



Wanganui
**PHOTO
NEWS**



No. 10
Dec. 19, 1959

WANGANUI'S OWN PHOTO-MAGAZINE

2/6

Wanganui "Photo News"

Printed & Published by
LOGAN PUBLISHING CO.
LTD.

Selwyn Buildings
66 Victoria Avenue
WANGANUI

Telephone 4640
P.O. Box 568

Editor: ROB GRAHAM
92, Ikitara Road
Telephone 38-793

Registered for
transmission by
post as a news-
paper.

Postal subscription:
32/- per annum

OUR COVER

We at Photo News were very fortunate to get the opportunity of getting a personal interview with Mr S.Claus on his recent goodwill visit to the city. As a matter of fact, our photographer was taking a couple of shots of two of our tourist attractions...lovely Kerri Pidding and Gerry Grant.. when up strode this well known seasonal identity. He offered to pose with the girls..and the result was this pleasing shot. (Special thanks to McGruers for the loan of the suit).

BACK COVER:
Attractive Lorna Whitcombe and Patti Chainey make a lovely pic beside this beautifully blue swimming pool. Mr Alan Brown, Hipango Terrace, kindly let us use the pool as a setting for the photograph. Lorna, a travel hostess in Fiji, has recently spent a few weeks in Wanganui as the guest of Mr and Mrs Len Chainey, who first met our attractive visitor while holidaying in Fiji earlier this year.

Christmas Greetings

THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHERS OF "WANGANUI PHOTO NEWS" JOIN IN WISHING ALL READERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR. THIS IS OUR FIRST YEAR OF PUBLICATION AND WE WISH TO EXTEND SPECIAL THANKS FOR THE HEARTENING RECEPTION WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN TO "PHOTO NEWS", WHICH ASSURES THE MAGAZINE A PERMANENT PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY. WE WILL BE ON THE JOB AGAIN NEXT YEAR BRINGING YOU OUR PICTORIAL SURVEY OF THE NEWS EACH MONTH.

Right: Jackie and Wendy Phillips, Wilson Street, pose for our camera with three cute little Daschund puppies. The puppies were born in a litter of seven at the Phillips house.

Below: Linda Roache and her peke, which got third place in one of the classes at the recent A & P show. Photo by Eldon.



REMINDER NOTICE

We would like to remind our readers, runner boys, and book sellers that we do not publish a magazine during January. The next issue will be on sale on Saturday February 13.

Miss Personality Finals



The six finalists line up on the dais. From left: Collicen Chambers, 6th; Elaine Davis, 4th; Bridget Carew, 2nd; Janet Laird, 1st; Helen Steele, 3rd; Patricia Casey, 5th. The girls were judged on the money raised.

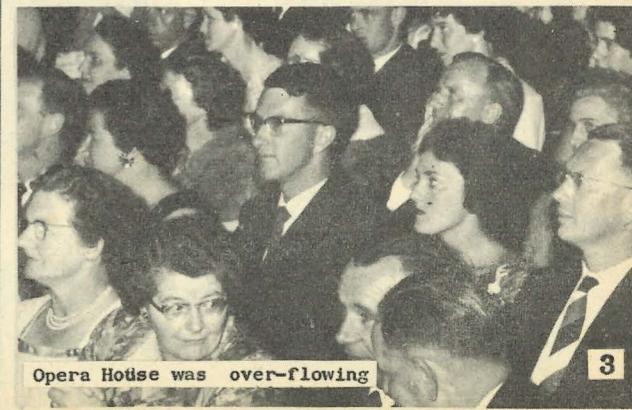
Wanganui's epic "Miss Personality" contest ended with a carnival atmosphere in the Opera House where the winner's name was announced after a grand concert. Prior to the concert, candidates and their escorts were treated to a royal dinner at the Grand Hotel, and after the show a grand spread was put on at the Savage Club. In the few weeks that the campaign was in operation the 25 girls, with the backing of their committees, raised £28,500...enough to open the War Memorial Hall debt free. Janet Laird, Young Farmers candidate, was the lucky winner of the trip for two to Surfers Paradise, and Bridget Carew collected the magnificent second prize of a £100 wardrobe of clothes.



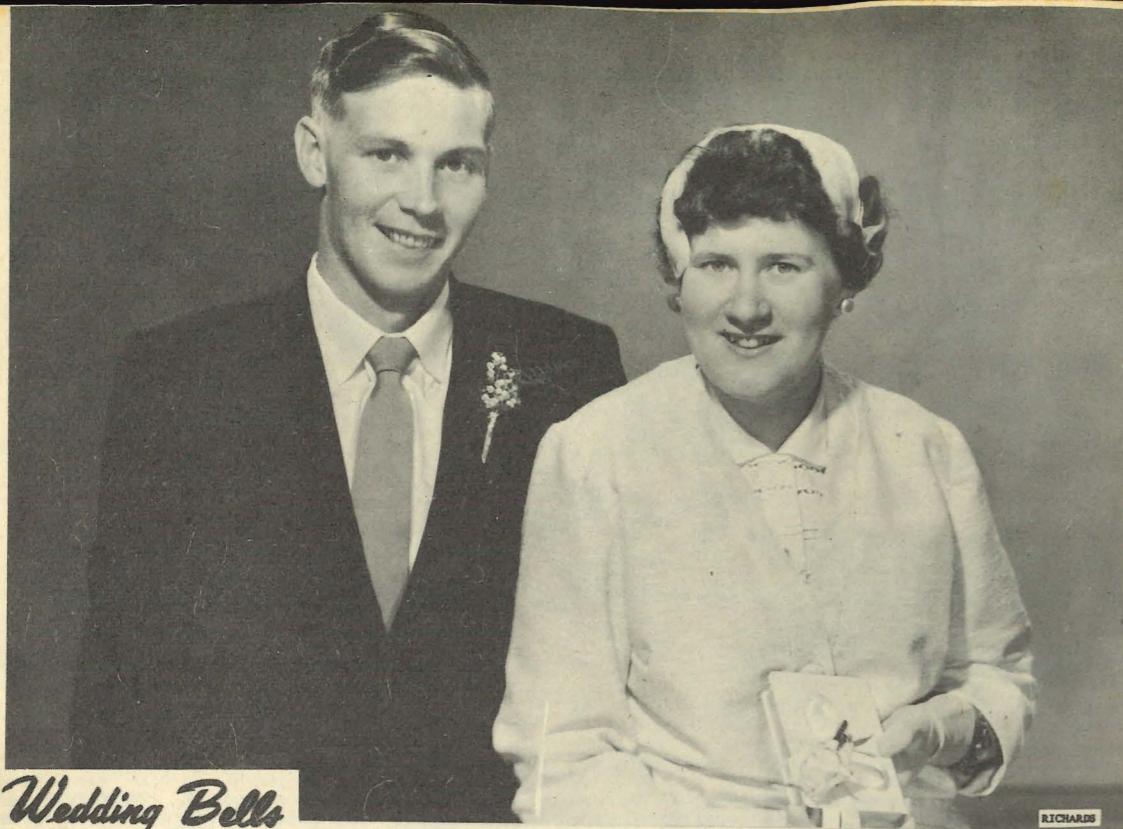
Janet Laird receives her winner's sash from His Worship, Mr Millward.



Candidates and officials await the final results to be announced.

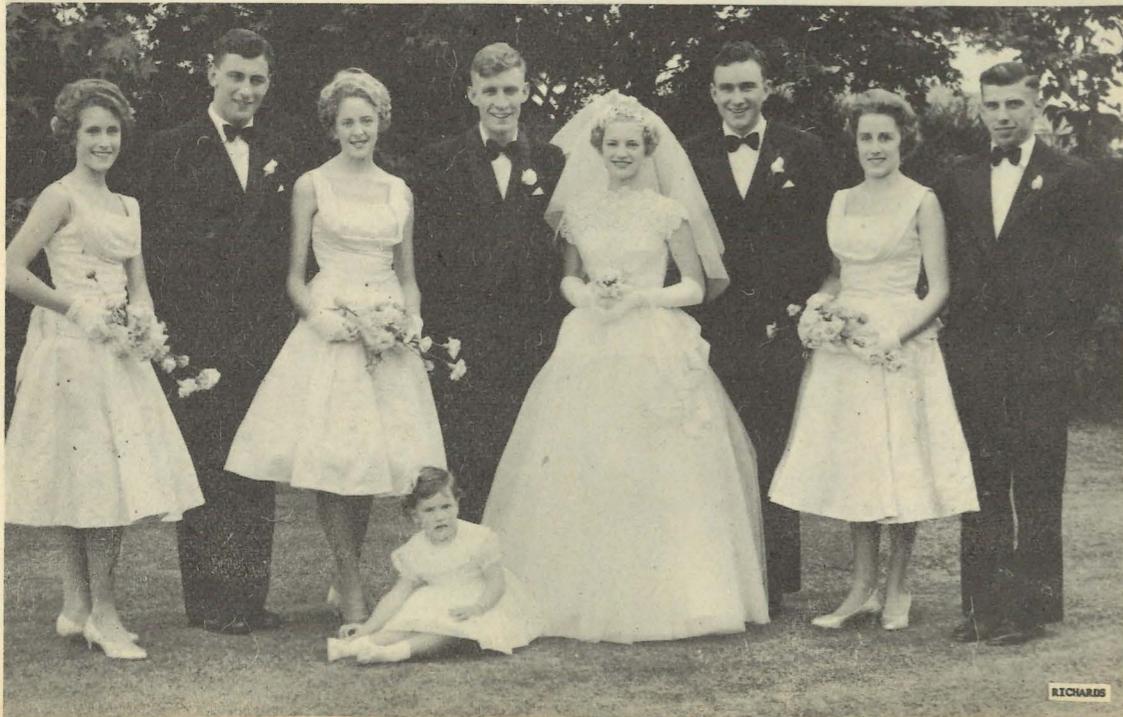


Opera House was over-flowing



Wedding Bells

Above: **FOX—HOTTER:** At St. Andrew's Church, Marton, Shirley Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. Hotter, Marton, to Peter James, son of Mrs and the late Mr G. Fox, Hawera.
 Below: **BARLOW—RANKIN.** At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Marton, Beverley Doreen, daughter of Mr and Mrs K.J. Rankin, Marton, to Wayne Granville, son of Mr and Mrs L.S. Barlow, Wanganui. Assisting the bride were Mrs Berwyn Hogg, and Misses Jocelyn Simmonds and Bronwyn Barlow. Messrs Ian Crysell, Terry O'Brian, and Barry Rankin assisted the groom. Heather Rankin was flowergirl.



Wanganui Highland Pipe Band members form a guard of honour in front of their new Hall during the opening ceremony

£4,500 Bandroom Opened

The Wanganui Highland Pipe Band's new hall was recently opened by the Mayor, Mr E.A. Millward. Built at a cost of £4,500, the hall has 2,100 square feet of floor space, with conveniences, a kitchen, a storeroom and a stage. It has still to be furnished. The Wanganui City Council donated £2,500 towards the cost and the band raised the rest. Situated in Bell Street, near Queen's Park, this building has realised a long felt need for new premises for the band.



Mr Millward and Mr J. Malcolm, chairman of the band committee, inspected members of the band before the official opening



Johnny was greeted at the airport by Koria



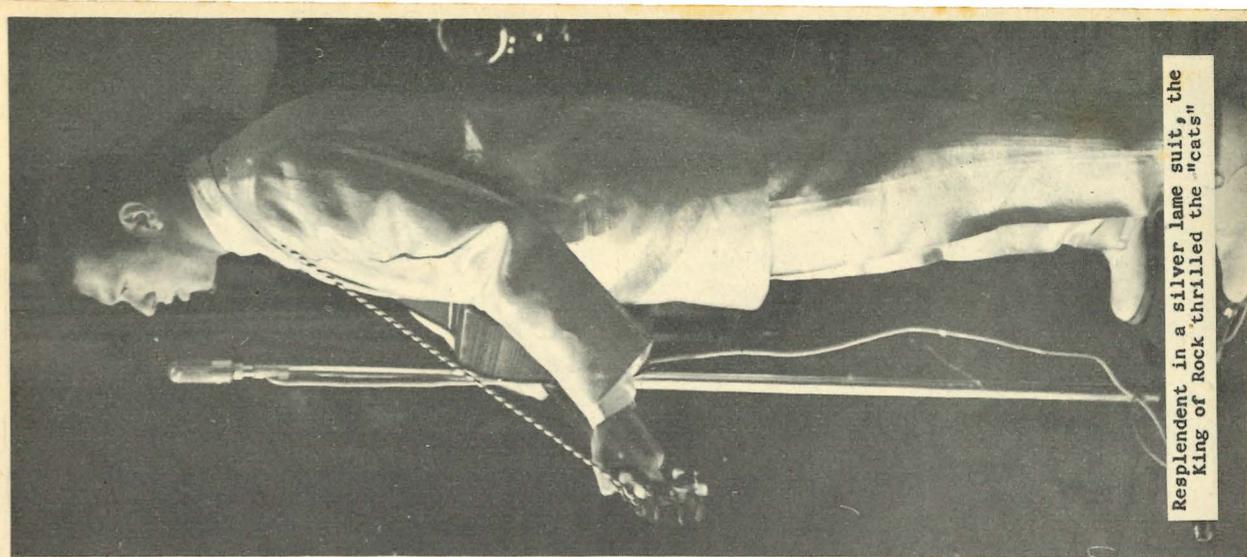
Casual and smiling, Johnny steps from his plane

Johnny Devlin Comes Home

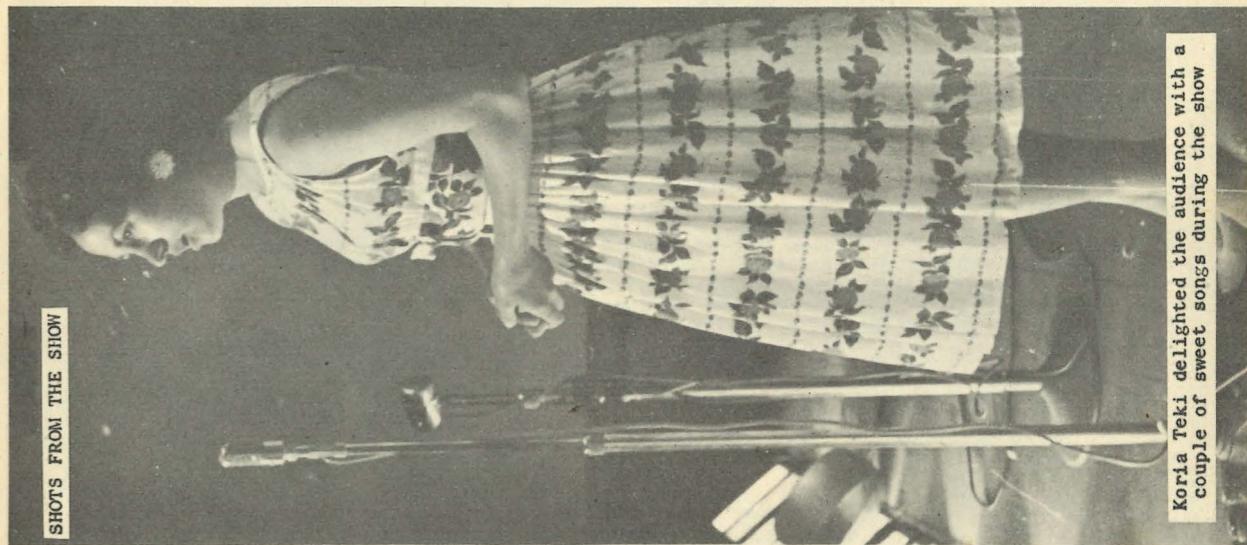
Johnny Devlin, New Zealand's Rock'n'Roll King, recently returned to his home town--Wanganui, of course--to fulfil a promise he once made to the Mayor, Mr Millward. Johnny had promised that if it was needed, Wanganui could bank on his help with the Memorial Hall project. Mr Millward held him to his promise, and so Johnny waived his Australian show business commitments to return to Wanganui and appear at two concerts in aid of Koria Teki's Miss Personality campaign.



The welcoming party included; Bill Lethwick, Koria Teki, Vernon Smith, Mrs Devlin, the Mayor, Allen Burnett, Mr Devlin, and Warren Nolan. Also in the photograph are Johnny and his manager, Mr John Collins, an Australian.



Resplendent in a silver lame suit, the King of Rock thrilled the "cats"



SHOTS FROM THE SHOW

Koria Teki delighted the audience with a couple of sweet songs during the show



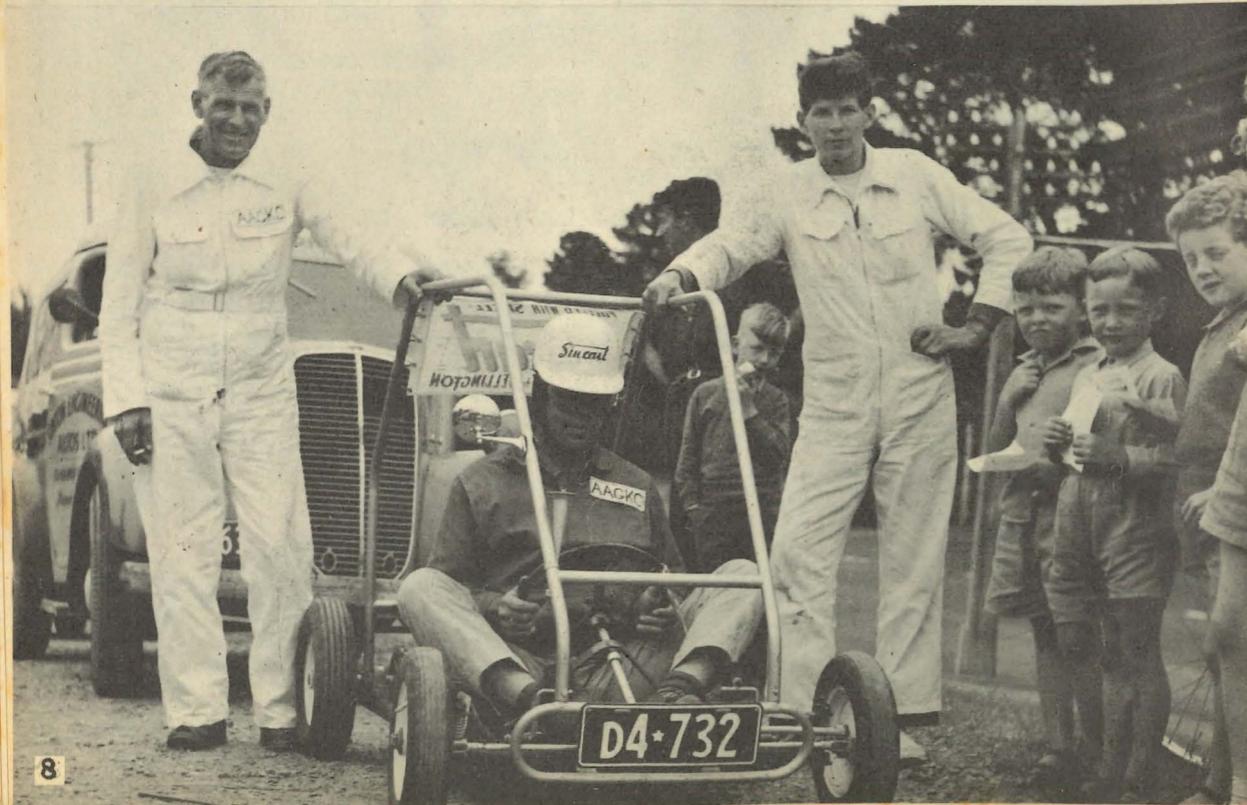
Jill Hutchison, one of the Wanganui Drum Majorettes, goes through her routine



Motor News

Above: Wanganui's only driver in forth-coming Ardmore Sports car races will be Doug Lawrence. We will be represented by three or four other drivers in saloon car events but Doug will be our big hope in the Sports car and Ultimate Echo races. Doug will be racing this Cooper Climax sports racing car which will be fitted with a 1220 cc motor. Still on its way out from England, the motor will arrive with the overseas racers just four days before the meeting...so Doug will be sweating to get it fitted. Incidentally Doug will be the only N.Z. driver to be sponsored by the Atlantic Oil Company at this meeting. From Ardmore Doug will be following the circuits from Whangarei to Invercargill during January, February, and March.

Below: Pictured at their luncheon stop at Shangri La during their epic Auckland to Wellington record-making drive are these intrepid Go-Kart enthusiasts, Jack Stevens, Don Sinton and John Stevens. This trip will create a world distance record for a Go-Kart, and also a speed record and the glory of being the smallest car to make the run.



The party cool their feet in a stream



Noel Symes and Harriet Edlin fondle a couple of chicks

Nature Study In a Rookery

A party of about 40 children from the Aramoho school Nature Study Club recently visited the seagull rookery on the beach, four miles south of the airport. The seagulls are nesting at this time, and the children saw the birds on their nests, the eggs, and some already-hatched chicks.

These photographs were taken for Photo News by Mr Davy Crockett, Education Board Nature Study specialist.

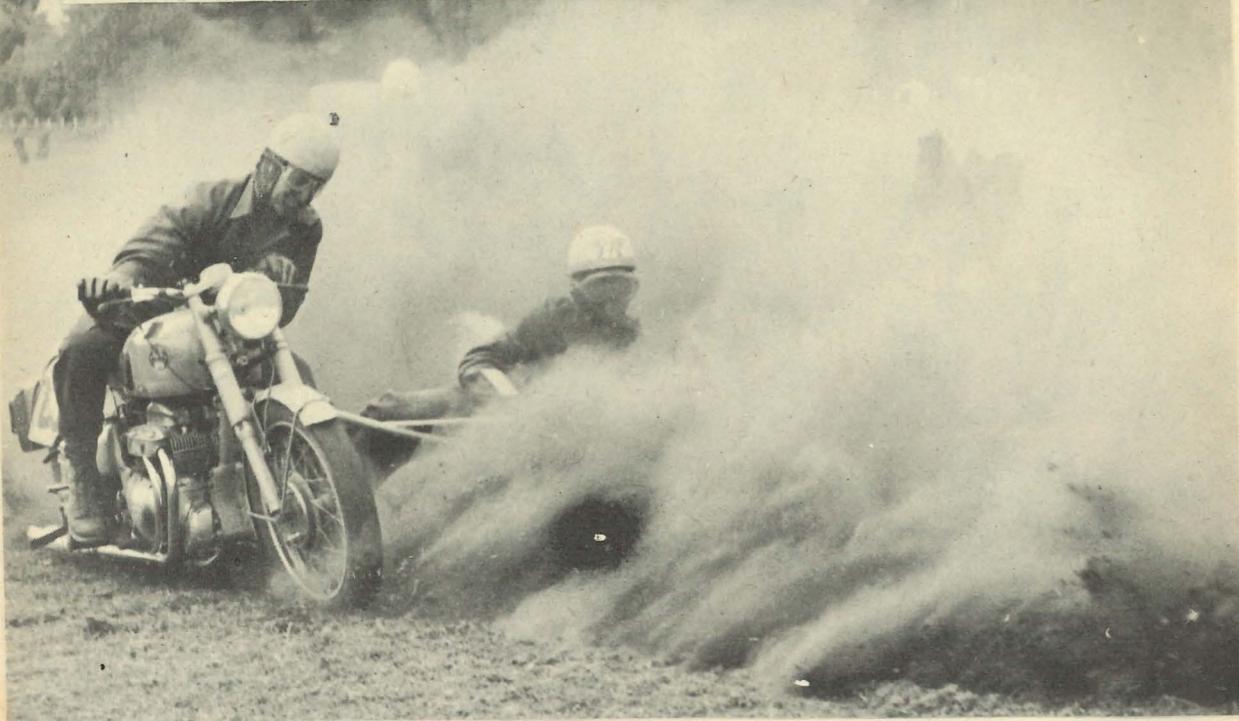


Nature's disguise...a chick and two eggs become almost invisible in the nest



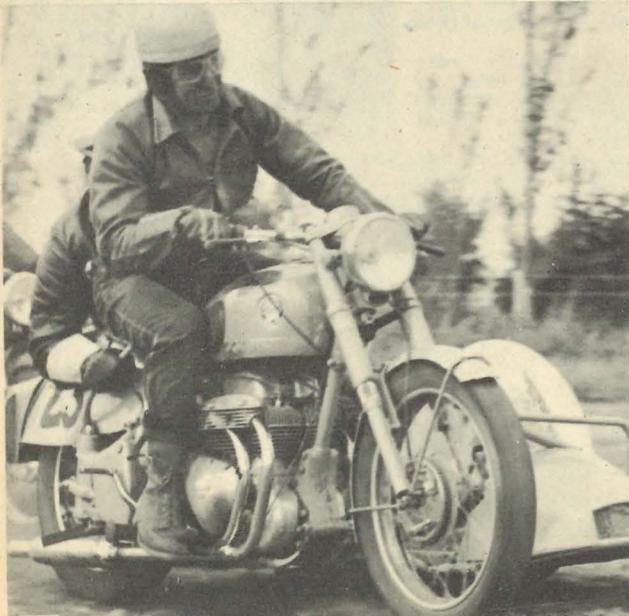
Welcome break for a picnic lunch

Toddy Sollitt and Peter Scott bite the dust without hitting the deck....a leading side-car combination showers them with dust on the hairpin bend



Schoolground Race Track

An ideal race track was provided by the Wanganui High School recently when they held a motorcycle sports day on their playing fields. With the object of augmenting funds for a swimming pool, the High School authorities struck on the novel idea of putting on an attraction that the public would really go for. Motor cyclists put up some really cracking paces on the course...very thrilling from the public's point of view. The track being very dry, it soon cut up in places, but the recent rain we have had has probably already put that right again.



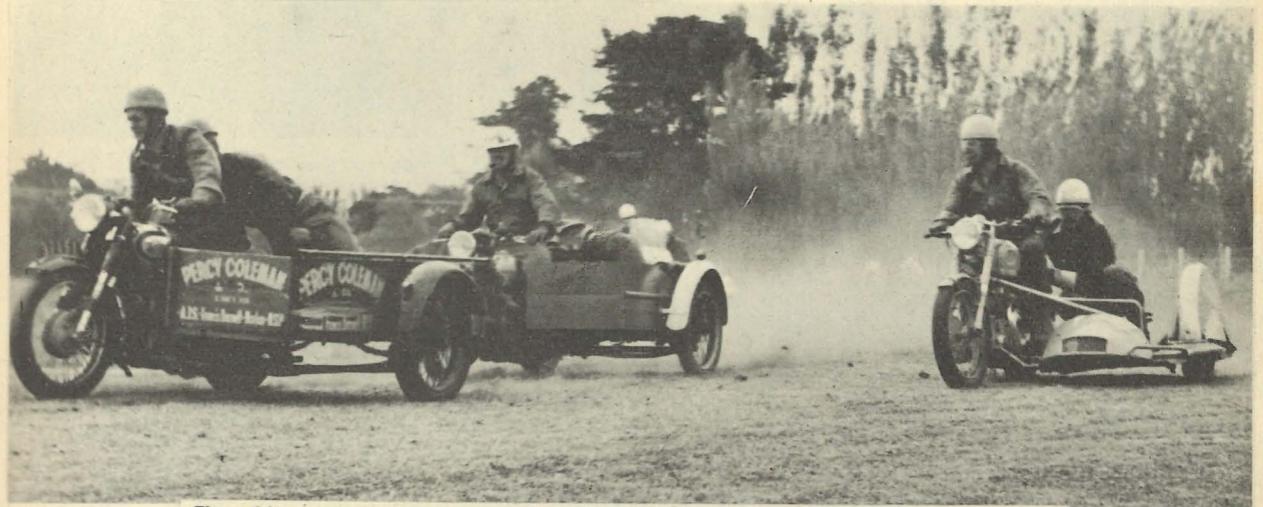
10 For Toddy and Peter this was a warm-up event before their big win at the Levin Motor Races



Young Gregory Coleman cheers on his dad, international rider Bob Coleman



A field of nineteen riders lined up for the start of one of the Open Scratch races



The side-car event was more of a fiasco than a race. Toddy Sollitt's machine was far too good for the others and had to be held back, rather than raced.



Spectators bask in the sun as they watch the events



The Social Round

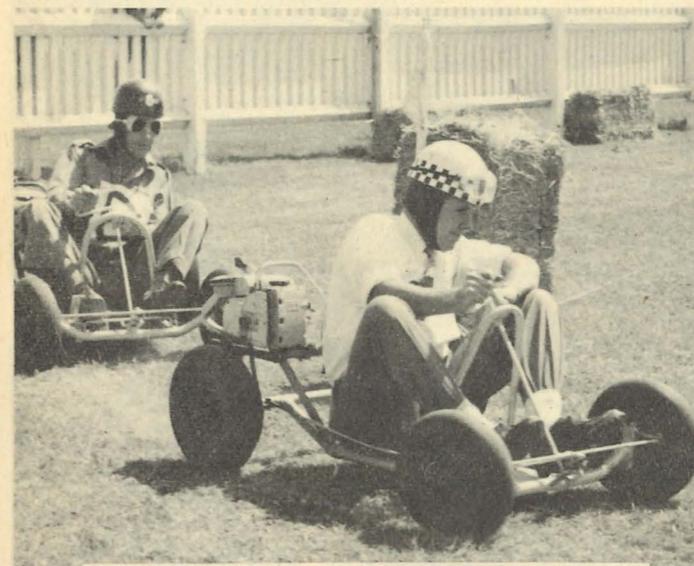
Above: FOUR GENERATIONS AT CHRISTENING: This four generation photograph was taken just prior to the christening of Jean Anne Currie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Currie, Spier Street, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Glasgow Street. Pictured with baby Jean are her mother, Mrs P.D. Currie, her grandmother, Mrs J.W. Chambers; and her great-grandmother, Mrs W.H. Lewis.
Below: HAIRDRESSER TRANSFERRED: Chris Rutland, a hairdresser at the Maeder Beauty Salon, recently left Wanganui to take a position as manageress of the firm's Timaru salon. She is pictured here with friends who farewelled her at the airport. Ian Wakeling, Geoff Lankow, Chris herself, Henk Bothof, Pat James, Cherry Cutelli, and Shirley Hardy.



Competitors line up for the first race. From left: D.Wink, H.Jones, R.Gembitki, K.Holly, D.Falconer, and the eventual winner, Ken Hawkins

Go-Kart Races

A good crowd arrived at the Racecourse for Wanganui's first go-kart race meet. A Remembrance project, the races were held to support two of the Miss Personality contestants, Pamela Lind and Helen Steele. Drivers appeared quite professional in these little racers, and quite a few thrills were enjoyed on the day.



D.Wink leads D.Falconer around the hairpin bend



The crowd loved it all



Anne Black, Pam Lind, Pat Nicole, Eileen Wadey, Helen Steele, and Heather Russell line up for the Personality Plate race for maiden drivers



Swarms of people converge onto the beach to watch the kiddies at play



Rae Humphrey and Helen Clapham ride on donkeys led by Pam Hawkins and Mavis Jeffery.

Fun at Kai Iwi Beach

Thousands of people swarmed to Kai Iwi beach recently for the monster gala day sponsored by Rae Humphrey's "Miss Personality" committee. There were fun and games for all.....sand castle competitions for the kiddies, a beauty contest for the men, and a fashion parade for the lady-folk.



Crowds thronged around to watch the beauty contest



Pamela Hine found that an ice cream in a shady spot took a lot of licking



Diana Taylor preferred to cool off in the water



While the kiddies were busy in the sand the parents were busy watching

MANNEQUIN PARADE BY THE SEA



Helen Buchanan



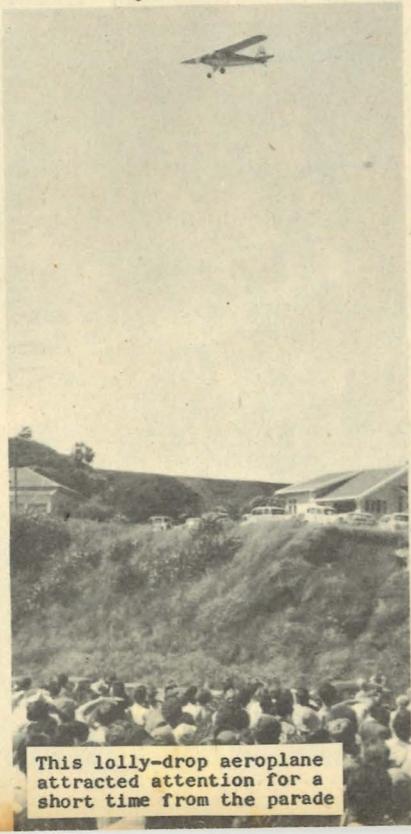
Lynette Whitlaw



Judy Parnell



Rae Humphrey



This lolly-drop aeroplane attracted attention for a short time from the parade



Colleen Bluett



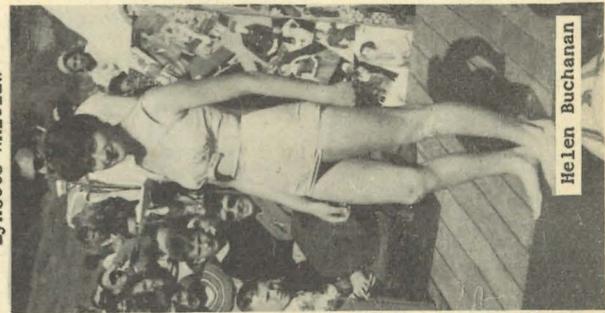
Ngaire Walker



Pam Falconer



Lynette Whitlaw



Helen Buchanan



BEAUTY CONTESTANTS

Joy Nichols



Shirley Martin



Colleen Bluett



Leonie Searle



Miss Mowhanau winner...
Denise Percival



Helen Hawkins



TESLA

Married

Above: HENDERSON—RUTLAND: At St. James' Presbyterian Church, Wanganui East, Pamela Mary, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs A.J.Rutland, Remuera, Auckland, to James McLeod, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.E.Henderson, Devonport, Auckland. The bride was formerly an announcer at the Wanganui Radio Station, and Jim was a building society organiser here for some months. The couple now live at Masterton.

Below: SARGINSON—WALLACE: At Knox Presbyterian Church, Gonville, Margaret Ann, daughter of the late Mr and Mrs D.Wallace, Bignell Street, to Geoffrey Murray, son of Mrs and the late Mr E.Sarginson, Balgownie Avenue. In the photograph are: Ken Sarginson, best man; Heather Calman, chief bridesmaid; the bride and groom, Alan O'Keeffe, groomsman; and Mrs O'Keeffe, matron of honour.



18

TESLA



NIGHTINGALL'S



KIWI CAMERAS



NIGHTINGALL'S

Coming of Age

Top left: Dennis, son of Mr and Mrs J.T. Smith, 46 Young Street.

Top centre: Julie Anne Edwards, 6 Kawatiri Avenue.

Top right: Jacqueline, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.J.Taylor, 29 Springvale Road.

Bottom left: Mrs Patricia Johnston was another recent 21-year-old.

Bottom centre: Ian, son of Mr and Mrs W. Johnson, Hunterville, and a radio technician on Campbell Island, recently turned 21.

Below: Margaret Greaves, Pharazyn Street, celebrated her 21st on November 14th.



NIGHTINGALL'S



NIGHTINGALL'S

19



Real rib-ticklers were Ross Glennie as King Farouk and Bob Cawsey as a Harem-Scarem gal



The audience was highly appreciative of the whole show from curtain-up to curtain-down.



The whole cast takes the stage for the finale. The undisputed star of the show was Savage H.J. Dalziell who played "Cupid".

Krazy Knights — a Great Show

More than 70 members of the Wanganui Savage Club provided a hilarious, spectacular, and extremely popular revue for the people of Wanganui in the Opera House recently. In fact, the show proved so popular that the season had to be extended to four nights instead of the scheduled three. After seeing this show, audiences were convinced there was no need to import outside talent to this city.... the Savages proved there was plenty of the best right here. From straight choral numbers to burlesque, they had all the answers.



Costuming and scenery were elaborate, as indicated by this scene

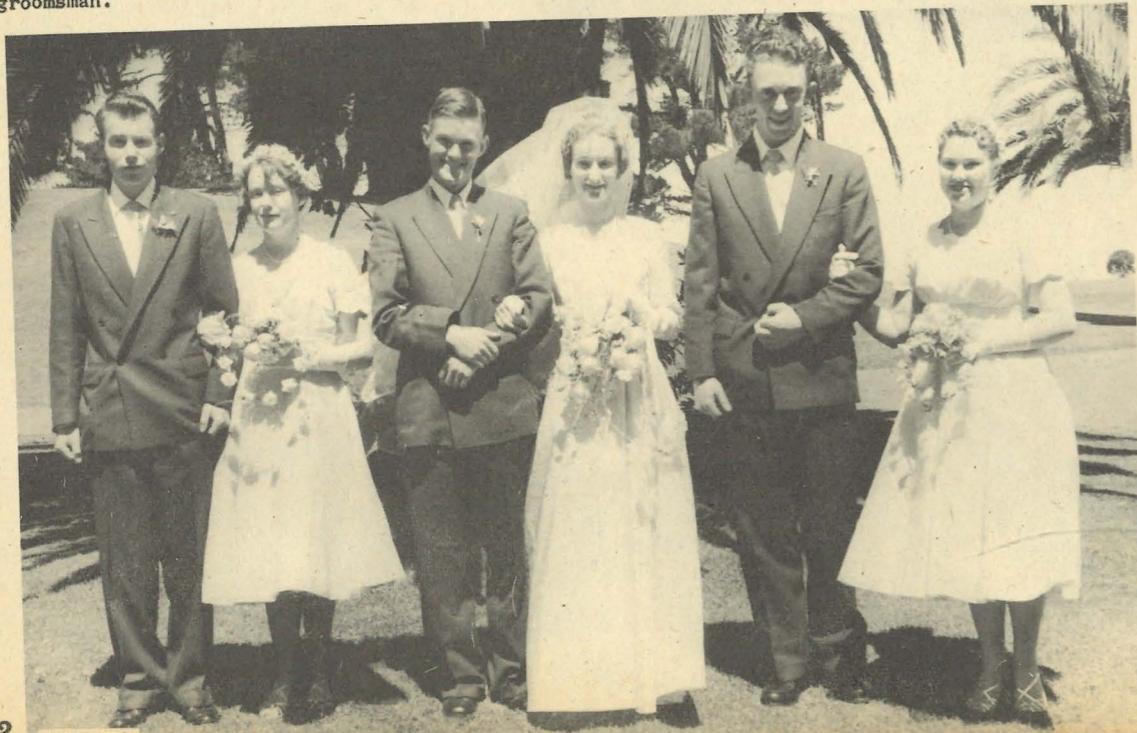


Empty seats were few for the four performances of this excellent show



Wedding Bells

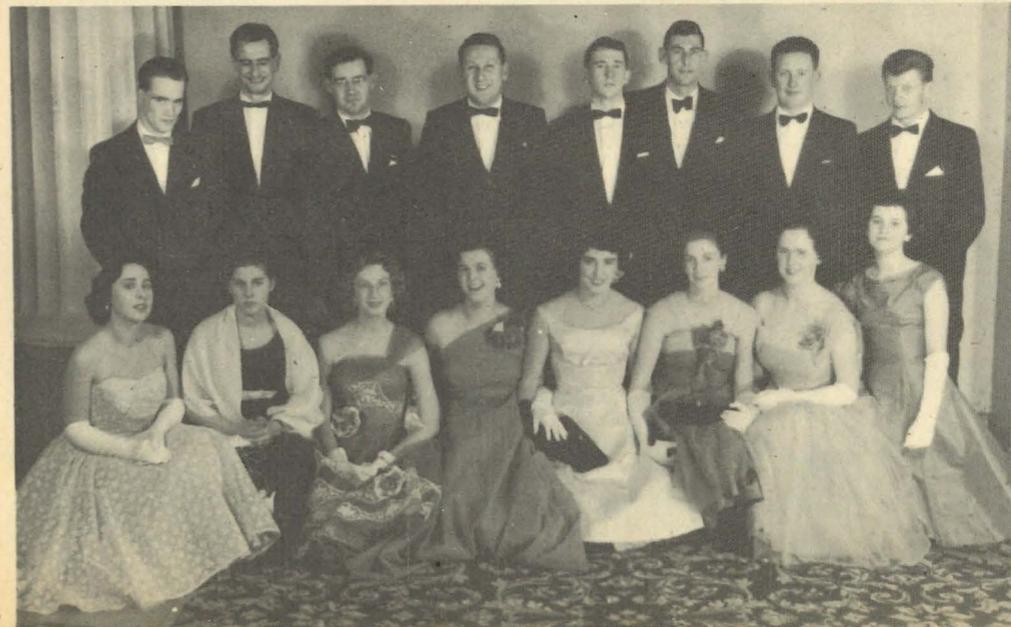
Above: ROUNTREE—GRUBB. At St. Peter's Anglican Church, Gonville, Marlene Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.T.Grubb, Wellington, to Ivan Carl, son of Mr and Mrs C.B.Rountree, Wanganui.
 Below: ISTED—SHEPHERD. At Trinity Methodist Church, Ruth Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Shepherd of 55 Bignal Street, to Ronald, son of Mrs H.Barkman, 11 Poutini Street. Arline Isted was chief bridesmaid; Joan Shepherd the assisting bridesmaid; Bill Egerton was best man; Keith Shepherd the groomsmen.



Roving Camera

Above: Standard two children at the Durie Hill school have all made Xmas trees in class to take home with them for the holidays. The children are pictured here with their teacher, Miss A.M. Andrews. The trees were made out of pine twigs and in honey pots.

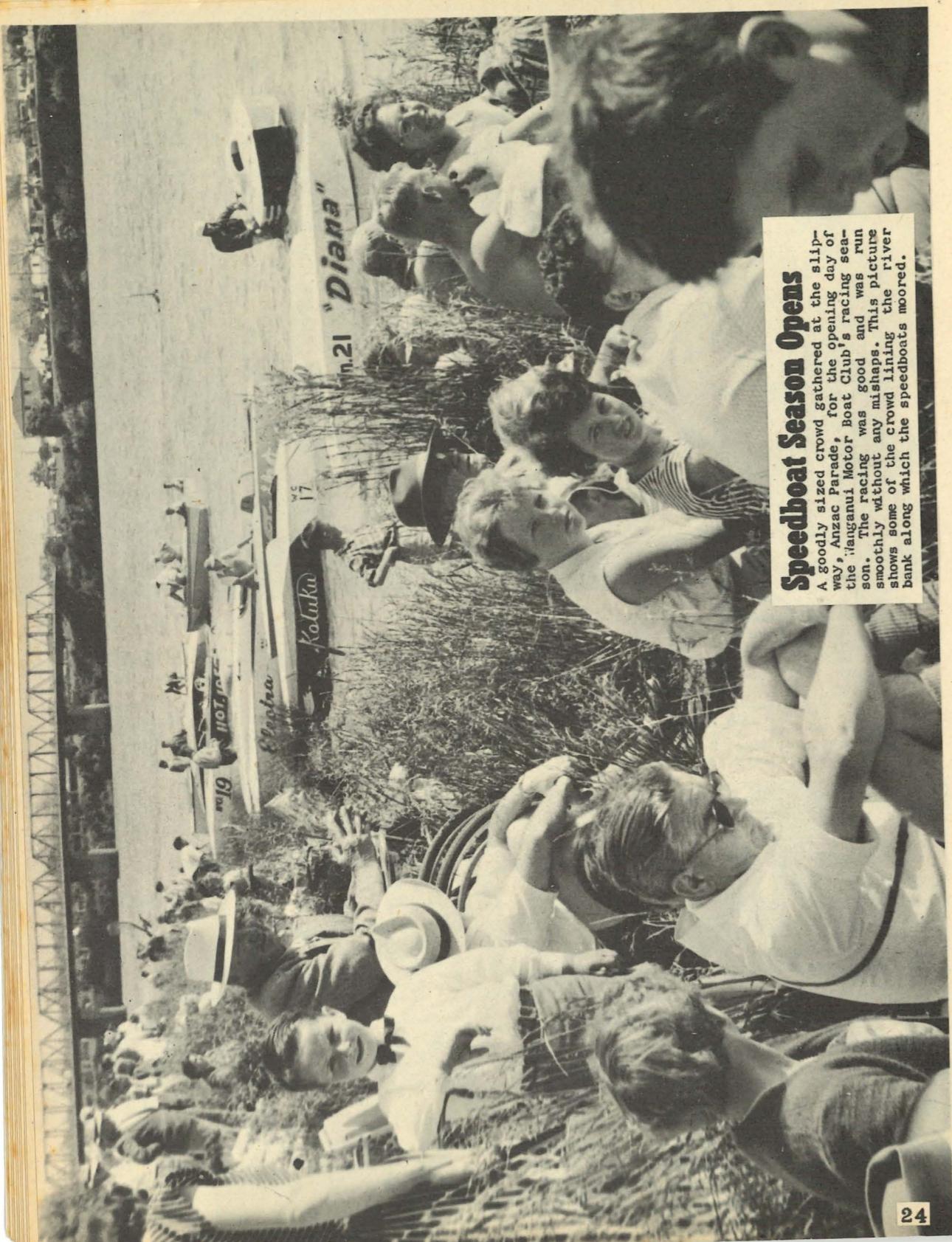
Below: Reader's picture of Wanganui people who attended a Group Insurance Ball at the Palais de Dance, St.Kilda, Melbourne. Those in the picture are: Back Row: Hans Thar, Germany; Bill Henley, Stoke on Trent; Jack Simmons, WANGANUI; Leon Smith, WANGANUI; Will Costello, WANGANUI; Laurie Harlan, Wellington; Rex Mitchell, Wellington; Bert Holshinstein, Germany. Front Row; Ngaira Ross, Foxton; Liesel Thar, Germany; Val Taylor, Melbourne; June Allcock, WANGANUI; Carole Costello, Melbourne; Gwen Crosby, Sydney; Alethia Ross, Foxton; and Yvonne Thacker, Sydney.



Send a
Friend a

P
H
O
T
O
S

(It will be appreciated!)



Speedboat Season Opens
 A goodly sized crowd gathered at the slipway, Anzac Parade, for the opening day of the Wanganui Motor Boat Club's racing season. The racing was good and was run smoothly without any mishaps. This picture shows some of the crowd lining the river bank along which the speedboats moored.



Wanganui Centre executive of the Red Cross pictured with the Mayor, Mr E.A. Millward, at the V.A.D. officer's conference. Mr Millward officially opened proceedings.

Red Cross Conference

These photographs, taken by Nightingall's Photo Service, picture some of the officers and delegates who attended the recent North Island Red Cross Conference in Wanganui.



From left: Mrs K.M. Brewer (Wang. Centre V.A. secretary); Mrs L.G. Guthrie (Wanganui Centre commandant, chairman of the conference); Miss W. Whitelaw (Dominion V.A. Director); and Mrs P. Edwards (Wellington Headquarters).



Wanganui Red Cross V.A.D. Group



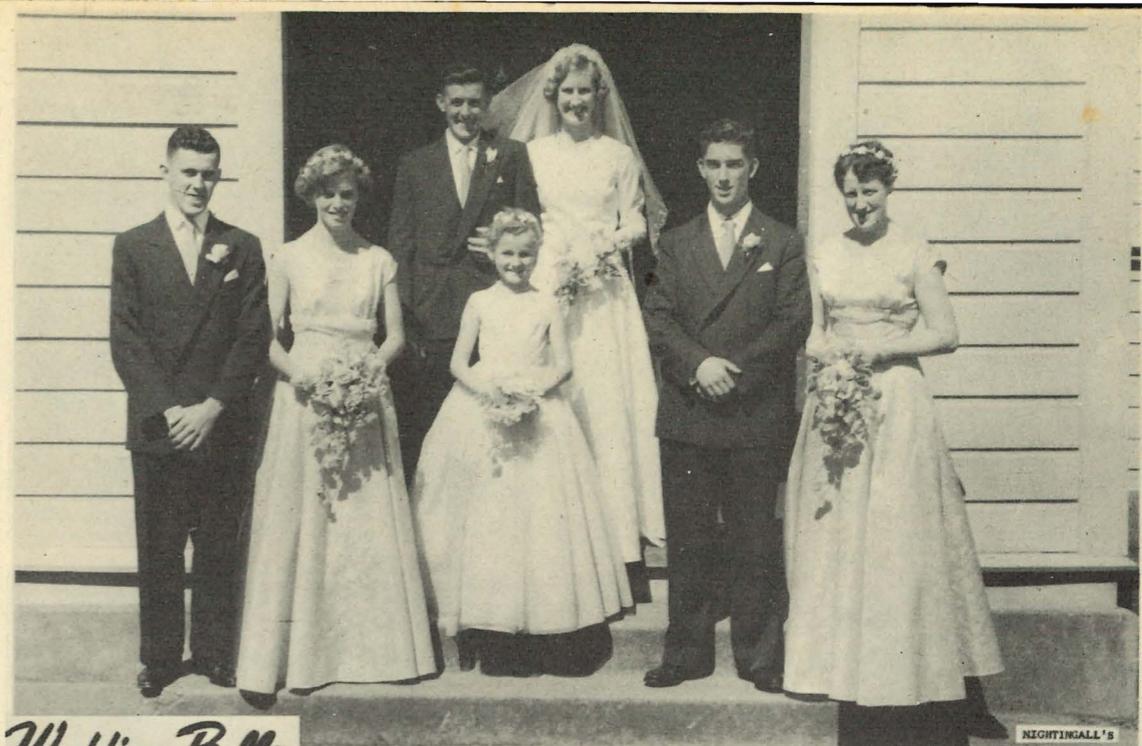
In the composing room, Mr Inglis showed the children how the paper "goes to bed".

City Trip for Country Children

A party of 15 Primary school children from the Aberfeldy school recently visited the city with Mr C.J.Cheeseman, the schoolmaster, to tour some of Wanganui's factories and institutions. The Photo News photographer caught up with the party as they were doing the rounds of the Wanganui Herald under the guidance of Mr Dave Inglis, a reporter.



Linotype operator Alan Henry was almost smothered with children when he showed them the intricacies of his machine.

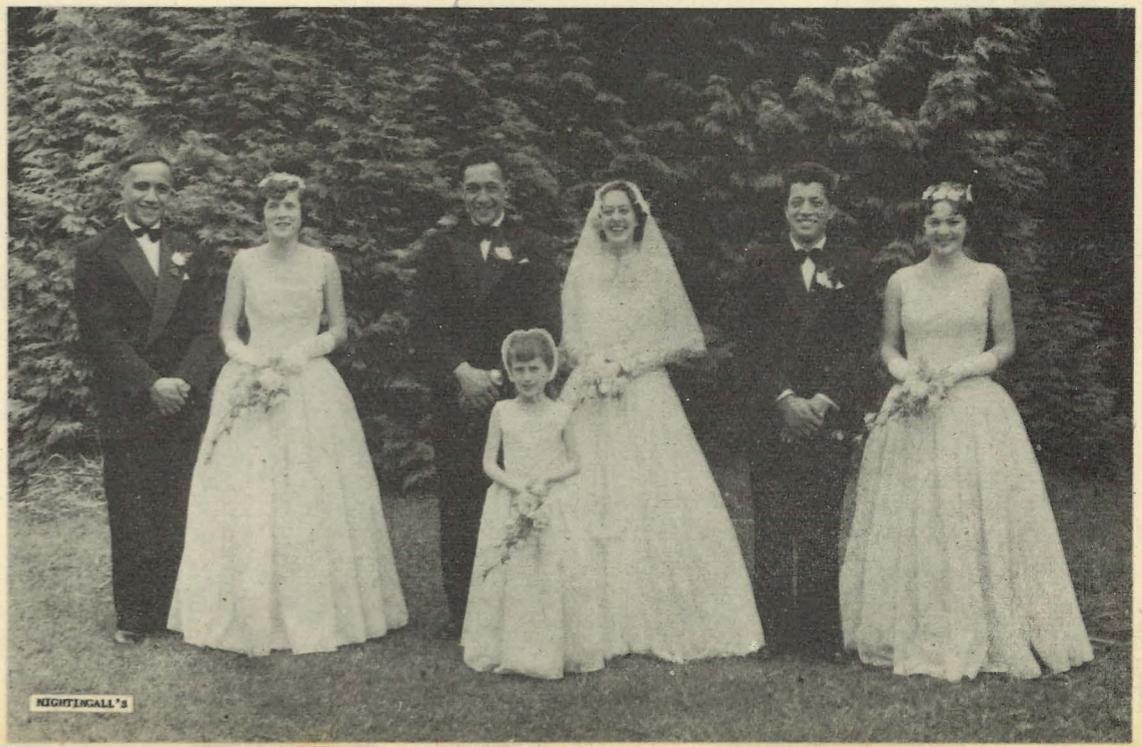


Wedding Bells

Above: HATCHER—MITCHELL: At St.Peter's Anglican Church, Gonville, Joy Katherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.J.Mitchell, Tawa Street, to William Ernest, son of Mr and Mrs E.R.Hatcher, Heads Road. In the photograph: Harold Hatcher, best man; Marjorie Cole, chief bridesmaid; the bride and groom; Julie Oldham, flowergirl; Paul Mitchell, groomsman; and Elaine Page, bridesmaid.

Below: BENNETT—NEILSON. At St.Paul's Church, Putiki, Leonie Veronica, daughter of Mr P.Neilson, Karaka Street, to Edward Marshall, son of Mr and Mrs P.Bennett, Kai Iwi. In the photograph: Rodney Bennett, best man; Judith Mathews, chief bridesmaid; the bride and groom; Raewyn Mathews, flower-girl; David Teki, groomsman; and Lindsay Ward, bridesmaid.

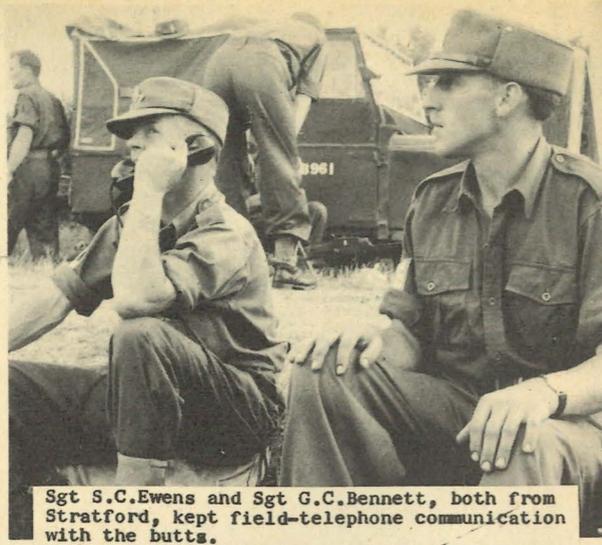
NIGHTINGALL'S



NIGHTINGALL'S



Bren-gunners compete in the range practise competition for the Nichol Cup at Putiki



Sgt S.C.Ewens and Sgt G.C.Bennett, both from Stratford, kept field-telephone communication with the butts.



Sergeants D.G.Worrall and D.R.Currin, both of Wanganui, pictured on the mound firing a Bren



Lt. G.E.Chapman and Capt.A.D.Pettigrew, both of New Plymouth, repair a jammed bren gun

Final Parade

Wanganui recently became the venue for the final parade of the year by the 2nd Field Regiment. A shoot was held at Putiki between territorials from Wellington, Stratford, New Plymouth, Wanganui, Napier and Palmerston North. To wind up the year there was a regimental dinner at the Army H.Q., Maria Place extension, at which the official party included Brigadier S.F.Catchpole and Lieutenant-Colonel L.G.Mitchell.



New recruits: R.W.Henry, P.Gillespie (Wanganui), J.P.Wilson (Stratford), Tom Tito (Marton), M.M.Lawrence (Stratford), Paul Pearce (Marton), D.Aylward (Stratford).



Pictured during the dinner at the official table are: Gunner G.Hogan, Lieutenant Colonel L.G.Mitchell, Sergeant W.Clarke, and Brigadier S.F.Catchpole



The boys were in high spirits at the dinner



The dinner-tables were lit by candlelight during the sumptuous meal

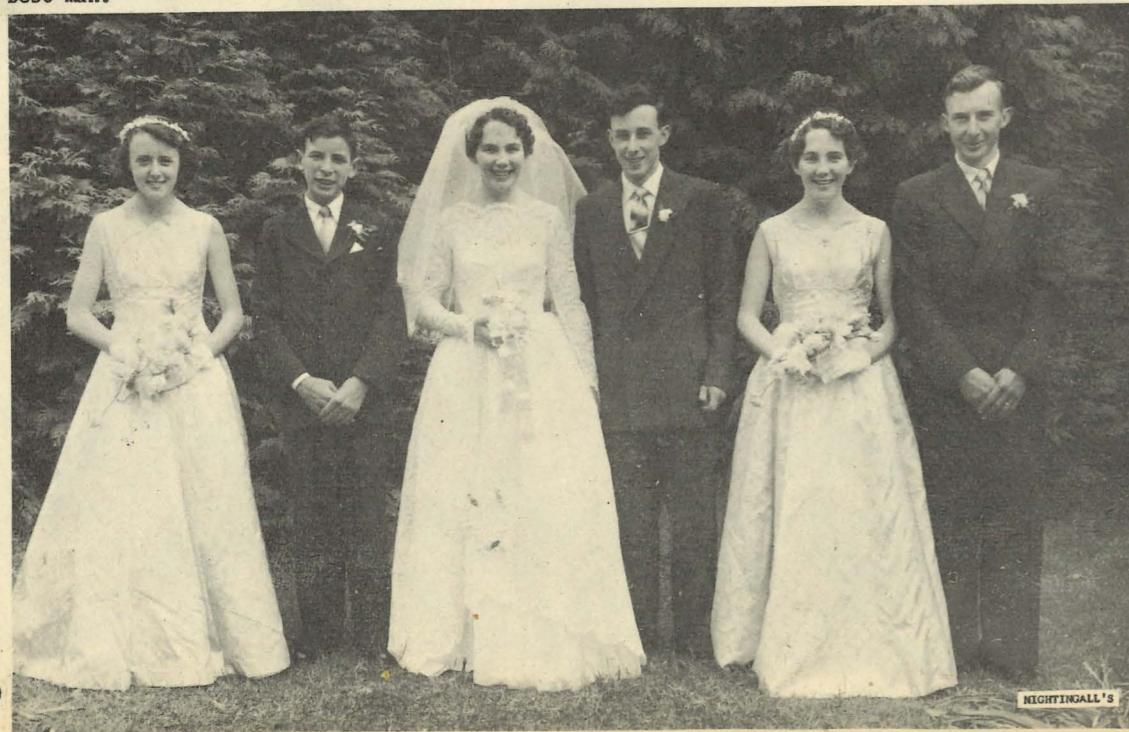


NIGHTINGALL'S

Wedding Bells

Above: **VAN GEMERDEN--MADDER.** At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Linley Joan, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Madder, Lincoln Road, to John, son of Mr and Mrs Van Gemerden, Monster, Holland. In the photograph: Art Van Gemerden, groomsman; Bruce McMillan, best man; the bride and groom; Heather Calman, chief bridesmaid; and Margaret Carson, bridesmaid.

Below: **JOHNSTON--MANSON.** At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Marcia Manson, Wanganui, to Ian Richard, son of Mr and Mrs W.H. Johnston, Bell Street. In the photograph: Gloria Johnston, bridesmaid; Graham Manson, groomsman; the bride and groom; Wendy Manson, chief bridesmaid; Claude Johnston, best man.



NIGHTINGALL'S



Rowers relax on the river bank while waiting their events



This Union team won the Junior fours. Peter McGuinness, bow; John Palmer; Graham Carey; John Brown, stroke; and Robert Little, cox. The Union Club were runners-up to Aramoho for the Jury Cup.



Maiden Eights winners, Collegiate: D.N. McIntosh, R.N. Barron, M.W. Thomson, P. Brindle, A.A. Buchanan, S.L. Bowker, M.V. Shaw, D.M. Gibbons. Absent, R.P. Edmonds.



High on the river bank, these spectators had a good view of the finishes



Roving Camera

Above: Mr Jim Wells, Burton Avenue, was the signwriter who made the wonderful job of the lettering on the Miss Personality sashes.
Right: Rachael Lavulo, dressed in Tongan costume, did a hula for the guests at one of the parties held during her Miss Personality campaign.
Below: Some of the graduates pictured at the recent Palmerston North Teacher's Training College graduation ceremony, held at the Wanganui Intermediate school.



Christine Sheehan, Janet Gaynard, Grant Watson, David Tilley, Paul Nicholson, John McArthur, and Phillip Allen display a grand mixture of fancy dresses.

Big Day for the Kiddies

Big day for the children at Queen's Park school was the annual open day. Parents visited the school and proudly watched their youngsters take part in the sports, fancy dress parade, and dancing.





Official group: Mesdames E.M.Currin, city commandant; E.Templeton, assistant centre commandant; L.G.Guthrie, centre commandant; A.Cox, Aramoho commandant; and W.Hayhow, Gonville commandant.

Red Cross Re-union

The Grand Hotel in Wanganui was recently the scene of the reunion of past and present trainees, tutors and officers of the Wanganui district Red Cross VAD. A very pleasant evening was spent with items, discussions, and supper. Pictured below are some of the guests who attended the function.



Mr Des Hawke, a sub-editor at the Wanganui Herald, leaves Wanganui shortly to take up a position as sub-editor on the Auckland Star.

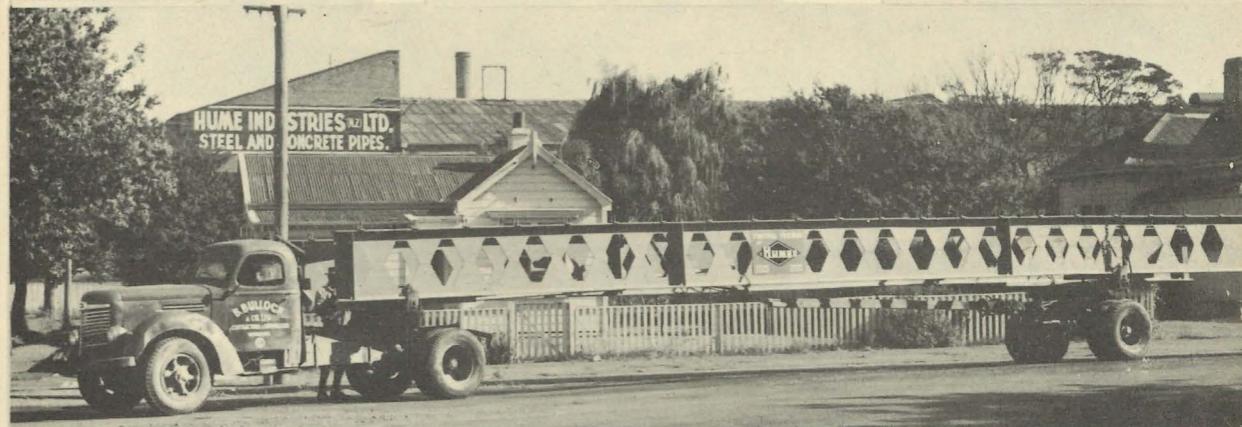
Personal



Mr Charlie (Pop) Melville, 69 Bell Street, recently celebrated his 93rd birthday.



Miss Jennifer Schnack leaves New Zealand on January 13th for a working holiday in England.

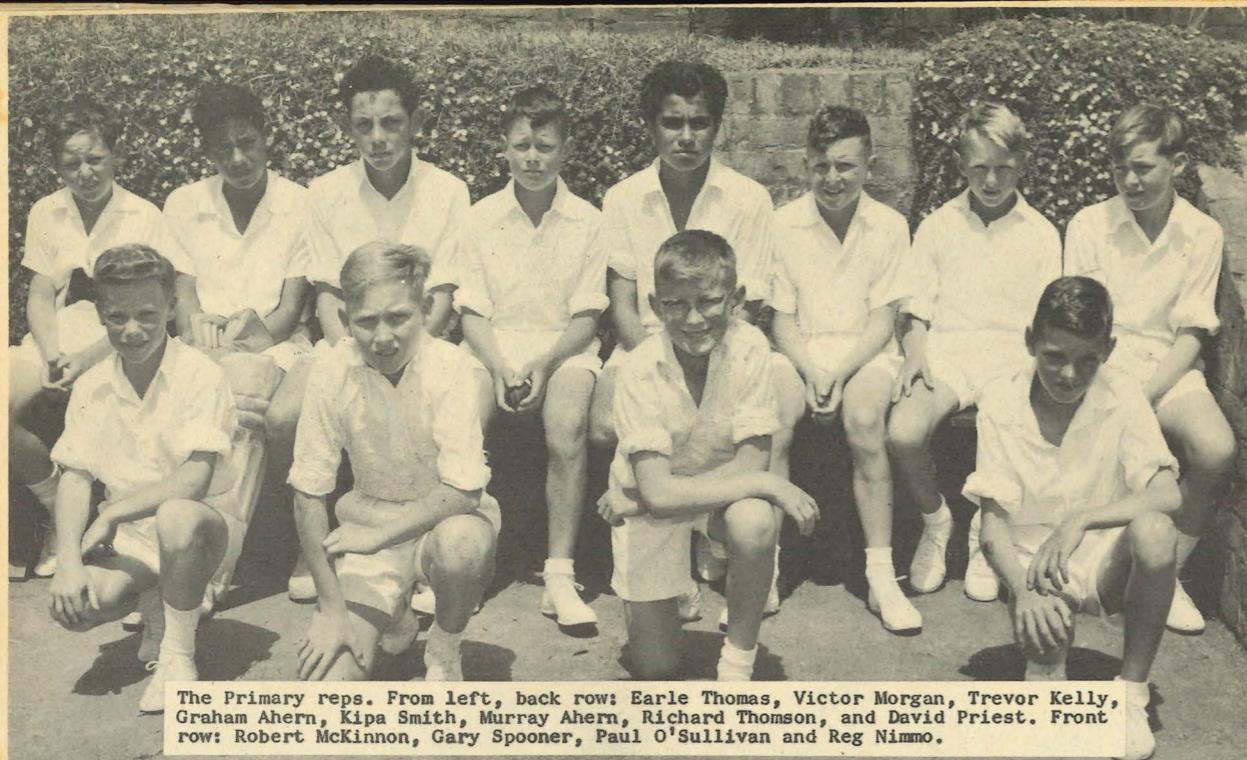


Roving Camera

Above: Leaving Hume Industries Ltd, Heads Road, on the first leg of a 100 mile journey to a farmer at Collier's Junction is this prefabricated bridge. Built at Hume's, the bridge measures 55 feet in length, and is of the castellated girder type.

Below: Workmen are at present engaged in forming a permanent roundabout at this site on Anzac Parade, at the end of the Dublin Street Bridge. The temporary roundabout, constructed some months ago, proved such a success in organising traffic at this bad intersection that it was decided that a permanent island here would be the thing.

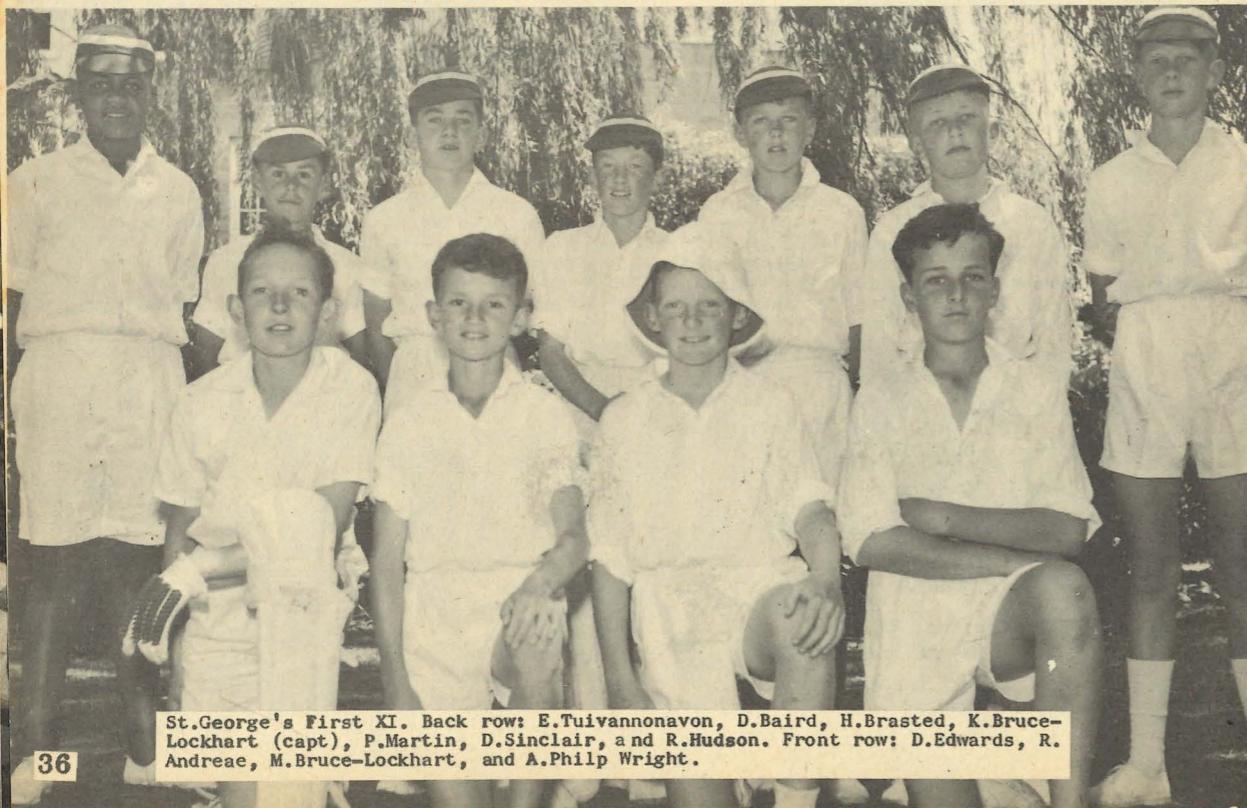




The Primary reps. From left, back row: Earle Thomas, Victor Morgan, Trevor Kelly, Graham Ahern, Kipa Smith, Murray Ahern, Richard Thomson, and David Priest. Front row: Robert McKinnon, Gary Spooner, Paul O'Sullivan and Reg Nimmo.

Schoolboy Cricket

The St. George's Preparatory School's first XI gained a first innings win over the Wanganui Primary School's representatives in a match at St. George's recently. St. George's made 94 and 105 for six declared. The primary school team scored 63 in its first innings and made 20 for five at stumps.



St. George's First XI. Back row: E. Tuivannonavon, D. Baird, H. Brasted, K. Bruce-Lockhart (capt), P. Martin, D. Sinclair, and R. Hudson. Front row: D. Edwards, R. Andreae, M. Bruce-Lockhart, and A. Philp Wright.



Cubs by the dozen

Cubs' Field Day

About 100 young Wolf Cubs from all packs in the city attended the recent field day at the Queens Park school. The boys had a lot of fun playing games, etc., under the supervision of half a dozen Cub masters.



Charles Beech gets set to make a homer during a softball game



The boys also took part in team games

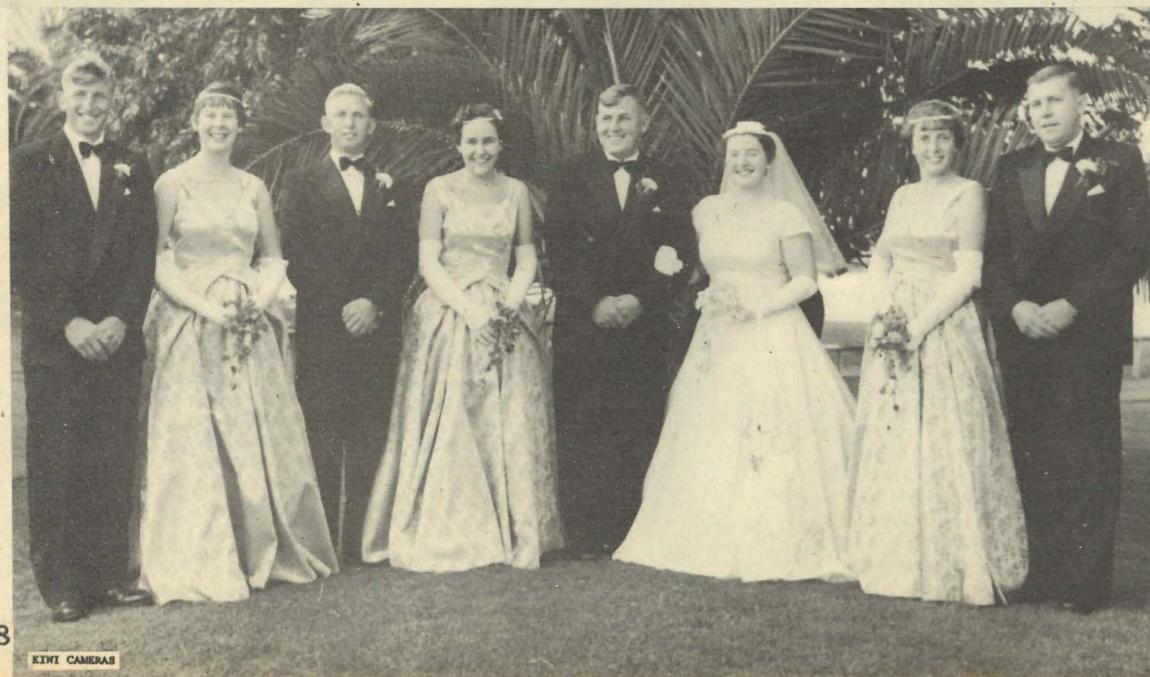


KIWI CAMERAS

Wedding Bells

Above: **MURRAY—CAMPBELL.** At St. Peter's Church, Gonville, Pauline Marie, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.H. Campbell, to Frank Lawrence, son of the late Mr and Mrs A. Murray. In the photograph: Graeme Barklay, best man; Lorraine Humphrey, chief bridesmaid; Denise Campbell, flowergirl; the bride and groom; Marie Bevan, bridesmaid; and Harold Malcolm, groomsman.

Below: **BRODIE—CROZIER:** At Trinity Methodist Church, Marie Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Gwynn Crozier, Masonic Hotel, to Edward Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs W.W. Brodie, Gonville. Assisting the bride were Barbara Crozier, Florence Frazer, and Pamela MacLean. Hugh Brodie, Doug Brodie, and Ian Wilkins attended the groom.



KIWI CAMERAS

Xmas Party



The Wanganui Woollen Mills Christmas party committee line up for this photograph at the Savage Club. Everybody had a grand time.



Mrs G. Fitness, Mr Ron Candish, Mrs Candish, and Mr Geoff Fitness were just a few of the hundreds who were having a happy evening.



Mr and Mrs Bill Pettis and Mr and Mrs Snow Kenny line up for the camera.



Marton Page

Above: Mr N.L.Shelton, M.P., pictured opening the Marton Tennis Club's new courts.

Below: Dutch and Polish folk newly settled in Marton recently became N.Z. citizens at a small ceremony in Marton. Mr Lucas Leersnyder is pictured signing his articles before Mr W.Meads, Mayor of Marton.

Bottom right: Gerardus Steeghs, Gerard Geurtjens, Jan Bojarski, Weronika Bojarski, and Lucas Leersnyder wait their turns.



Above: Santa made his first appearance in Marton when he visited the shops distributing sweets and balloons.
(All Photos by RICHARDS STUDIOS)



New arrivals...Mrs B.Nitshe pictured with her twins, Sandra and Neville, at the Marton Maternity Annexe

PICTURES BY RICHARDS STUDIOS



Rae, daughter of Mr and Mrs I.Mainwaring, Marton, celebrated her 4th birthday with this novelty cake



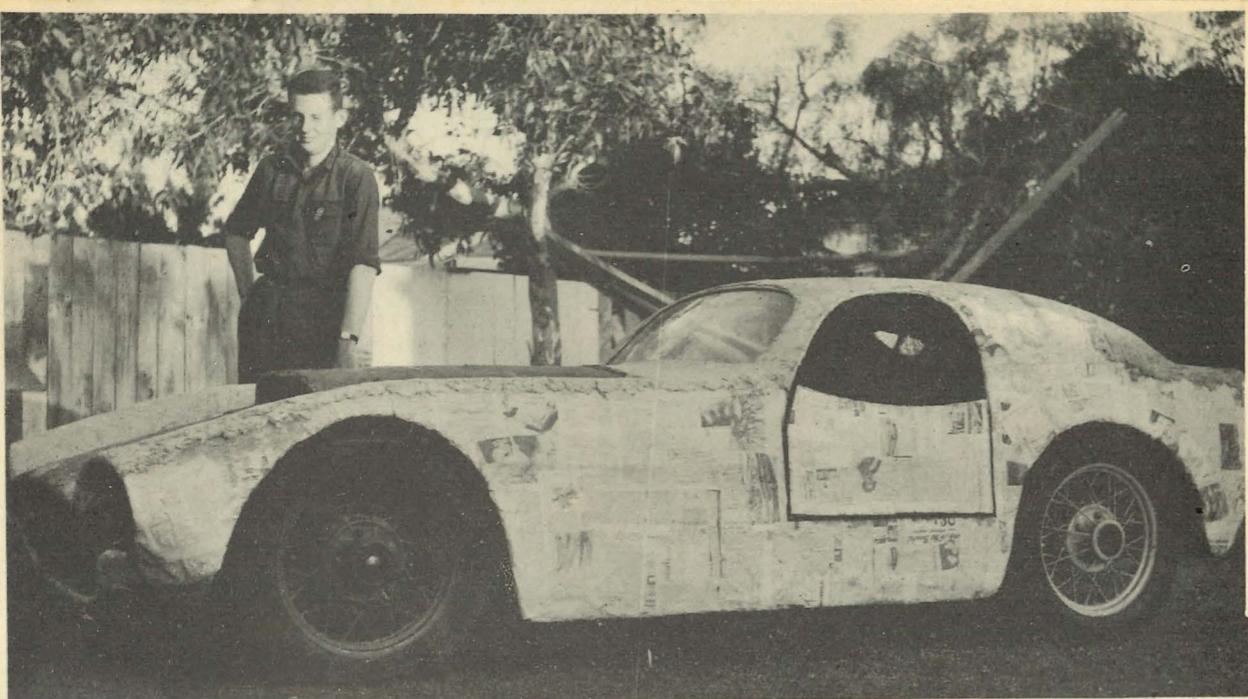
John, son of Mr and Mrs C.A. Hardyment, Marton, recently celebrated his coming of age.



Charles Blackwell, pictured with his mother, cuts the cake at his recent 21st birthday party.



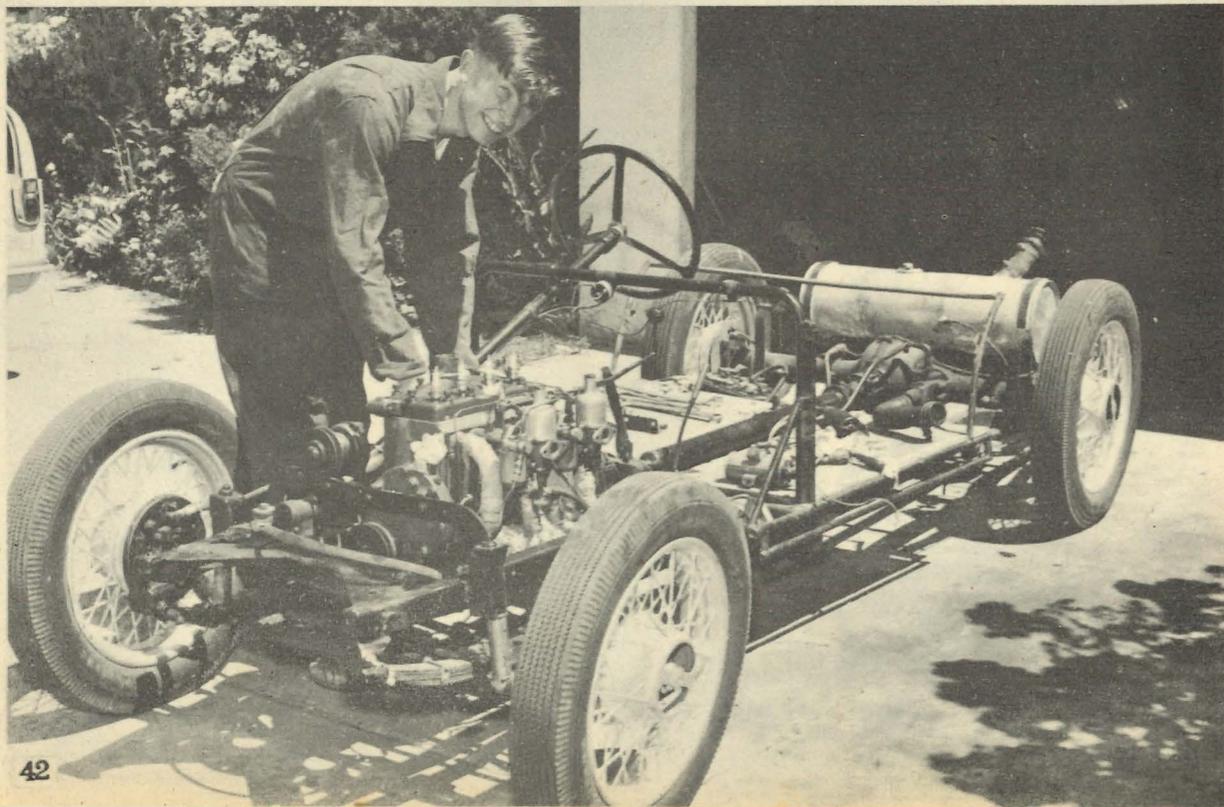
Selwyn, son of Mr and Mrs S. Meyer, Marton, was another guest of honour at a recent 21st birthday party.



Backyard Mechanics

Above: David Scott, Nixon Street, has spent many hours this year in building this Ford 10 Special. An apprentice motor mechanic, David has nearly finished this car which has been built over an Austin 10 chassis with conduit, wire netting, and papier mache. When the papier mache bodywork is finished, David intends putting a finishing skin of fibre glass on. Pretty smooth eh?

Below: Barry Gilbert, Tregarth Street, is also in the throes of building a Ford 10 Special. This car will have a factory built fibre glass shell similar to a Jaguar XK120 when finished.

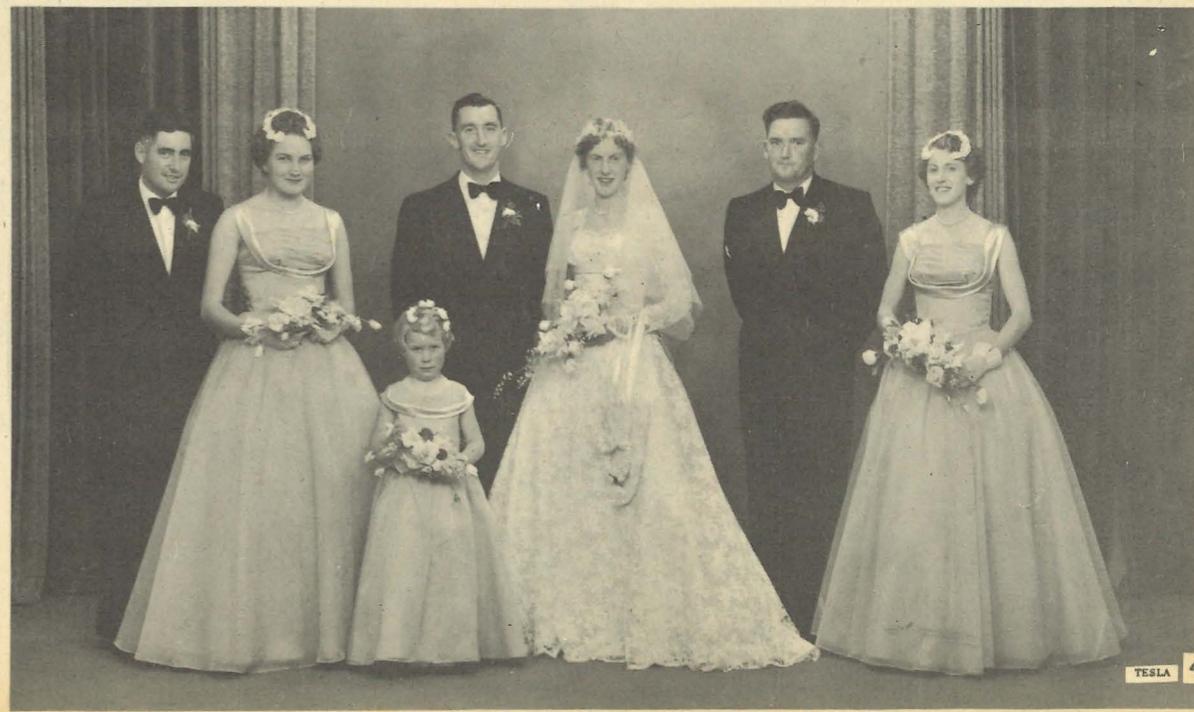


TESLA

Wedding Bells

Above: D'ARCY—SWARBRICK. At Christ Church, Wanganui, Doreen Ivy Esther, daughter of Mrs and the late Mr J.G.Swarbrick, Gisborne, to William Selwyn, son of the late Mr and Mrs W.A.D'Arcy, Wanganui, Matron of honour was Mrs L.Swarbrick, Palmerston North, and best man was Mr N.H.D'Arcy, Wanganui.

Below: WALSH—HOCKLY. At St.Mary's Catholic Church, Wanganui, Jean Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.L.Hockly, Springvale, to John Francis (Jack), son of Mr and Mrs T.Walsh, Wanganui East. In the photograph: Mr Brian McGrail, best man; Miss Jackie Taylor, chief bridesmaid; Jill Kenning, flower-girl; the bride and groom; Mr Tom Walsh, groomsman; Miss Beverley Hockly, bridesmaid.





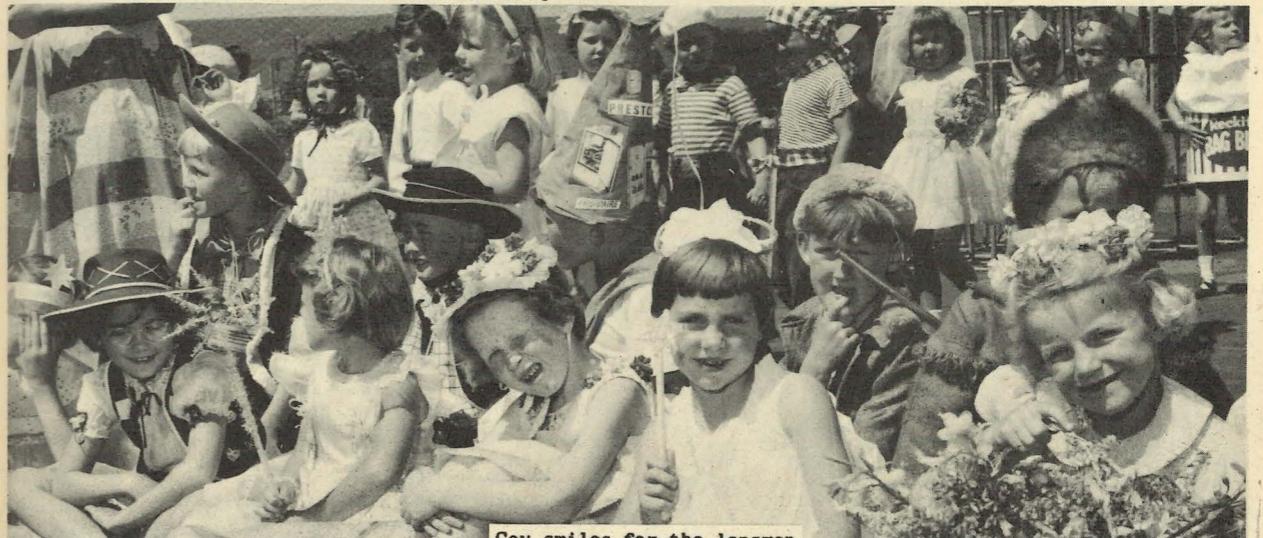
Richard Emmett, Glenys O'Hara, David Mallender, John Price, Terry Price, and Jill Crawford made a good cross section line-up for the cameraman



Proud parents watch their children parade

Tiny Tots' Party

The annual big thrill for the primer classes at the Wanganui East school is always the fancy dress party. Parents of these kiddies go to great pains to provide their children with an appropriate costume for the big day, as was evidenced by the splendid fancy dresses seen by the Photo News photographer and his camera. All the children took part in a grand fancy dress parade, folk dancing, singing, and of course the big party spread. These pictures show a little of the happy atmosphere which prevailed at the school on this important day.



Coy smiles for the lensman



Ken Yewen came as a sulky rider



Gavin Benseman, dressed as a nigger minstrel, was very well made up



Clowns, fairies, Davy Crocketts..they were all there



The children were in their element...they loved it all....



...and so did the parents



The grand parade looked more like the league of nations



TESLA



RICHARDS STUDIOS

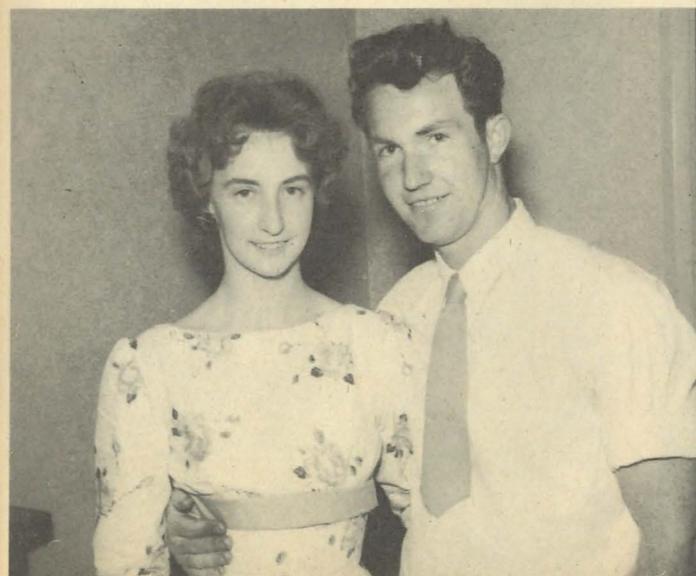
Social Items

Top left: SILVER WEDDING. Mr and Mrs L.W. Scott, 7 Sargeant Street, recently celebrated their 25th Wedding anniversary.

Top right: ENGAGED, DAVIES--ROBINSON: Joyce, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.R. Robinson, Wanganui East, to Russell, son of Mr and Mrs F. Davies, Marton.

Bottom left: ENGAGED, SCHDROSKI--HAWTREE: Betty, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.E. Hawtree, Wanganui, to Henry, son of Mr and Mrs G.E. Schdroski, Waikoau, Napier.

Below: Mr Harvey Stapleton who recently returned to Wanganui after completing a professional course in Scientology at Auckland.



NIGHTINGALL'S



ELDON



INDUSTRY... **B.E.S. Battery Factory**

The only registered battery factory between Lower Hutt and Auckland is situated right here in Wanganui. In a smallish building in Carlton Avenue Mr F.V. Burkett and son, Eldon, make all the components except the hard rubber cases for their B.E.S. motor batteries.

Top Left: Mr F.V. Burkett, founder of Battery & Electrical Services Ltd, started business in 1932 in what is now the Old Folks Association's rooms in Guyton Street.

Above: The present factory in Carlton Avenue.

Bottom left: Mr Burkett pastes a lead oxide compound into a grid. The grid holds the paste, the active material in a battery, and conducts the electricity away to a terminal. This is known as a plate.

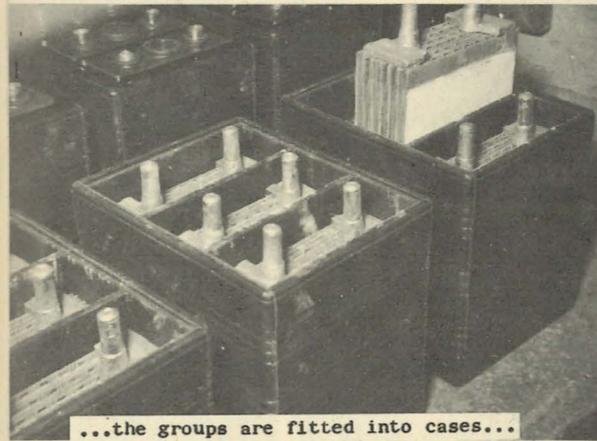
Bottom right: The first stage of making the plate is the casting of the special lead alloy grid.



Eldon Burkett, in charge of the assembling, is shown here welding together a group of plates.....



..after which the separators are inserted into place



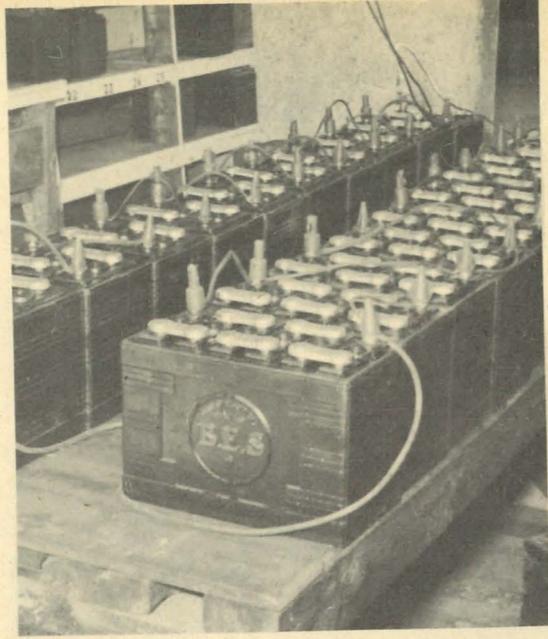
...the groups are fitted into cases...



...and sealed down



The inter-cell connectors and terminals are then fitted and welded to complete the assembly



Top Left: Batteries are filled with sulphuric acid prior to going on for their initial charge.
Above: Batteries go on to charge in one big bank.
Bottom left: In service...Mr T.Seward, foreman for Greyhound Buses Ltd., checks over a B.E.S. battery in one of the buses.
Below: Stock batteries ready for immediate service. Firm makes 15 different types to suit all vehicles.
 (All Pictures In This Feature Taken By Eldon.)



Faces at the Waverley Show

Critical eyes watch one of the horse events



Young speedsters on a merry-go-round



Sideshow awnings gave a little shelter against the drizzling rain which fell throughout the day



Cheryl Ross obviously enjoyed her round-about ride



Crowds of people press forward as the procession moves down Victoria Avenue. Jaycees with the ice cream truck threw cartons of icecream to the kiddies lining the street.

Christmas Procession

This year's Xmas parade turned out to be one of the very best ever. City organisations and firms really got behind the Jaycee organisers and helped to make the parade the success that it was. Taking part in the parade were 26 floats, five marching teams, and two bands. Thousands of people jammed into the Avenue to see the procession on this beautifully sunny day. Highlight of the day for the kiddies was the arrival of Santa Claus, and surely every child in the city went around to see Santa at the Technical College grounds where he was welcomed to Wanganui by the Mayor.



Just a few of the thousands who gathered to see Santa at the Technical College grounds



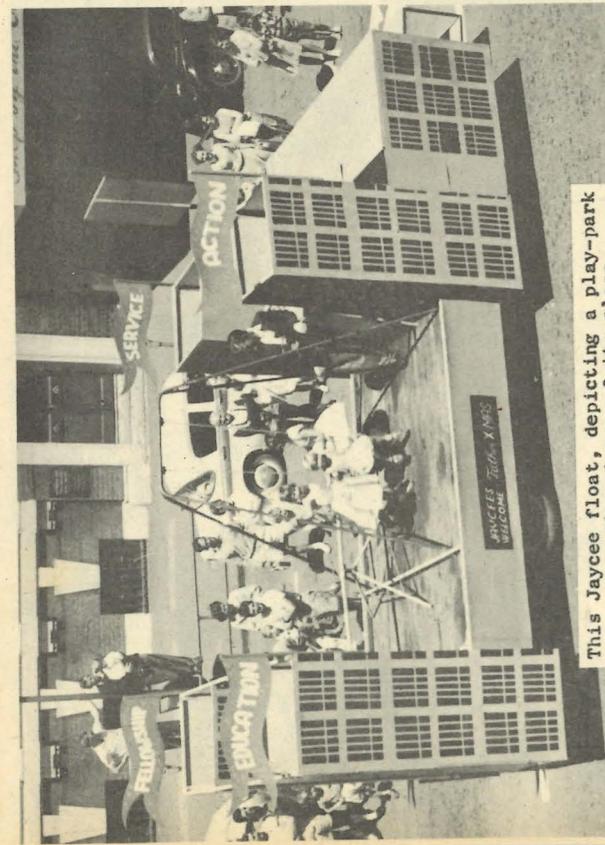
Santa and his fairies arrived in this one-deer-power float



The Pied Piper was featured on this entry



Sea Scouts and cubs "floated" along on this float



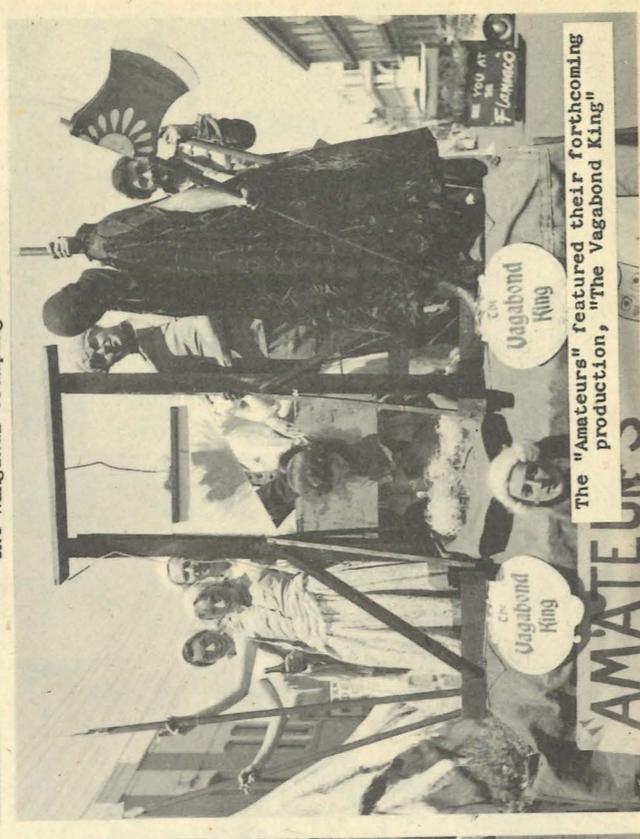
This Jaycee float, depicting a play-park was the winner of its class



This truck carried a tableau which depicted the manger scene



An active volcano was the entry of the Wanganui Tramping Club



The "Amateurs" featured their forthcoming production, "The Vagabond King"



This attractive float was entered by the local booksellers



The Castleclyff Surf Club's float was one of the more humorous entries



The Humpty Dumpty float, entered by McGruiers, tied for first place in the most spectacular class



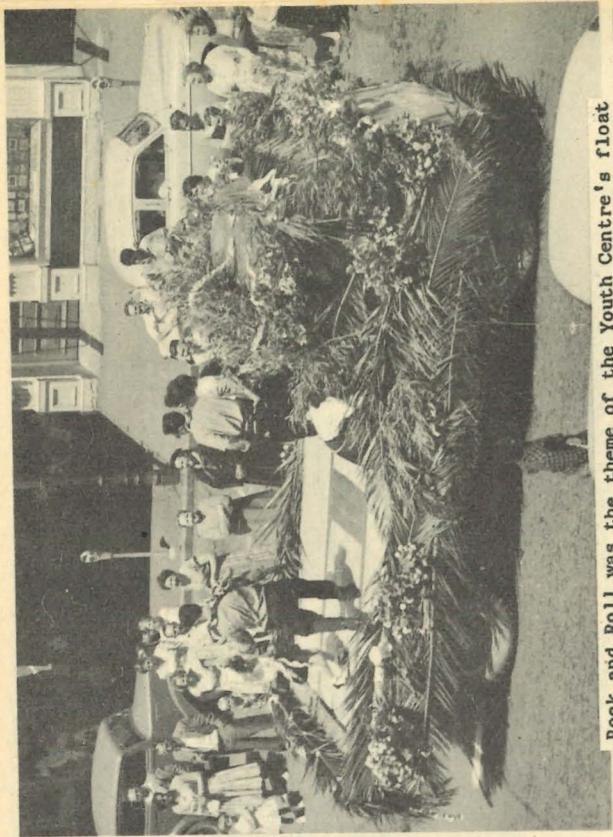
Bugs Bunny was in a whole heap of trouble in this entry



The Railways contributed with this excellent replica of a railcar



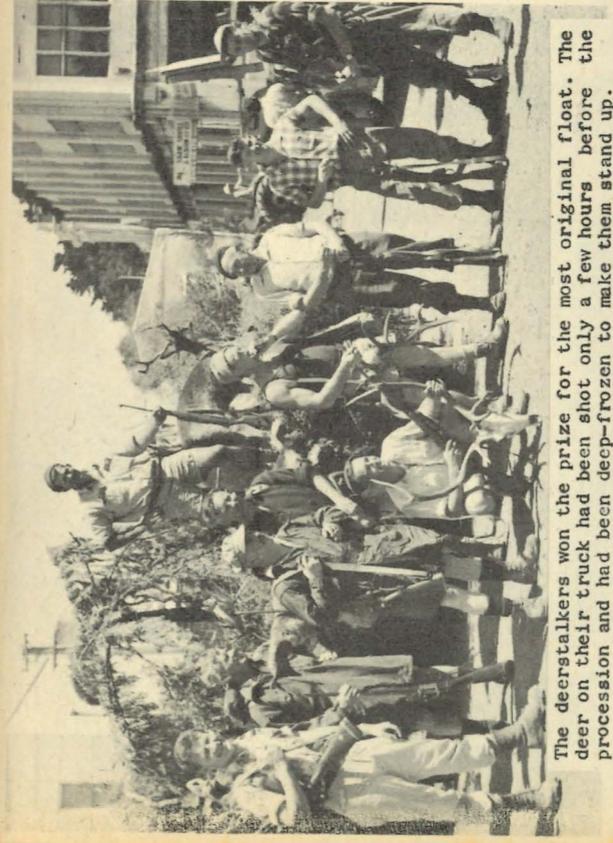
The scouting float was impressive



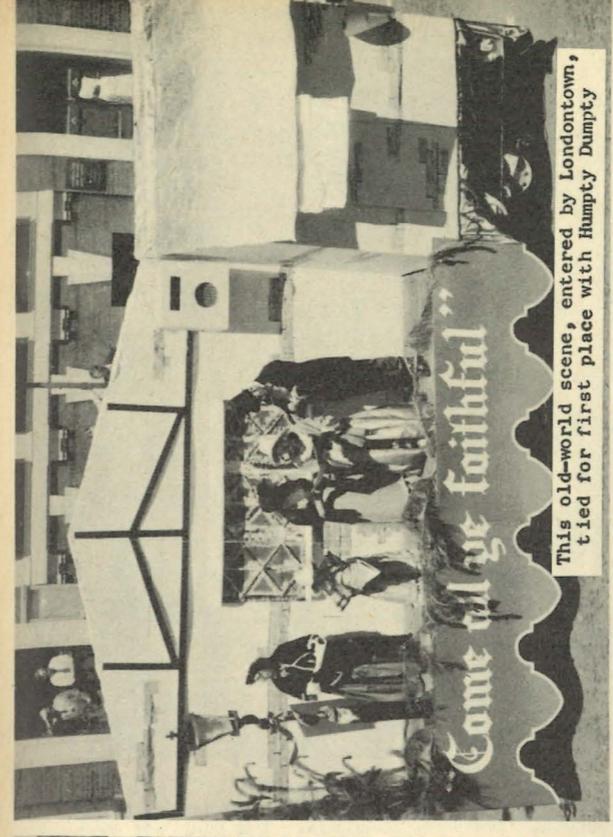
Rock and Roll was the theme of the Youth Centre's float



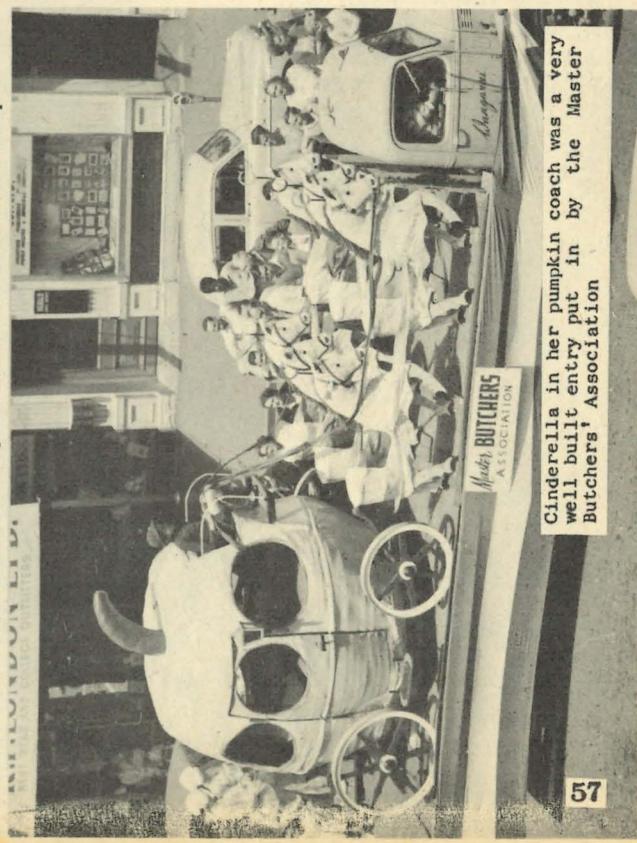
A Christmas card scene entered by Tingeys



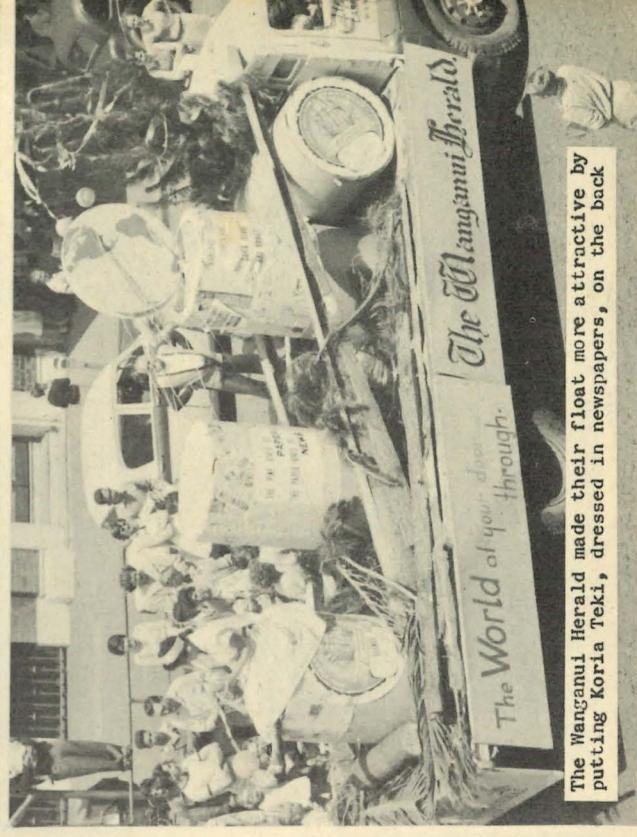
The deerstalkers won the prize for the most original float. The deer on their truck had been shot only a few hours before the procession and had been deep-frozen to make them stand up.



This old-world scene, entered by Londontown, tied for first place with Humpty Dumpty



Cinderella in her pumpkin coach was a very well built entry put in by the Master Butchers' Association



The Wanganui Herald made their float more attractive by putting Korla Teki, dressed in newspapers, on the back



Dress Rehearsals

Above: Dress rehearsal scene of the cast of "Wasn't it Odd!", the latest production of the Repertory Theatre. From left they are: Vera Thrush, Joyce Bancks, Joan Gardiner, Archie McIntyre, Dorothy Abernethy, Les Gregory, Patricia Mullins, Ron Brockway, and Judy Douglass. The play was produced by Maureen O'Sullivan.

Below: Producer, Edith Gilbert holds the floor as she directs members of the cast of "Castle in the Air", a play produced by the R.S.A. Little Theatre. Others in the picture are: Paddy McMaster, Gwynfa Griffiths, Bruce Jamieson and Sydney Hanton.



Gertie takes a sighter before opening the tourney with a terrific 10-yard drive.

Golfing Glamour-puss

Miss Gertie Ficklepuss, better known as Trevor Manning, recently made a guest appearance at the Tawhero golf course to help raise funds for Remembrance. A large crowd of golfers gathered to see this 'attractive' personality and they all joined in and played in the Remembrance tournament. Main attraction of the day was Miss Ficklepuss's Lady Godiva impersonation on an old draught-horse.



Just look at those legs...



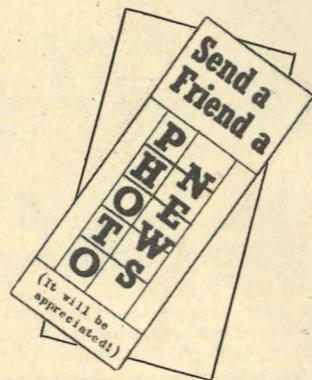
Gertie was constantly hounded by love-sick types such as Eddie Munro, Tawhero professional.



Married

Left: EDGECOMBE--ELLERY. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Marton, Dianne Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Ellery, Marton, to Cecil Thomas, son of Mrs K.Edgecombe, Hawera. The couple will live at Hawera.

Below: WELLS--McCLELLAND. At St. John's Church, Hunterville, Norma Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.B.McClelland, Rata, to Leslie Bernard, son of Mrs V.Archbold, Nelson. Assisting the bride were Margaret Tolmie, Margaret McClelland, and Lynette Squire, Robert McClelland and Clive O'Connor were the groom's assistants.



RICHARDS



Social Round

Top left: Miss Judith Cronin, 4 Gunn Street, is pictured with her mother at her recent coming of age party.

Above: Margaret Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.W.Benson, Okoia, recently celebrated her 21st birthday.

Bottom left: Anthony Harman, son of Mrs E.Harman, 11 Nelson Street, now has the key of the door.

Below: Miss Ready, 12 Brunswick Road, pictured with some of her friends at her sixteenth birthday party.

KIWI CAMERAS





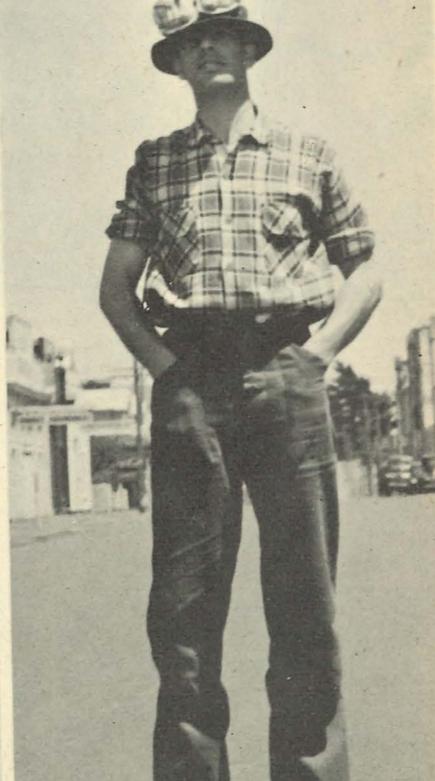
The full contingent pose on their arrival in Wanganui

Excellent Variety Show

The best show to be held in Wanganui for some time was "The Big Show" which played a one night stand here recently. Unfortunately, the show did not draw the house that it merited, possibly through poor advance advertising. However, those who attended the show here certainly got their money's worth of first class entertainment. All of the artists showed a ton of talent, especially Kahu Pineaha, The End Brothers, and Vince Callaher.



Kahu Pineaha, Simone, and Vince Callaher were billed as the stars of the show



Jim, top, and Chuck did this impromptu act for the photog on their arrival in Wanganui



Kahu Pineaha stole the show



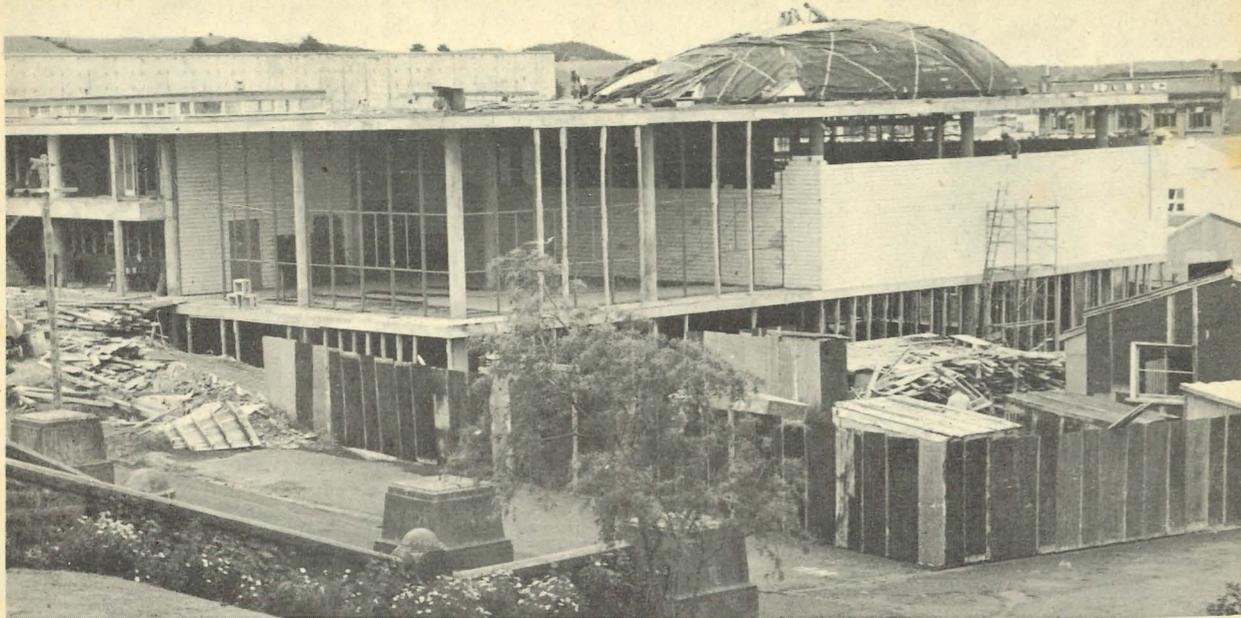
Simone, described as sexational, did a fascinating 'French type' belly dance.



Jim Rea, one of the 'End Brothers' warms up backstage before their marvellous act



A section of the not-so-big crowd in the front seats at the Opera House



Progress

Above: Time goes rapidly by...and gradually the new War Memorial Hall takes a little more shape. A lot of people have put their money into this monument, either through direct donations, or by supporting the "Miss Personality" campaign, and by hookey this city will have a building that will equal in grandeur any other similar edifice in the country...thanks to all those givers and of course Wanganui's Mr Remembrance himself, Mr E.A.Millward, the Mayor.

Below: When there's a good cause to work for, there are always those people who freely give all they can to support it.....These hard working residents of the Durie Hill area have given many hours of their time in working on the installation of the new filtration plant at the Durie Hill school baths.



Roving Camera

Above: National Film Unit cameraman Don Oakley was recently in Wanganui filming many of our tourist attractions. The Photo News photographer caught up with Mr Oakley at the deer park where the camera-man was filming local models feeding the animals.

Right: Mr Jim Wallace, a well known Wanganui sportsman and school teacher, has now put another feather in his cap by writing a book. Booksellers report that Jim's book, "All Blacks and Lions", is very popular and is selling well.

Below: Two on a Go-Kart...Colin Bent takes young Lindsay Duggan for a circuit of the track during one of Sulco's kiddies-rides days.

