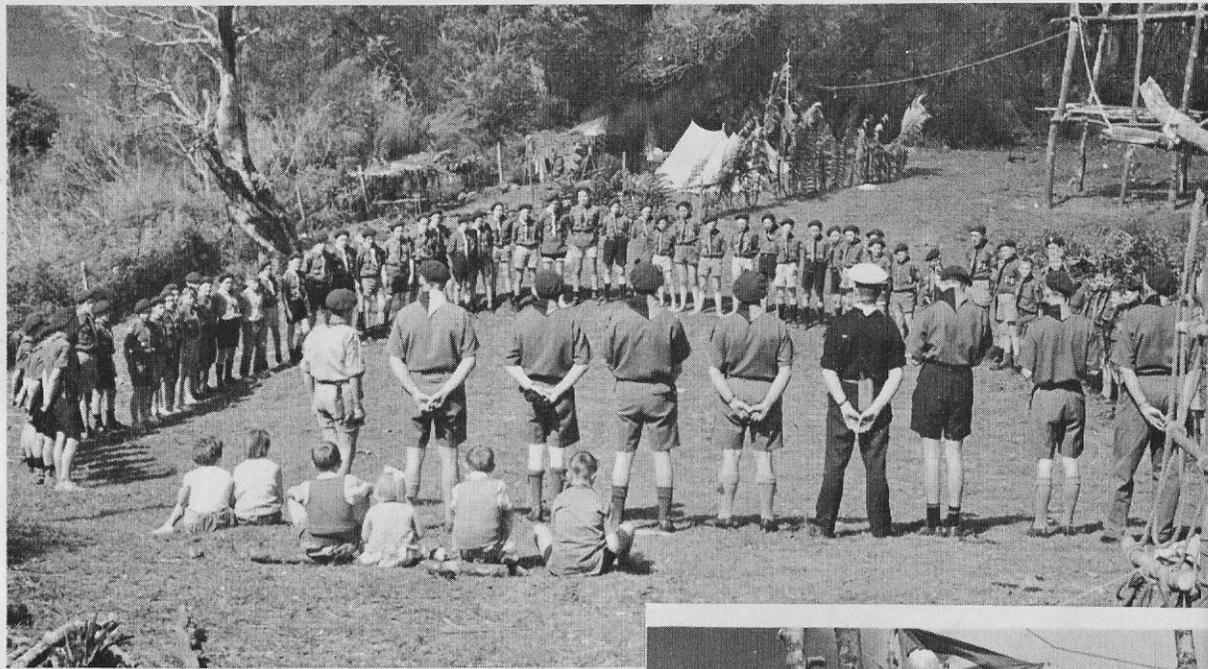
Above, left: Australian D.McKenzie smiles at the start of the race. He was one of two Australian entrants.

Below, left: Warwick Dalton frantically mends a puncture that put him 30 seconds late in starting.

Below: John Carr congratulates Vernon Wood, who just edged him out of the major prize for the professional round-the-mountain race.

MOUNTAIN RACE A TRIUMPH FOR NEW PLYMOUTH RIDER.





Stratford Scout Camp

The combination of three troops, the Aotea and Arawa from Stratford and the Wharehuia troop helped to make a very successful camp at Te Popo during the recent Labour weekend. Feature of the camp was the excellent job the boys made of their respective camp sites, and with the help of some warm sunshine, a most successful weekend was enjoyed by all.

Above: General view of the camp with a full muster parade, for the benefit of parents and friends who visited the camp.

Below: Parents lined the grassy slopes to watch the boys at their various activities.

Right: Signal tower built by the Aotea troop.

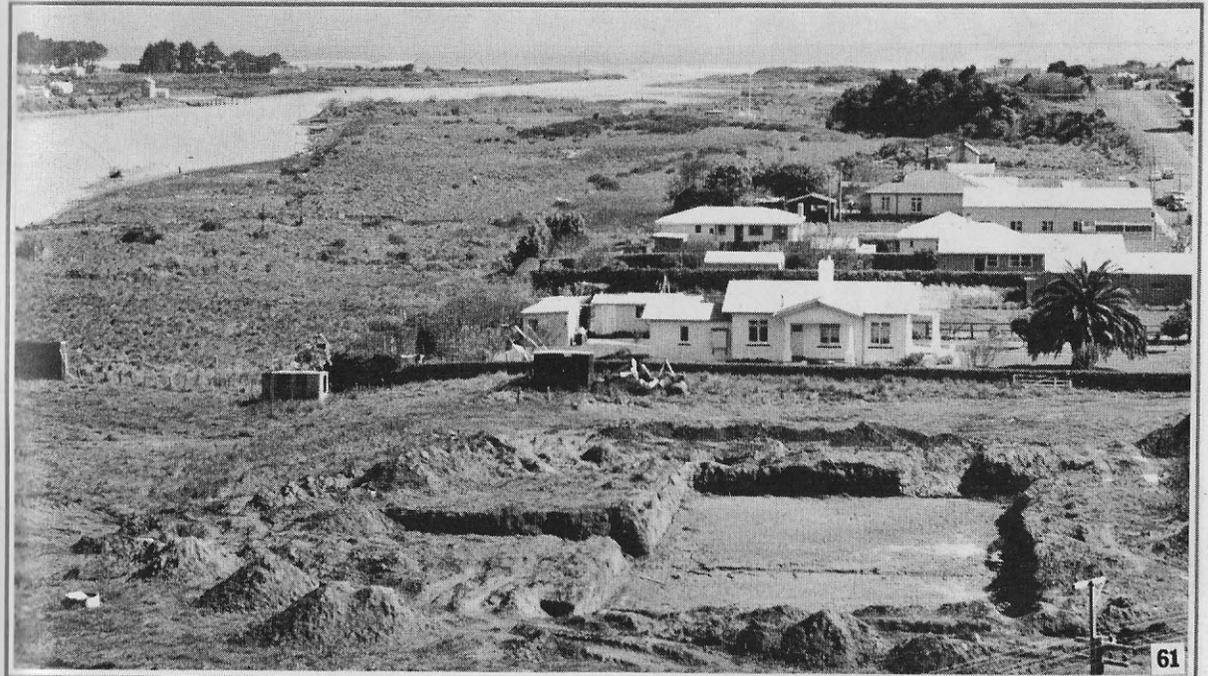


Roving Camera

Above, left: At the recent Inglewood Guides mannequin parade, two of the mannequins, Betty O'Keefe and Anita Linley are presented with sprays by the district Guide Commissioner, Mrs N. Muir.

Above, right: Not forgotten at the fashion parade were Mrs Ada Penman, the pianist, and Mrs Betty Yeates, the compere, shown here with the sprays presented by the Guide Commissioner.

Below: Work is proceeding apace on the new swimming baths at Waitara. This photograph shows the shape of the baths, as the excavation work is already completed. With work stepped up, the baths might be ready for use before the end of this summer, if we ever get any.





Spotswood College Gala

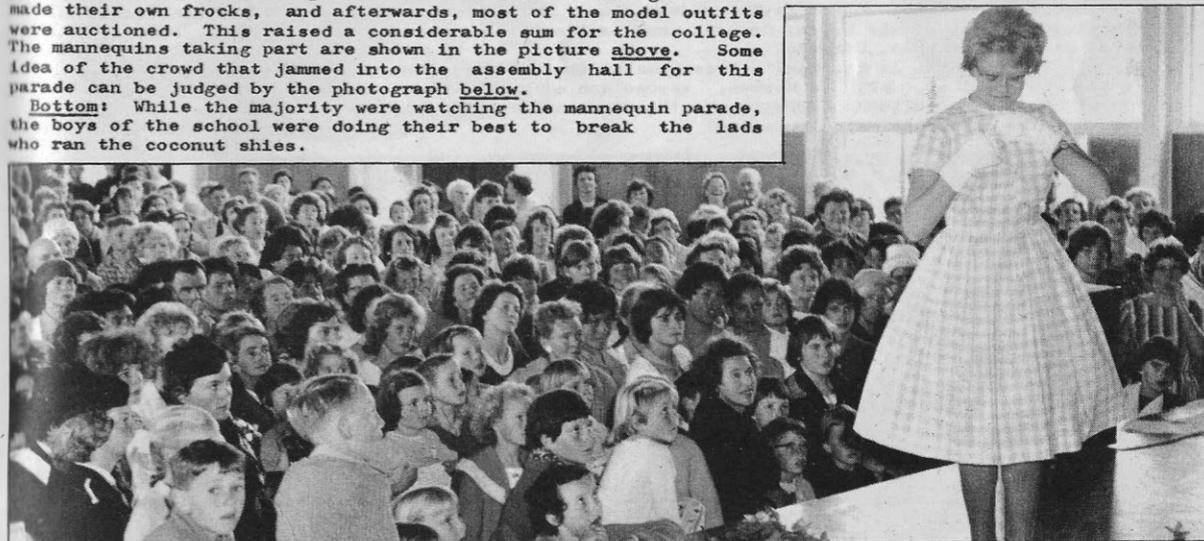
Despite the rather poor weather, the annual Spotswood College Gala Day was just as successful as if the sun had been shining. Most of the activity was within the school buildings, and with no shortage of customers a reasonable profit was assured. We rather like this gala, because it always seems so much different from others, in that there is a bigger variety of stalls, plus many novel items. In our photograph above, the Taranaki Ladies' Highland Pipe Band performed, and they attracted much interest with their many items. Below: One of the biggest attractions was the stall where one could turn a threepenny piece into a fiver. There were, quite naturally, many starters for this project, including the youngsters.



SCHOOLGIRL MANNEQUINS AT SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE GALA.

Pupils of the college provided entertainment with a mannequin parade. A feature of the parade was that most of the girls had made their own frocks, and afterwards, most of the model outfits were auctioned. This raised a considerable sum for the college. The mannequins taking part are shown in the picture above. Some idea of the crowd that jammed into the assembly hall for this parade can be judged by the photograph below.

Bottom: While the majority were watching the mannequin parade, the boys of the school were doing their best to break the lads who ran the coconut shies.





Wedding Bells

DAVID PAUL STUDIO

Above: MILES-HASLETT. At the Methodist Church, Manaia, Margaret Lilia, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.S.Haslett, Otakeho, to Rex Kevin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E.A.Miles, NP. The bridesmaid was Rita Haslett, sister of the bride, Otakeho, and Leslie Miles, brother of the groom, Mokoia, was the best man. Future home, Otakeho.

Below: WATERS-PARKER. At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Christchurch, Jeanette, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs M.Parker, NP, to Mervyn, second son of Mr and Mrs J.A.Waters, Christchurch. The matron of honour was Julianne Hughes, and the bridesmaid was Carol Parker. Best man was Robert Hughes, and the groomsman Malcolm Waters.





Coming of Age

Above: Elder H.Gill Nielson, Los Angeles, who recently celebrated his 21st birthday in NP with his friend, Elder Stan Briggs of Washington, USA.

Above, right: Neil, son of Mr and Mrs H.Wolfe, N.P. with his mother and father on the occasion of his coming-of-age.

Right: Peter, with his mother and father, Mr and Mrs C.R.Putt, NP, at his 21st party recently.

Extreme right: Wally, son of Mr and Mrs E. Gulliver, Opunake, shows the key of the door at his 21st birthday celebrations.





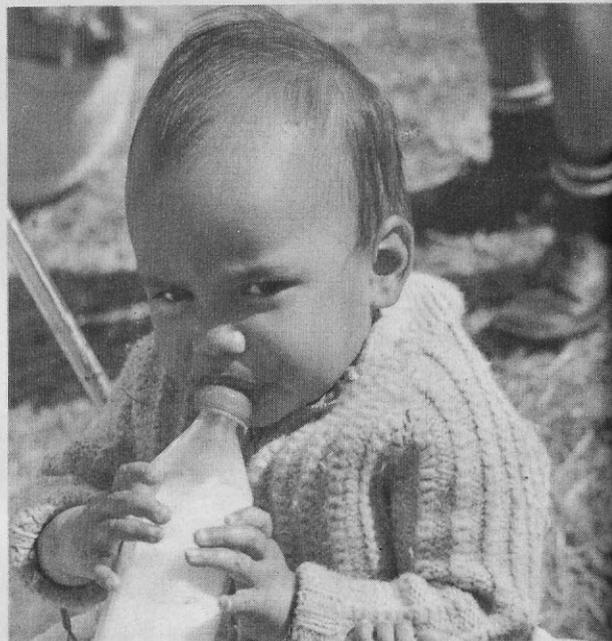
St. Pat's Gala at Waitara

The St. Patrick's Catholic School recently held a very successful gala day in the school grounds. Luck was with the committee, in that there was no rain during the event. Produce stalls were filled to overflowing for a short time, but stocks ran out quite early in the afternoon.

Above: The wheel was a source of revenue, and attracted large crowds during the afternoon.

Below: The coconut shies were the main source of interest to the young chaps, and they spent quite a bit in trying to get a trophy.

Right: And while all this was going on, this young fellow contentedly sucked away at his afternoon tea.





Egmont From Stratford

An unusual shot of Mount Egmont, sent to us by Mr V.J.Anderson, Hamlet Street, Stratford. The setting in the late afternoon sun gives the impression that the mountain dominates the town of Stratford.