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OUR COVER

Here is the picture that reflects the thrill of Christmas for the children. We got this very charming picture whilst out shopping at Corrigall's in Devon Street. Andrea and her brother Tony Mack, N.P. were admiring the beautiful doll show, and we know that Andrea was sure of what she was going to ask Santa Claus for, once she had made up her mind which doll she wanted.

BACK COVER

Our back cover this month is one of the bright spots in Pukekura Park, a sight that all visitors to the city admire. This photograph was taken against the light, bringing out the very delightful rainbow effect.



BOYS' BRIGADERS WIN QUEEN'S BADGES

Above: Corporal David Booten and Sergeant Brian Busing, both members of the 4th N.P. Coy. Boys Brigade, proudly display the Queen's Badges that they have recently won. They are the first boys of their company to have won such high awards.



WHISKY GALORE!

We went to a party the other night and a most convivial host showed us the above bottle complete with bowser, and said "Help yourself." Jasmine Gable was caught by our camera helping herself.

21st BIRTHDAY

Left: Brian, only son of Mr and Mrs Easton Smith, N.P. is seen here with mum and dad on the occasion of his coming-of-age.

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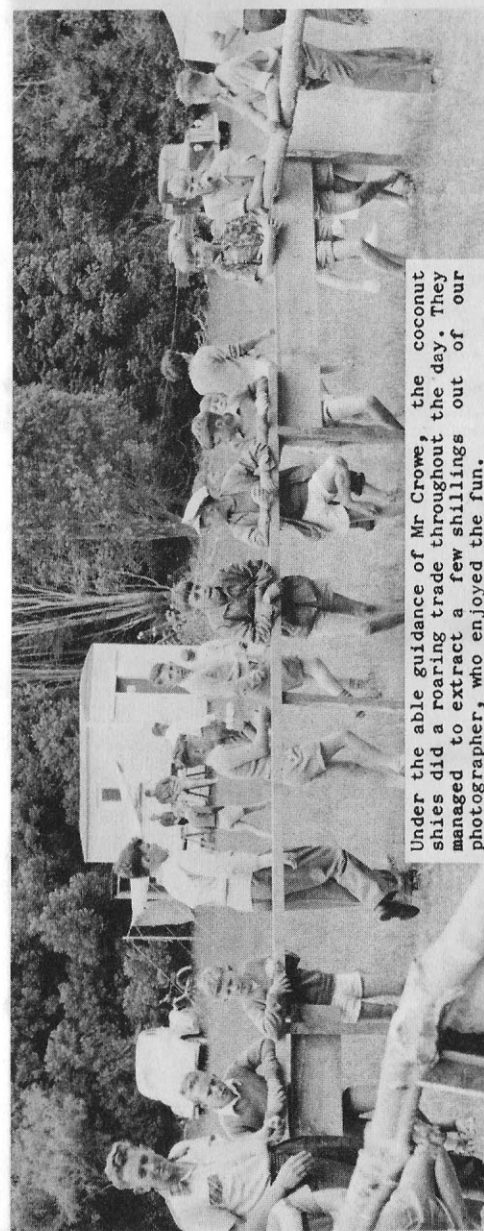
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Funny thing, when the YMCA run anything, it is not only well-supported but also well-organised. Such was the case at Camp Huinga recently for what was termed Kamp Karnival. People seemed to flock along in their hundreds for this very worthy cause. The driving force behind it is certainly making itself felt in the district. With the summer camp coming along, Camp Huinga will be a hive of activity over the school holiday period.



Under the able guidance of Mr Crowe, the coconut shies did a roaring trade throughout the day. They managed to extract a few shillings out of our photographer, who enjoyed the fun.

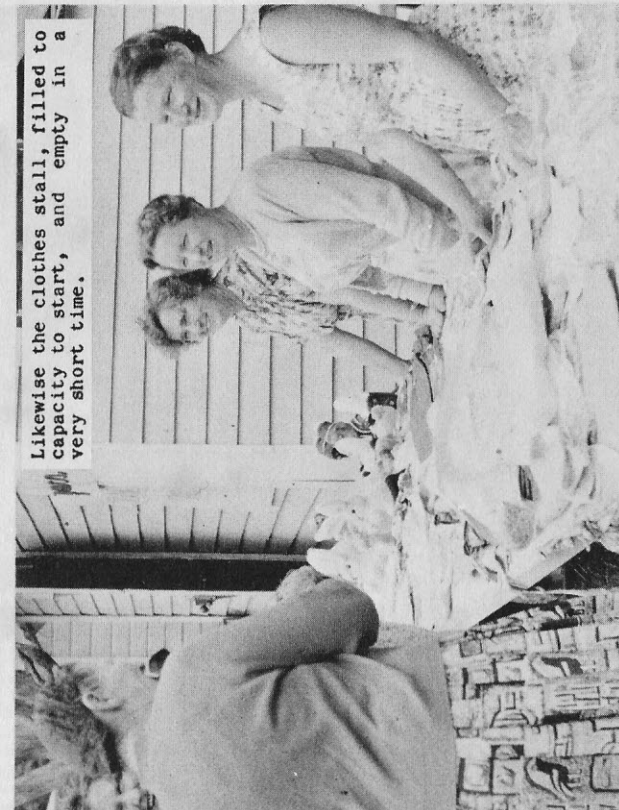
Huge Success

"Karnival" Was

Y.M.C.A. "Kamp"



The produce stall WAS laden for a few minutes, but was a complete sell-out by early in the afternoon.



Likewise the clothes stall, filled to capacity to start, and empty in a very short time.



Another Successful Carnival At Wai-iti

And yet another successful carnival has been organised at the Wai-iti beach. £700 was raised in two days, and this princely sum will go to the Urenui Volunteer Fire Brigade. This man Laurie Petty surely knows how to draw the crowds and bring in the shekles. On the Sunday alone, over 3000 people attended, and the entertainment was fast and furious, with something happening all the time. **Above:** Laurie Petty keeping the crowd amused with his interviews of some of the smaller girls. It looks like thirsty work too. **Left:** Sharon Dunbar, Urenui, was one of the small mannequins at the show. **Below:** Even though it was cold on the first day, the mannequin parade went on as scheduled.



There was a ton of room for the 5000 people who went to the Wai-iti Carnival to enjoy the entertainment provided, which ranged from champion axemen to parachutists. Most found sheltered spots out of the wind, **above**, to watch events like the marching girls, **below**. The natural banking around the entertainment area, **bottom**, proved very useful for those watching the entertainment.

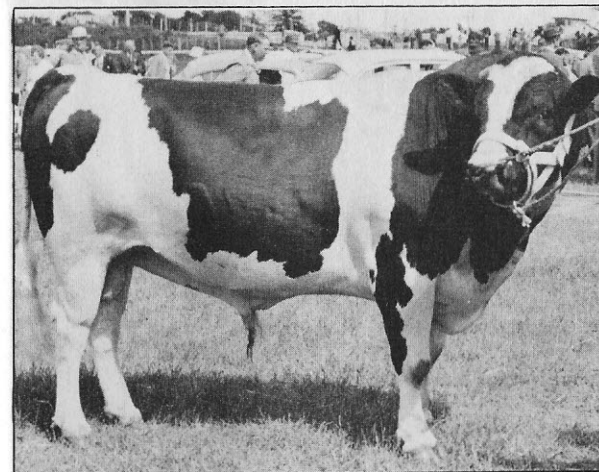




Wedding Bells

Above: CARR-HALL. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Marie Patricia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs O.V.Hall, New Plymouth, to Mervyn Oliver, eldest son of Mrs E.Carr, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Beverley Balsom, Ngaire Goodwin, both N.P., and Shirley Jordan, Midhurst. Robin O'Brien N.P., was the best man and Oliver Roberts and Clem Hall were the groomsmen. Future home N.P.

Below: PARDINGTON-MACE. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Myrtle Margaret, third daughter of Mr and Mrs M.Mace, Omata, to Kenneth John Pardington, Omata. The bridesmaids were Rosemary Berge, N.P., Joyce Mace, Omata, and Ann McCurdy, N.P. Gary Lightfoot, N.P. was the best man and Bert Mace Omata, was the groomsman. Future home of the couple will be Omata.



Hawera A. & P. Show

As popular as ever was the Hawera A & P show, held recently. As is always the case with shows in Taranaki, the quality of the stock exhibited was of the highest standard, and provided many headaches for the judges.

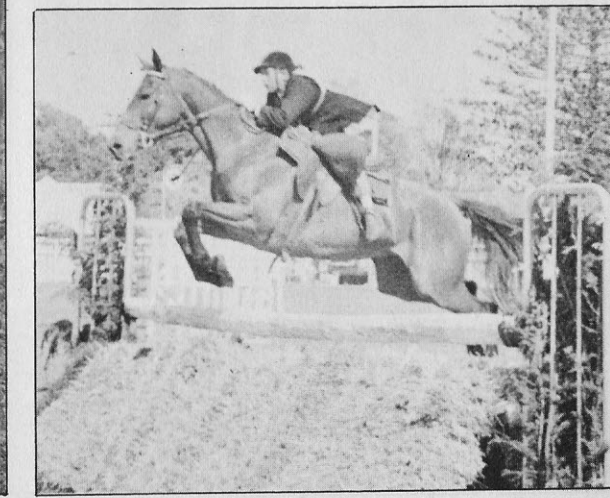
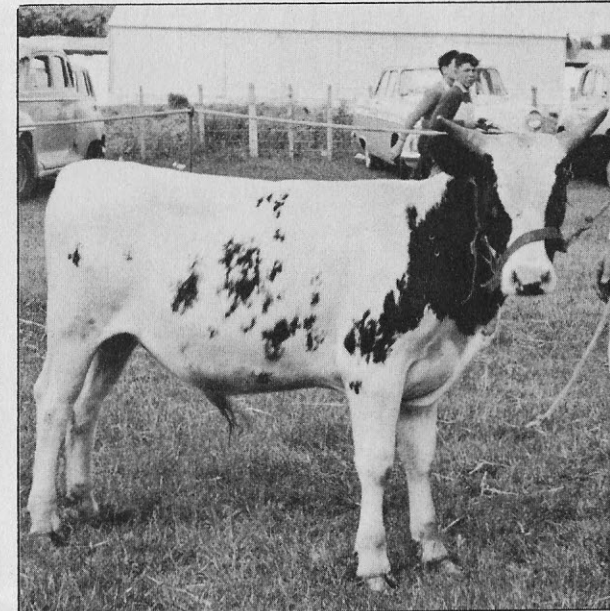
Above: A champion, owned by Mr W.A.Johnson, Manaia.

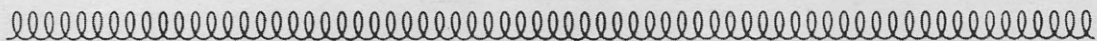
Above, right: Another champion, belonging to Don Coxhead.

Below: Championship ribbons by the mile were won by Gwen Halford of the Pihama School with her calf.

Right: Ann Mullally (Stratford) flies over one of the jumps in the ring.

Below, right: Miss Teki makes a fine study as she jumps a fence.



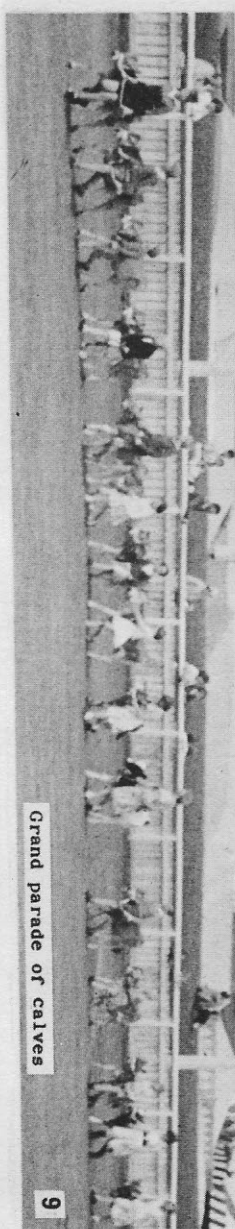


With fine weather, the crowds at the Egmont A. & P. show nearly created a record. This is not unusual for Hawera, as the show there is always a very popular one. With one of the largest stock entries, the four judging rings were kept constantly busy.

Above, left: All the fun of the fair was well patronised by the crowds of visitors.

Above: A fine display of farm implements were exhibited.

Left: The main ring was a source of interest for the whole of the show.



Grand parade of calves



The patent feeder didn't interest these children as much as the pigs



An aeroplane trip for the youngsters proved enjoyable though costly

HAWERA SHOW CANDID PIX



There was plenty to interest the cocky

Happy flight, despite the loss of a wing



Married

Above: VAN BEERS - HARRIS. At the Catholic Church, Rotorua, Correen Harris, only daughter of Mrs A. Morrison, Rotorua, to Antonias, second son of Mr and Mrs A.C. Van Beers, New Plymouth. The future home of the couple will be Rotorua.

Engaged

Top, right: Joan Patricia, second daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Goodin, Okato, to Terence Frederick, third son of Mr and Mrs W.J. Dudley, Okato.

Centre, right: Susan, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C.A. Mason, New Plymouth, to Ivan, only son of Mr and Mrs F. Pan, Palmerston North. Right: Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs S.J. Tait, Oturohanga, to Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs D. Houghton, Huirangi.



Left: Mrs Kathleen Davies with her display of Chinese ornaments and trinkets at the recent CWI International Day competitions.

Right: Mr and Mrs Herb Allen, Oakura, who recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at a party at the home of their daughter, Mrs Guildford, Oakura. The couple were married at Lower Hutt, and have lived most of their married lives in Taranaki.

Below, left: Backed by the CWI, a recent house-to-house appeal for the blind was organised. Our picture shows the official group taken before morning tea at Pukekura Park recently.

Amongst those present were the mayor and mayoress of N.P., Mr F.R. Sotheron, the NZ Field organiser, and two blind members.

Below, right: At the morning tea, Mr Sotheron presented gifts made by the blind, to Mrs L. Russell (left), president of the N.T. CWI and Mrs Pat Dawson, the secretary, for the organising work they had done.



Roving Camera



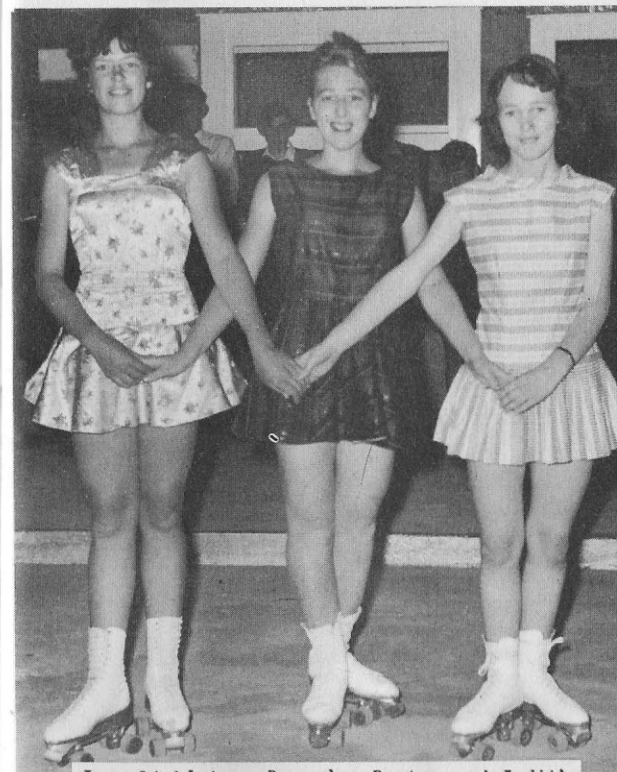
Skating Clubs Combine For Championships

The Stratford and New Plymouth Skating clubs recently combined their championship meeting with a fine night's entertainment at the rink at Stratford, held on a perfect night, warm and calm. Those competing for the honours gave some very talented displays in their class, besides providing entertainment for the many who went just to watch. Though entries for the various events were small, the quality of those performing amply made up for the lack of numbers. Two N.Z. champions from Palmerston North provided a further joy with their delightful dancing on skates.

Below: Placegetters in the New Plymouth Club's Junior Novice Freestyle event are from left, Janice Ward, Marilyn Signal and Colleen Shekleton.

Right: Winners in the New Plymouth Club's Juvenile Freestyle event are from left, Jacquie Davidson 1, Lesley Walker 2, and Jane Marshall 3.

Below, right: Champions in the Stratford Club Kindergarten event. Laureen Bertie (right) was first and Susan Reader (left) was second.



Jane Linklater, Beverley Benton and Judith Lloyd, competitors in the Stratford Club's Intermediate Freestyle event.



New Plymouth's Glenys Horsfall who won her event with a polished performance



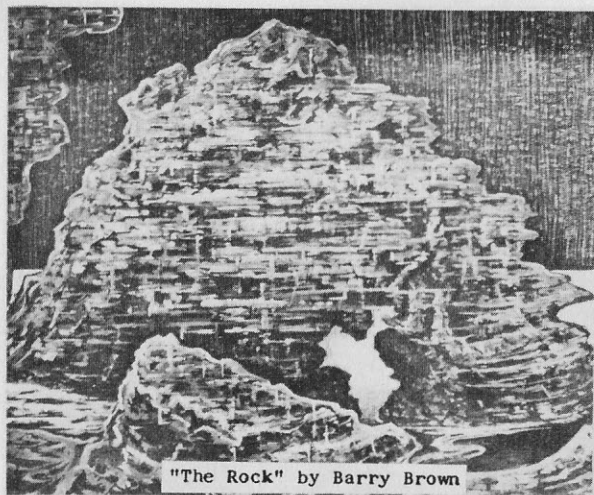
L.Hutchens 1, and Heather Woods 2, in the Stratford Juvenile championships



Stratford Club novices, Cushla Slattery, Wendy Clarke and Marion Reader

Our Holidays

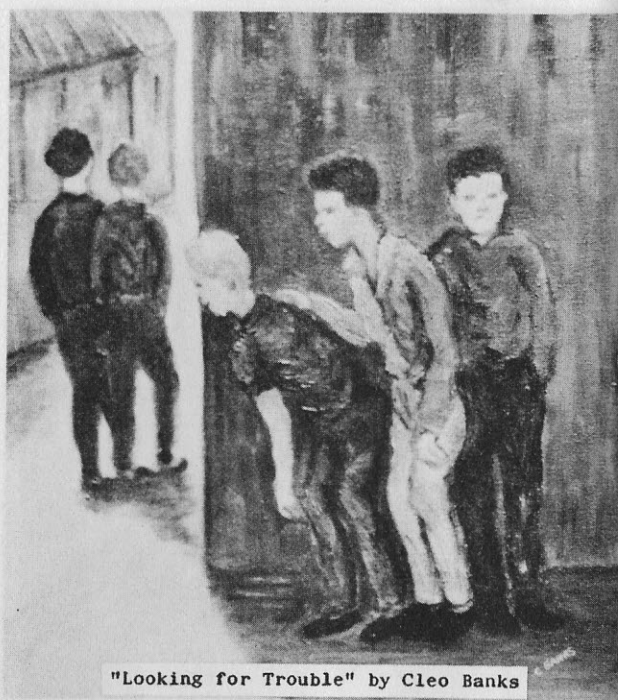
With the publishing of this issue of "Photo News", we, like so many others, feel it is about time to down tools and take to the open road for a well-earned spell. Because of this, there will be NO "Photo News" in January, as is our usual practice. But we'll be back again in February with all the local news in pictures. So until then, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our readers.



"The Rock" by Barry Brown

Local Artists' Display

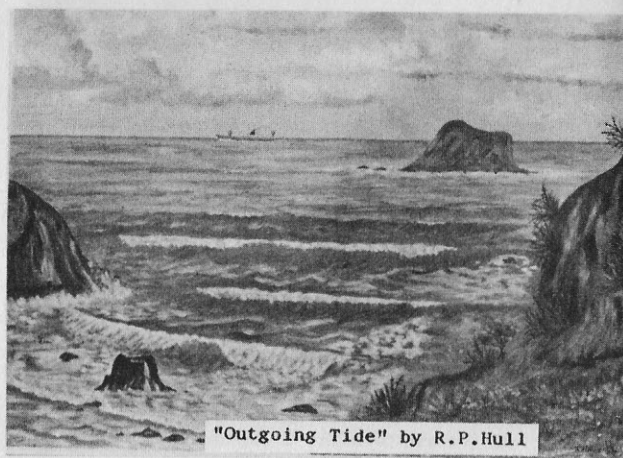
The North Taranaki Society of Arts recently conducted their 28th annual exhibition of paintings in the New Plymouth War Memorial Hall. The work on show was of a high standard, particularly that produced by some of the beginners. This is evidence of the high quality of the tuition gained by this society. We thought that most of the pictures on view competed, for quality, very favourably with pictures on display by other prominent New Zealand artists.



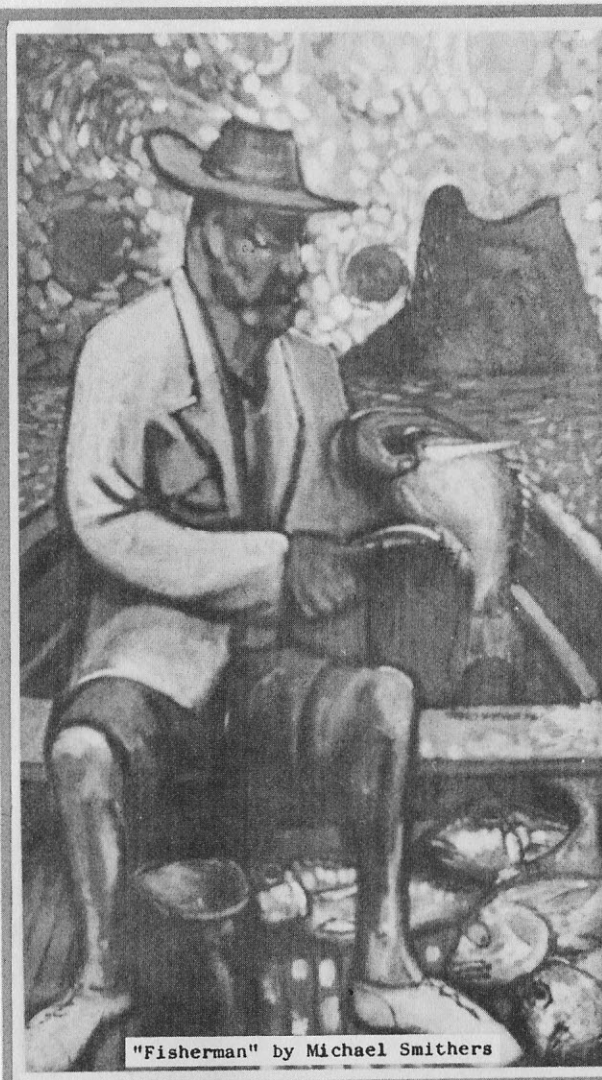
"Looking for Trouble" by Cleo Banks



"Freemans Bay" by Barry Brown



"Outgoing Tide" by R.P. Hull



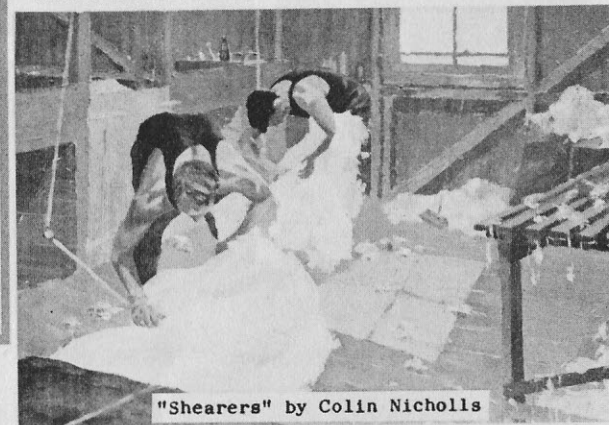
"Fisherman" by Michael Smithers



"Low Tide at Onearo" by Colin Nicholls



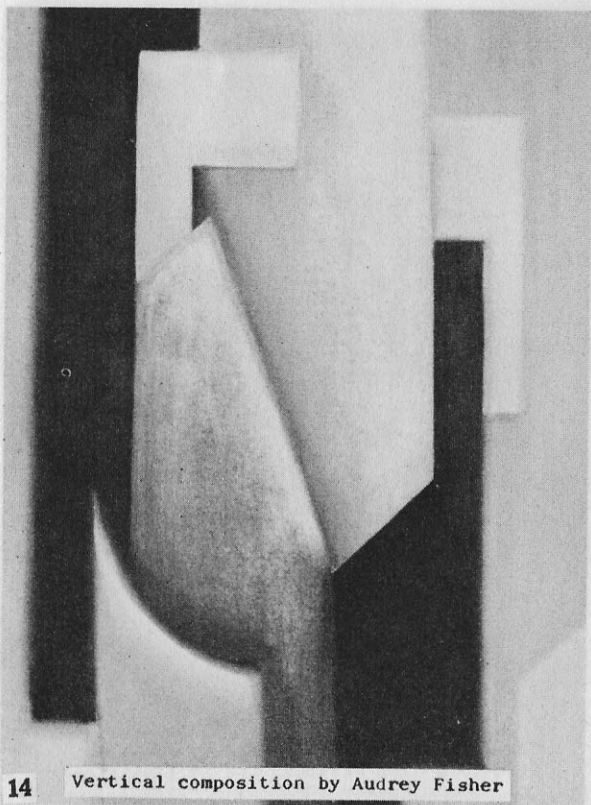
"Shattered Shed" by Barry Brown



"Shearers" by Colin Nicholls



"Duck Gossip" Thelma de Lancy Green



14 Vertical composition by Audrey Fisher



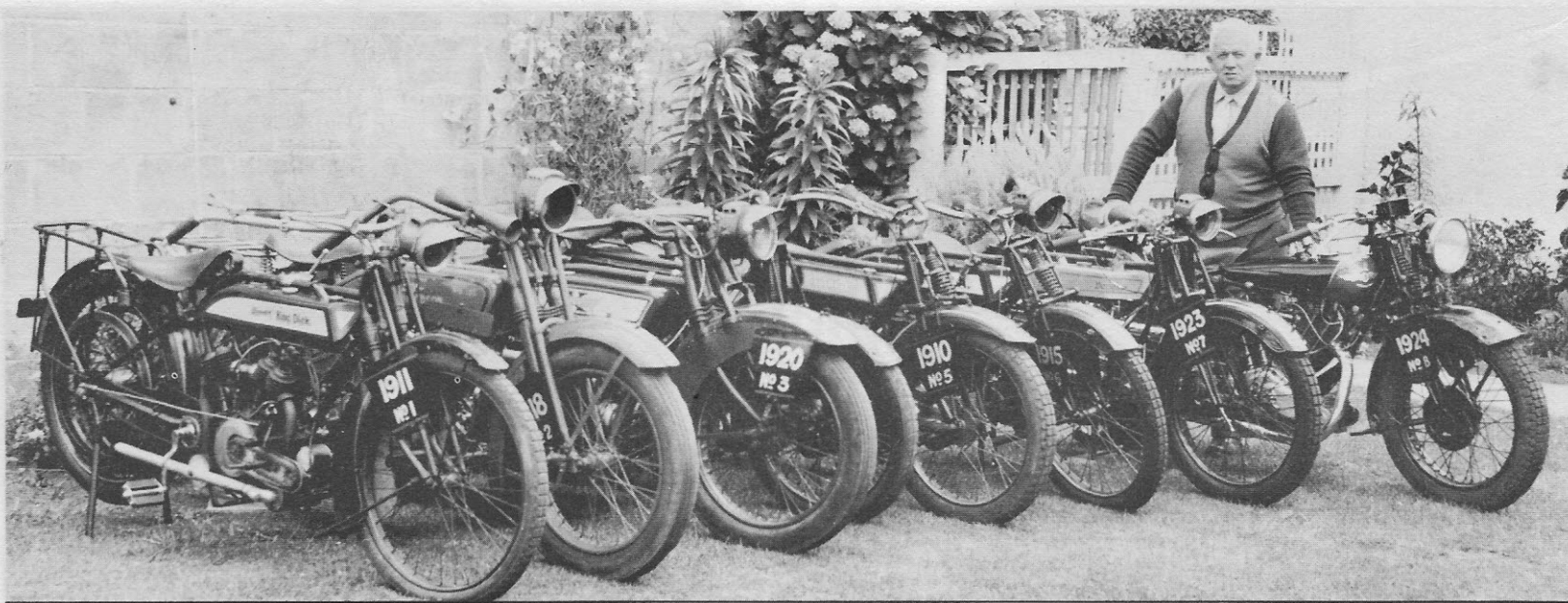
Right: FREAKLEY--SIMPSON. At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.D.Simpson, N.P., to Gary Thomas, second son of Mrs A. and the late Mr T. Freakley, Waitara. Barbara Hinds N.P., was the bridesmaid and Mervyn Freakley, Waitara, was the best man. Future home will be Waitara.

Below: LANDERS--KEMP.

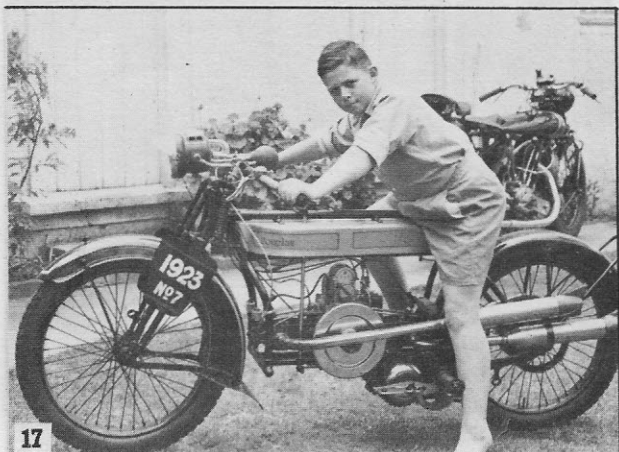
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, N.P., Margaret Joyce, third daughter of Mr and Mrs E.N.Kemp, N.P., to Ronald Stewart Landers, second son of Mr and Mrs L.F.Faulkner, N.P. Matron of honour was Valerie Keen, and the best man was Clive Keen, both Herne Bay. Flowergirl was Patricia Landers. Future home, Gore.



Wedding Bells



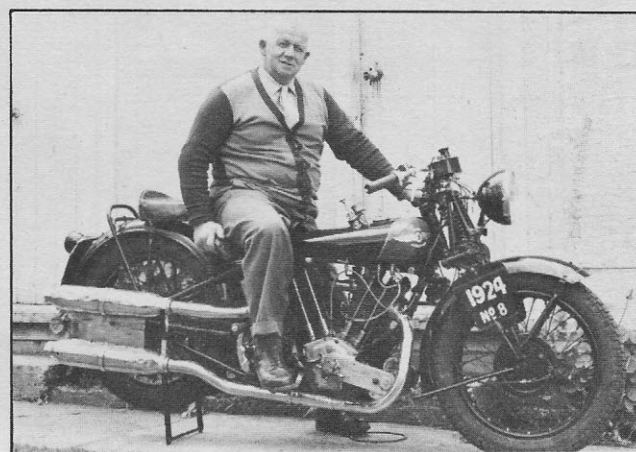
Enthusiast's Collection Best In New Zealand



Perhaps the best collection of vintage motor-cycles in New Zealand is owned by Mr E.A.Bryan, Sackville Street, New Plymouth. It did our old eyes good to see some of these veterans of the road, and talk about some of the performances that they could put up. One machine, a 1923 Douglas with a special racing engine, is still capable of over 100mph. Mr Bryan has put some of these machines back into new order, and has treated them all with the loving care of a man who is the proud owner of a collection worth many hundreds of pounds.

Left: A younger member of the family sits astride the 100mph 1923 Douglas, perhaps the pride of the collection.

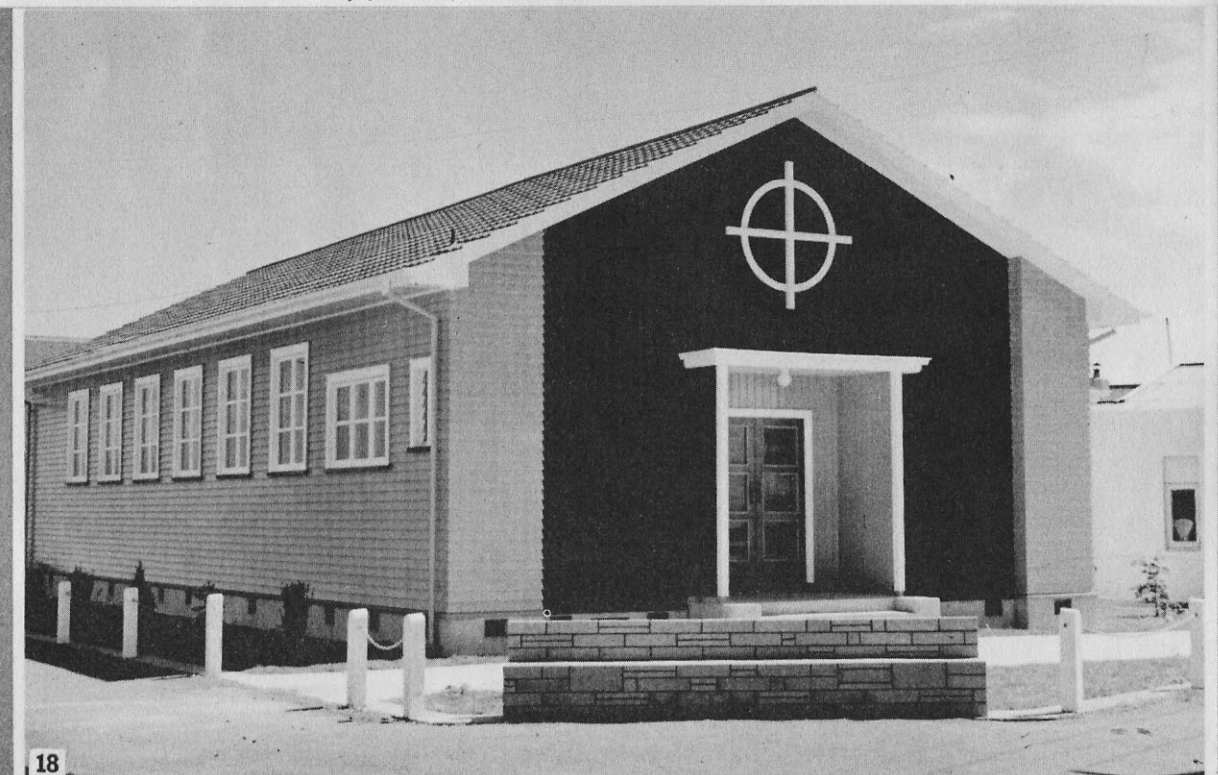
Right: Mr Bryan on a 1924 Coventry Eagle flying eight twin, a machine that looks as new today as it did in 1924.



New Methodist Church at Waitara



Through the drive and enthusiasm of the Rev. Jackson Campbell, Westown has now got a fine and worthy place of worship for the Methodists of that district. Just a short 18 months ago, the corner of David and Tukapo streets was a waste section. After just a few meetings of the local parishioners, the ground was cleared and there rose a fine church, to replace an antiquated and far-too-small building. The building has been so designed that it can be used as both church and church hall at present, but envisaged is another church on the site of the old one, with the present new church being used as a hall only. Long term planning will make this a reality in the future. St. Luke's Church is and will always be a monument to the enthusiasm of its minister, the Rev. Jackson Campbell. Shown above, is the interior of this modern church, whilst below, is an exterior view of this fine, yet simple building.



Roving Camera

Above: Here's a group of happy people. They are all members of the New Plymouth Happiness Club, and the picture was taken at the recent garden party held by the club to raise funds for worthy causes. We always enjoy photographing functions run by this club, as the atmosphere is always so very cheery and warm. Feeling in the dumps?...then join the Happiness Club!

Below: Members of the Westown Dart Club recently celebrated their first birthday with a social and presentation of prizes. With a membership far exceeding their expectations, the club has had a phenomenal growth in membership in the first year of its existence. Our picture shows club members with some of the trophies they have won during their first year.





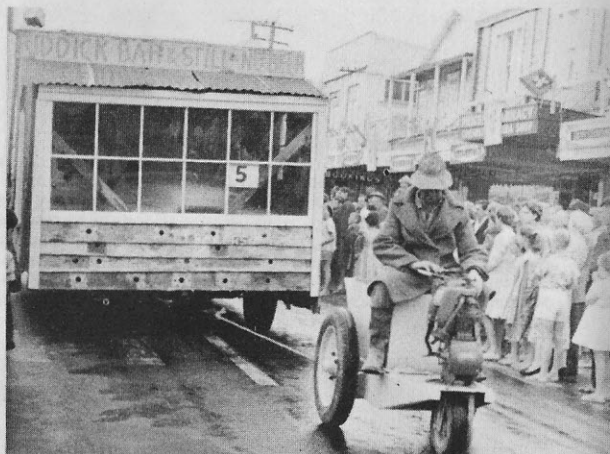
Sparkie had the seat of honour

New Plymouth's Best Parade Yet

Our verdict of the Xmas street parade in New Plymouth is that it was the best parade yet. It was colourful, interesting to watch, and devoid of the questionable taste which has in the past spoilt many of our street parades. Over twenty floats paraded, many of them distributing ice creams to the children. Altogether a feather in the cap of the organisers.



The N.P. Old Folks got cheers all along the route

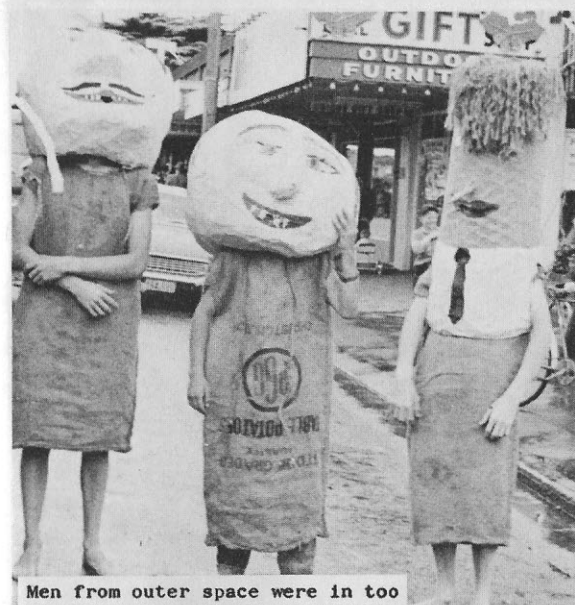


N.Z.R. float was realistic



Fashions float was the prettiest

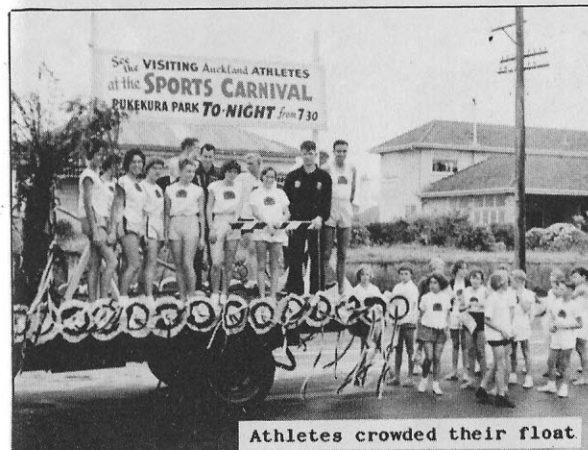
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Men from outer space were in too



Guides and Brownies thought the parade great fun



Athletes crowded their float



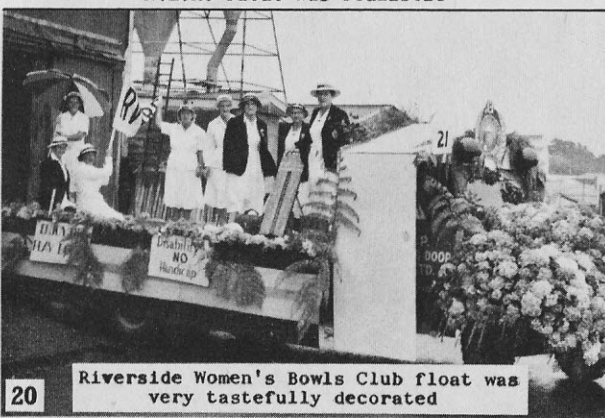
Water skiing in Devon Street?



Season's Greetings from the Greenwood Archers



Water Skiers...in full dress!





Wedding Bells

Above: TATE-MILLER. At the Waitara Presbyterian Church, Judith Irene, third daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Miller, Waitara, to Alan Vaery Tate, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Frank Irving, Tariki. Shirley Parker, Waitara, was the bridesmaid, and Richard Long, N.P., was the best man. Future home of the couple will be Waitara.

Below: HODGE-BRODIE. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Katherine Robin, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Brodie, New Plymouth, to Herbert Alfred, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. Hodge, Tauranga. Sisters of the bride, Penelope and Pippin Brodie, were the bridesmaids and Alan Robinson, Tauranga, was the best man. The future home will be Tauranga.



Happiness Club's Garden Party



We recently went along to the garden party organised by the New Plymouth Happiness Club, and came away with the knowledge of how they accumulate a lot of their funds. It would only be fair to say, that they work very hard for what the club gets, and the garden party was a huge success, from both the club's and the visitors' point of view.

Above, left: Organised fishing tournament caused both laughter and excitement as fish were landed by the dozen.

Above, right: A very craftily laid-out lawn for a bowling alley proved the undoing of some.

Left: Margaret Hooper and Agnes Bayne sold plenty of raffle tickets.

Right: Sally Moxham and "Spud" Murphy at the trading table.





Leading lady with a golden voice, Sally Rush.



Major-General Stanley was played by Tom Hawley.



Producer Pauline Brooks puts the finishing touches to the make-up of Margaret Newton, the pirate maid.

"Pirates of Penzance" at Stratford T.H.S.

Enterprise on the part of the Stratford High School and the advantages of co-education combined to make what was the school's most ambitious show an outstanding success. Such is the popularity of the S.T.H.S. shows, that the Town Hall was fully booked for both nights of the performance of the famous Gilbert and Sullivan opera "Pirates of Penzance". Acting and costuming reached such a high standard, that this show would not disgrace the stage of many of the main centre theatres. As a thought, it would prove very popular if produced at the next Festival of the Pines, adding interest because of the local cast. Full marks must go to the producer, Mrs Pauline Brooks, who did an excellent job with this high school cast.



Chorus of lovely young girls made the show something to remember



Above, left: A group of some of the pirates in the Stratford T.H.S. musical opera, "The Pirates of Penzance". Above, right: Marlene Fisher and Judy Wells repel the advances of the Pirate King, Walter Gale. Left: Marlene Fisher, Judy Wells and Janice Gordon who played leading roles in the play. Right: Mrs Theresa Curtis helps with the dressing and appearance of policeman Basil Hirst.

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Wedding Bells

Above: ROWE-DONALDSON. At the Waitara Presbyterian Church, Colleen Rose, third daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L.Donaldson, Waitara, to Halsey George, eldest son of Mr and Mrs H.Rowe, Egmont Road. Matron of honour was Jo Newton, Waitara, a sister of the bride, and the bridesmaid was Carol Rowe, a sister of the groom. Brian Dunn was the best man, and Mervyn Freakley was the groomsman. The future home will be Te Aroha.

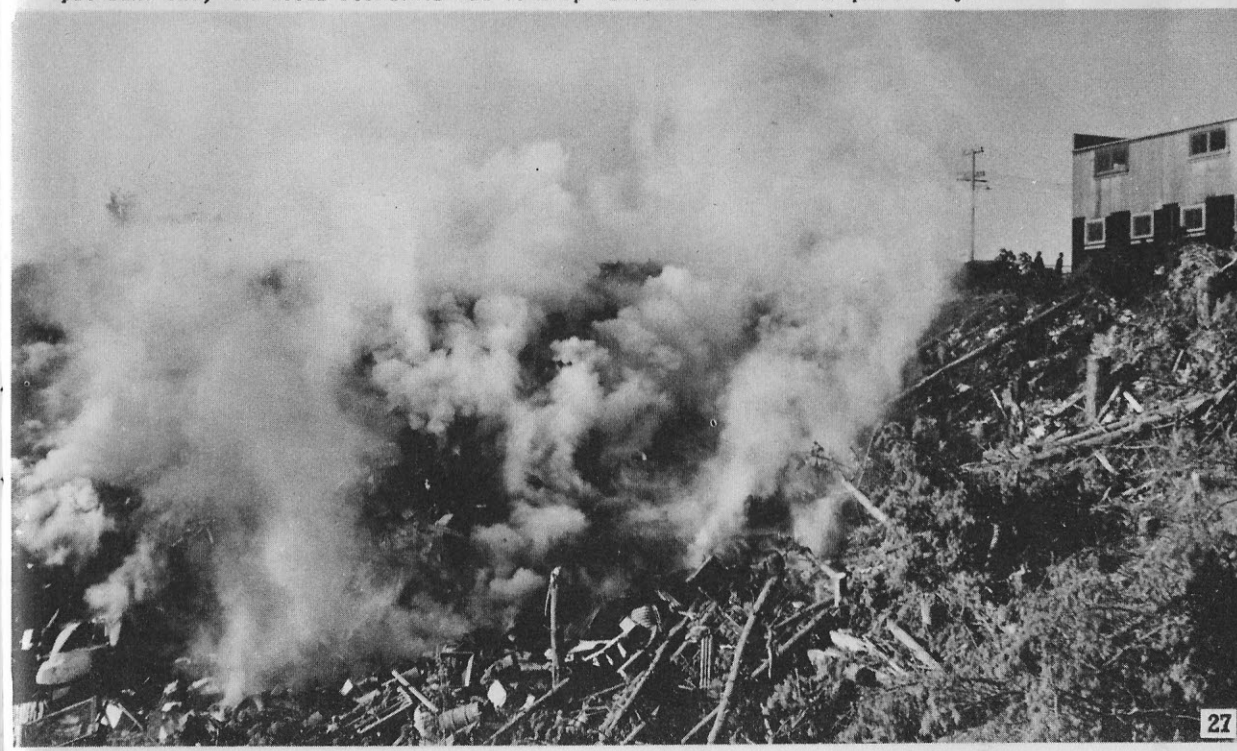
Below: PATTEN-ALEY. At All Saints Anglican Church, Ponsonby, Margaret Dawn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs V.Aley, Auckland, to Gary James, third son of Mr and Mrs R.F.Patten, New Plymouth. The attendants were Zoeline Tinling, Auckland, Verna Aley, Ponsonby, Donald O'Keefe, New Plymouth and Christine Patten, New Plymouth. Future home will be Auckland.



Roving Camera

Above: A big thrill for the children of the Oakura School was their recent plane trip to Auckland. Our picture shows them ready to emplane on the journey north. Their stay in Auckland was to include trips to scenic spots, and tours around some of the larger factories. Judging by the excitement witnessed at the airport, they were bent on having a wonderful time.

Below: A rubbish tip fire that broke out at the rear of the Tukapo Gym covered the western part of the city with a pall of smoke. Starting on a Sunday morning, the fire had a good hold by late afternoon, and was still smouldering on Monday morning, even after the City Council staff had poured tons of earth onto the fire. Unfortunately the smell it left behind was not a particularly pleasant one, and local residents had to keep windows shut for a couple of days.





Gillian King played the name role admirably



The Pirates and Captain Hook (centre)

"Peter Pan" — Successful Panto

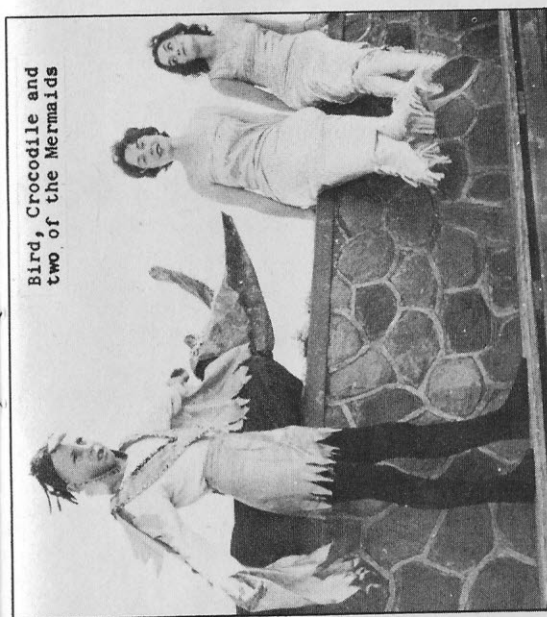
The New Plymouth Repertory Society have this year produced another startling pantomime, which attracted full houses for the whole of the season. It was a delightful production, with the cast giving some very polished performances. It is now an established custom for the Rep. to produce an annual pantomime, and this year's Peter Pan was a sensible and delightful choice.



One of the many ballet sequences, this is the "Lost Boys' Ballet"



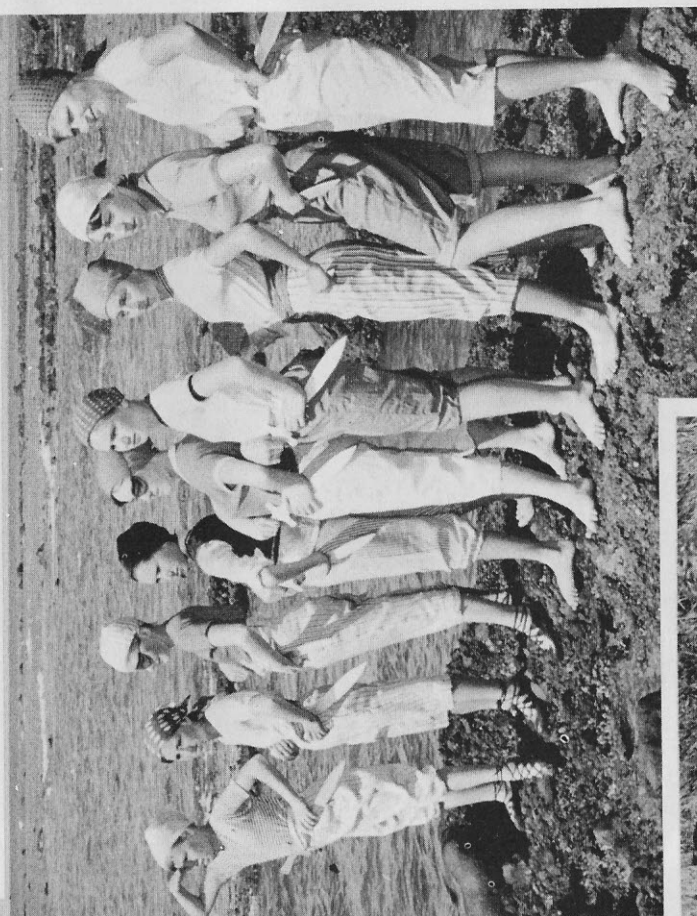
The Darling family with their dog.



Bird, Crocodile and two of the Mermaids

BRILLIANT CAST IN N.P.
REP SHON "PETER PAN"

The Pirates' Ballet were all accomplished dancers



Colour and spectacle seem to be among the strong points of the shows produced by the New Plymouth Repertory Society, and with their latest production, "Peter Pan", the spectacle and colour were both brilliant, besides the cast being one of the best to perform in any of the society's shows.



Another of the many ballet sequences, with the performers giving a polished display

High School Live Shoot



Boys of the New Plymouth, Stratford and Francis Douglas Schools recently took part in a live shoot on the Rewa Rewa range. Fine weather enabled the lads to see the effect and range of some of the more modern weapons used in the Army. With a route march from the BHS, the lads only rested once on the journey and arrived at the range fresh as daisies.

Above: Boys rest as they watch the demonstration shoot.

Below: On the way to the range, the school marches along Devon Street.

Below, right: The machine gunners proved themselves good marksmen.



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BERNARD WOODS STUDIO

Our Family Album



Above, left: Four generations are pictured here, from left grandmother, Mrs M.Cresswell, great-grandmother Mrs H.Culliford, who is holding baby Gary Wayne, son of Mrs Gwen Cadman on the right.

Above: Christine Faull after her christening is held by her great-grandmother, Mrs A.G.Frethey. The gown Christine wears was worn by her great-grandmother at her christening.

Left: Here's a picture we don't often get. Five generations, from left, great-great-grandfather Alf Smith (NP), grandmother Mrs A.Morton (Auckland), great-grandmother Mrs H.Mowat (Hamilton), who is holding baby Stephen, son of Mrs P.Taylor, seated at right.

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Above: HUNT-CLOSE. At St. Patrick's Church, Patea, Natalie Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs O.G.Close, Patea, to Allan Leslie, second son of Mr and Mrs L.W.Hunt, Patea. The bridesmaids were Toni Jeff and Janette Scobie, both of Patea. Graham Phillips, Patea, was the best man, and Peter Hunt, a brother of the groom, was the groomsman. Future home of the couple will be Patea.

Below: BEAUMONT-BOURKE. At St. Patrick's Church, Patea, Glenys Catherine, elder daughter of Mrs L.Bourke, Patea, to James Graham Beaumont, second son of Mr and Mrs F.Wisbey, Patea. The bridesmaids were Mary Stokes, Lindsay Bourke and Michele Bourke. The best man was Billy Beaumont, a brother of the groom. The future home of the couple will be Patea.



Queen's Badge Awarded

Above: Alisdair McKenzie of the First New Plymouth Company of the Boys' Brigade was recently awarded the Queen's badge for service within the Brigade. Our picture shows Alisdair with other members of the company admiring his badge, which was presented to him by Mrs K.Liggett.

Engaged

Below, left: Valerie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs E.Symon, Hawera, to Ian, son of Mr and Mrs A.G.Hooper, Tirau.

Below, right: Jill, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R.Matthews, Mangorei Road, New Plymouth, to John Lennox, second son of Dr and Mrs J.E.Caughey, Anderson's Bay, Dunedin.





Four be-ribboned horsewomen in the grand parade

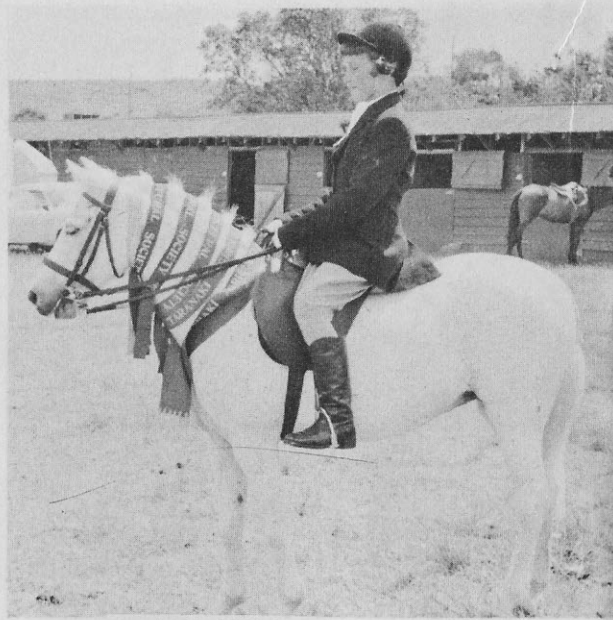
New Plymouth Show A Great Attraction

It would appear that the New Plymouth Show officials have made a wise move in bringing the show date forward to December. Entries were as large as any other year, and attendances were perhaps a little higher, but the thing that we thought good, was the number of attractions that brought the crowds along. This is fast becoming the most popular show in the district.



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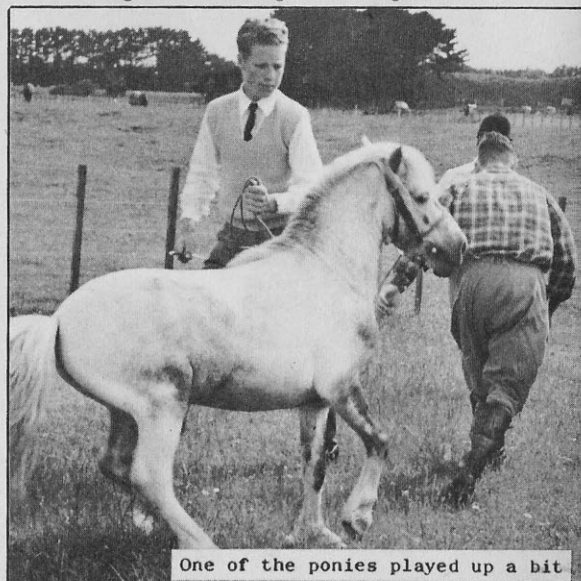
Ringside seat for the grand parade



Lanferie Kibble on her champion pony



Highland dancing drew large entries



One of the ponies played up a bit



Above: The sheep shearing contests drew some of the largest crowds during the two days of the show.

Right: Sonja Keijzer, Joy Baker, Fiona Connell and Christine Brill, all of N.P., enjoy their hot dogs, despite the hot weather.

Below, left: Baby foal was the admiration of many of the children.

Below, centre: A Dorset Horn ewe which gained more than one prize ribbon.

Below, right: Champion Dorset Horn Ram. How do they see where they are going?



PLENTY OF
ATTRACTIONS
AT N.P. SHOW



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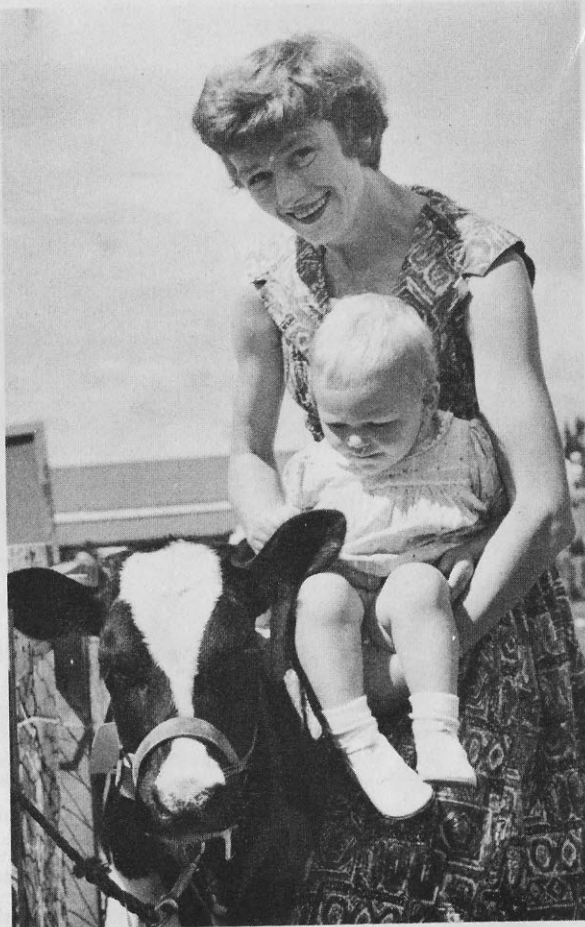
VISITORS FLOCKED TO N.P. SHOW

Though primarily a show for the country folk, the New Plymouth show still attracts thousands of town dwellers, in fact, they far outnumbered the country people. This is largely due to the fact that the organisers have instituted so many and such varied attractions.

Above: Grant Voulaire and Carolyn Booth sit in the boot of a car to eat their ice cream.

Above, right: Mrs D.Guillosson introduces her baby daughter Karen to one of the many calves at the show.

Below: When all the exhibits were in the ring for the grand parade, the ring was filled, and the interest shown by the general public was amazing. Practically everyone in the showgrounds watched the grand parade.

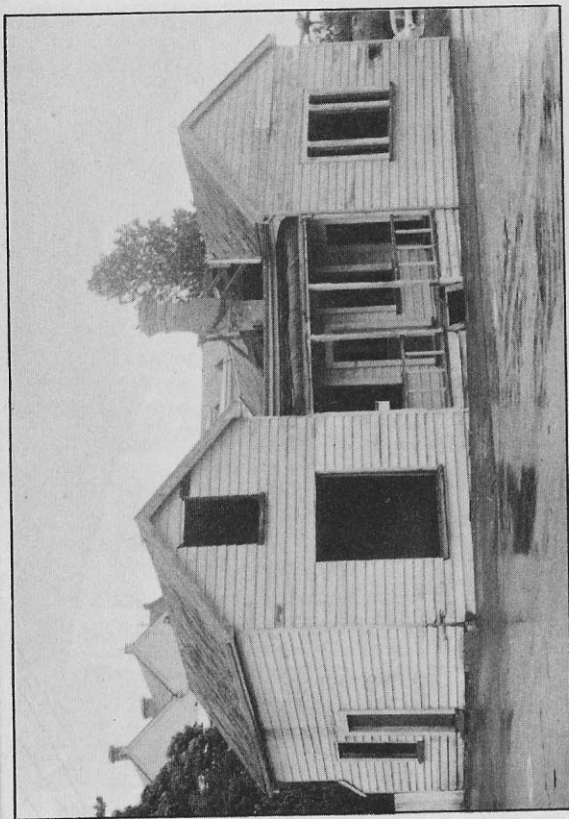


Wedding Bells

Above: MacGIBBON-TOMPKINS. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Rayna, second daughter of Mr and Mrs K.P.Tompkins, New Plymouth, to Bruce Rodda, only son of Mr N.J. and the late Mrs MacGibbon, Wadestown, Wellington. The bridesmaids were Margaret Insull, N.P., Gilda Tompkins, a sister of the bride, Erina Kelly, N.P. and Margaret Tompkins, also a sister of the bride. Jack Hollings, Wellington, was the best man, and Bill Flemming, Wellington, and Bill Fraser, Lower Hutt were the groomsmen. The future home of the couple will be Wellington.

Below: YARDLEY-GUTHRIE. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Marilyn Joyce, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs W.A.Guthrie, New Plymouth, to Stuart Walter, second son of Mr and Mrs G.E.Yardley, New Plymouth. Lynette Kinzett, N.P., and Margaret Oliver, N.P., were the bridesmaids. Ian Yardley, a brother of the groom was the best man, and Ron Landers was the groomsman. Carla Durinck and Diane Saunders were the flowergirls. The future home will be New Plymouth.





Rolling Camera

Above: The Minister of Education, Mr Tennent, speaking at the official opening of the new Marfell Block school. When the minister arrived, he was greeted by a guard of honour, formed by the pupils of the school.

Above, right: To make way for the new courthouse building, one of the city's oldest wooden houses is now being demolished. Known as the "Grog Shop" it has close association with the regiments engaged in the Maori wars.

Right: Members of the Opunake High School Cadet Battalion proudly display the Riddiford Cup, won by the school for being the most efficient cadet unit in the Central Military District.



Presentation

Above: Mr C.W.Green, (left), president of the North Taranaki Province of Federated Farmers, presents Mr L.D.Hickford, a past president, and Mrs Hickford, with a large chiming clock, in appreciation of Mr Hickford's 14 years as the president of the federation.

CELEBRATIONS.

Left: Jack and Nina Holmes cut the cake at a function celebrating twenty-five years of wedded bliss recently.

Below: Young Thomas Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Tom Bishop, Fitzroy, cuts the huge cake marking the celebration of his third birthday.





BERNARD WOODS STUDIO



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Engaged

Above: Heather Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.J.Deacon, N.P., to Lester Gordon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G.J.McDowell, Upper Hutt.

Below: Jocelyn Myra, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Robinson, N.P., to Roger Edward, only son of Mr and Mrs Harvey, Inverell, Australia.

Above, right: Diann June, only daughter of Mr and Mrs T.Young, N.P., to Caleb William, only son of Mr and Mrs C.Wyatt, N.P.

Right: Brenda, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Law, N.P., to Ian Howard, only son of Mr and Mrs A.H.Coad, N.P.

Below, right: Brenda Margery, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L.Webby, Opunake, to Alfred Sinclair, only son of Mr and Mrs A.S.Taunt, Manaia.



BERNARD WOODS STUDIO



Yes, I think he's coming

The children milled around in their hundreds for the issue of the free ice cream



Here he is, complete with two beautiful white reindeer.



Santa Claus Comes To Stratford

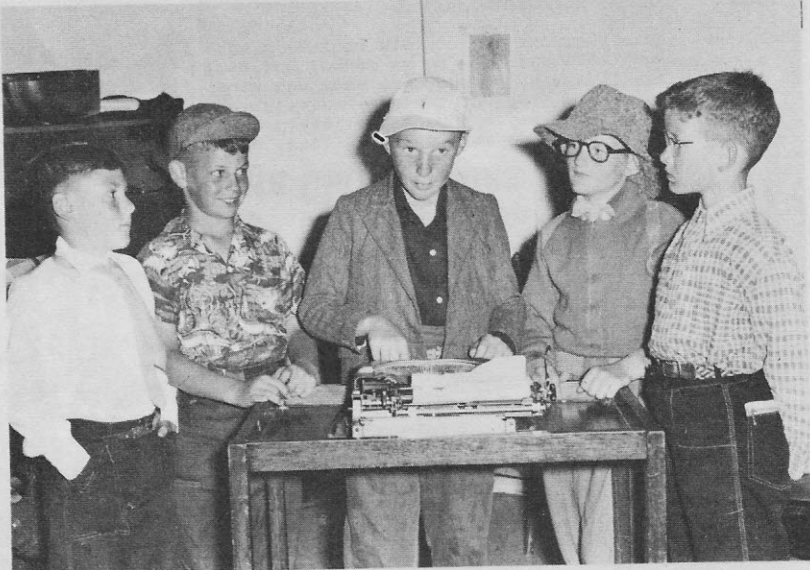
The festive season came to Stratford, when Santa Claus rode down Broadway on his sleigh. The children were out in their thousands, because the word had gone round that there were free ice creams to be had, and the youngsters didn't want to miss out on anything that was going free.



Life Boys Xmas Party



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And Concert

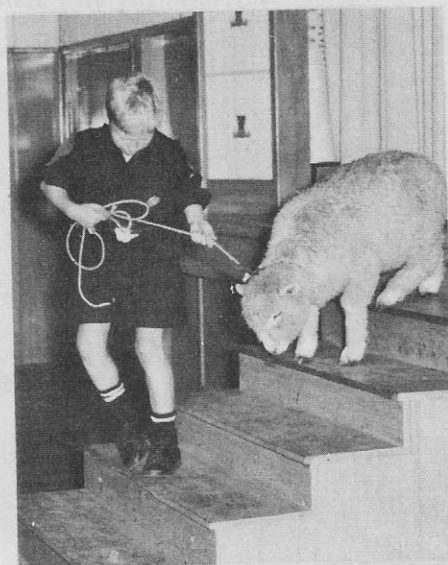
New Plymouth and Waitara companies of the Life Boys recently combined for their concert. St Andrew's Hall was filled to capacity with parents and friends for the entertainment provided, and this was of a very high quality, despite the fact that the boys had had little time for rehearsals.

Above, left: Boys of the 1st (NP) company had a choir that was both entertaining and pleasing to the ear.

Above, right: First Waitara company boys, Darcy Snowden, John Theobald, Jim Stinson, Neil Fletcher and Graham Whittaker performing a neat sketch.

Left: Boys of the 3rd N.P. do their act.

Right: 2nd N.P. Company brought in a lamb for their sketch.



Married

Right: GAUSTAD-SINCLAIR. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP, Jean Christine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs R.V. Sinclair, N.P., to Owen Alexander, the youngest son of Mrs and the late Mr P.C. Gaustad, N.P. Jeanette Burch, N.P., was the bridesmaid, and Evan Raven was the best man. Unuti will be the future home of the couple.

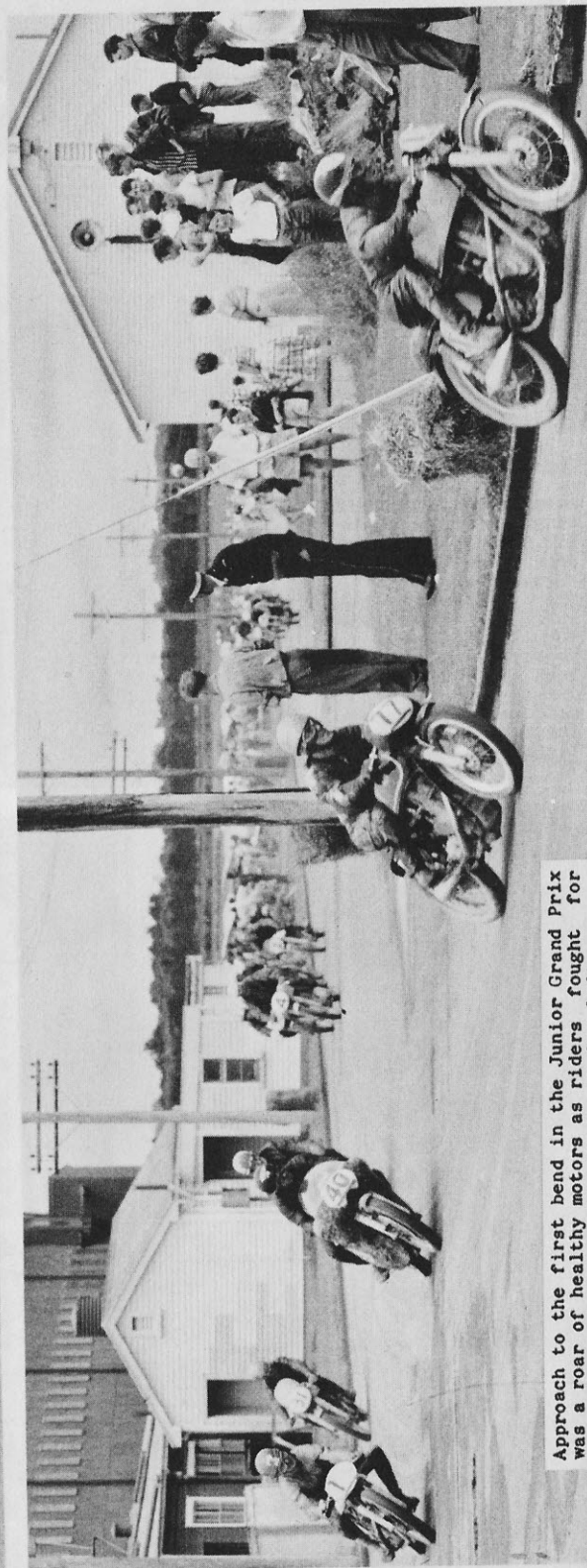
Below: SILCOCK-COLSON. At St. Luke's Methodist Church, N.P., Rosalie Fay, the third daughter of Mr and Mrs T.D. Colson, N.P., to Joseph Heatherington, youngest son of Mr and Mrs C.A. Silcock, Nelson. The bridesmaids were Trixie Street and Maureen Rogers, the best man was Archie Creer, and the groomsmen were Ian Eggers. The future home will be Thorpe, Nelson.



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Exciting Grand Prix Racing

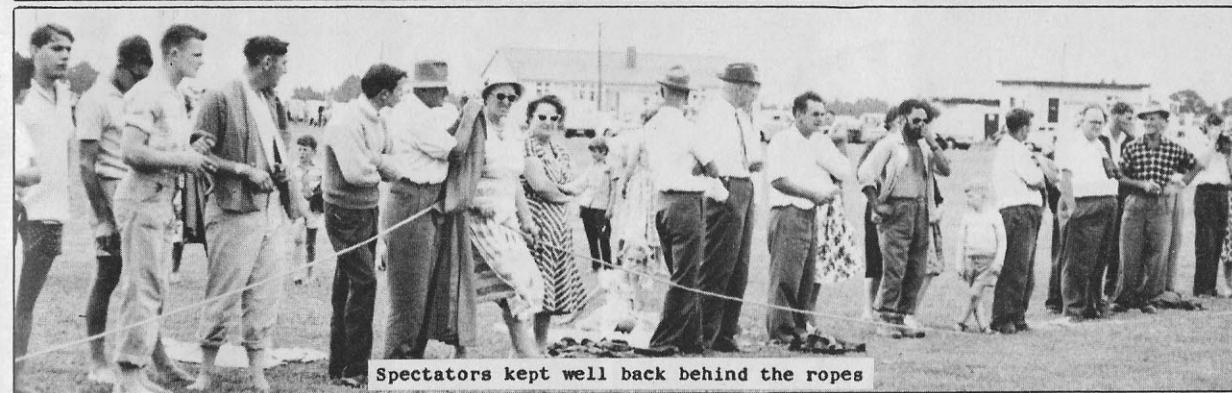
With course and lap records being broken, the annual Grand Prix meeting at the Bell Block aerodrome last week was a thrill from first to last race. Much credit is due to the NTMCC, who organised this very fine meeting. The whole programme went off without a hitch of any kind, with plenty of exciting racing for the whole of the afternoon. Left: G.Skilliton and R.Larson (Napier), winners of the Taranaki side-car championship. Right: H.Anderson (Ohinewai) rode brilliantly to win both senior and junior grand prix races.



Approach to the first bend in the Junior Grand Prix was a roar of healthy motors as riders fought for an early lead. Winner was No.1, at far left.



G.Boyd (Wellington) came a greaser at the gravel bend



Spectators kept well back behind the ropes

The cream of New Zealand's racing men were seen in action at the Grand Prix meeting at the Bell Block airport last week. One of the loose gravel corners proved the undoing of some of the riders, but the more experienced men stayed in their saddles. Not a scratch was suffered by any of the riders during the meeting, despite the number of spills.



Up the kerb and over goes another rider



P.Pawson (Mount Maunganui) rode well during the meeting



H.Farnsworth (Auckland) handled his 7R AJS with expert skill



This was the leader of....



....this team of under-dressed "girls"

Inglewood Marching Chumps

In our job of putting this book together, we have seen many funny things, usually organised for fund-raising. But now we have seen what we think was one of the funniest sights of all.... the Inglewood Marching Chumps, organised by the Inglewood RSA women's section. It developed into such a howl of laughter from start to finish, that ribs were aching from too much merriment. Marching teams from other RSA branches provided a full and fun-packed evening's entertainment, interspersed with items worth going to see on their own.

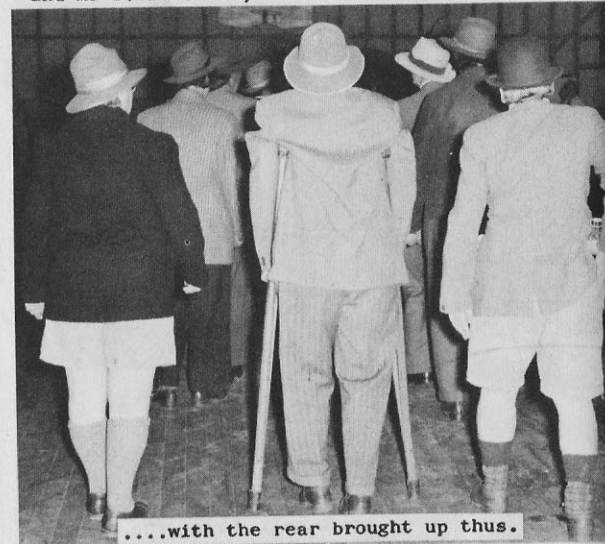


Even the judges, Mr E.Harford, Mrs J.Scanlan, and Mr B.Wicksteed, couldn't contain their mirth



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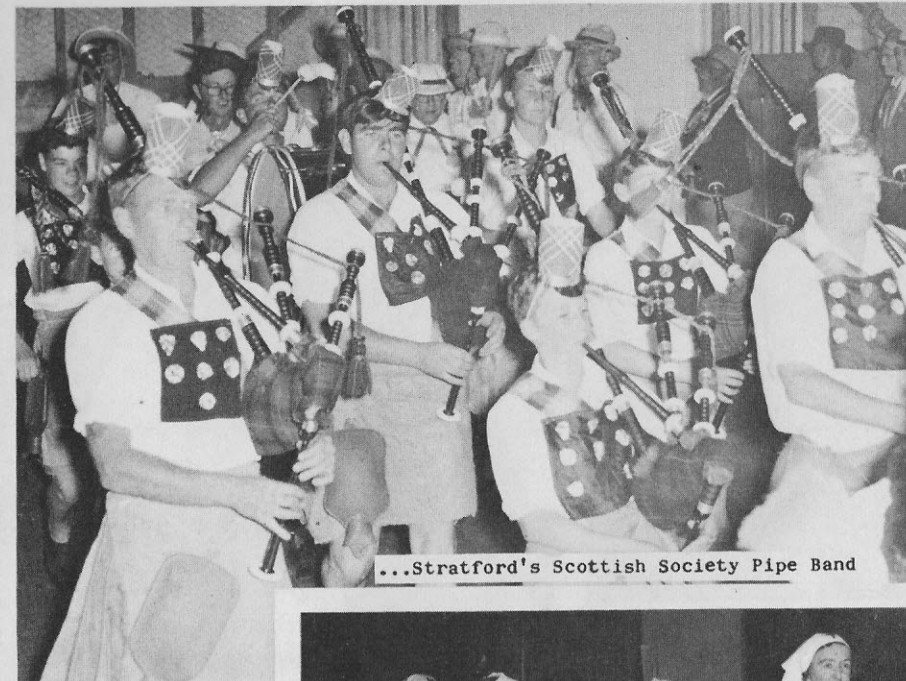
The Urenui Misfits, led by Mrs H.Whittaker....



....with the rear brought up thus.



Smart leader of...



...Stratford's Scottish Society Pipe Band

A RIOT
OF FUN
AT THE
INGLEWOOD
MARCHING
CHUMPS



Inglewood Ladies provided an Old Crocks team



Ten Green Bottles hailed from Inglewood



Inglewood Mothers' Club were a sight for sore and tired eyes...G-rrr!

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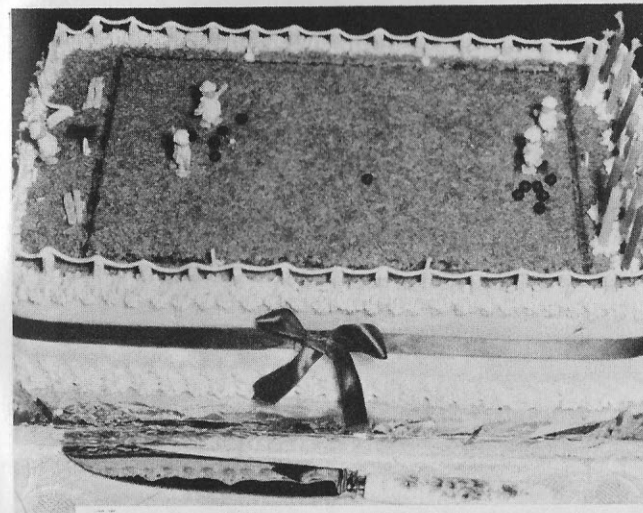


Wedding Bells

Above: **GIBSON-McCLURE.** At the Whiteley Methodist Church, New Plymouth, Margaret Elizabeth, the eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.N.McClure, Ohura, to Errol, eldest son of Mr and Mrs L.D.Gibson, Palmerston North. Lynette McClure, a sister of the bride, Ohura, and Lynette Hayward, N.P., were the bridesmaids. Barry Maxwell, Otorohanga, was the best man, and Bill Batchelor, Eltham, was the groomsmen. The future home will be New Plymouth.

SCOUT CONTINGENT FOR JAMBOREE

Below: The New Plymouth contingent for the New Zealand Scout Jamboree in Dunedin. Drawn from nine groups, these first-class scouts and three scoutmasters will spend seven days in camp at the jamboree next month.



Tarata Women Bowlers Celebrate Tenth Birthday

Probably the smallest women's bowling club in the province is the Tarata club. Yet, they have the most friendly spirit we have seen anywhere. We had the privilege of attending their tenth birthday celebrations recently, and were amazed at the wonderful atmosphere that prevailed. This is true of most country clubs, but none more so than of the Tarata ladies.

Above: The beautiful birthday cake, made in the form of a bowling green.

Right: The club's first president, Margaret Paterson, cut the cake with the present president Aline Elliot.

Below: The full muster of members, small in numbers, but large in their hospitality.





N.T.M.C.C. Scrambles

The North Taranaki Motor Cycle Club holds a series of scrambles that are growing increasingly popular. On every Sunday the club holds a meeting, a crowd of up to 2000 people goes along to see these boys in action.....and action it is, with machines being ridden over all sorts of country, both rough and smooth. Spills are not infrequent, but none are serious, adding to the enjoyment of the spectators.

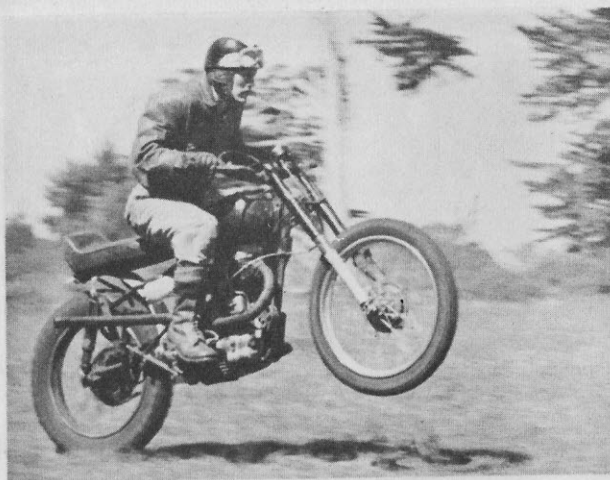
Above: Competitor Merv Hohia gets involved in a weighty argument with two of the officials.

Above, right: Dave Moorhead came out of retirement because he missed the sport so much.

Right: Tom Nottingham gets as many jumps out of his two-stroke as any of the bigger machines.

Below: Merv Hohia goes down the straight on one wheel only.

Below, right: Visiting Australian rider Les Turnbull performed well, and made the local boys go a bit faster.



Married

Right: JORGENSEN-AUSTIN. At a private ceremony, Mavaureen Joyce Austin, only daughter of Mrs I. and the late Mr J. Magrath, N.P., to Noel Harold, son of the late Mr and Mrs Jorgensen, N.P. Matron of honour was Rosemary Magrath, N.P., and the best man was Ray Jorgensen. Future home, New Plymouth.

Below: STANDING-ORDISH. At St. Mary's Church, N.P., Bernie, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.H. Ordish, N.P., to David Edward, only son of Mrs and the late Mr Standing, Harrow, England. Anita Edgecombe was the only bridesmaid, and Bruce Shadbolt was the best man. Future home will be New Plymouth.





Fitzroy Surf Club's Races

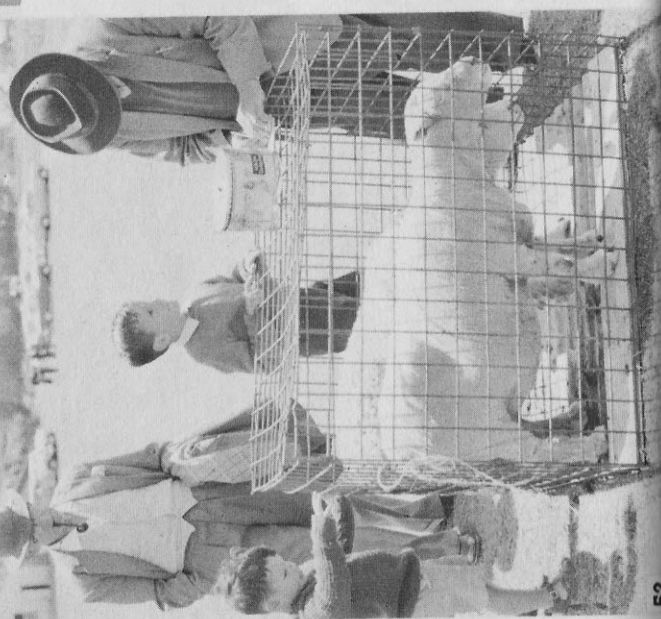
With the beach unsuitable, the Fitzroy Surf Club annual beach races had to be transferred to the N.P. racecourse. Unfortunately, the meeting was very poorly supported, although the organisers worked ceaselessly to make the day a success.

Above, left: This was about the sum total of the crowd that went to the races.

Above, right: Starters in the birdcage for one of the many well-patronised events.

Left: There were two sheep to be won, though they didn't bring in as much money as they should.

Right: A meagre crowd patronised the tote.



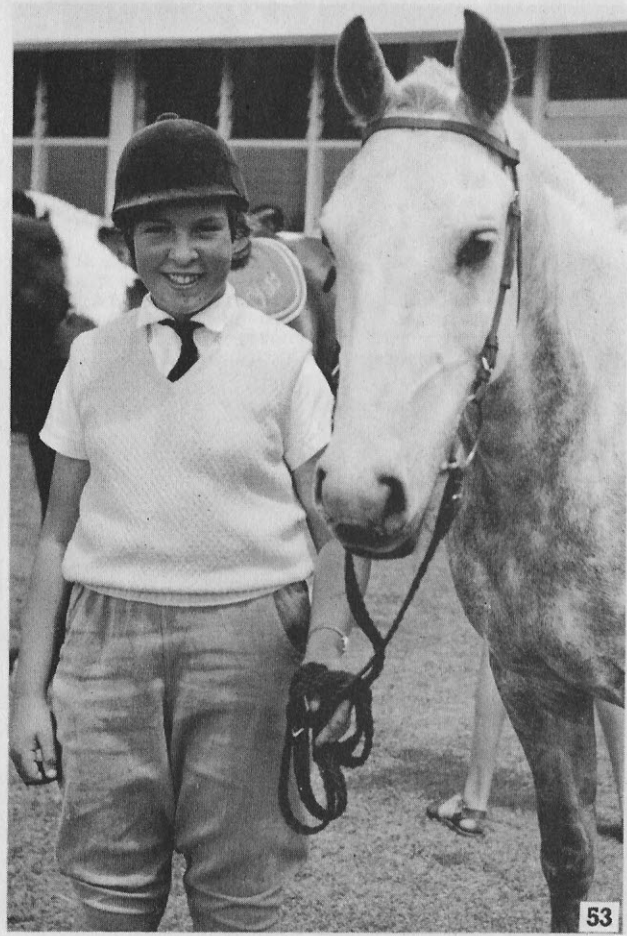
Despite the small crowd, some very good racing was witnessed, with finishes as close as on any race course.

Above: Judges for the day were, from left, Percy Stainton, Tom Fryer, and Les Mace.

Above, right: Winner of the second race was Mr J. Parrish's Might Be... It did.

Below: One of the prettiest horses we have seen for a long time was Golden Ridge, owned by Mr V. Sadler, New Plymouth. Here he is with Eileen Yeates.

Below, right: Winner of the first race was Rum, ridden and owned by Peggy Ann Lane, Okato.





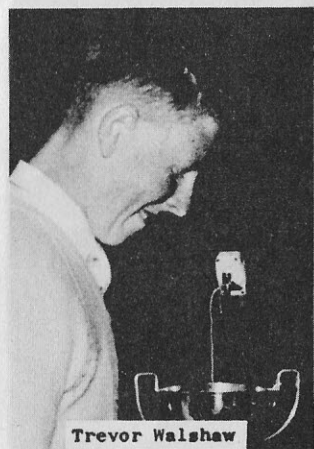
President Ernie Scott gets a trophy from his charming wife, who presented the cups and certificates.



Kevin Hill



Tommy Deihl



Trevor Walshaw

N.P. Cyclists' End-of-Season Prize-giving

Like most sports, the season has to end sometime, and to mark this occasion, the NP Amateur Cycling Club recently held a very enjoyable social and presentation of prizes in the RSA Bowling Club hall. The support enjoyed by this club was very evident by the number present, a credit, we would say, to the fine band of officers of the club.



Gary Standing



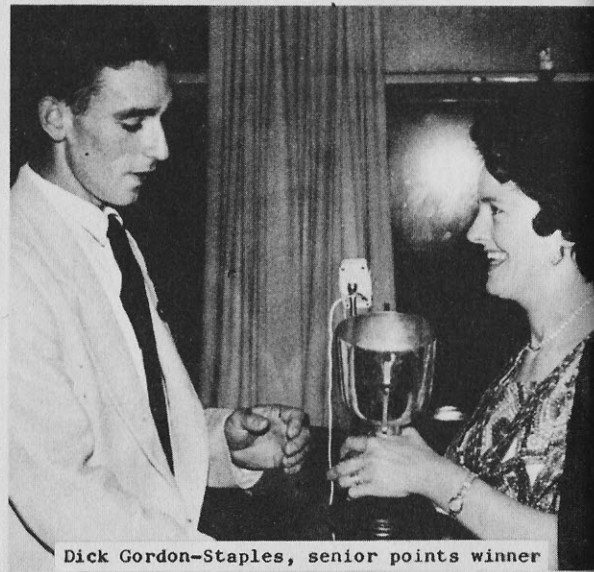
Harry McKee



54 Ashley Goodwin



Philip Rutherford



Dick Gordon-Staples, senior points winner

The Stratford Show



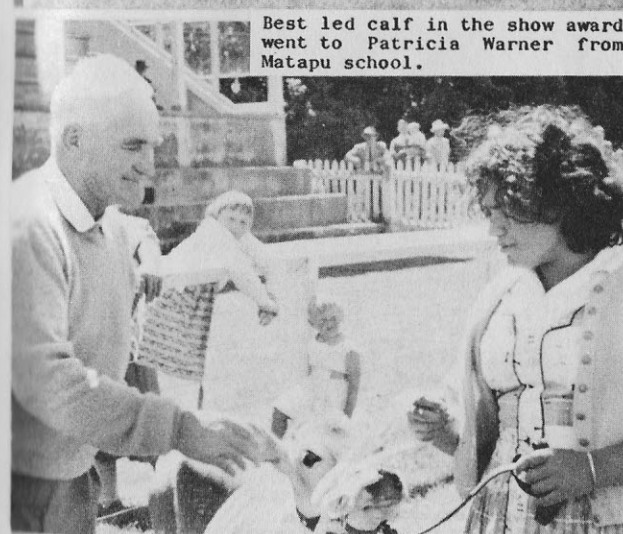
Grand parade of calves, which were of very high quality

Stratford people can consider themselves lucky in that they nearly always seem to get the best of weather for their annual A and P show. This luck of theirs held out this year, when record numbers of people and entries went to make this one of the best shows at Stratford for many years.



Nearly every school in the district was represented

A champion many times over was the calf owned and groomed by Christine Sharrock of the Kaimata School.

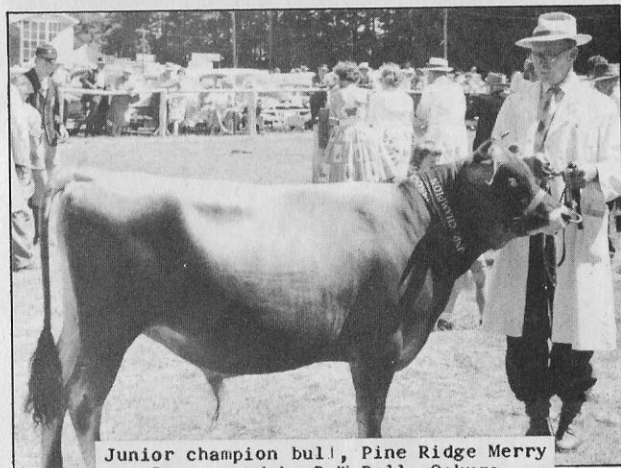


Best led calf in the show award went to Patricia Warner from Matapu school.





STHS pupils enjoy the competition where they were the judges of a dairy beast



Junior champion bull, Pine Ridge Merry Boy, owned by R.W. Bell, Oakura



The merry-go-rounds were well patronised for most of the show time

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Bill Laurent (Waitara) easily clears in one of the many jumping events



MIXED EVENTS AT STRATFORD

Here we reproduce a series of mixed pictures, which give some idea of the variety of events that make Stratford's one of the most popular A & P Shows in the province.



Gwen Halford (Pihamā), reserve show champion, with her calf covered in ribbons she had won.



This pony found it easier to go round than over the fence



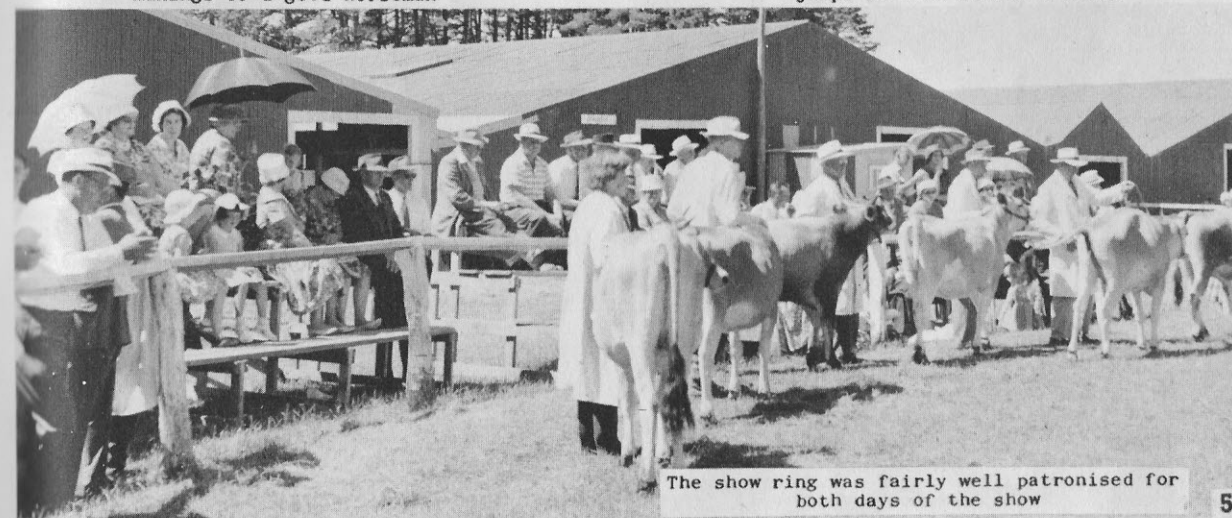
Kevin Kerrisk made the grade in fine style too



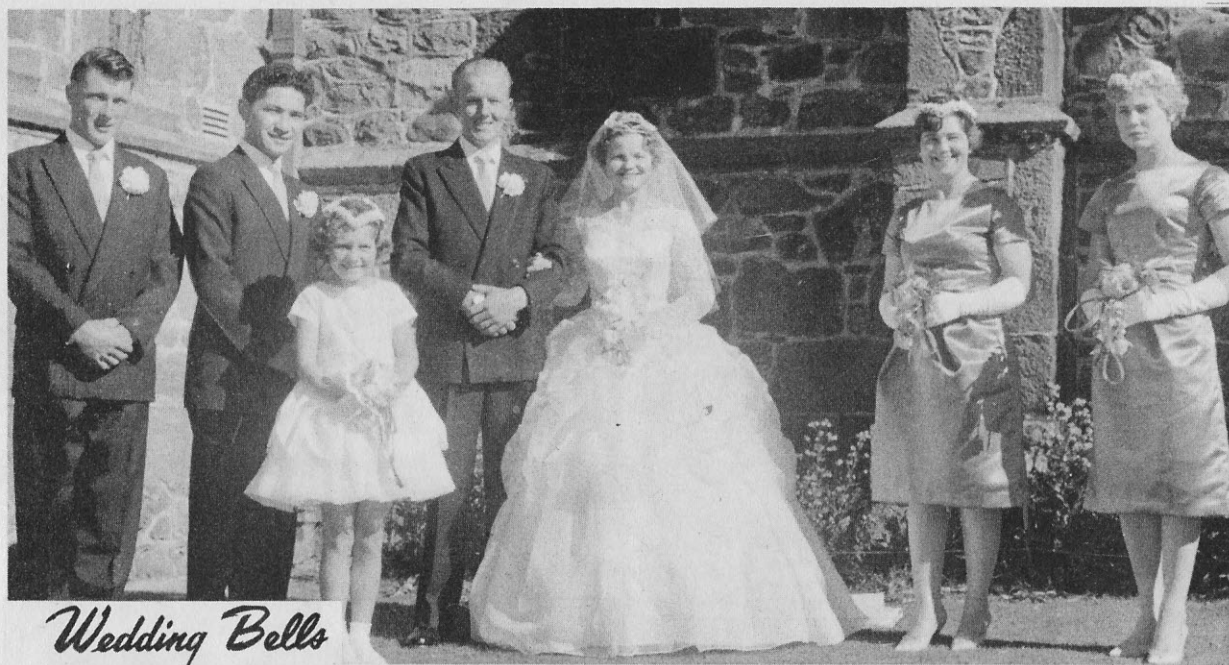
John Bates (Inglewood) has the makings of a good horseman



Ken Lupton (Waverley) was over the jumps in what seemed a hurry



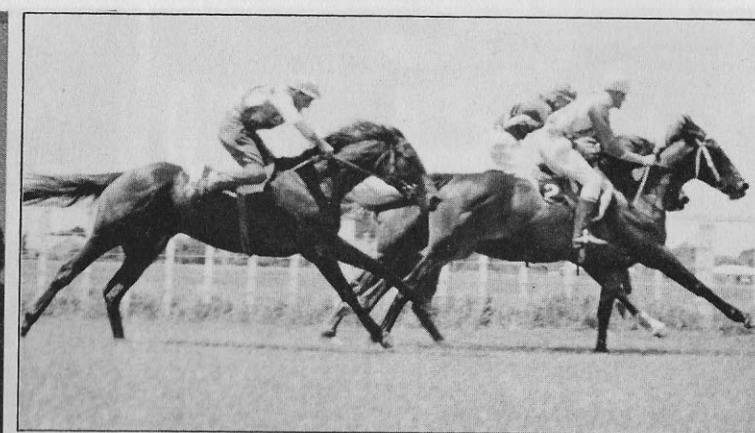
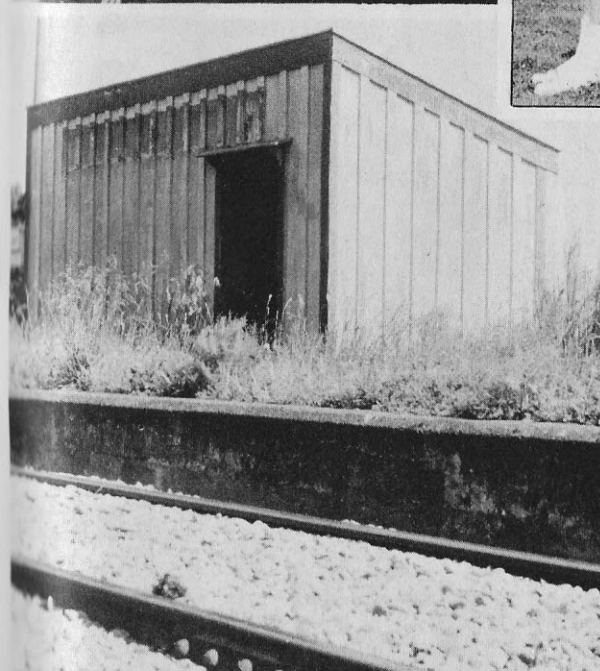
The show ring was fairly well patronised for both days of the show



Wedding Bells

Above: UNCLES-GROWCOTT. At St. Mary's Church, New Plymouth, Joy Alison, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Growcott, New Plymouth, to Raymond (Bennie), only son of Mr and Mrs R.G.Uncles, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Wendy Dixon, Kay Growcott and Lesley Walker, all N.P. Bobby Skipper was the best man and Arthur Dixon was the groomsman. Future home will be New Plymouth.

Below: VOGT-FLORIAN. At the Fitzroy Catholic Church, Marie Filiata Florian, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Jenkins, N.P., to Brian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.Vogt, N.P. The bridesmaids were Merle Collins, N.P., and Eunice Wheeler, also N.P. Royce Vogt, a brother of the groom was the best man, and Cyril Tamati, N.P., was the groomsman. Patricia Phillipson was the flowergirl. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



Roving Camera

Above, left: Jennifer Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.N.Johnson, Western St., New Plymouth, is shown in this photograph, cutting the cake to mark the celebration of her 21st birthday, watched by her niece, who was just tall enough to see the cake.

Left: Platform tickets are no longer needed for the station at Corbetts Road, Bell Block, as it is due for demolition. It is one of those stations that have outlived their usefulness and is no more than an eyesore at the side of the track.

Top, right: Mr J.Parrish's horse, Might Be, just scrapes home by a short head in the second race at the Fitzroy Surf Club's picnic meeting.

Above: Roebuck's Majorettes, New Plymouth, who recently contested a marching title at Jubilee Park, Inglewood. The leader is Lynn Hatcher.



Robinettes Midgets (Hawera), leader Marylin Terrill

Marching Champs At Inglewood

A competition was recently held at Jubilee Park, Inglewood between all the marching teams in Taranaki, to choose those to represent the province in the National Championships. We wish those chosen much success in their aim of a national title. On this and the next page, we reproduce all those teams that took part in the competitions.



Craven A Sunbeams (Hawera), leader Sharon Austin



Mortlock Majors (Stratford), leader Glenice Belcher



Egmont Seniors (Hawera), leader Pauline Butler



Mortlock Minors (Stratford), leader Judy Belcher



Joystep Juniors (Hawera), leader Lynn West



Roebuck's Novelettes (NP), leader Raewyn Millman



Mortlock Brigadiers (Stratford)
leader Lesley Dey

TARANAKI'S MARCHING TEAMS



G.L.B. Christmas Party

The Sixth New Plymouth Company of the Girls' Life Brigade have had an early Xmas party this year. Our cameraman went along to this party at St. Aiden's Hall, and got the pictures on this page of the girls in the process of clearing the laden tables. One thing's for sure, that not one of the girls went home hungry.

Below, right: Barbara Wilson and Susan McKenzie, two of the senior brigaders, cut the Xmas cake.



C.W.I. International Day

The annual CWI International day proved the usual success, with courts from practically every institute in the district entered for the day's competitions. First place went to the display by the CWI Centre, above, second place was gained by the Warea CWI, above, right, and the third place went to the Moturoa CWI's display, below. Other courts, which earned money for the institute, represented popular songs, one of which took our eye, below, right. It was "Lady of Spain", by the Tikorangi Institute.



H.M.A.S. Yarra Visits Port Taranaki

Following the arrival and departure of the frigate HMNZS Taranaki, the province was lucky to see yet another warship. This time, it was the Yarra, one of Australia's newest home-built ships. Much the same as the Taranaki, it created plenty of interest for both old and young, when it was thrown open to visitors. We personally found the crew of the Yarra particularly friendly, and helpful in every way. The port could be proud to play host to this very fine ship and its company.



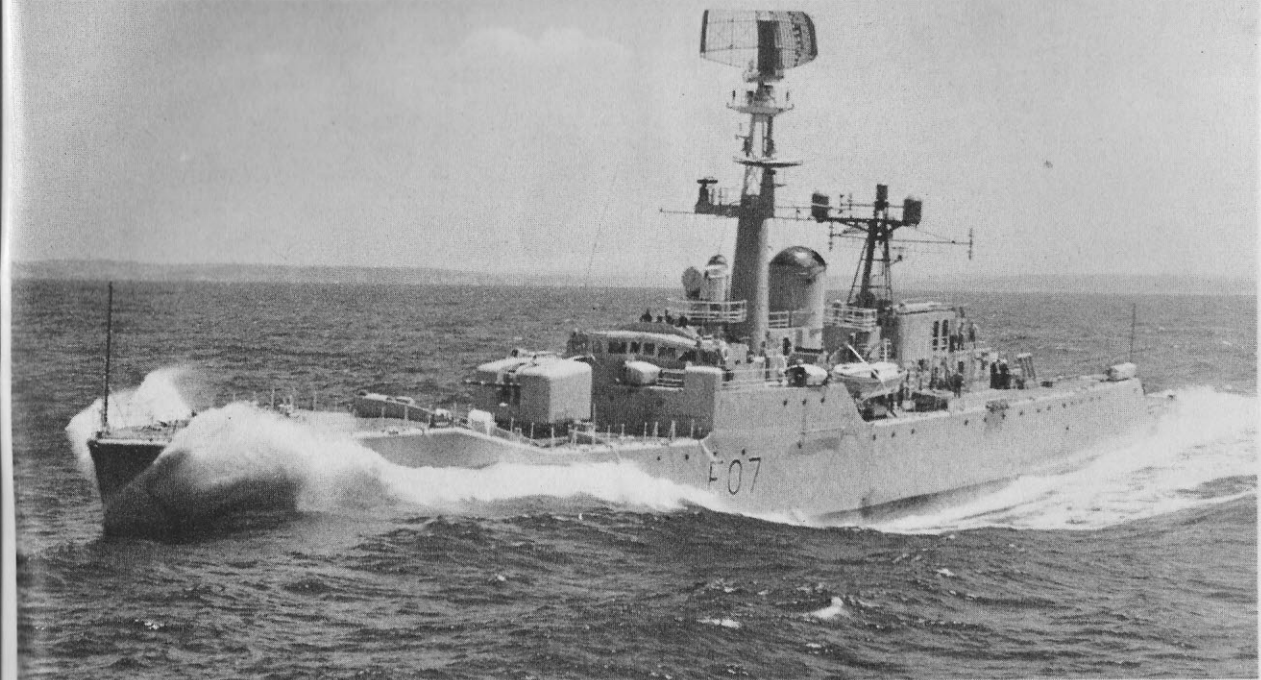
Slim, and speedy-looking, the Yarra was conspicuous by the height of its mast



Children of the Omata School group on deck for a picture by our cameraman



Kath Sears and Marea Mason, off duty for the afternoon, stopped on deck to get a picture for their album.



As on most newer ships of any navy, the crew have reason to be proud of their adopted home. It is no exception with Australia's frigate, the Yarra. She made a very favourable impression during her short stay at Port Taranaki, and those who were lucky enough to make a tour of inspection will have noted the tremendous pride in the ship shown by the crew.

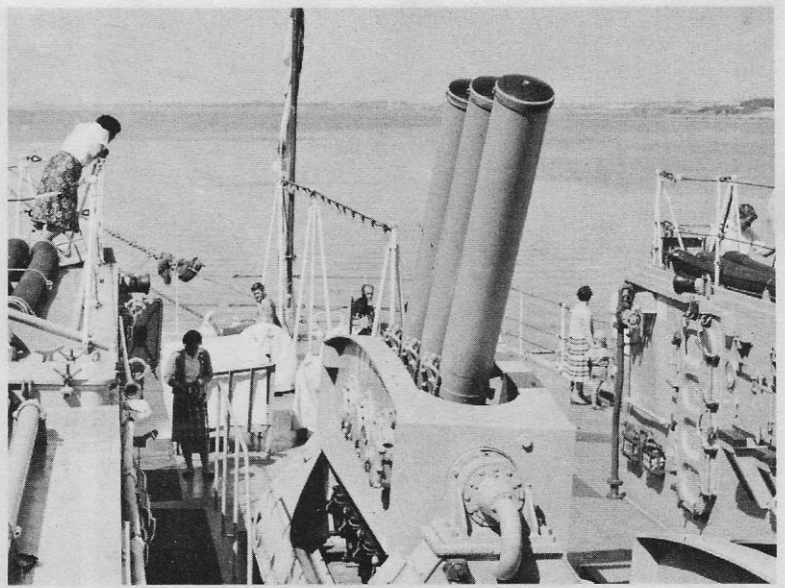
Above: A fine picture of the Yarra, as she ploughs her way through a heavy swell whilst sailing at speed.



Ship's crest and motto



Francis Douglas boys had fun climbing up and down the ladders



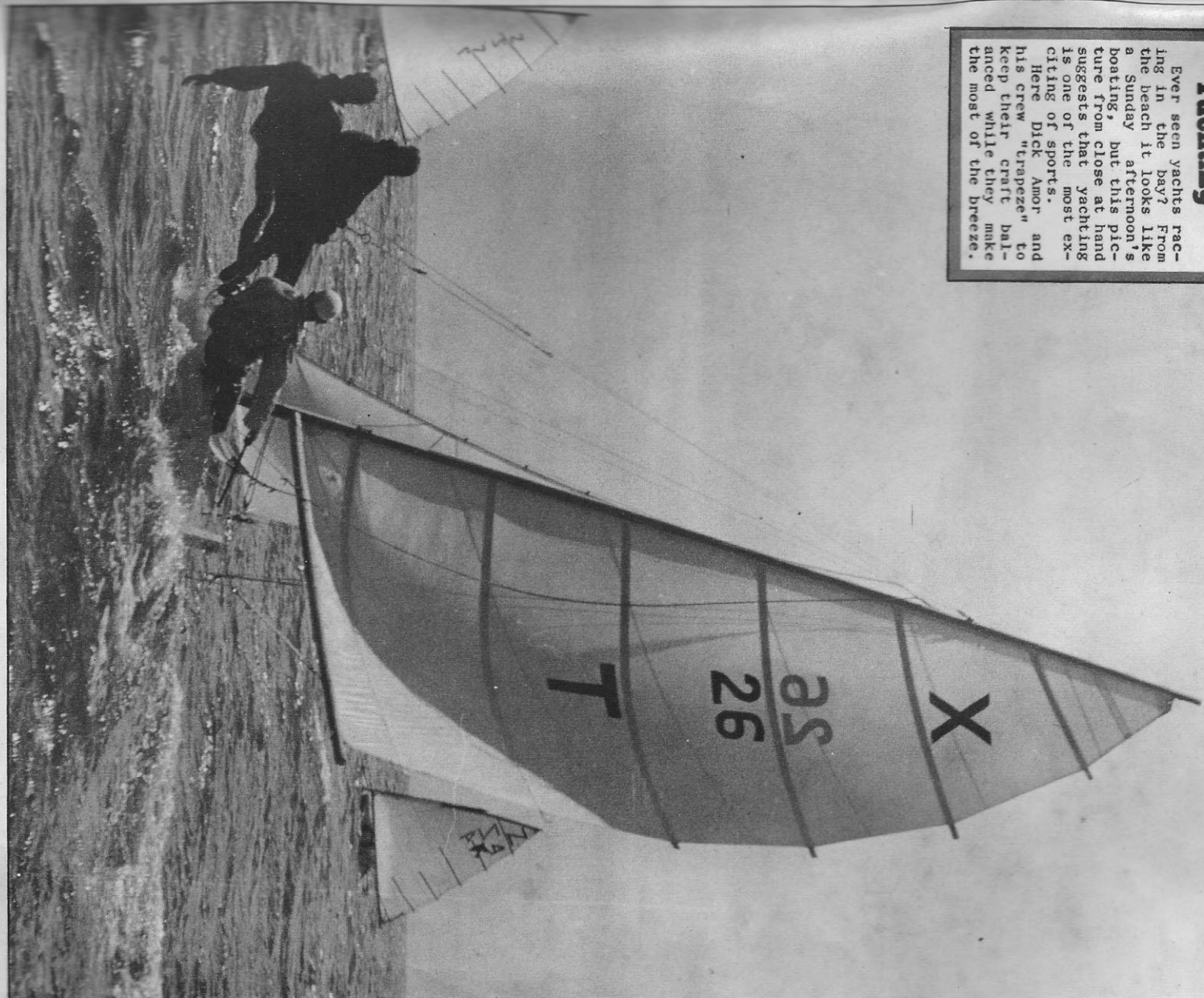
ROVING AROUND THE PORT

Above, left: Two of the visitors to the HMAS Yarra walk down the wharf, watched by one of the crew on duty. We wonder what his thoughts are. Perhaps he thinks New Zealand girls more attractive than those back home. Who knows?

Above, right: Part of the lethal end of HMAS Yarra, with her cluster of mine throwers on the after deck.

Left: Whilst visitor after visitor was inspecting the Yarra, the Harbour Board's dredge was busy on the other side of the wharf, keeping part of the basin clear.

Right: Dennis Lank-shear and Derek Priest, pupils of Omata school, have a look at the compass on the bridge of the Yarra.



Thrill of Yachting

Ever seen yachts racing in the bay? From the beach it looks like a Sunday afternoon's boating, but this picture from close at hand suggests that yachting is one of the most exciting of sports. Here Dick Amor and his crew "crane" to keep their craft balanced while they make the most of the breeze.