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Above: Happy group picture at a pre-Combined Services Ball party at the Rutland Hotel. Ray Ireland, Dick Hammond, Mr Carey, Kiri Johnston, and Fred Raymond.

Right: Mrs R.A. Westwood is pictured here with a couple of very definitely O.S. Kumi Kumis, each weighing about 31 lbs., which were grown by herself and Mr Westwood at their home at 48 Bell Street. Note the size as compared to a normal sized marrow.

Below: ENGAGED. VODANOVICH--GLENN. Lindy, second daughter of Mrs K.T. Glenn, 5 Park Place, to Peter Vincent, second son of Mr and Mrs Jack Vodanovich, 5 Gonville Avenue.



OUR COVER

Members of the Wanganui Water Ski Club put on this spectacular pyramid display for the Photo News photographer at Wiritoa Lake recently. If you think that you could do this, readers, then join up with the club next season and you may get a chance to.

BACK COVER:

Rowing crews take to the water during the recent Maadi Cup rowing regatta for secondary school crews on the Wanganui River. The picture was taken from the balcony of the Aramoho Rowing Club hall looking towards Aramoho rail bridge.

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Members of the chorus dressed in their lavish costumes



The Vagabond King

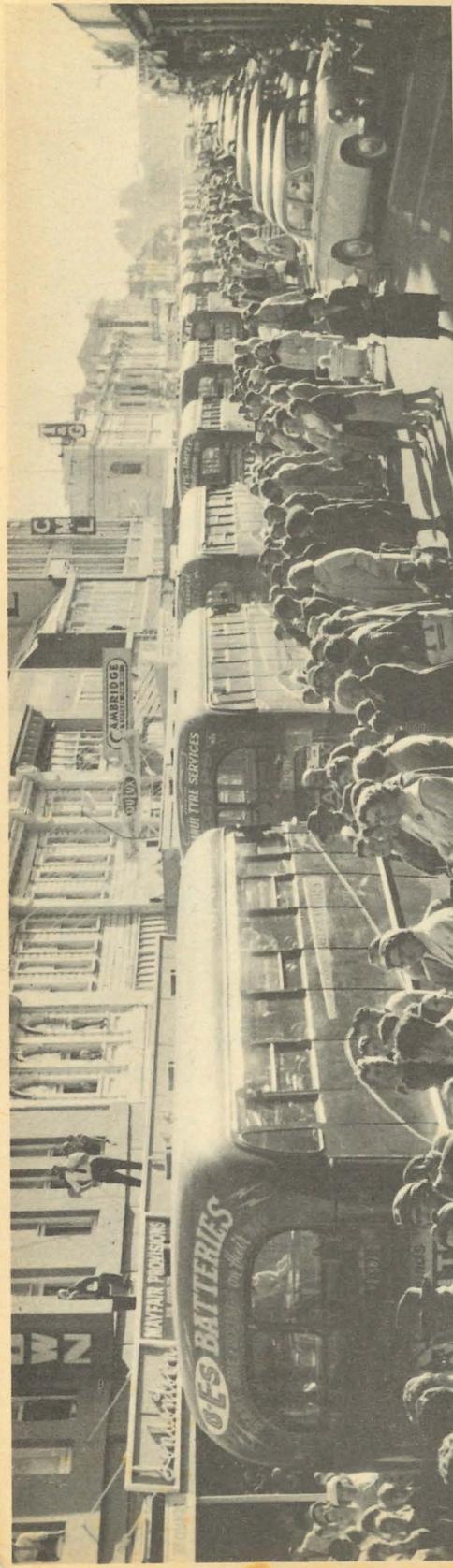
Tonight is the night..This evening the curtain will rise in the Opera House to bring to Wanganui people the Wanganui Musical and Dramatic Society's 1960 production "The Vagabond King". For the past three months approximately 100 cast members have been rehearsing for this major production under the direction of the producer, Eva Moore, musical director and chorus master, Ted Schnack, and choreographer, Doreen Shaw.
(Photos by Ron Cameron)

Leading players...Dennis Brown as Francois Villon...Elaine Davies as Katheryn de Vaucelles.



King Louis XI...played by Tim Lawson

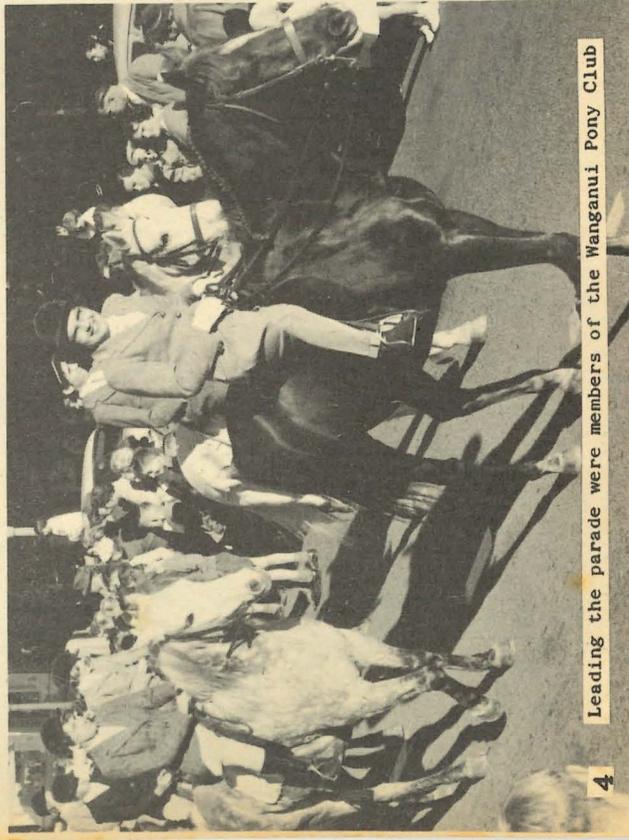




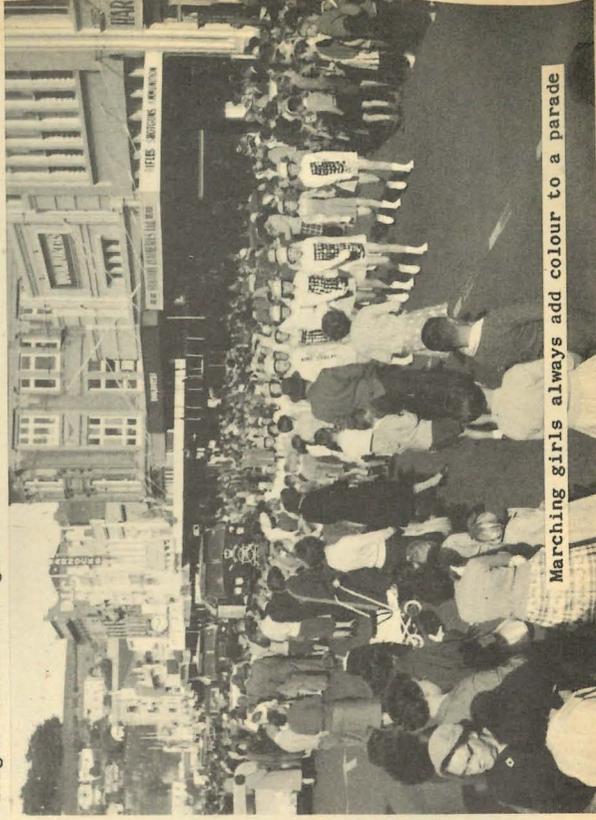
Greyhound Bus Procession

Wanganui loves a procession and hundreds of city folk turned out en force to see the show as 17 Greyhound buses and various floats paraded through Victoria Avenue. The occasion was to mark the 10th anniversary of the Greyhound bus company which replaced the trams in Wanganui. The 25-minute procession was staged in bright winter sunlight.

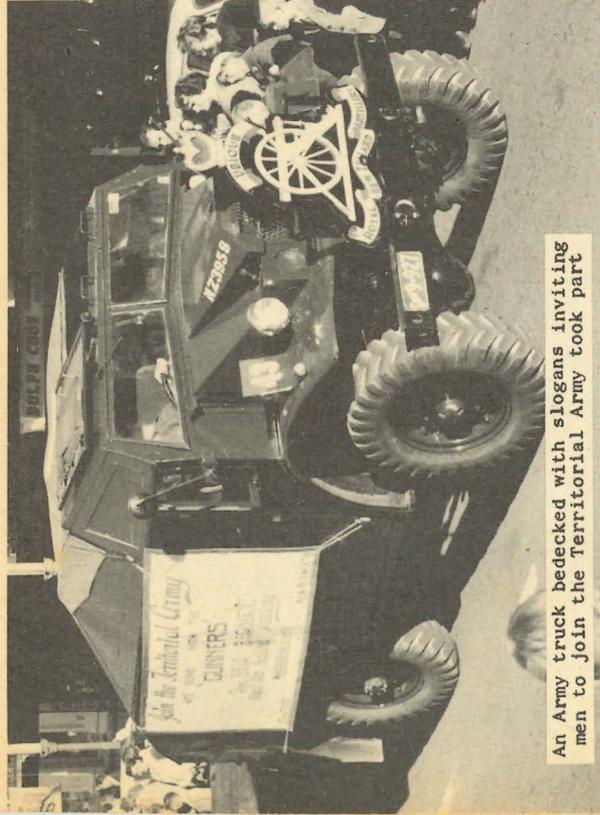
The long line of Greyhound buses proceeding up the Avenue



Leading the parade were members of the Wanganui Pony Club



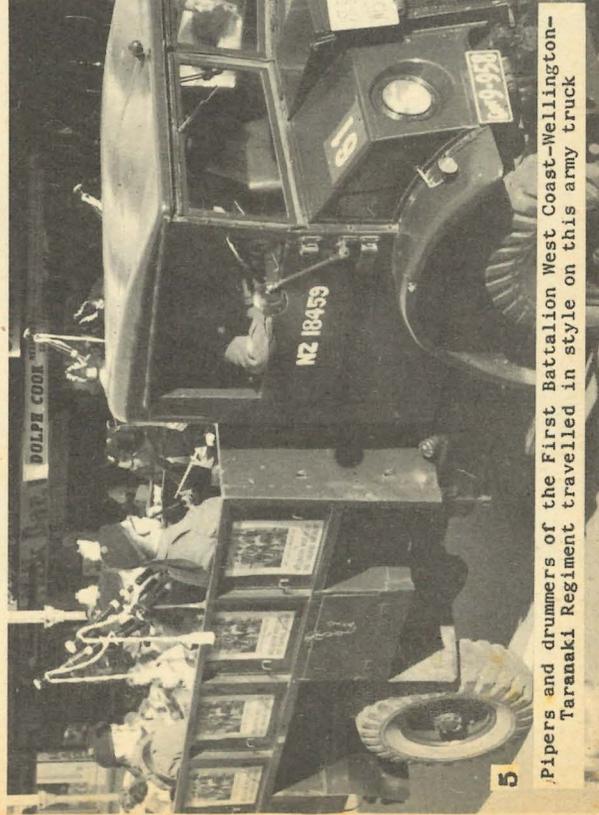
Marching girls always add colour to a parade



An Army truck bedecked with slogans inviting men to join the Territorial Army took part



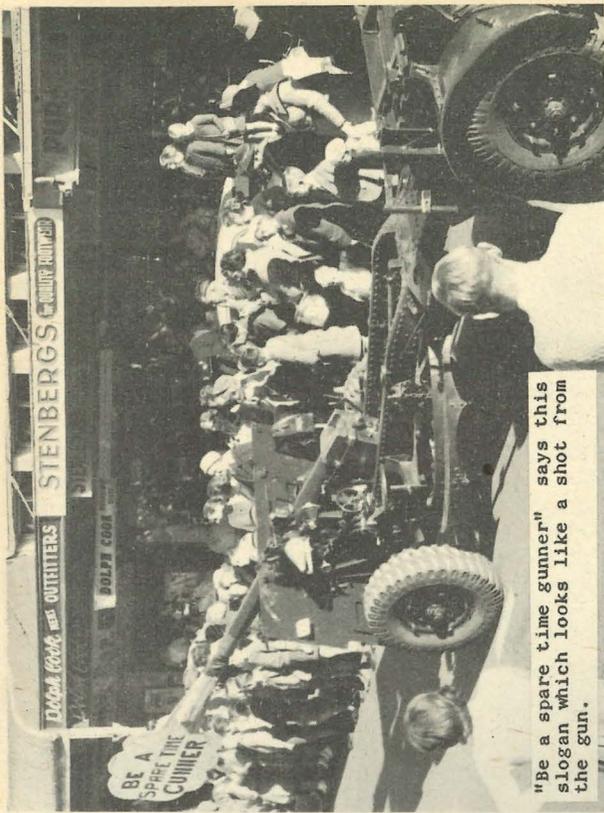
Londontown and Merewethers united with this float of fashion-dressed girls and a Fordson tractor



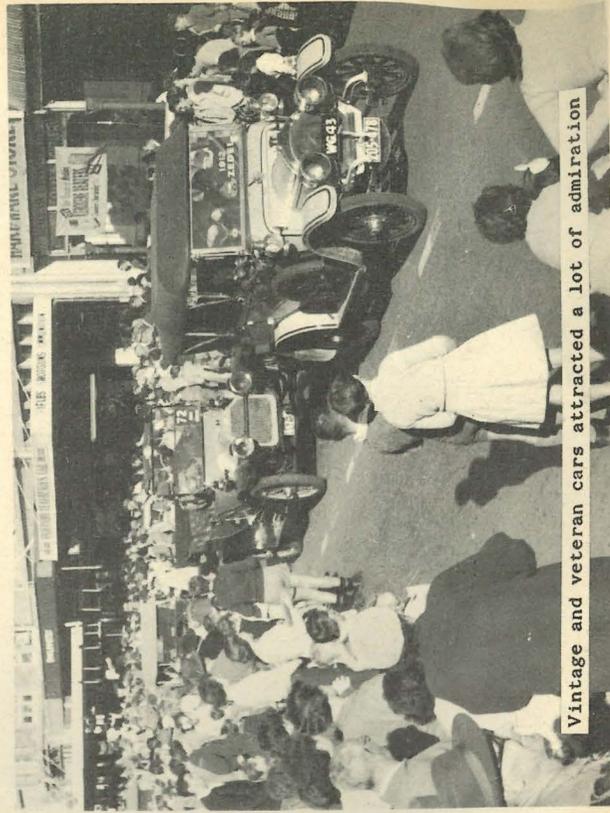
Pipers and drummers of the First Battalion West Coast-Wellington-Taranaki Regiment travelled in style on this army truck



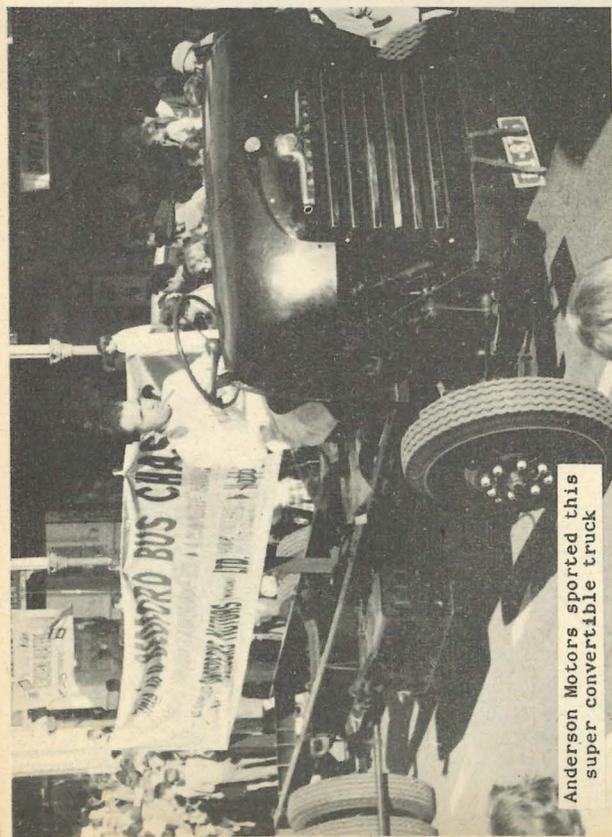
Many trade vehicles took part in the parade



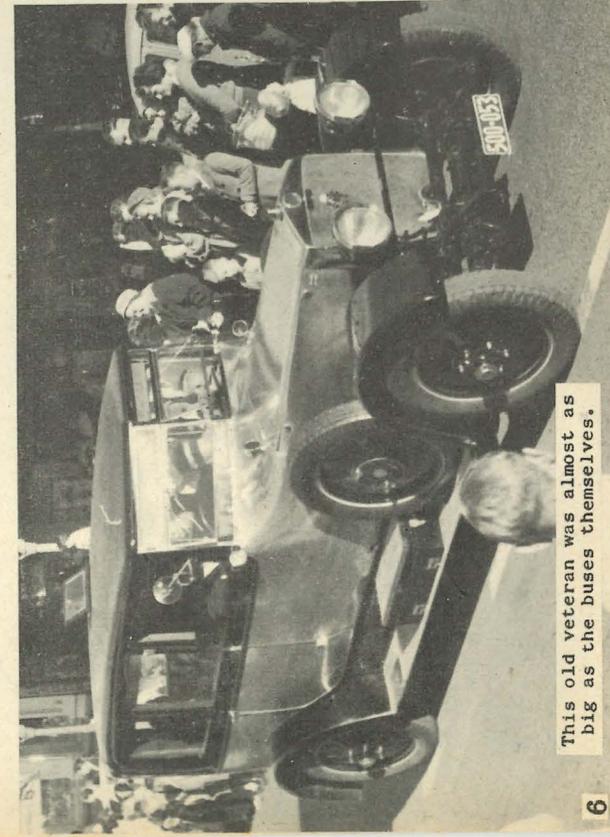
"Be a spare tire gunner" says this slogan which looks like a shot from the gun.



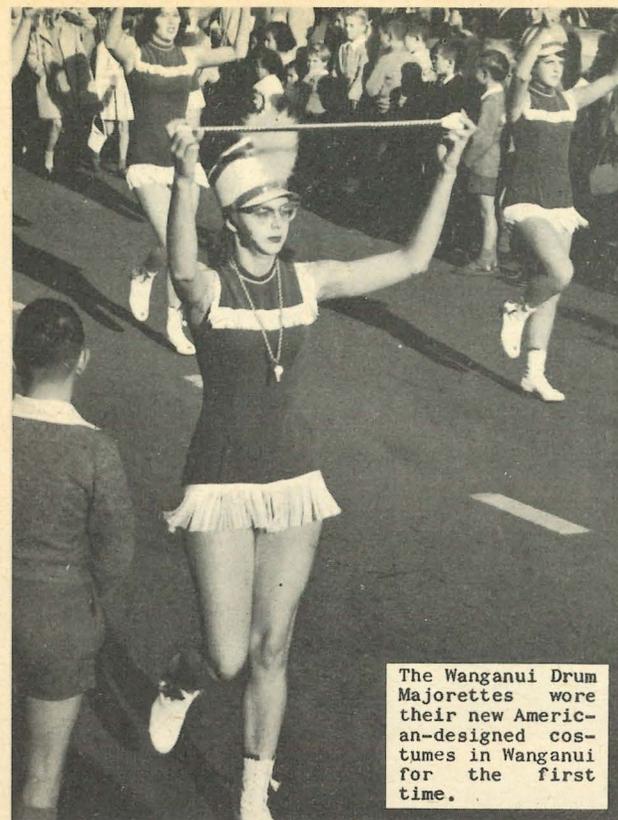
Vintage and veteran cars attracted a lot of admiration



Anderson Motors sported this super convertible truck



This old veteran was almost as big as the buses themselves.



The Wanganui Drum Majorettes wore their new American-designed costumes in Wanganui for the first time.



The long and the short of it. Caltex drivers, Peter Barnes, Lower Hutt, height 6ft 7ins, and Dick Jackson, Wanganui, 5ft 6ins.



Hordes of small children kept up with their traditional parade following. (Or perhaps it was those cute Drum Majorettes who were the attraction for all those little boys)



Married

Above: GEE--IRVING: At Christ Church, Wanganui, Diana Florence, daughter of Mrs and the late Lieutenant L.A.W.Irving, 67 Bedford Avenue, Wanganui, to Thomas Marshall, son of Mrs and the late Mr A.Gee, Rotorua. Bridesmaid was Barbara Irving, Wanganui, and best man was Donald Gee, Rotorua. The happy couple will live at Rotorua.

Below: HAMMOND--DAVIES: At Saint Peter's Church, Gonville, Irene Joyce, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.S.Davies, 26 Muir Street, Wanganui, to Pearson James, son of Mrs N.D.Hammond, 1 Pehi Street, Wanganui East. Beverley Marlow, Maungaturoto, was bridesmaid, and John Whiteman, Okoia, the best man. Future home....Wanganui.



Personal

Above: Wanganui dancer, Colleen Costello, won a scholarship at the recent New Plymouth competitions.

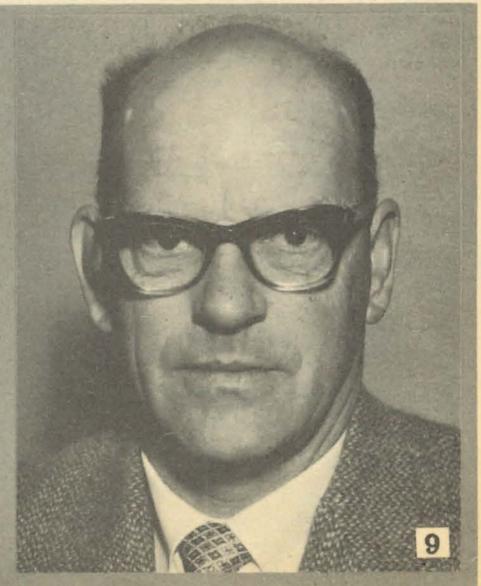
Top right: Misses Aileen Taylor and Rosalie McGonigle, Wanganui tap dancers and pupils of Miss Gladys Tonkins, have won the honour of being accepted as Members of the British Ballet Organisation (London).

Right: Mr and Mrs James Simpson, of 15 Tangaru Street, have returned to their native Glasgow for a six-months holiday. Mr Simpson is the senior foreman at the Eastown workshops.

Below: Miss Jennifer Sue Tuckwell, an ex pupil of the Tech school is now a nurse trainee at Prince Albert Hospital, Sydney.

Below middle: Mrs D.Sharpe, a Castlecliff bowler, won the Ladies' Senior Champion of Champions Singles for the Wanganui district.

Below right: Mr L.E.Smith, Young Street, was recently made a life member of the Wanganui Philatelic Society after nine years with the club. He has also recently retired from the position of district accountant with the Public Trust Office.





Joanne Harding, Bruce Beattie, Mary Morton and Bill and Barbara Harding pose for a pix



Mr and Mrs George Palmer and Mr and Mrs Grant Forbes

First Ball in New War Memorial Hall

The new Wanganui War Memorial Hall was the scene of much beauty and gaiety when it was used as a ballroom for the first time. It was fitting that this first ball should be presented by the Combined Services. These photographs, taken by Tesla Studios, picture some of the happy guests.



Major and Mrs D.M.Sweeney with Mrs L. F. Partner.



Tom and June Fox.



Revellers have fun with paper squeakers



Miss Personality participant, Pam Lind, pictured with Bruce Watson, Christchurch



A party of merry-makers smile for the camera



Corporal Harold Richardson, his wife, Irene, Vic Sales and his wife Eileen pictured in a happy mood.

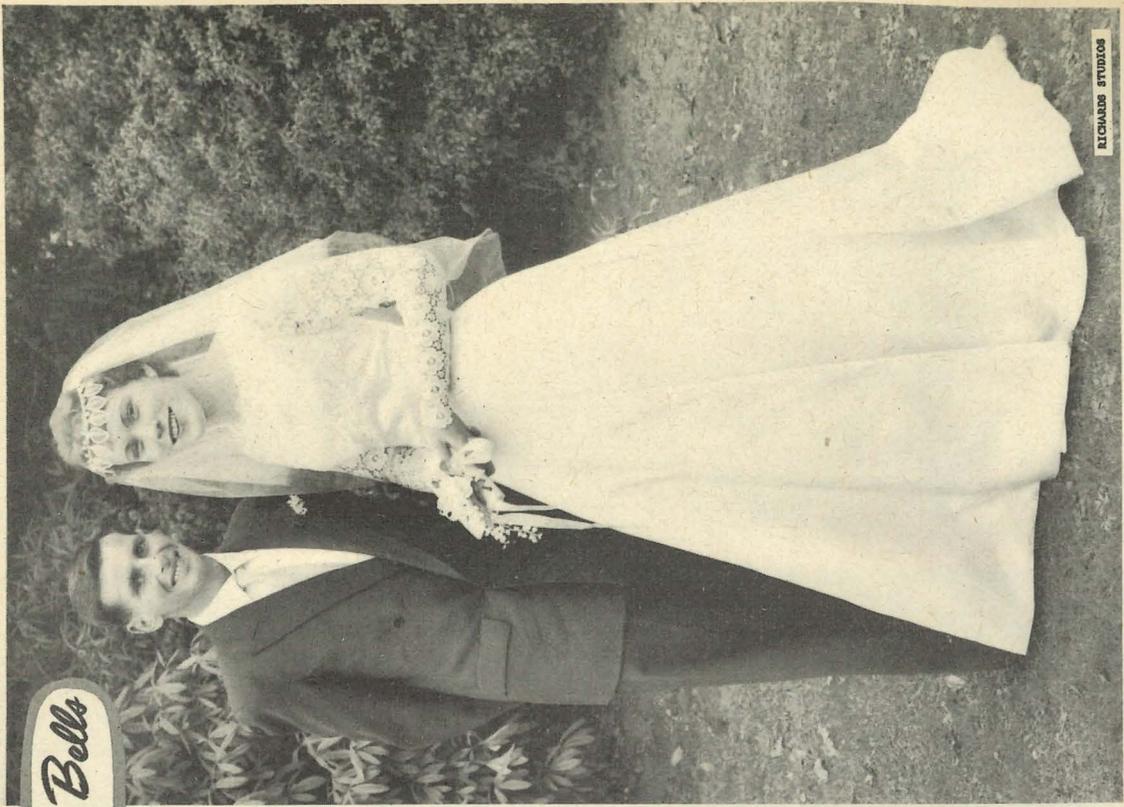
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RICHARDS STUDIOS

WILLBOND--VEAL: At St. Francis' Church, Marton, Patricia, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.W.J. Veal, Marton, to James, son of Mr and Mrs E.G. Willbond, Napier. Future home.....Napier.



RICHARDS STUDIOS

ROBINSON--STILL: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hunterville, Joan Elaine, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.T. Still, Hunterville, to Peter Donald, son of Mrs W. Robinson, Island Bay, Wellington. Future home for this happy couple is to be Wanganui.



Roving Camera

CHAMPION BAND: The Pipes and Drums of the First Battalion Wellington -West Coast-Taranaki Regiment were formed here in Wanganui late in 1956. In three years the band has risen from nothing to an "A" Grade status. The final step was achieved in March this year when, at its second contest, the band gained highest "B" Grade honours at the New Zealand Dominion Pipe Band Championships in Lower Hutt. With this win elevation to "A" Grade is automatic, but competitive work in this grade will not be possible until the band acquires at least four more pipers. **Left:** Twins Janet and Jennifer Rogers were equal first for the "Puss" Burgess Memorial Shield, awarded for performance, sportsmanship, conduct, and the most improved athletes in the local athletics world. Shield was originally donated by Mr W. Pidwell.

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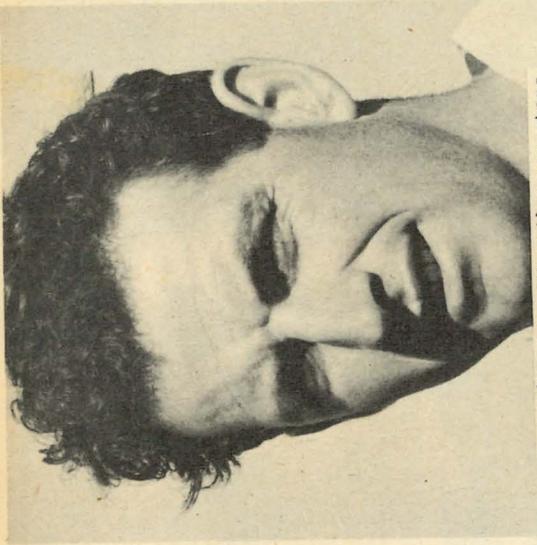


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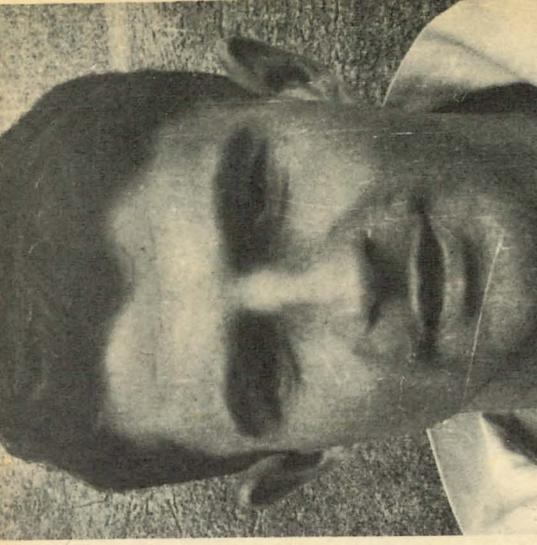
From left, Back Row: G. Foster, S. Churcher, D. Page, J. Fitchet, I. MacGee, Drum Sgt., D. Fitchet, Pipe Sgt. **Middle Row:** E. Whyman, secretary, N. Foster, C. Martin, J. Emslie, P. Weller, Drum Cpl., N. Pritchard, Pipe Cpl., P. McGuinness, Drum Major. **Front Row:** J. Tasker, Colonel C. Armstrong, Pipe Major J. Allan MacGee, Captain J. Madden, and T. Hay.



D.W.S. Patrick...Full-back



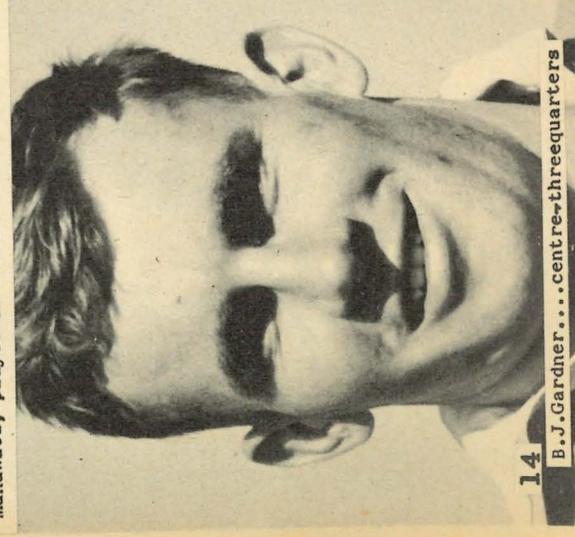
J.C.O'Leary...Wing-threequarters



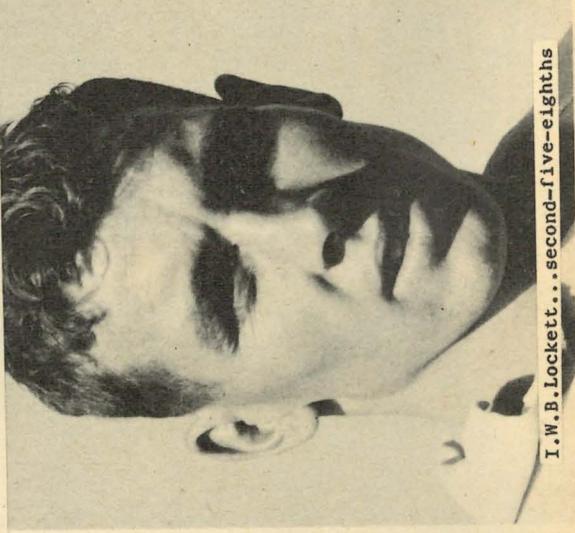
S.C. Crowley...Wing-threequarters

First Wanganui Representatives Chosen

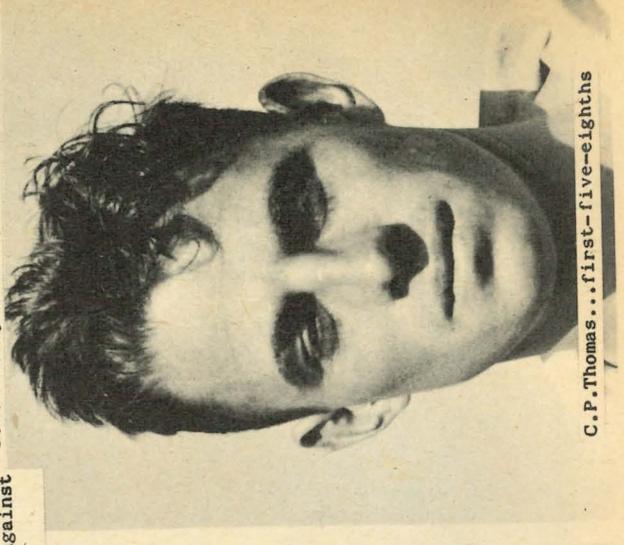
These are the men who made the first representative rugby team for the season's first game against Manawatu, played in Palmerston North last Saturday.



14 B.J. Gardner...centre-threequarters



I.W.B. Lockett...second-five-eighths



C.P. Thomas...first-five-eighths



B.A.J. Thomson...half-back



T.L.A. Stent...back-row



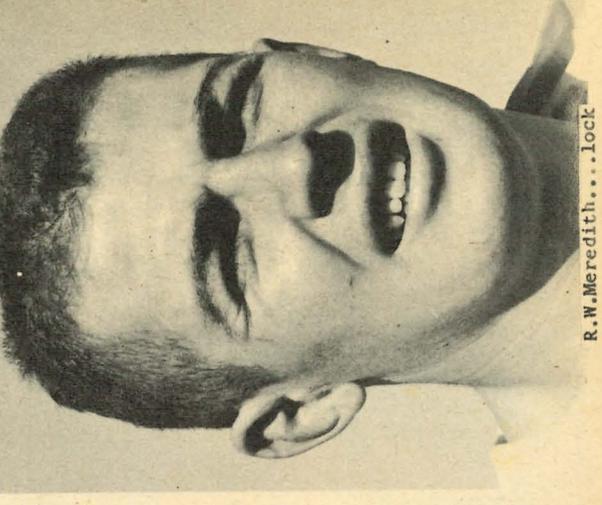
J.N. Staines, captain...side-row



B.R. Gibson...side-row



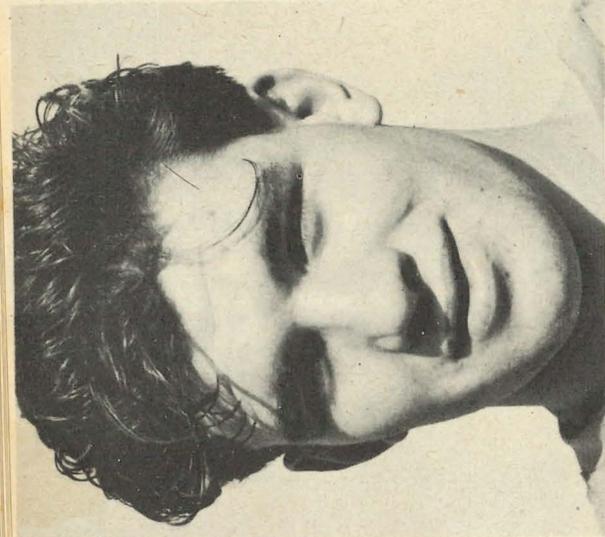
M. McCartney...lock



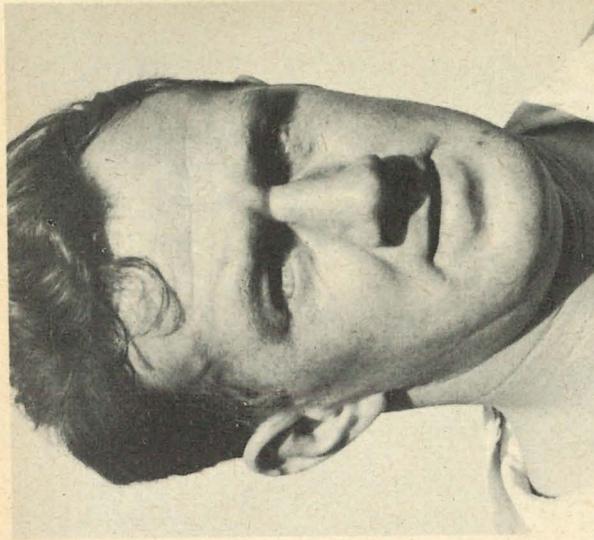
R.W. Meredith...lock



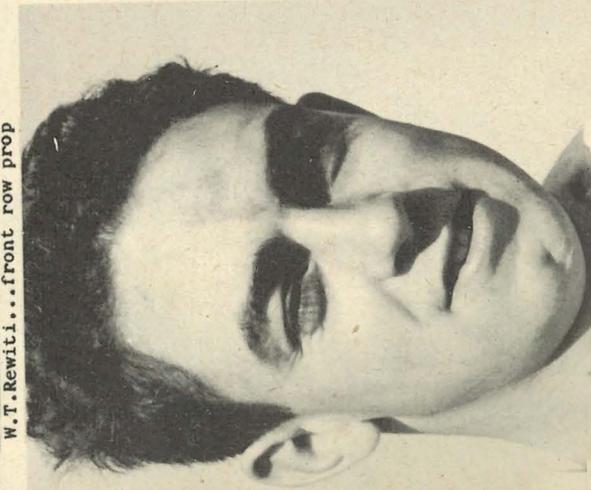
W.T. Rewiti...front row prop



R.G. Wilson...front row prop



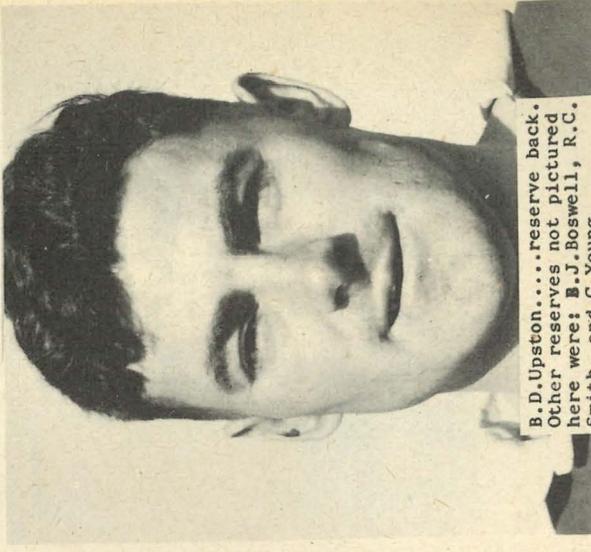
T. Lyon...hooker



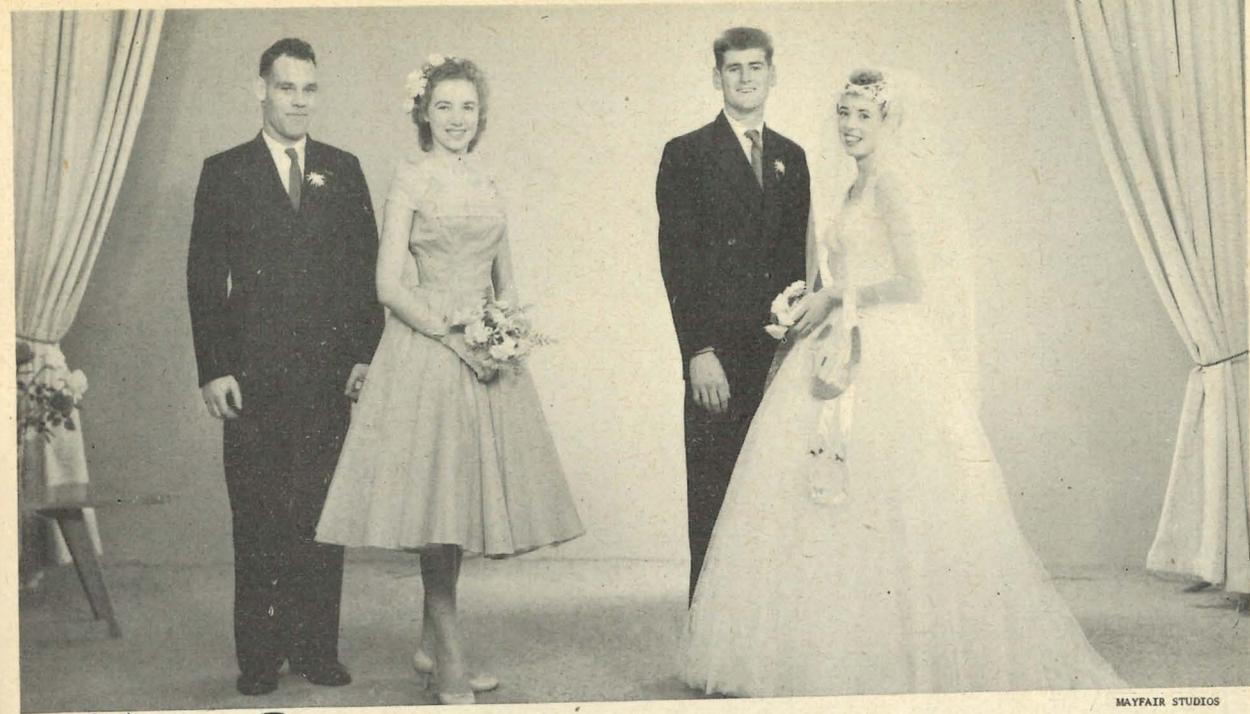
16 T.G. Spencer...reserve back



R.D. Horton...reserve forward



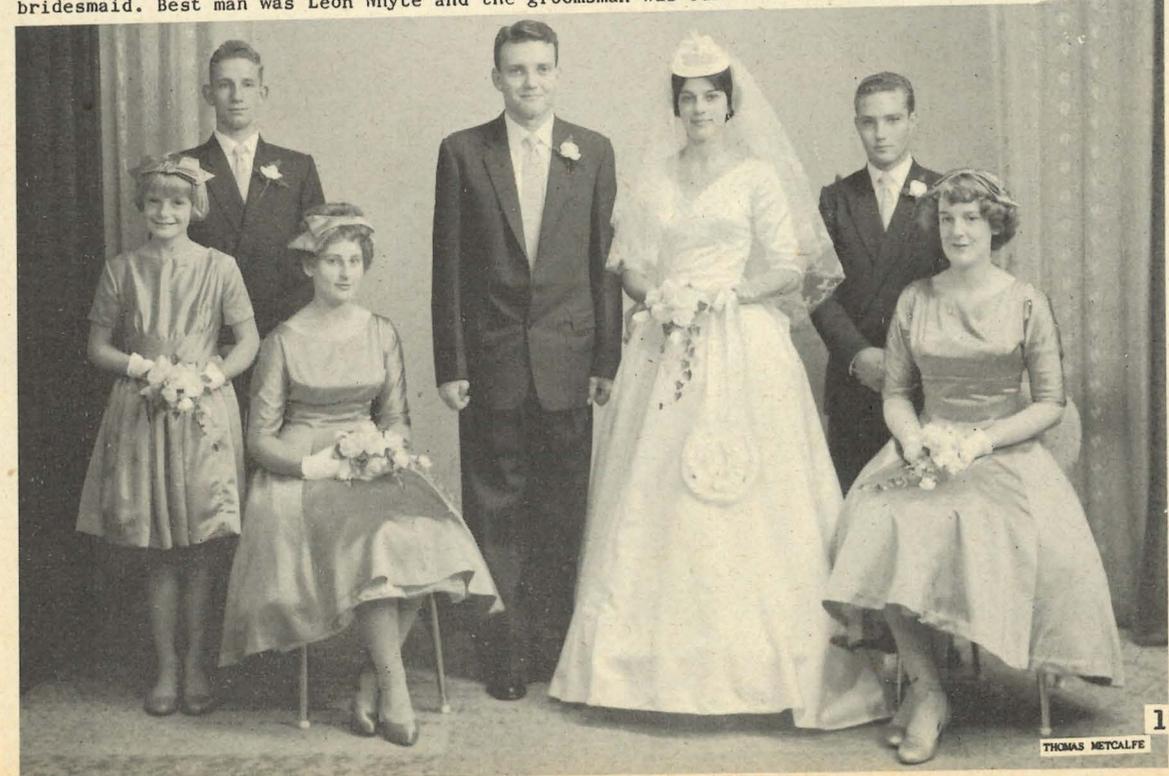
B.D. Upston...reserve back.
Other reserves not pictured
here were: E.J. Boswell, R.C.
Smith, and C. Young.



MAYFAIR STUDIOS

Wedding Bells

FIELD--MORRIS: At Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Gisborne, Shona Ann, second daughter of Mrs and the late Mr J.C.Morris, Gisborne, to Eric Charles, son of Mrs and the late Mr Field, Wanganui. Attending the bridal couple were Carol Morris and Derek Holdsworth of Gisborne.
WHYTE--MOWLEM: At Christ Church, Wanganui, Anne Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.J.I.Mowlem, 84 Eastown Road, to Stewart Norman, son of Mrs M.Whyte, 81 Harper Street. Attending the bride were Andrina Healey, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid; Nancy Gordon, Whakatane, and Margaret Mowlem, Wanganui, bridesmaid. Best man was Leon Whyte and the groomsman was James Mowlem.



THOMAS METCALFE



Social Occasions

Above: ENGAGED. BARTRUM--SHERRIFF. Gillian Rae, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J.Sherriff, 83 Virginia Road, to Neville George, son of Mr and Mrs C.B. Bartrum, Whangaeahu.

Top right: MARRIED. PAYNE--MATHIESON: Patricia Joyce, daughter of Mr and Mrs L.R. Mathieson, Mitchell Street, Aramoho, to Stephen John, son of Mr and Mrs E.S.Payne, 155 Guyton Street.

RIGHT: FOUR GENERATIONS: Mr J.Wingrove, Wanganui, Mrs Riddle, Waitara, baby Grant Sniddon and Mrs Sniddon, Taumaranui.



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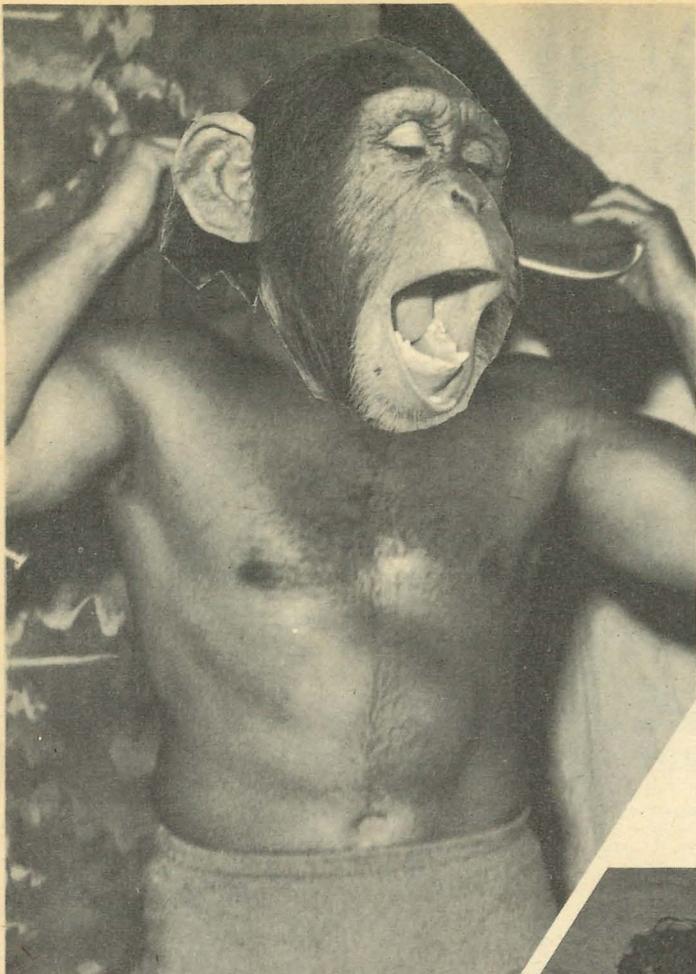
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A.T.C. Officer Farewelled

Air Training Corps cadets turned out in full strength recently at the Army Headquarters, Maria Place extension, to farewell their commanding officer, Flight Lieutenant R.T.Bowes, who is on transfer to Wellington. Pictured Above: Fellow officers chat with Mr Bowes. From left, Sgt J.Hanniford, Cdt G.Goldsmith, Under Officer P.Lawrence, Plt.Off. D.N.Tyler, Flt.Lt.R.T.Bowes, and Flg.Off.D.G.Strachan, Below: Flt Lt. R.T.Bowes, C.O. No 9 Squadron, A.T.C., inspects cadets of the squadron at his final parade. Mr Bowes has held this appointment for the past nine years.





Nobody makes a monkey outa me snorts one maddened grappler as he tears his fur..oops..hair in rage

Matmen Meet

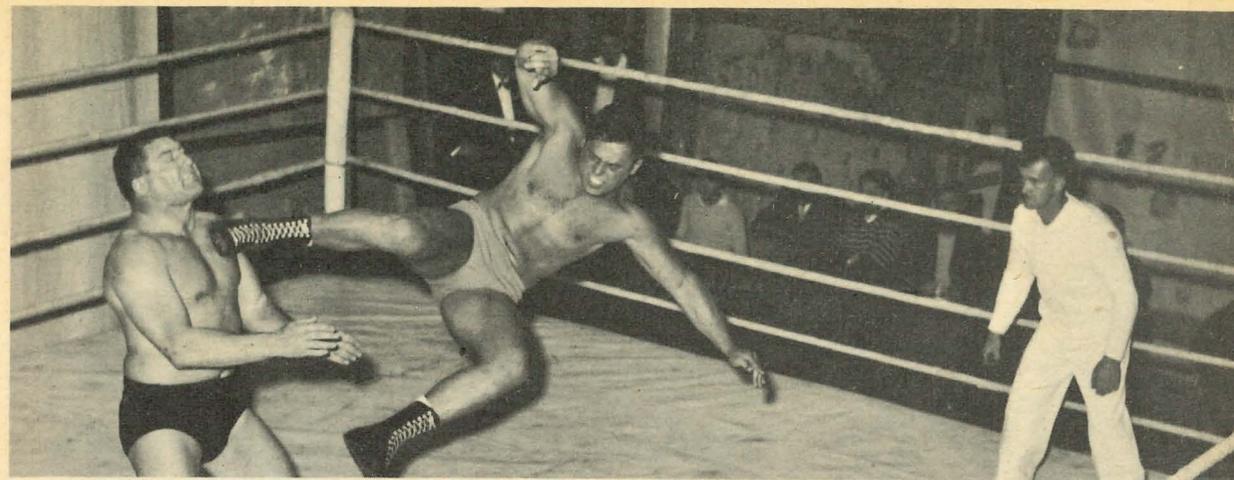
First of a series of professional bouts staged by the new national body...the New Zealand Wrestling Union....two bulky men of the grunt and groan trade, Mr Lou "Shoulders" Newman and Mr Herb Freeman, met in Wanganui. The Wanganui Wrestling Association had nothing to do with the bout other than to supply some amateurs for preliminary bouts. The £700 portable ring found the going a bit tough in the second round when both wrestlers flung themselves into the ropes. It took half a dozen officials plus "Shoulders" ten minutes to take a kink out of one of the heavy steel corner posts which collapsed. If anyone is interested, Lou Shoulders was disqualified after throwing the Wellington ref, Terry Williams, out of the ring.....tough.



Ref Terry Williams endeavours to break up Newman and Freeman as Newman tries to lynch the latter



Officials straighten the bent corner post

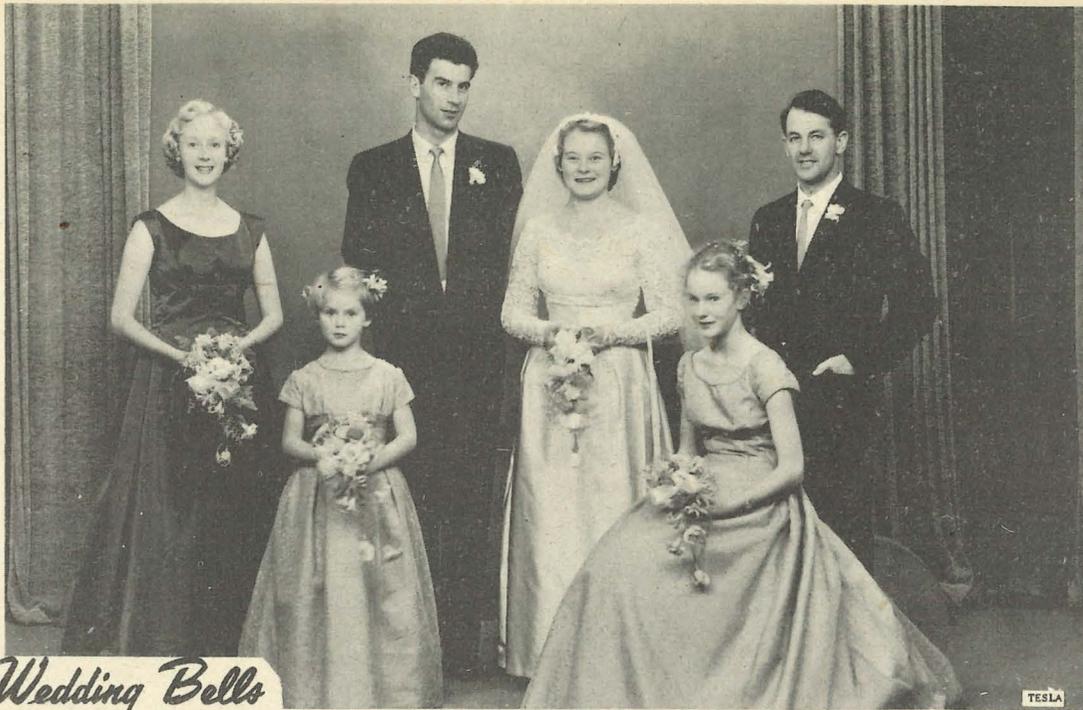


Freeman connects with a drop kick



"What lovely eyes you have" says Newman as he happily gouges one out of Freeman's skull.

Stop....you're killing me! Newman does his level best to make Freeman's head and body two separate articles. However they were best of buddies again after the match.



Wedding Bells

Above: HODGSON--PURYER: At St. Peter's Anglican Church, Gonville, Yvonne Mathews, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Puryer, 5 Carlton Terrace, Wanganui, to Brian Arthur, son of Mr and Mrs A. Hodgson, Westport. In the photograph: Mrs Pamela Storry, Wellington, matron of honour; Christine Puryer, flower-girl, the bride and groom, Jane Hodgson, Westport, bridesmaid; Frank Hughes, best man. Future home for this happy couple is to be Wellington.

Below: COTTER--HOLLY: At St. Peter's Anglican Church, Gonville, Lois Marie, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. E. Holly, 20 Totara Street, Wanganui, to Terrence Richard, son of Mr and Mrs H. A. Cotter, Morgans Road, Kaitoke. In the photograph, from left: Clive Eades, best man; Lorraine Noble, bridesmaid; Julie Holly, chief bridesmaid; the bride and groom; Jenny Smith, Flowergirl; Elaine Willis, bridesmaid; Ian Cotter, groomsman; Maureen Holly, bridesmaid. Future home...New Plymouth.

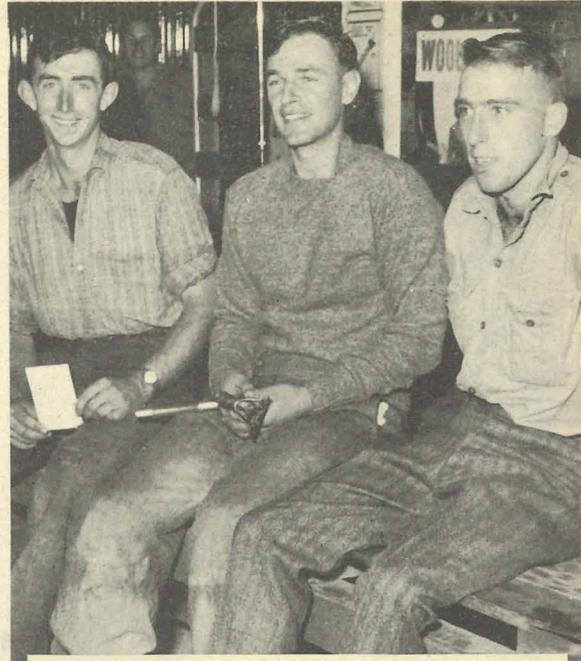


A feature of the Wool Week was the number of interesting displays and demonstrations. Pictured above, Auckland, Miss Jo McInness, watched by Grace Churches of Emmett Music Co and a few of the public, demonstrates a Three Star Knitting machine. Below are some of the many people who flocked around the numerous hobbies stalls at the exhibition.





Mrs Norma Bowyer, YWCA candidate, winner of the Wool Queen contest run in conjunction with Wool Week.



Place winners in the shearing contest. Messrs Allan Anderson, Brunswick, 3rd; Neil Churchouse, Palmerston North, 1st; Richard Walton, Brunswick, 2nd. The contest was organised by Young Farmers Clubs.



Keith Taylor, Westmere, makes short work of his sheep in the shearing contest.

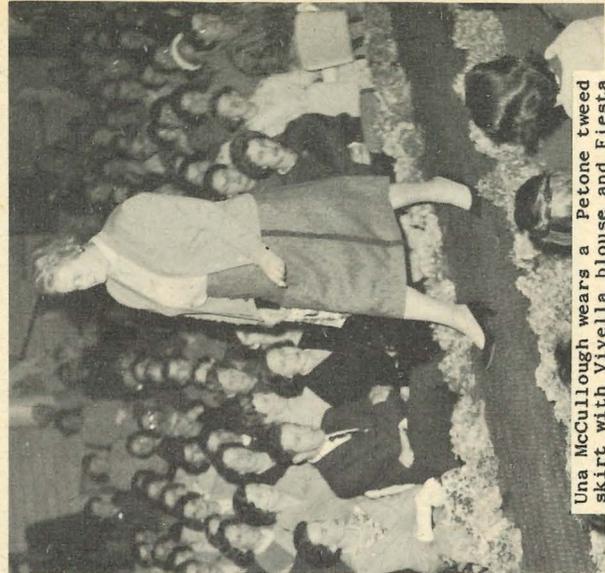
The shearing contest took place in the forecourt of the War Memorial Hall



Wellington model, Denise Nichol, is pictured here wearing a double-knit jersey three-piece suit.



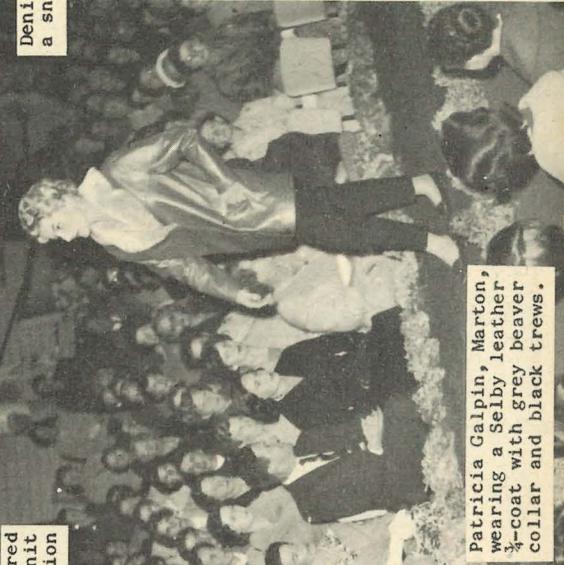
Wanganui's Dianne Butchart models a Selby three piece suit in this pix.



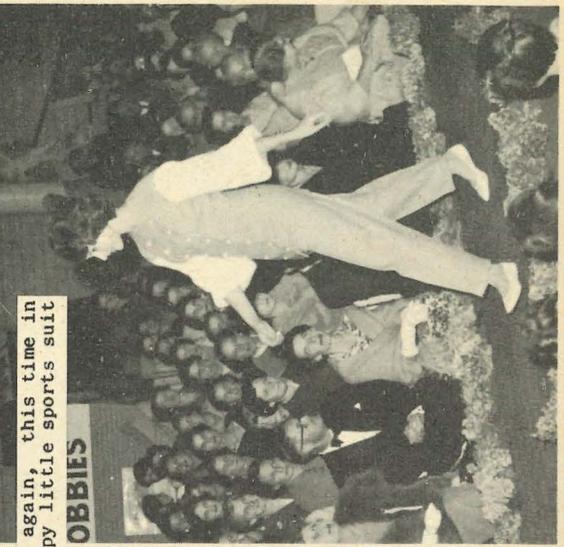
Una McCullough wears a Petone tweed skirt with Viyella blouse and Fiesta cardigan



Kerri Pidding pictured in a cherry double-knit jersey Gor-Ray creation



Patricia Galpin, Marton, wearing a Selby leather 3/4-coat with grey beaver collar and black trews.



Denise again, this time in a snappy little sports suit

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Club Captain, Peter Williamson, shows beginner Joan Alward the correct way to hold a foil

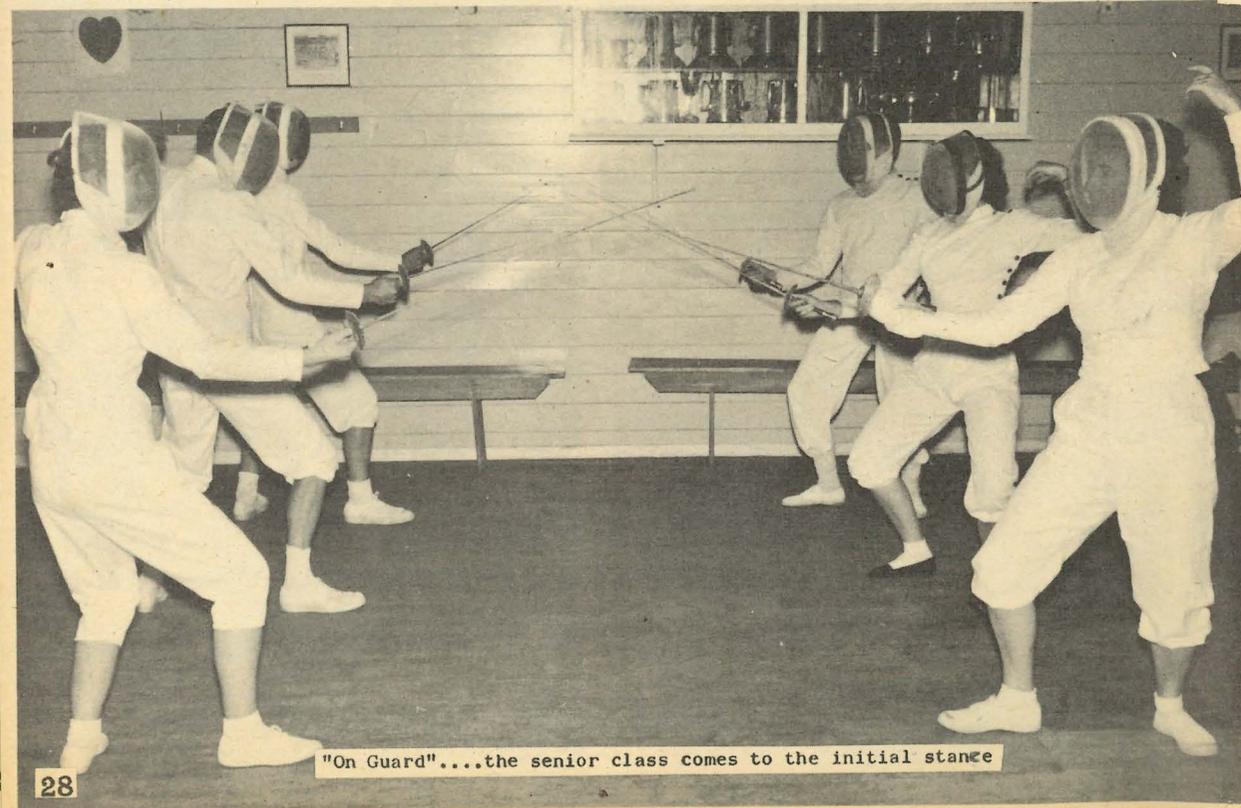


Watched by clubmates, Brian Mullins (foreground) lunges and Nancy Bowden demonstrates seconde parry

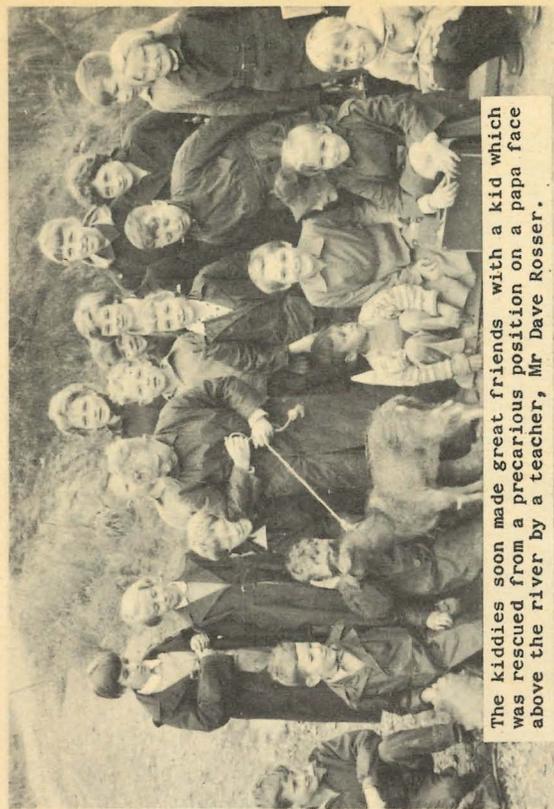
Swords Club Opens New Season

The new season is now well started for the Wanganui Swords Club, which meets every Thursday night at the Wanganui Rowing Club's shed on Taupo Quay.

Although fencing is a comparatively new sport to Wanganui, interest is growing and the club is rapidly gaining strength as more and more people take a fancy to the foils.



"On Guard"...the senior class comes to the initial stance



The kiddies soon made great friends with a kid which was rescued from a precarious position on a papa face above the river by a teacher, Mr Dave Rosser.

Up-River Trip For Aramoho School Children

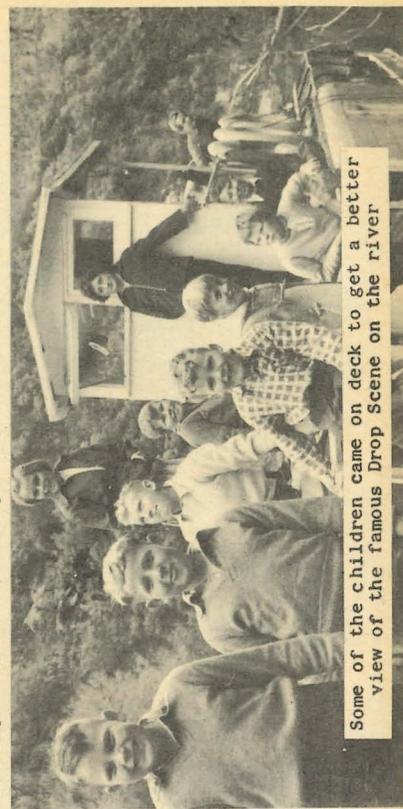
So many children and parents wanted to make the recent trip to Pipiriki and then up the Wanganui River, organised by the Aramoho School Nature Study Club, that three separate parties on different weekends had to be organised to accommodate the eventual 150 persons wanting to go. Mr Brian Armstrong, organiser of so many trips such as these for his nature study pupils at the school, kindly took these photographs especially for Photo News. Mr Armstrong left the district at the beginning of the school holidays and will be sadly missed at the Aramoho School.



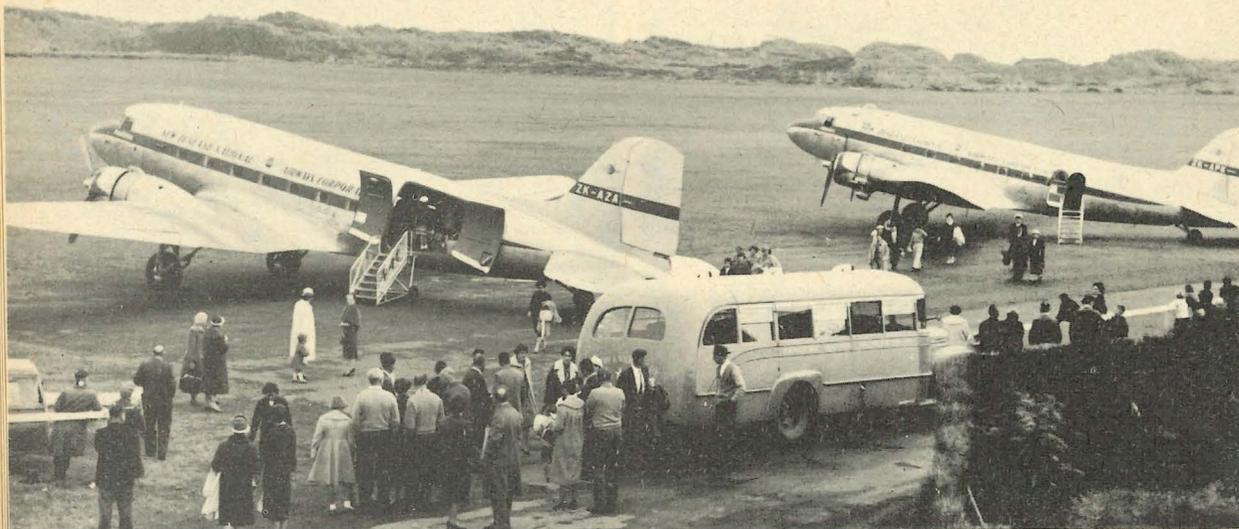
Children assemble at the boat landing at Pipiriki after visiting places of historic interest in the area.



With the Wanganui River at its lowest for many years, the children had to walk around some of the rapids and rejoin the steamer further up stream.



Some of the children came on deck to get a better view of the famous Drop Scene on the river



5th Anniversary For N.A.C.

This month marks the fifth anniversary of the National Airways Corporation's service to the public of Wanganui. It was in June, 1955, that Mr Ian Fawcett, Wanganui branch manager, opened the Air Centre in premises in Ridgway Street. The corporation has since moved their offices to Lower Victoria Avenue. Pictures on these two pages illustrate some of the employees and services offered by NAC.

Above: A common sight at the Wanganui Airport. With the closing of the drome for six months during the airport re-construction work, passengers will be catered for through Palmerston North with connecting buses. When re-opened, Wanganui will be amongst the first of provincial airports to be sealed.

Below: Airfreight business has grown steadily. Local manufacturers and importers make extensive use of the service as do many of the Wanganui public for sending domestic parcels. Here Rua Seal is checking off a load for a Christchurch bound freighter aircraft.



Mr Ian Fawcett...Branch manager

Teleprinter operator Shirley McLean handles reservations messages which are sent to all parts of New Zealand. Overseas reservations are also speedily handled in this way. On an average day approximately 800 messages pass through the Wanganui system of three teleprinters and a tape relay unit.



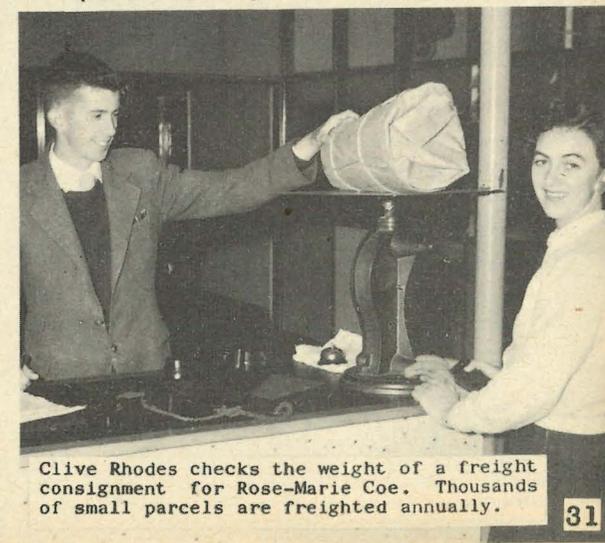
As members of the International Air Transport Association, N.A.C. books passengers to all parts of the world. Here Mary Wakeling of NAC discusses various airline travel bags with Patricia Chainey who is travelling overseas.



Reservations officer, John Shallard, answers a reservations enquiry. A large percentage of bookings are made by telephone. Already requests are being made for Christmas bookings.



Senior traffic officer, Maurice Thomas, weighs in an overseas bound passenger



Clive Rhodes checks the weight of a freight consignment for Rose-Marie Coe. Thousands of small parcels are freighted annually.



Tex takes things easy during his delightfully informal show



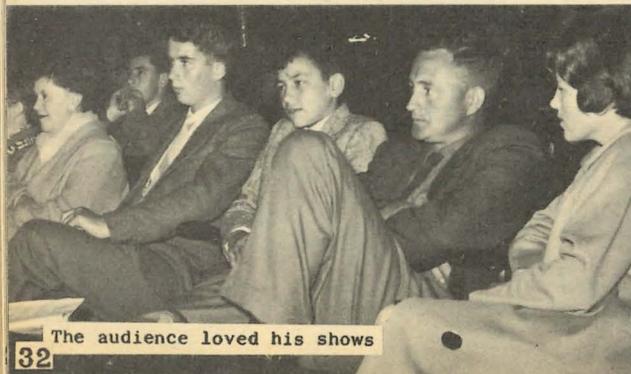
His memory training exhibition was amazingly free from cheating or gimmicks.

Tex Morton Show

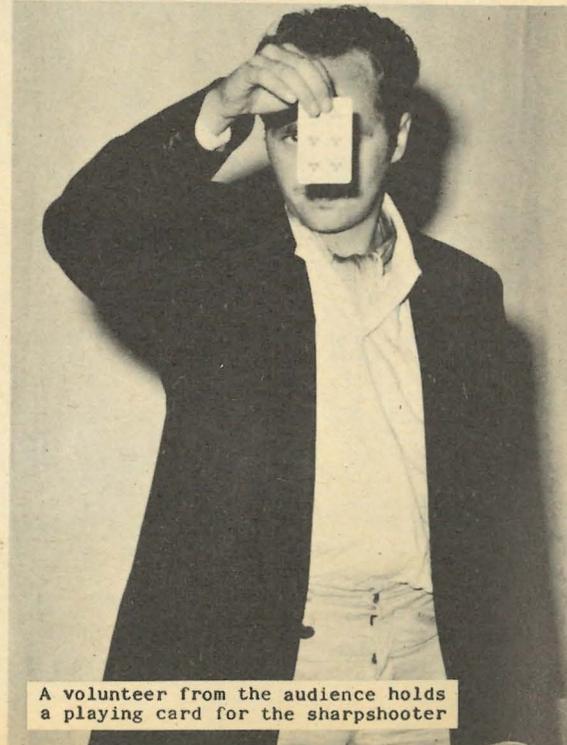
Six entertainers all rolled into one recently staged a two-performance show at the Opera House. The versatile performer was Tex Morton, balladeer, comedian, hillbilly, sharpshooter, hypnotist, and memory expert. Half of the takings for the shows were donated to the Intellectually Handicapped Children's organisation. Mr Morton has certainly become a very polished and capable performer in his two world tours and appearances overseas since he started his career as a teen-aged cowboy singer.



Two of his hypnotised subjects have a quiet snore-off as Tex explains the art to the audience.



The audience loved his shows



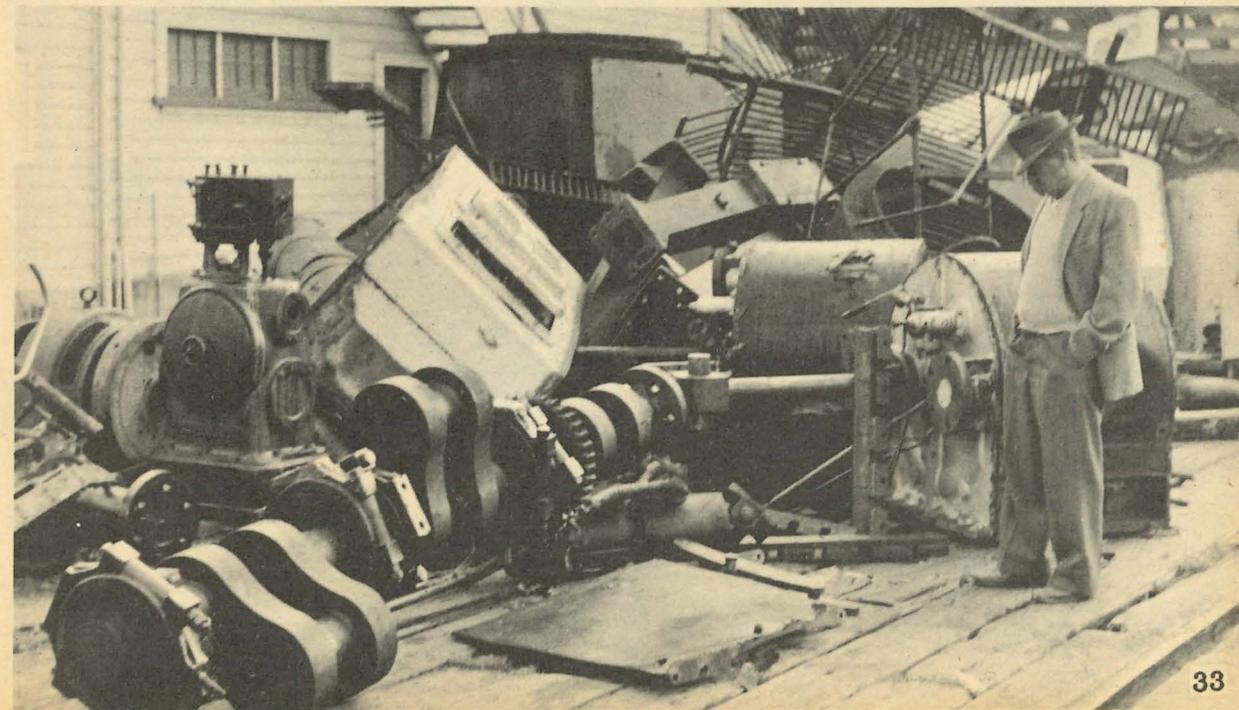
A volunteer from the audience holds a playing card for the sharpshooter



Tug's Last Days

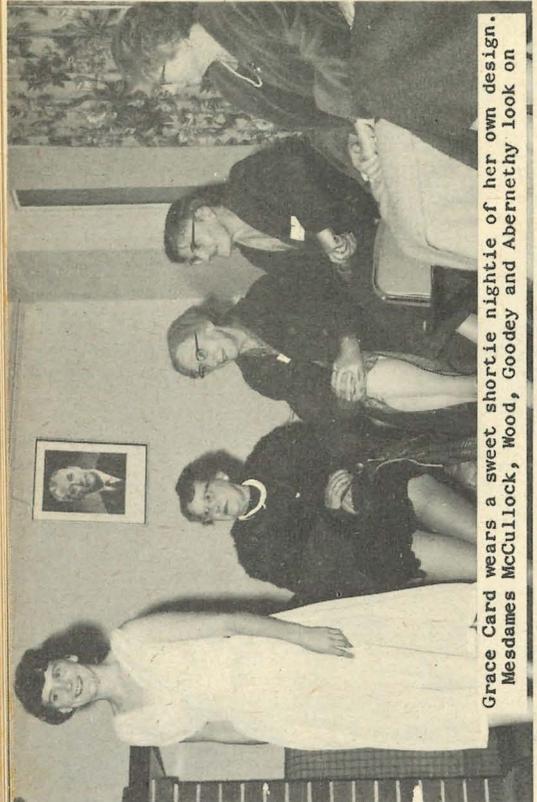
The old tug Kahanui which has stood idle at the Town Wharf for so many months since her retirement from active service with the Wanganui Harbour Board is now rapidly being demolished by workmen from her new owners, Bullocks. Metal work from the tug will be used for scrap and it is possible that the hull will be used for barge work on the river.

Above: The partly stripped Kahanui tied up at the Town Wharf.
Below: Heaps of metal, once the life of this lady, are now ready for scrap.





Young Dianne Christenson showed a delightful nylon set trimmed with nylon needlerun lace. Looking on are Misses Price, Berryman, Conway and Mrs Craigmyle.



Grace Card wears a sweet shortie nightie of her own design. Mesdames McCulloch, Wood, Goodey and Abernethy look on

Lingerie Parade

"Photo News" paid a visit to an evening being held by the Wanganui Business and Professional Women's Club at the National Party rooms recently. When the photographer arrived he was in time to get these photographs of a showing of lingerie arranged by a member of the club, Mrs D.Wake. Mrs Wake used staff of her lingerie manufacturing firm plus two cute little girls as models.



Suzanne Bayley gives Misses G.James, J.Inglis, and N.Keegan a close look at her underwear set



Suzanne again wearing a nylon slip trimmed with Swiss embroidery



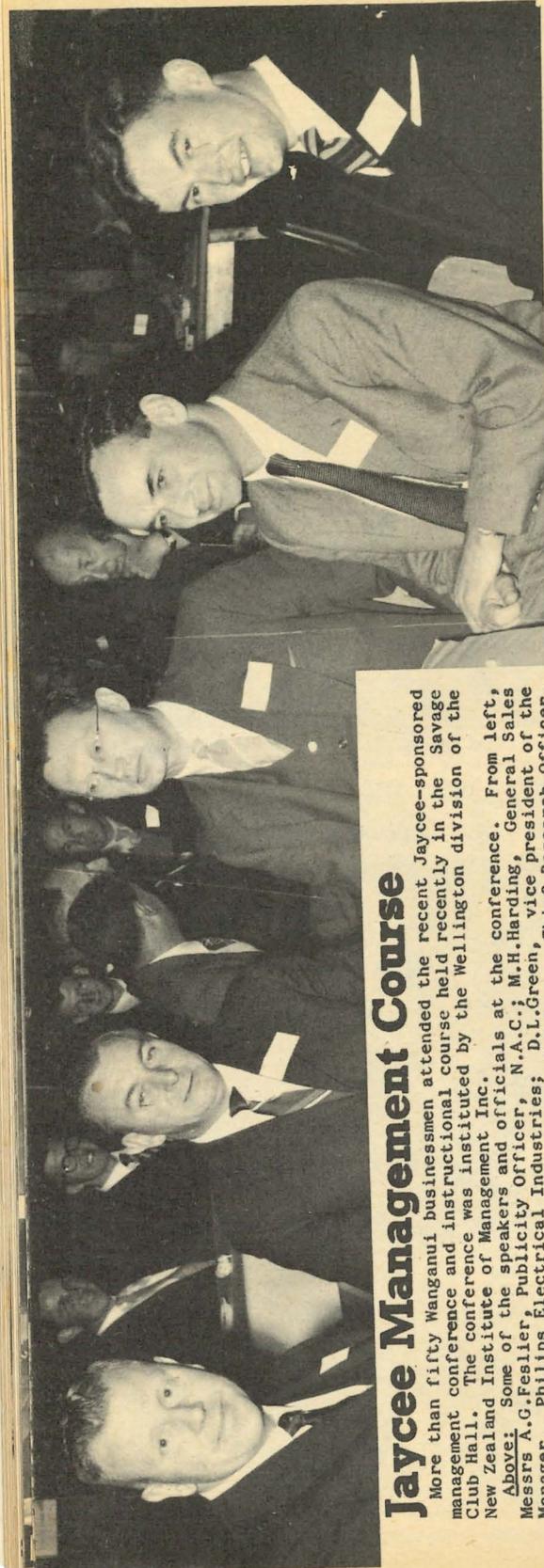
NATIONAL ORCHESTRA IN NEW HALL
The National Orchestra recently visited Wanganui and gave an unforgettable concert in the new War Memorial Hall. The acoustics of the new hall were given a thorough testing and were found to be first class. In this picture, the National Orchestra is seen performing for a matinee gathering of Wanganui school children under the baton of the conductor, Mr John Hopkins.



Miss Tui Lett is pictured here modelling a lovely shortie pyjama outfit of white 15 denier Swiss embroidered nylon over lemon nylon.



Grace Card again...this time in a mauve nylon negligee over an empire line nightie. With her is Mrs D.Wake, manufacturer of the garments, and comper of the showing.

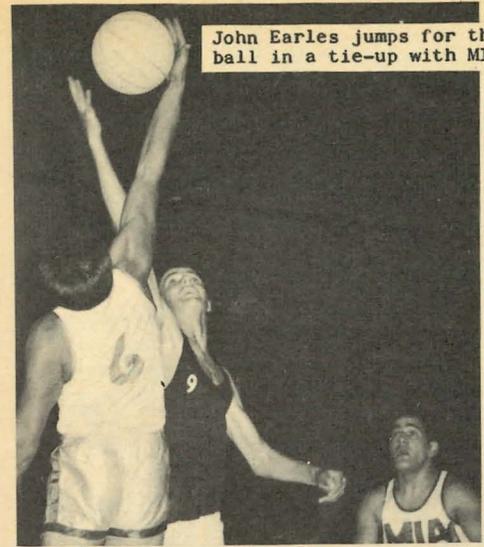
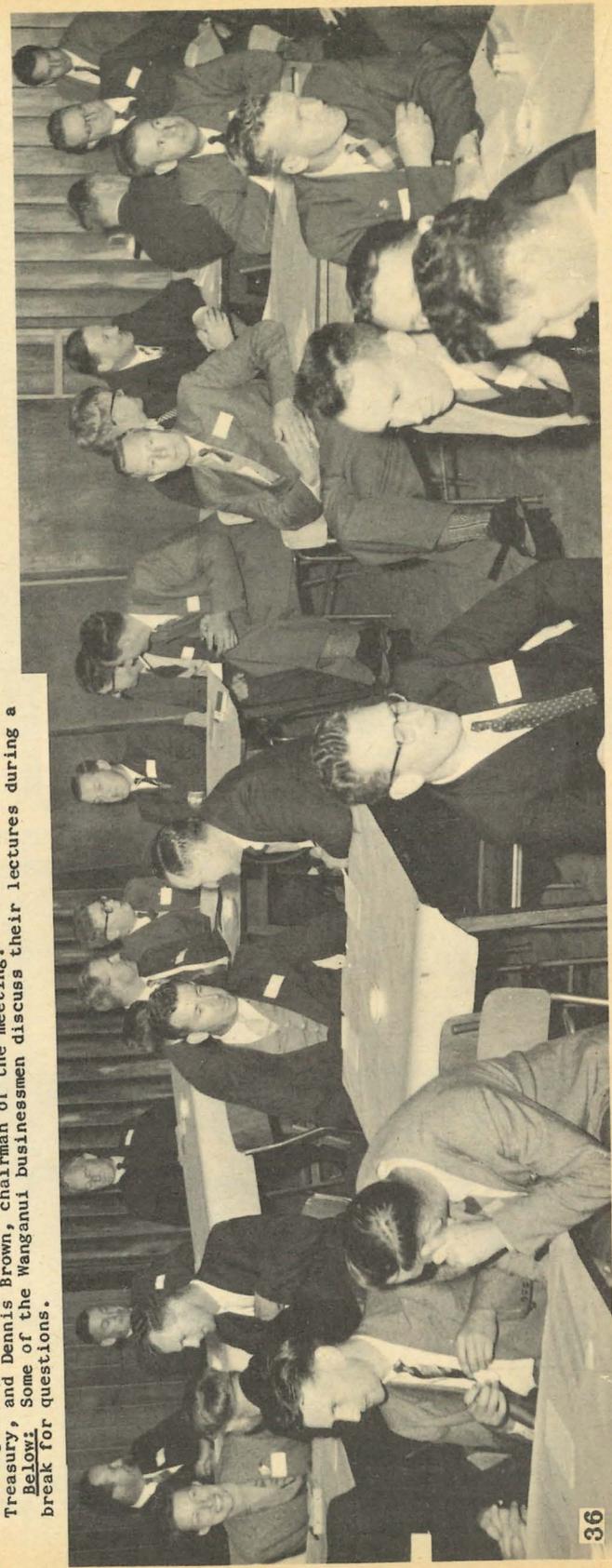


Jaycee Management Course

More than fifty Wanganui businessmen attended the recent Jaycee-sponsored management conference and instructional course held recently in the Savage Club Hall. The conference was instituted by the Wellington division of the New Zealand Institute of Management Inc.

Above: Some of the speakers and officials at the conference. From left, Messrs A.G.Fessler, Publicity Officer, N.A.C.; M.H.Harding, General Sales Manager, Phillips Electrical Industries; D.L.Green, vice president of the Wellington Division of the Institute; H.G.Lang, Chief Research Officer, Treasury, and Dennis Brown, chairman of the meeting.

Below: Some of the Wanganui businessmen discuss their lectures during a break for questions.



John Earles jumps for the ball in a tie-up with MIA

Tech. Basketballers Perform Well

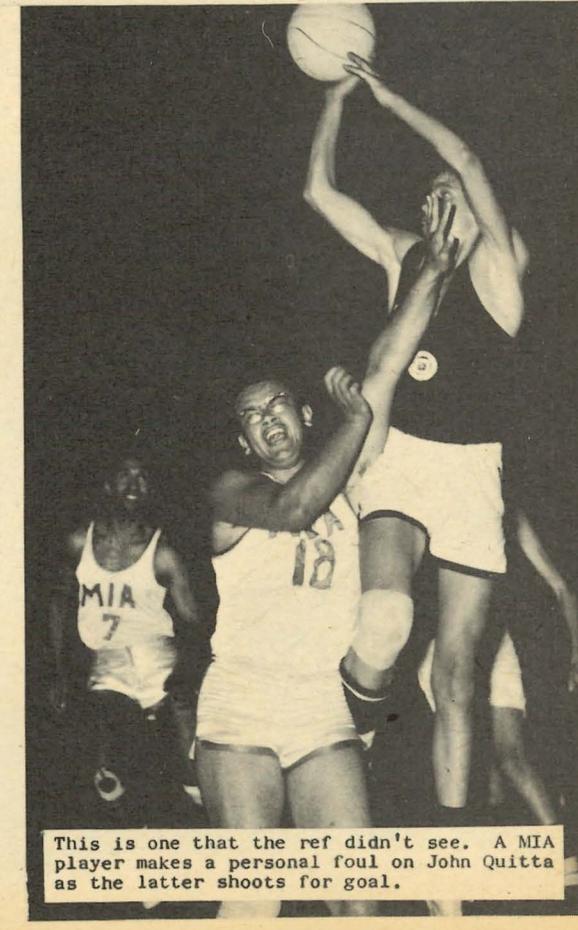
The Wanganui Technical College A team was the most successful of the four Wanganui teams which played in the recent open basketball tournament held by the Feilding Association. This team of boys made the quarter-finals before being beaten by the all-Maori MIA team from Dannevirke. Other Wanganui teams which entered the tournament were Uglia, Celtics, and Rockets. The Tech team have been graded into the A class this season.



The Tech Team. From left, Back Row: Peter Killkolly, John Quitta, John Earles (capt), Peter Burke. Front Row: Hugh Mainwaring, George Western, William Potaka.



George Western, an American student here on a scholarship, runs back on defence as a MIA player starts a dribbling rush.



This is one that the ref didn't see. A MIA player makes a personal foul on John Quitta as the latter shoots for goal.



A view of part of the pleasant grounds of the mills.

A Picture Tour of the Wanganui Woollen Mills

One of Wanganui's major industries is the Wanganui Woollen Mills in Kelvin Street, Aramoho. Some 150 workers are employed in the mill itself, and in the clothing factory. Wool from the farmers is bought at the sales and taken to the factory in its raw state. At the factory the raw wool undergoes the various processes until it emerges as the finished article for market. Products made at the Wanganui Woollen Mills include blankets, clothing, knitting wool, and piecegoods. The original company was founded in 1924. Pictures on these next few pages illustrate the processes of the mills.



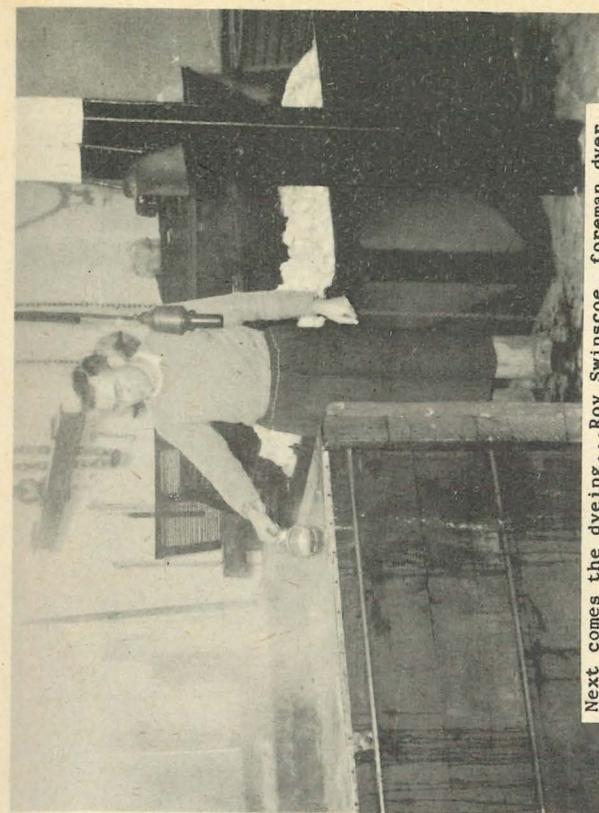
Messrs A. Holroyd, managing director, and J. Lockie, mill manager, study samples



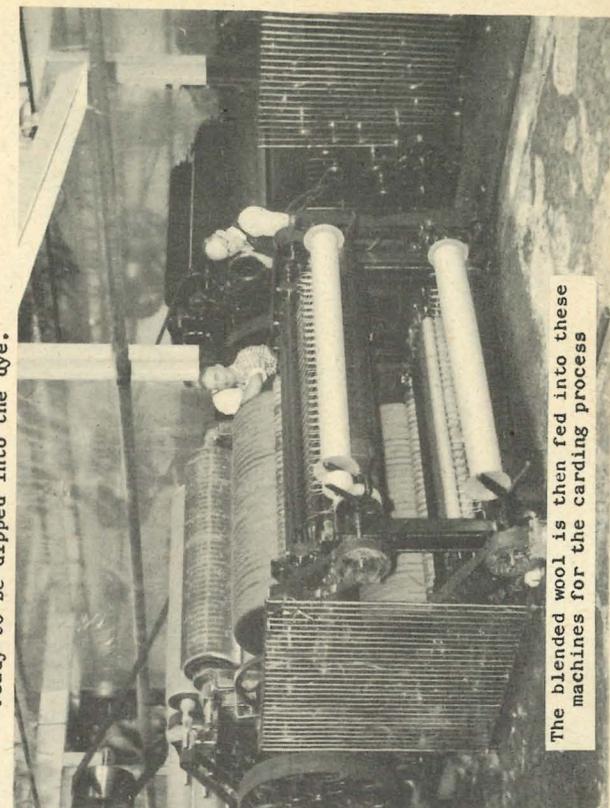
Office personnel. Heather Thompson, Mrs I. Foster, Nancy Summers, Mr. I. Jackson, director, and Mrs R. Ahern.



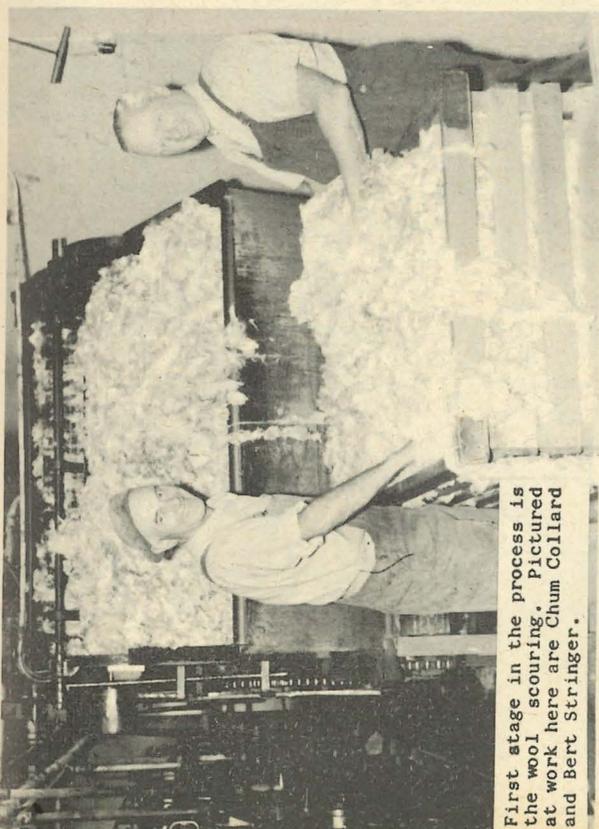
David Page, warehouse assistant, with a rack of sports jackets ready for despatch to retailers.



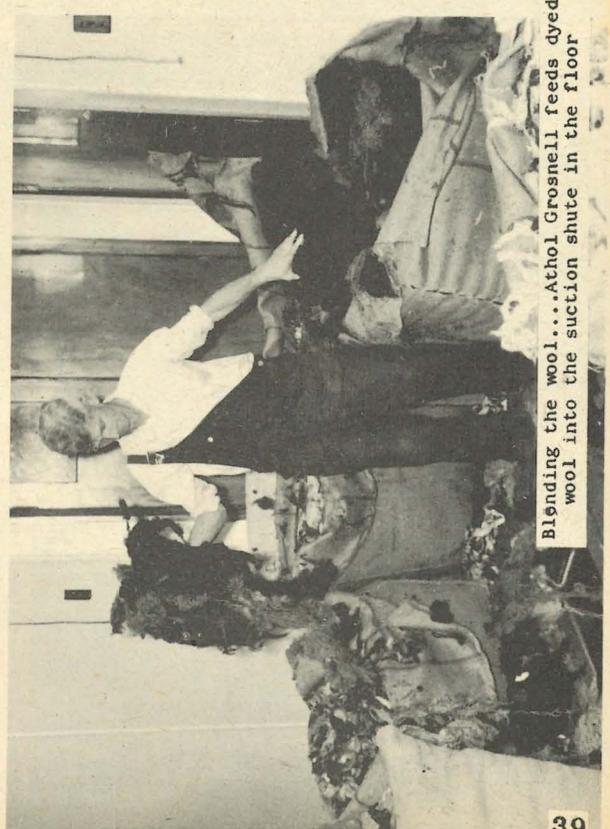
Next comes the dyeing... Roy Swinscoe, foreman dyer, skims a vat of dye. Behind him is a cage of wool ready to be dipped into the dye.



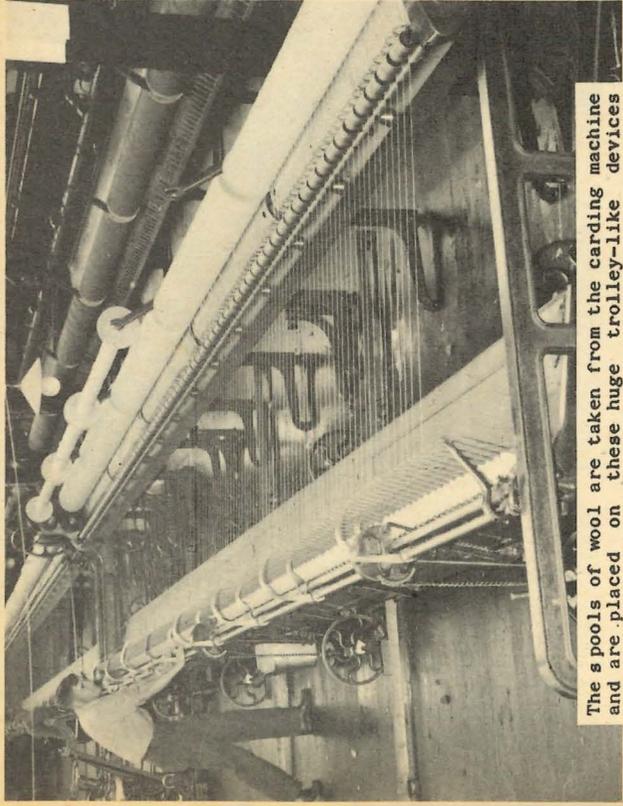
The blended wool is then fed into these machines for the carding process



First stage in the process is the wool scouring. Pictured at work here are Chum Collard and Bert Stringer.



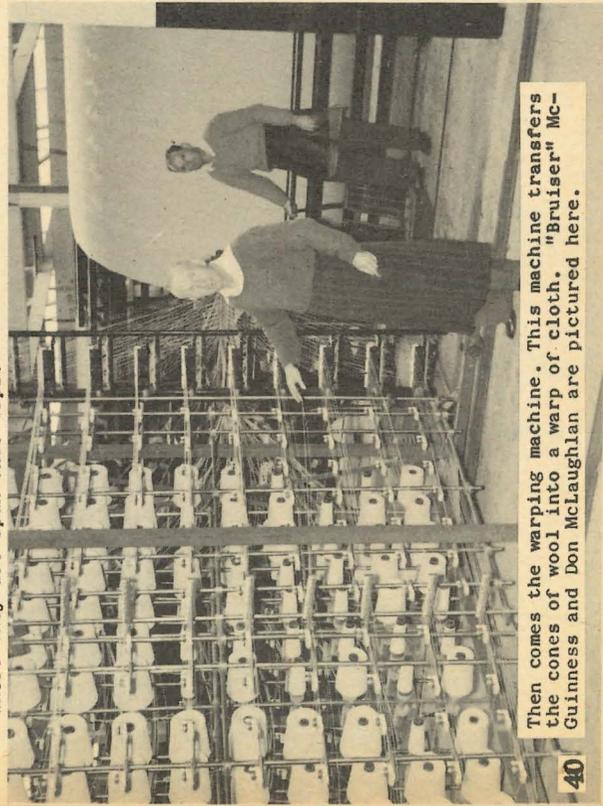
Blending the wool... Athol Grosnell feeds dyed wool into the suction chute in the floor



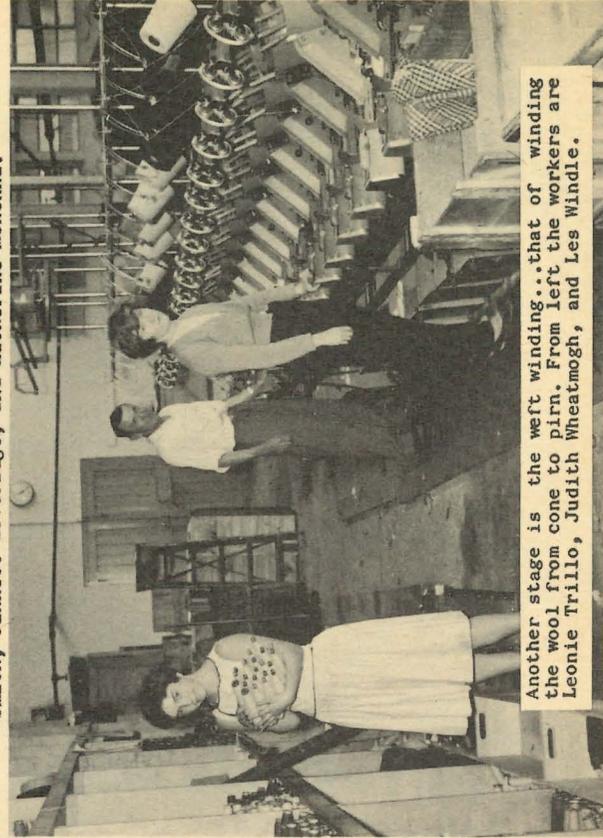
The spools of wool are taken from the carding machine and are placed on these huge trolley-like devices where they are spun onto cops.



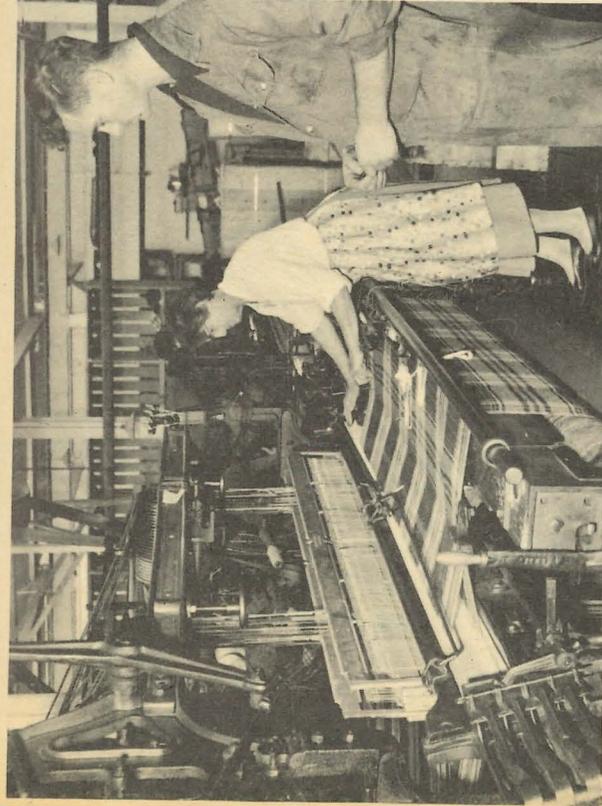
The cops of wool are then wound onto cones on yet another machine. Workers here, from left, are: Rose Smith, Jannett Loveridge, and Katherine McKenna.



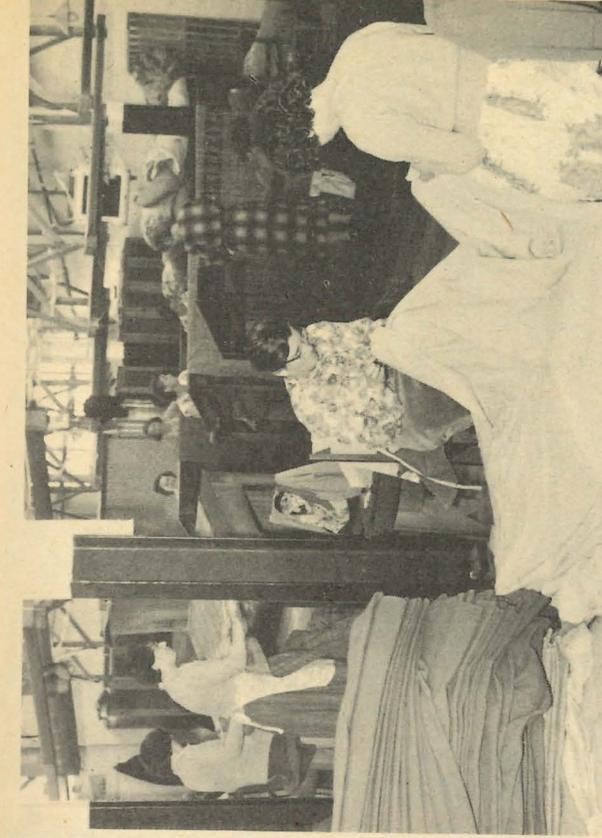
Then comes the warping machine. This machine transfers the cones of wool into a warp of cloth. "Bruiser" McGuinness and Don McLaughlin are pictured here.



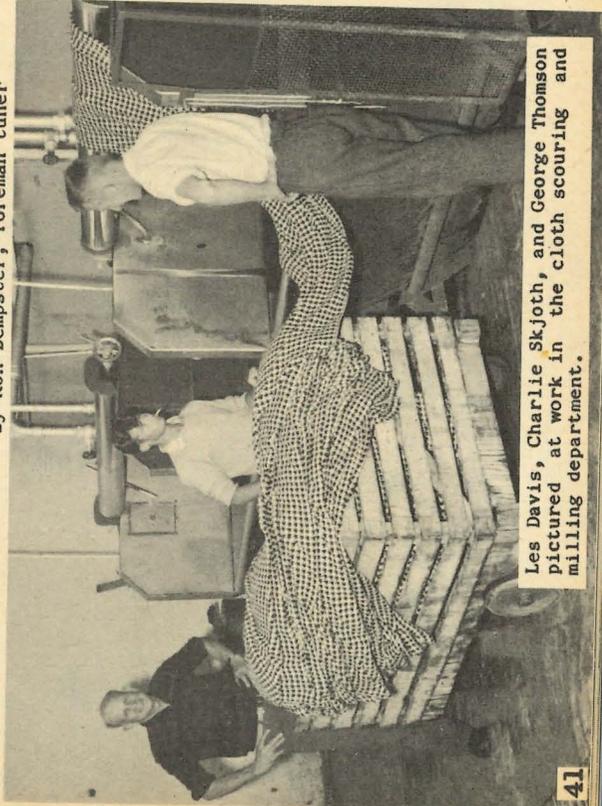
Another stage is the west winding...that of winding the wool from cone to pirn. From left the workers are Leonie Trillo, Judith Wheatmogh, and Les Windle.



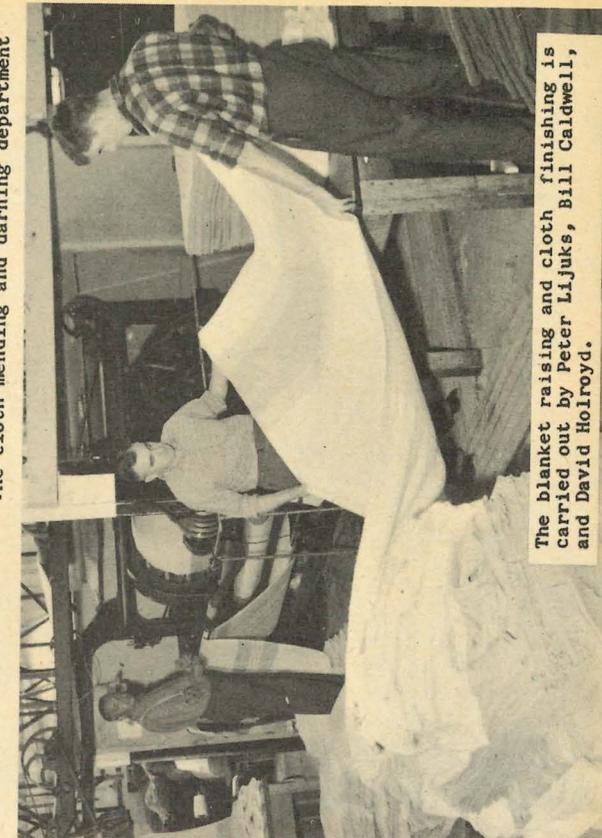
Mrs Walters weaves an Anderston tartan rug watched by Ron Dempster, foreman tuner



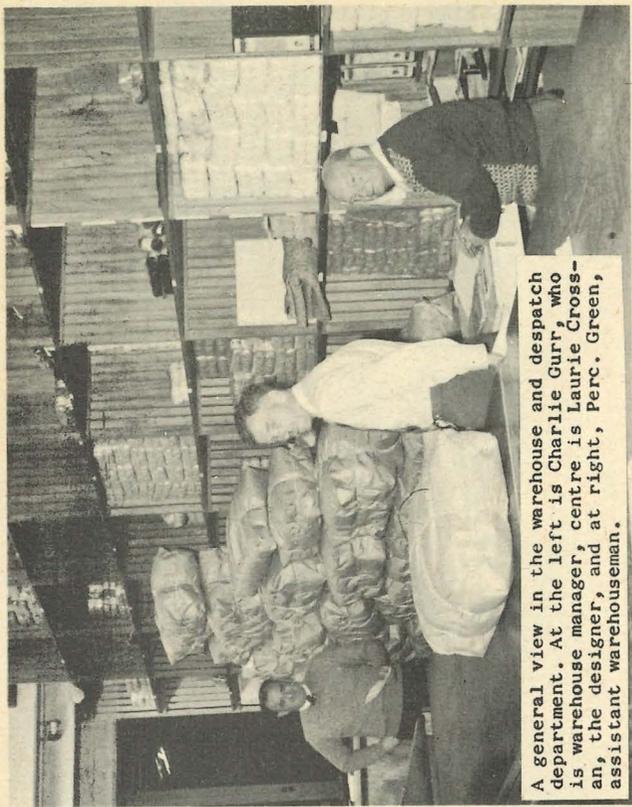
The cloth mending and darning department



Les Davis, Charlie Skjoth, and George Thomson pictured at work in the cloth scouring and milling department.



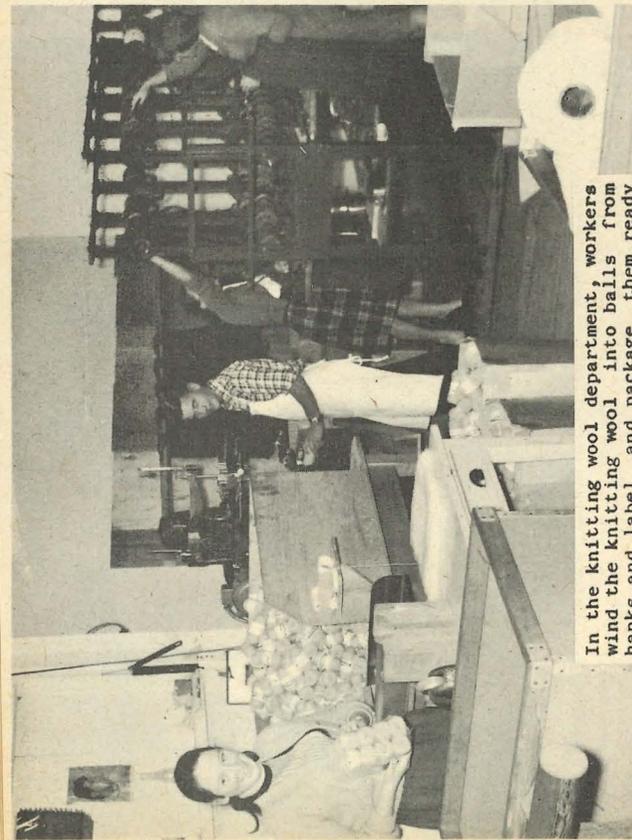
The blanket raising and cloth finishing is carried out by Peter Lijuks, Bill Caldwell, and David Holroyd.



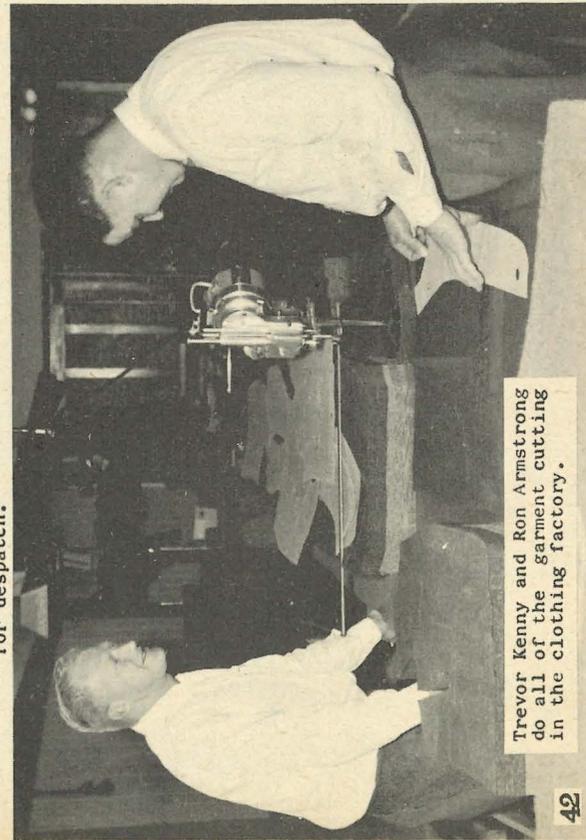
A general view in the warehouse and despatch department. At the left is Charlie Gurr, who is warehouse manager, centre is Laurie Cross-an, the designer, and at right, Perc. Green, assistant warehouseman.



A general view of the clothing factory which employs about 35 people at the machines.



In the knitting wool department, workers wind the knitting wool into balls from hanks and label and package them ready for despatch.



Trevor Kenny and Ron Armstrong do all of the garment cutting in the clothing factory.



Above: NEW ZEALAND RECORD?: As the result of all ten members of its team performing the astonishing feat of scoring possibles in an inter-club shoot, the Municipal Smallbore Rifle Club of Wanganui is claiming a New Zealand record. The team scored an unprecedented 1000.83 against Castlecliff in the Wanganui and District Smallbore Rifle Association's A grade home-and-away competition. The members of the team and their scores are: **Back Row:** J.Little, 100.9; C.Benson, 100.6; A.Churcher, 100.9; L.Watson, 100.8; O.Churcher, 100.7; **Front Row:** Mrs E.Hounsell, 100.8; Mrs L.Rush, 100.10; I. McAlister, 100.10; Mrs A.Churcher, 100.9; Mrs P.Colville, 100.7.

Below: PAPER DRIVE: Scouts and cubs from the Glasgow Eagles troup, Aramoho, recently conducted a paper drive around that suburb to help raise money for new premises. The boys in the photograph are: Kelvin Leathem, Brian Roydhouse, Peter Richardson, and Russell Dowdle.





Mrs Turfrey poses with her prize work of art... a house almost completely made from sea shells. It took 1,861 shells to make the house alone.



Sea shell birds sitting on a piece of driftwood

Sea Shell Hobby

A few months back we published some photographs of a Mrs Pritchard, a Wanganui East resident who had a hobby of making ornaments etc. from sea shells. Well believe it or not Wanganui has another lady who excels in this unusual yet fascinating pastime. She is Mrs Victoria Turfrey of 23 Ash-ton Terrace, Castlecliff. Mrs Turfrey has been indulging in this art since October of last year and has already made a number of fascinating pieces. Most of the shells used by Mrs Turfrey are from the Castlecliff Beach, but she does get a number from pen-friends and places out of Wanganui.



Some of the cleverly-made figures that Mrs Turfrey has made in this short time



A selection of articles made by Mrs Turfrey





Snow Mitchell, Bill Main, and Keith Bing get set to start

Road Cycling

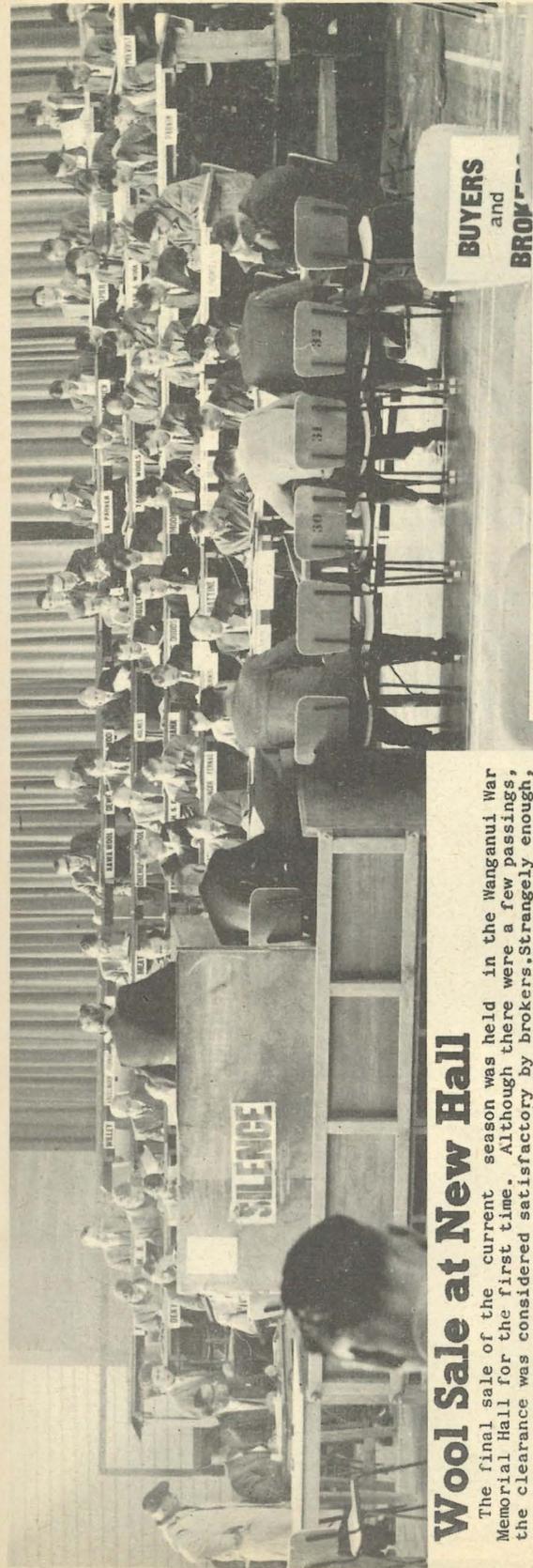
In the first race of the season the Wanganui Road Cycling Club defeated Hawera by 38 points lost to 54 for the Wattie Pidwell Cup. The race was held over a distance of about 29 miles from the Dublin Street Bridge to the 13 mile peg past Makirikiri and return. The race was won by N. Stockdale of Wanganui... a surprise win, as this was his first cycle race. Snow Mitchell, aged 33, came out of retirement to gain second place.



Some of the Wanganui riders. From left: Leon Giles, Noel Anderson, Robert Tarry, Ian Chamberlain, Tony Lawrence, Snow Mitchell, Garry O'Neill, Graham Bing, Bill Main, and Keith Bing.



Hawera riders, from left: N. Fowler, C. Laing, R. Marsh, D. Black, C. Fleet, C. Cosford, J. Mildenhall, B. Bayley, D. Goodey, and G. Spurdle.



Wool Sale at New Hall

The final sale of the current season was held in the Wanganui War Memorial Hall for the first time. Although there were a few passings, the clearance was considered satisfactory by brokers. Strangely enough, this sale was held on almost the same spot as the very first of Wanganui's wool sales, approximately 41 years ago.

The scene in the new hall as buyers study their catalogues during this, the last sale of the current season



Buyers knock off for a morning tea break in the Pioneer Room



Representatives from wool firms all over the world vie with each other to get the choicest wool at the right price.



A team from Carterton (having their first time out) carefully lift a "patient" over an obstacle

St. John Ambulance Competitions

Dozens of St. John Ambulance cadets and nurses recently invaded Wanganui from nearby centres to participate in the competitions in all phases of first aid work hold at the Technical College.



Local St. John Ambulance officer, Jim Welton, directs a team of youngsters from Feilding



These lasses from Featherston enjoy a break from their nursing tests: Phillipa Thompson, Lynn Fenwick, Ngaire Clark, and Marilyn Crafar.



Hastings competitors included Officer Patricia Bird, Supt. Janis Glover, Janice Wilson, Beverley Bloomfield, Enid Murray, Joanne Turner and Carol Pascoe.



Florence Urquhart and Valerie Griner of the Fitzroy (New Plymouth) B team undergo their bed-making test.



Wanganui cadets examine their "patient" before dressing his "wounds" and carrying him away in a stretcher.



Colleen Christian and Janice Taylor of the Fitzroy B team chat with their examiner while "patient" Judith Sullivan of Wanganui takes things easy in bed

Young Lynsey Gedye, Guyton Street, tries to pick up a kids' session on his brother's crystal set.



Personal

Barrie Jan Marshall, son of Mrs F.G. Marshall, 122a Duncan Street, recently celebrated his 21st.



Geoffrey Lawson, Wanganui, looks a bit sceptical about his fortune on the card from the old weighing machine in the museum. Looking on is Leila Dalley of Ashurst.



These two pictures show Valerie Whyman and her husband, Stuart Welton, who are at present on tour with the New Zealand Ballet Company. Valerie, a Wanganui girl, is currently dancing the leading role in "Petrouchka" while her husband, also from Wanganui, is driver-mechanic and assistant stage manager for the company.



Married



HENWOOD--HAUSMAN: At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Marton, Ida Dorothea Hausman, daughter of Mrs L.A. McDonald, 28 Morris Street, Marton, to Eric Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs H. Henwood, Waitara. Future home for the couple is to be Marton.

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PALMER--LEWER: At the Gospel Hall, Marton, Valerie Beatrice, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.H. Lewer, Calico Line, Marton, to Gavin Ronald, son of Mr and Mrs R.M. Palmer, 19 Morris Street, Marton.

RICHARDS STUDIOS



Some of the official party pictured during Commander Knowles' address prior to the presentation of the debutantes. From left: Mr E.A.Millward, Mr Millward, Mrs J.A.McFarland, Commander Knowles, Mrs Knowles, and Mr McFarland.

Kindergarten Ball

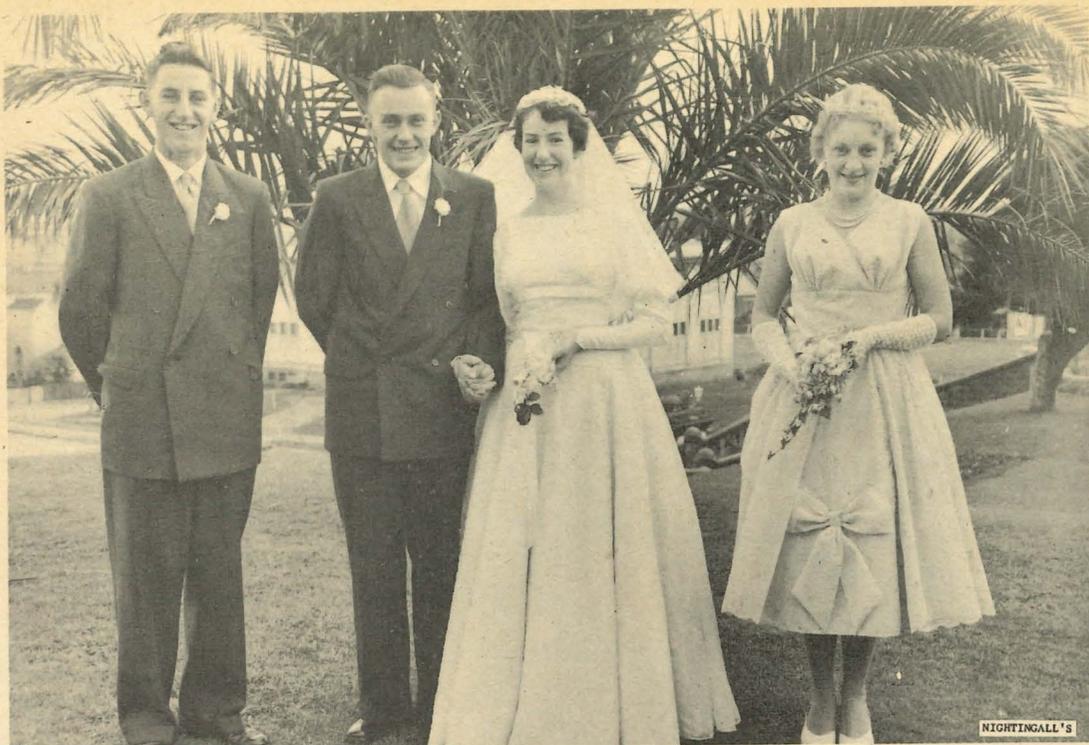
The second grand ball to be held in the new Wanganui War Memorial Hall was the recent Wanganui Free Kindergarten Association's effort. Sixteen charming young women chose this occasion to make their debut into society. Debutantes were presented to the guest of honour, Commander L.C.Knowles, USN, from the American Embassy in Wellington, and Mrs Knowles. The ball was well attended and proved a tremendous success.



Accompanied by her sponsor, Mrs Desiree Bergin, one of the debs., Maxelyn Isobel Walker, is presented to Commander and Mrs Knowles.



Debutantes pose with the official party after their presentation. From left they are: Back Row: Janet Lilburn, Maxelyn Walker, Christine Alward, Ngaire Walker, Rose Marie Coe, Janet Duncan. Second Row: Judy Waterson, Kristi Letica, Ann Healy, Ruth Bloor, Ann Page, Sandra Yules, Delyse Percival. Third Row: Mr J.A.McFarland, Mrs McFarland, Commander L.C.Knowles, USN, Mrs Knowles, Mrs E.A.Millward, and the Mayor, Mr Millward; Front Row: Leonie Signal, Lesley Thomas, and Margaret Amer.



Wedding Bells

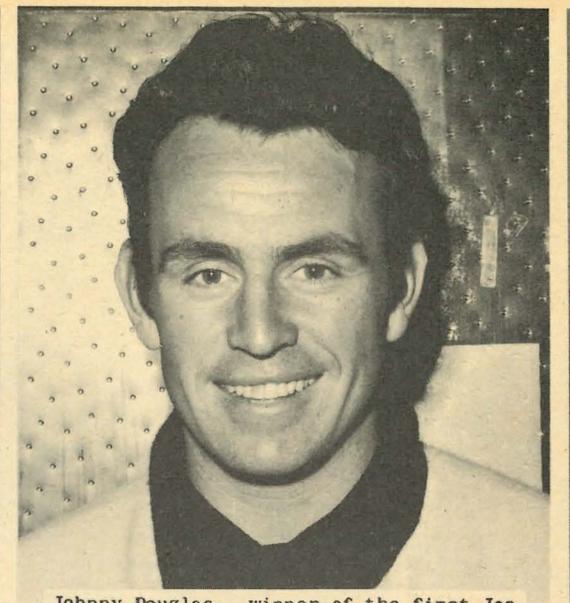
PRESCOTT--LANE: At Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Wanganui, Margaret Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Lane, 3 Kiwi Street, to Raymond Henry, son of Mr and Mrs J. Prescott, 26 Seddon Street. Adele Prescott attended the bride and Tony Lane was best man. Future home....Wanganui.

ROWLEY--BLAIR: At Saint Peter's Church, Gonville, Lynsey Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Blair, Castlecliff Hotel, to Brian, son of Mr and Mrs Rowley, Napier. Gillian Blair was bridesmaid and the best man was Bruce Harper. Future home will be Wanganui.



Having fun at McKenzies' 50th Birthday is Ola Smythe

Roving Camera



Johnny Douglas, winner of the first Joe Brown "Search For Stars" test concert here, has been touring N.Z. with another Joe Brown quest to find a Miss New Zealand to enter the Miss Universe contest at Florida, USA, this year. Johnny went along with the show as a supporting artist....the only one from North Island.



SILVER WEDDING: Mr and Mrs Molan, Kauri Street, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.



Mrs Amelia Stevens, 8 Tregarth Street, is wondering if she holds a New Zealand record..... She is in her 87th year...has 14 children...44 grandchildren...and 74 great-grandchildren. She is pictured here holding one of about 150 beautiful woollen rugs which she has made out of old knitting wool during the past 40 years.



Engaged

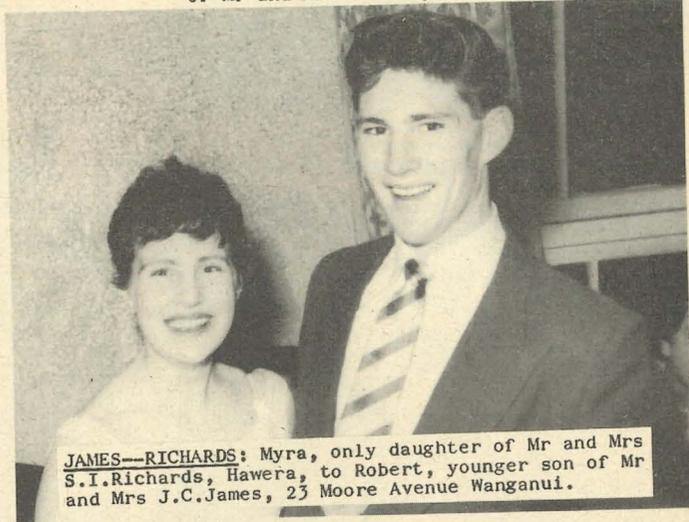
ENNIS--JESSE: Jennifer Vera, only daughter of Mr and Mrs B.A.Jesse, Halswell Street, to James Leon, only son of Mr and Mrs L. (Tos) Ennis, London Street extension.



WROE--HODGE: Molly, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.Hodge, 28 London Street, to Robert, son of Mr and Mrs R.Wroe, Waipawa.



STEWART--O'NEILL: Margaret, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.A. R. O'Neill, of Matahiwi, Wanganui, to William Roger, second son of Mr and Mrs E.Stewart, Kara Street, Gisborne.



JAMES--RICHARDS: Myra, only daughter of Mr and Mrs S.I.Richards, Hawera, to Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.C.James, 23 Moore Avenue Wanganui.



LAWSON--FOSTER: Gillian Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Foster, 35 Swiss Avenue, to Graeme Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs J.Lawson, 7 Bower Street, Napier.



HINGSTON--PEDLEY: Helen Mary Wickham, daughter of Mr & Mrs M.F.Pedley, 26 Kawatiri Avenue, to Earle, only son of Mr and Mrs C.H.Hingston, 47 Alexander Street.

Happy Occasion

ABRAHAM--ROGAN: At the Ratana Church, Kai Iwi, Turiana Oscar, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Rogan, of Burmah Street, Aramoho, to David Leonard, son of Mr and Mrs T.Abraham, Kai Iwi. Chief bridesmaid was Doreen Tauroa, Whangaroa, and Pam Rukuwai, Kai Iwi, was the bridesmaid. Lynette Lawrence was flower-girl. Robert Hina, Kaungaroa, was best man, and Rana Waitai, Wanganui, the groomsman.

Bottom left: During the wedding reception the bridegroom was presented with his 21st birthday key by his father.

Below: The best man and the chief bridesmaid announced their engagement at the wedding breakfast. (Pix by Nightingalls).



Married



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Coming of Age



A panorama of Wanganui taken from Durie Hill about the 1870's

Past and Present

On these next four pages we have a collection of photographs from the early days of Wanganui with their present-day comparisons. The historical photographs were loaned to Photo News by the Wanganui Museum and are from the Alexander Turnbull Library photograph collection. Pictures with historic interest are always of interest and we would like readers to send in photographs of old Wanganui for publication.



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Wanganui today...population 33,000...many thriving industries



Photograph taken from sandhills...now Cook's Gardens...shows the Presbyterian Church and Manse on the left and the Catholic Church on the right.



Today's photograph from almost the identical spot shows the spire of the Catholic Church still in the same place. The Presbyterian Church is now situated in Guyton Street, not shown here.

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Victoria Avenue in the 1870's. Taken from the Post Office corner looking towards Durie Hill and the Town Bridge



Looking up Victoria Avenue from the Town Bridge. Picture taken in the 1880's.



The same picture 90 years later...a few changes though



The same scene today. The young bloods have fast motor-bikes now...a big change from the soda pop boys of bygone days who rode horses to their favourite milkbar.



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Wedding Bells

Above: LETHBRIDGE--PEACH. At Saint Barnabas' Anglican Church, Durie Hill, Elaine Margaret, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C.Peach, 47 Liverpool Street, to Christopher Edric Wroth Bruce, son of the late Mr and Mrs H.B.Lethbridge, "Pahiko", Otaki. Attending the bride were Denise Robinson, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid; Jean Buckingham, Wanganui, Jennifer Tripe, Wanganui, and Miriam Peach, Wanganui, bridesmaids. Best man was Charles Devenish, Christchurch, and the groomsmen were Bill Cummings and Milton Beattie, Christchurch, and Nicholas Tripe, Wanganui. Future home....Christchurch.

Below: NUGENT--BYERS: At St.Mary's Catholic Church, Valmai Georgia, daughter of Mrs and the late Mr A.S.Byers, 63 Anzac Parade, to Daniel, son of the late Mr and Mrs M.R.Nugent, Ireland. Matron of honour was Mrs Z.Peters, Mananui, and the bridesmaids were Mary Lane, Palmerston North, and Patricia Byford, Taihape. Best man was John Nugent, Patea, and the groomsmen were Ken Collingwood, National Park, and Leslie Byers, Hastings. Future home....Wellington.



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Noeline Fay, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Holford, 30 Kakeke Street

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Nancy Maree, daughter of Mr and Mrs E. V.Calkin, 4 Lyon Street, Marton

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Harold David, son of Mr and Mrs E.R.Hatcher, 124 Heads Road.

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Suzanne Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.C.Harrison, Fern Flats, Marton.

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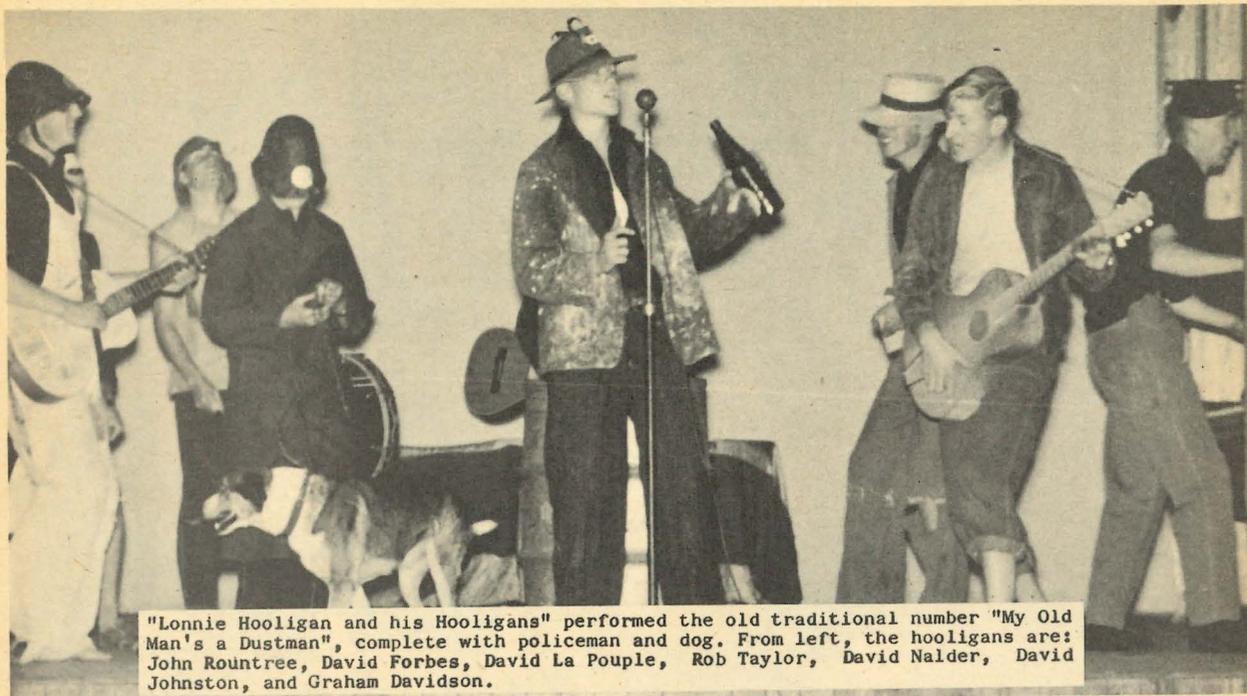
Robin, son of Mr and Mrs W. Upton, 12 Nelson Street

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Ian John, son of Mr and Mrs A. L.Hockley, 9 Caversham Road.

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"Lonnie Hooligan and his Hooligans" performed the old traditional number "My Old Man's a Dustman", complete with policeman and dog. From left, the hooligans are: John Rountree, David Forbes, David La Pouple, Rob Taylor, David Nalder, David Johnston, and Graham Davidson.

Tech. Boys Live It Up

In most colleges the last day of any term is usually a day of much fun. The "Undergraduate Society" at the Wanganui Technical College used their lunch hour on the last day of last term to try to raise more money for the filtration of the school baths, by putting on a concert. In all they managed to raise £5.7.0.



A customer "volunteers" to help out for a comedy sketch with a little "help".



Rob Taylor, David Johnston, and Robert Anderson in another sketch



Rob Taylor and Graham Davidson have a slight disagreement in this sketch



Some of the enthusiastic audience



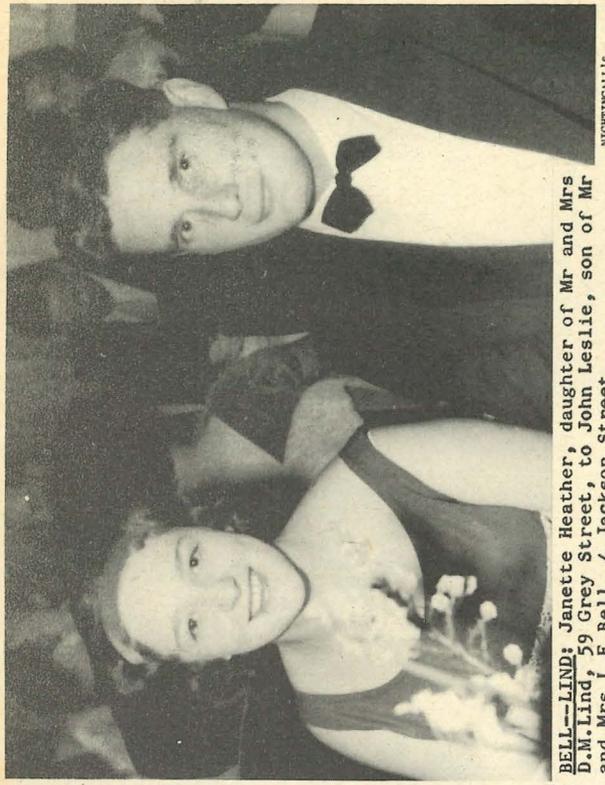
The Tech "Savage Club" lived up to their name when they ate one of their victims. Here savages David Forbes, David Johnston, Rob Taylor, David Nalder, and Sam Anderson do a dance over the remains of their meal.

Engaged



HARPER--MAYO: Shirley, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.H. Mayo, Marton, to Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs G.S. Harper, 7 Wakefield Street, Wanganui.

NIGHTINGALL'S



BELL--LIND: Janette Heather, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M. Lind, 59 Grey Street, to John Leslie, son of Mr and Mrs L.E. Bell, 4 Jackson Street.

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TEKI--WHAREAITU: Miss Harriet Whareaitu, Tauranga, to David, son of Mrs M. and the late Mr Teki, Kai Iwi.

NIGHTINGALL'S



OSBORNE--GLENTWORTH: Beverly Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Glentworth, 101 London Street, to Kim, son of Mr and Mrs G.S. Osborne, Henderson, Auckland.

NIGHTINGALL'S



TIZARD--MCCULLOUGH: Audrey, only daughter of Captain and Mrs McCullough, Preston, Lancashire, England, to Nelson Hugh, only son of Mr and Mrs R.H. Tizard, Wanganui.

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Roving Camera

Above: This almost brand-new Austin A.35, believed to have been converted from the capital city, is really wrapped around this telegraph pole at Turakina. It is a complete write-off. No occupants could be found after the accident. Police inquiries later located two youths in Palmerston North hospital who are understood to be connected with the accident. (Photo by J. Croasdale.)

Below: These Karitane nurses, pictured with the matron, recently received word that they were successful in the final exams which they sat in March. From left they are: Kitty Rawcliff, Rangiwahia; Judy Joll, Havelock North; Sister Giles, the Matron; Shirley Mayo, Marton; Mary Fleming, Waipukarau; and Sue Gray, Onga Onga.

