



Every Vantage Point Taken

Every vantage point was taken for this, the greatest of the Greatest Shows on Earth. Some of the later arrivals saw very little, so dense was the crowd.

Above: From fairly early in the morning, some of the locals had got their grandstand seats on the route of the procession.

Below: Pity the poor springs!

Above, centre: Being up the pole was perhaps a sensible thing to do in this case.

Above, right: This is what is called sitting on a clanger.

Below, right: Any elevated point was advantageous.



Bowling Club float was well done



First council has its picture taken!



A goods train stopped the parade



Country Girls' Club float

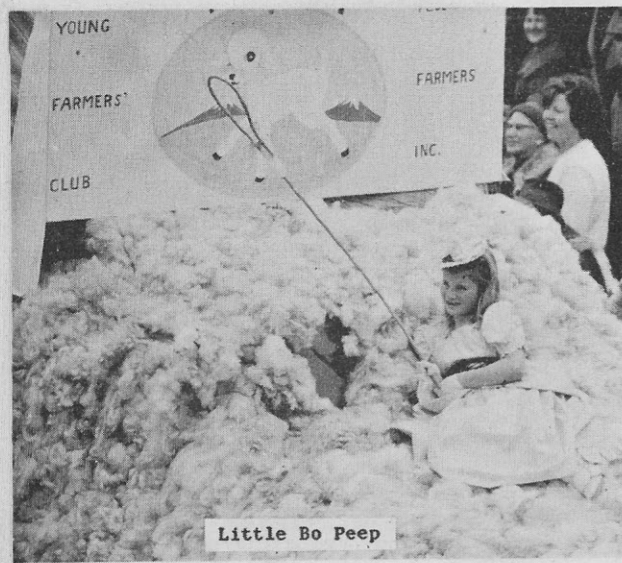


Much work had gone into the Swimming Club's float

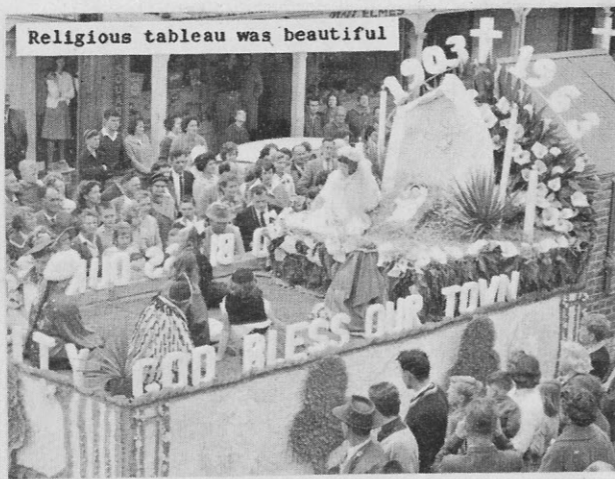


Free plonk for all...and we never got a drop!





Little Bo Peep



Hori...he like most things!



House on wheels



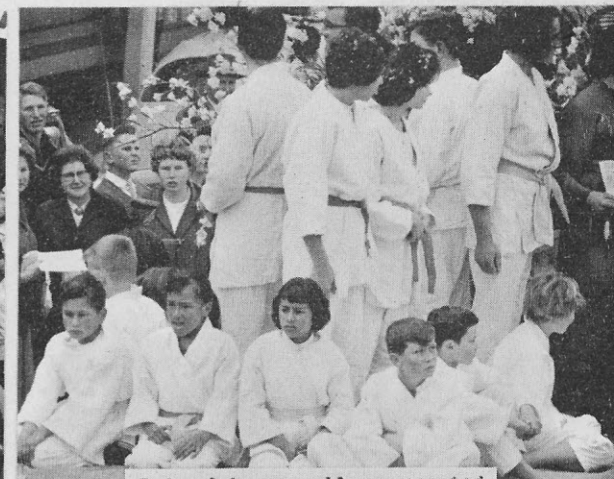
Inglewood transport...1890



Sssssh! Don't tell mum I'm here!



School-bus bomb, and how the kids loved it!



Judo club was well represented



RSA float was a work of art



Trick cyclist hitched a ride



Kids with the right spirit



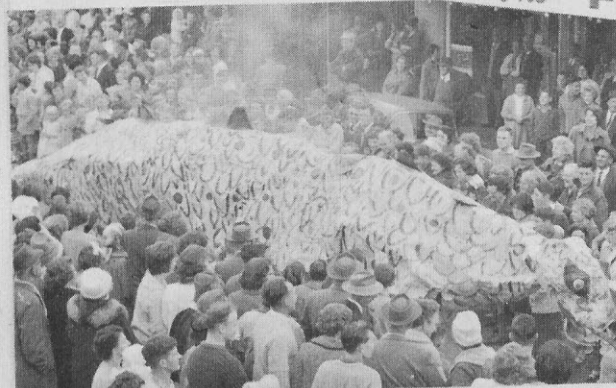
Home entertainment through the years



Fabulous is the only way to describe this



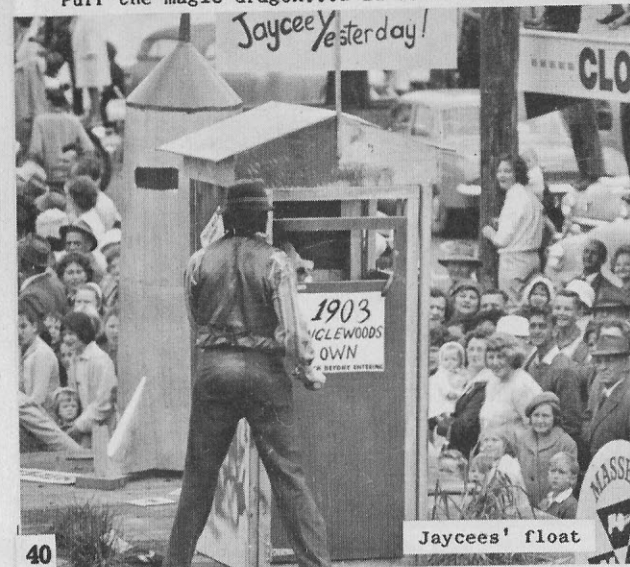
Another float that must have taken hours to prepare for the occasion



Puff the magic dragon... la Football Club



Pretty girls adorned every float



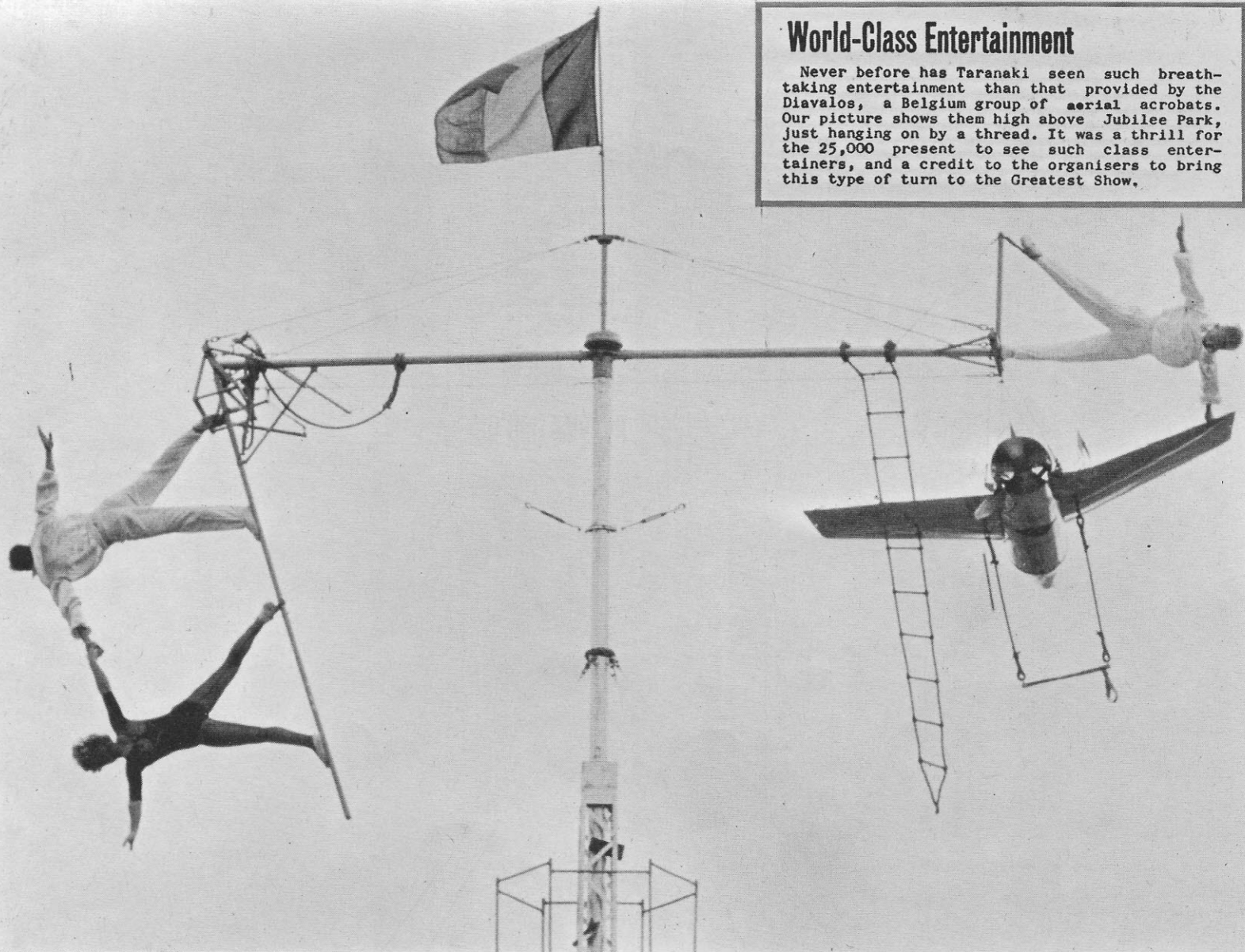
Joycees' float



Kaimiro school Maori group

World-Class Entertainment

Never before has Taranaki seen such breathtaking entertainment than that provided by the Diavalos, a Belgium group of aerial acrobats. Our picture shows them high above Jubilee Park, just hanging on by a thread. It was a thrill for the 25,000 present to see such class entertainers, and a credit to the organisers to bring this type of turn to the Greatest Show.





25,000 Packed Jubilee Park

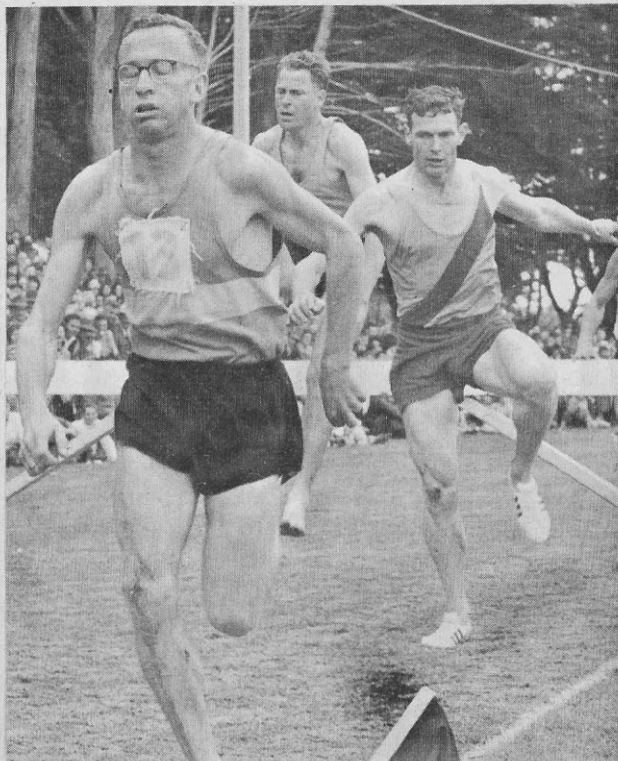
This must surely be the record crowd for Jubilee Park. It will be many years before 25,000 people are crammed into this arena again, though with the popularity of the GSOE gaining each year, the record might only stand for twelve months.

Above: The terraces were packed and children overflowed onto the grass area.

Left: Underhand chopping is not often seen now but there was a good programme of events like this at the park.

Right: Star attraction in the field events was Peter Snell, here seen taking the water jump in the 3000 metres steeplechase.





Star Performers

Main attraction of the field events at the Greatest Show was the 3000 metres steeplechase, with a field of four of the best distance runners in New Zealand. The event was won by New Plymouth's Brian Rose, who beat a field that included Peter Snell.

Above: Brian Rose with the shield for winning the steeplechase event.

Above, right: Brian Rose leading Peter Snell.

Below: On their first lap, the six-milers pass the terraces before running out of the ground on to their course.

Below, right: A polished display of gymnastics was witnessed. Here Helen Lawton (Hamilton) performs on the double bars.





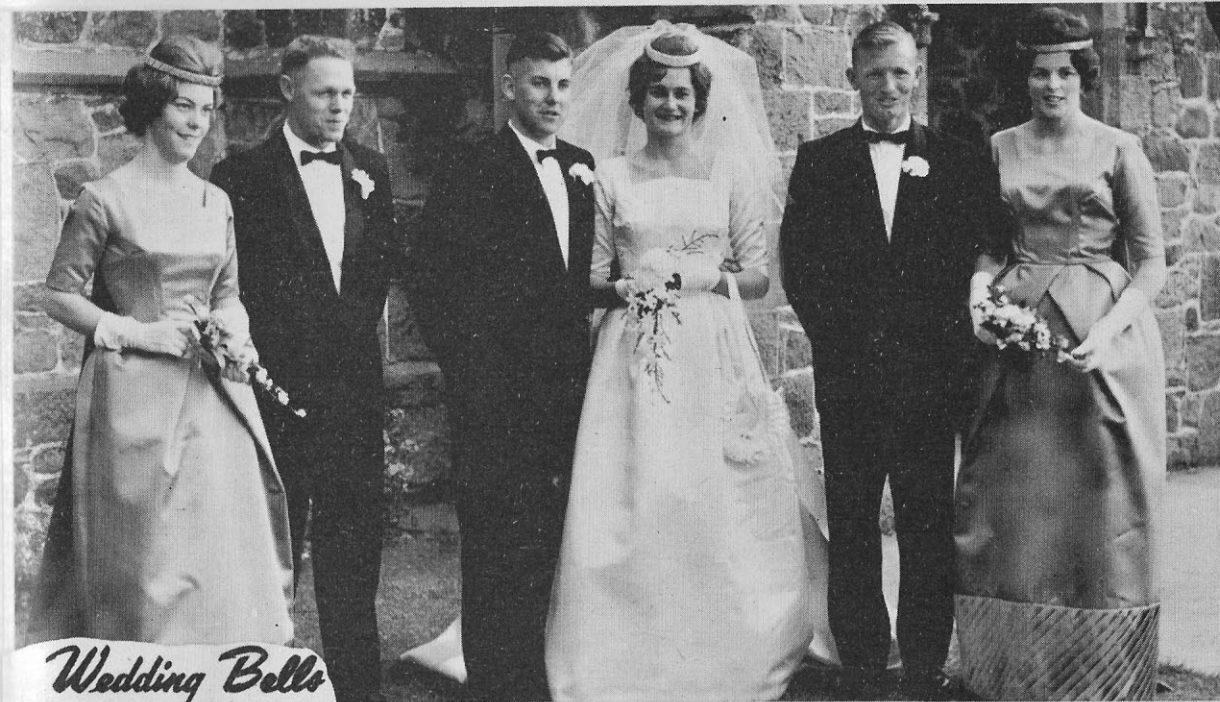
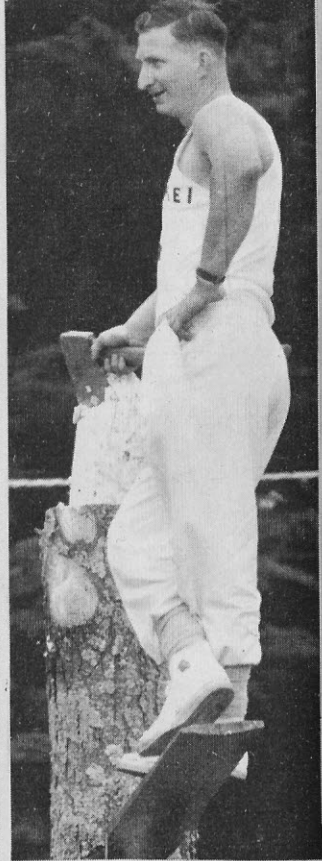
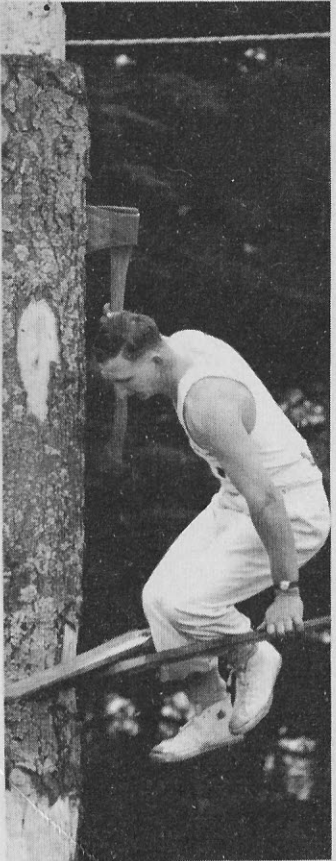
Packed Terraces

Above: Here's a close-up of the terraces, with not an inch of space to spare.

Below: The fabulous Diavolos performing on the high wire, many feet above the ground.

Below, centre: L.L. Bolstad (Raurimu) on his way up in the jigger chop.

Below, right: Here's the same man, waiting for his opponents to finish. He won this event comfortably.



Wedding Bells

Above: BOYLE-PAGE. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A.G. Page, Waitara, to Brian, elder son of Mrs A.D. Boyle, NP. The bridesmaids were Sue Nolan, NP, and Lois Cleland, NP. Best man was Alf McMinn, Taumarunui, and the groomsman was Graeme Page, brother of the bride, Waitara. Future home of the couple will be Taumarunui.

Below: BOONE-LOWRY. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Vivienne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs E.A. Lowry, Rahotu, to Barry, second son of Mr and Mrs R. Boone, Christchurch. The bridesmaids were Pauline and Janice Boone, sisters of the groom, Christchurch. Alan Rivers, Wellington, was the best man and Brian Boone, Wellington, was the groomsman. Lois Lowry, Rahotu, sister of the bride, was the flower-girl. Future home will be Wellington.



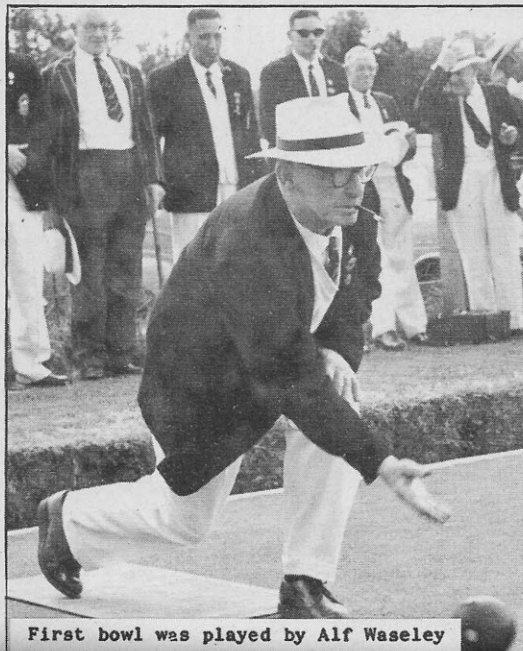


New Green Opened at Pihama

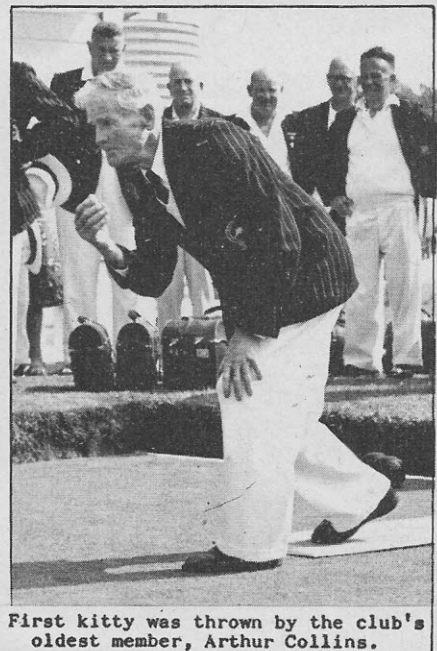
With a history dating back to 1900, the Pihama Bowling Club has this year opened a new full-size bowling green. Previously, this club could boast only four rinks at the most. Now, with the assistance of members and friends, and a ton of hard work, a fine new green is in use for their members. Above: Gathered for the official opening were visitors from other coastal clubs.



Centre representative Bob Sampson and president Jim Symes



First bowl was played by Alf Waseley



First kitty was thrown by the club's oldest member, Arthur Collins.



VOGUE STUDIO

Basketball Champs and Reps

Above: The Rebels indoor basketball team who, this season, have won cups for Senior Ladies, New Plymouth and Taranaki Top Dog tournaments. From left, standing, Joan Burton, Janet Hinton, Tui Gernhoefer, Ann Kitchin, Kay McManus and Beryl Buchanan; seated, Maureen Hammersley (captain) and Mary Clark (vice-captain).

Below: The North Taranaki representative squad who were runners-up in the New Zealand A-Grade reserve championships. From left, back row, Janet Hinton, Janet Skelton, Kath Davis, Janet Robinson, Tui Gernhoefer and Beryl Hann; front row, Maureen Hammersley (captain), Raewyn Skelton, Pat McDavitt (coach), Ann Mullally and Lesley Skelton (vice-captain).



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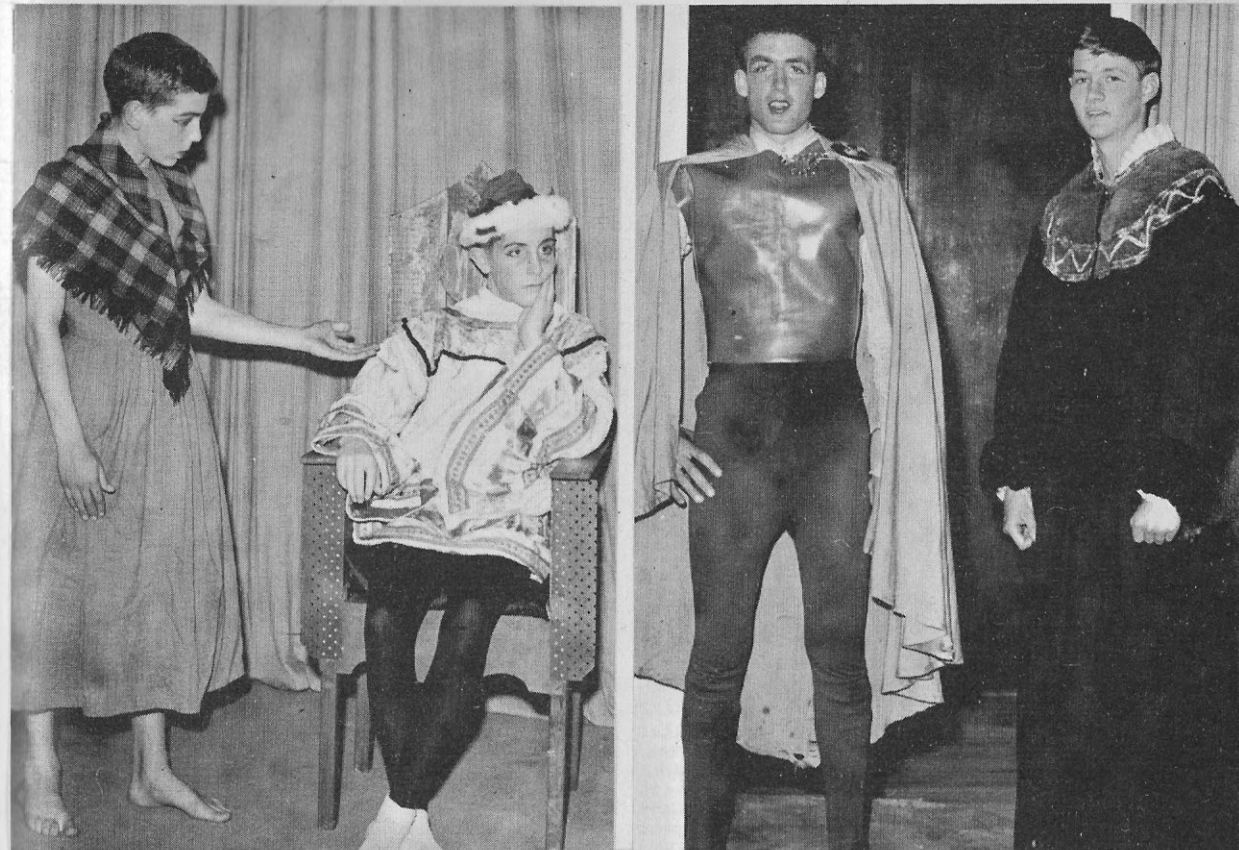
BHS Play "St. Joan" A Success

Pupils of the NPBHS delighted two capacity houses at the NP GHS Assembly Hall recently when they presented "St Joan". It was a play of first-class performers and direction, thoroughly enjoyed by all who saw it.

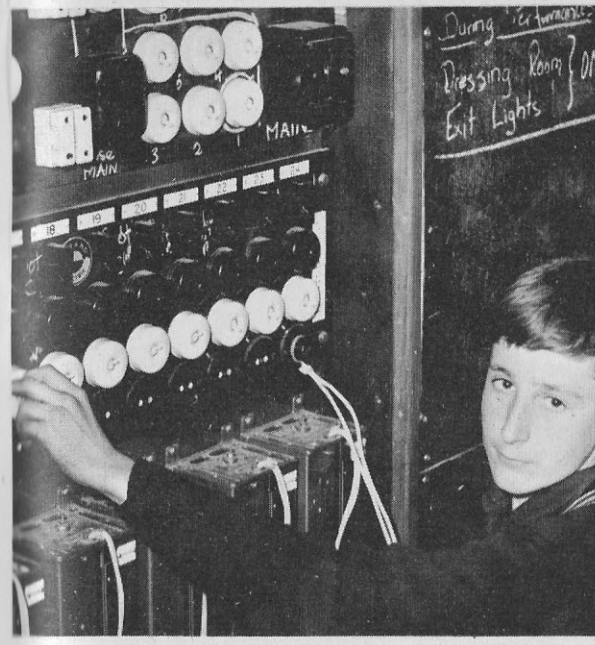
Right: Some of the cast relax during the interval. It would be fair to say that the costumes were the best which we have seen for a long time.

Below: Ian Harvey and Bill Somerton played their parts with professional ease.

Below, right: Make-up was the work of artists. Here, Joyce Campbell puts the finishing touches to Graham Van Praagh.



Above, left: Clive Bayliss, who played the part of Joan is here shown in a scene with Philip Anderson who played the role of the Dauphin. **Above, right:** David Coddington and Hugh Fullerton-Smith were actors of a very high standard. **Below, left:** No play can be successful without good workers on both the lighting and scene shifting. John Hammonds was responsible for the lighting effects obtained. **Below right:** Scene shifters hard at work are Brian Therson, Kevin Ford and Ian Frame.





Wedding Bells

Above: HORNE-JAMIESON. At Holy Trinity, Fitzroy, Heather Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Jamieson, NP, to Jay, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Jim Horne, NP. The bridesmaids were Wendy, Sheila and Sonja Jamieson, sisters of the bride. Robin Webster, NP, was the best man, and Brian Goldsworthy, NP, was the groomsman. Future home will be New Plymouth.

Below: CAVE-BROOME. At St. Philomena's Catholic Church, Brooklands, Berrice Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs B.W.Broome, NP, to Robert Joseph, youngest son of Mr and Mrs W.A.Cave, NP. The bridesmaids were Dorothy Webby, NP, and Wendy Broome, sister of the bride. Richard Parker was the best man and Michael Finnigan, NP, was the groomsman. Philippa Broome, sister of the bride, was the flower-girl. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



Right: A publicity stunt for the Jaycees recently included sleeping out on the pavements of the city. Here, three of them, Dudley Hills, Colin Sampson and Barry Valentine greet a cold dawn after a restless night.

Engaged

Below, right: VOSPER-MARSHALL-SMITH. Edith Flora, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C.F. Marshall-Smith, NP, to Howard Arthur, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.C. Vosper, New Plymouth.

An Apology

Below: This photograph appeared in last month's "Photo News" under the name of the Williamson golden wedding. In fact, it is a golden wedding celebration, but it is that of Mr and Mrs G.H. Alvis, Manaia, who are shown here with their grand-children. We offer our humble apologies.



DAVID PAUL STUDIO





VOGUE STUDIO



Engaged

Above, left: GIBBONS-COWAN. Yvonne Molly, the younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.M.Cowan, NP, to Kevin Francis, only son of Mr and Mrs F.E.Gibbons, New Plymouth.

Left: KEIGHTLEY-BINT. Valerie Sidney, second daughter of Mr and Mrs C.W.Bint, Lepperton, to Trevor Norman, eldest son of Mr and Mrs N.F. Keightley, Tauranga.

Below, left: CORBETT-WHITE. Jillian Bentley, only daughter of Mr and Mrs H.V.White, NP, to Graham Oliver, elder son of Mr and Mrs C.E. Corbett, Normanby.

Above: KILSBY-SMITH. Verneice Merle, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.S.Smith, Hawera, to David James, elder son of Mr and Mrs M.D.Kilsby, Toko.



VOGUE STUDIO

Competition Winners

Below: Winner of two cups at the Taranaki St. John Ambulance competitions was this New Plymouth team. They won the first-aid team test and the Taranaki nursing cup championship. From left, they are, Miss M.Bridge, Mrs G.McCallum, Miss B. Ross and Mrs M.Lash.



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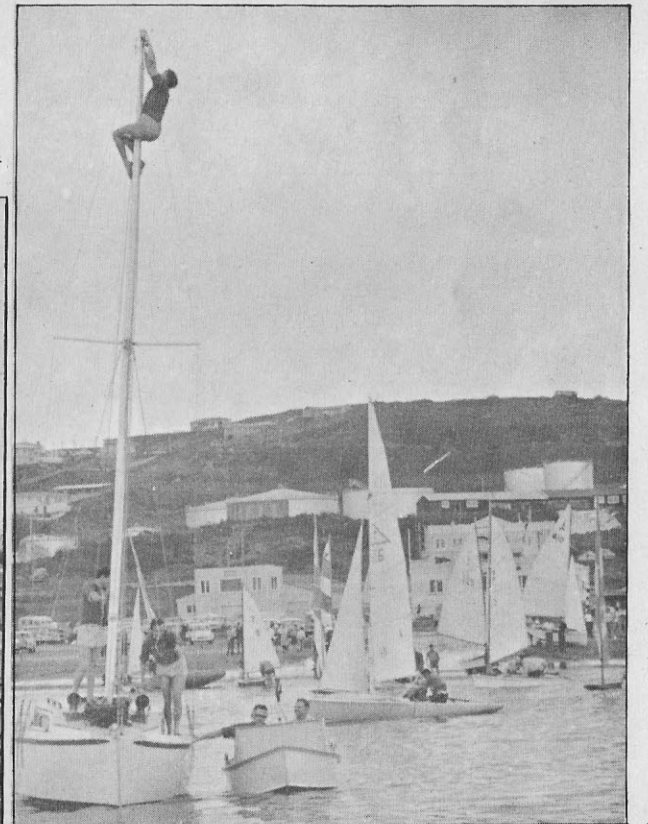
Yachting Season Opens

In calm and glorious weather, the 1963-4 yachting season got away to a good start. This year is the 25th season for the New Plymouth Yacht club and there will be celebrations to mark the occasion.

Above: Yachts turn around the outer buoy. Light winds did not provide exciting sailing, but this might be just as well so early in the new season.

Below: A scene in front of the clubhouse as craft are made ready for the first races.

Below, right: Up the pole is Philip Goodsell making some adjustments to the rigging of his keeler "Hinevea".





Fancy Dress Carnival At Skating Rink

Since the opening of the new skating rink at East End, the membership of this very active club has increased since its Ngamotu days from 30 to 170. This is, of course, due mainly to the very energetic committee who do all they can to foster the sport in the city. Our pictures on this page show the number of children who recently took part in a fancy dress carnival on a brilliant Sunday afternoon. Above: Fancy dress contestants wait for the grand parade. Below: Spectators lined the rails to watch some of the events in progress. Bottom: The grand parade of fancy dresses of which there were no fewer than 120. A credit to the club and officials.



With 120 children in fancy dress, and many prizes to be won, the judges for this carnival had a hard time picking the winners. Shown above, the two judges walk through the lines of fancy dressed skaters. Below, left: Wife of the club president, Mrs Colin Marceau presented the prizes won during the afternoon. Here she presents a fancy dress prize to Valerie Crosslyn. Below, centre: Jane Marshall, dressed as Robin Hood was a prizewinner. Below, right: Alison Liley gained a prize for the most original.



Wedding

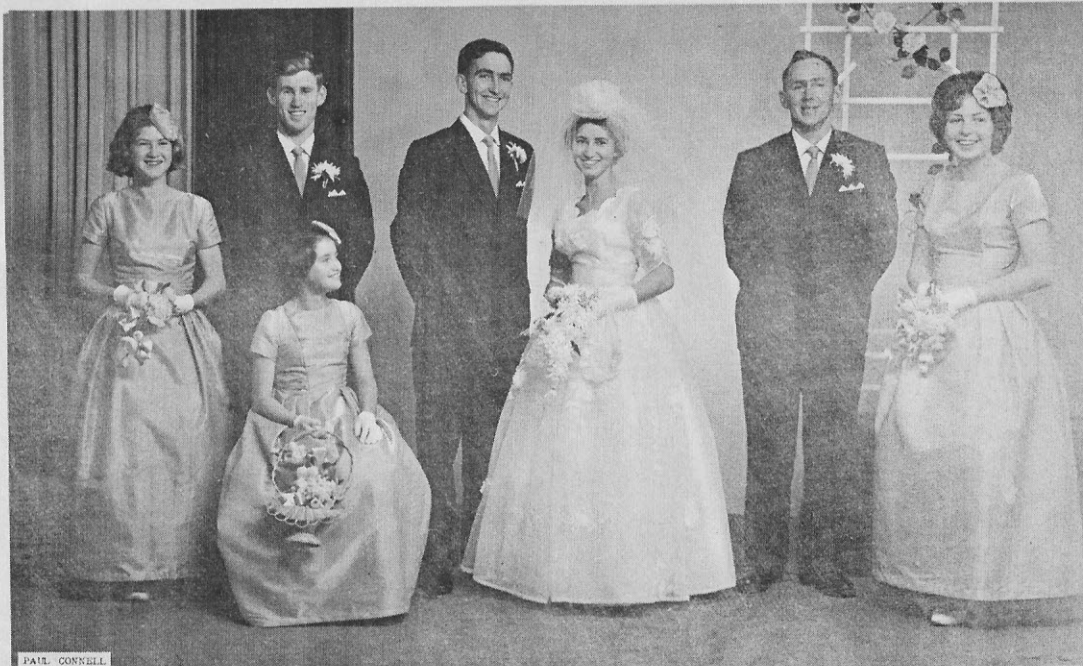
Bells



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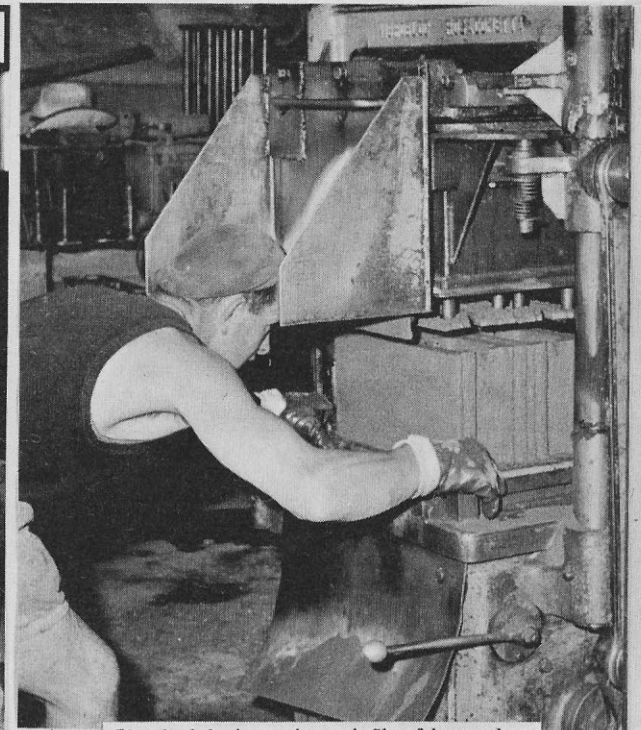
Above: **KELLY-BETTS**. At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hawera, Margaret Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs C.H.Betts, Inaha, to David Graham, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J.R.Kelly, Pihama. The bridesmaids were Jenny McKenzie and Margaret Petrie. Catherine Walter was the flowergirl. Best man was Don Kelly, brother of the groom, Aria, and Neil Betts, brother of the bride, Inaha, was the groomsman. Future home will be Mokoia.

Below: **PHILLIPS-FROST**. At the Opunake Methodist Church, Wavynne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.L.Frost, Rahotu, to John Maxwell, younger son of Mr and Mrs H.W.E.Phillips, Okato. The bridesmaids were Lyn Phillips, sister of the groom, Okato, Linda and Janine Frost, sisters of the bride, Rahotu. Roy Phillips, brother of the groom, Okato, was the best man, and Aubrey Frost, brother of the bride, NP, was the groomsman. Future home will be Okato.



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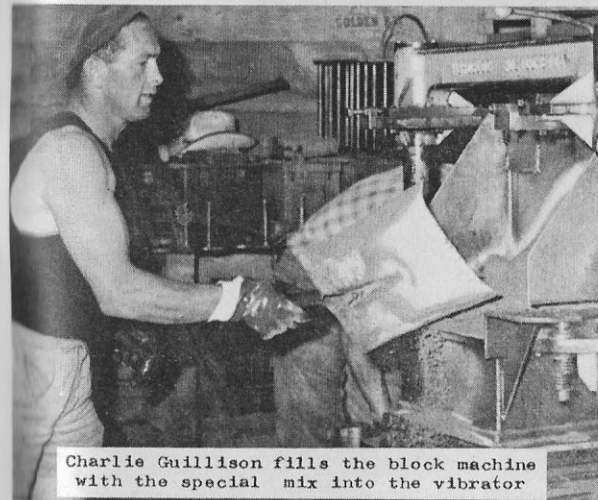
Basil Martin at work on the hydraulic cement conveyor prior to mixing



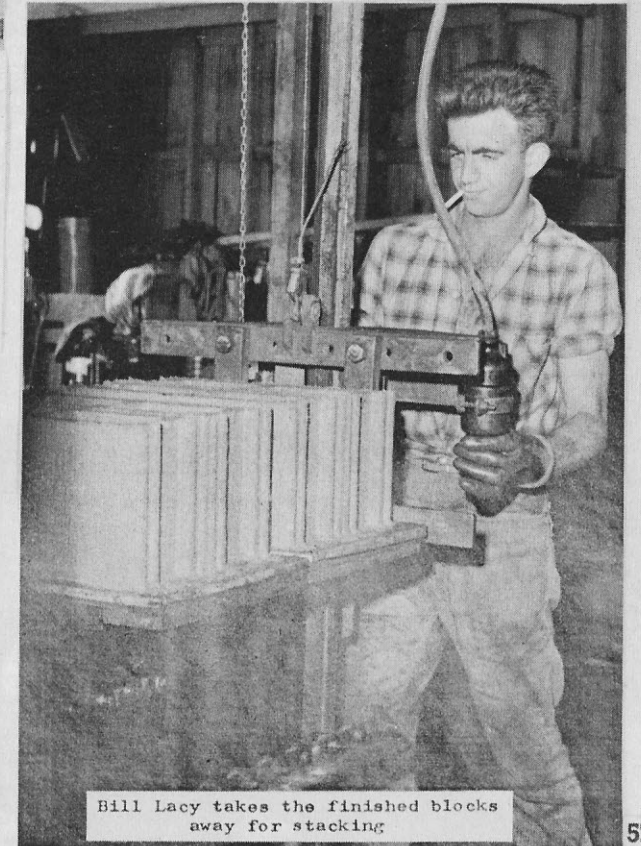
The brick is made and Charlie pushes it through the press

Bricks Are Booming

To meet the ever-increasing demand for bricks for building, the Firth Concrete company are in full production to the extent that they have been forced to build another factory to cope with the demand. Not only for the building of the larger type, but now, more than ever, for the construction of houses, are bricks being used. Production at the factory has increased rapidly over the past few years and with the new factory in full production some 4000 blocks a day will be produced. Many types and sizes are available for all kinds of building.



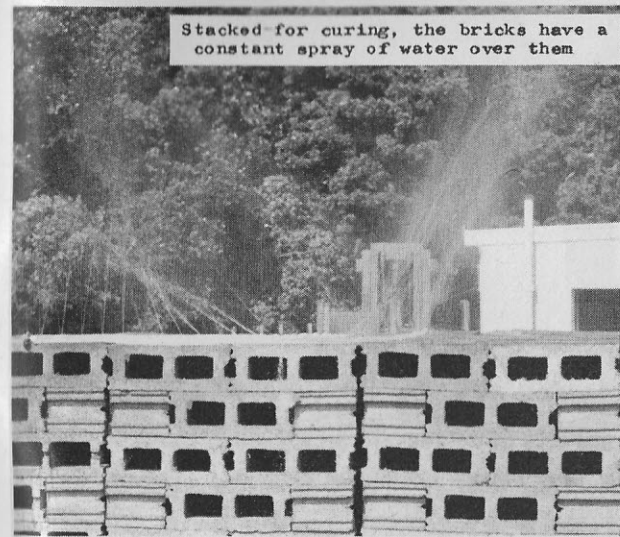
Charlie Guillison fills the block machine with the special mix into the vibrator



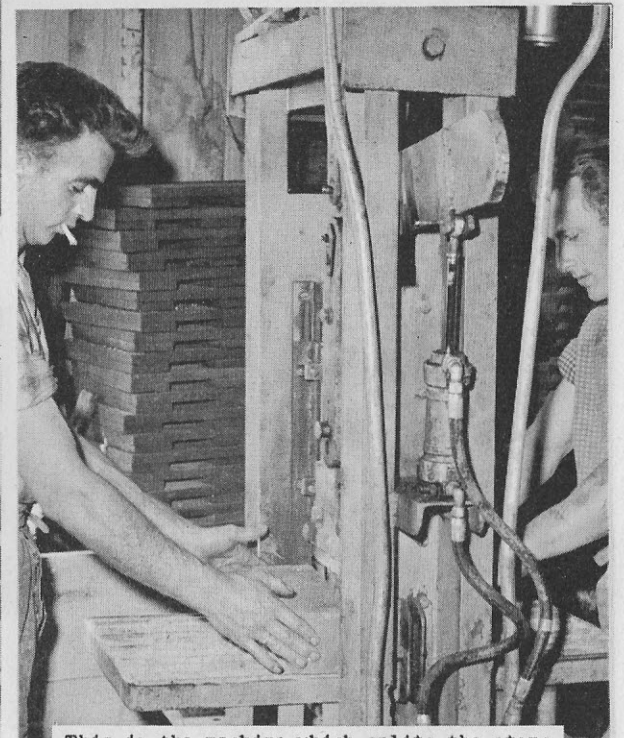
Bill Lacy takes the finished blocks away for stacking



With the realisation that brick is a more economical proposition for building, the demand for them has increased by a staggering amount over the last few years. With this increased demand a corresponding increase has to be made in the manufacture. The Firth company is now in the process of building another larger factory at Whawakaiho, where production will increase by about 300% to meet this ever-increasing demand. At present, the factory is flat out trying to meet this call. Above, left: Here, a load of bricks leaves the factory for stacking and curing in the yard. Above, right: Each block has to be manhandled onto the curing stacks. This is done by Ray Jolly. Below: In neat stacks of 40 bricks, they are fork-lifted onto the company's truck for delivery. This operation is carried out by Ian Blackstock and Tom Burgess.



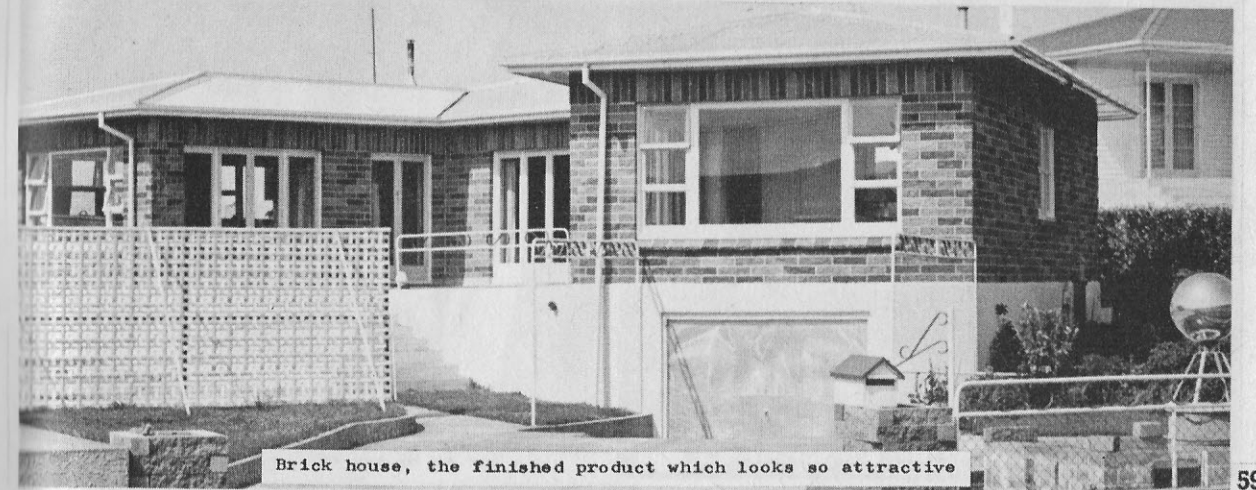
Stacked for curing, the bricks have a constant spray of water over them



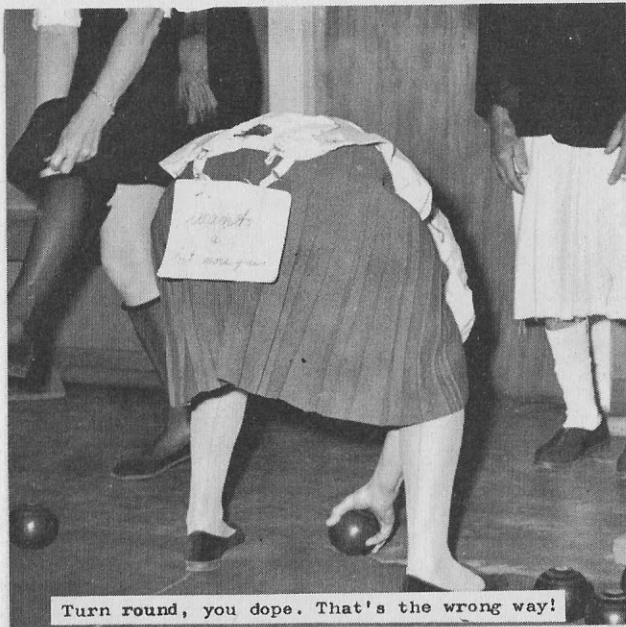
This is the machine which splits the stone



Bricks and blocks of many different shapes and sizes



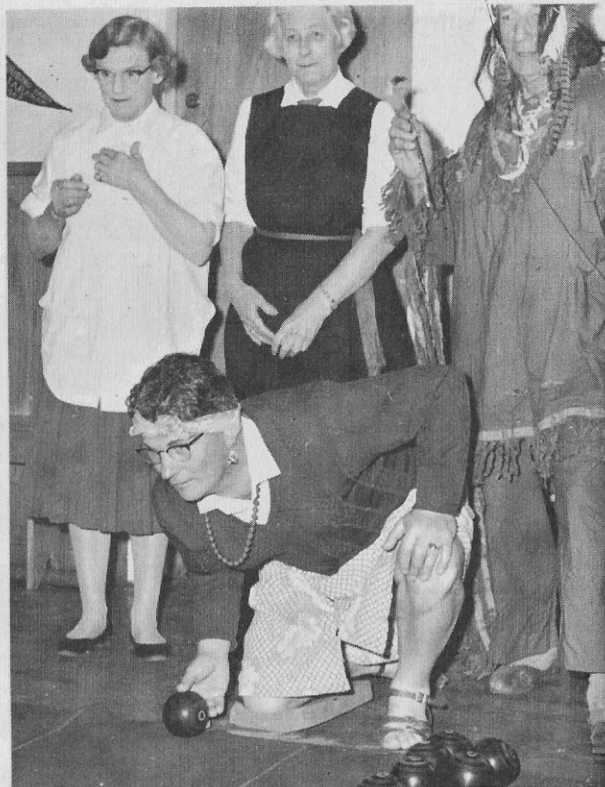
Brick house, the finished product which looks so attractive



Turn round, you dope. That's the wrong way!

Indoor Bowlers Relax

The Paritutu Indoor Bowling Club recently brought their season to a close with a successful fancy dress party. It was an occasion when a good time was had by all. Some of the costumes were original, to say the least. During the evening they did play bowls, but it was not quite such a serious game as usual. Altogether a very enjoyable party.



Lawrie Mowat forgot he had skirts on!

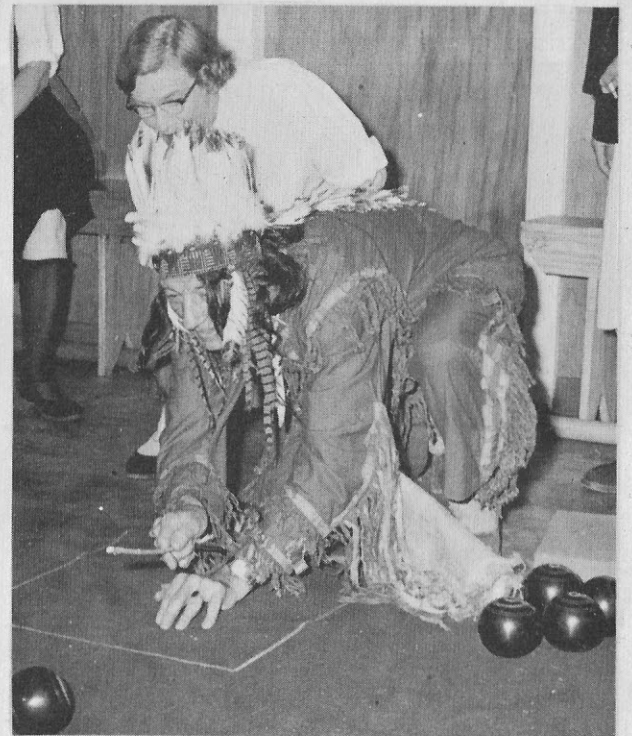
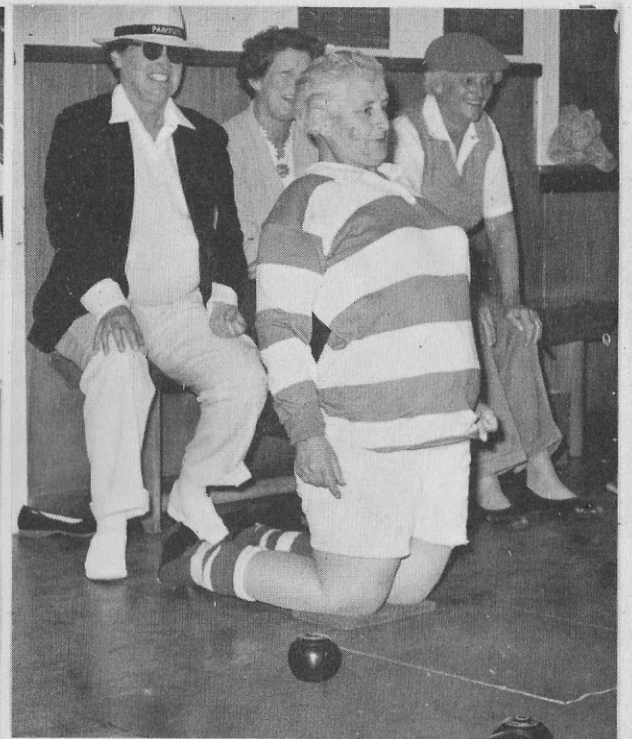


Above: Mable Thompson and Margaret Bates would make a couple of heavy forwards. Schoolgirl Rhona Carter is undecided what to play, while outdoor president Don Sutherland seems disinterested.

Below: "Doctor" George James and his assistant Rigby Allen run the rule over Laurie Koorey.

Above, right: Marje Penwarden throws out her chest after drawing the shot...or was something bothering her?

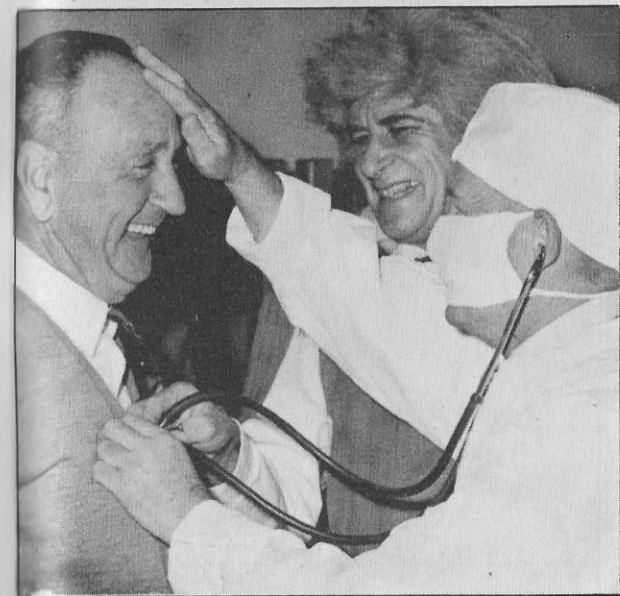
Below, right: Les Shippey uses an arrow as a billiard cue, and when he drew the shot everybody said "How"!



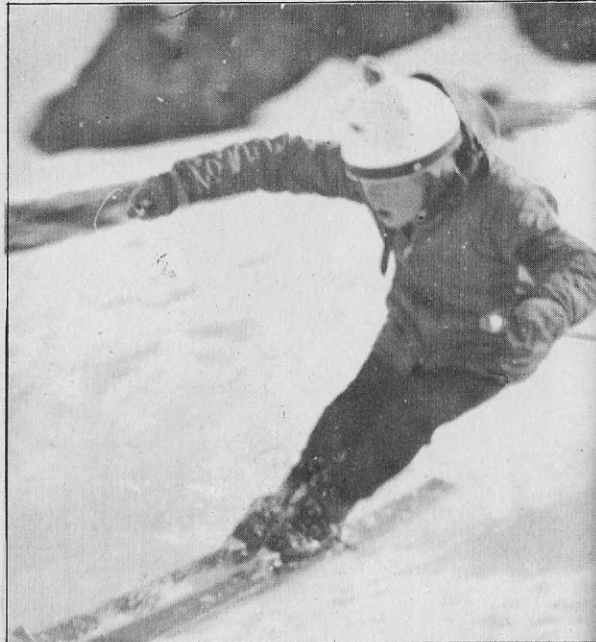
Tomfoolery by Wick Thomson, Brian Holdt and Noel Scholer



Kit Hopewell and Dorrie Shippey turned out to be two of the best cheats



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Ski Champs on Egmont

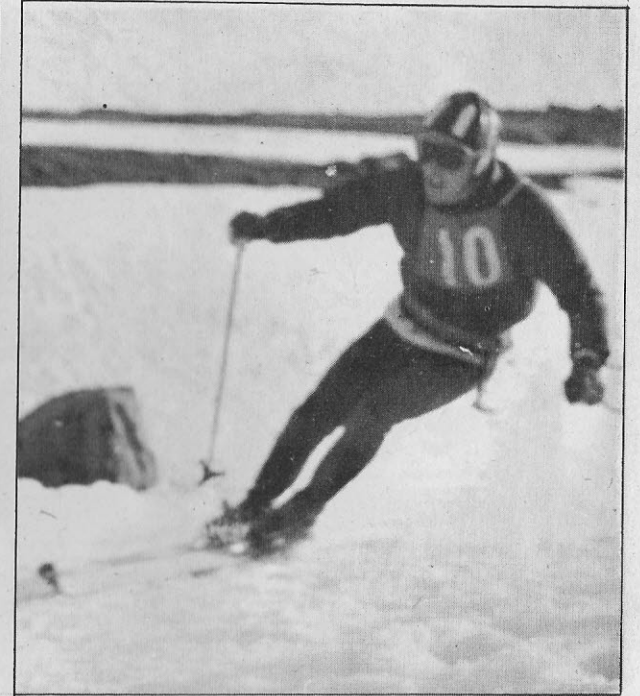
The N.I. Ski Champs were recently held on Mt. Egmont in fine conditions on the 5,000-ft. level.

Above, left: Prudence Earle (Wanganui) winner of the Downhill is shown here on her run.

Above: Youngest competitor D. Johns, aged 13, who performed extremely well, and is a force to be reckoned with in the future.

Below, left: Jacqueline McCamish won the Slalom and combined championship.

Below, right: Former NZ representative Don Dorflinger in action.

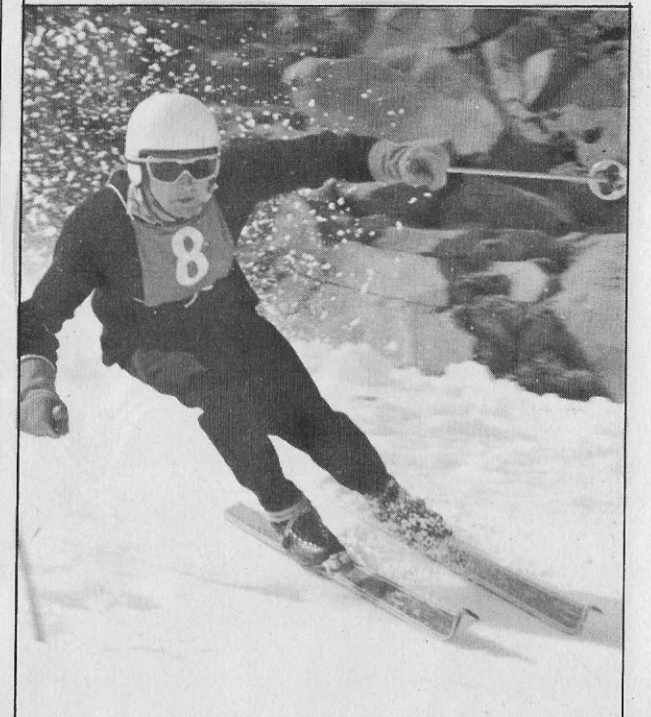
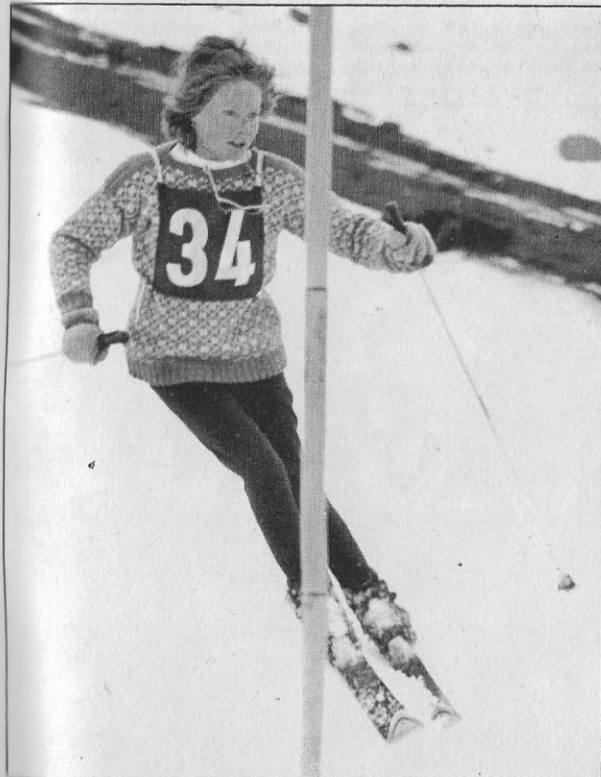


Above, left: Bill Hunt (Ruapehu), the combined winner in action in the downhill event.

Above: New Plymouth's Peter Quinn won the Downhill and Giant Slalom events.

Below, left: Sue John (Stratford), second in the Slalom Course.

Below: Bob Stokes (Stratford) who was a close second in the combined placings.





Lady Leaguers

We don't know how this all started, but the Inglewood lady supporters of their League side issued a challenge that was smartly accepted by the supporters of the Waitara League Club. So they recently got locked in deadly combat, mainly with the idea of letting their menfolk see how the game should be played. In recent years we have seen all sorts of rugby played, but none quite so hilarious as this game. Played in four spells (there was a lot of wind went west) neither team could score, so after a heated argument it was decided to replay the game next year. Above: These were the twelve women who came from Inglewood to do battle with Waitara, below. Looks to us as though Waitara is a little over-balanced.

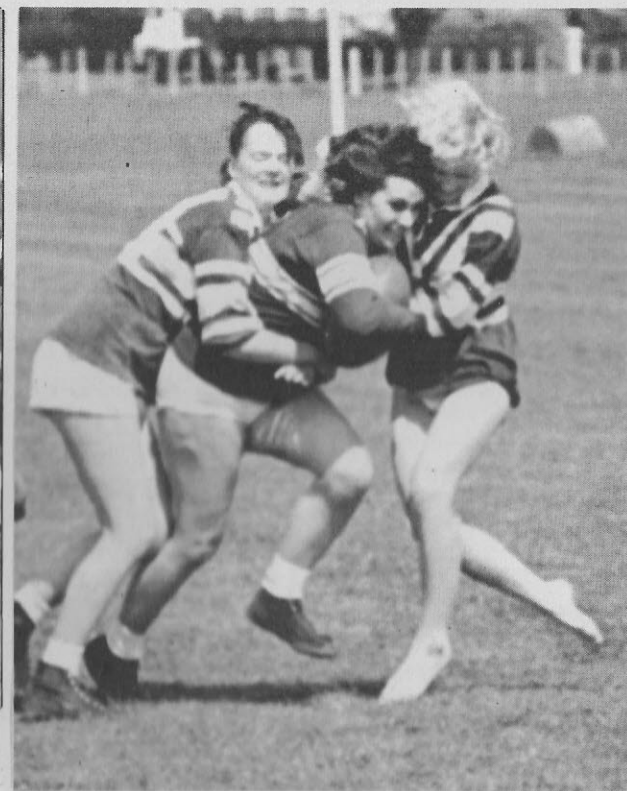


Above: Inglewood captain gets the final words of advice from their trainer. Hope he gave them the right kind of advice too.

Below: Here's a bit of smart back play as two invaders from Waitara toss the ball about.

Above, right: Waitara player runs into a packet of trouble as two Inglewood defenders collar her.

Below, right: If you can't bring them down with an authentic tackle, then throttle them!





Wedding Bells

Left: HOWARTH-KERRISK. At St. Patrick's Church, Patea, Maureen Teresa, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Kerrisk, Kakaramea, to Leslie Walter, third son of Mrs H.B. and the late Mr S.Howarth, NP. The attendants were Helen Crompton, Elwyn Symes, Ray Johnstone and Barry Howarth, all of NP. Future home will be New Plymouth.

Below, left: LOWRY-MUIR. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Nola Faye, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.V. Muir, Warea, to Desmond Percival, second son of Mr and Mrs E.A.Lowry, Rahotu. The attendants were Heather Sole, Warea, Joy Macdonald, NP, Trevor and Gilbert Lowry, brothers of the groom, Rahotu. The flowergirl was Kerry Macdonald. Future home, Warea.

90TH BIRTHDAY

Below: Three members of the Shaw family who know how to grow old gracefully, gathered to celebrate the 90th birthday of Ernest Shaw, (right). Brother Charles is a mere 81 and Mrs A.Fox of Okato is a very charming-looking 91. Longevity seems to be the Shaw family's strong suit.



Rugby Park Setting

Now that the trees have been cut down, the spectators at the park have an uninterrupted view of Mount Egmont. This photograph was taken recently on a sunny afternoon, as the bank spectators leisurely watched the game of rugby. What better place could there be?