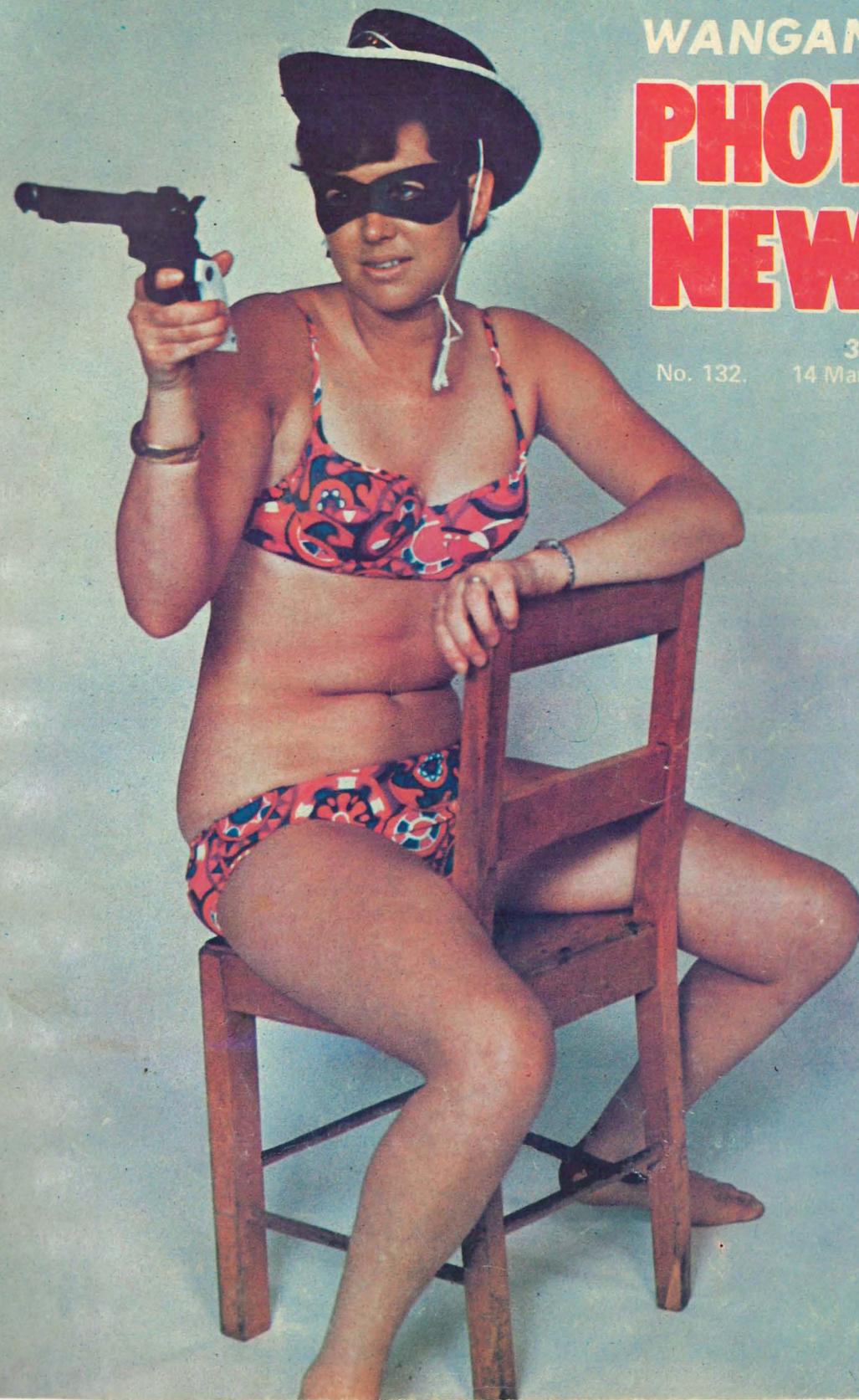




WANGANUI
**PHOTO
NEWS**

30c
No. 132. 14 March 1970.





Married

Above: **AVERS—GERRIE.** At St. Peter's Church of England, Suzanne, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. W. Gerrie, 115 Puriri Street, to Wayne McLean, son of Mr and Mrs F. Avers, 92 Cornfoot Street, Wanganui. The attendants are Diane Bates, chief bridesmaid, Pam Gerrie, sister of the bride, Colin Caseley, best man, and Philip Avers, brother of the groom, Victoria, Australia. Future home, Wanganui. (Robuck).

Below: **BULLER—SELL.** At Trinity Methodist Church, Jocelyn Kaye, daughter of Mrs I. H. Sell and the late Mr E. A. Sell, 19 Talbot Street, to Malcolm John, son of Mr and Mrs M. J. Buller, Rimu Street, Wanganui. The attendants are Leone Holden, Waiouru, sister of the bride, Toni Holden, niece of the bride, Waiouru, flower-girl, and Neil Buller, brother of the groom, Auckland. Future home will be in Wanganui. (Robuck).



Wanganui Photo News

Printed and published every fourth Saturday by
LOGAN PUBLISHING COMPANY LTD.

Editor: **ROB GRAHAM.**

Robuck Studio, 72 Ridgway Street (opposite P.O.)
P.O. Box 568. Telephone 8055. (After hours 34-249).

Registered as a newspaper at the G.P.O., Wellington.
PREPAID SUBSCRIPTION BY POST: \$3.80 PER ANNUM.

OUR COVER

OUR COVER—Attractive gunslingers wearing bikini togs should not be outlawed. In fact we are all for them. This arresting colour pic is of Lynn Nicholl.

BACK COVER—Two views of Ourtown. A rear view (taken from Cook's Gardens) of the City Council Chambers with the spire of St. Paul's and the dome of the Observatory in the act too. Also a shot of the Sarjeant Art Gallery area from Cook's Gardens.

NEXT ISSUE:
14 MARCH

WON THEM ALL

RIGHT—Ten-year-old Toni Grooby, Hastings, is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Grooby (nee Diane Piper) and the grand-daughter of Mr and Mrs "Pip" Piper, formerly of Wanganui. Toni just won a national title in the Teleprinter swimming contest and has also just won all events in her age-group at the Hawkes Bay swimming championships. She now holds five Hawkes Bay records. Pip Piper swam for Central for many years, Diane swam for Wanganui East, and Graham Grooby is a well-known surfer, so it's no wonder young Toni does so well.

BELOW—The Wanganui representatives who attended the New Zealand age-group championships at Hastings. Back: Kerry Casey, Phillip Sell, Andrew Syme, Wayne Taumata, Christine Strichen, Phillip Ander, Bernard Svendsen. Middle: Mr E. Stewart (centre president), Mrs P. W. Harkess (chaperon), Susan Reardon, Jane Lowe, Glen Walker, Ross Doyle, Mr Ivan Strichen (manager), Mr C. Harrow (Chch resident delegate to the NZASA council for Wanganui). Front: Bruce Walker and John Tunnell. (Robuck Studios).



KERRRASH!!



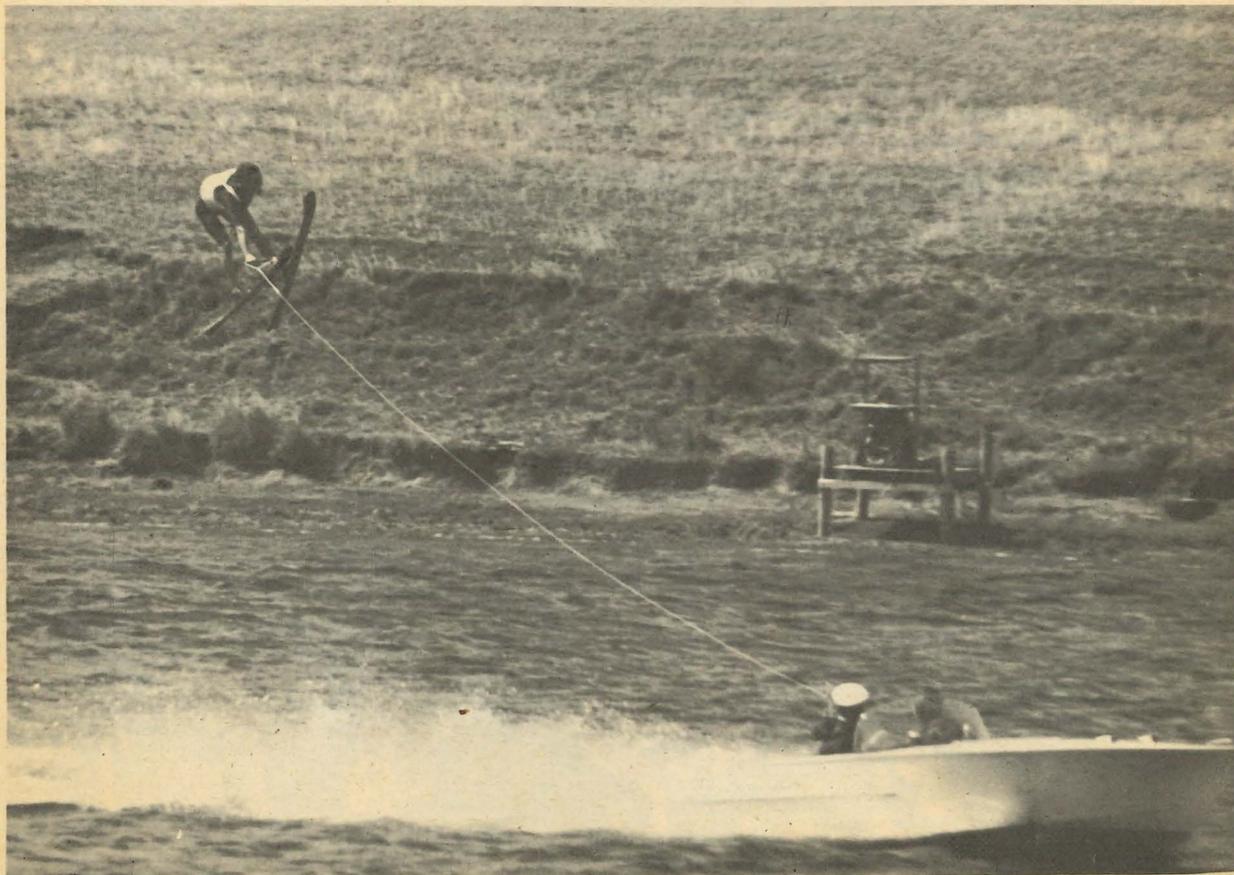
We noticed that for some of the more timid skiers who don't like going too fast the local club has provided a slower tow-boat — a canoe.



Barry Fowler provided our photographer with a rather spectacular picture when he made a monumental crash at the local Water-ski Club's jumping championships.

ABOVE—This was the end result — a tangle of arms and legs amid a flurry of water.

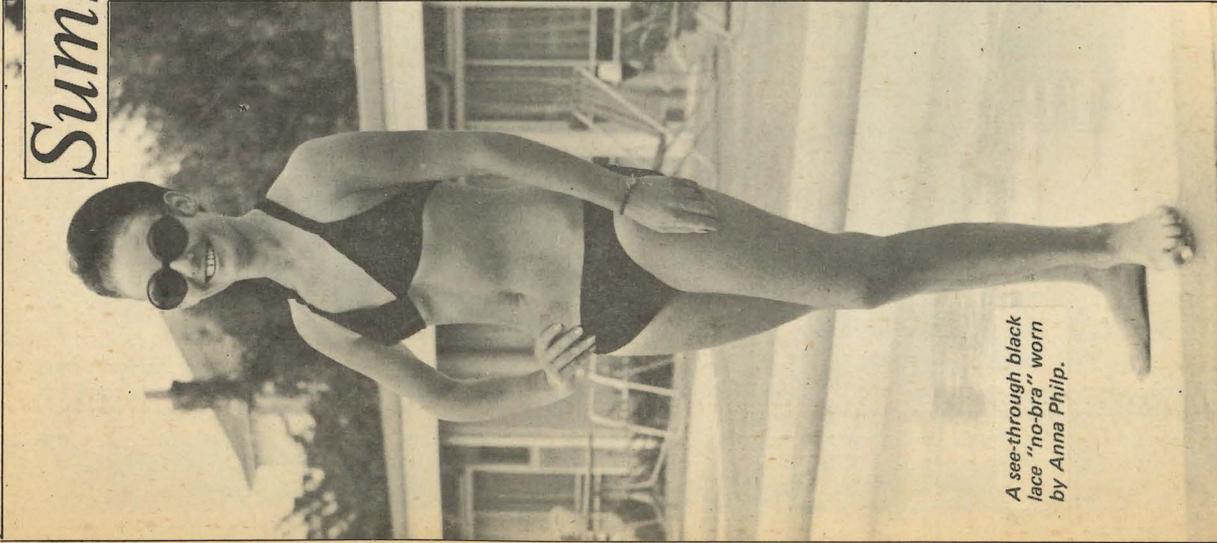
BELOW—Barry heads for his prang.



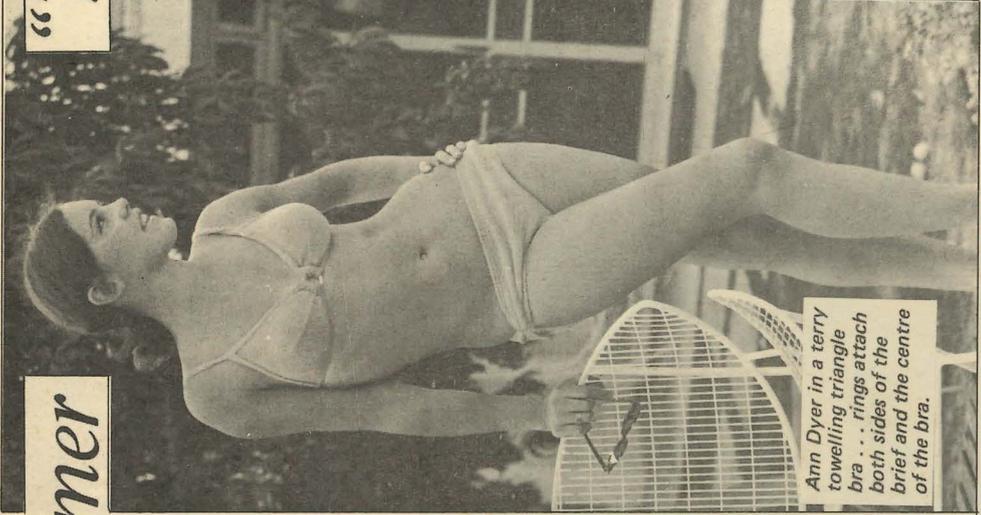
BATTLING BEAUTIES

How's this for a PHOTO NEWS scoop? Wanganui must be the only place in New Zealand where we have lady boxers. And they are on the level!!! Linda McPhail (left) and Linda Chadfield have both been in training for two years and know enough about the sport to give most of you blokes a thick ear. Between normal training sessions at the Wanganui Boxing Association's Cook's Gardens headquarters, the two Lindas get into the ring for a bit of sparring. Other times they keep fit on a punch bag. Their activities are strictly unofficial but nevertheless the girls have trained to a standard where it wouldn't be laughable to have them appear on an amateur programme somewhere.

Summer

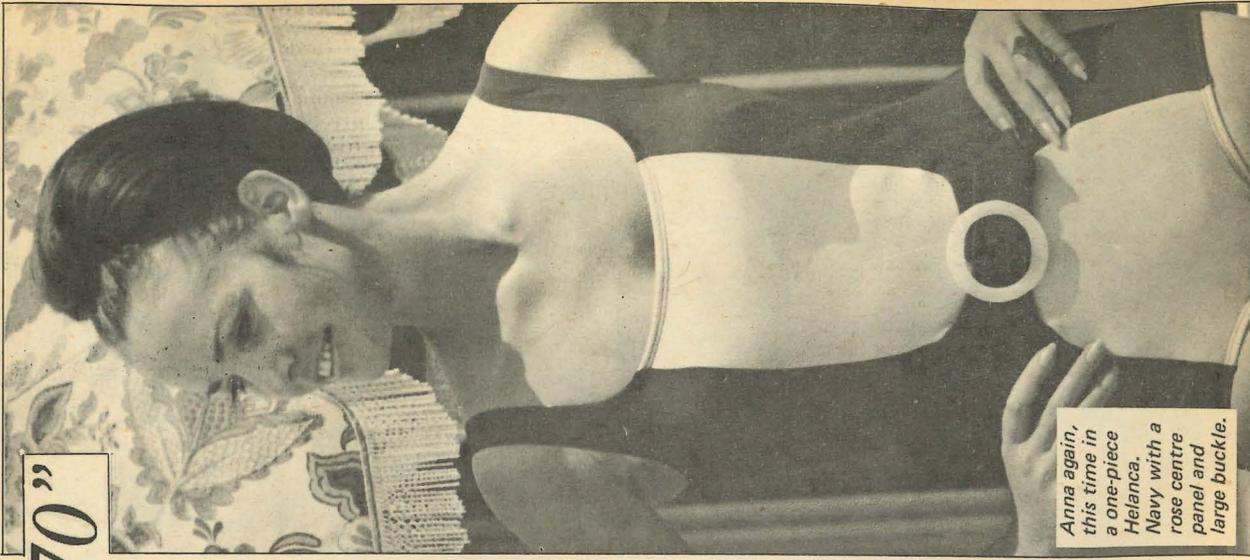


A see-through black lace "no-bra" worn by Anna Philp.



Ann Dyer in a terry towelling triangle bra . . . rings attach both sides of the brief and the centre of the bra.

You lucky Photo News readers you! Just because we happen to be friendly with the Canterbury representative for this district, Ralph Bare, we are able to give this exclusive peep at the swimwear to appear in our shops around August. The main theme is the triangle bra this year (very popular in Aussie) and the accessories also play a major part for 1970 . . . buckles, rings, buttons, straps, braids, etc.

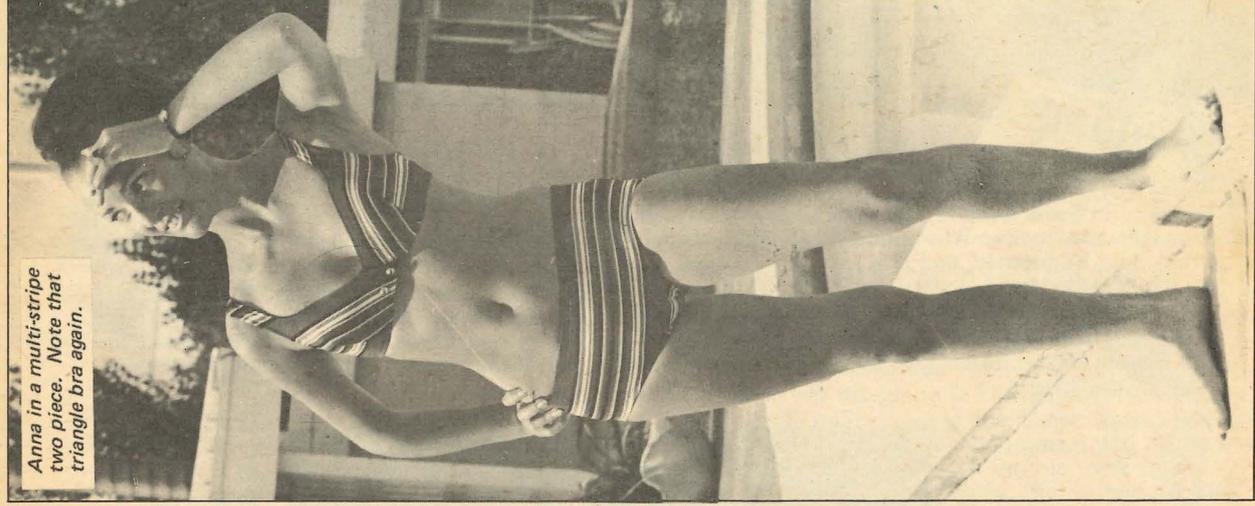


Anna again, this time in a one-piece Navy with a rose centre panel and large buckle.

"70"



Terylene bikini with jacket cover-up (no sleeves) in floral. Colours to watch for this season are flaming orange, luna blue, rose, ebb tide, delft blue and gold. Ann is the model.



Anna in a multi-stripe two piece. Note that triangle bra again.



Cutaway togs are designed to increase the sex appeal of the younger set next season. This black Helanca features a deep-vee bra with shoulders and hips joined by P.V.C. squares.

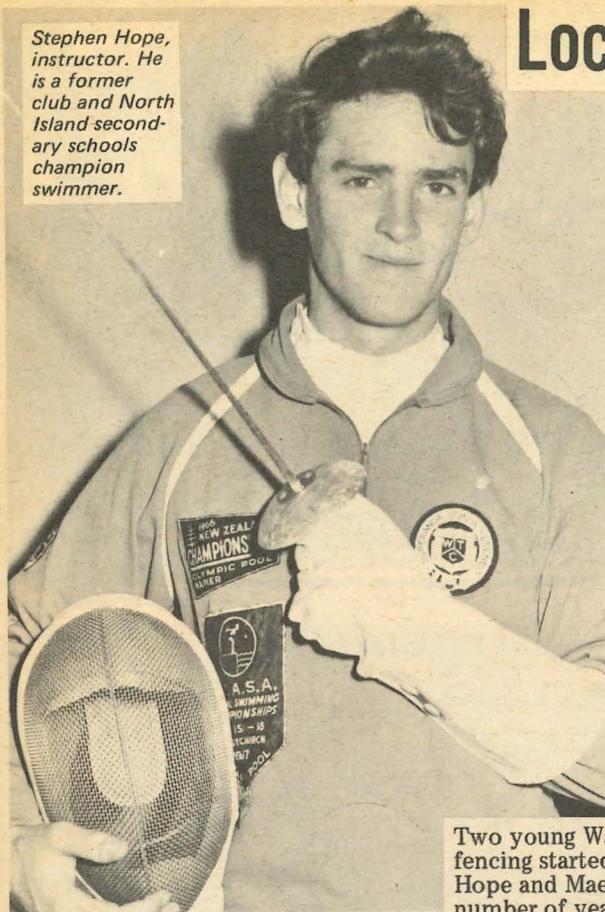


Wedding Bells

Above: COTTER—McGRAIL. At St. Peter's Church of England, Jennifer May, eldest daughter of Mrs I. McGrail, 69 Swiss Avenue, Gonville, to David John Cotter, son of Mrs E. Annabel, Fordell. The attendants from left, are Stephen Wilson, Lesley McGrail, sister of the bride, Michelle Goodgame, flower-girl, Heather Gibb, chief bridesmaid, and Ken Cotter, best man, brother of the groom. Future home, Kawerau. (Robuck).
 Below: KREEGHER—FINUCANE. At St. Mary's Catholic Church, Kathleen Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. B. Finucane, 153 Heads Road, to Peter Edward, son of Mr and Mrs R. Kreegher, 112 Campbell Street, Wanganui. The attendants are Maureen Finucane, sister of the bride, chief bridesmaid, Jean Tehuna, Jackie and Debbie Doyle, flower-girls, Oscar Batchelor, best man, and Mark Travers. Future home, Wanganui. (Perry Photographer).



Stephen Hope, instructor. He is a former club and North Island secondary schools champion swimmer.

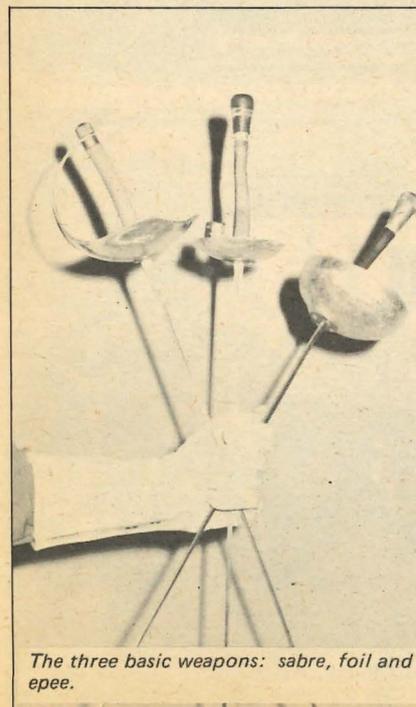


Local Fencing Reformed



Maeva Wyme, Stephen's assistant, a former Wanganui ladies' diving champion.

Two young Wanganui folk are behind a move to get a new club for fencing started in Wanganui. A YWCA class is planned by Stephen Hope and Maeva Syme (both of whom have been active in fencing for a number of years) with the Boys' College club and the Ohakea Club. Stephen fenced for seven years and went to a number of national school-boy tournaments. In 1968 he was runner-up to the national foils title by one point. The YWCA club will hold classes in the Christ Church hall and fees for a season will be only one dollar. Some equipment will be supplied for a start. A demonstration day is to be held in the very near future featuring Olympic trialist Buck Bell, Graham Philp, New Plymouth, and Frank Hogg, New Plymouth.



The three basic weapons: sabre, foil and epee.



Maeva runs Stephen through in our studio

Motorbikes at the Racecourse



Johnny Furze chases the flying Ploen



Top rider and title winner: Peter Ploen, Palmerston North.



Very disappointed after puncturing while taking the lead from the retired Hugh Anderson: Johnny Furze.

The New Zealand open miniature T.T. championship was staged at the Wanganui Racecourse a few weeks back. Palmerston North's P. Ploen was the most successful rider of the day in winning the title, plus two other races. The only other two wins were by Laurie Love, Wanganui. ABOVE—Hugh Anderson had the title in the bag before his bike seized up.



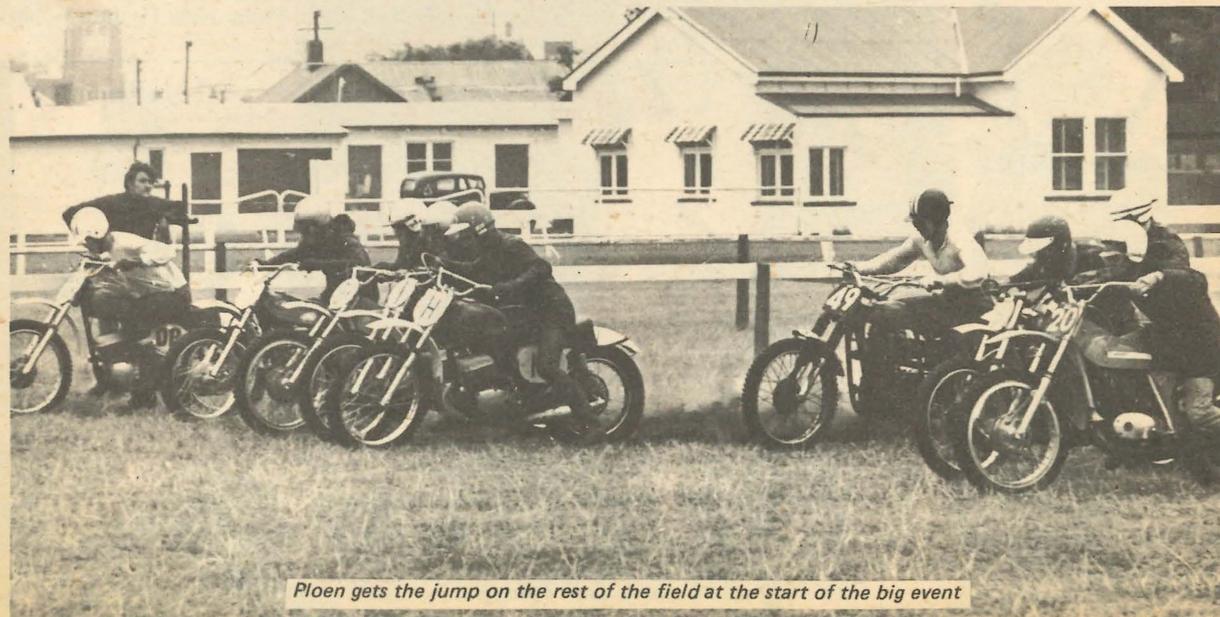
Spectators huddle out of squalling rain



A grin from Shirriffs as he attends to his mobike



Wanganui's Laurie Love won the only two races not taken by Ploen



Ploen gets the jump on the rest of the field at the start of the big event



Former World TT champion Hugh Anderson had troubles

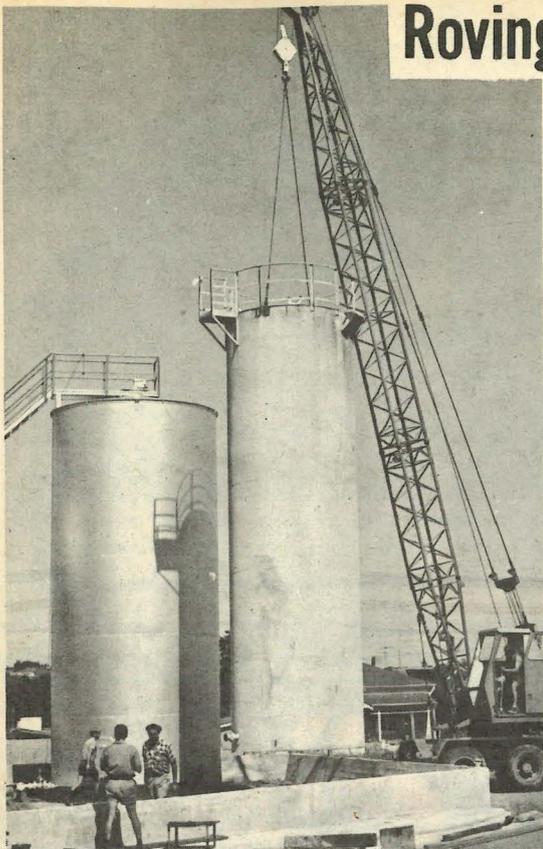


Wanganui's Bill James



Johnny Furze won the title last year

Roving Camera



LEFT—They needed a mighty big crane for the job of lifting this new 12,000 gallon holding tank into place at the BP depot recently.

ABOVE—FOUR-WHEELED LADDER. We hope all you folks have paid your rates by now. It looks as if the City Council needs the money to buy some new steps. Why, now they are using cars to stand on. What next?

BELOW—LONG OVERDUE. How much tidier things are in the Jewish part of the old cemetery in Heads Road. The area has been grassed and old headstones have been replaced with one plaque. The sooner they do this to the others the better.



A SCHOOLGIRL AGAIN

Three-and-a-half years ago Denise Taylor left school and went to work in a city newspaper office as a receptionist. After a term in this employment she left to work in another office as secretary and cashier, at times with the whole responsibility of the office on her shoulders. Now 18½ years of age, Denise is a real career girl and has set her eyes on secretarial work in Canada. In order to get a good job there she feels the need to pass her Chartered Institute of Secretaries exams, and to sit for these Denise will have first to get her University Entrance. SO DENISE HAS GONE BACK TO BEING A SCHOOLGIRL AGAIN. We picture her, dressed in school uniform again, about to drive to college in her Triumph Spitfire.

Country School's Centennial



More than 300 past pupils and friends attended the weekend of gay festivities which marked the 100th anniversary of the Upokongaro School last month. Highlights of the weekend were the gathering at the school where past pupils had their decade groups photographed and met again their old friends, the banquet and social evening, and the wine and cheese gathering. Many attended an outdoor church service on the Sunday morning too.

ABOVE—Flanked by other pupils who attended the school in its first decade is Mrs O. Hodder (nee Allen) who cut the jubilee cake.

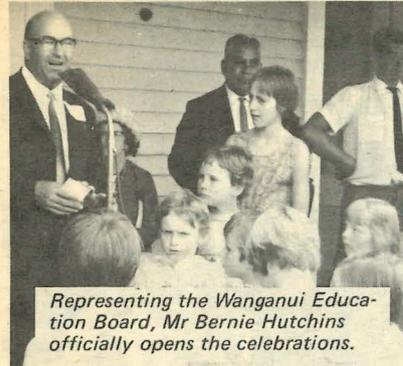
Oops . . . a slight dropping of the underwear during the old-time fashion parade.



This is how they dressed in Upok 100 years ago



Mary Hawken compered the old-time fashion parade



Representing the Wanganui Education Board, Mr Bernie Hutchins officially opens the celebrations.

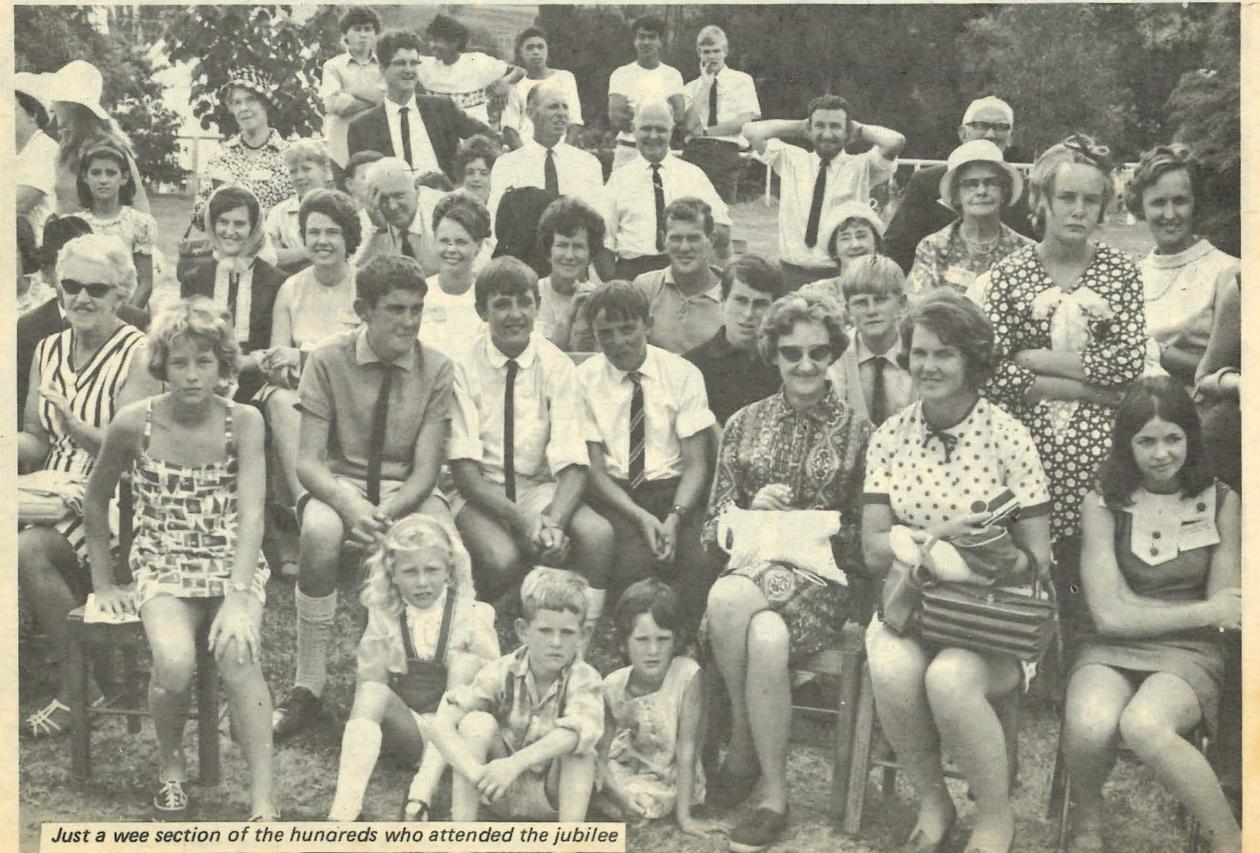


Mr and Mrs Don Matson came from Hamilton for the function



Joan Condliffe in something more up-to-date in fashions

She was parading in a neck-to-knee swimsuit, and then some of the boys grabbed her and tossed her into the school baths.



Just a wee section of the hundreds who attended the jubilee



The centennial celebrations committee. Due to the efforts of this band of workers we can quite honestly say that the Upokongaro 100th jubilee would be one of the best-organised and most enjoyable functions of its type photographed by us in the past ten years.

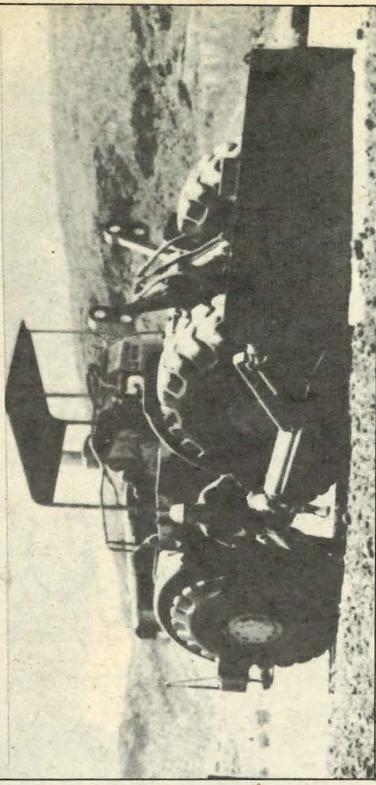


What a good representation of the classes from the earlier years, 1900 to 1910

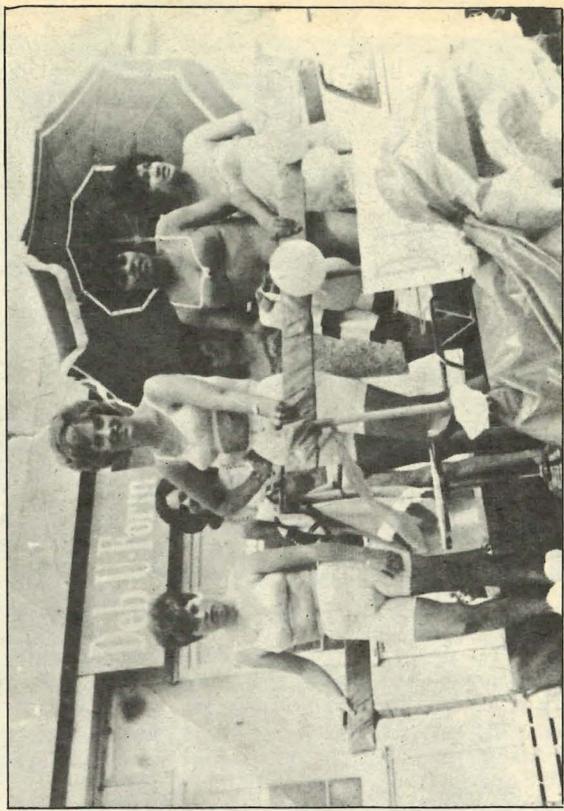


The new generation. Let's hope that they will in the future be attending similar reunions at the Upokongaro School. One thing for sure - after the success of this jubilee others are sure to follow.

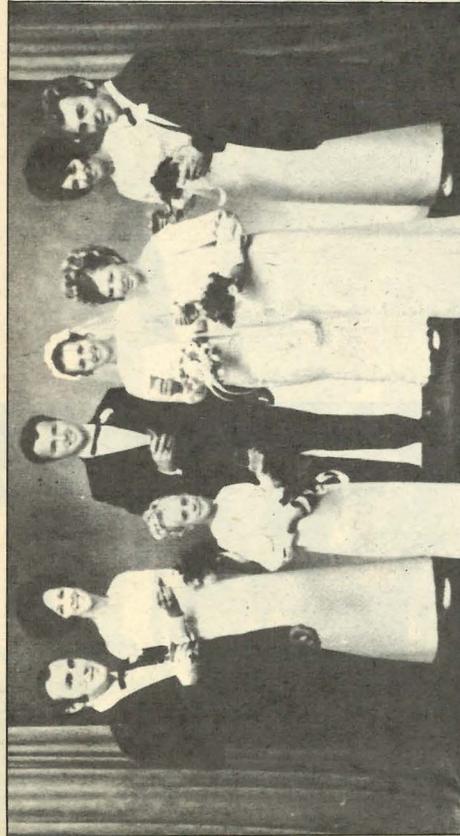
PIX FROM OUR READERS



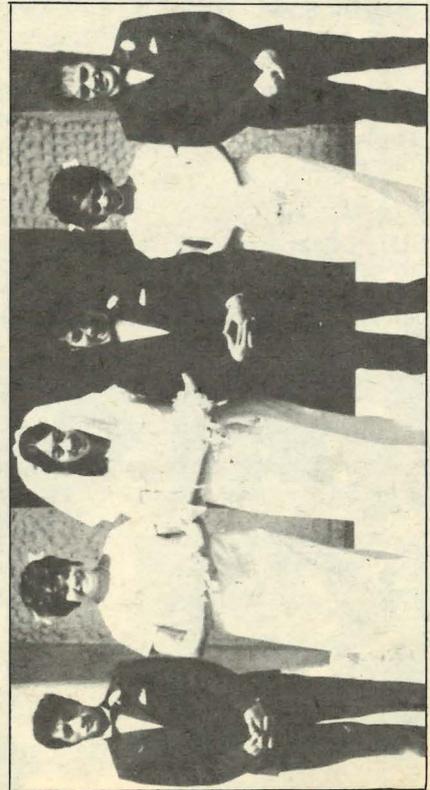
You may not be able to see him, but that's Trevor Benson with the giant machine used for road and mine maintenance at an Iron Ore mine, 750 miles north of Perth, Australia. Trevor worked there for about nine months but is due back in New Zealand sometime this month.



It didn't take long for the locals to adopt our Cheryl Jory up at Tuakau. She is pictured with fellow staffers from a lingerie factory displaying their products in a Xmas parade up there. An uplifting experience, Cheryl?



MARRIED: CASEY-McCORMICK. At All Saints' Anglican Church, Julie Ann, daughter of Mr G. McCormick and the late Mrs H. McCormick, 12 Clapham Place, Wanganui, to Robin Lance, son of Mr and Mrs J. T. Casey, Westmere. Attendants are Wendy McCormick (matron of honour), Wellington, Cynthia Casey, Sandra Coe, Caulene McCormick (flower girl), Morrie Springer (best man), Waitotara, and Phillip Casey (brother of the groom).



MARRIED: PUOHOTAU-TAHAU. At the Ratana Church, Dianna Barbara, daughter of Mr and Mrs N. K. Tahau, 20 Tregenna Street, Castleciff, to Peter Patrick, son of Mr and Mrs P. Puohotau, Kaiwhaiki Pa. Attendants are Anne Edwards, chief bridesmaid, Waverley, Margaret Raukawa, Manny Whannare, best man, and Walla Haami. Future home, Wanganui.



SOCIAL ROUND

ENGAGED

Above: KNUTH—COPLEY. Christine Jessie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. R. Copley, 44 Wilson Street, to William John, only son of Mr and Mrs H. G. Knuth, 26 Raupo Street. (*Robuck Studios*).

Top right: BEVIN—MACKIE. Sandra Ayn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs C. W. Mackie, 50 Bignell Street, to Paul Steven, younger son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Bevin, 64 Harper Street. (*Robuck Studios*).

Right: SPITTAL—THOMAS. Gay Lynette, daughter of Mr and Mrs B. C. Thomas, 16 Burton Avenue, to Gary Bristol, son of the late Mrs N. Spittal, 28 Sargeant Street. (*Rex Luff*).

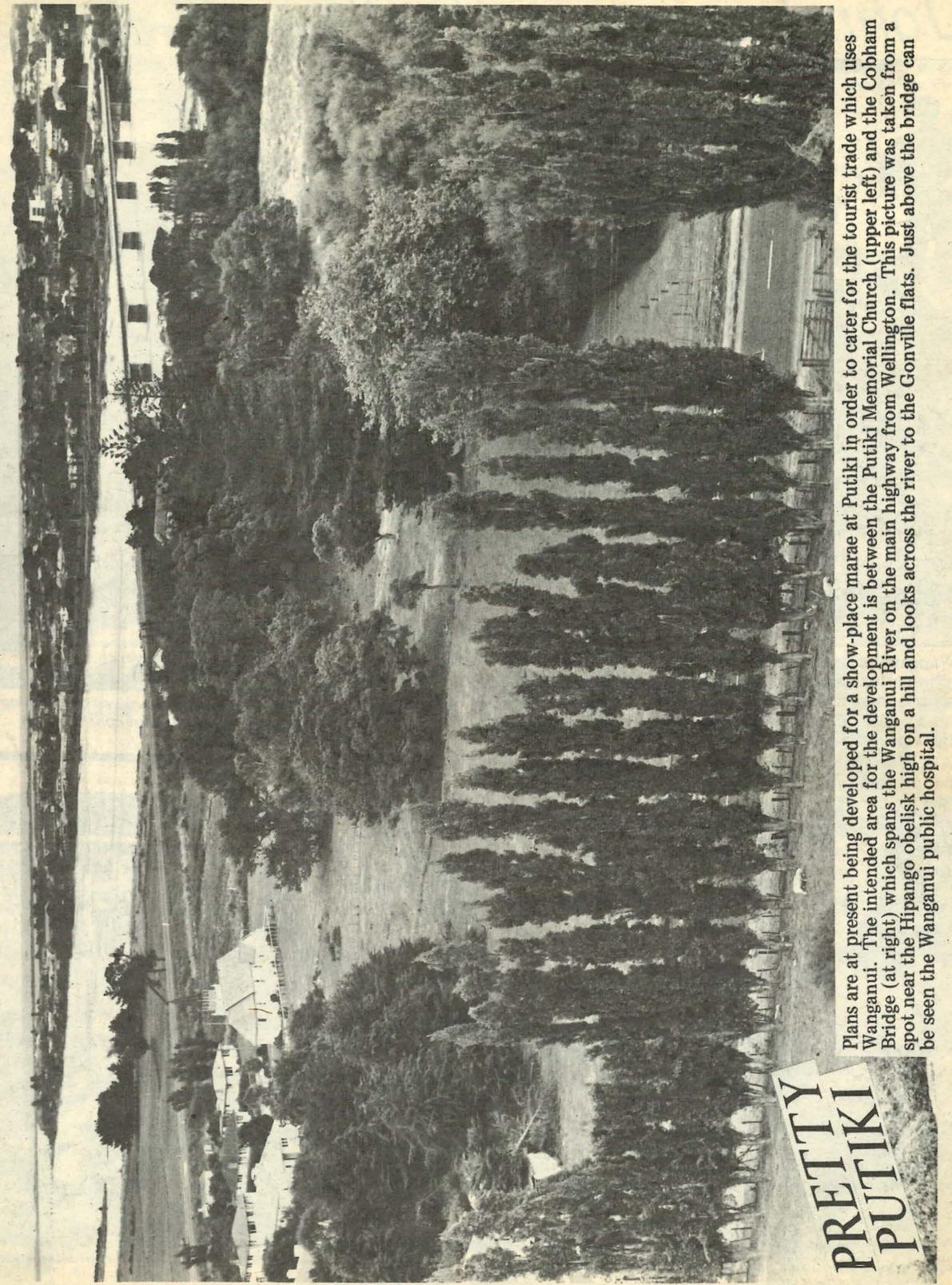


FOUR GENERATIONS

BELOW—A proud great-grandmother, Mrs Benson, Wanganui, is pictured with her great-grandson, William Joseph Hoyle (Singapore), her daughter, Mrs Peter Buck (Christchurch) and her grand-daughter, Mrs S. Hoyle (Singapore).

COMING OF AGE

BOTTOM RIGHT—Celebrating her 21st birthday with her family is Susan Jean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles E. V. Gurr, 15 Mitchell Street. From left are Mrs Gurr, grandmother Mrs M. Cameron, Mr Gurr, nephew Peter Gurr, Sue, sister-in-law Joy Gurr, nephew Mark and brother John. (*Robuck Studios*).



Plans are at present being developed for a show-place marae at Putiki in order to cater for the tourist trade which uses Wanganui. The intended area for the development is between the Putiki Memorial Church (upper left) and the Cobham Bridge (at right) which spans the Wanganui River on the main highway from Wellington. This picture was taken from a spot near the Hipango obelisk high on a hill and looks across the river to the Gonville flats. Just above the bridge can be seen the Wanganui public hospital.

PRETTY
PUTIKI

John Lennon Softball



Wanganui's Braves softball club performed very well in their John Lennon elimination match against Rangers (Auckland) a few weeks back. Braves scored their winning run (final score 1.0) in their first innings after a good hit by Reg Bennett. Good pitching by Alan Broadhead and generally tight play managed to keep the visitors from scoring.

ABOVE—He just made it . . . a Rangers player just manages to beat the ball to first base.



Alan Broadhead mixed his pitching and generally kept control of his game.



Hero of the match: Reg Bennett batted home the winning run in the first innings.



Many years of national and local softball experience behind this batter, Charlie Phillips.



Braves supporters bask in the sun while watching the game. The match was played at Braves' own ballpark, situated near the Gonville YMCA.



Phillips gets a run to first base



Mrs Lou Brewer keeps score for Braves



BEER, BUBBLY AND BURGERS



Well the Commercial Travellers' Club certainly knows how to entertain! Their latest big effort was a "beer, bubbly and barbecue" night which really went with a swing. About 80 attended the function at the Road Cycling Club hall and part of the fun was in cooking their own hamburgers over hot coals. Great fun!

Pictured in the large picture at left are Paul Ewing and Pam Ward slaving away over a hot cooker. Other pictures on this page show clubman Roy Rout dancing, visitor Pam Lucas getting "with it", four of the ladies taking it easy, and, BELOW, Rolfe Harris and co.



This takes the bun - electrician Alex Smith turns chef and prepares to grill himself a hamburger



Kath Pinker gets a whiff of smoke



Brothers Lionel and Neville Hussey never miss a good C.T. show



Sampling the hops are Bevan Garmonsway and hopalong Owen Raleigh



AROUND THE AIRPORT

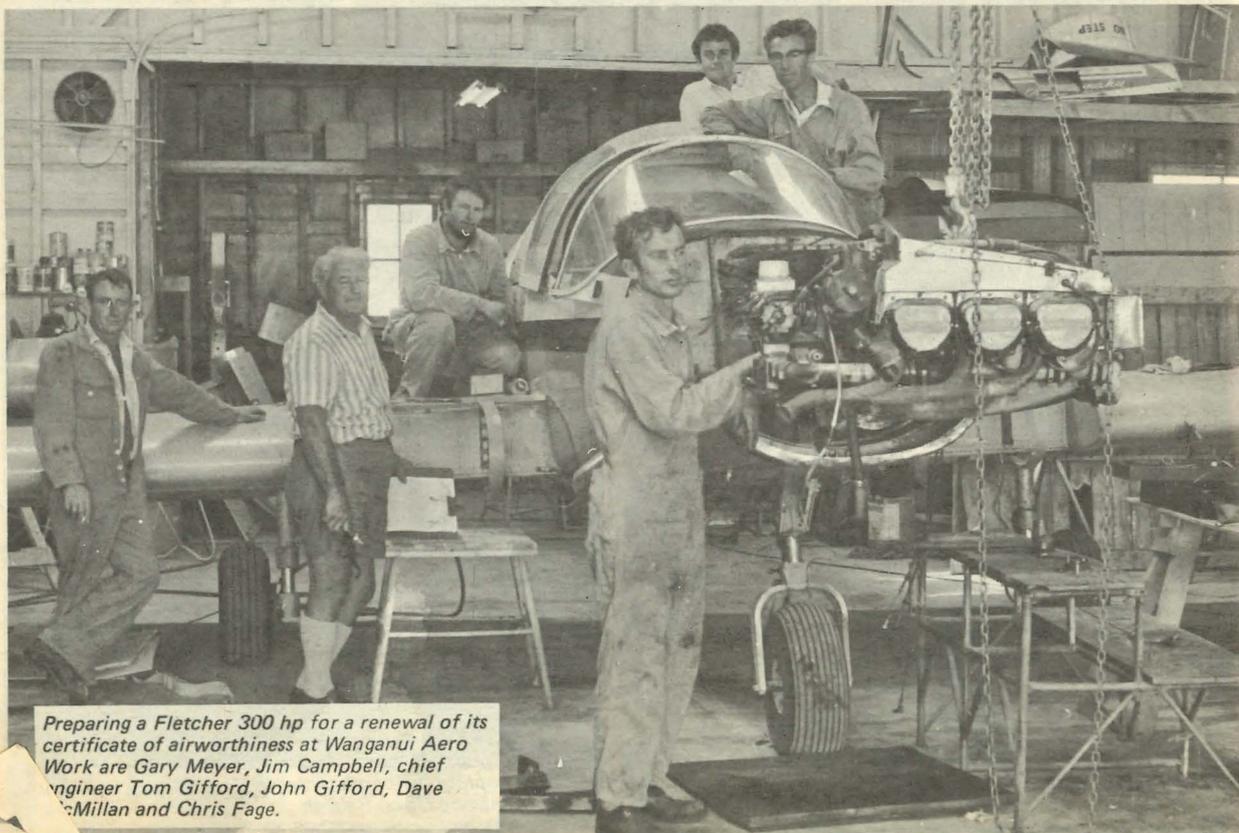
The scene at the Wanganui Airport is portrayed in this month's feature, shot in a random candid coverage by our trainee photographer, Graham Collings.

LEFT—Wanganui's "Mr Flying" is Beryck Dacom, operator of an advanced flying school for agricultural pilots.

ABOVE—Familiar faces at the NAC air terminal every day are loaders Reg Mudford and Ted (Snow) Hedgeman.



Passengers disembark for refreshments at the Wanganui airport after an NAC Friendship lands



Preparing a Fletcher 300 hp for a renewal of its certificate of airworthiness at Wanganui Aero Work are Gary Meyer, Jim Campbell, chief engineer Tom Gifford, John Gifford, Dave Millan and Chris Fage.



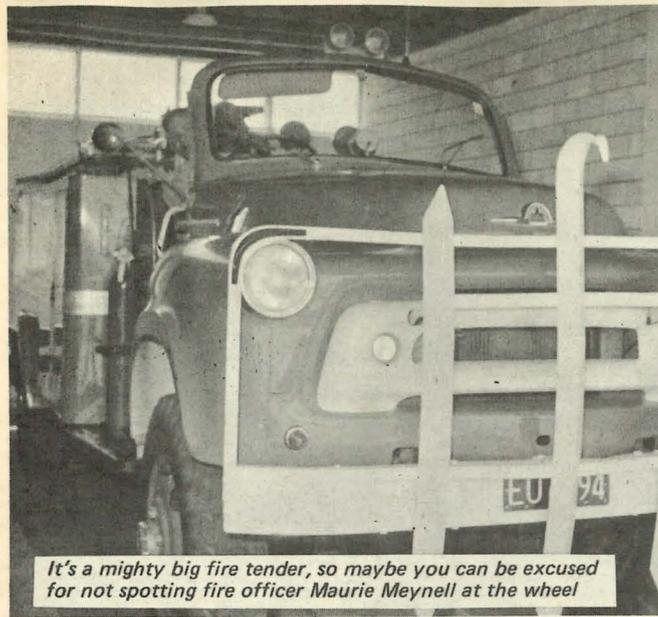
CAA chief communications officer is Ron White



Always on the ready — but thankfully he has very few fires to fight — airport fireman Ces Orr.



Commercial pilot student Colin Hogarth chats with chief instructor Ivon Warmington prior to making a training flight



It's a mighty big fire tender, so maybe you can be excused for not spotting fire officer Maurie Meynell at the wheel



Climbing from the Cherokee is Mrs Dora Warmington, wife of the CFI.



Number 48 class of the Wanganui Commercial Pilots' School. From left are CFI Ivon Warmington, Peter McBride (Chch), Michael Sommervell (Takapau), John Humphrey (Canada), Bill Baker (Australia), Brian Fitzgerald (instructor). Front: Kevin Mitchell (Melbourne), Neil Yarker (Nelson) and George Floyd (Tauranga).



All set for a spin in a Victa is Les Matthews



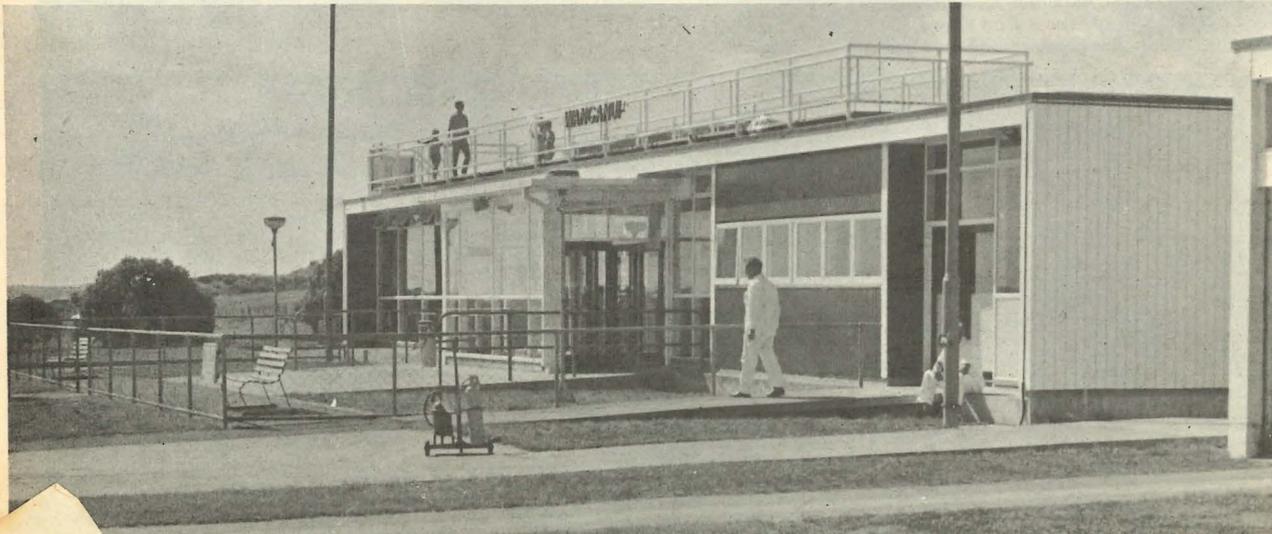
Pictured with a Dalcom Aviation aircraft are Ian Wakeling and Ritchie de Montalk



Tony Livingston returns from a spin in a Cessna



These are the boys who are all fliers on the right track. In the control tower are Leigh Cadman, air traffic control cadet, aerodrome superintendent Tom Fox and traffic controller Vance Russell.



The Wanganui NAC air terminal as seen from the flying field



Aero Club captain Barry Gwilliam



Communications trainee Paul Eades and communicator Kerry Meeh



Married

Above: MAILMAN—LOADER. At Knox Presbyterian Church, Pamela Joan, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Loader, 25 Hutchison Crescent, Durie Hill, to Gavin Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs G. I. Mailman, 26 Balgownie Avenue, Wanganui. The attendants are Mrs Pam Anson, Wellington, matron of honour, Gloria Ehrhorn, Wanganui, Rosalyn Meads, Wanganui, Pater Mence, best man, Palmerston North, Terry Arnott, Wanganui, and Wayne Jones, Taihape. Future home, Wanganui. (Photo News).

Below: SHORT—GIBB. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Barbara Thelma, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. (Bert) Gibb, 19 Hutchison Crescent, to Alan John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Short, Boydfield Street, Wanganui East. The attendants, from left, are Bob Johnson, Maurice Myhill, best man, Karlene Evans, niece of the groom, flower-girl, Heather Gibb, sister of the bride, and Lynley Short, sister of the groom, all of Wanganui. Future home, Wanganui. (Robuck Studios).



HERE AND THERE

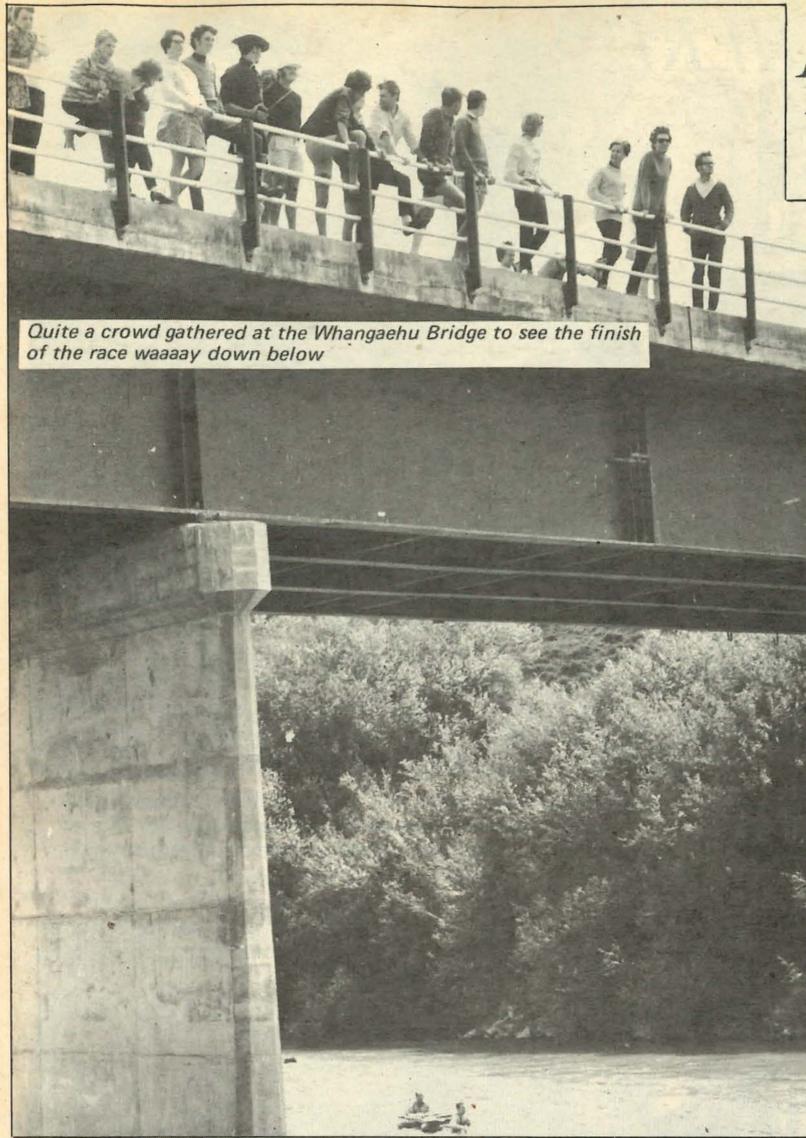


ABOVE—HOMELY COMFORT. Perhaps many of you are not aware of the fact that the WDFW rooms in Wicksteed Street can be hired for meetings, conferences, etc. Pictured in the residential clubhouse are Mrs K. C. McDonald, president of the Okoia WDFW, and Mrs C. Gower-James, Wanganui provincial president.

BELOW—Many of you wander around Victoria Avenue completely unaware of the very important nerve-centre that operates above the Gas Department's showrooms. We found a team of men hard at their paper work organising the switch-over here to natural gas. From left are Dave Evans, dispatcher, Wellington, Graeme Carle, customer service clerk, Masterton, Ray Kemp, administration officer, Mississippi, John Burt, industrial and commercial supervisor, Auckland, and Graham Duncan, payroll officer, Wellington.



Rafting The Whangaehu



Quite a crowd gathered at the Whangaehu Bridge to see the finish of the race waaaay down below



Murray Craig with part of his craft

There were quite a few very tired "boaties" lying around the banks of the Whangaehu River a few weekends ago. Several two-man teams of Young Farmers met on the river for a two-mile raft race. The river is very shallow in most places and some of the contestants virtually walked the distance — pushing their rafts.



Man overboard: Bill Derbyshire drifts downstream as fellow crew-member Lance Glass floats after him. At right are Fordell's Murray Robinson and Ian Kitney.



Winners Ian Kitney and Murray Robinson



Spectators have a sit-in on the bridge



A motorboat kept an eye on the rafters



Tony Rogers and Tony Ross came in fourth



Second placing went to Jamie Anderson and Murray Craig, Fordell



Third placing (after a little cross-country work) went to Bill Derbyshire and Lance Glass.



An owl's-eye view of diners tucking into their barbecued T-bone steaks: Mike and Cheryl Wooton, Wayne and Penny Franks, Peter and Sylvia Aitchison.



"... honest, I think its a lovely pavilion..." Well this isn't quite what Ken Simich said.



Tennis and squash reps John Keane and Wendy Rogers pictured by our candid camera



Ian and Ngaire Wakeling were there too



Executive met guests on their arrival: Mr and Mrs White, Mr and Mrs Cook and Dave Cockburn

NEW PAVILION OPENED

Over 300 guests and members of the Squash and Tennis Clubs were present for the opening of the remodelled pavilion and extra squash court off Wilson Street last month. Guest speaker at the opening was the general manager of Rothmans, Mr Ken Simich.



Some of the guests pictured listening to the speeches



Pauline and Frank Murray



Pictured cooling off on the terrace were Sylvia de Vryer, Mr and Mrs Brian Hawkins and Mr and Mrs Ian Kerr



The caterers, Brotherstons, excelled themselves with the larger-than-plate T-bone steaks, chickens, etc., which they provided as a continuous supper.

GOLD STAR AWARDED



They're almost as hard to earn as a Victoria Cross, so it was certainly a great honour for Wanganui's Maurie Wadey to be presented with the New Zealand Returned Servicemen's Gold Star. The awards are very coveted and are only presented to anyone with really outstanding service to the R.S.A. The picture ABOVE shows Maurie having his gold star pinned to his lapel by the Dominion RSA president, Sir Peter Hamilton Mitchell.



The remodeled RSA clubrooms were packed to capacity by members and wives



A silver salver was presented by Sir Peter to past Wanganui president Bill Simpson and his wife, Daphne.



Mrs Gwen Byres pins a spray on Mrs Marie Wadey's frock



Wanganui RSA president Maurie Byres has a word



Mr Eric Merwether, club patron, addresses the gathering



Solemn interest in proceedings

West Coast Athletics

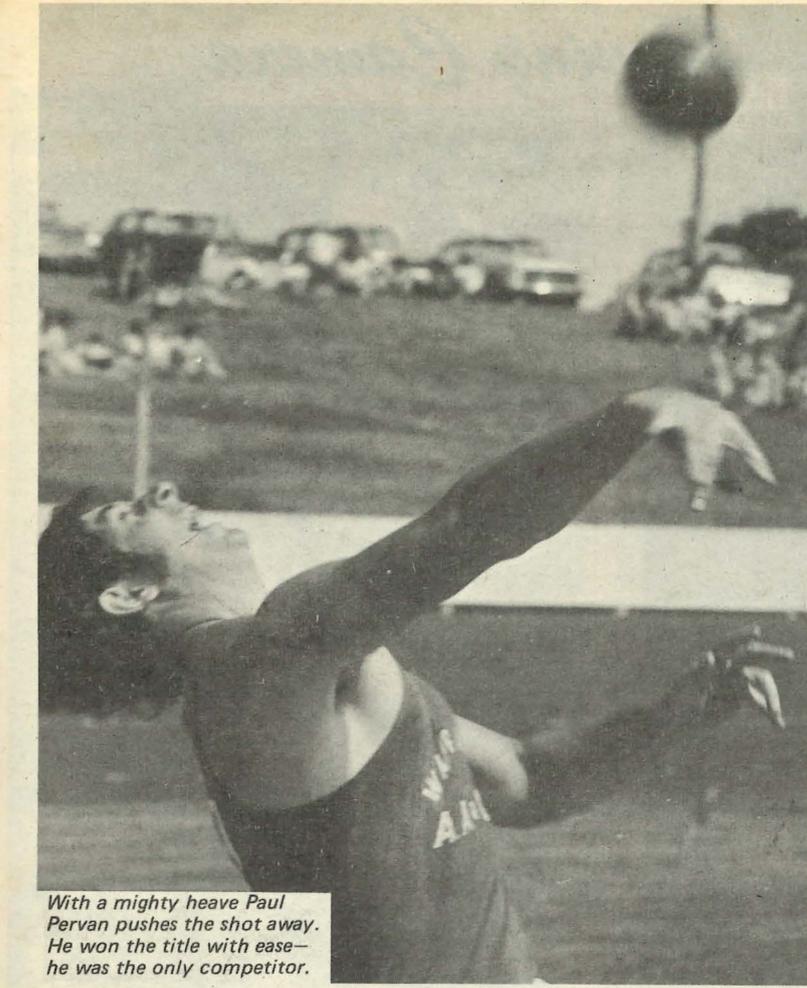
The second day of the West Coast Centre track and field championships were held at Wanganui's Cooks Gardens recently. The first-day events were staged in Taranaki.

TOP LEFT—J. Hudson, Levin, clears the bar in the women's high jump.

TOP RIGHT—Straddling the bar is J. Crawford, Palmerston North.

BOTTOM RIGHT—S. Holyoake, Hawera, in the junior triple jump.

Putting everything into her effort of clearing the bar is Viv Odlum, Wanganui.



With a mighty heave Paul Pervan pushes the shot away. He won the title with ease—he was the only competitor.



Paul sizes up the scene before putting the shot



Aristoc beat for any athlete suffering from obstacle in the steeplechases.



Ray Curnow put in an almighty performance to easily win the 100 metres title.

Roving Camera



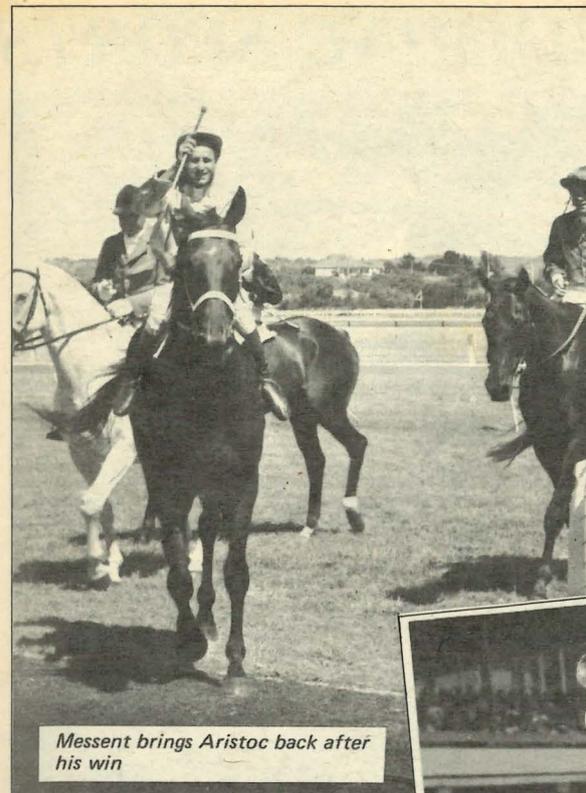
HAVING A BALL—He hadn't even had time to get chainged before the boys presented him with a symbol of married life. But Jocelyn Sell and Johnny Buller will find that life's not all that bad . . . (for a start anyway). (Buller)



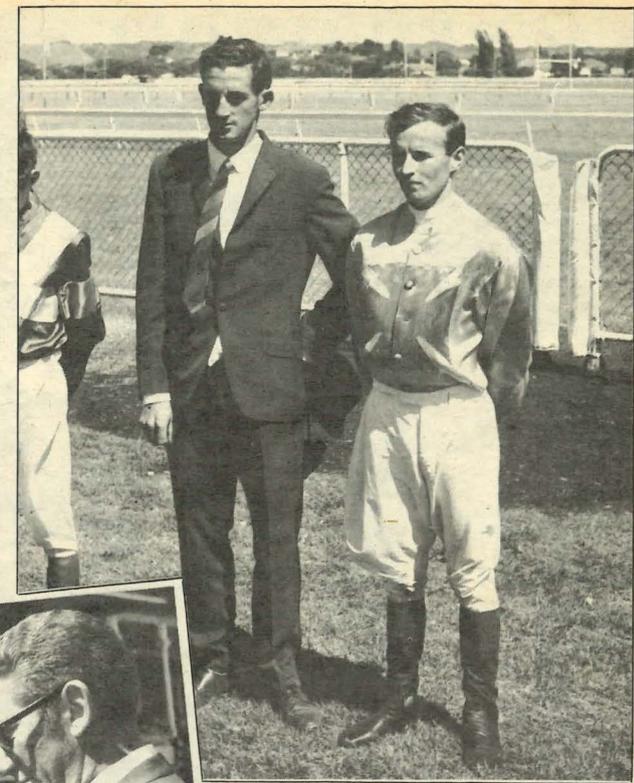
BAGS OF MONEY—Young apprentice Garry Clutterbuck was presented with a case after kicking galloper Step Softly home at the Wanganui races to the tune of \$160 for foist.



COMING OF AGE—Bronwyn Ellen, daughter of Mr and Mrs Lionel C her family at her 21st birthday dinner at the Grand Hotel last month Clayton and Leigh.



Messent brings Aristoc back after his win



Mr Montague addresses the crowd

Cup Races

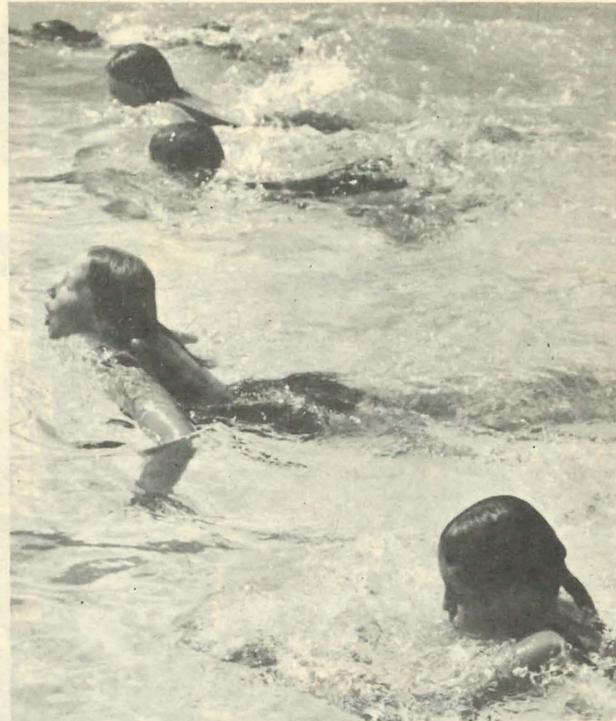
The Wanganui Gold Cup was won at the recent meeting in fine style by Aristoc with J. A. Messent in the saddle. Messent is pictured ABOVE with Aristoc's Awapuni trainer, J. N. Selwood.

LEFT—Accepting the gold cup is one of the Montague brothers who are owners of Aristoc. Handling gold is nothing new to these men — they are jewellers in Wellington.



Aristoc beats Champion Road and Variety Reef to the post

SACRED HEART SWIMMING SPORTS



Large crowds of parents and friends attended the annual swimming sports at the Sacred Heart Convent on St. John's Hill. The sports were held on a sunny Sunday afternoon in the school's picturesque pool.

TOP LEFT—Carol St. George about to compete in the diving event.

ABOVE—Keen competition in a breaststroke event.
BELOW—Three third formers about to get themselves launched.



ABOVE—Just a few of the many spectators who turned up to enjoy the sports.

LEFT—Josephine Deere lines up ready for her dive.

BOTTOM LEFT—Four lasses pictured at the poolside: Maureen Hodge, Paula Dromgool, Susan Wicks and Shona Cameron.

BELOW—Carol St. George takes the plunge.

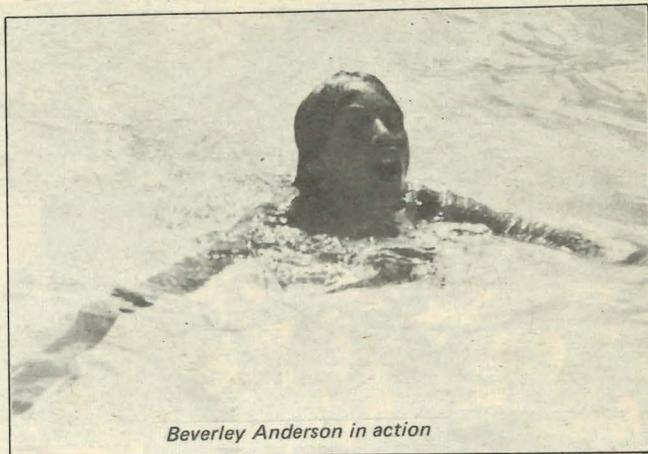




Organising the sports was Sister de Sales



Waiting for the starter's pistol are Paula Muir and Karen Peina



Beverley Anderson in action



Keeping tag of the placings are Sisters Aloysius and Matthew and some of the senior pupils



Spurting mighty fine: Marie Kearney



Winner of the first contest was Pedro Puohotaua



Jan Bennett was voted second



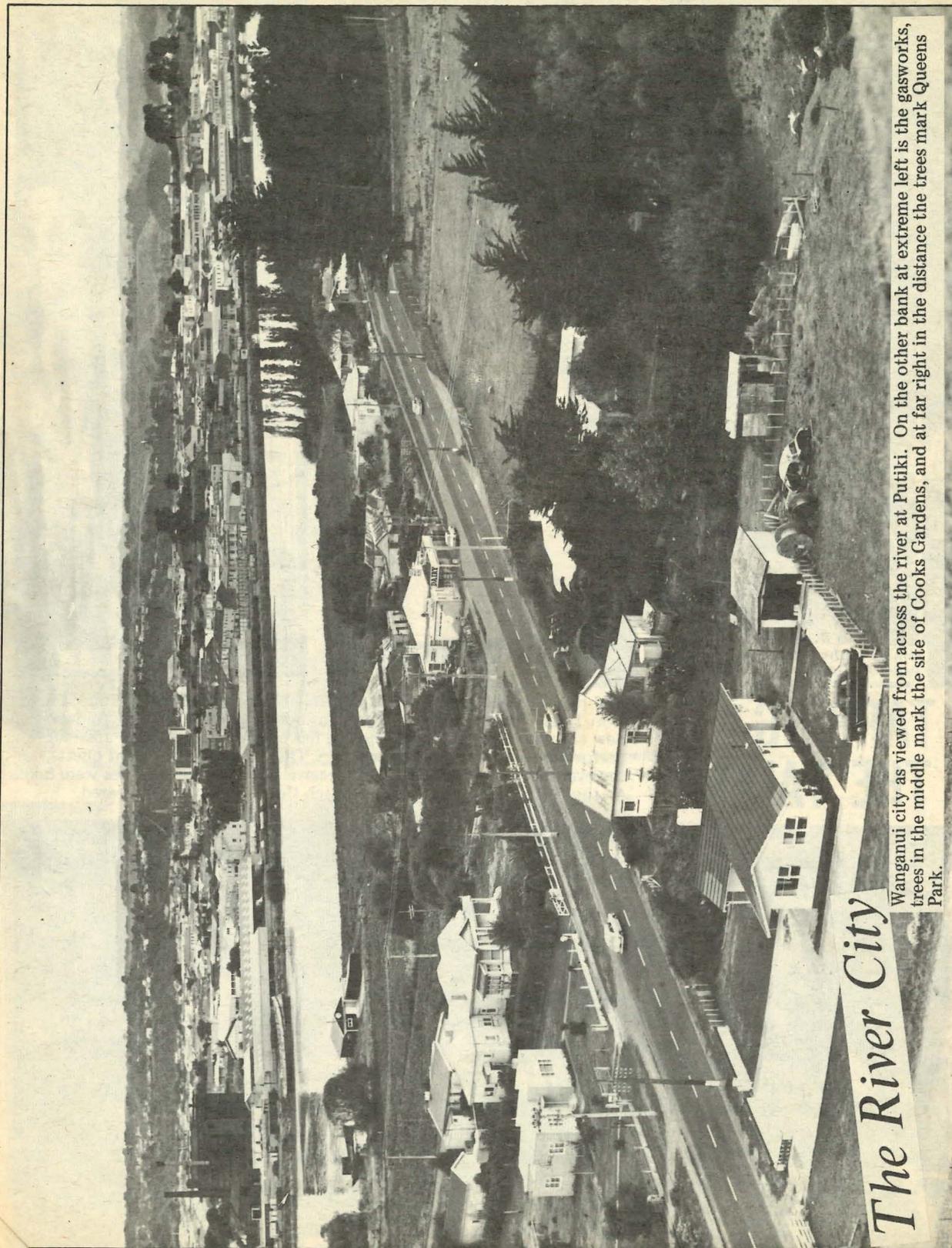
Third was Jacob Chadwick

TAPPING THE TALENT

The Hotel Rutland has a pretty versatile band in its resident group, the Kon Tikis. Just recently the band has been doing the backing for some new entertainment that the Rutland has been running. Local amateur performers have been appearing every Thursday night in talent quests, the eventual winner of which will receive \$100. These pictures were taken on the first night of the quest in which three performers appeared.

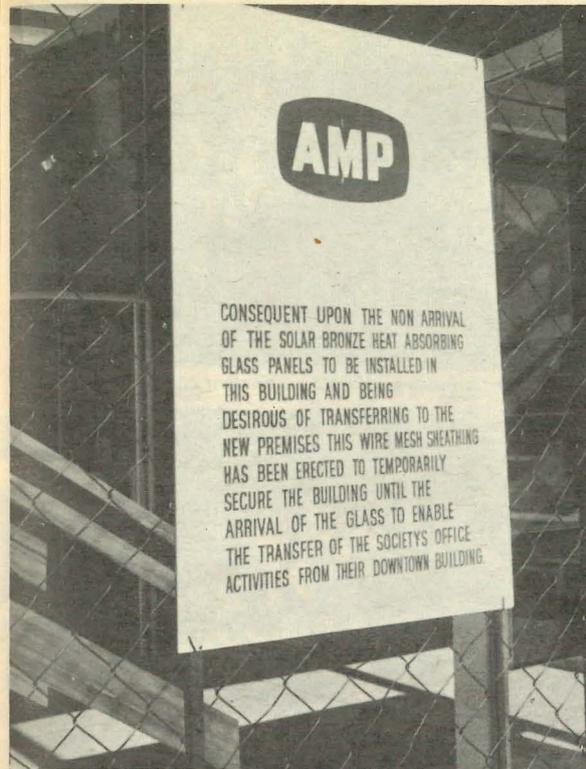


Standing room only in the Rutland's coachroom



Wanganui city as viewed from across the river at Putiki. On the other bank at extreme left is the gasworks, trees in the middle mark the site of Cooks Gardens, and at far right in the distance the trees mark Queens Park.

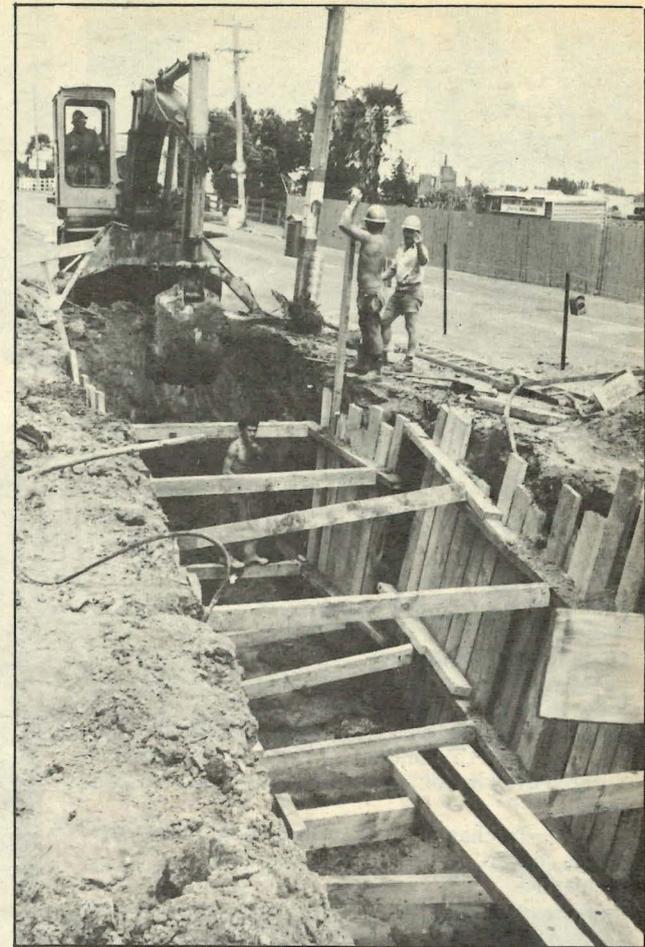
The River City



CONSEQUENT UPON THE NON ARRIVAL OF THE SOLAR BRONZE HEAT ABSORBING GLASS PANELS TO BE INSTALLED IN THIS BUILDING AND BEING DESIROUS OF TRANSFERRING TO THE NEW PREMISES THIS WIRE MESH SHEATHING HAS BEEN ERECTED TO TEMPORARILY SECURE THE BUILDING UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF THE GLASS TO ENABLE THE TRANSFER OF THE SOCIETY'S OFFICE ACTIVITIES FROM THEIR DOWNTOWN BUILDING.

ABOVE—That swish new AMP building up the top of the Avenue had to open without its huge front glass panels. So they nailed up some wire netting in the meantime. Cooler than glass in this weather — doesn't shatter as easily either.

RIGHT—Sure is a big hole that they dug in Anzac Parade near the end of the Town Bridge. Tony Wells reckons they dug it so that they can fill it with a big heap of dirt. Great thinking!



HERE & THERE



RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT. 'Tis rumoured that NAC lent the Aramoho Rowers their plane to go to the national champs in — provided the Boating Club lends NAC some boats for their staff picnic. That'll be the day! Those rowing skiffs are worth BIG money.



Sister Camillus and her young infant charges



Former pupil of the convent, Miss A. Provost, takes standards one and two classes

CHANGES AT CONVENT

There is a new look about St. Joseph's Convent in Tay Street this year. The school now accommodates children of intermediate grades as well as classes ranging from infant classes. The school roll this year numbers 159, and 97 of these are intermediate children drawn from other schools in the Wanganui parish.

ABOVE—In charge of the intermediate classes are Sisters Joseph, Francesca (head teacher) and Emmanuel.



Sister Emmanuel has her hands full with a large class of Form One pupils



ABOVE—Classes for Form One and Two pupils can be fun, especially when Sister Joseph gets her guitar out and everybody has a singalong.

BELOW—Sister Francesca takes the Form Two girls in this bright sunny classroom.





← **HERE AND THERE** →

Above: SCRAMBLE TRIALS—Atrocious conditions prevailed when trials were held at the Hurricane Circuit (it should have been renamed Torrential Circuit) to select the North Island seramble team. Rain fell so heavily that one rider was lost when he was caught in some rapidly-sprouting grass — he was later found by two frogmen and a retriever dog. Water ran in a continuous stream down through the eyepiece of our camera and out through the lens. Consequently we had to take these pix at a very wide aperture to cope with the flow. We managed to pick three of the riders out of the gloom. For the information of camera fans these pix were shot at an exposure of two-days at f2.8. From left above are Hugh Anderson (former world TT champ), Roddy Sherriffs and John Agnew — easily recognisable by their numbers.



After serving six or seven years on engineering, designing, and steel- and wood-working in Auckland boatyards, Clive Whitlock has returned to Wanganui to set up his own business, "Whitlock's Boat-building", in Aramoho. Clive is pictured working on a damaged boat in a cradle of his own design. This cradle enables one man to handle a boat of up to five tons. So if you want a new boat to put on the water next season, better go see Clive now.



Social items

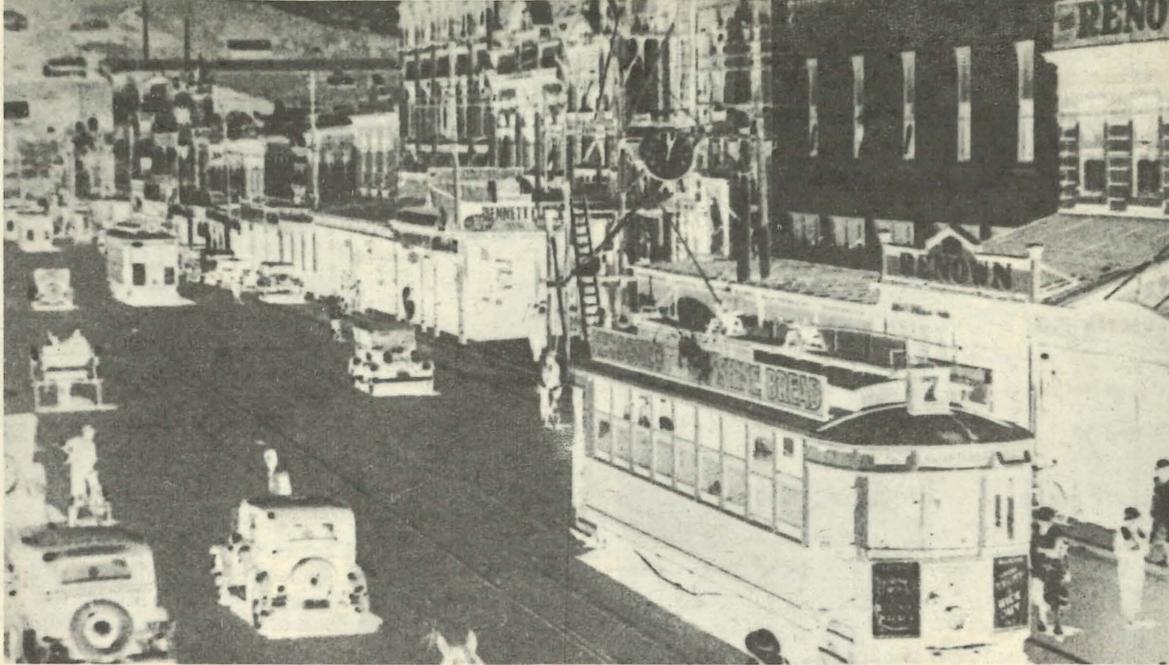
Left: MARRIED: ISTD—YOUNG. At St. Paul's Anglican Church, Putiki, Colleen Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs C. E. Young, 189 Puriri Street, to Berkeley France, second son of Mr and Mrs B. Isted, Taita, Wellington. Future home, Hastings. (Rex Luff).

Below: MARRIED: GILBERD—IREMONGER. Pictured with their attendants after their recent marriage in Waverley are Kathleen Iremonger (of Waverley) and Russell Gilbert (Wanganui). Attendants from left are John Parnell, Leon Carter, Mollie Iremonger and Pauline Hillmer. (Pix by ALDOR FILMS).

Above: ENGAGED: LAW—CURRIN. Judith Christine Currin, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. E. Taylor, 70 Bell Street, to Michael George, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G. J. Law, 47 Puriri Street. (Robuck Studios).



PICTURES FROM THE PAST



THE NIGHT THEY FIRST FLOODLIT THE AVENUE—This was the scene taken in Victoria Avenue the first time they switched the lighting from gas to electricity, in 1928. Now they are about to switch back to natural gas (oh, not for lighting?). This pic was taken by a 1958 model Box Brownie hand-held on a tripod on a delayed exposure of one-thousandth of a second (or was it a first?). As you can see by the clock the shot was taken at five past midnight when the town was fairly quiet. In those days they also preferred white hands on a black clock face.



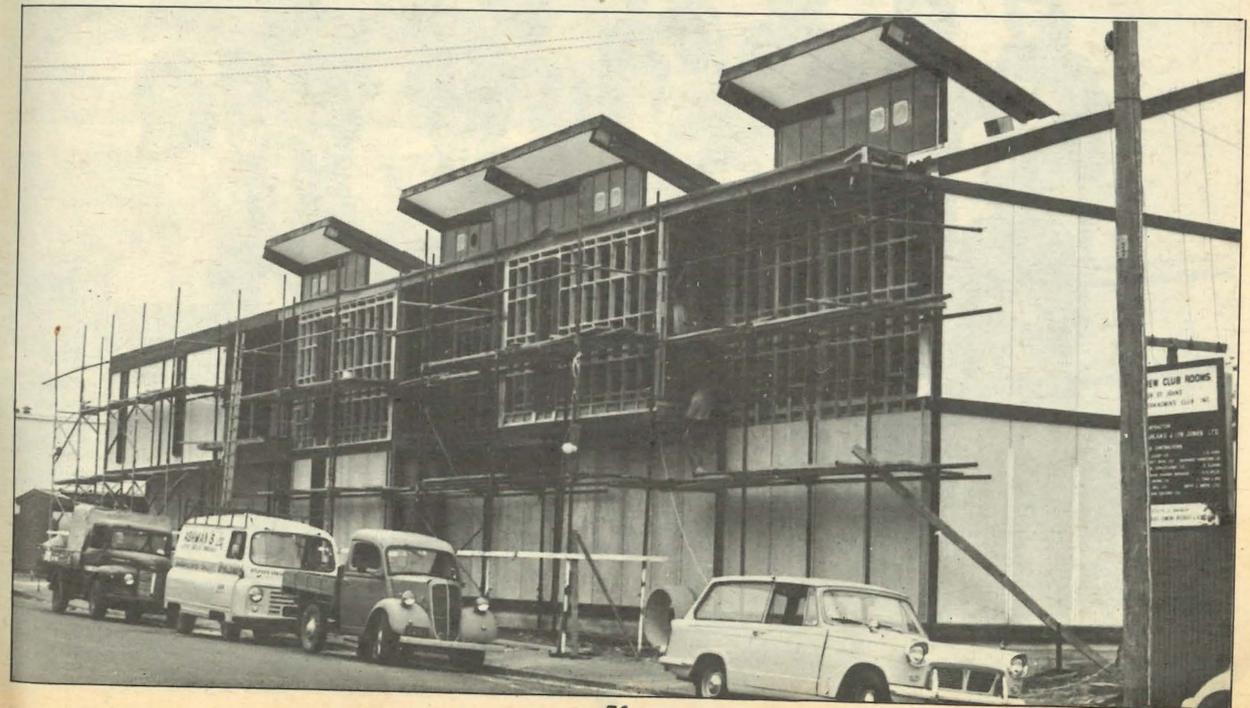
OLD BOYS' SENIOR RUGBY TEAM—CUP WINNERS 1918: Back: G. P. Hamilton, R. Macken, W. M. Green, W. S. Fleming, W. S. Forbes, G. M. Ross. Middle: A. Clare, S. B. Earles, H. W. Cooper (manager), K. Svenson (captain), P. Scobie (coach), L. Palmer (vice-captain), H. R. Parker. Front: W. Anderson, D. Rowe, L. Oppenheim.

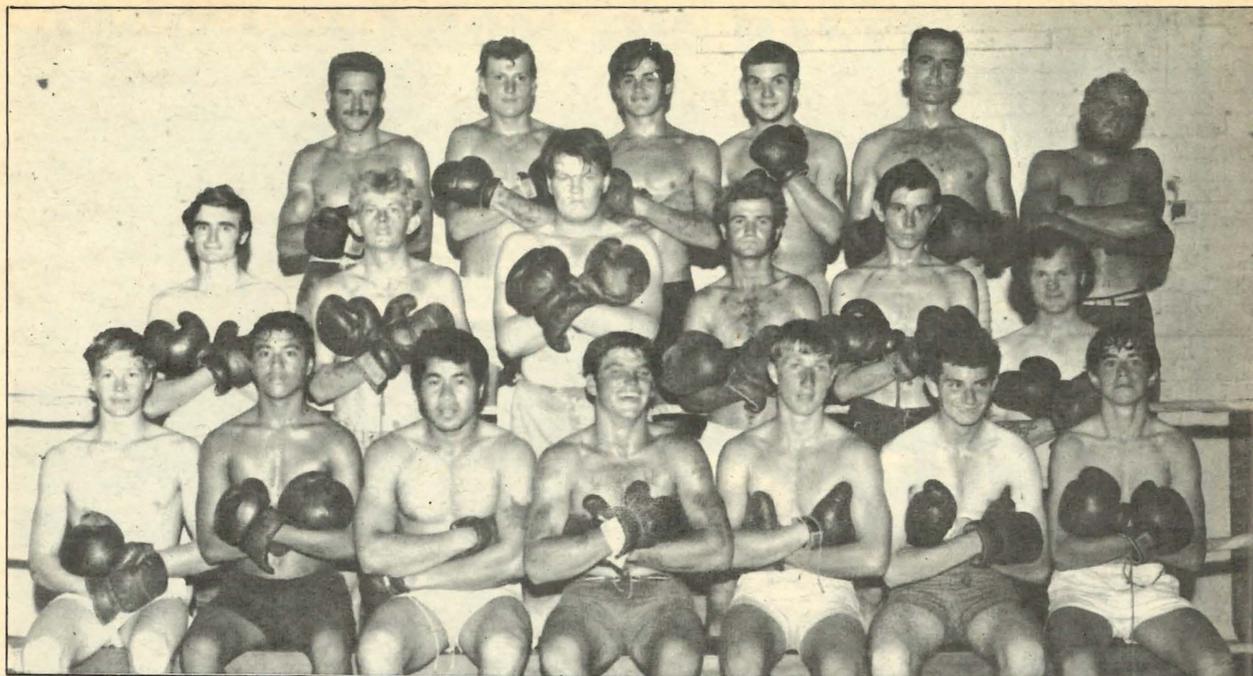


CHANGING FACE OF WANGANUI

ABOVE—One of the biggest office blocks to be built in Wanganui for some time is now taking shape in St. Hill Street. The new premises will be occupied by Western Building Society which is outgrowing its present offices next door. Construction work is being handled by Madder and Bourne.

BELOW—A fine new building nearly ready for occupation on the corner of Victoria Avenue and Glasgow Street. This is the new St. John's Workingmen's Club being built by Garland and Lynn Jones on the site of the old Glasgow Street Hall.

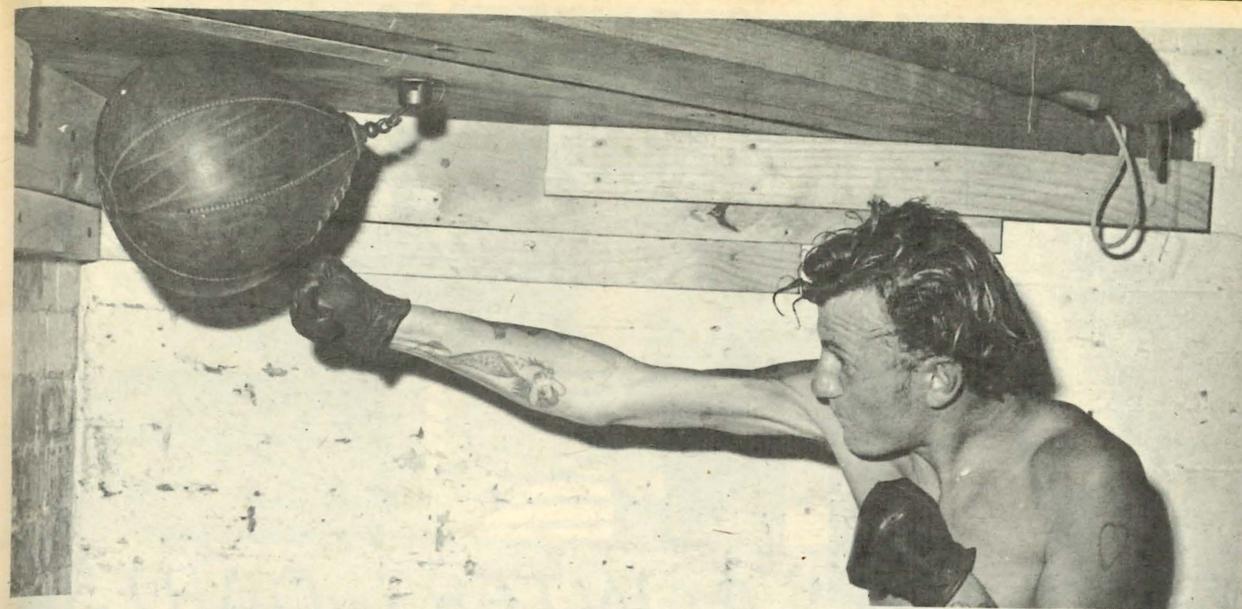




KEEN TO START TO SEASON

Things look bright in the future for the sport of boxing in Wanganui. Large numbers of seniors and juniors have been turning up for training in the local association's headquarters in Cook's Gardens.

Pictured ABOVE are a number of the seniors with their trainer Dave Chadfield (front centre) and in the BOTTOM pic are a good keen bunch of the younger exponents with trainer Harry Chadfield.



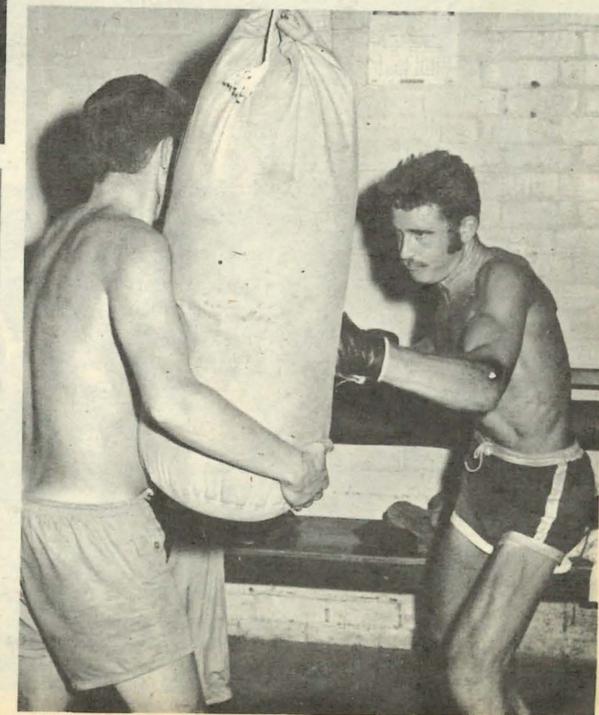
ABOVE—Working out on the speedball is Wayne Warner.

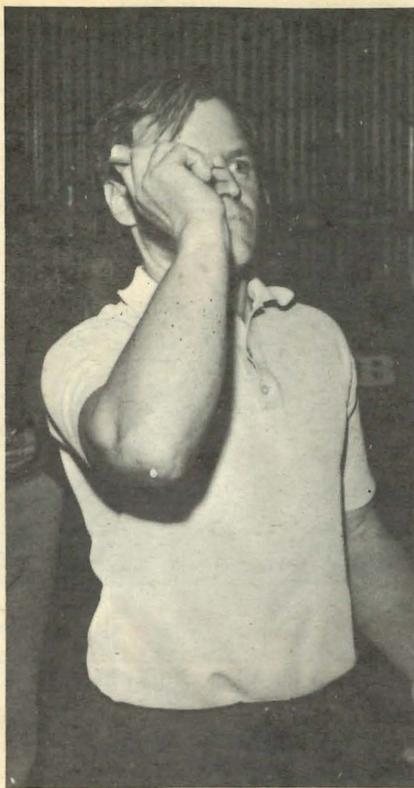


LEFT—Six-year-old Craig Bourke mixes it with Evan Chadfield, aged seven.

BOTTOM LEFT—John Wilkinson and Raymond Hessel have a bout of sparring.

BELOW—Graham Britton gets stuck into the punch bag.





PAINTERS' DARTS

The second in a two-monthly competition for the BALM Paints darts shield was played at Henry Bennett's workshop last month. Teams of panel-beaters and spray painters from the Wanganui district gathered in large numbers (see pic BELOW) for the very popular event.

LEFT—Bruce Myhill lines up for the board.

ABOVE—Sticking close to the tanker were Frank Raine, Bill Tiaka, Henry Bennett and BALM rep Tom Sullivan.



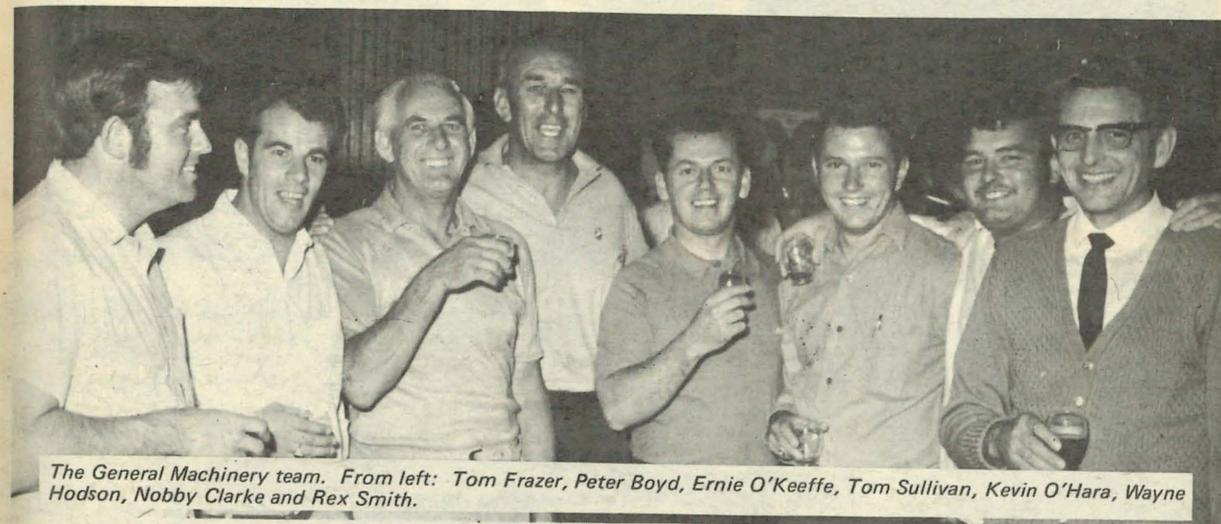
Rob O'Neill (Tonks) has a throw at the double



Ross Francis in action



Eric Caudwell concentrates grimly on his throw

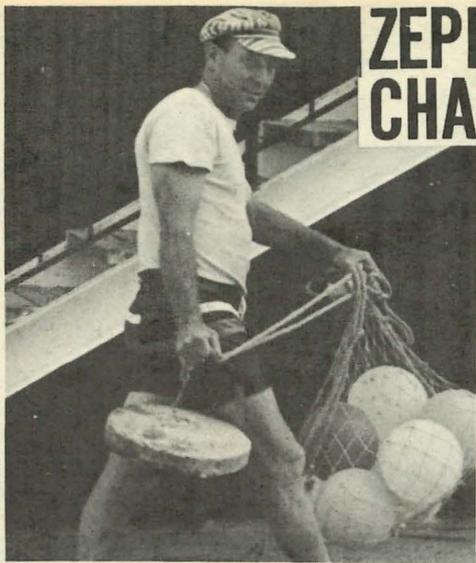


The General Machinery team. From left: Tom Frazer, Peter Boyd, Ernie O'Keeffe, Tom Sullivan, Kevin O'Hara, Wayne Hodson, Nobby Clarke and Rex Smith.

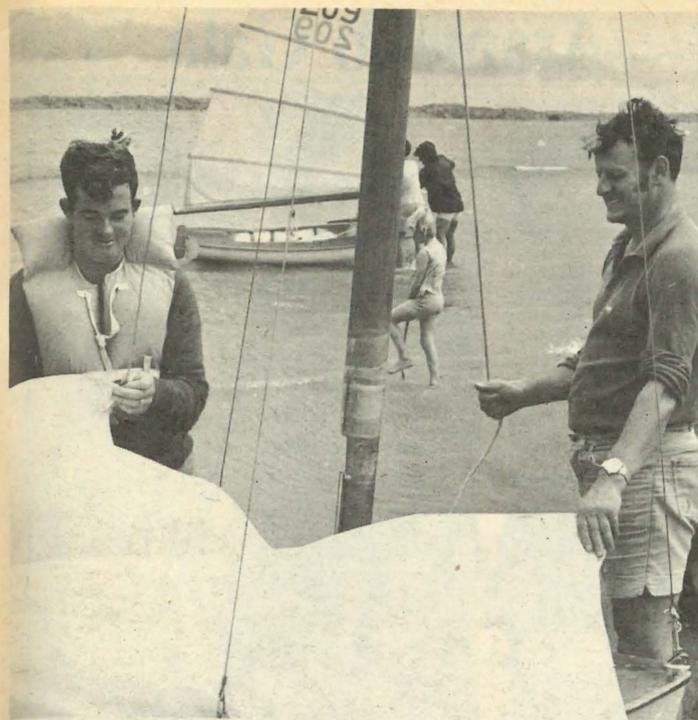


Team captains. From left: Frank Raine (Craftsmen), Bob Askew (Wanganui Motors), Kevin Jackson (Western Motors), Tom Sullivan (BALM), Henry Bennett (Bennett's Spraypainters), Wayne Hodson (General Machinery), Garry Hutchins (Tonks), and John Brewer (Brewer and Battersby).

ZEPHYR CHAMPIONSHIPS



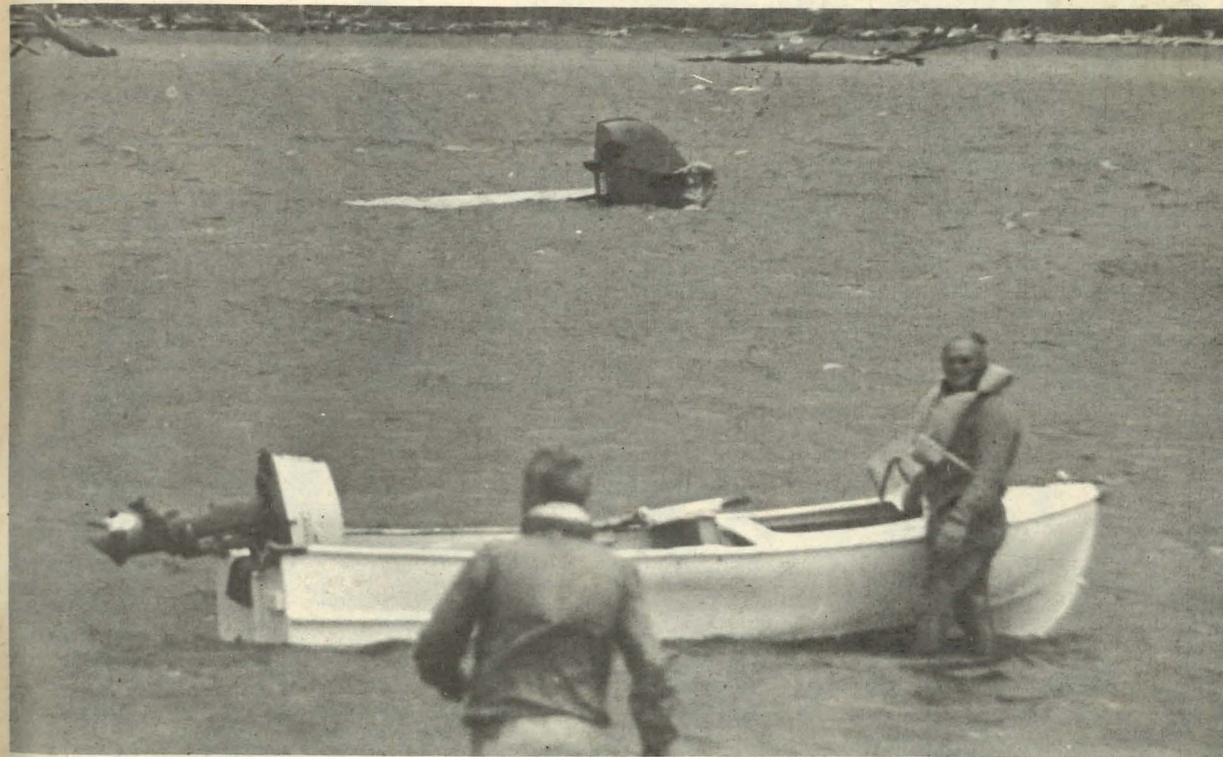
High gusting winds upset things somewhat when the Wanganui Sailing Club held its Zephyr-class championships on the river a fortnight ago. ABOVE—Dave Nicholson organises one of the buoys before the event. RIGHT—Rigging his craft is Doug Smyth, a local yachtie. BELOW—The scene on the riverbank as yachts are prepared for racing.



Peter Williamson lends a hand as Bruce Hedges attends to the rigging



It's a great sport for washing your pants



Man the crash-boat boys — somebody's overboard

Aramoho Gala



In spite of the shocking weather the Aramoho School managed to run a pretty successful gala, the first of the annual round of school galas for this year.

ABOVE—Preparing the hangi: Jerry Rerekura, George Marino and Bunty Heroa.

RIGHT—Helping with one of the produce stalls: Ruth McKee-Wright, Enid and Wendy Girven.

BELOW—A home-grown knock-'em stall.

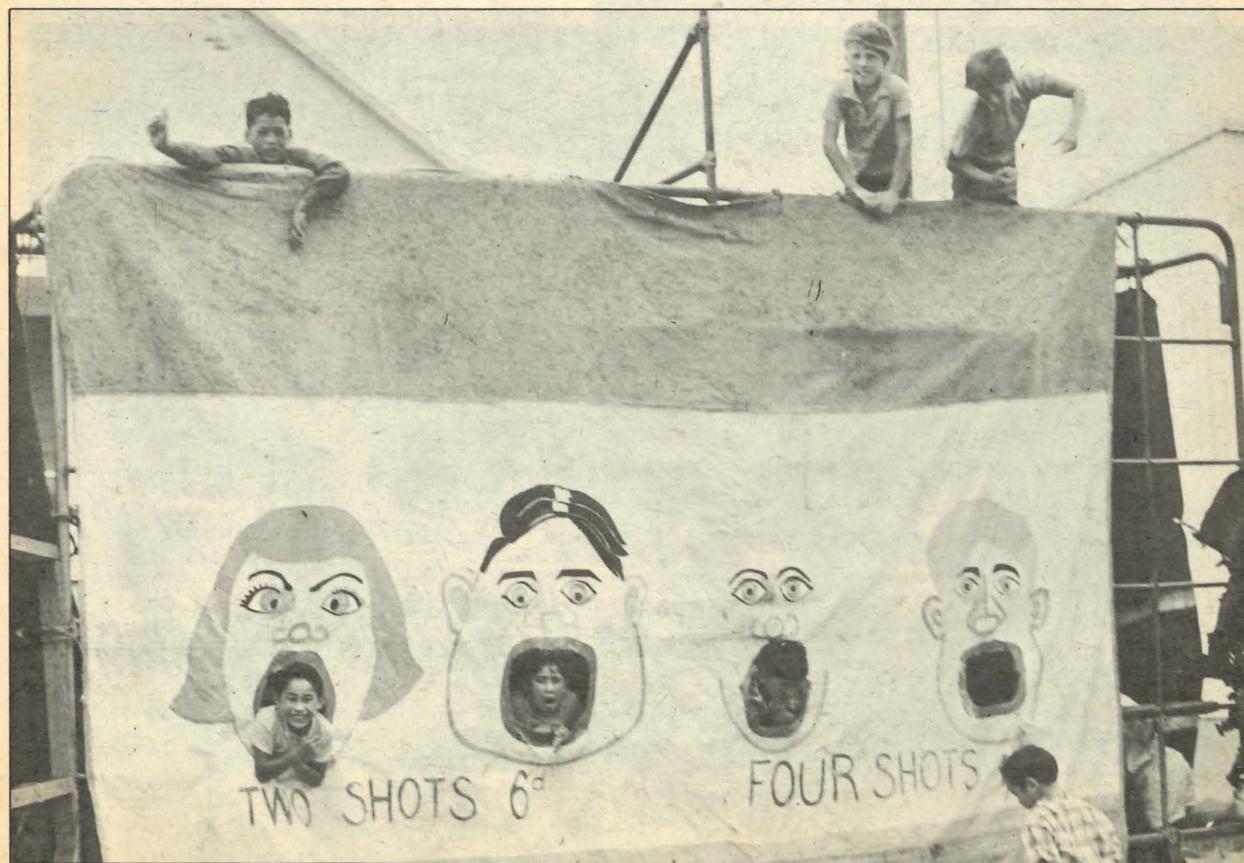


ABOVE—Good lads! They got to and picked up the litter. Shane Tauri and cobbors.

TOP RIGHT—Barbecues coming up.

RIGHT—Looking after the raffle: Mrs Doreen Struthers, Alice and Colleen McDonough.

BELOW—All the fun of the fair at the Aramoho School's gala.



COUNTRY SPORTS DAY



They forgot about the drought and all their other cares the other day out at Whangaehu. That was the day when they held a very successful sports day. As might be expected, horse events occupied most of the programme.

ABOVE—Young Kenneth Duncan, Marton, mounted on his pony, Tarzan.



Winner of the ladies' hack ring event was Mrs A. H. Tod, Raetihi, pictured with Indian Summer



If you get tired of standing, folks, just pull up a horse.



All the way from Otaki came Timothy Mansell



Enjoying the events were Mesdames N. Banks and C. Blair, both from Wanganui.



Keeping the homefires burning: Grant Hood, Dean O'Farrell and John Karatau get the water boiling.



Competitors fill in their entries



Hacks parade in the paddock outside the Whangaehu "council chambers"

Preparing For The Big Show



"Drat it . . . I'm going to miss this show all because of the children . . ."

Better than last year's record entry of 402 already, the coming two-day Easter Show organised by the Wanganui Kennel Society is guaranteed of great success. Two Australian judges will travel here to pick the best of the dogs on show from as far afield as Northland and Canterbury. We photographed some of the local stalwarts preparing for the big event.



Wanganui K.C. president Ray Curry runs his Golden Retriever, "Rani".



Vice-president of the Wanganui Society and assistant show manager Syd Zeilstra, and son Sietse groom their German Shepherd, Fustav.



Syd Zeilstra pets Cora and Coraly, breeding bitches at his von Rhenlander Kennels



Mr and Mrs Harold Parnell specialise in toy dogs. They are pictured with imported champion miniature Pomeranians. Harold is a vice-president of the local society and will be show manager at Easter.



Ian Curry with his yellow Labrador "Robb" (What a nice name!)



Mrs Curry with two of her charges: Bryn (a Cairn Terrier) and Tina (Cocker Spaniel).



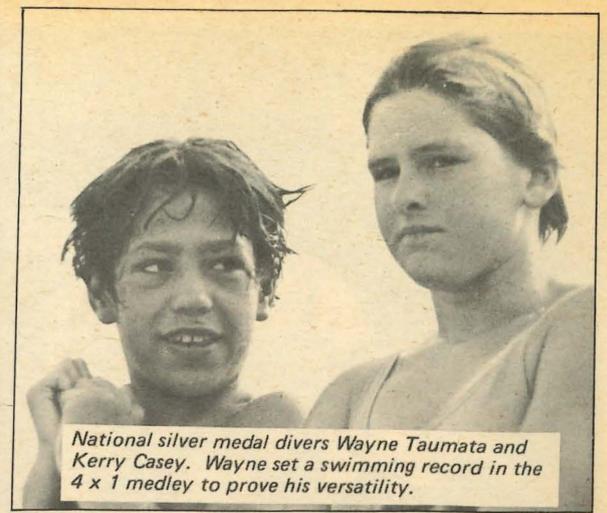
Denise Foster set new times in the 4 x 1 medley and also in the 50 yards butterfly (11-year-olds)



Valarie Colhoun performs a neat back dive



Bernard Svendsen wins his heat of the 11-year-old boys' 4 x 1 medley.



National silver medal divers Wayne Taumata and Kerry Casey. Wayne set a swimming record in the 4 x 1 medley to prove his versatility.

AGE-GROUP CHAMPS

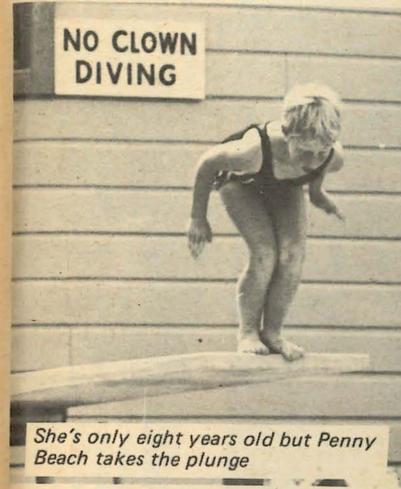
Three records were broken at the first session of the Wanganui age-group swimming championships. Two new times were set by 11-year-old Denise Foster (pictured ABOVE) and one by Wayne Taumata (pictured diving, BOTTOM RIGHT).



Unfolding during his inward dive is young Duncan Trail (Central)



Wayne Taumata shows the form which won him a silver medal at the national age-group champs



She's only eight years old but Penny Beach takes the plunge



Taihape diver Fannella Te Whatu

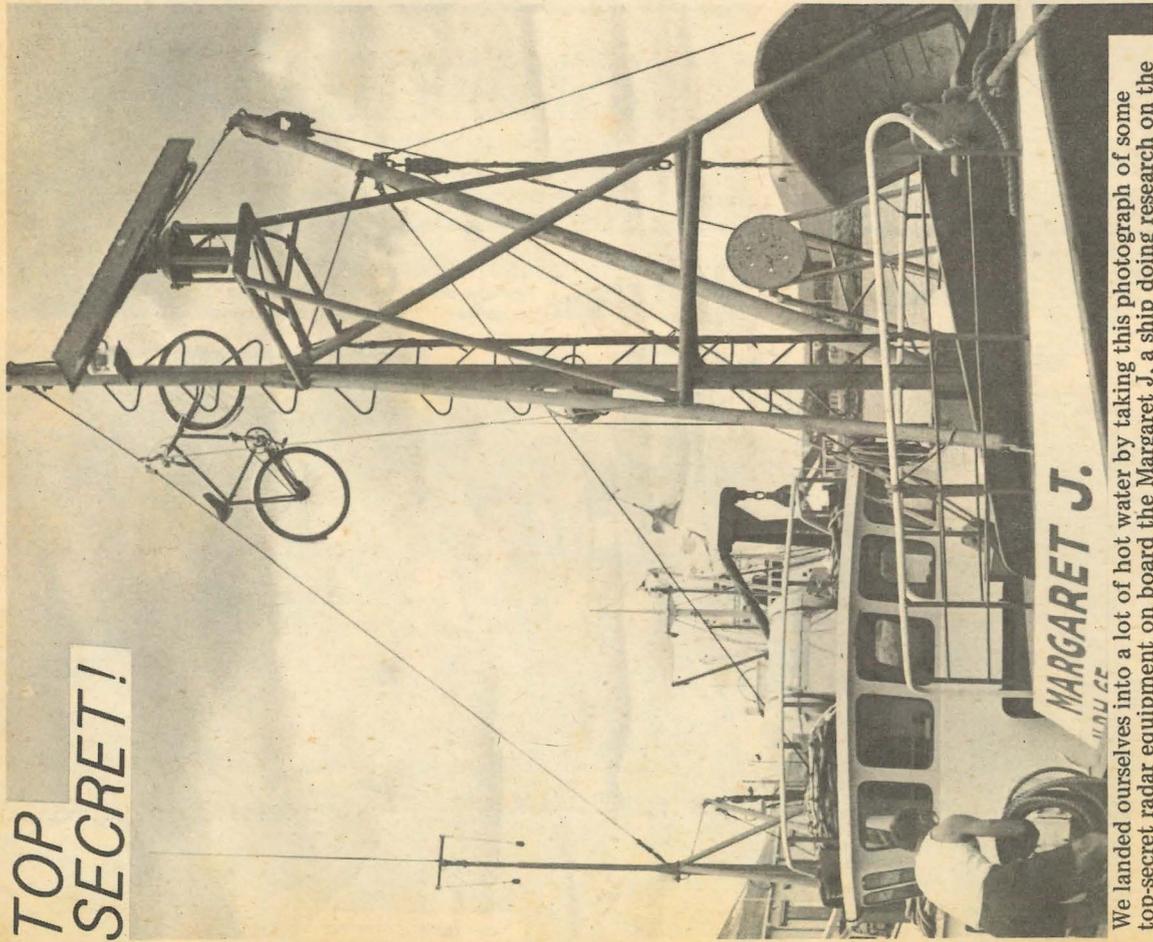


Florence Gardiner takes off

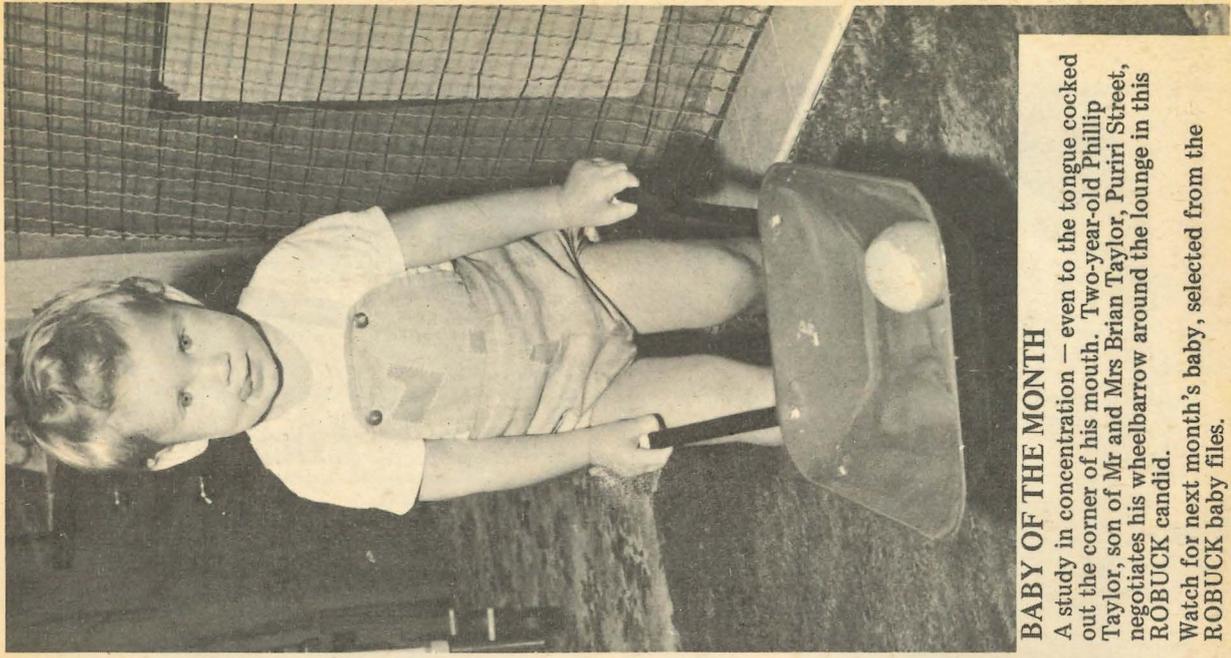


Keen family interest

TOP SECRET!



We landed ourselves into a lot of hot water by taking this photograph of some top-secret radar equipment on board the Margaret J, a ship doing research on the iron sands. Some of you probably think that that is a bicycle hanging from the mast. Well, closer inspection shows it to be a cleverly-disguised piece of electronic equipment.



BABY OF THE MONTH

A study in concentration — even to the tongue cocked out the corner of his mouth. Two-year-old Phillip Taylor, son of Mr and Mrs Brian Taylor, Puriri Street, negotiates his wheelbarrow around the lounge in this ROBUCK candid.

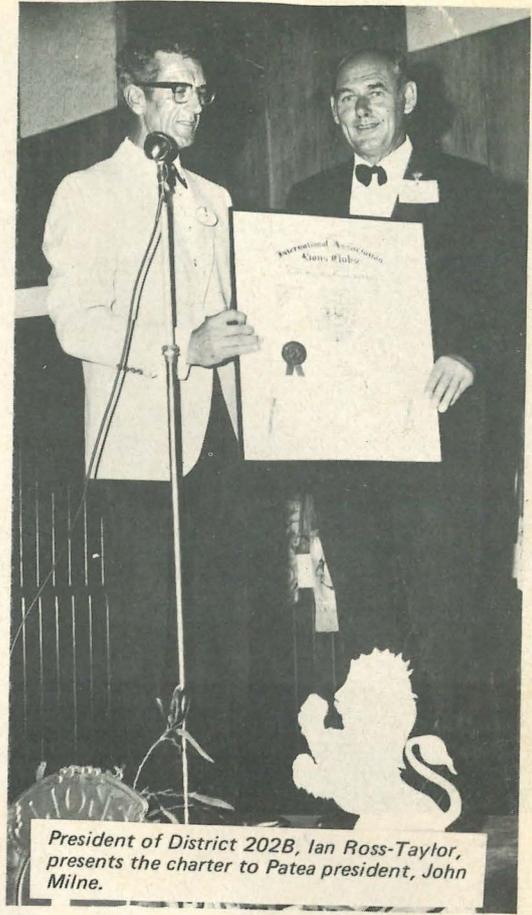
Watch for next month's baby, selected from the ROBUCK baby files.



Lion-tamer Basil Crocker collects from Lion John Parsons



Tailtwisters Ron Cranswick and Robby Robertson in action.



President of District 202B, Ian Ross-Taylor, presents the charter to Patea president, John Milne.

Over 180 Lions and their ladies were present at a dinner and cabaret evening in the Patea Town Hall for the presentation of the local chapter's charter. Many visiting Lions came from as far afield as Wellington and New Plymouth for the event. (Pix by Aldor Films).

LIONS CHARTER PRESENTED



The Patea Lions charter members