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## OUR COVER

Colleen Moverley is our cover girl for the last issue of the year, and she's extending a smiling invitation to "come on in, the water's fine". And that's just what thousands of holiday-makers will be doing soon as they throng Taranaki's splendid beaches in search of fun in the water.

**BACK COVER:** The ever-popular Pukekura Park from the air.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:** With this issue the Editor and Publishers of "Photo News" wish all readers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and thank them for their wonderful support throughout a difficult year. "Photo News" will not be published in January; the first issue for 1960 of our fortnightly pictorial survey of Taranaki news will be on **FEBRUARY 5**.

## Young Town-Planners

Starting with the building of cardboard houses, the pupils of Standard 3 at the Fitzroy school carried a project to a very successful conclusion, when they completely designed their own town. Under the guidance of their teacher, Mr S.C. Warner, the project has become the pride of the school.

**Below:** Mr Warner, with John Wicksteed, John Clelland, Kerry Sleep, Rex Soper and Dean Selby, puts the finishing touches to the town.

**Right:** And the primers were not to be left out....they built their own Christmas tree.



## Inglewood's First Mayoral Chain Presented

At what is believed to be the first ceremony of its kind held in public, a large crowd saw the swearing-in of the mayor and councillors of Inglewood recently. At the same ceremony, Mr Derrence Scott, the president of the Inglewood Jaycees, presented a Mayoral chain, the first in the history of Inglewood.

**Above:** The mayor of Inglewood, Mr R.W.Brown, speaks at the function, while the town clerk, Mr R.G.Cox, attends to the minutes.

**Below, right:** The president of the Inglewood Jaycees, Mr Derrence Scott, presenting the chain to the Mayor, Mr Brown.

**Below, left:** At the conclusion of the function, two of the councillors, Messrs Ivan Lawrence and George Peters, admire the fine work on the chain.







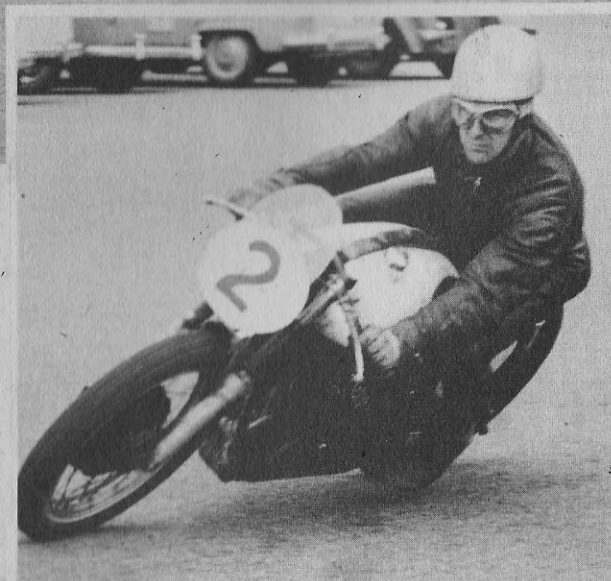
## Grand Prix at Airport

Right up to the usual entertainment and thrill value was the Grand Prix motor-cycle racing at the Bell Block Airport, organised by the North Taranaki M.C.C. Five and a quarter hours of excellent racing was witnessed by the large crowd present. J.Hempleman of Auckland was the star rider of the day. He handled his powerful machine with the skill that has made him one of the best racing motor-cyclists in the Dominion.

**Above:** T.Handley (Paeroa) leads the field in the over-350cc handicap event.

**Right:** The man who stole the show with his perfect riding: J.Hempleman of Auckland.

**Below:** The start of the first race, the 12-lap under-350cc handicap.



There were thrills aplenty at the NTMCC Grand Prix meeting on the airport, but fortunately, no spills. Something not seen in Taranaki very often is the sidecar racing, a sport which needs passengers with nerves of steel. To us, they had need of seats of steel as well. They leaned out at such precarious angles that it was a wonder they stayed with the driver.

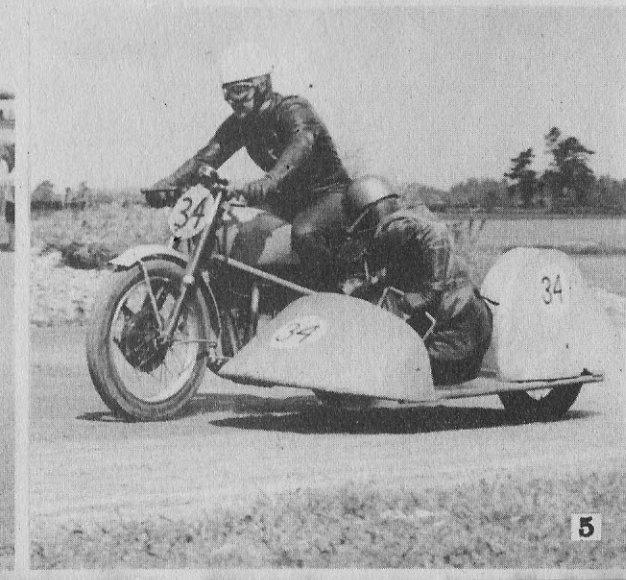
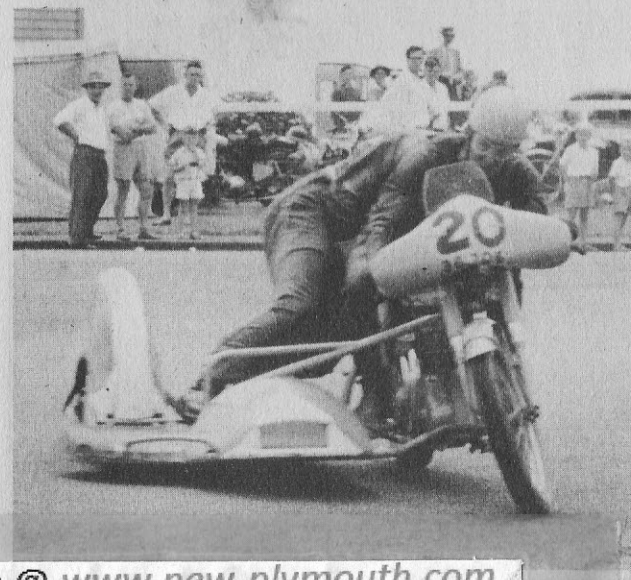


**Above:** B. Newbrook (Upper Hutt) scrapes his foot on the ground in rounding a bend, followed by P.Stone of Auckland.

**Left:** The Napier rider I.Mansfield and his passenger rounding one of the many bends.

**Below, left:** Sollitt of Wanganui gets into difficulties on the bends with his powerful machine.

**Below, right:** D.Farr and A.Lewis (Palmerston North) go flat out on the straight.

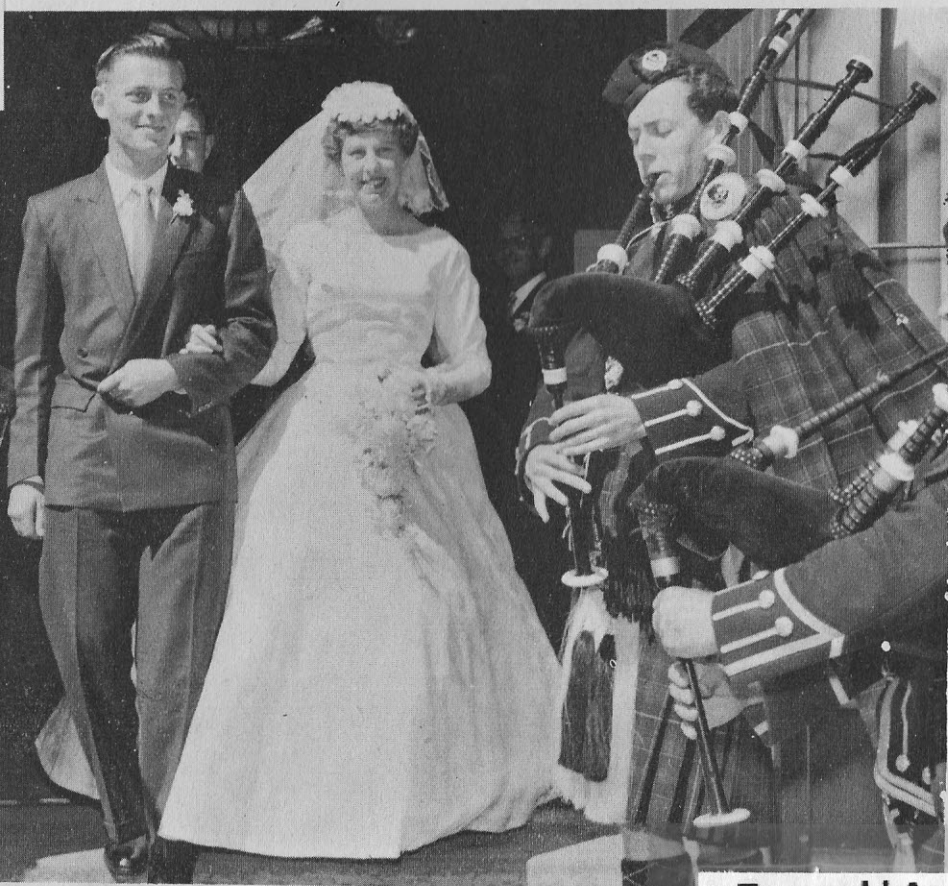




## Married

**Right: ROOK--MACKENZIE:** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Moira Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.N. Mackenzie, New Plymouth, to Barry, son of Mrs and the late Mr Rook, Okato. The matron of honour was Barbara Matthews of Christchurch, and the bridesmaids were Margaret Rogers and Katherine Rook, sister of the groom. Best man was Neil Rook, Okato, and the groomsmen were Owen Proud. Future home of the couple will be Okato.

**Below: MACKAY--FAIRBROTHER:** At St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Hastings, H.B. Pamela Joan, daughter of Mr and Mrs E.H. Fairbrother, Napier, to Donald Chalmers, son of Mr and Mrs A.L. Mackay, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Raewyn Fairbrother and Annette MacKay. Best man was Claude Rowan, New Plymouth, and the groomsmen were Norman Gordon of New Plymouth. Future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



## Youth Club Masquerade Dance

When the St. Mary's Young People's Club hold a function, it is nearly always a huge success. Their recently-held masquerade dance was no exception. The hall was crowded with young people, who thoroughly enjoyed an evening's fun.

**Above, left:** The bar did a capacity trade with the soft drinks.

**Above, right:** Some of the masqueraders, Rosalie Weston, Max Chamberlain, Ralph Robertshaw, Roly Saunders and Gail Paynter.

**Below:** Masquerade wasn't the word for it, they came just as they pleased to enjoy one of the best nights yet at the St. Mary's Youth Club. In this group of revellers are Yvonne Berry, Beverley Mills, Andy Catchpole, Helen and John Armstrong, Anne Bailey and Jewel Lecher.



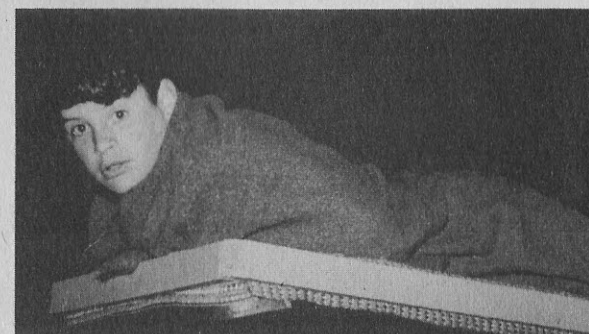


# 50th Jubilee of Inglewood Baths

A packed house was the order of the day for the 50th Jubilee of the Inglewood Baths held recently. The programme was unusual in that there were no competitive swimming races. All the events were of a novelty nature, with an exhibition of under-water fishing by the New Plymouth Underwater Club.

**Below:** John Crone loses his egg, during an egg-and-spoon race.  
**Bottom, left:** Sue Long swimming in the blindfold race.  
**Centre, right:** Max Corkill created fun with his ungraceful diving.

**Bottom, right:** Young Arthur Yates has a grandstand view from the diving board.



**Right:** The four comedian divers, Kevin McLeod, Don Burgess, Max Corkill and Mock Gardner.

**Below:** Members of the New Plymouth Underwater Club give a demonstration, which delighted the large audience.

**Centre, right:** The camera has frozen the dive of Mock Gardner, who appears to be doing a headstand on the surface of the water.

**Bottom, left:** Eric Long prepares Peter Strombom for the blindfold race.

**Bottom, right:** Diane O'Neil has trouble with her egg during an egg-and-spoon race.







## Spotswood School Fancy Dress

The Spotswood School's fancy dress party at the Watersiders' Hall recently was also the school's break-up party in most respects, and the hall was crammed with children in a glittering array of varied fancy dress, their parents, and their friends. Pictures show two groups of children sitting out between dances.



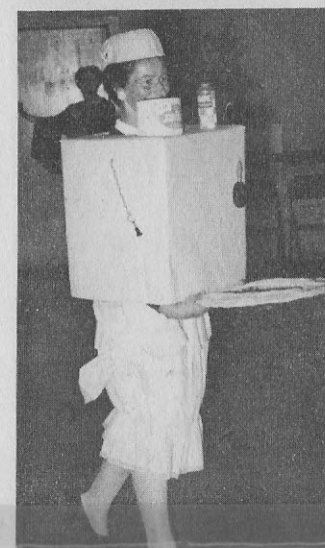
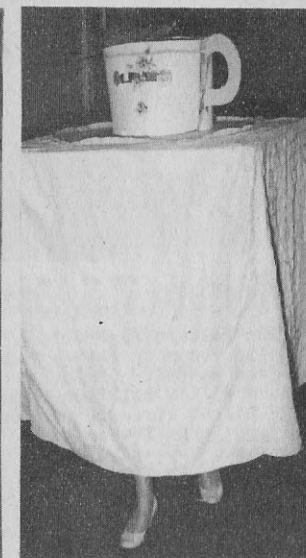
## Mock Parade

There's no doubt that when the Frankleigh Park Kindergarten holds a mannequin parade, it is a parade with a difference. As was the case recently, when, during a social evening for the Kindy mothers, mannequins appeared attired in some of the weirdest costumes seen at fashion parades this season.

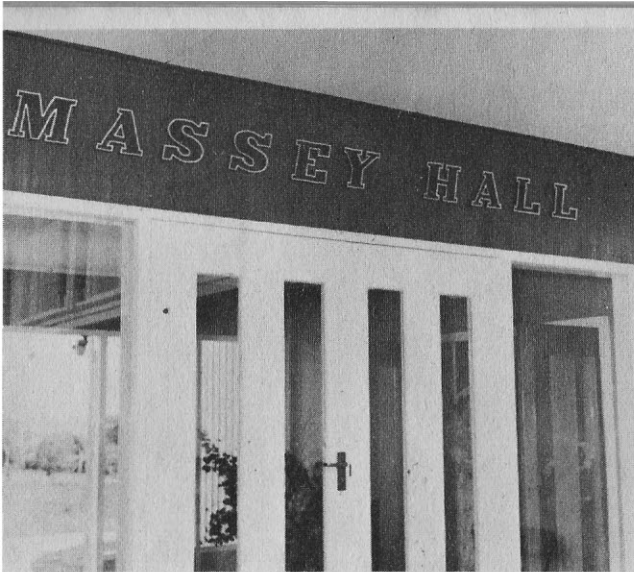
Top, from left: Joan Ormiston, Marlene McLean, Lola Ivory, June Lynch and Margaret Young.

Centre, from left: Marjon van Paassen, Jill Trott and Jean Insull.

Below, from left: Kath Wilson, Nancy Morris, Shona Porter and Maureen Suthon.







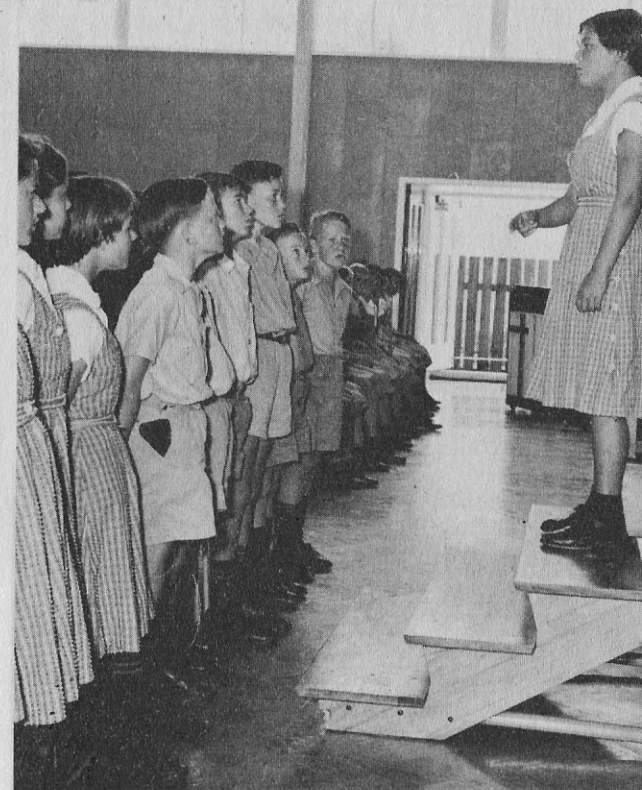
## Waitara H.S. Assembly Hall

The Waitara High School assembly hall, officially known as Massey hall was opened recently by the Minister of Education, Mr P.O.S. Skogland. Although the hall has been in use for some time, the recent ceremony was an impressive one.

**Top, left:** The entrance to the new hall, with the name above the doors.

**Above:** In front of the hall is an ornamental pond, which adds to the attraction. Mr Skogland, turns the key.

**Below:** Such a large crowd turned up for the opening that the overflow had to listen to the speeches relayed from the hall to the lawn outside.



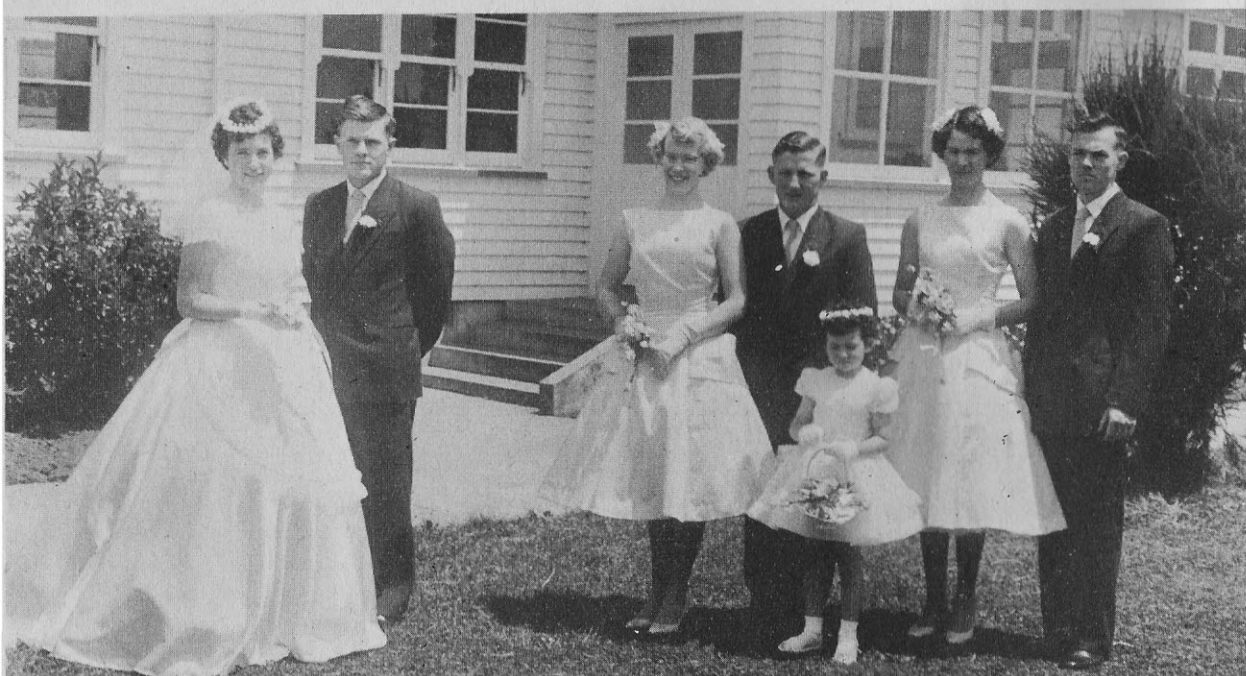
**Above, left:** Doris Dowman, winner of the Sir Peter Buck dux medal at the Waitara High. School, enjoys a joke with Mr Skoglund, who made the presentation.

**Above, right:** Moana Cameron conducts the school choir, which entertained with several items during the afternoon.

**Below:** The party of official guests who came out of the hall to watch the the Minister of Education perform the official opening of the hall.



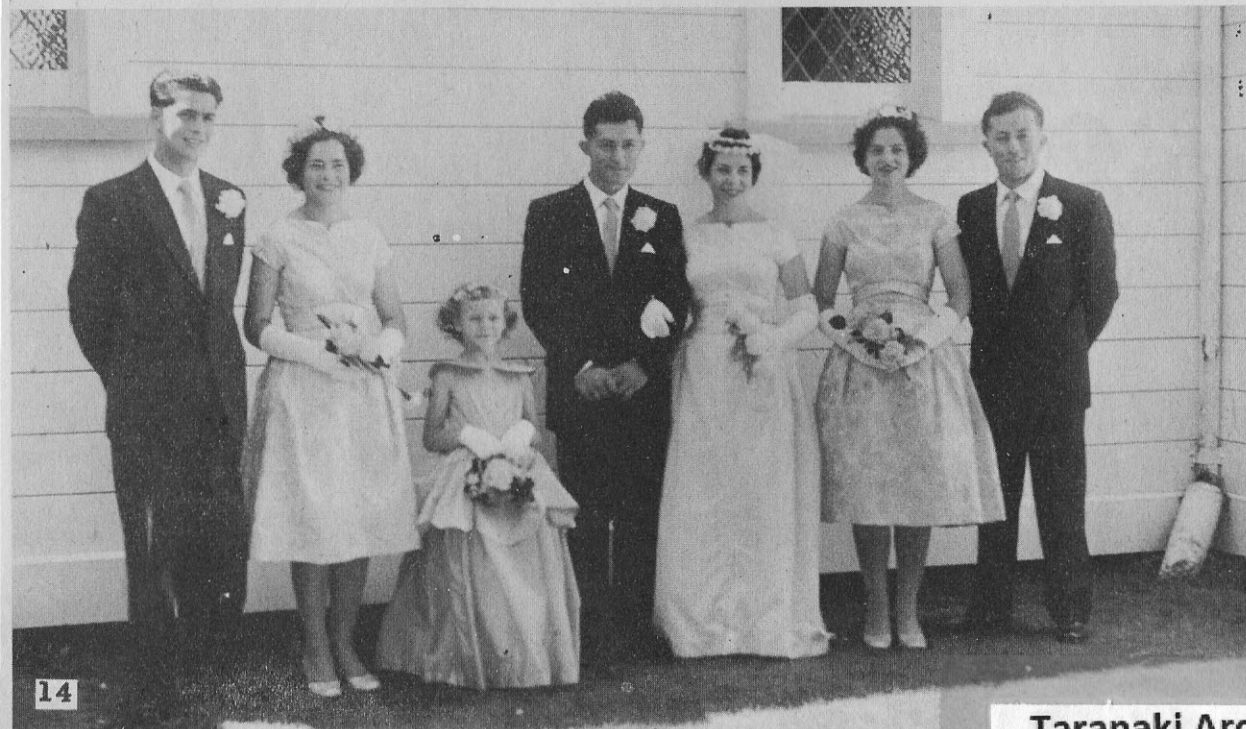




## Wedding Bells

**Above: GEORGE--PAYNTER:** At the Catholic Church, Waitara, Janet Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roy Paynter of Brixton, to Monty, youngest son of Mrs and the late Mr Pat George of Waitara. The bridesmaids were Judith Spurdle, Inglewood, and Dorothy Rose of Stratford. Best man was Brian Vint of Lepperton and the groomsman was John Paynter, a brother of the bride. The flowergirl was Paula Cartert, a goddaughter. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

**Below: PETRICEVICH--ALP:** At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Joan Frances, third daughter of Mr and Mrs K.A. Alp, New Plymouth, to Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs W. Petricevich of Auckland. Sisters of the bride, Kathleen and Dawn Alp, were the bridesmaids. Walter Pet, Auckland, was the best man and the groomsman was Gordon Eastwood, also of Auckland. Jennifer Ethrington, a niece, of Matiere, was the little flowergirl. Future home of the couple will be Te Kaeo.



## Waitara Marching Championships

Seldom has the standard of marching been higher than it was at the recent Waitara Marching Association's Championships. Though support from the public was notably poor, the quality of the marching was of a conversely high standard with the champion New Zealand team in action.

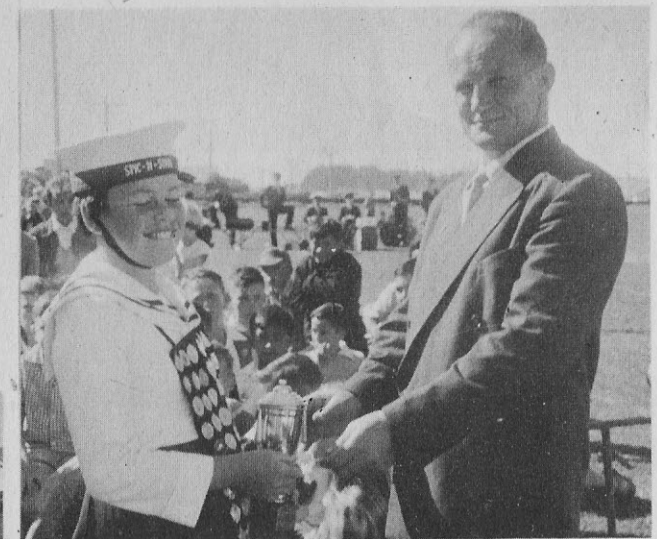
**Above:** The full complement of competitors face the judge after the march past.

**Right:** Norm Nicksen, president of the local association, presents a cup to Heather Kendrick, leader of the Spic-'n-Span team of Midhurst.

**Below, right:** These are the judges for the championships. From left, Ron Farrell, Ted Kendrick, Eileen Bennock, Janice Minton and Capt. J.J. Corkill, the chief judge.

**Below:** Vanguards of Inglewood, who scooped the pole in the senior section.

**Bottom:** Smart and precise, Joy Step, from Hawera, perform in the junior section.







## Stratford Golden Jubilee Show

Everything was a record for the Stratford Agricultural and Pastoral Association's Golden Jubilee Show, and when it was all over, there was general agreement that in every respect it was the best show ever held by the association. The gate takings were higher than ever before, and in most sections the entries set new records.

The show was officially opened by the deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Agriculture, Mr C.H.Skinner, who was introduced by the association president, Mr A.W.White. Mr Skinner was impressed with the show, and declared he had never seen one of greater interest.

Pictures on this page were taken during the grand parade, and show cattle entries (above) in front of the crowded stand, and (below) some of the horses which took part.







## Boys' Brigade Presentation Night

A great night was in store for the 4th (NP) Coy of the Boys' Brigade, when they held their annual presentation of badges and certificates recently. There was a good attendance of parents and friends to cheer the boys who had badges to receive. This company, one of the strongest and most enthusiastic in New Plymouth, speaks volumes for its officers.

**Above:** At the beginning of the evening, the boys were inspected by Staff Officer R.E. Fordyce and Captain Rod Bray, officer commanding the company. Those being inspected are from left, Lt. Norm Earl, Arthur Roper, Laurie Christiansen, Peter Liley and Graeme Earl.

**Below:** Some of the boys make their own inspection of the badges, medals and certificates that were for presentation. From left, they are, Gary Pratt, John Patterson, Laurie Christiansen, Neil Cleaver, Ivor Ward, John Thomson, Barry Shippley, Brian Busing, Dawson Wood and Ken Cresswell.







Above: The grand parade was led by a very youthful pipe band, who played with professional skill. Our photograph shows the stand which was packed to capacity for this, the biggest and best show yet held at Stratford.

Below, left: All the fun of the fair for the younger set to enjoy themselves with. This, too, was the biggest fair yet.

Below, right: Among the floats which paraded through the town before entering the oval was this one which showed how the well-dressed cocky came to the show 50 years ago.



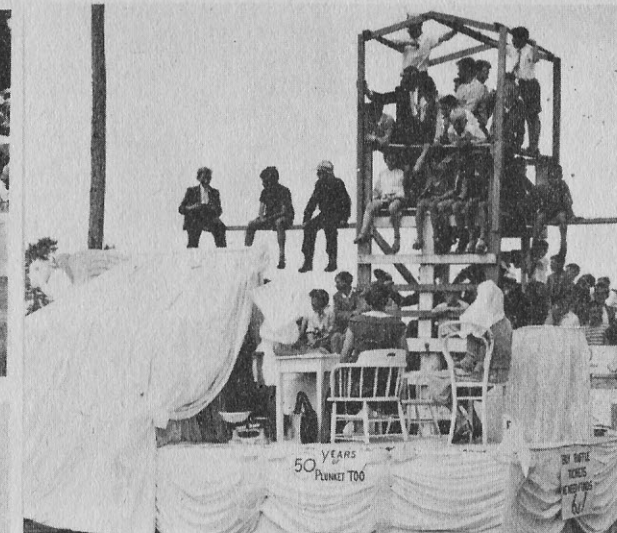
Pictured on this page are some of the floats in the parade.  
Right: The float of the Stratford Mountain Club.

Below: This one was a beautiful sight all decorated in artificial flowers. It was a combined effort of the WDFV.

Bottom: No parade would be complete if the trick cyclists weren't there.

Right, centre: The Plunket float, up to the usual high standard.

Bottom, right: One of the trick cyclists has graduated to a Go-Kart.



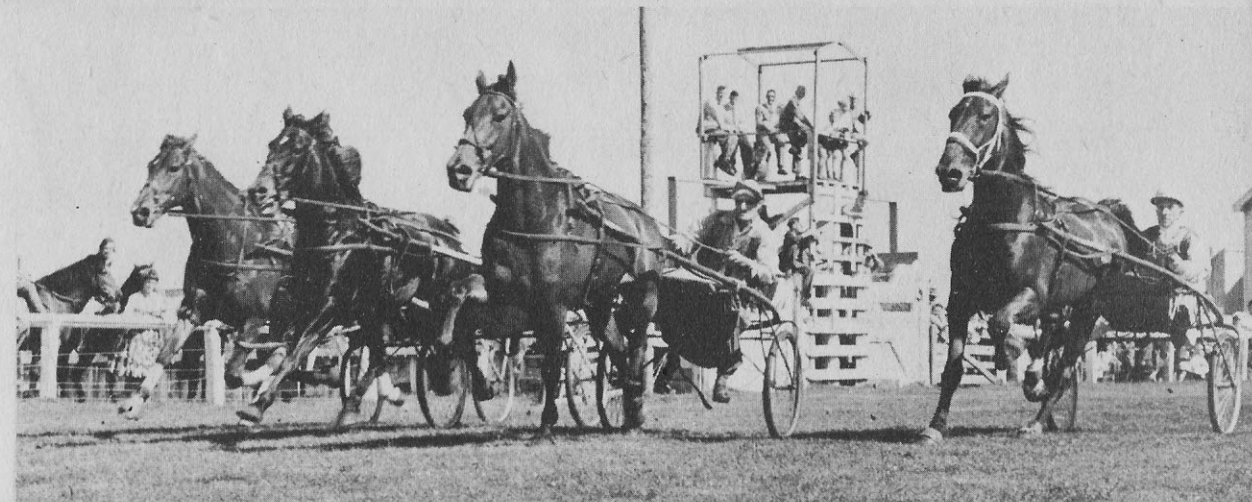
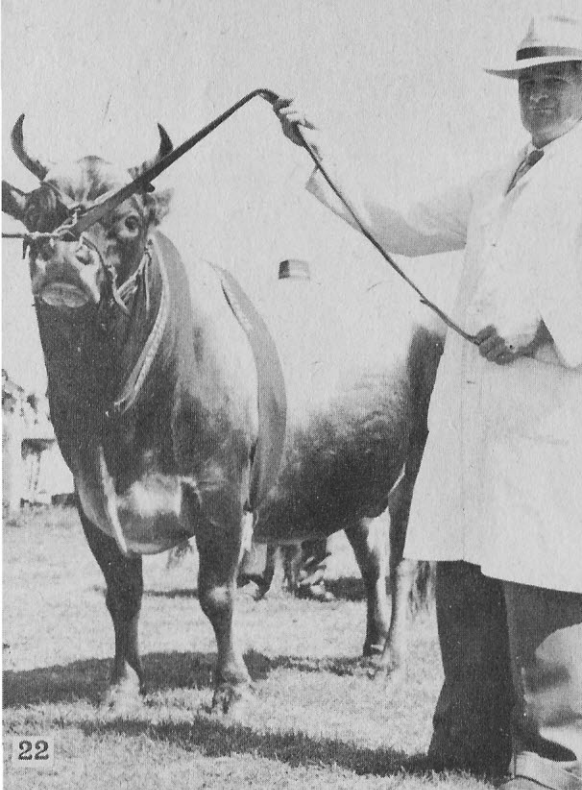




One of the features of the show was the quality of the stock for judging.  
**Left:** A champion to be proud of. Linmore Misty Fable, with her owner Mr Lyndsey Morgan of Mangatoki, winner of the championship of all breeds. This cow also won the championship at the Royal Show, recently held at Palmerston North.



**Right:** The junior champion bull, Snow View Greek Flash, owned by Mr D.E.Purdie, Waitara.  
**Below:** H.V.McKay with his champion bull.  
**Below, right:** Alec Brown (Stratford) and the champion bull which led the grand parade.



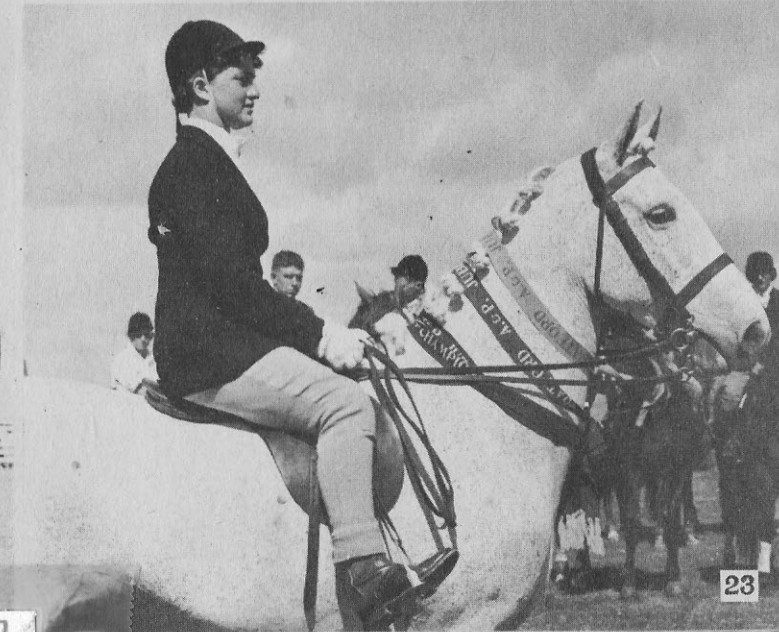
**Above:** Trotting is something not often seen at A & P shows, but at Stratford it created a lot of interest. As our picture shows, the contests were very close as the horses came into the last bend before the winning post.



**Left:** A group of the ring stewards, photographed with the president, Mr A.W.White, (second from left), and the deputy Prime Minister, Mr Skinner (4th from left).

**Below, left:** The champion hack ridden by Miss R.Bailey of Hawera.

**Below, right:** The champion pony, owned by J.Dalby, and ridden by Wendy Aitken.







Left: Winner of the Pony Jumping Championship, Diane Schinanski, Mokoia, with her fine-looking horse, Chips.

Above: A foal that held the attention of the judge, Mrs Fullarton-Smith, is held by Joy Macartney. The foal's name is Elvis.

Below, right: Mr. Skinner also tied on the ribbon of the horse gaining second place, Miss H.L.Blackwell's Miss Wirth.

Below, left: Winner of the Olympic International Jumping Competition, Miss J.Dalby, gets her ribbon tied on by Mr Skinner.



# SOME JUMPED...SOME DIDN'T

Above: Bruce Purdy on Dark Star hits a fence and knocks down the bars and drums. These three sequence pictures show how the rider finished up sitting on one of the drums looking rather surprised.

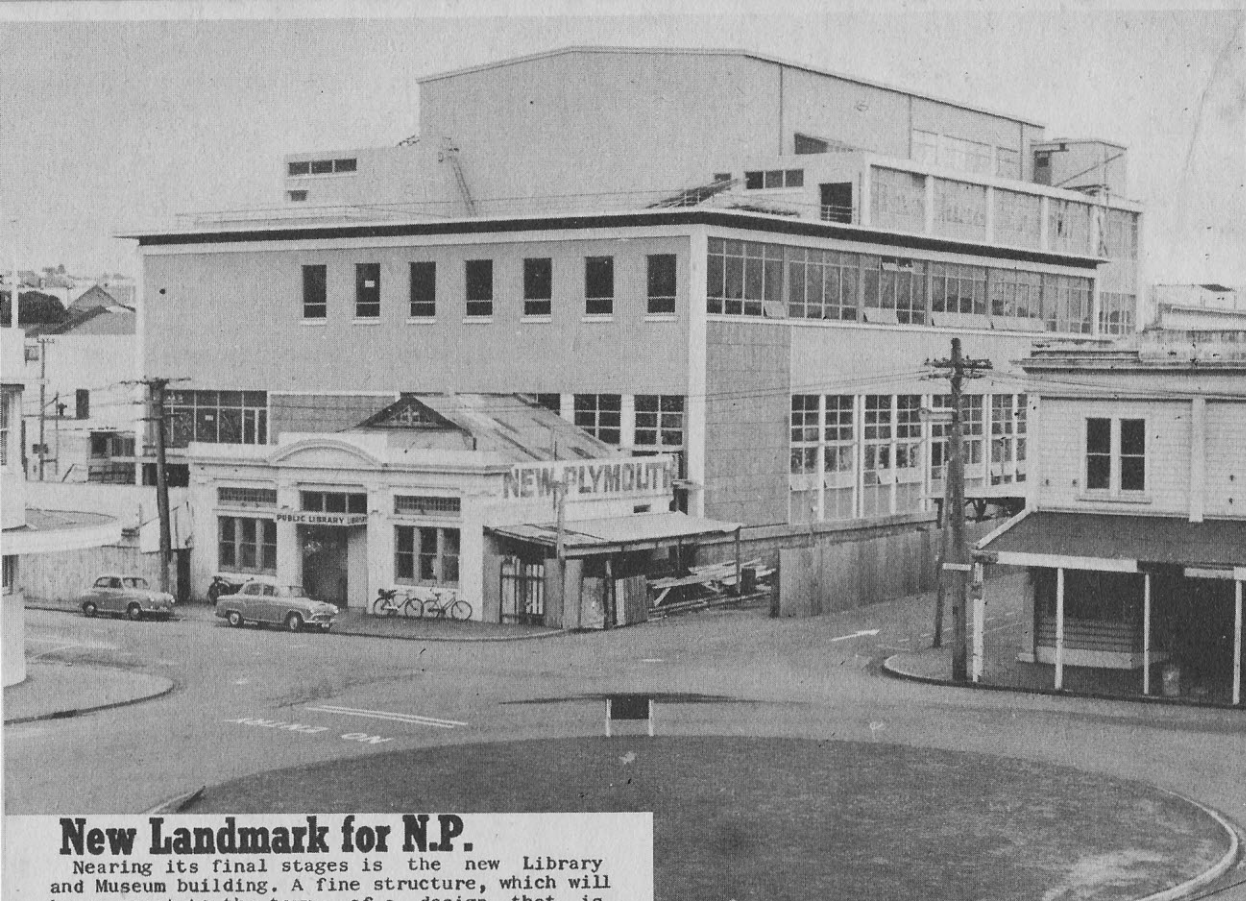
Left: Ann Mullally on Artful had a very successful show.

Bottom, left: Margaret Bull, Hunterville, on Restoration, clears the wire jump.

Below: Joan Allen and Dick Arnold make a happy landing in the dual jump.







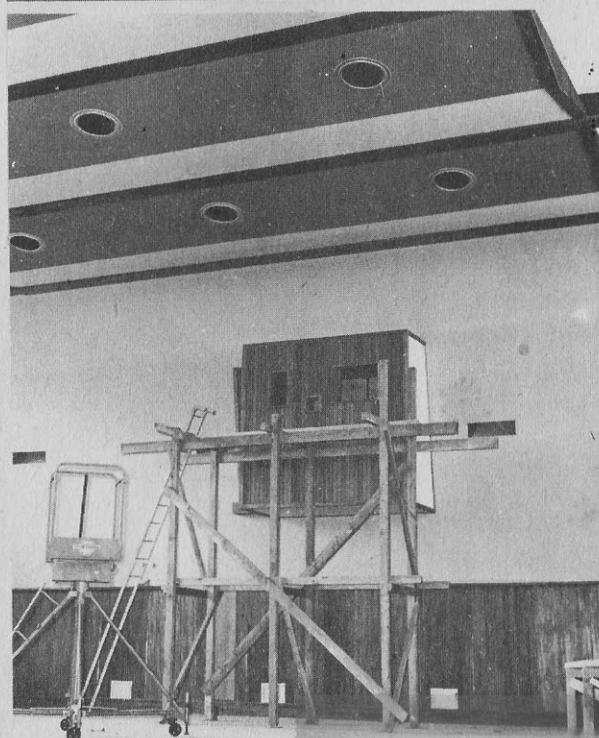
## New Landmark for N.P.

Nearing its final stages is the new Library and Museum building. A fine structure, which will be an asset to the town, of a design that is pleasing and colourful, it will fill a long-felt want for the city.

**Top:** Photographed from the roof of the Royal Hotel, the new building dwarfs the present, inadequate library.

**Below:** Wally Siddall, Alby Kinsella and Laurie Bishop putting the finishing touches to one of the floors.

**Right:** Showing the modern roof design, this photograph was taken inside the hall. Immediately behind the scaffold is the projection box for showing of films.



## Opunake Catholic Barbecue

Favoured with brilliantly fine weather, the Opunake Catholic Barbecue, held at the Opunake beach recently, attracted about 1000 people from all parts of the province.

The two-hour mid-day hangi was an outstanding success. The morning programme of races had children of all ages and sizes vying with each other for supremacy on the sand, resulting in some sterling battles on foot.

**Right:** After the racing, the children went on a treasure hunt. The organisers had buried matchboxes with money in them in the sand. The kids scratched away merrily for a long time, with some getting richer by the minute.

**Below:** The serving line at the hangi.



## Engaged

**Below:** Jessie Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Ross of Waipawa, to Murray Owen, 3rd son of Mr and Mrs R.F. Hopkins, New Plymouth.







## Y.M.C.A.'s "Gym Frolics"

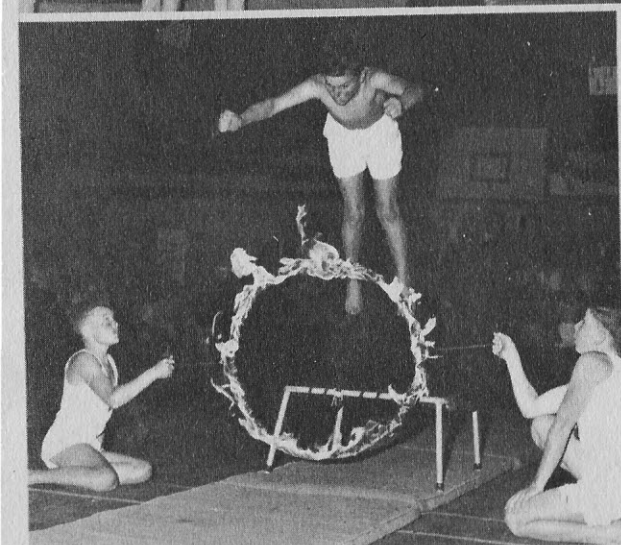
Rating an attendance of over 1200 people, the YMCA "Gym Frolics" has become one of the top gym displays in the country. Under the directorship of the general secretary, Dennis Oliver, it has given entertainment and enjoyment to a host of parents. With the addition of some of the Dominion's best gymnasts, it proved to be a show right "out of the box".

Above: The Junior Hi-Y built some very intricate pyramids.

Left: Over the fiery hoop goes Peter Waller.

Below, left: Philip Gayton dives over the flames.

Below: John Fastier and Russell Florence take a tumble and Ken Wood and Bruce Walker look as if they are about to take one, too.



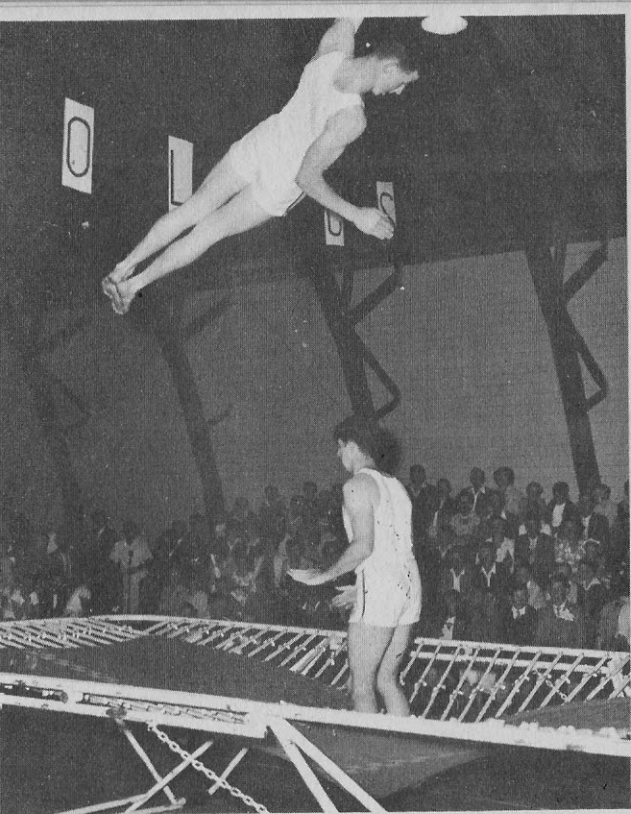
Above: A certificate and cup for Robert Bailey from the hands of the president Mr Cooper and the general secretary Dennis Oliver.

Left: One of the highlights of the evening was the clowning of John McCreedy and Jim Blair from the Hutt. They provided laughs by the mile with their clever antics.

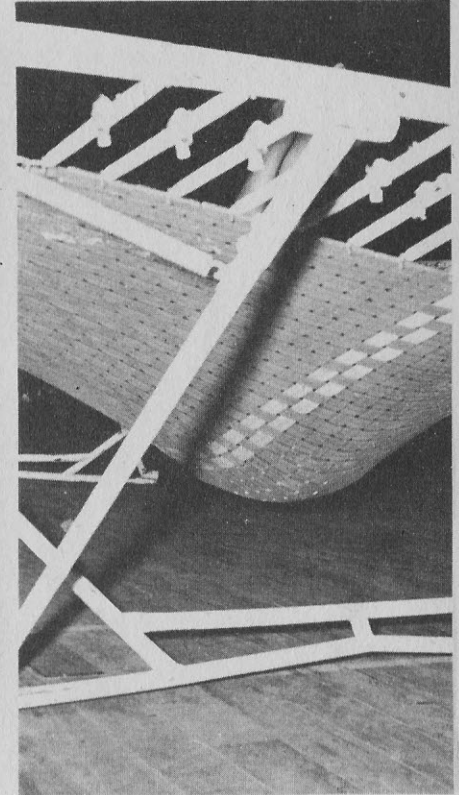
Below: Just scan through this picture and see how much the audience loved those tumbling clowns. There's not a face without a smile.







Above: Robert Archibald receives a cup.  
 Above, left: Two of the Wanganui trampoliners performed some amazing feats.  
 Below, left: Another trampoliner caught in mid-air.  
 Below, centre: This is what happens to the trampoline when one of the performers jumps on it from a great height.  
 Below, right: Alex McNabb, a New Zealand Champion, performs on the horizontal bar.



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# Married

Right: MANU--CARTER.  
 At the Waitara Catholic Church, Valerie Joy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W.H.Carter, New Plymouth, to Lionel, second son of Mrs and the late Mr Manu, New Plymouth. The matron of honour was Verna Dravitski of Urenui, and the best man was Ivan Manu, a brother of the groom. The future home of the couple will be Rotorua.

## COMING-OF-AGE:

Below, left: Beverly Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Cattley, New Plymouth, who recently celebrated her 21st.

Below, left centre: Charlie, youngest son of Mrs and the late Mr J.C.Northcott of Mokau.

Below, right centre: Laurel, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.V.Gilbert of New Plymouth.

Below, right: Ross, son of Mr and the late Mrs S.Judson, Ohura. (Pictures by Crago).







# Champion Calves

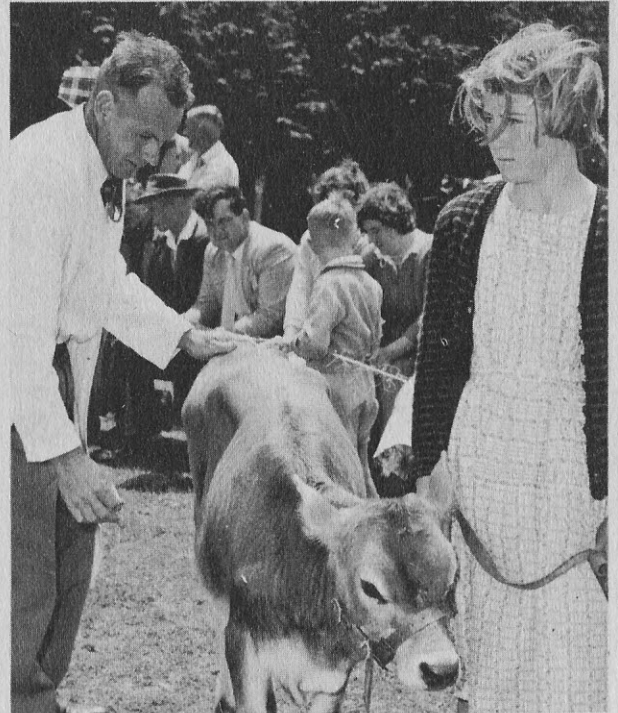
The South Inglewood group of school calf clubs held their champion of champions events recently at the Ratapiko School. With plenty of public support and fine weather as well, the day was a huge success.

Above: While the children parade their charges the parents gather round and take quite a keen interest.

Below: Raewyn Corlett of Ratapiko gets her calf ready for the ring.

Right: Placegetters in the Junior Dairy Type Light Breeds class. From right, Marolyne Cornwall (Norfolk) 1st, Beth Saltzberger (Tariki) 2nd and Raewyn Klenner (Kaimata) 3rd.

Below, right: In the Senior Dairy Type winners were from right, Errol Collingham (Kaimata) 1st, Ian Hooper (Kaimata) 2nd and Jennifer West (Norfolk) 3rd.



Above: Mr "Bluey" Hall judging the senior condition, is seen making an inspection of Margaret Stachurski's calf.

Above, left: Dave Lock judging in the junior ring. He is shown with Carole Stewart (Kaimata).

Left: Leading their charges around the ring in professional style are these children in the senior class.

Below, right: Some came to watch the stock, and some came to meet old friends and enjoy the sunshine.

## BOUQUET....

Shona Porter makes a presentation to Mrs Leoni Priest, who compered the fashion parade at the Frankleigh Park Kindergarten recently.







## Cavalcade of Fashion

The Moturoa Mothers' Club recently held a cavalcade of fashion, which was very well-attended, and caused uproarious laughter with the fashions of early and very early times. It is still a closely guarded secret as to where the clothes came from. It does appear that some of the mothers had to dig deep into their bottom drawers to find them.

Top, left: Mrs Johnstone, a high school girl....not much alteration here.

Top, right: Mesdames Williamson, Humphrey and Saleman demonstrate the latest in underwear of the dark ages.

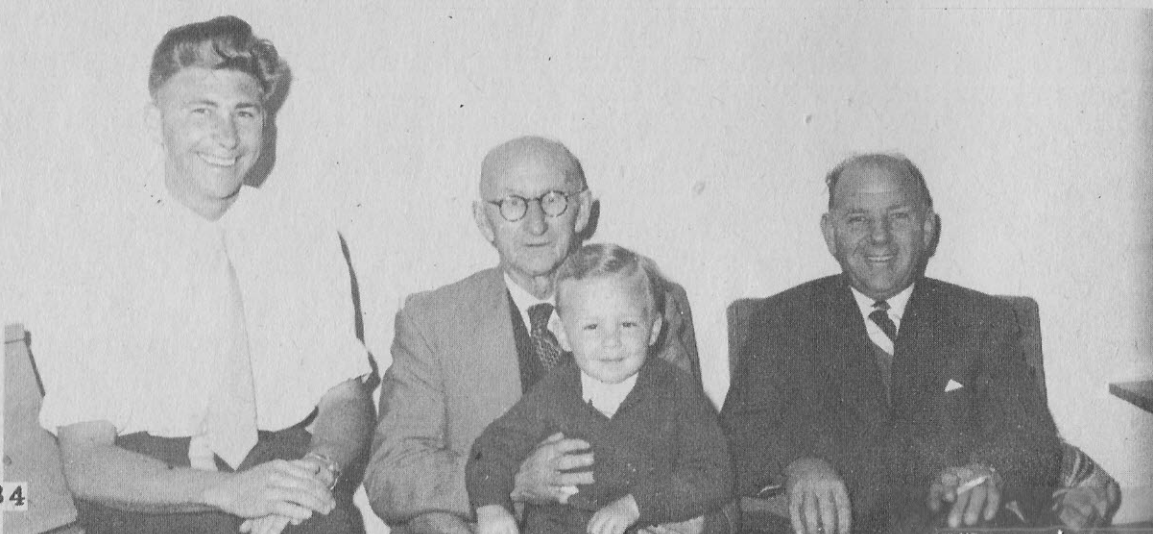
Above, left: Mrs Rodgers as the blushing bride of 1880 and Mrs Martin as the groom.

Above, centre: Mrs George and Mrs Saleman go back to the "Naughty Twenties".

Above, right: Mrs Trott and Mrs Williamson in the latest in candle-snuffers.

### FOUR GENERATIONS:

Below: Four generations recently got together for a reunion. They are from left, Barry Stachurski, the great-grandfather, Paul Stachurski, young Michael and grandfather Ernie Stachurski. The occasion was the christening of Barry's daughter.



## Presbyterian Garden Party

A well-attended garden party was recently held in the grounds of Mrs Shepherds' at Tukapo street. Produce was plentiful and the supporters bought well for the church funds.

Right: At a produce stall run by Flora Telford and Maud Shoemark customers were Alfred Surrey, aged 92, Julia Shore, 90, and Agnes Grant, 91. Not a bit too old to be out in the sun.

Below: Buyers at another stall are Francis Williamson, Hilda Hawarth and Lorraine Coles.

Bottom, left: Joan White sells a balloon to Stewart Ross.



Right, centre: Mrs Georgina Robinson had charge of the magazine stall.

Bottom, right: Stewart White did a good trade at the weight guessing competition.







## Girls' Life Brigade Break-up

The 1st N.P. Company, Girls' Life Brigade, recently held their break-up ceremony, with an evening attended by parents and friends.

Above, left: Muriel James presented the commanding officer of the company, Capt. Thompson, with a bouquet.

Above: The Rev. Jackson-Campbell greets a new member of the company, Josephine Oliver.

Below, left: A bouquet for Mrs A.Horn, for services rendered, presented by Jennifer Frogget on behalf of the company.

Below: The company choir gave many excellent items during the evening.



## Boys' Family Night

The usual end-of-year "Family Night" was held by the Merrilands Boys Club recently. It was in fact a real family night, with the families turning up in full force. There were games and plays but the highlight of the evening were the two mannequin parades...all done by the children and admired by all.

Above: These are the girl mannequins, Carole Whiting, Sharron Walker, Gillian Hurley, Charlotte Allen, Jennifer Paul, Jeanette Higgins, Robyn Bevan and Alison Paul.

Below: And these are the "boy" mannequins, Bruce Walker, Rodger Whiting, Errol Hill, Marshall Taylor, John Paul, and Wayne Miller, who pose with the compere Cheryl McWhinnie.

Above, right: One of the "Girls" on parade.

Below, right: Two tiny tots who paraded like veterans, Robyn Bevan and Alison Paul.







## N.T. Calf Club Championships

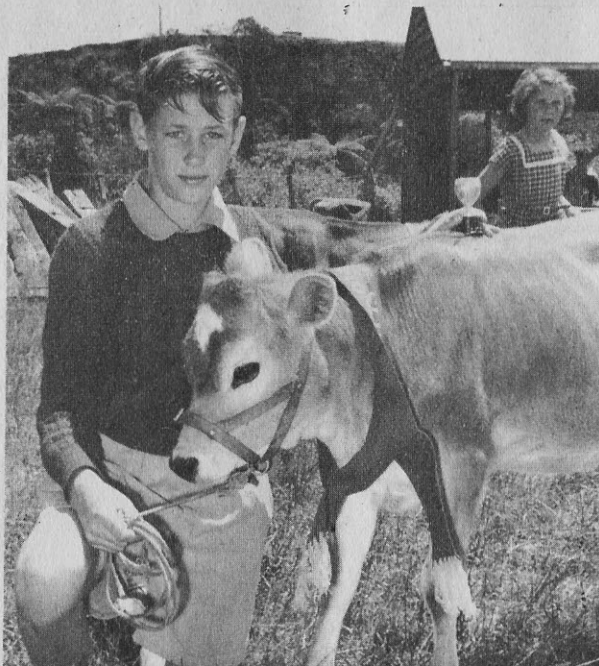
Held in brilliantly fine weather at the show-grounds, New Plymouth, the championships drew a large audience of interested farmers. The quality of the stock on parade, was, according to the judges, of a very high standard.

**Above:** In the senior ring, where much of the interest centred.

**Right:** Max Northcott (Urenui) with his calf and the cup he won for senior leading.

**Below:** Shirley Bell (Oakura) cleans her calf before entering the ring.

**Below, right:** Brian Axton (Urenui) with his calf and the ribbon he won for the senior dairy type.



**Above, left:** Judge Ernie Luxton takes a good look at the calf owned by Barry Bishop (Bell Block).

**Above:** Larry Smart (Tikorangi) and the calf that won two fine ribbons, the junior type, and condition, heavy breeds.

**Left:** Felicity Bannister (Newall Road) who gained a second in the junior leading.

**Below, left:** The children led their charges around the ring like veterans.

**Below:** Awaiting the word to enter the ring, from one of the teacher-organisers.







# **St. Mary's Ladies' Guild**

The Guild recently organised a social afternoon, cum bring and buy, cum mannequin parade. The result was an outstanding success.

**Above:** Mrs Robert's Cantatrice Group performed with professional polish.

**Right:** Customers at a stall are Winifred Elliott, Sybil Sutherland and Joyce Johns.

**Below:** Mannequins Mrs Jennifer Mack and her two children Anthony and Andreen.

**Below, right:** Amateur mannequins with professional ability, Del Hine and Jill Vosper.



Ron Winstanley



Colin Perry



Carole Coleman



Kevin O'Sullivan



Alex Orms

# **N-Taranaki Tennis**

For the first time, the A, B, and C grade residential championships were held at one meeting. The entries were numerous and the standard of play was also of a very high order. Favoured with fine weather, the championships were well conducted and ran smoothly, despite the large number of games needed to finish them.



Trevor Jenkins



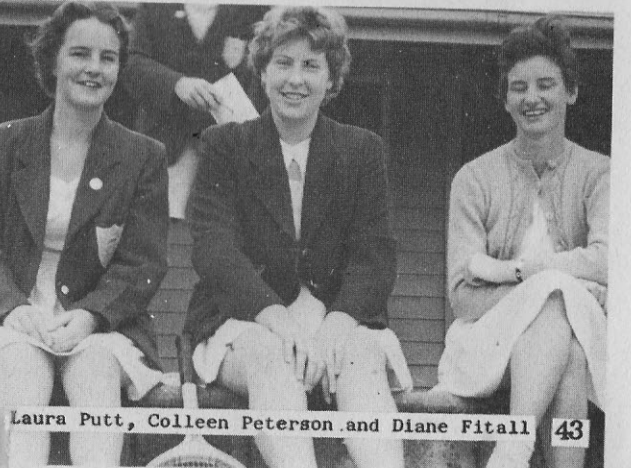
George Karam



Jim Richardson



Barry Allen



Laura Putt, Colleen Peterson and Diane Fitall



**Right:** Some of the third-formers who were dressed as penguins for the performance.

**From left:** Aaron Wool-laston, Bernard Watson, Noel Bocock, Wayne Croad, Kasper Stiner, Gordon Astwood and Monty Rowe.

**Below:** Much fun and frolic was in evidence when the girls let down their hair, to become the girls from St. Trinians.

**Right, centre:** Even Ferdie was not forgotten.

**Bottom, right:** The Hula Girls who really looked the part were Janet Anscombe, Heather Coull, Vicki Towa.







## "Technicalities—or Tommy's Troubles"

A concert to mark the end of the term was recently staged in the Stratford Town Hall by pupils of the Stratford Technical High School. The concert ran for two nights and played to packed houses. The first half of the programme was a choral concert, which produced some very high quality singing by both the choir and the soloists. The remainder of the programme was the school revue played and enjoyed by all.

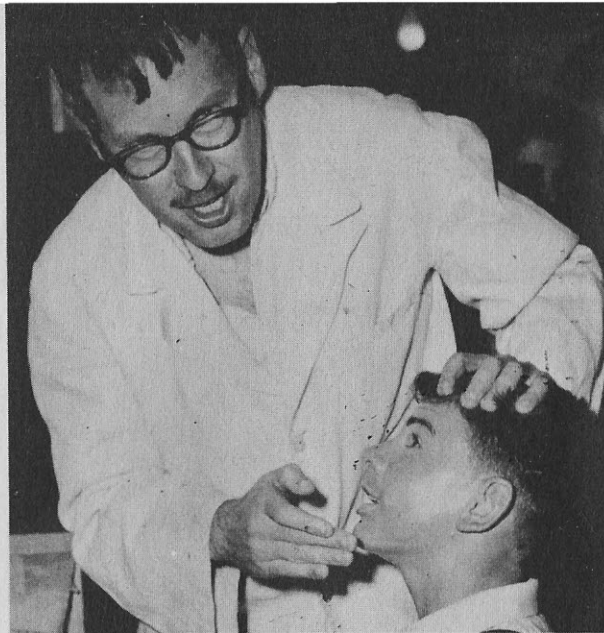
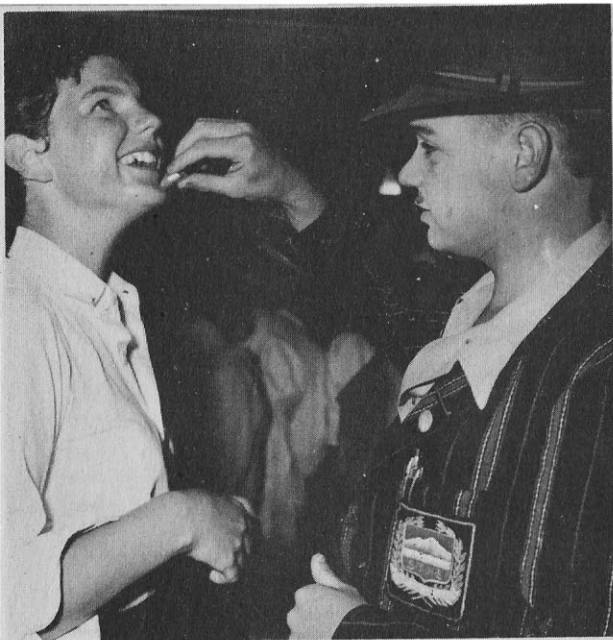
**Above:** The school choir and orchestra performing.

**Left:** Three members of the revue cast, Roger Herring, Cliff Johnston and Jim Brown, are dressed as Luniks.

**Right:** A visit from the gals of St. Trinians caused plenty of fun.







**Above:** Much preparation went into the revue from the make-up point of view, with the players helping each other out, and a master to supervise the whole proceedings. Our picture shows teacher Don Macdonald putting the shine on David Price.

**Above, left:** Claude Treweek helps Gay McKenzie get a tan up.

**Left:** Corrina Cookson prepares Brian Fellows for his role.

**Below:** Here are the pupils who mimicked the teachers. Mr "Black", complete with cap and gown parades in front of the "teachers". For the school record book, Mr "Black" was played by Derek Morton.



#### AN APOLOGY:

In our last issue, we had photographs of N.P. Ladies' Golf Club champions. We credited Mrs Mavis Jones with winning the senior championship. Mrs Jones, in fact, won the McDiarmid Cup, and Miss Alison Pritchard was the winner of the club's senior championship. We apologise if this report caused any misunderstandings.



## New Food Centre

Free coffee and biscuits were on the menu for customers of Vinsen's New Food Centre, at its re-opening ceremony recently. This modern, well-laid-out shop on the corner of Morley and Devon streets will be an asset to the residents of West New Plymouth.

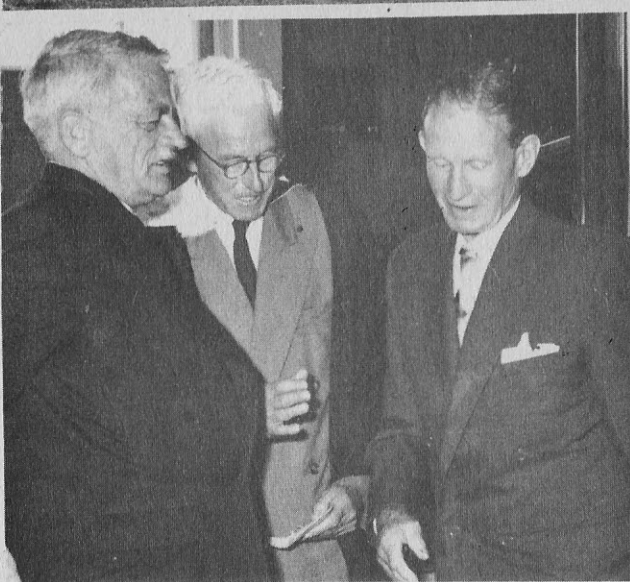
**Above, left:** The proprietor and his wife, Mr and Mrs Bert Vinsen, with their son, who assists in the running of the business.

**Above, right:** The modern, pleasing-to-the-eye shop front.

**Below:** Two photographs of the interior.







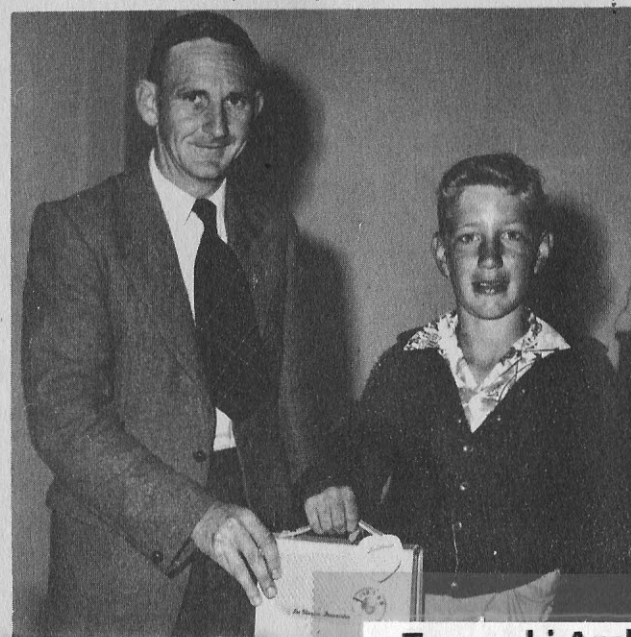
### *Roving Camera*

**Above:** A procession held in the grounds of the Catholic school in Brooklands Road attracted a large gathering. The procession almost completely encircled the ground. Following the procession, a service was held in the open air.

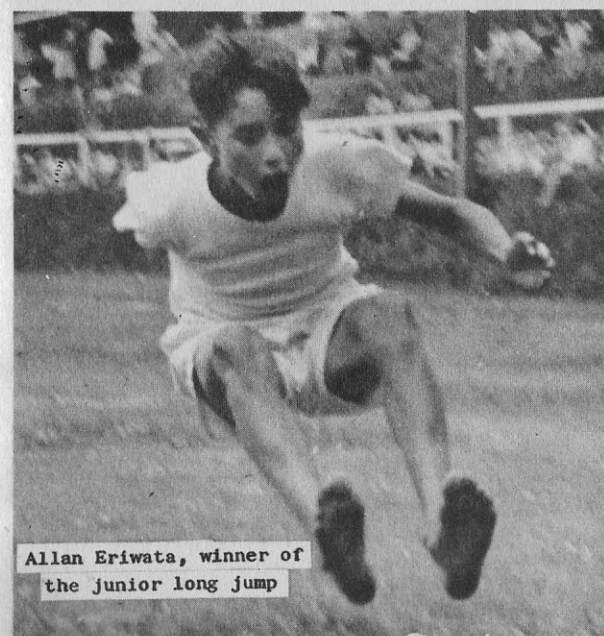
**Left:** The Minister of Education, Mr Skoglund, with the headmaster of the Waitara High School, Mr Massey, stopped to talk to Wally Johnson, at the official opening of the new assembly hall.

**Below, left:** In a recent Space Cadet competition organised by the GHB stores in the district the junior section prize was won by Wayne Barsby of Budleigh Street, New Plymouth. He is shown here receiving his prize, a scooter, from the GHB Chairman, Neil Strawbridge.

**Below, right:** And in the senior section of the same competition, the winner of a transistor radio was Murray Allen, a pupil of Cardiff School.



Jim Van der Water digs in on landing



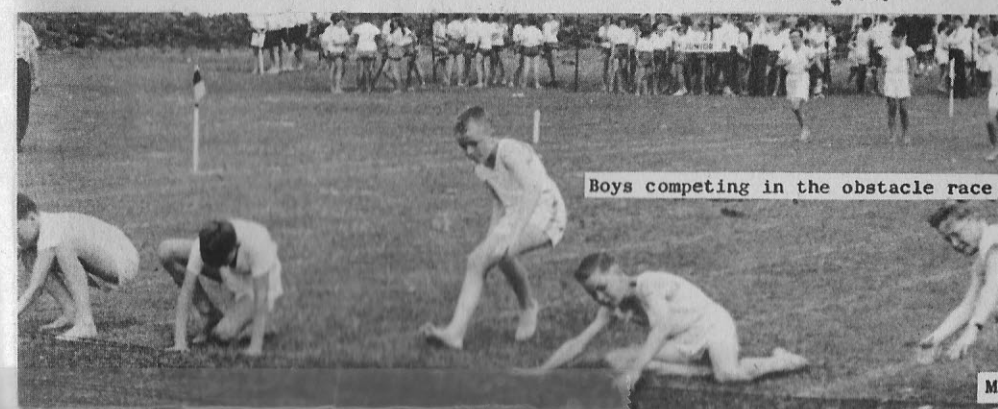
Allan Eriwata, winner of the junior long jump



Moffat Steven who jumped 17ft 4½in.

### **Inter-School Sports**

The Inter-school Sports recently held at Pukekura Park were run in fine weather before a good crowd of children, their parents and friends. The events were all closely contested, with the children cheering on their favourites.



Boys competing in the obstacle race



Marie Rowe (Highlands)





## Moturoa School Gala

**Above:** With school galas so near to the festive season, one would expect to see Santa Claus in attendance. Those who attended the Moturea school gala day were not disappointed, but young Paul had his doubts about the be-whiskered gent, while mum, Mrs Dulcie de Abaitua, didn't seem to mind a bit.

**Below:** Ann Paterson did a roaring trade on the plant stall. Here she serves Ethel Edwards and Joyce Shippey.

**Above, right:** On the lolly stall, Mrs Valma Oliver had to work hard to keep up with the demand.

**Right:** Joyce Rogers sold plenty of vegetables.

**Below, right:** Mrs Norma Stewart with her four children, Margaret, Pamela, Robyn and Basil.



## 93 -and Still Going Strong

Not just going strong, but going like a youngster of about 60. It takes us youngsters all our time to cut the wood, but at 93 years of age, it is something, especially if the wood is matai. This old timer, Benjamin Booker of Tukapo street, New Plymouth, was born in Christchurch, came to Eltham in 1893, where he was a farmer, then moved on to New Plymouth in 1920. He is one of the hardy old stock, who has the happy knack of being able to work without stopping for long spells. Ben possesses all his faculties and is a pleasant man to talk to. Good old Ben, we'll be around to photograph you on your hundredth birthday. He passes his time away in the evenings by reading the latest in Westerns.

