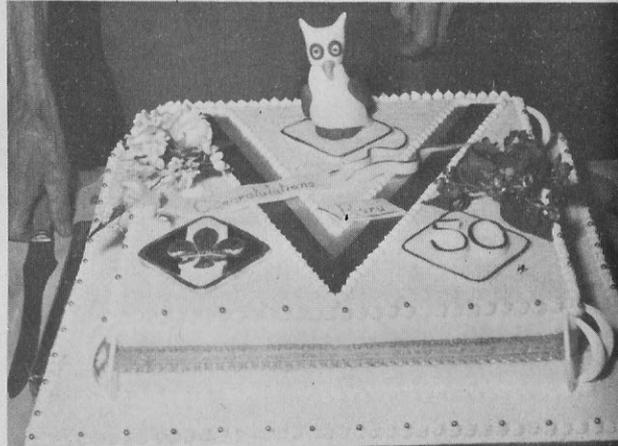
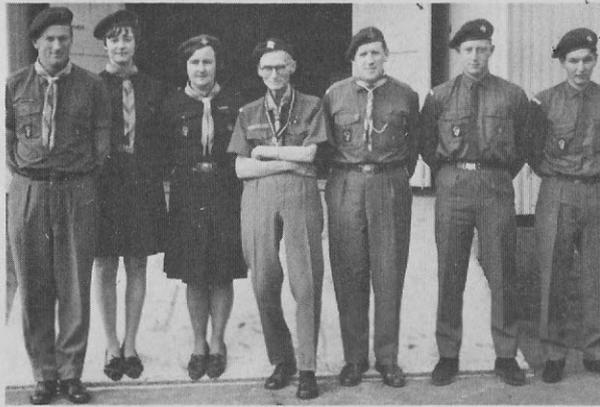


50 Years a Scout



Anyone who devotes 50 years to scouting is deserving of the highest award and praise. That is the proud record of Roy Hopkins, better known as Ruru. He was recently presented with the Silver Tui, the highest honour that is bestowed on Scouts. At the presentation, there were many who had come under the leadership of Roy, and admitted to being better for it. Many tributes were paid to this man's fine record in Scouting. Left: District Commissioner Roy Cooper congratulates Ruru. Below, left: Fitzroy leaders with Ruru at this important function. Below: The celebration cake. Bottom, left: Scout Alan Marsh and Cub Bruce Sporie made a presentation to Ruru and Mrs Hopkins. Bottom, right: Commissioner Ed Collins presented Mrs E. P. Aderman with an illuminated address for her and her late husband's interest in the troop.



Above: Roy Hopkins, Ruru, replies to many speakers at the function celebrating his completion of 50 years of scouting. Right: Proud Ruru with grandson Kelvin Hopkins, Opunake, who seems to be following in his grandfather's footsteps. Below: Roy cuts his celebration cake, with a look that reminds us of TV character Mr Haddock! Below, right: John Daniels and David Emmet make their promise on receiving their warrants. Also in the picture is Don McCready, another of the Fitzroy stalwarts.

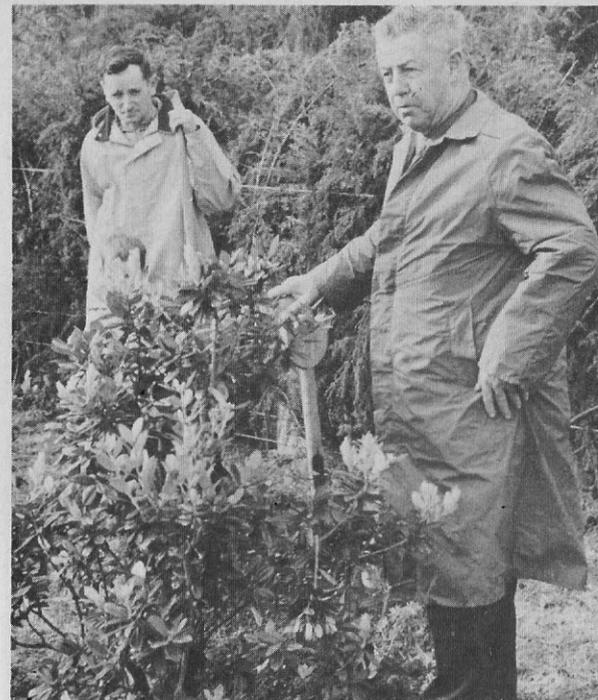


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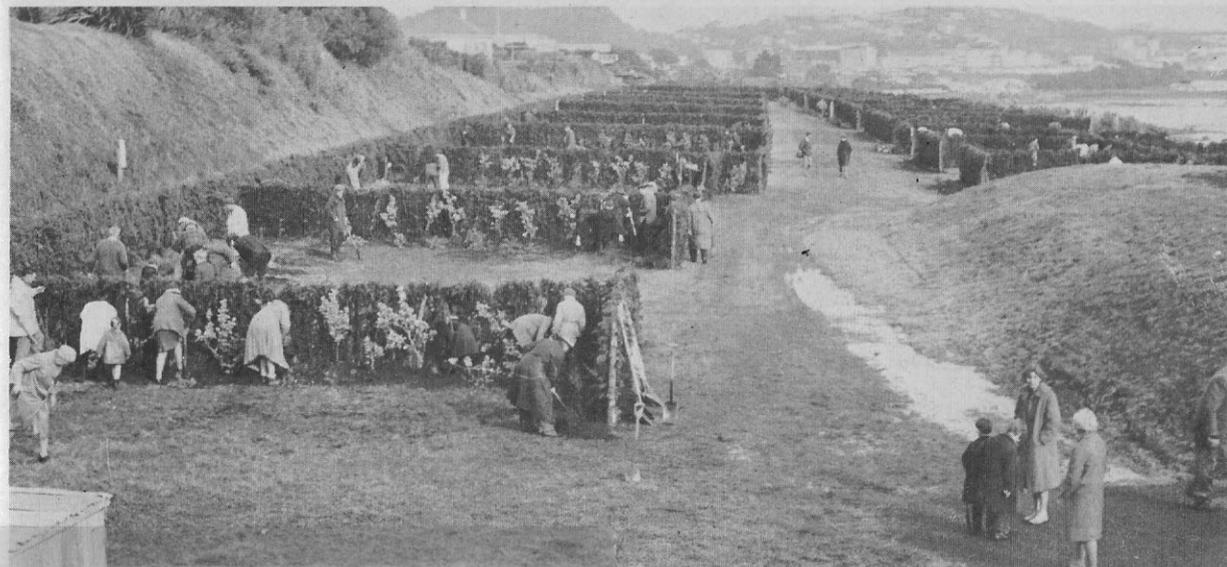
Left: ADLAM-DIXON. At St. Philomena's Catholic Church, NP, Jennifer Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.H. Dixon, Hillsborough, to Bruce Ronald, fourth son of Mr and Mrs R.V. Adlam, NP. The bridesmaid was Adriene Howe, NP, and the best man was Gary Adlam, brother of the groom, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.

Below: BRIMELOW-CRUTCH. At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hawera, Reilyn, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Crutch, Hawera, to Basil, the younger son of Mr and Mrs F. Brimelow, Opunake. The bridesmaids were Wendy Cobham, Rotorua, and Pamela Green, Hawera. Best man was Graeme Bluett, Hawera, and the groomsmen were Roger Sorenson, Opunake. The flower-girl was Michele Nicholson, Wairou. The future home, Opunake. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).



NP's Arbor Day

Arbor day in the city this year saw the planting of about a thousand trees and shrubs in the Belt Road Camp site which has recently been extended. There was the usual muster of about 60 or 70 ardent tree lovers to do the work, and they are to be congratulated for turning up year after year to help to beautify our city. **Above:** Mayor Mr A.G. Honnor started the proceedings by planting a fine tree. **Top right:** The Mayor, Cr Mrs Gale, and the chairman of the NP branch of the Forest and Bird Protection Society, Mr Medway, at the official part of the proceedings. **Right:** Families pitched in to get the 1000 trees planted. **Bottom:** This is the area which will look so good in a couple of years' time.





PLUNKET JUBILEE DINNER

Fifty years of Plunket in the district was recently celebrated with a dinner in the NP War Memorial Hall and attended by about three hundred women. It was a highly successful evening with the national secretary, Miss M. McKeachie, attending. Above, left: Mrs J.D. Ridland, president of the NP branch, makes her speech of welcome. Above, right: Part of the large gathering. Below: There were many distinguished guests on the official table. Bottom, left: Caterers were busy feeding all these women. Bottom, right: One of the NP branch's oldest members, Mrs W.C. Weston, replied to the toast of Past Members.

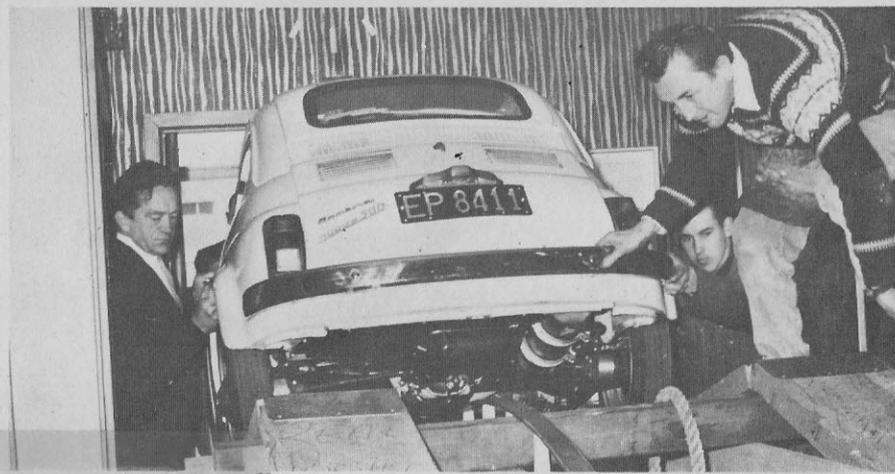


Above, left: After twenty-one years' service to the society in NP, Plunket nurse Bernice Simpson was presented with an easy chair by the president, Mrs J.D. Ridland, at the branch's 50th jubilee dinner held recently in the War Memorial Hall. Above: Four of the stalwarts of the Waitara branch-at the dinner were Mesdames Lena Chittenden, Muriel Foreman, Helen Anderson and Gwen Glasgow. All are ex-presidents. Below: A general scene at the hall.



MANPOWER MOVES HORSEPOWER

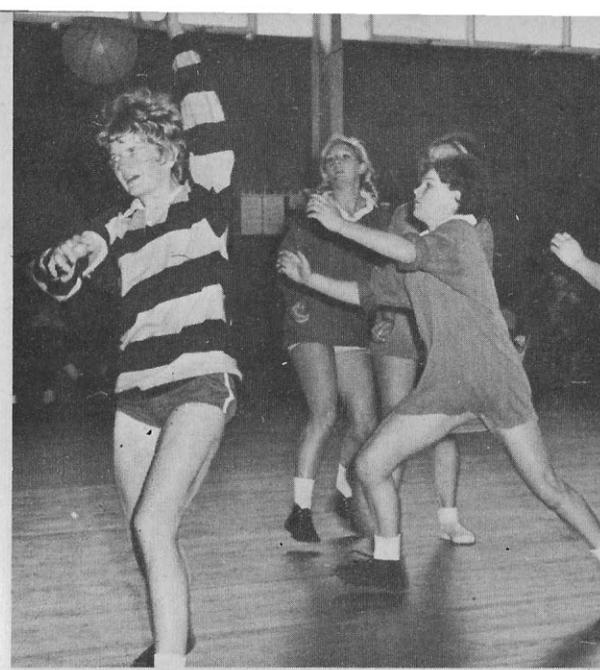
The prize won by our Miss NZ, Christine Antunovic, A Fiat car, was recently presented to her at La Scala restaurant. Getting the car into the restaurant was a manpower project, and it was handled over the bridge on a ramp. This was a job which called for plenty of muscle, but it was successfully completed without the slightest chip on the paintwork at La Scala.





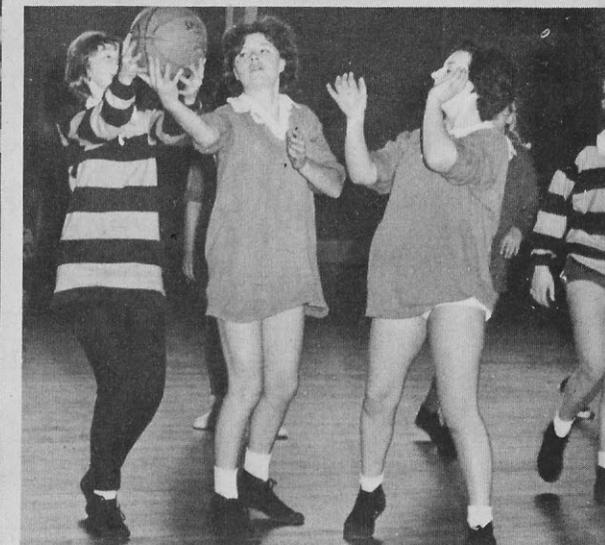
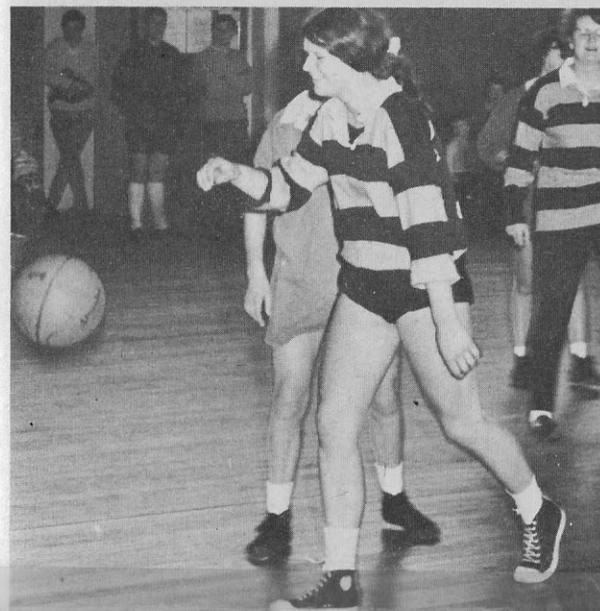
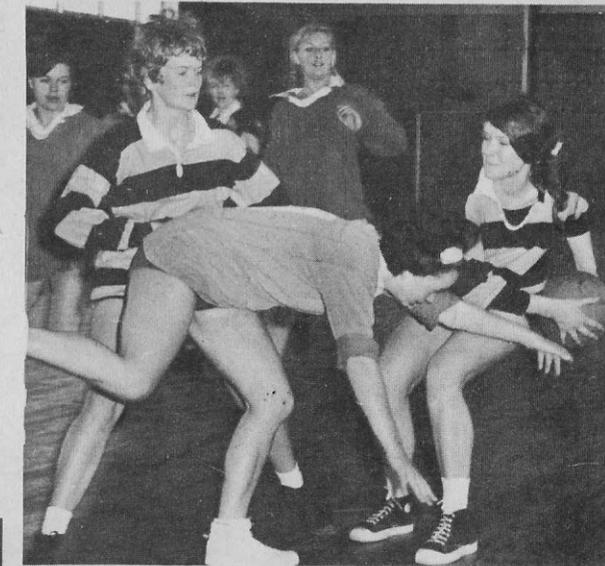
New Pensioner Flats in Cook Street

Here's one thing that the City Council can be congratulated on. A new block of pensioner flats was recently opened in Cook Street, and fine flats they are too, with every convenience, modern and clean, near the buses, and in a sheltered dell. What more could our old folks want? **Above:** These are the flats, facing the sun, and well sheltered from the wind. **Below:** Cr. R. Burkitt speaking at the official opening of the flats. **Bottom:** There were quite a few interested citizens present for the opening, and all had nice things to say about our City Council in their designing and siting of the flats. We too think that the Council has done well in its choice of site and design.



BANKS v. INSURANCE GIRLS

Girls employed in the city banks took on the lasses employed in Insurance Companies recently. The game was indoor basketball, but looking from the sideline it was hard to pick! Sometimes it almost developed into rugby, but despite this, a good time was had by all, spectators and players alike. **Above:** Bev Murray heads the ball as Christine Houston gets in to take the rebound. **Above, right:** Karen Goss and Irene Biddle dispute possession. **Right:** Linda Strong made the game look like rugby, but Bev Murray and Karen Goss kept out of her way. **Below:** Looks like Karen's got the ball on a string. **Below, right:** Christine Houston and Jan Brown looked smart in their micro jerseys. The insurance girls romped home to a 34-4 victory, which included their usual bonus!





W.D.F.F. SHOW

The first collective show of the North Taranaki WDFP can only be called a big success. Some hundreds of people went to the Agricultural Hall to see some of the beautiful things on show. It was an eye-opener for there were many things on view that are not really in the domain of a woman's capabilities. We'll probably get ticked off for saying that, but we were amazed to see such fine work. Above: Here are some of the WD women at the presentation of prizes. Right: Mesdames G. Yeates and D. Rogers judge the knitted work. Far right: Mesdames J. Smith and R. Austin judge the scones. Below: Millinery class put on a great display of hats.



Above, left: Mrs Betty Lark held continuous demonstrations of make-up. Here she transforms Mrs Thelma Coplestone from an ordinary housewife to a glamorous film star! Above, centre: Mrs Ellie McKoy, the hard-working North Taranaki secretary, who plodded through a mountain of work. Above, right: Demonstrations of pottery were a source of crowds of interested women. Right: Edna McCready was popular with her demonstrations of spinning. Below: Winning Division at the show was Smart Road. Here Dorothy Hassell receives their award from the vice-president of the N.T.WDFP, Mrs Beryl Washer. Bottom, right: Rahoitu banner was a work of art, attracting much admiration.





Top, left: A display of shell work was an attraction at the WDFE show which created interest right through. Above: Mrs Rene Quickfall with the quilt she crocheted in four months. Below: Attractive setting by trade exhibitor R. A. Duncan. Top, right: Secretary Ellie McKoy and helper Dolly Langman count the shekels at the end of the show...make a profit, girls? Right: Mrs Joyce Smiley demonstrated cake icing and made this intricate job look easy. Below, right: The flower section was one of the best we've seen lately.



MARRIED

Above: DANSBY-SCOTT--LAMB. At St. John's Presbyterian Church, Hawera, Heather Rae, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Lamb, Hawera, to Bruce John, only son of Mr and Mrs J.W. Dansby-Scott, Palmerston North. The bridesmaids were Ann Peacock, Hawera, and Phillipa Dobson, Hawera. Best man was Warren Banks, Palmerston North, and the groomsman was Rick McCall, Hawera. Future home, Hawera. (DAVID PAUL).
 Below: WILLY-ROWE. At St. Joseph's Church, Eltham, Yvonne Joyce, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs L. Rowe, Eltham, to Edward John Willy, second son of Mrs R. Gernhoefer, Eltham, and the late Mr L. Willy. The attendants, from left, were Iva Jones, Eltham, Marleen Schrider, Manaia, Gary Murfitt, NP, Dorothy Sheppard, NP, Ray Willy, Eltham, Kathleen Rowe, Michael Brady, Eltham, Kaye Thomson, Manaia. The flower-girl was Tracy Glading, and the page boy was Murray Glading.



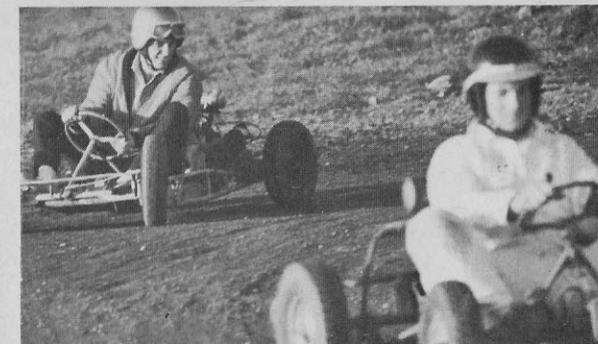


GO-KART CHAMPS

There was a good muster of drivers for the recent Taranaki go-kart championships held at Waitara. The organisation for these races was much better than has been the case in the past, with little time being wasted between races. **Above:** Peter Jury looks round to see if David Holmes is still on his tail. **Below:** Wally Brown has got the edge on Wellington driver Stephen Williams. **Bottom, left:** Ron Morrow and Stephen Williams have an argument on a corner. **Above, right:** Mrs Forbes and Mrs Sutton had a busy day. **Right:** Lou Donnelly stops for trouble. **Bottom, right:** Help from the little one in getting the sick kart back to the pits.



Above: This was the scene in many of the races at the Taranaki go-kart champs as local and visiting karts roared round the track. The fields were much larger than have been seen for a long time. **Below:** Press versus Broadcasters race was an easy victory for the radio folk, as they led from start to finish. **Bottom, left:** Stephen Williams forlornly takes his kart back to the pits after a breakdown. **Right:** There's that backward press man again, last as usual! **Below, right:** Racing round the track in a tight bunch was thrilling to both spectators and drivers alike. **Bottom, right:** Doug Forbes just missed a kart that spun out on a corner.



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New Plymouth Bride of the Year

Once again the NP YMCA stadium was filled to capacity for the annual Bride of the Year contest, organised by the NP Soroptomist club. Fifty brides faced the huge audience who were the judges for the contest. This was a great night for the feminine population of the city, much enjoyed we feel sure, and a success for the organisers who make a good profit for the benefit of charity. This is a very popular event in the town's winter calendar, and the organisers are to be congratulated on such a well managed show. Above: After the first parade of brides, they are lined up for all to see. Below: Parades are interspersed with items, and here some of the brides of yesteryear perform rhythmic dances.



Above: Heralds and maids enter the arena to help with the brides' dresses while on parade. Right: Counting over 1000 votes was a mammoth task. Far right: Winner and hubby, Mr and Mrs Thomson, Stratford. Below, from left: Bride of the future, Lee Thomas. Shona Collins receives her third prize. Winner of the bridesmaid section was Mrs Paddy Thomas. Bride, Patricia Rowe. Bottom, from left: Marian MacLean, Marlene Blyde, Betty McDonald, Patricia Baker. We would like to apologise to those brides not appearing in these pages--there just wasn't room to publish all.





Above, from left: Barbara Wingate, June Newman, Raewyn Jones, Patricia Ekdhal. Far left: Barbara Cottam. Left: Colleen McIntyre, the second placegetter. Right: Joy Henderson. Below, from left: Sheryn Beaurepaire, Lorraine Davies, Paula Hammond, and Dale Cheyne. Once again, our apologies to any of the contestants whose picture does not appear in these pages. Space is our problem.



Here are some more of the Bride of the Year contestants. Above, from left: Joy Edward, Betty Martin, Raewyn Tait and Christine Proffitt. Left: Jane Craven. Right: Gaynor Laurence. Far Right: Robyn Fredrickson. Below from left: Cushla Vevers, Pamela Smith, Sue Welch and Ann McDonald.





Here are yet more contestants on the Bride of the Year show at the YMCA stadium. **Above,** from left: Jennifer Webster, Shirley Coates, Jacqueline Wickham and Kathleen Neal. **Far left:** Joy Redshaw. **Left:** Sheryl Wickham. **Right:** Peggy Astwood. **Below,** from left: Jocelyn McKee, Betty Curd, Marie Kenny, and Judith Laurence.



People in the News

Above: Mary-Anne Aldworth, a Guide for six years, and a pupil at St. Mary's School, Stratford, was recently presented with her Queen's Guide badge at a ceremony at the school.

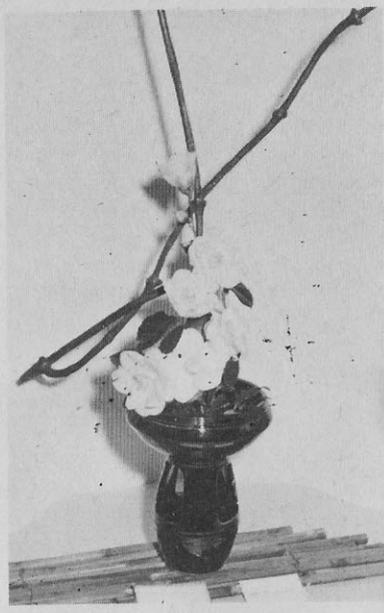
Below: Popular New Plymouth cyclist Derek Brown receives a travel clock from the president of the NPCC on his departure for Tasmania, where he is at present racing.

Above, right: Kevin Tapper, NP, winner of the recent league cycling 50-mile race from Windy Point.

Right: Second in this event came John Wood, who was beaten by Tapper by less than half a wheel.

Below, right: These five pupils of the NPGHS recently travelled to Wellington to contest the final of the school chamber music competition. They are, from left, Christine Allan, Susan Wright, Louise Allan, Jennifer Allan and Alison Lander.

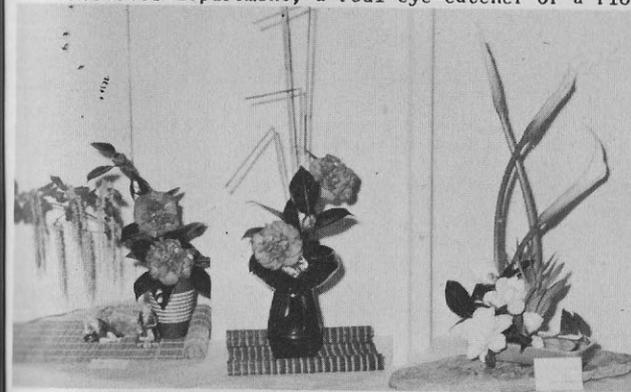




Above: The display from the Pukekura Park greenhouses at the North Taranaki Society's annual camellia show was a display that had the attention of all. It contained many orchids and a lot of the more uncommon plants, making this the centre piece of an altogether fine show. Below, left: The arrangements in the various competitions must have caused the judges trouble, as all looked so perfect to us. Below, right: Many varieties of camellias were on view in the different displays. Bottom left: Trade stall showed their best blooms. Bottom, right: Camellia display from the Parks and Reserves department, a real eye-catcher of a riot of colour.

Camellia Show

Each year, there seems to be a tremendous advance in size and quality of the camellias at the annual show. This year's show was a riot of colour, almost breathtaking, as one walked into the Whiteley Hall. So beautiful were some of the blooms on show, that we've decided to put more of this glorious flower in our garden. Above, left: First prize in the camellia and driftwood decorative section went to Mrs D. Lilley. Above, centre: Mrs P. Burn won a prize with this arrangement. Above, right: The winner of the Ikebana section was Mrs C. Cullen. Left: Lovely display of rhododendrons. Right: Another fine arrangement. Below, left: Champion bloom went to G. Huthnance. Below, right: Part of the very colourful display.

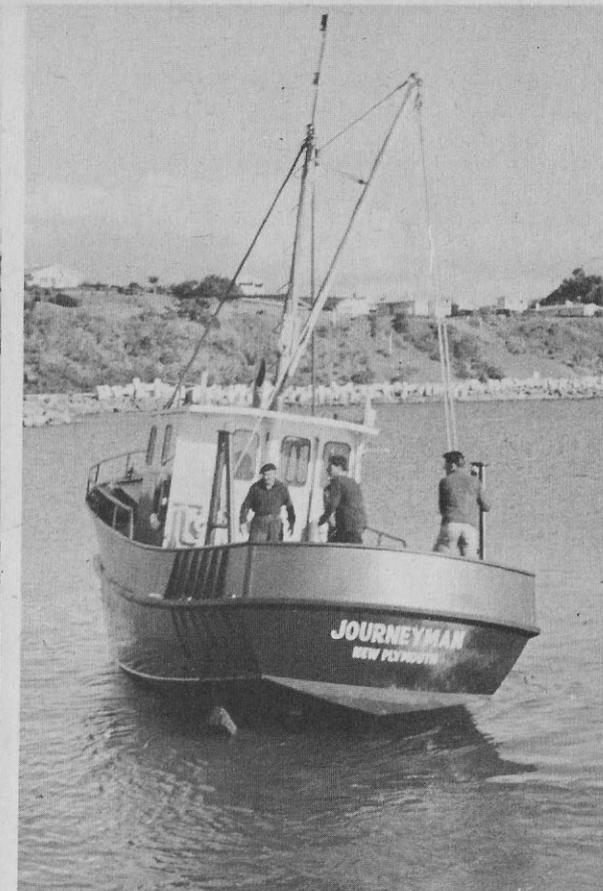
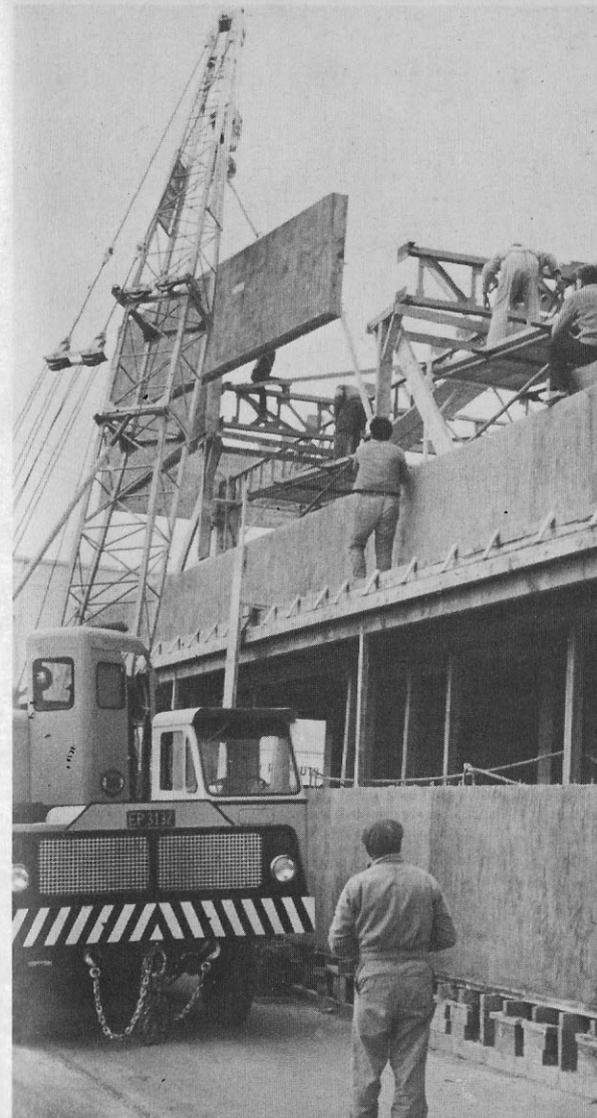




Wedding Bells

Above: DIXON-STEEDMAN. At Christ Church, Wanganui, Mura Rena, eldest daughter of Mr C.W.Steedman, Wanganui, to Neville Rex, youngest son of Mr and Mrs C.E.Dixon, Auckland, formerly NP. The bridesmaids were Marcia Scholz, Auckland, and Jennifer Steedman, sister of the bride, Rotorua. Best man was Clarrie Withers, NP, and the groomsman was Peter Gibbons, NP. Future home, New Plymouth.

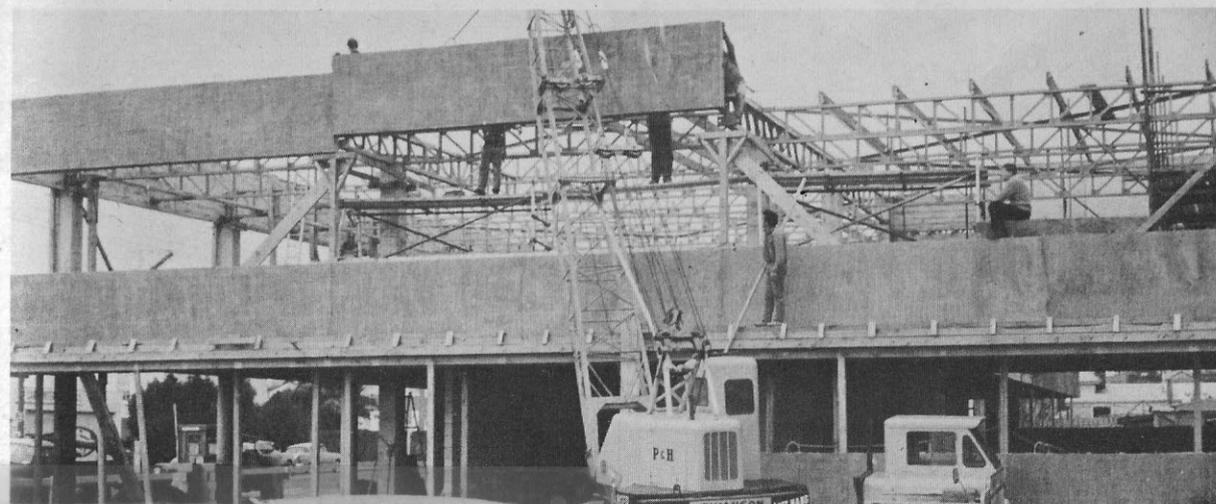
Below: TAYLOR-UPSON. At St.John's Methodist Church, Kaponga, Pauline Faye, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.J.Upson, Awatuna, to Frederick James Hill, only son of Mr and Mrs H.J.Taylor, Matakana, North Auckland. The bridesmaids were Alice Muggerridge, Auckland, and Diane Upson, NP. Best man was Roger Upson, Pukekohe, and the groomsman was Trevor Mann, Hamilton. The flower-girl was Christine Upson, Auroa, and the page boy was Bryce Upson, Eltham. Future home, Awatuna.



THINGS NEW

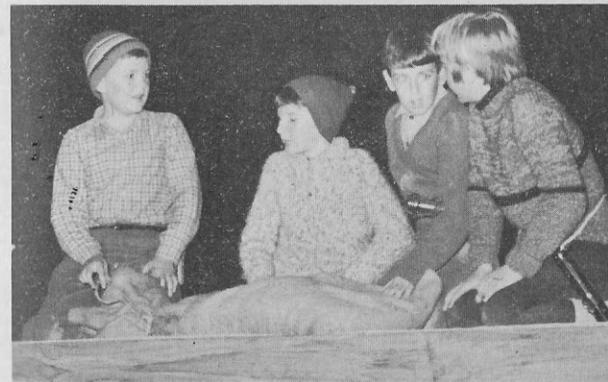
Above: Launched recently at Port Taranaki was this all-steel trawler "Journeyman" which will work from this port.

Left: New building method was recently employed on the new Dominion Life Building on the corner of Devon and Eliot Streets. Large concrete slabs were prefabricated on the site and lifted into position. View below shows one of the slabs ready for bolting into position.



HAWERA INTERMEDIATE FESTIVAL SUCCESS

Once again we found that the Hawera Intermediate school's annual festival one of the most colourful and well-presented festivals we have been to. Much thought and planning must go into such a production, which this year consisted of three very interesting plays, dancing and band items. Below: Playing in "This year's Geni" was a group of very talented actors, and shows here a geni's wish being fulfilled. Right: Princess Karen Fincham with maids Lorraine Pike, Donna Carlson and Helen McCleneghan. Below, right: The soldiers with their captain, Donald Learmonth. Bottom, left and right: The interpretive dancing was one that provided the audience with much to think about, enjoyed, we feel sure, by all who saw the item.



Another very interesting and amusing play at the Hawera Intermediate School's Festival was "The Loot". Among the actors was a young fellow who took the part of a gunman. His was one of the best performances we've seen for a long time, as he displayed so much feeling and was a delight and source of amusement to the audience. Above: Scene in the underground cave as the crook leader, second from left, comes for the loot. Left: Finding the loot and discussing what to do with it is Blair Donovan, Ainsley Hagen, Shelley Guckert and Ian Barnard. Below: Band item was a performance of a well-drilled group of young and talented musicians under the baton of Mr Pittams.





The main play of the Hawera Intermediate school's festival was a delightful Maori legend, "Uenuku and the mist girl". Left: The two maidens of the mist, Nohotu Waller and Anijuel Teatonga, with Uenuku, played by Basil Wharehoka. Below, left: Poi scene on stage. Below: Naturally there were many lusty Maori warriors, Here they perform a spirited haka. Bottom: The whole cast takes a bow after a masterful presentation.



7-A-SIDE SOCCER WINNERS

Left: Winners of the recent 7-a-side soccer tournament held at the racecourse were Highlands, who won the fifth grade. The team is, from left: John Burmester, Alan Flaszynski, Mark Webley, Julian Lesueur, Rodney Lawson, Philip Sim and Richard Bromley.



Right: Winners of the sixth grade final were yet another Highlands team, which is, from left, Trevor Snowden, Philip Ward, Neil Evetts, Peter Morris, Nigel Lesueur, Steven Bethell and Gordon Hope.



Left: Unlucky to lose the sixth grade final was this team from Bell Block school. They were a real force to be reckoned with, only losing the final in extra time. They are, from left, Mark Souber, Brian Sim, Bruce Bishop, Ross Cadman, Roger Aldridge, Barry Copestake and Rodney Cran.