



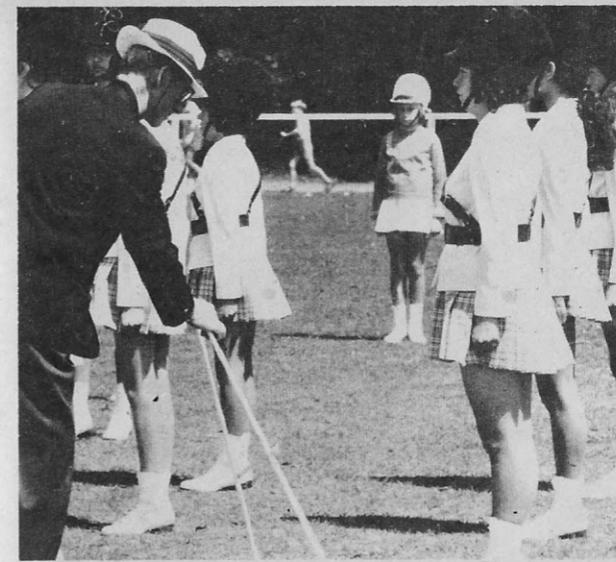
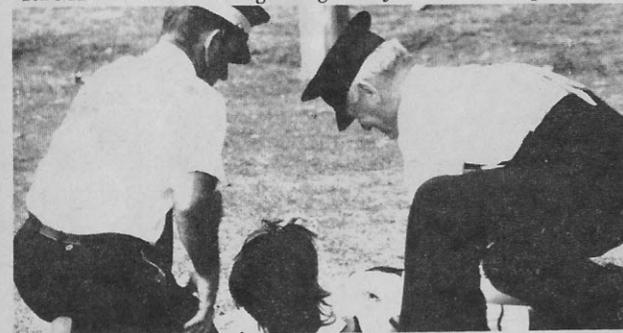
Over 400 marching girls from all parts of the North Island recently competed at the Inglewood and Taranaki marching champs at Jubilee Park, Inglewood. With the weather being kind, it was spectacular for the two days of the comps.

ABOVE—Winners of the junior championship, Tom's Paulette Guards, of Hawera. BELOW—St John men had very little to do, but what they did was mainly cases of fainting. BOTTOM LEFT—One of the teams being put through its paces. BOTTOM RIGHT—Tom's team getting ready for their display.

400 GIRL MARCHERS



ABOVE—New Plymouth's Golden Conquerors gave a fine display. BELOW—Good marching was a feature of the champs.



To run such a marching championship, many judges and helpers are needed, and with this sport there seems to be no shortage. The whole organisation ran as smoothly as a well-oiled clock.

ABOVE LEFT—Fall-in and inspection judge Mr Plumb measures distances. ABOVE—Two of the many judges who needed runners to relay score sheets. LEFT—Two more of the judges who devoted much of their spare time to the sport. BELOW LEFT—Team ready for uniform inspection, and standing in the hot sun would be a fair trial for some of the young girls. BELOW—No doubt about it, some people had plum jobs, though it wasn't all honey, sitting in the sun to judge the girls.





MOTO CROSS A THRILLER

Some of the best scramblers in the world were on view at Beach Road, Omata, for the Moto Cross on Boxing Day. It was a day of grand racing with thrills and spills coming fast and frequent on one of the most difficult tracks in the country. A very large crowd was rewarded, for their visit, with some great riding on the part of both N.Z. and U.K. riders.

ABOVE—Start of the main race. BELOW—Getting up a 2-in-1 hill at 50mph gives one quite a lift at the top. RIGHT—Alan Collison, Palmerston North, was the most spectacularly successful New Zealand rider. BOTTOM LEFT—U.K. rider Randy Owen showed complete mastery over his machine. BOTTOM RIGHT—Laurie Love, Wanganui, comes to grief, but is soon up and away again.



NEAT CAR WASHERS

The Skellerup Netball girls needed funds, so they organised a car wash, which was well patronised, and small wonder, with such beauty to wash one's car.

ABOVE—When we arrived, Barbara Izett was waiting for a customer, and almost before we could get out, she was onto the job with a will, and is shown ABOVE RIGHT, working hard to get all the road film off. RIGHT—Sharlene Mills wasn't afraid to soil her hands on the dirtier parts of the car either. BELOW—Karen Colson, complete with brush and soap, got on with the scrubbing to make our car look almost new. BELOW RIGHT—In the rear, Alice Mofat polished the windows, while Christine Jury got to work on the windscreen. We reckon this was money well spent, as they did such a grand job.

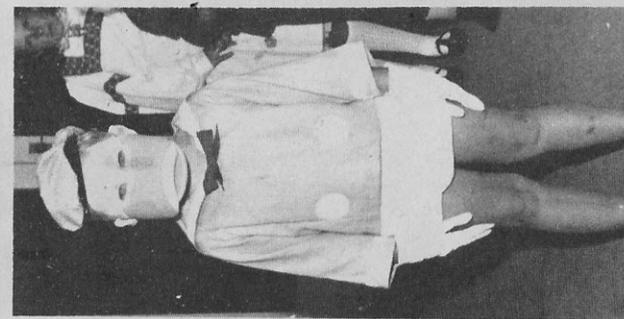
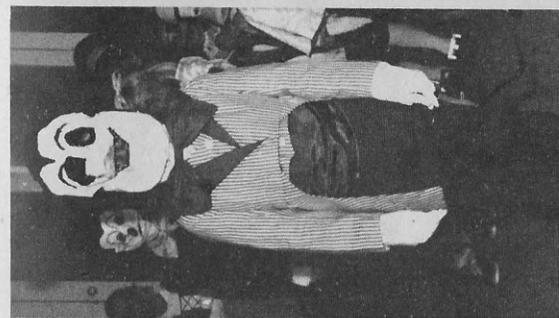
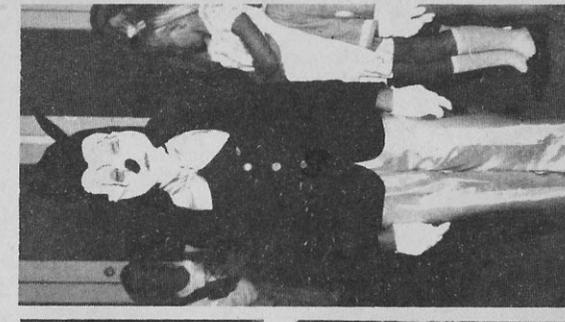


Carnival Night For Waitara Kids



Enthusiasm seems to be the quality of most Waitara people, for when the Promotions Society organised a children's competition of drawings and dressing up as Disney characters, the response was marvellous. Kids from far and near came for the many excellent prizes available and the night resulted in attracting many more people to the town than is usually seen on a late shopping night.

ABOVE—Here are a lot of the entries in the dressing up part of the show, and some of the costumes were absolutely fantastic. We guess that parents had spent many hours in the manufacture of these fine characters. LEFT—Here's some of the competitors in the drawing competition. BELOW LEFT—And here are a few more. BELOW RIGHT—Snow White and one of the dwarfs. Well, whatever they are, they looked lovely.



WAITARA'S DISNEY KIDS

Here's a selection of the children who entered the Disney competition at Waitara recently. Cute aren't they?

ADVENTURE INTO THE WORLD OF THRILLS

Little Dena Tubb of Omata, who came to Ngamotu Beach for the day, had one of the best days of her life when she explored the magic world of adventure on the slide in the children's playing area. All on her own, she strode off to the slide.

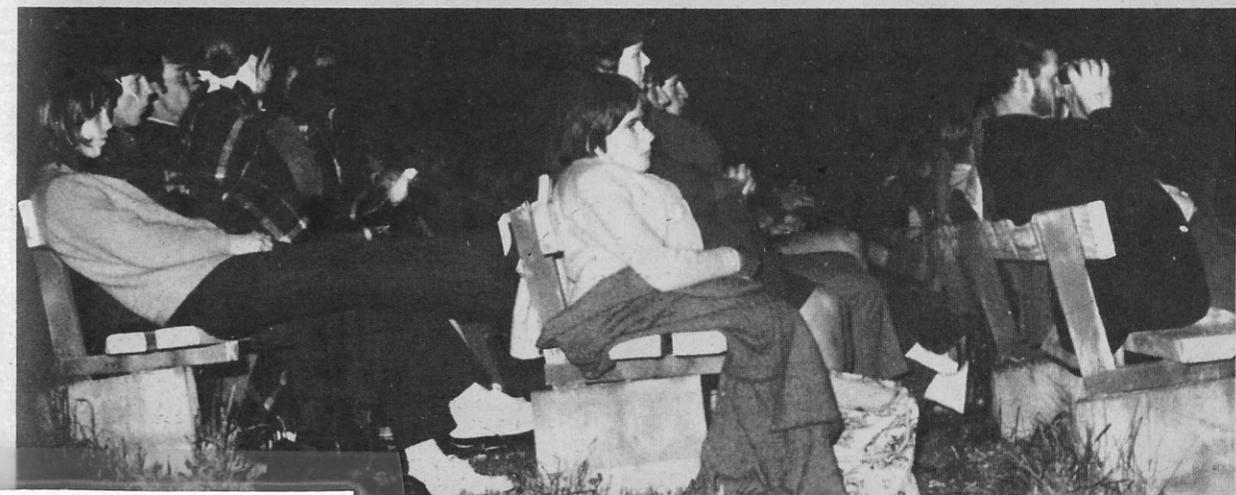
BELOW—With a smile of expectancy of what was to come. Getting up the steps, RIGHT, was perhaps one of the hard things to do but, not deterred, she got to the top, BELOW CENTRE, without too much trouble. Once at the top, FAR RIGHT, Dena gingerly swung her legs into the appropriate position before her hair-raising first attempt. BELOW RIGHT—The biggest thrill came when Dena came down with a rush and, to prove how much she loved it, did the journey without hands.



BOWL OF BROOKLANDS 7000 Watch Great Show

Great night at the Bowl with Soloman King, American baladeer. 7000 customers went away very happy after Soloman had returned for encore after encore. With supporting artists of a very high calibre, the show was definitely the best so far this year at the Bowl. Predominant in the audience were the younger age group, but being oldies ourselves, we can honestly say that this was a show that would have been enjoyed by everybody.

ABOVE—Here is the heavyweight entertainer Soloman King in the middle of one of his encores. ABOVE RIGHT—Here he is getting some very good backing from the Yandall sisters, a very good combination. RIGHT—The Sam Pehi family group were entertainers that had just about everything, including a brilliant item from the youngest member of the family. BELOW—Every seat was filled for this very fine show.





ON THE BEACH

It's amazing how many photographs one can take, in a wander round the beach at this time of the year. It's a lensman's paradise.

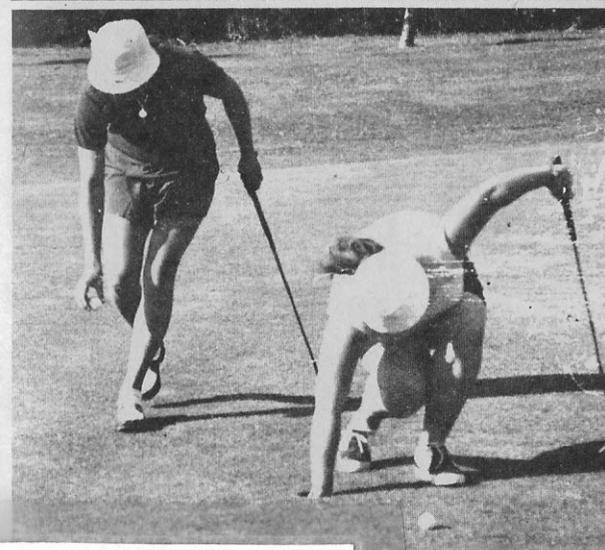
ABOVE—The stream at Oakura Beach is once again damned up but, as usual, to no avail. BELOW—What a way to live, just lying in the sun and sea, no matter about swim shorts either. RIGHT—We couldn't wait to see what the other side was like as they were only half cooked. BOTTOM CENTRE—Waiting to launch the Queen Mary, Mum? BOTTOM RIGHT—They tell me there's oil in Taranaki. Just see if I can find some!

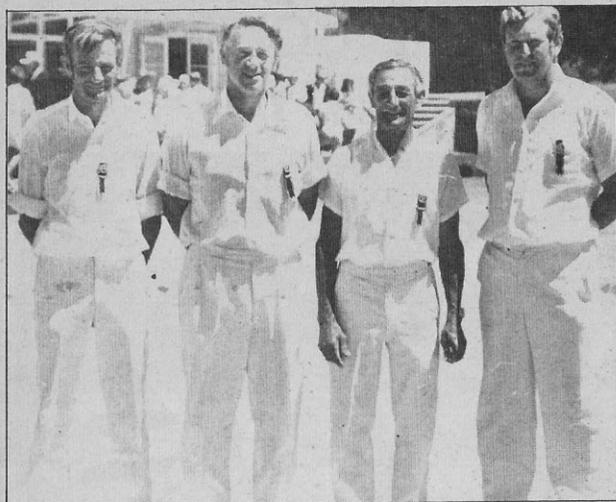


The touring Australian Girls' Golf Team had a remarkable run in Taranaki, and finished up their visit with a match, against some of the boy golfers of the province, at Inglewood. These lasses are certainly good, for they beat the boys and one wonders, with the quality of boy golfers in this province, if they didn't take it easy on the visitors.

RIGHT—This is the Aussie team. From left, Julia Mackay, Vicki Jellis, Debbie Piper, and Rosalie Hughes. BELOW—Spectators take things easy while watching the last hole at Inglewood. BELOW RIGHT—Officials at the after-match function. From left, Mrs Coad (secretary, Taranaki Ladies' Golf Association), Mrs Shearer, Mr Shearer (Inglewood president), Mrs Mullaney (NZLGU president) and John Mackay. BOTTOM LEFT—That one's safely away. BELOW CENTRE: Eileen Hunter was an ardent follower. BOTTOM RIGHT—Wonder what put the boys off their game!

TOURING GIRL GOLFERS BEAT LOCAL BOYS



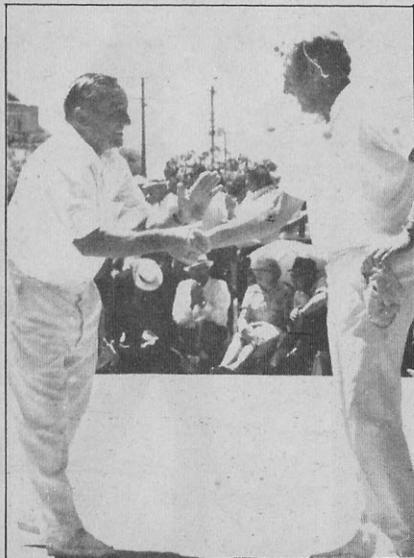


GREATEST "OPEN" FINAL EVER



There have been tight finals before, but none with such atmosphere as this one between Paritutu's Doug Rowlands and Palmerston North's Kevin Wing. It was a real cliff-hanger of a game, right up to the last end.

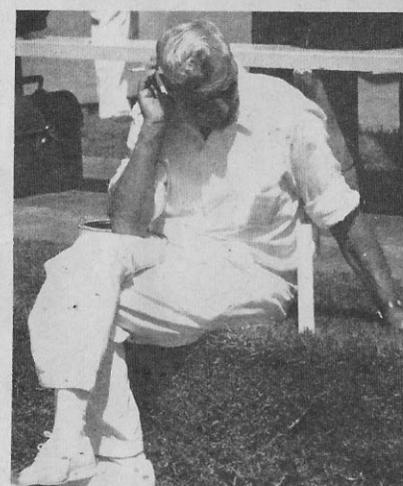
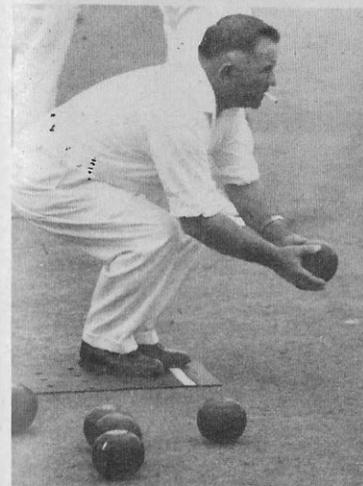
ABOVE LEFT—Winners were A. Everleigh, C. Griggs, W. J. Broughton and Kevin Wing. ABOVE RIGHT—Runners-up were Doug Rowlands, Alan Crow, Alan Boulton and Eddie Cameron. LEFT—Doug chalks the board as the game nears its end. RIGHT—That should keep the sun off. Good for riding bowls too. BELOW LEFT: Skips shake hands after the battle. BELOW CENTRE—Pairs winners Colin Simonson and Don Corby. BELOW RIGHT—Runners-up in the pairs, George Hansen and Jack Rowe, Tauranga.

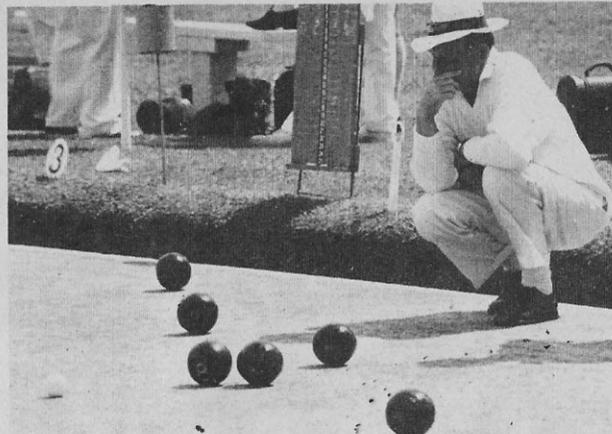
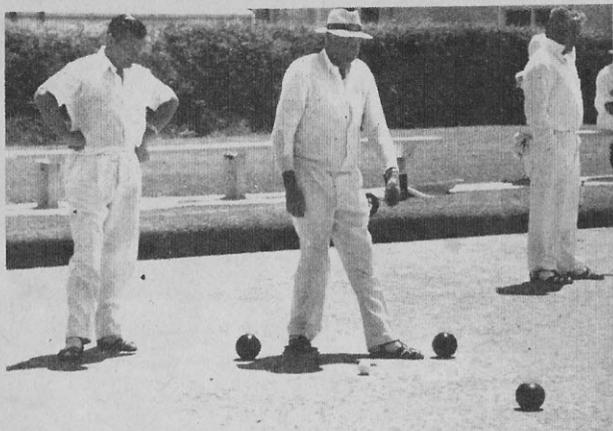


"OPEN" CANDIDS

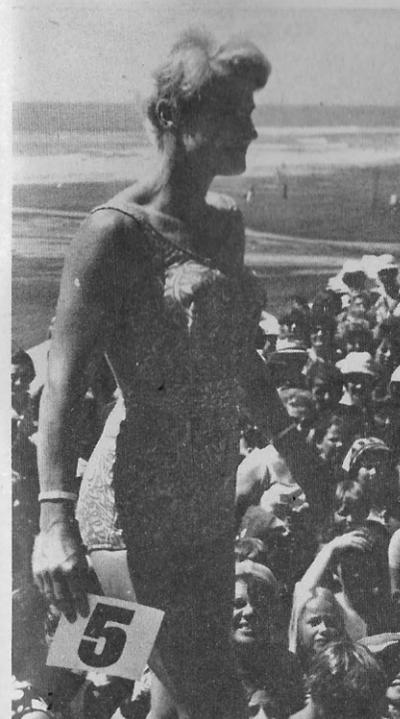
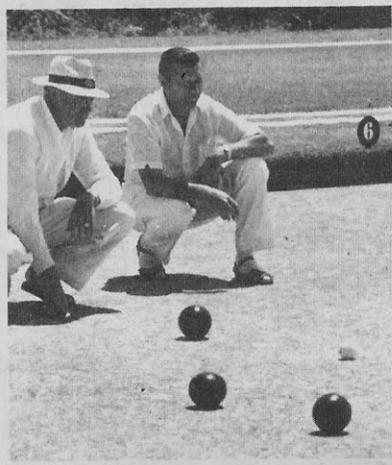
One thing's for sure, this Open tournament keeps on creating records. This year it is the biggest in New Zealand, and it had the best weather, plus the nicest crowd of visitors one could imagine. They did their best to see that a local team won right up to the final. We never heard one groan or moan on the green. Great sport, this bowls.

ABOVE—There are various ways of beating the heat. The male found the simplest way, but the ladies couldn't follow suit, so they settled for sunshades. LEFT—You're foot faulting mate! RIGHT—Yes, skip, we know the feeling. BELOW LEFT—Now we wonder what the attraction is here! BELOW RIGHT—When we took this picture, we feel sure the dog said "This would be the largest area of shade around here."





ABOVE LEFT—Right, Wilf. Don't forget to take your foot away when the bowl is greened. ABOVE RIGHT—What's wrong, Dave? You look worried? Did the skip put one down on the wrong bias? LEFT—At this stage, Alan, bet you never thought you'd fight another final. BELOW CENTRE—Long day, mates. Might as well have a rest. BELOW RIGHT—Nice easy job the lead's got. Shove up a couple of touchers and sit and talk to the wife. BOTTOM LEFT—Third equal went to a popular team from Carlton, skipped by Bunny Burrows. BOTTOM RIGHT—Strange how all the leads seem to find a couple of girls to sit by when they've played their bowls!



TARANAKI BEACH MUMS



At the New Year Beach Carnival at Oakura there was a Miss Taranaki Beach Resort title at stake. This created interest, and was followed by a Mrs Beach Resort, and this created even more interest, as the contestants paraded before the judges. Glad they never asked us to judge, for the beach Mums were all so charming. Anyway, here's a selection of six of the entrants. Don't look too hard, Dad, they're all married women.





DOWN BY THE SEA

ABOVE—Yachts of the New Plymouth and visiting clubs get ready to put to sea for their annual regatta at the beginning of the new year. The weather was excellent for the racing, though the breeze wasn't quite as strong as they would have liked it. RIGHT—Big sister helps little brother with a creation in sand. The idea is to build your own pool on the beach, where you can at least keep one end cool. BOTTOM—Now don't some fellers get all the luck? Happy as Larry, being lifted in and out of the water. And, with the rather large sea running, someone had to be there to keep him out of trouble!



Right:
CORBETT—DAVIDSON.
At St Andrew's Church, New Plymouth, Karen, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. P. Davidson, New Plymouth, to Terry, elder son of Mr and Mrs E. Corbett, New Plymouth. Matron of honour was Lorraine Millman, New Plymouth, and the bridesmaids were Jill Penwarden, Wellington, and Carol Edwards, New Plymouth. Best man was Ronnie Millman, New Plymouth, and the groomsmen were Graeme Corbett, brother of the groom, New Plymouth, and Peter Johnston, New Plymouth. The flower-girls were Shona and Donna Rutherford, New Plymouth. Future home, New Plymouth.



Weddings

Left:
FAIRWEATHER—GALVIN.
At St Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Anne Galvin, second daughter of Mr and Mrs R. K. Berridge, New Plymouth, to Robert, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A. Fairweather, Waverley. The bridesmaids were Molly Fairweather, sister of the groom, Waverley, and Susan Galvin, sister of the bride, New Plymouth. The best man was Graham Aiken, Waverley, and the groomsmen were Steve Barrow, Waverley. Future home, Waverley. (Vogue Studios).

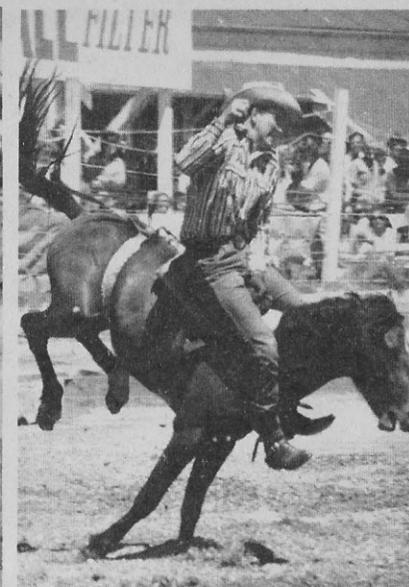
Left: **DAVIES—GRANT.**
At St Mark's Methodist Church, Feilding, Dawne Margaret, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Grant, Feilding, to Brian William, only son of Mr and Mrs W. N. Davies, New Plymouth. Matron of honour was Marion Odlum, Morrinsville, and the bridesmaids were Lois Davies, sister of the groom, New Plymouth, and Linda Grant, Feilding. Best man was Alan Andrews, Kaponga, and the groomsmen were Philip Le Grove, Lower Hutt, and Alan Gorge, Kaponga. The flower-girls were Janine and Toni Odlum. Future home, New Plymouth.

RODEO THRILLS

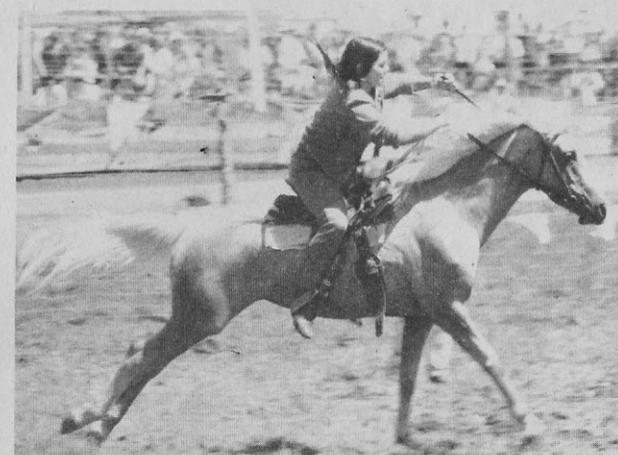
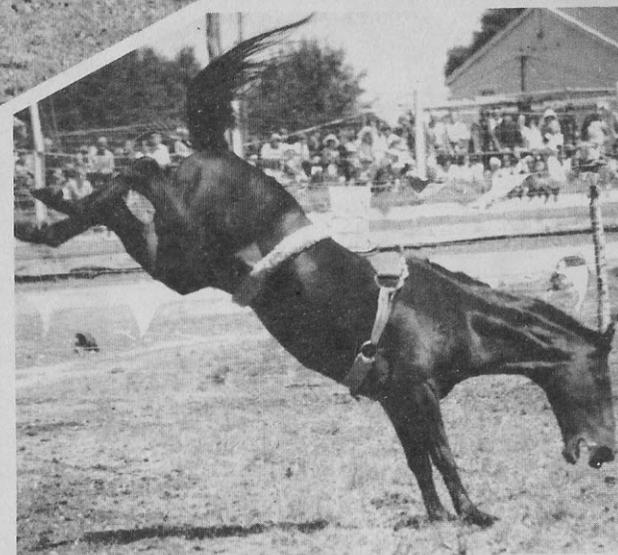


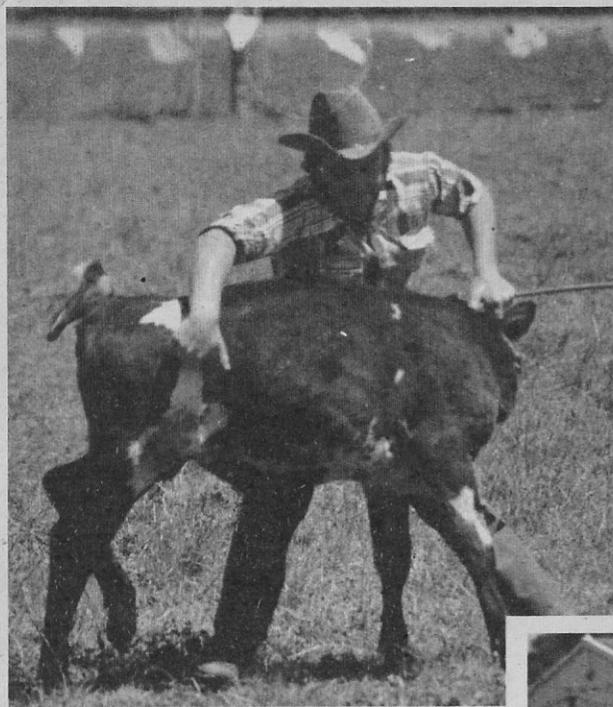
We've been to most of the Rodeo events at Stratford, but never before have we seen such mean mounts. They must all have had bad tempers from having to be ridden on a Sunday. The riders certainly had their hands full as one after another got unseated by these 'ornery critters.

ABOVE—See what we mean? Not satisfied in unseating his rider, this wild pony gave him a kick in the rear for good measure. ABOVE RIGHT—Spectators had so much to see, one watching the ring and the other the yards. RIGHT—Yet another comes to grief, and boy, was that ground hard! BELOW—The bulls were just the same, mean tempered and most un-co-operative. BELOW RIGHT—Calf roping wasn't quite so hectic, but even these youngsters put up a good show.

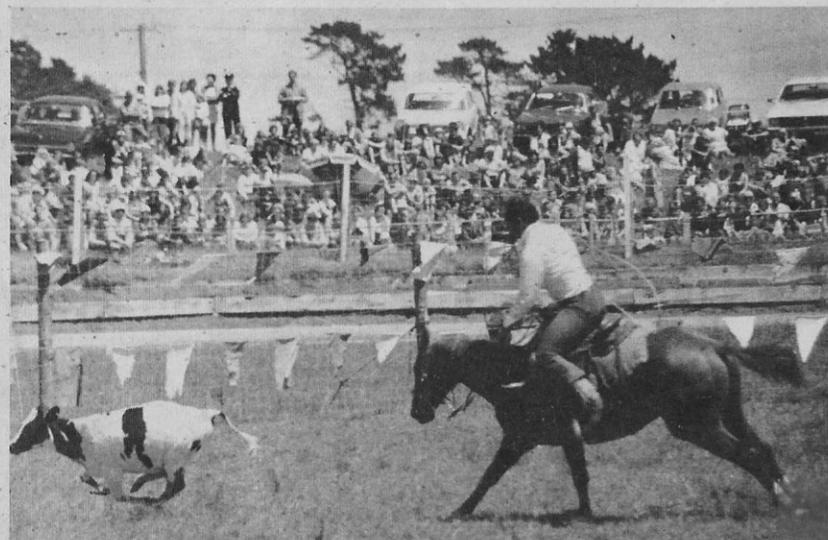


ABOVE—This rider is about to come adrift from another of those fiery steeds. ABOVE RIGHT—You'd think the horse would have fallen too, but this wasn't the case. RIGHT—Even after having got rid of the rider, the nag just kept on bucking. BELOW—How's this for high kicking? Mind you it was all to a good purpose. BOTTOM RIGHT—Barrel races for the women were a novel and entertaining feature.





ABOVE—In the calf roping, it proved very hard to get your charge down and tied if he felt he didn't want to. All this added to the day's entertainment for the good crowd who watched the rodeo. ABOVE RIGHT—Doesn't look as though this rider is going to last very long on the back of this miserable steer does it? RIGHT—Nor will this rider enjoy his ride, for the nag had other ideas about a Sunday afternoon step out. FAR RIGHT—You can almost read the rider's mind, and we would agree with him. BELOW—First you've got to catch your calf, and this wasn't easy either. BOTTOM RIGHT—Nearly there, and one of the riders will drop onto the calf's back.



Married

Left: ROBSON—DALY. At St Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Christine Jennifer, daughter of Mr M. Daly, New Plymouth, and the late Mrs J. Daly, to Paul Lindsay, son of Mr and Mrs R. W. Robson, Stratford. The bridesmaid was Juliana Caroline Julian, New Plymouth, and the best man was Richard Robson, brother of the groom, New Plymouth. Future home, New Plymouth. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).

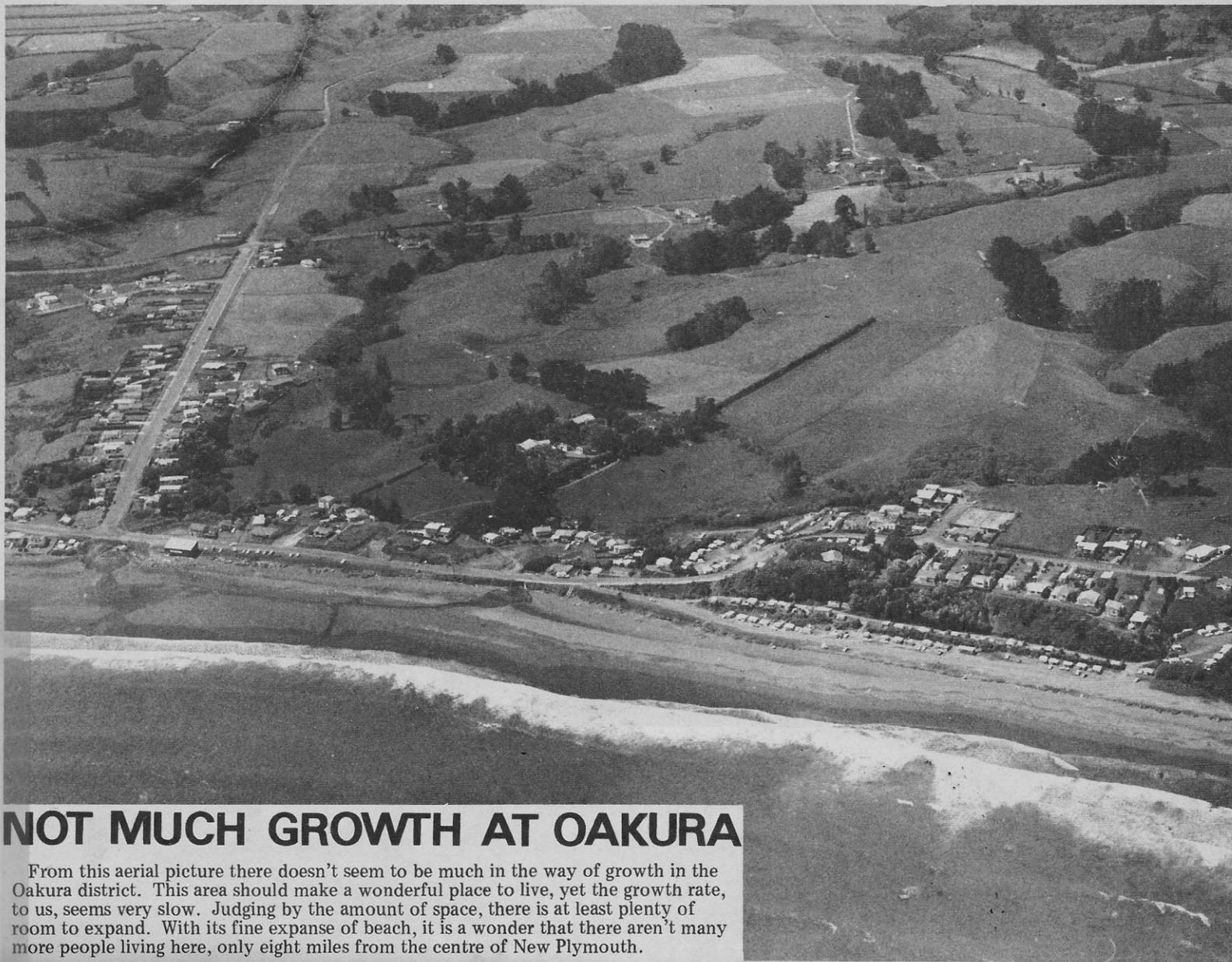


Right: BERRY—GEORGE. At St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Jennifer Ann, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R. P. George, New Plymouth, to Bruce Winston, fourth son of Mrs W. Berry, Christchurch, and the late Mr Berry. The bridesmaids were Judith Sommerville, Inglewood, and Sally George, sister of the bride, New Plymouth. Best man was Ian Thomson, Christchurch, and the groomsman was David Crone, Inglewood. Jillian Berry was the flower-girl, and Simon Berry was the page boy. Future home, Scotland. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).



Left: McLAKEN—LAY. At St Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Janette, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs L. G. Lay, New Plymouth, to John, second son of Mr and Mrs I. McLaken, Masterton. The bridesmaids were Judy Watts, Matamata and Vicky Evers, Tirau. Best man was Paul Wiseman, Palmerston North, and the groomsman was Neil McLaken, brother of the groom, Masterton. Future home, Masterton. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).





NOT MUCH GROWTH AT OAKURA

From this aerial picture there doesn't seem to be much in the way of growth in the Oakura district. This area should make a wonderful place to live, yet the growth rate, to us, seems very slow. Judging by the amount of space, there is at least plenty of room to expand. With its fine expanse of beach, it is a wonder that there aren't many more people living here, only eight miles from the centre of New Plymouth.

YOU'VE DONE WELL

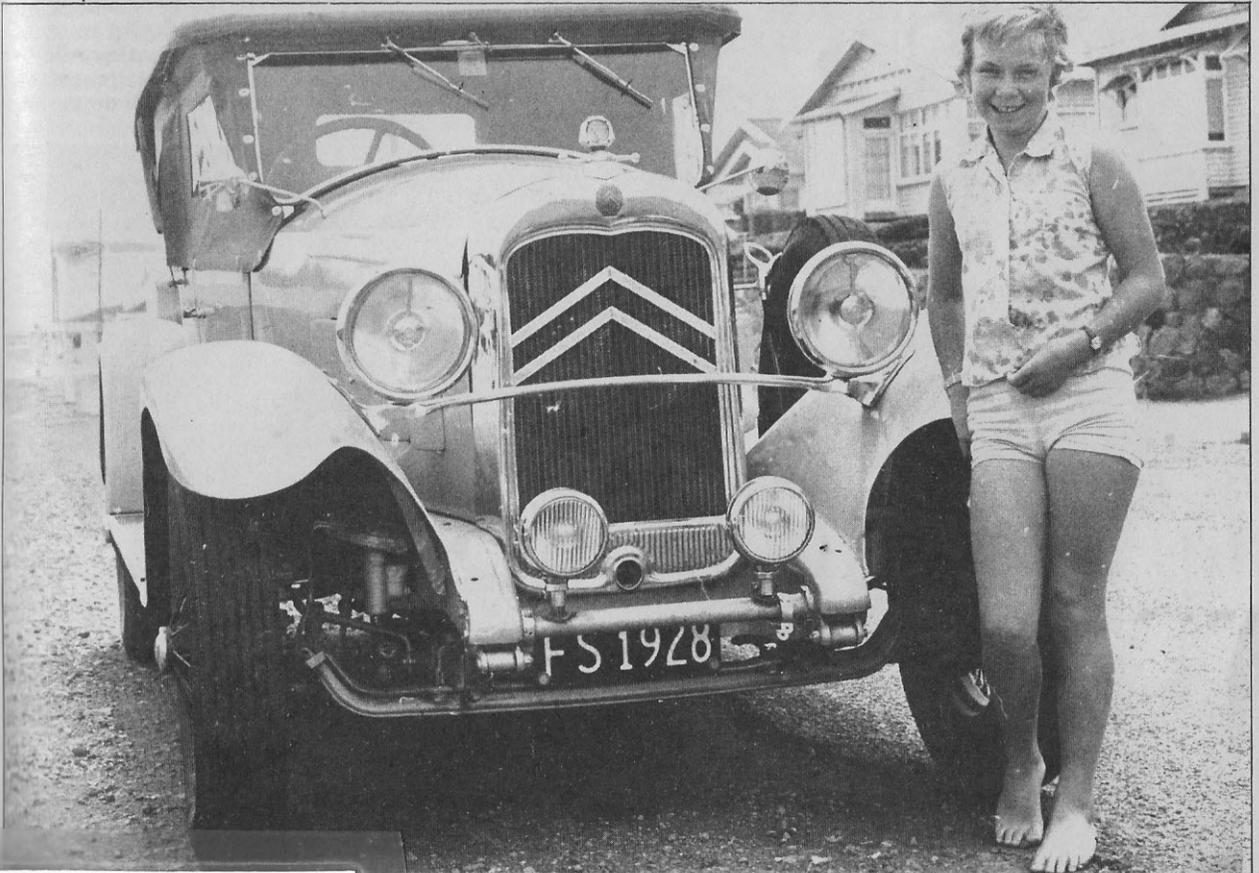
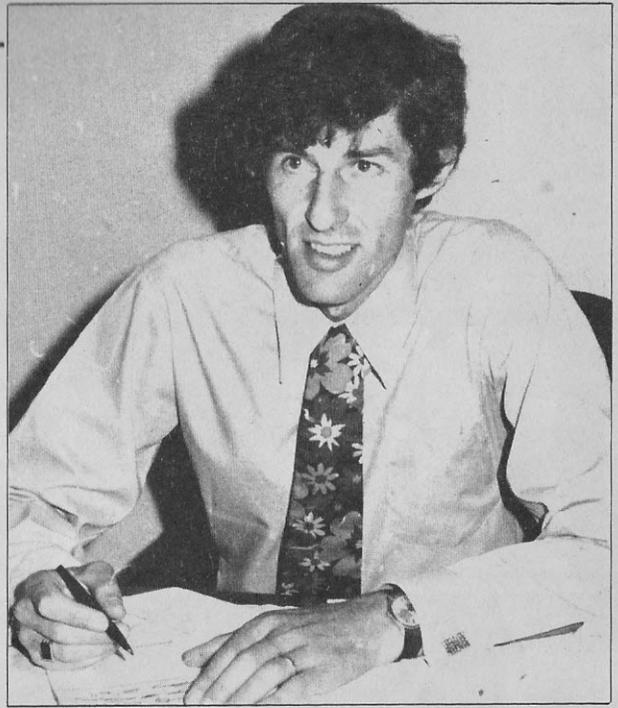
FAREWELL, PATRICK CONNELL.

'Suppose it was inevitable for a man with your capabilities to move on to higher plains.

Let us say right here and now. You've done as much for New Plymouth as anyone, and a darned sight more than most, without kudos or prejudice. You've been unselfish and shown bias to none, despite the fact that you've had an uphill struggle to get recognition for the service you have provided. We, personally, will be sorry to see you leave us, but happy in the knowledge that you have found a niche perhaps more suited to your talents. Good luck Pat. We will miss your cheery co-operation which, to us, has been second to none.

1928 Citroen For Rally

BELOW—Young Nicki Stevenson, daughter of Fraser Stevenson, proudly stands behind Dad's vintage Citroen, which has just been restored for the national Vintage Rally, taking place soon in the South Island. If the driving and navigating is as good as the restoring, then you can't fail to win a trophy of some sort.





KAIMIRO FANCY DRESS

Almost the last social function for the 1971 school year at Kaimiro was the fancy dress ball. It was an occasion when all the children and their parents could get together for an enjoyable evening's entertainment, and enjoy it they did, for the kids delighted in dressing up, and there was an assortment of characters to be admired by all. Here are but a few of them, the sweet things.



MARRIED

Left: ATTRILL—DRAKE. At St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Plymouth, Lynette, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. H. Drake, New Plymouth, to Francis Attrill, second son of Mrs McCutcheon, New Plymouth. The matron of honour was Kathy Yandle, New Plymouth, and the best man was Lawrence Attrill, brother of the groom, Australia. Future home, New Plymouth. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).

Right: CORDERY—THOMPSON. At St Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Gail Linda, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. D. Thompson, New Plymouth, to John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs E. L. Cordery, Hamilton. Matron of honour was Marilyn Stachurski, sister of the bride, New Plymouth, and the bridesmaid was Bev Ansley, New Plymouth. Best man was Marinus Koppe, New Plymouth, and the groomsman was Hugh Cordery, brother of the groom, Hamilton. Future home, New Plymouth. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).



Left: CAVE—STREET. At St Mary's Anglican Church, New Plymouth, Suzanne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A. A. Street, Bell Block, to Garry Layton, second son of Mr and Mrs J. Cave, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Lynne Kay, New Plymouth, Christine Rutherford, Tauranga, and Wendy Cave, sister of the groom, New Plymouth. Best man was Robert Prince, New Plymouth, and the groomsman were Neil Smith and Garry Manson, both of New Plymouth. Future home, New Plymouth. (Squire-Terry Finnerty Photo).





FIRST ROTARACT BALL

First ever Rotaract Ball took place just before Christmas, and was a well-attended and organized function, enjoyed by all, and certain to be repeated this year.

ABOVE LEFT—Bev Russ and Alistair Dore. ABOVE CENTRE—Geoff and Karen Eales. ABOVE RIGHT—Andrew Jones and Bernadette Hickey. BELOW LEFT—Wendy Marshall and Ralph Broad. BELOW CENTRE—Royce Mackinder and Christina Flannagan. BELOW RIGHT—Trevor Lowe and Kathie Marsh. BOTTOM LEFT—Don Patten and Valma Carter. BOTTOM RIGHT—Diana Quay and Philip Crothall. (*Vogue Studios*).

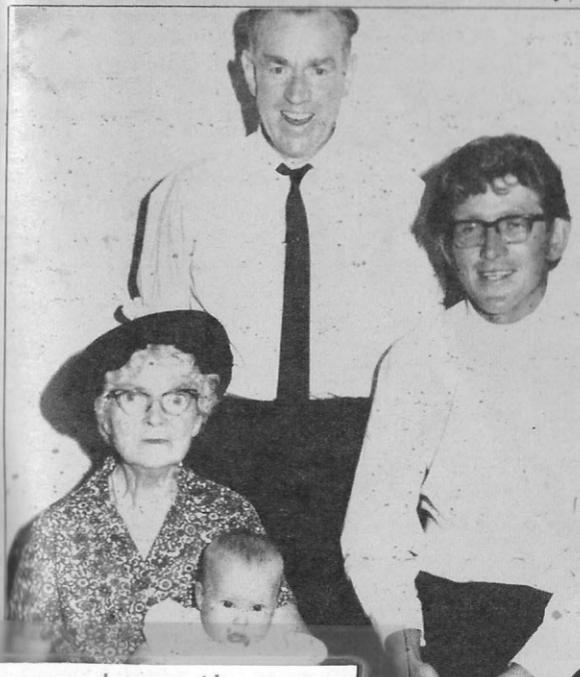


MARRIED. Above right: BRASH—STEVENSON. At St Mary's, New Plymouth, Jocelyn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Stevenson, New Plymouth, to Graham, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D. G. Brash, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Erika Brash and Louise Stevenson, both of New Plymouth. The best man was Russell Florence and the groomsmen was David Brash, both of New Plymouth. Future home, Kawakawa.

21st BIRTHDAY. Above left: Nola, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. O. Wilmshurst, Hawera. (*David Paul*).

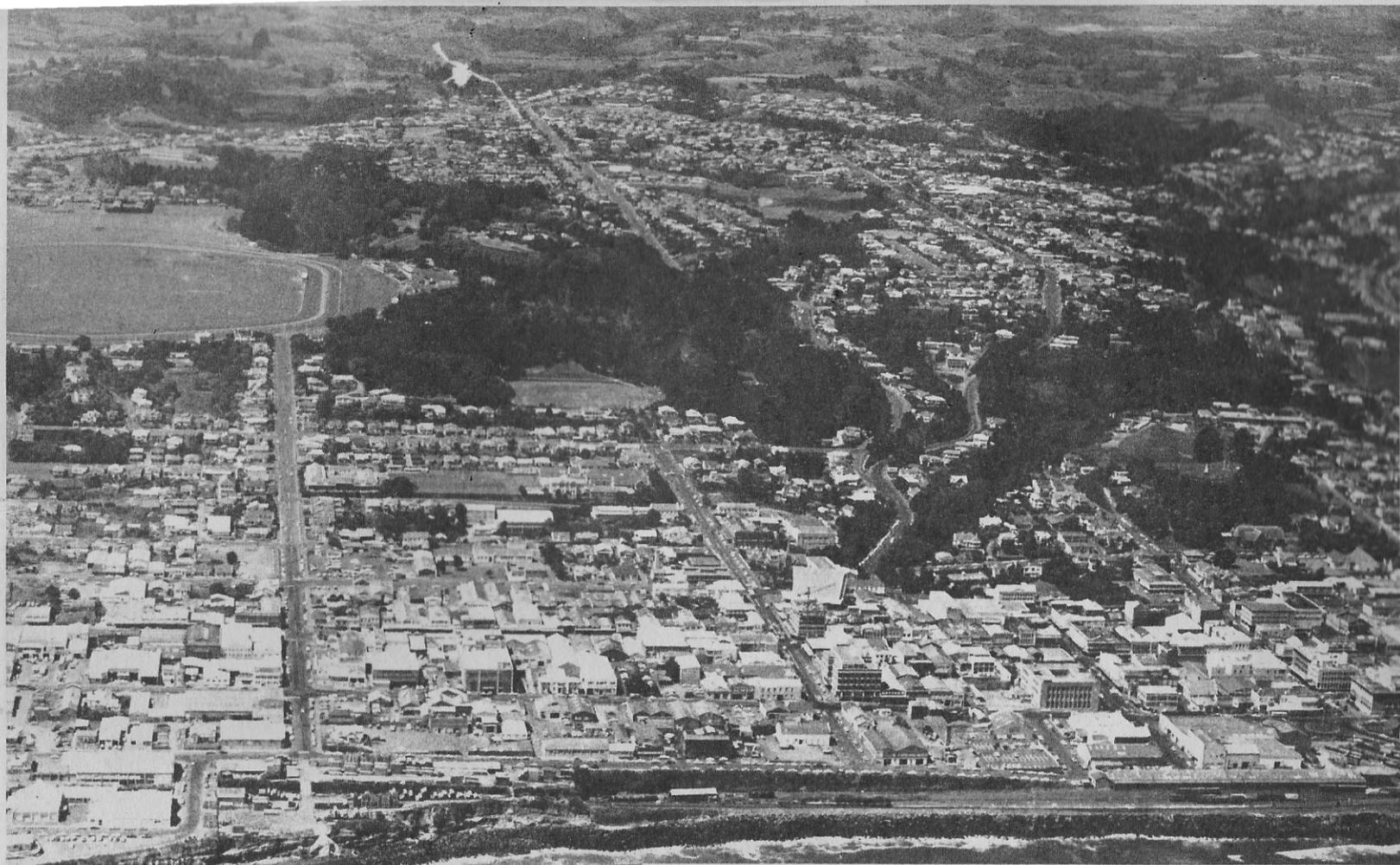
SILVER WEDDING. Right: Mr and Mrs F. Dallinger, Hawera.

FOUR GENERATIONS. Below: These are great-grandmother Mrs E. McCarthy, Auckland, with baby Tony, grandfather Mr C. J. McCarthy, New Plymouth (at back), and Dad, Mr J. McCarthy, New Plymouth.



SHIP AHOY! Below right: A great little ship to play around with in shallow water, seeing it's overloaded. This is what we call having holiday fun. Hope you came to nothing worse than wet bottoms, boys! (*Vogue Studios*).





CITY OF TREES

This photograph, showing the heart of the city, reflects the foresight of the older settlers, in the planting of trees. There wouldn't be another city in New Zealand with so many trees growing near to the centre. Herein lies the beauty of this green city of ours, for as more homes are built and the city sprawls its way into the country, trees are left to grow and enhance the natural beauty of the whole area.

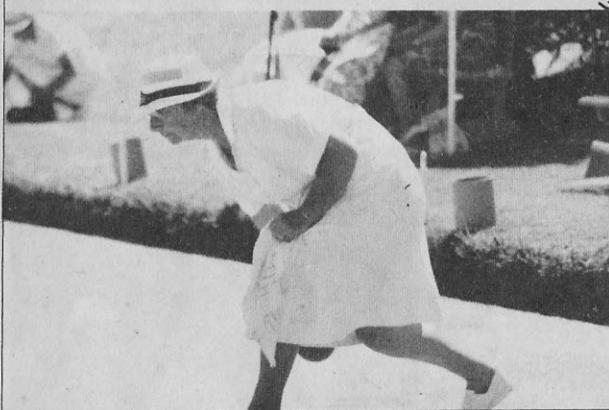
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FOUR GAMES TO FIND WINNER



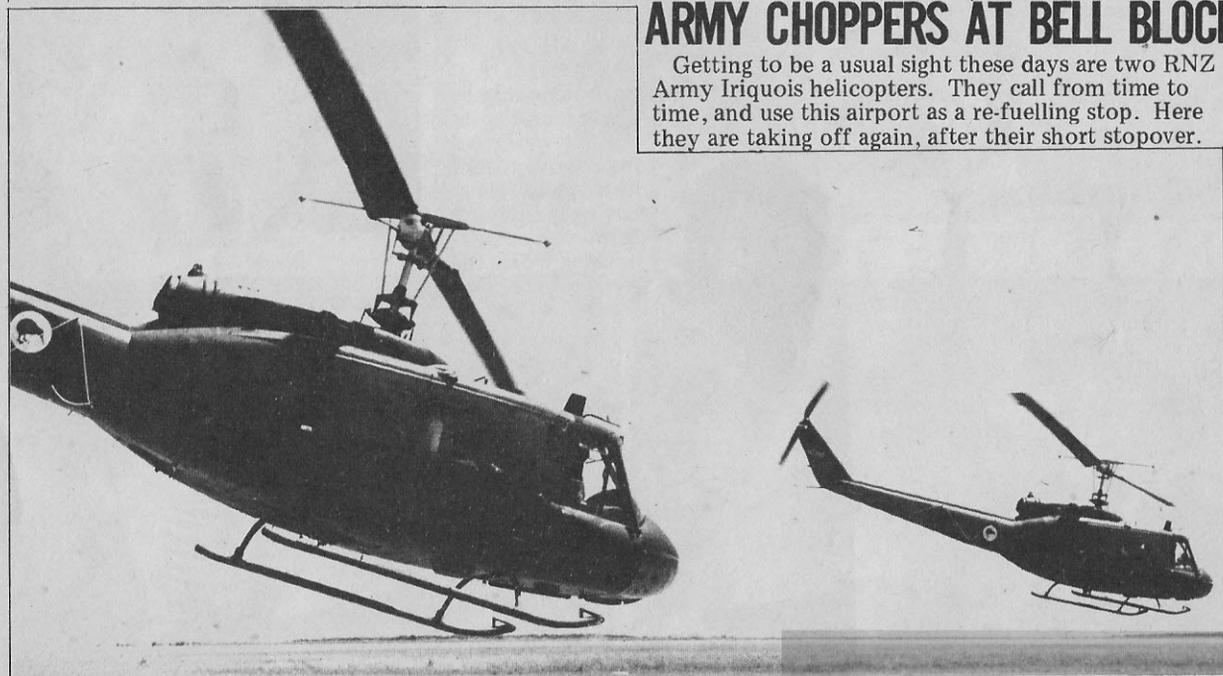
The Taranaki WBC recently finalised their singles' champion of champions, and the eventual winner and runner-up played each other no fewer than four times. Which is what one might call a marathon.

RIGHT—The eventual winner was Flo Fussell, Inglewood. LEFT—Runner-up after the marathon was Riverside's Jessie Hodge, who played consistently good bowls throughout. BELOW LEFT: Beaten in the semi-final was Waiwaka's Helen Randell. BELOW RIGHT—Another losing semi-finalist was Mary Dymond, Hawera.



ARMY CHOPPERS AT BELL BLOCK

Getting to be a usual sight these days are two RNZ Army Iriquois helicopters. They call from time to time, and use this airport as a re-fuelling stop. Here they are taking off again, after their short stopover.



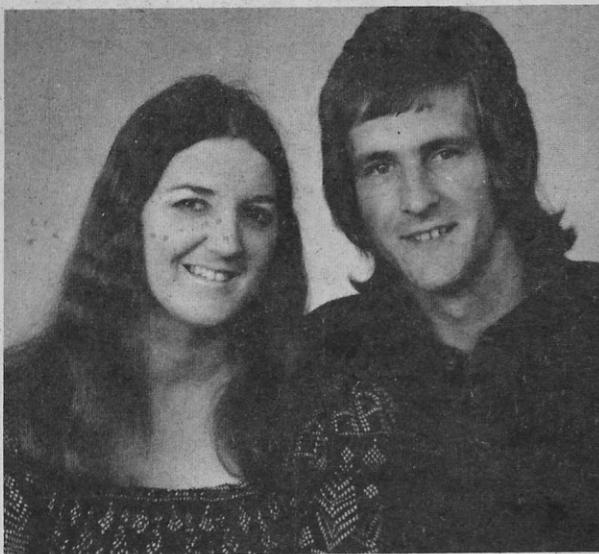


Engaged

Above left: O'ROURKE—HINE. Susan Christina, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs H. W. Hine, New Plymouth, to Rory Shane, eldest son of Mr and Mrs T. C. O'Rourke, Timaru. (*Vogue Studios*).

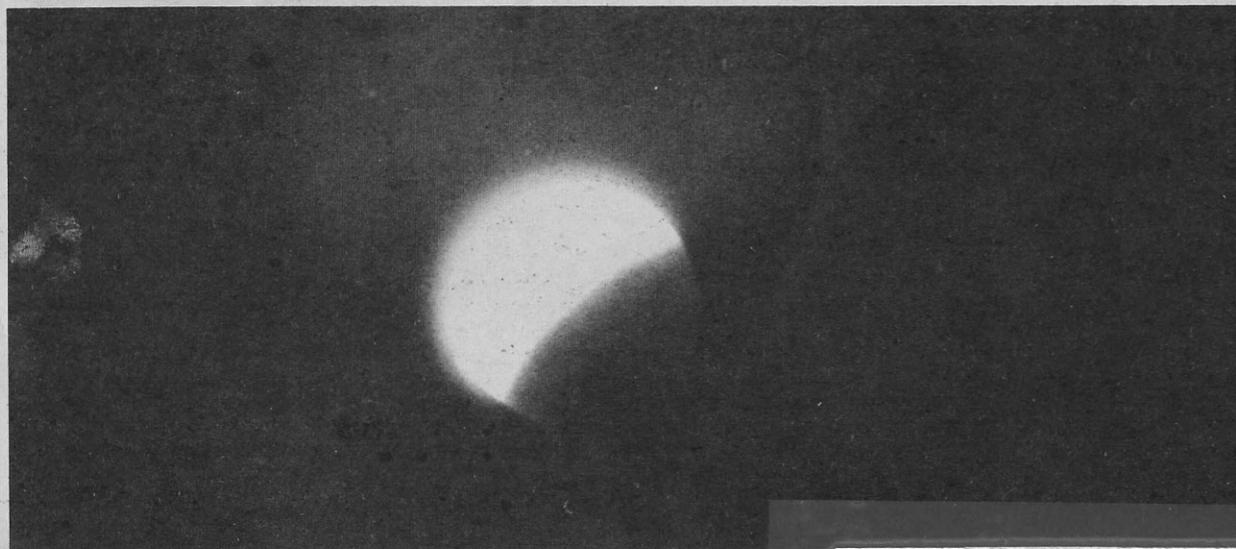
Left: BLAKELOCK—AYTON. Joy Marie, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Ayton, Waitara, to Michael George, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. H. Blakelock, Waitara. (*Vogue Studios*).

Above: MAXWELL—RUMBALL. Mavis Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs L. M. Rumball, Inglewood, to Richard, youngest son of Mrs B. Maxwell, Inglewood, and the late Mr J. R. Maxwell. (*Vogue Studios*).



ECLIPSE

Nearly at the half-way stage, the shadow of the earth can be clearly seen as it passes over the face of the moon in the recent eclipse.



BEST BOWLS ARENA IN N.Z.



The Paritutu Club's green on South Road, New Plymouth, was once again the venue for the final of the Taranaki Open Tournament. This was the scene during that final, and the hundreds of spectators were treated to some of the best bowls seen in this town for many a long day. Not many finals get quite as exciting as that between Paritutu's Doug Rowlands and Palmerston North's Kevin Wing, won by the latter by a very slender margin.