

## OUR COVER

**LIONS SHARE:** Maurie Harris (president) and Keith Thomas of the Wanganui Lions' Club were two who worked hard to bring the Tot Town Railway to fruition. They are pictured astride two massive steeds for the recent elephant race up Victoria Avenue. A collection was taken during the race to aid Tot Town expenses. (Pic by Wybon Photographers).

## BACK COVER:

**PRICKLY BEAUTY:** Mrs A.W.Todman, 49 Dublin Street, is pictured with a pre-historic variety of cactus, Puya Berteronia which has its origin in the Andes. The seed for this specimen was sown some 24 years ago and has bloomed its green flowers (approx 1000 to a stalk) for the past three years. This cactus is 10ft 7ins tall.....higher than any specimen in Kew Gardens, London, or the Americas. Mr Todman is president of the Wanganui Cactus and Miniature Garden Society and is an internationally-known cactophile (authority on cactii).

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**PARKING SPOT:** A favourite parking spot for city lunchers (and parking meter dodgers) is in Queens Park, just a step from Victoria Avenue. In the background is Durie Hill with its unique memorial tower.



Mr Hodder speaks at the official opening ceremony. Fourth from left is the Prime Minister, Mr Holyoake.



A view of the fair grounds



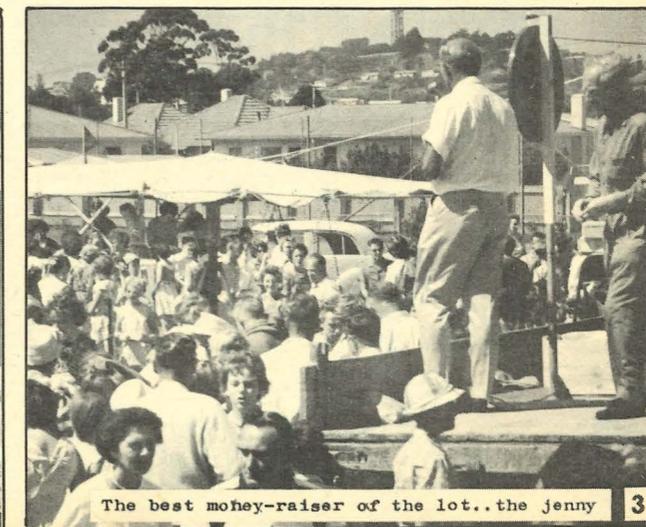
A bit of welcome shade

## £1000 Raised

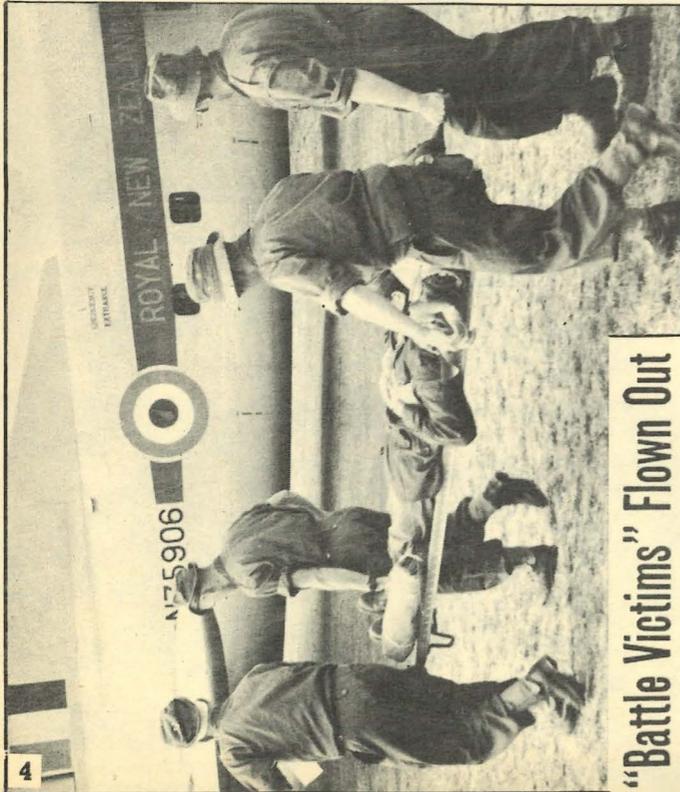
The Wanganui High School's recent gala raised £1000 towards the school's new £8000 gymnasium. As well as the usual stalls there were added attractions such as rifle ranges, merry-go-rounds, etc.



Organisers insured against rain by housing all stalls under canvas



The best money-raiser of the lot..the jenny



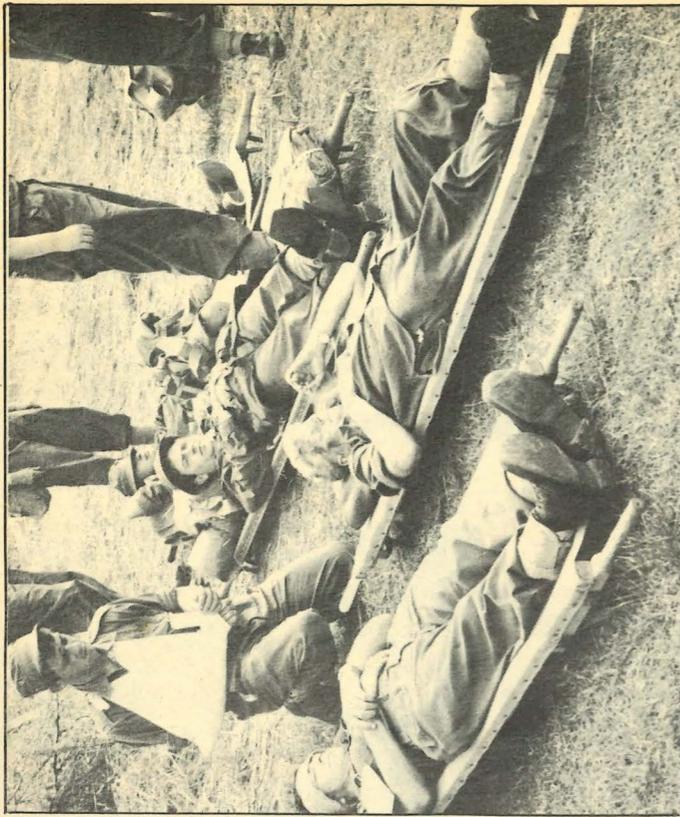
## "Battle Victims" Flown Out

Men suffering from simulated flash burns, bullet holes, cuts and other war injuries were treated at the Wanganui airport by personnel from the 2nd General Hospital Unit and the 2nd Mobile Dental Unit, New Zealand Army, during an evacuation exercise. The "sick and wounded" were later flown to Milson Airport for "hospitalisation and surgery" by an R.N.Z.A.F. Bristol transport. Victims of the battle were made up with realistic "wounds" made from plastic moulding.

**ABOVE:** A stretcher party carries an injured soldier to the plane.

**RIGHT TOP:** Injured soldiers lie waiting to be flown to a hospital.

**RIGHT:** Discussing the success of the exercise. From left: Lt. Col. G.P. Hallwright, O.C. W. company, 2nd General Hospital, Brig. I.T. Galloway, OBE, ED, MA, dept. commander 2nd Infantry Brigade, Matron J.G. Woodruff-Dickson, Senior Matron C. McDonald, Col. John W. Boyd, OBE, ED, Col. A.E. Erenstrom, ADMS Central Military District.



Judges Maurice Bucknell, Phyllis Wansborough and "Charles of Melbourne" had a difficult task.



Miss Wanganui finalists: from left: Lyn Ross (2nd), Rosalind Oldfield (1st) and Olga Cvitanovich (3rd).



Miss Bikini finalists, from left: Judelle Snowden (3rd), Velvette Chavannes (2nd), and Ruth Saunders (1st). Pinning on the winner's sash is Surf Club Patron, Mr D.N. Anderson.

## Miss Wanganui Quest

Twenty-eight girls faced the judges in competition for the titles of Miss Wanganui, Miss Wanganui Junior, and Miss Bikini at the Castlecliff Surf Pavilion recently. The surf club's annual contest was not as strongly patronised by the public this year owing mainly to other attractions in the city and the fairly unpleasant conditions at the beach.

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**ABOVE: SENIOR CONTESTANTS:** Feeling somewhat nervous, the eleven entrants in the Miss Wanganui contest display their charms to the judges and spectators. From left: Olga Cvitanovich, Joan Gerrie, Jennifer Broadhead, Marie Wehipeihana, Lyndsay Ward, Naida Beale, Rosalind Oldfield, Jill Ennis, Lyn Ross, Nancy Clark, and Jennifer Campbell.

**BELOW: JUNIOR FINALISTS:** Facing the judges for the selection of the final three are seven finalists in the Miss Wanganui Junior division. From left: Margaret McDonnell (1st), Margot Groshinski, (3rd), Marion Ryland, Carol Nelson, Christine Check, Judelle Snowden, and Robyn Wallis (2nd).



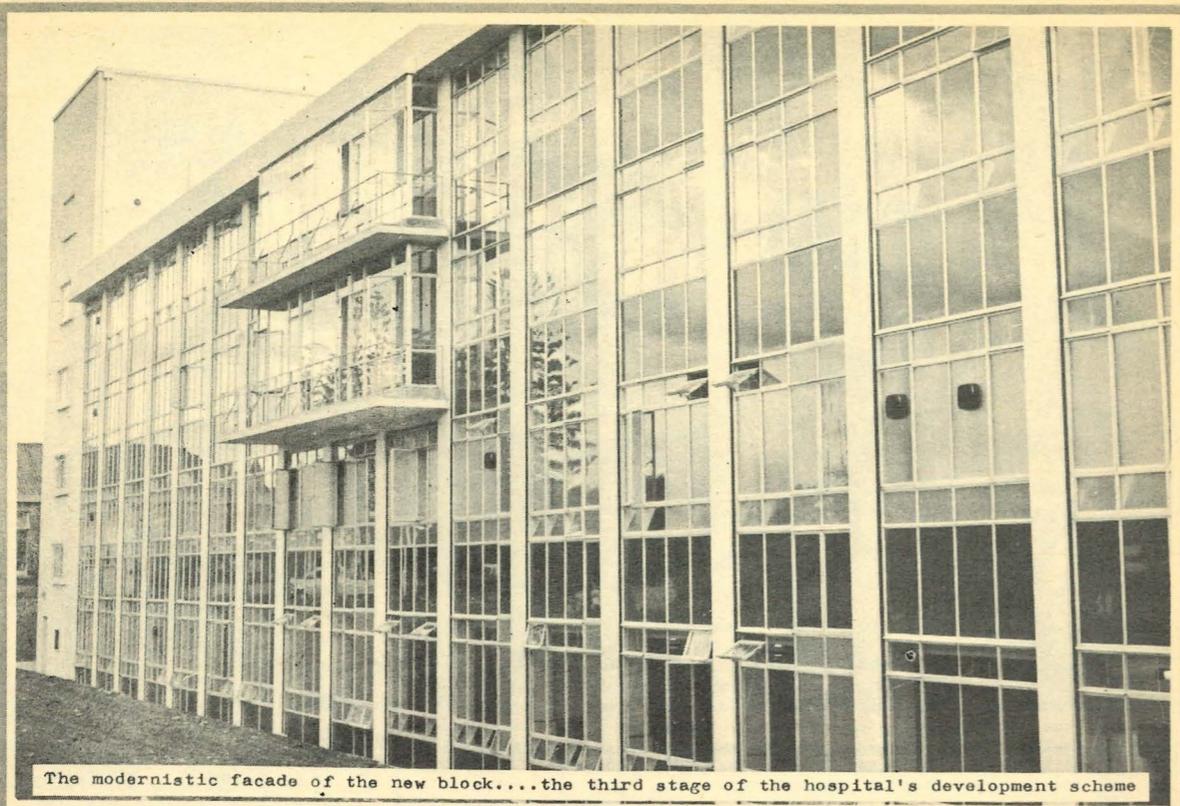
A surprise entrant who faced the judges with a poser was two-year-old Allison Higgins. As there was no age limit the judges had to consider the tot along with the older gals. Their solution was to award a special prize to the little one. From left: Allison, Judelle Snowden, Velvette Chavannes, and Ruth Saunders.



Margaret McDonnell won the title Miss Wanganui Junior



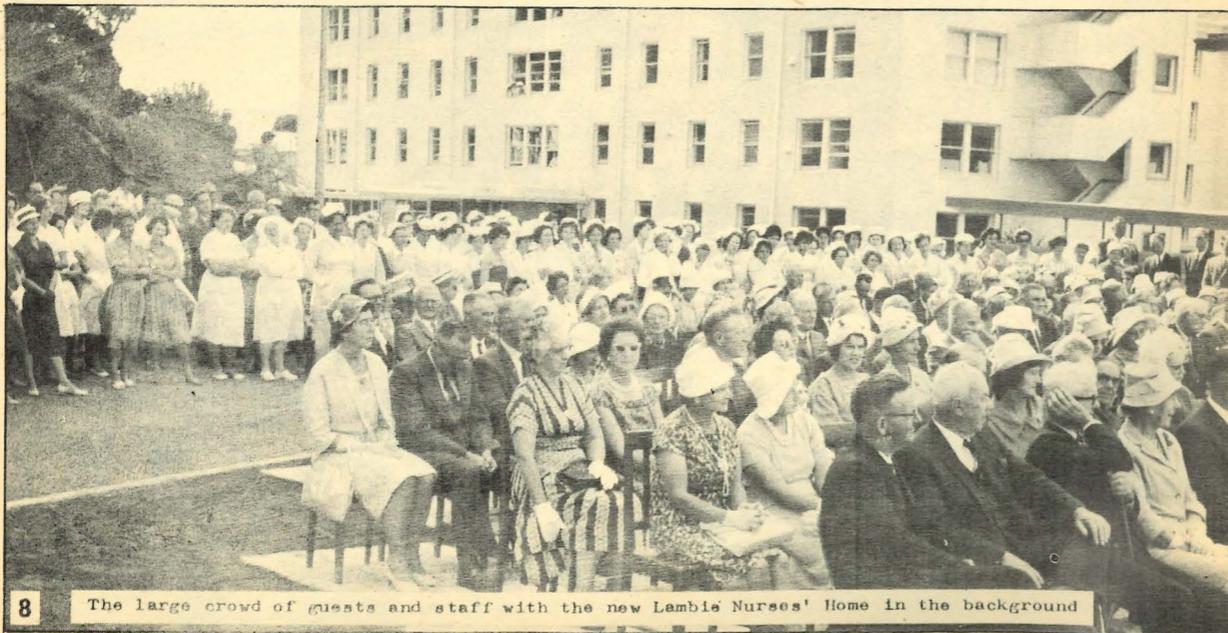
A stiff wind made conditions unpleasant and kept a lot of people away



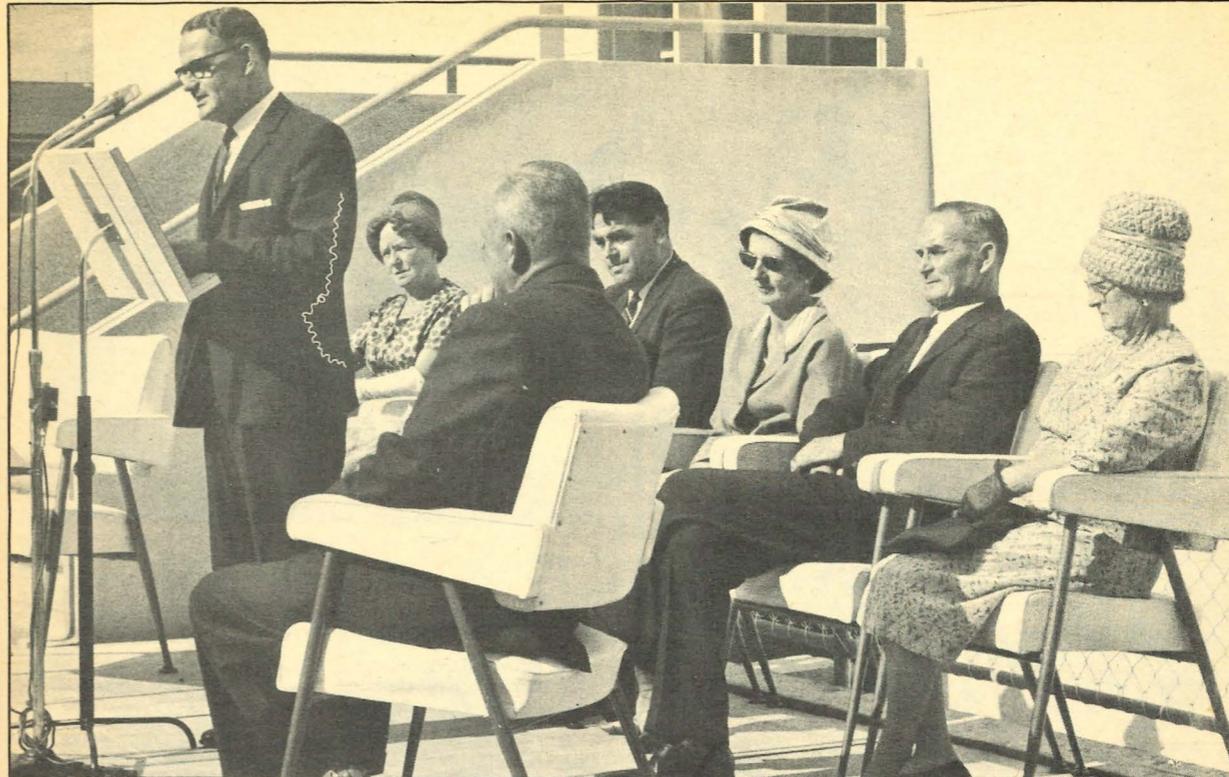
The modernistic facade of the new block...the third stage of the hospital's development scheme

## Hospital Block Opened

The Hon. D.N.McKay, Health Minister in the National Cabinet, opened the Wanganui Hospital's new £500,000 theatre and ward block recently. The new block will provide an additional 60 beds to the hospital's capacity and also provides more and better theatre facilities and a modern tutorial department. Allowances have been made for the addition of another storey if required. After the opening ceremony visitors were invited to inspect the block.



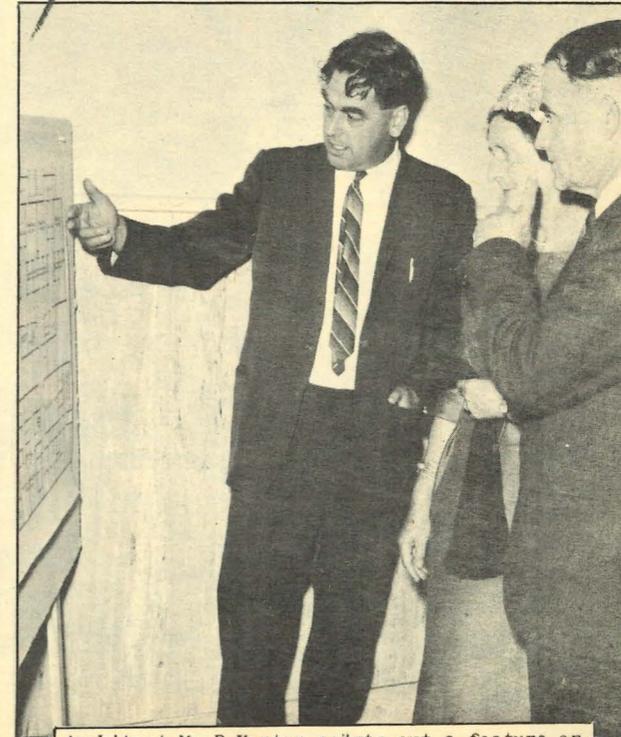
8 The large crowd of guests and staff with the new Lambie Nurses' Home in the background



Mr McKay pictured speaking at the official opening ceremony. Also seated on the dais are the chairman of the Wanganui Hospital Board, Mr R.J.G.Tregurtha, the architects' representative, Mr R.Horton, the Mayor, Mr R.P.Andrews, and their wives.



Strict hospital rules ban stiletto heels... this even applies to the wife of the Minister of Health. Mrs McKay is pictured slipping into more suitable footwear before inspecting the new block.



9 Architect Mr R.Horton points out a feature on the building's blueprint to Mr and Mrs McKay.



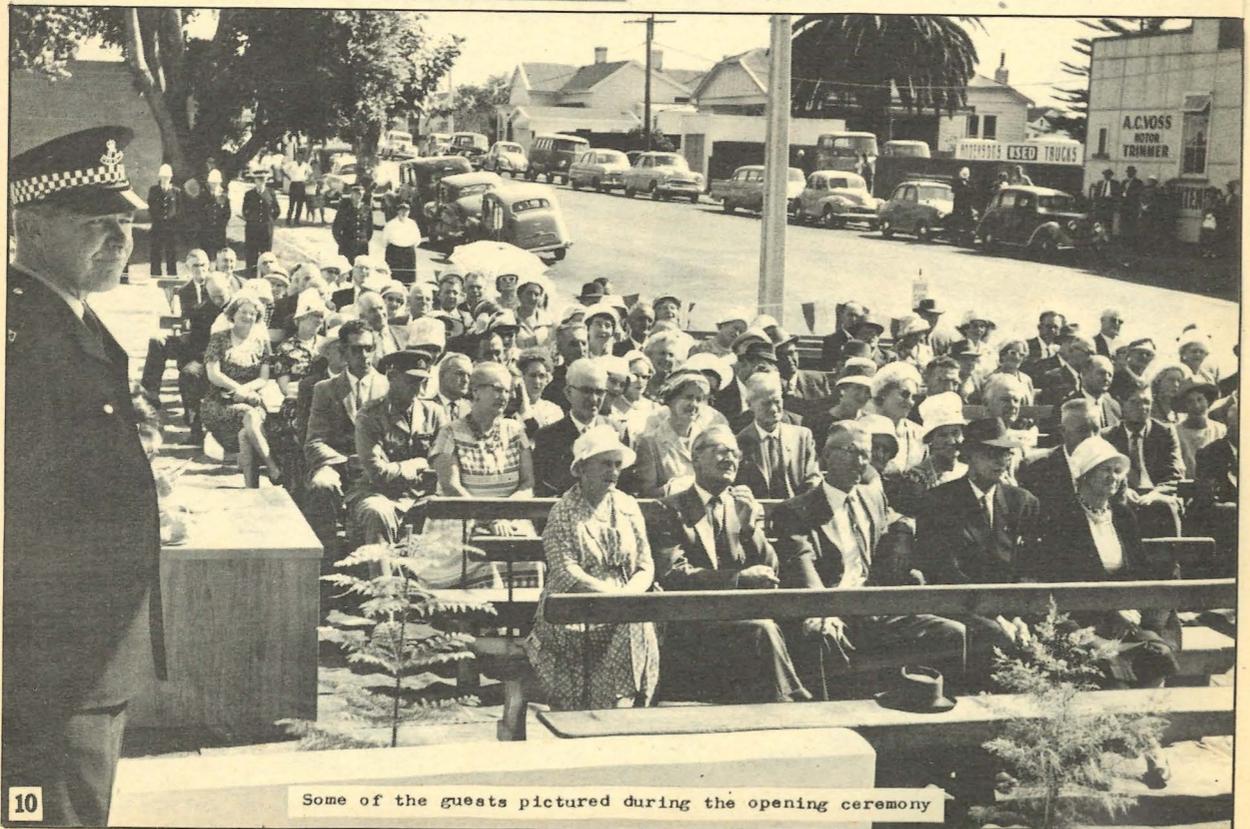
Mr Eyre addressing the gathering. The picture was taken through the embossed glass panel at the entrance of the building.



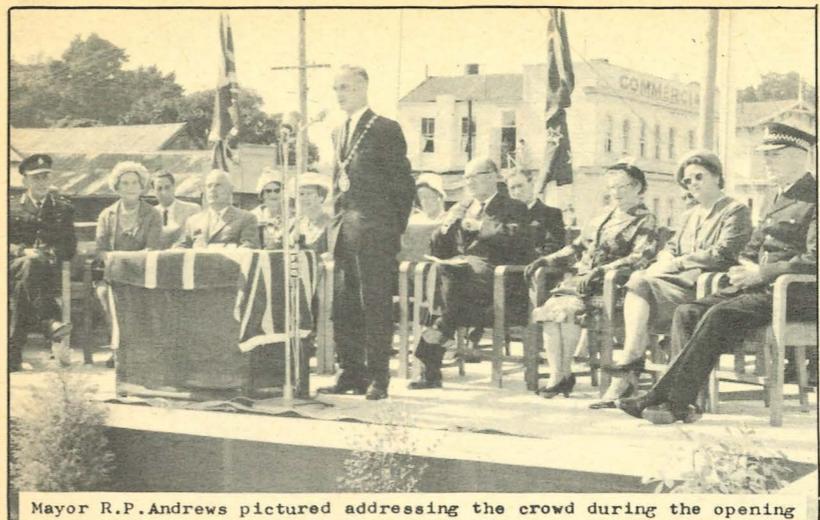
Chief Inspector S.C. Browne proudly shows Mr Eyre the exercise yard in the cell block

### Police Station Opened

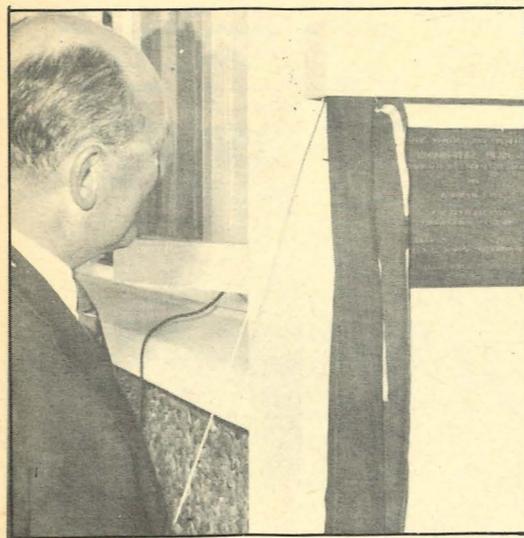
A crowd of about 200 attended the opening of Wanganui's new £100,000 Central Police Station, Bell Street. The Minister of Police, Mr Dean Eyre, officiated at the function. After the ceremony, visitors were taken on a conducted tour of the fine new building and were treated to morning tea.



Some of the guests pictured during the opening ceremony



Mayor R.P. Andrews pictured addressing the crowd during the opening



Mr Eyre unveiled the commemorative plaque

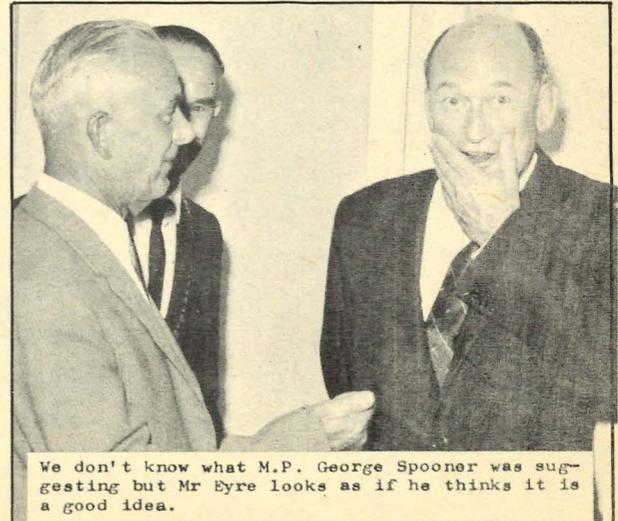
THIS BUILDING WAS OPENED BY  
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12	CYCLE INQUIRIES
13	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION BRANCH
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15	WOMEN'S DIVISION
16	J. C. P. S.
SECOND FLOOR	
17	PHOTO ROOM
18	SOCIAL ROOM

The room and floor directory



The official party examines the cell block



We don't know what M.P. George Spooner was suggesting but Mr Eyre looks as if he thinks it is a good idea.



### Roving Camera

**ABOVE: Proceeds:** This nice fat little cheque for £150 was raised by the Aramoho Kindergarten Association's social club to aid their Kindy's operating expenses.

**LEFT: Mascot:** 22-months-old Ross Tong was well equipped as the mascot of the Technical College rowing crews at the recent William Webb Memorial race.

**BELOW: Raising Money:** The ultimate goal is £2000 to be raised by individual and group work by these Technical College folk. They have been working since August, 1962, to try and raise the money to finance their geographical study tour of Singapore, Malaya and Thailand, scheduled to be made next August. If anyone wants work done and are willing to help the boys financially, here is your chance. From left, the party at work clearing the Pioneer Hall section are: Bryan Stokes, Mr D.W.Day, Kevin Patterson, Brian Shennan, David Kennedy, and Elliston Rowland. Absent: Glen McKay.



Cadet Turner



Cadet Kendall



Cadet Sutherland



Acting Petty Officer Selwyn Pilcher (who recently spent a fortnight on the Royalist) farewells Chief Tuck. At right is the unit's Commanding Officer Lt. E.W.Mitchell.

### Petty Officer Farewelled

The chief Sea Cadet instructor for the Wellington district and the founder of the Wanganui Sea Cadets, Chief Petty Officer D. Tuck, Raumati, was farewelled by the company of T.S.Caliopé on his recent retirement. He has put much work into the forming of the Wanganui Sea Cadets and was thanked by officers and four senior cadets (Acting Leading Cadets Pilcher, Turner, Kendall, and Sutherland).



A presentation of a cocktail table in native timbers was made to Mr Tuck by Mr Mitchell on behalf of the ship's company



Auckland team pictured trooping the colour in an impressive ceremony

## Invasion By Marchers

Wanganui was recently besieged by about 200 marching girls and a brass band from Auckland. A special train brought the visitors for competition against seven local teams. The marching competition was held in steady rain on the Sunday. The Saturday was left free for the girls but in the evening a street march was held and then a welcome and items at Cook's Gardens. These photos were taken at the evening events.



The flags were handed over to Matinee (Auck) to be paraded through the ranks



A bit of harmony by the Swiftfoot Elks' Quintette. This team won the Midget championship in the marching the following day.



Members of the Swiftfoot team performed Maori action songs and poi dances



The One Tree Hill Silver Band were impressive with their playing, especially their drum corps



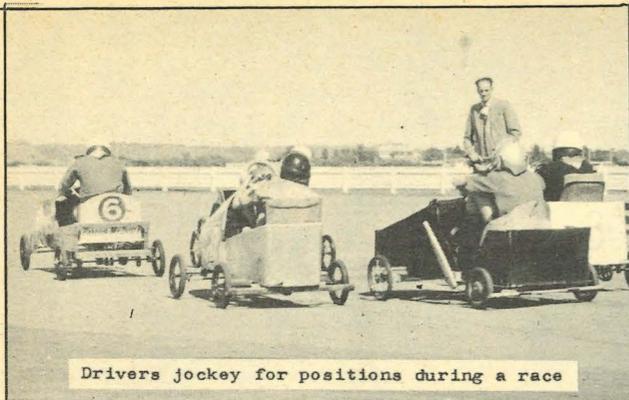
Wanganui YMCA trampolinists demonstrated their skills. Here Peter Keltie twists through a hoop while skipping on the tramp. Peter is now in Canada where he is furthering his physical education.



Replacing Peter as trampoline instructor at the YMCA is Graeme Lawrence, a former racing cyclist and a present racing-car driver. He is seen here in the role of a clown at Cook's Gardens.



A large crowd watching the programme at Cook's Gardens



Drivers jockey for positions during a race

## Trolley Derby Day

Wanganui Scouts and Cubs recently staged their seventh annual soap-box derby at the race course. Designs have improved over the years and this year's models sported pneumatic tyres, tubular-steel frames, fibreglass bodywork and gears. In 1958 the best speed was about 15 mph..the latest models can travel at about 25 mph.



District Commissioner K.Boesley, with flag, started the first race of the programme



Some of the handsome trophies



John Benseman, Tawhero, pictured with his mechanics, Doug Barrett, Mike Law and Graeme Veale.



On the starting grid ready to race



Durie Hill...driven by Robert Bell



Westmere...Arnold Bunn

Pictured on this page are the trolleys during their speed trials



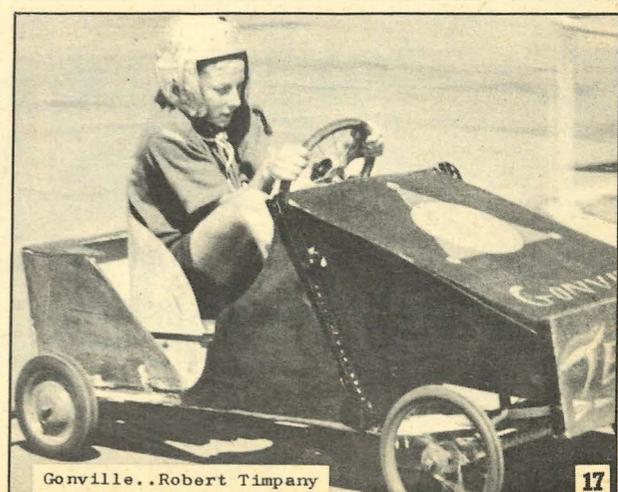
Maxwell...Richard Handley



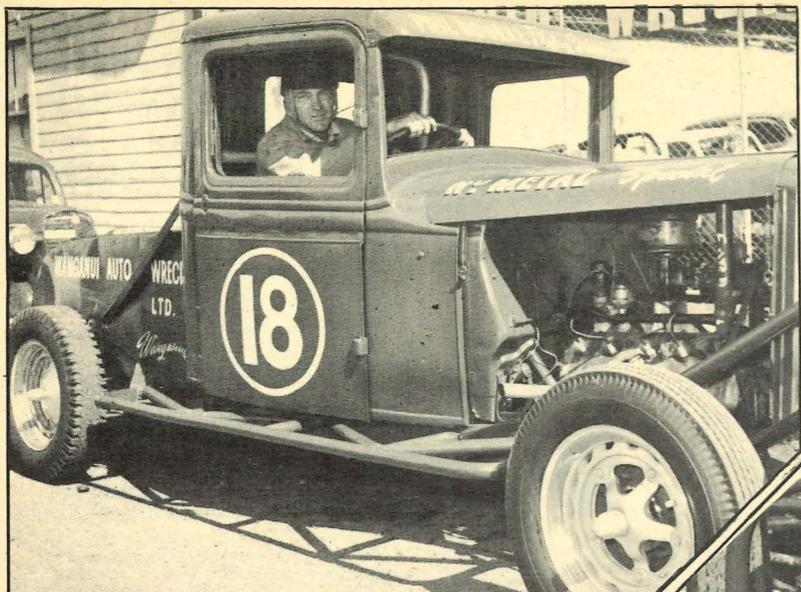
Sea Scouts..Raymond Alabaster



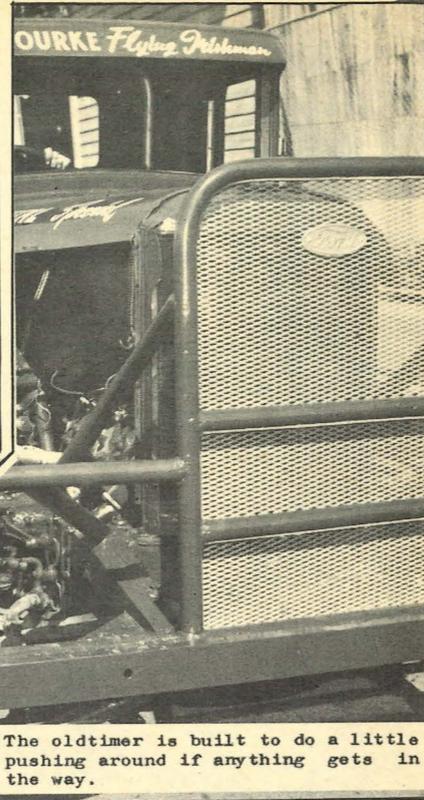
Tawhero..John Benseman



Gonville..Robert Timpany



The Nu Metal Special, owned by Auto Wreckers, is being driven at stock-car meetings by Phil Bourke "The Flying Irishman".



The oldtimer is built to do a little pushing around if anything gets in the way.



Tony Lawrence pushed his hot Peugeot into two first and two second placings



Clint Kendall corners at speed in Gary Bremner's soupy Humber 80



Before allowed on the track all cars had to be examined. Here Ron Sheahon's Prefect gets a good going over.

## Motor Page

**ABOVE:** Stock Racer: Wangami Auto Wreckers Ltd have gone into the stock-car racing game with this "Nu Metal Special", a 1934 V8 truck disguised as a coupe.

**LEFT & BELOW:** The Wangami Car Club recently held saloon, sports, and racing-car events on their grass track at Mosstown Road. A fairly large crowd watched the thrilling races through the clouds of choking dust.

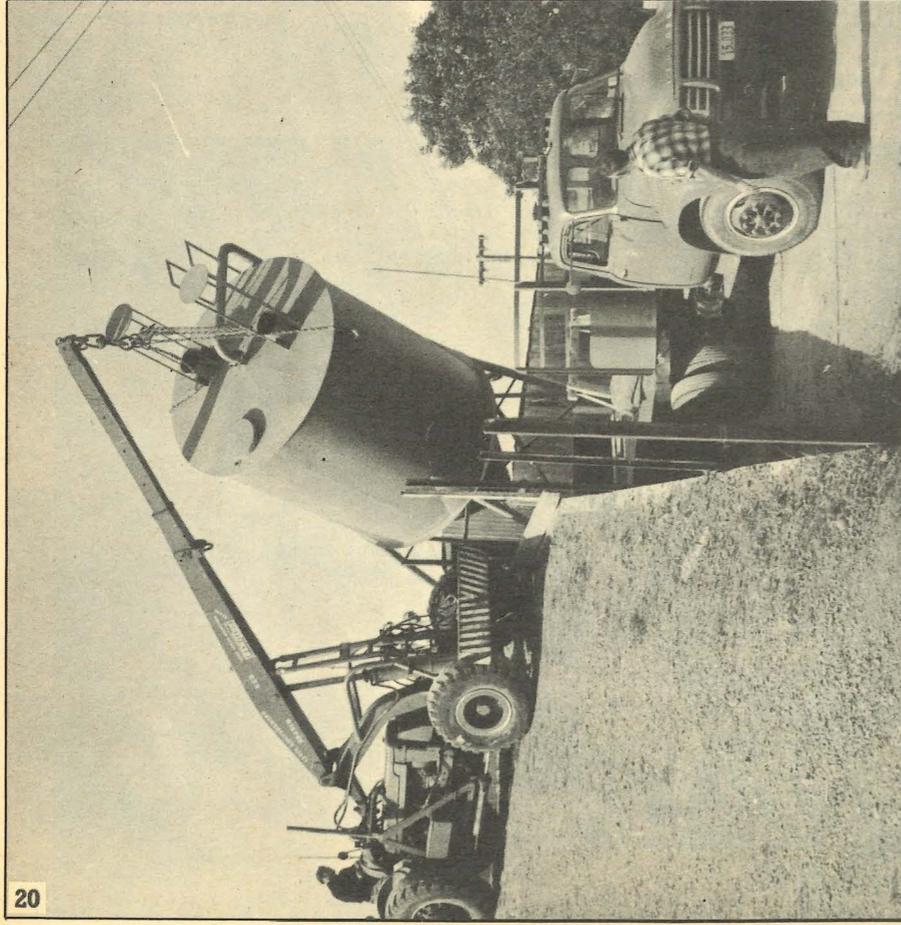


## Wedding Bells

**ABOVE: CLARKE--WEBSTER:** At Knox Presbyterian Church, Gonville, Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Webster, 100 Heads Road, Wangami, to Geoffrey, son of Mr and Mrs R. Clarke, 27 Drake Street, New Plymouth. Attendants were Janice Webster, sister of the bride, Wangami (chief bridesmaid), Jeannie Christensen, New Plymouth, Barry Foster, Palmerston North (best man) and Gordon Page, New Plymouth. Future home...New Plymouth.

**BELOW: ADLAM--COUCHMAN:** At St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.A. Couchman, Great North Road, St John's Hill, to William Leonard, son of Mr and Mrs P.D. Adlam, Tekiri Rd, Opunake. Mrs Couchman is pictured with her attendants, From left: Barbara Chap-pell, Invercargill, Pat Connolly, Wangami (chief bridesmaid), Gay Couchman and Linda Couchman, the bride's sisters, Wangami. Future home...Rotorua.

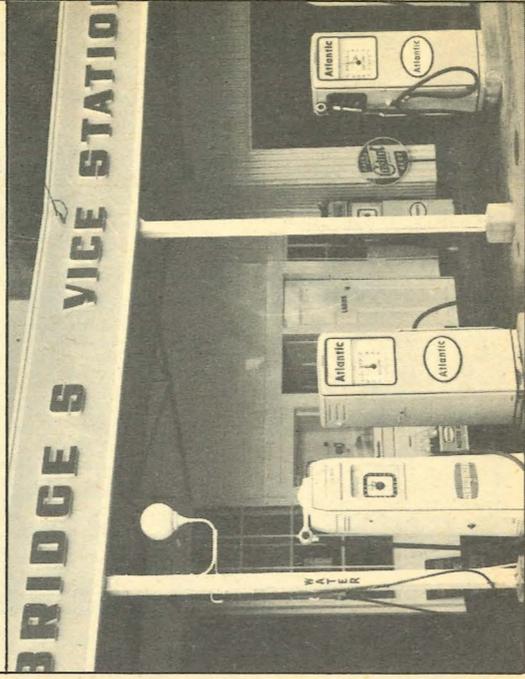
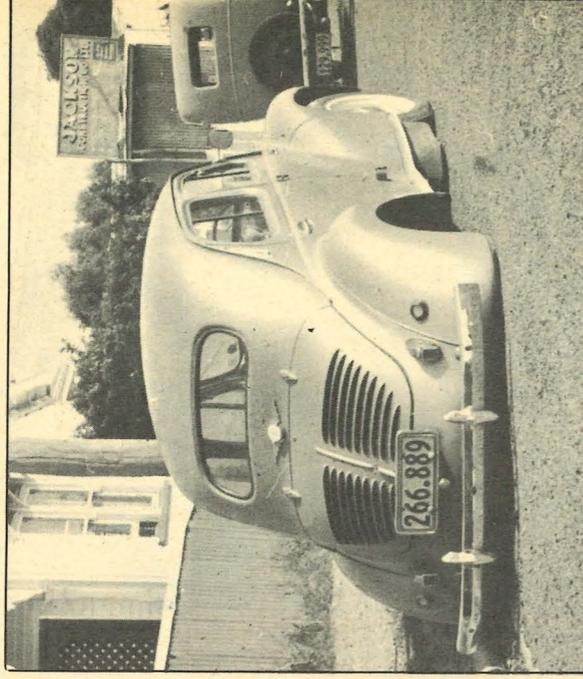




**Pot Pourri**

**ABOVE: Silo.** Installed: Consill Concrete Products, Field Street, Aramoho, recently installed a 24 ft bulk cement silo. Built by Steel-Benders Ltd, Palmerston North, the silo is one leased from the Golden Bay Cement Company and has a capacity of 14 tons. The silo is mounted above a weigh-batcher and is filled by a tanker truck..thus saving the bag-handling problem.

**TOP RIGHT: Low Slung!** The Continentals are pretty keen on their low-slung cars...but not to this extent. This Renault parked on the side of a city street had its engine and rear assembly out for fixin'.  
**RIGHT: Bad Name!** No....this is not headquarters set up by our Police to investigate the current "vice ring" in Wanganui. It is just that the "E" and "q" dropped out of the name on the Bridge Service Station.



**Pot Pourri**

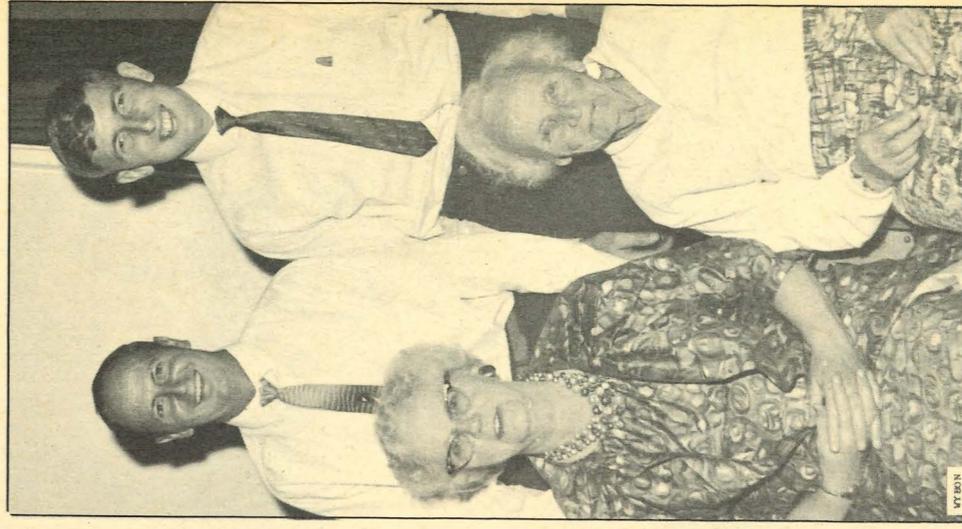


**Golden Wedding!** Mr and Mrs R.B. Horsley, Delhi Avenue, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in the Wanganui East Baptist Church Hall with a large gathering of their friends and relations. They were the first couple to be married in the church. A son, Colin Horsley, is the celebrated pianist.



**80th Birthday!** Mr W. W. (Pop) Johnston, 5 Stewart Street, Aramoho, is pictured cutting his 80th birthday cake, with Mrs Johnston.

**Family Occasions**



**Four Generations!** Mrs A. Jarvis, Victoria Avenue, is pictured with her daughter, Mrs J.E. Wilkins, 21 Keith Street, her grandson, Mr J. Wilkins, 13 Churchill Crescent, and her great-grandson, Mr J.I. Wilkins, Smithfield Road.

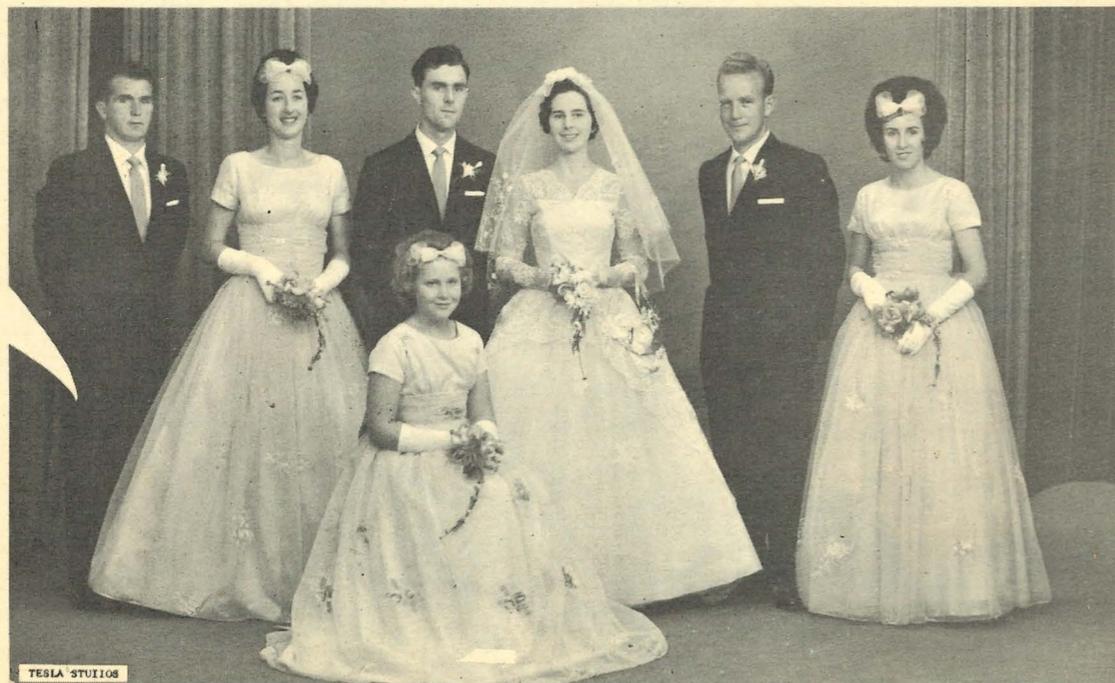


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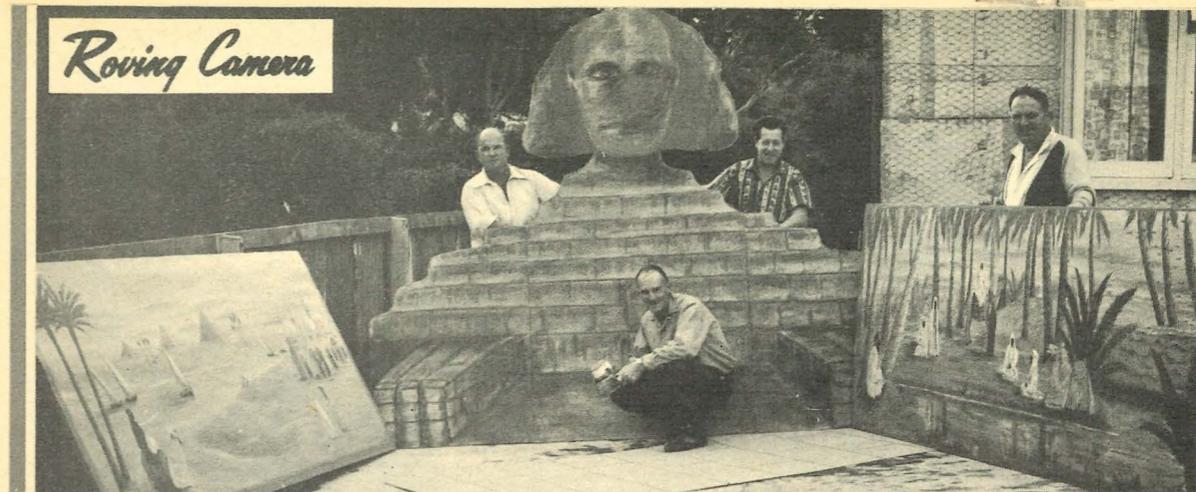
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**ABOVE: BROWN--STOKES:** At All Saints' Anglican Church, Wanganui East, Janice, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Stokes, 47 Moana Street, Wanganui East, to John, son of Mrs and the late Mr J.L. Brown, 87 Tama Street, Lower Hutt. In the photograph, from left: Lloyd Stevenson, Nae Nae, best man; Lynley Kjoss, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid; the bride and groom; Bryan Stokes, Wanganui, brother of the bride; Beverley Sollitt, Wanganui. Future home...Wanganui.

**BELOW: CRAYTON--SWEENEY:** At St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Marlyn Louise, daughter of Mrs I.C. Sweeney, 29 Somme Parade, Wanganui, to Andrew Ross, son of Mrs Joan Crayton, Bannockburn, Scotland. Attendants were: Janette Smith, Wellington, chief bridesmaid, Lois Lawrence, Wanganui, Sharon Clark, junior maid, William McCarron, Wanganui, best man, and William Main, Wanganui.



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## Roving Camera

**ABOVE: Fine Art-Work:** Patrons at the "Another Night in Cairo" were enthusiastic in their praise of the murals adorning the hall. Pictured here are the man and his helpers who were responsible for the work. Crouching is Ces Cornish and his helpmates are Tom Mathews, Pat Falconer, and Mick Logan.

**BELOW: Taranaki's Annual Invasion:** An estimated 1000 visitors made their annual Taranaki Anniversary Day invasion to Wanganui this year. A great money-booster to local businesses, the Wanganui Retailers guarantee a special train for the excursion. They provide fruit and sweets for the train for the children as well. Wanganui's restaurants were flat to the boards catering for the hungry Taranaki-ites' appetites.



Sixteen carriages and a van were pulled by two engines to carry the 744 train-travellers



The visitors seemed to be predominantly teenagers and families with small children



## Another Night In Cairo



The city's second "Night in Cairo"....."Another Night in Cairo" was held in the Memorial Hall recently. Proceeds of the function were to go towards the £900 expense that the Wellington-West Coast-Taranaki Regiment faces in buying its new colours.

As was the case last year, the show went with a real bang. The War Memorial "Mosque" was packed to the doors with wogs, Gulligulli men, harem girls, sheiks, harem girls, servicemen, and harem girls.

**ABOVE:** A weird assortment of costumes typical of the dress worn by most of the patrons.

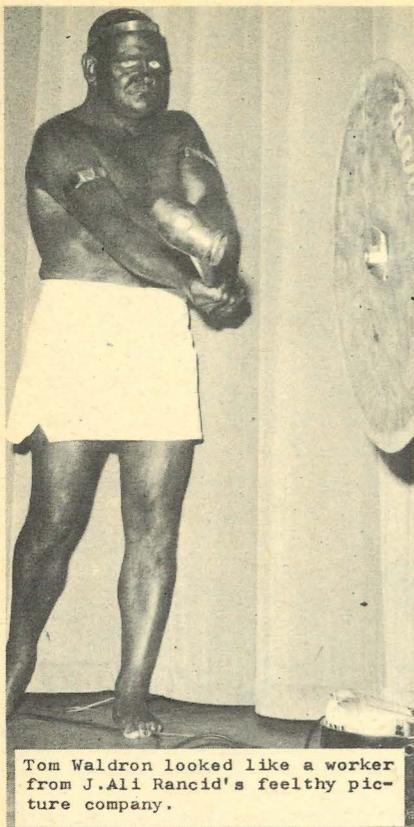
**RIGHT:** Kiwi versions of the dancing girls of the Middle East. These girls put on a floor show which was very popular.



The most villainous-looking wog cut-throat present was Bill Groves. He is pictured with Dorothy Small and a feathered friend that he produced from the folds of his voluminous robes



A line-up of some of the more notable characters at the "shindig". From left: Farouk (Earl Pritchard) Mussolini (Tim Hurley), Farina (Syd Judd), Churchill (John Schofield), and Tojo (Morrie Marks)



Tom Waldron looked like a worker from J. Ali Rancid's feelthy picture company.



Der Faderland would haf been fery fery prout off Herr Pat Falcolner.....



.....in his role as Adolf H.



Even Cleo was there. She found that Sidi Mustapha Ood was Taylor-made as a gulli-gulli when he tried to Burt-in with his tricks.



Anzacs...three Aussies, Gordon Murray, Margaret Powell and Bill Wood and Kiwi Barbara Whetton

..."I should know your name...your fez is familiar". Some of the wogs entertain.



"Salome the way to go home...I'm tired...etc". Dorothy Warham, Pat Kite, and May and Basil Thomas.



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## Wedding Bells

**ABOVE: CHURCH--CARVELL:** At St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Nola Avis, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.F.Carvell, 35 Springvale Road, Wanganui, to Tony Ernest, son of Mr and Mrs E.Church, Ohakune. In the photograph, from left: Allan Jones, Waitotara Valley, best man, Margaret Carvell, sister of the bride, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid, the bride and groom, Robert Wakeling, Kaitiaki, Joan Dale, Wanganui. Future home...Waitotara Valley.

**BELOW: ASKEW--OLD:** At St Anne's Catholic Church, Wanganui East, Raewyne Mabel, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.Old, 30 Selwyn Crescent, Wanganui, to Robert George, son of Mr and Mrs W.Hunt, Morikau Station, Ranana. Attendants were Mrs D.Morgan, matron of honour, Miss L.Signal, Mr M.Morgan, best man, and Mr G.Cleeve. Flower girls were Lyn and Kay Ericsson. Future home...Wanganui.



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## Coming of Age



NIGHTINGALL'S

Robert, son of Mr C.Cane, Harper St.



RICHARDS STUDIOS

Ron, second son of Mr and Mrs Fred Laing, 107 Gonville Avenue.



WYBON

William Allan, son of Mr and Mrs J.E.Wilkins, 13 Churchill Crescent.



WYBON

John, son of Mr and Mrs V.Cronin, 192 Guyton Street.



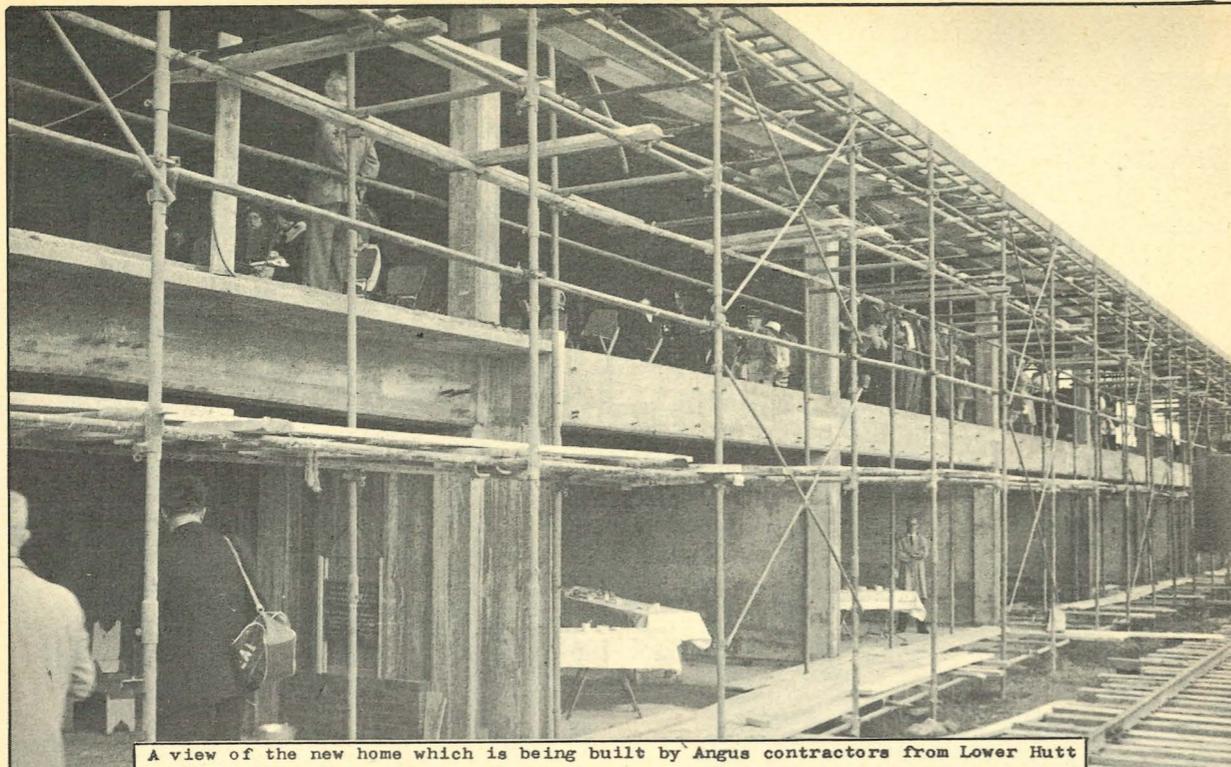
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Carol, daughter of Mr and Mrs Hadley Green, 2 Fromont Street, pictured with her parents.



Maureen Nyree, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.H. Puaha, No.2 Line Sub Station, pictured with her parents.

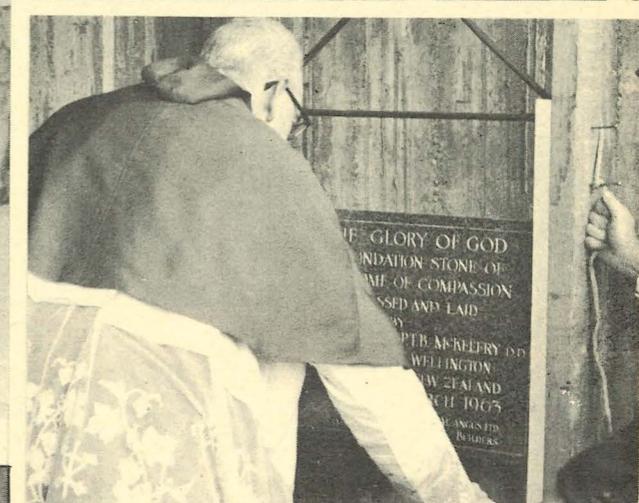
NIGHTINGALL'S



A view of the new home which is being built by Angus contractors from Lower Hutt



Guests move through the skeleton of the building on an inspection tour



His Grace applies the mortar to cement the stone



The Archbishop has a few words with Father J.O. Hendren, S.M., parish priest of Wanganui

## Stone Laid

In the presence of a large attendance Archbishop P.T.B. McKeefry, Wellington, blessed and laid the foundation stone of the new Aubert Home of Compassion, Virginia Road, St John's Hill. The Order of the Sisters of Compassion was founded some 80 years ago on the banks of the Wangamui River by Mother Aubert.

Archbishop McKeefry blesses the stone



The foundation stone

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TO THE GLORY OF GOD +  
 THIS FOUNDATION STONE OF  
 AUBERT HOME OF COMPASSION  
 WAS BLESSED AND LAID  
 BY  
 THE MOST REVEREND P.T.B. MCKEEFRY D.D.  
 ARCHBISHOP OF WELLINGTON  
 METROPOLITAN OF NEW ZEALAND  
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## Wedding Bells

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**ABOVE: IRELAND--CHECK:** At the Wanganui East Baptist Church, Noeline Joyce, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Check, 19 Kells Avenue, Aramoho, to William Edgar, son of Mr and Mrs W.B. Ireland, 28 Egmont Street, Hawera. Attendants were Glennis Check, sister of the bride, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid, Raewyn and Christine Check, sisters of the bride, Wanganui, Graham Ireland, brother of the groom, Wanganui, best man, and Peter Sugden, Hawera. Future home...Hawera.

**BELOW: GILBERT--PREATER:** At Christ Church, Wanganui, Marion Olive, daughter of Mr and Mrs S.J. Preater, 8 Halswell Street, Wanganui, to James Barry, son of Mr and Mrs W.J. Gilbert, 5 Tregarth Street, Wanganui. Attendants were Caryll Churcher, Wanganui, David Pitkethley, Wanganui, and the bride's sister, Brenda Preater, flower girl. Future home...Wanganui.



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## Women's Institutes' Gala

To mark the 30th anniversary of the federation, a gala day was held in the Savage Club Hall by the Wanganui Federation of Women's Institutes. Displays and demonstrations of needlework and handcrafts, and competition entries in preserves, cooking and floral work were features of the gala. The displays attracted much outside interest and the organisers considered the show a great success.

**ABOVE:** Executive members admire some of the handcrafts. From left: Mrs Ethel Williams, Mrs Dorothy Flynn, Mrs Mavis Howie, and Mrs Norah Hogg.

**BELOW:** A view of the display sections in the Savage Club Hall.



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Official party at the function. From left: Mr Jim Brisco, Mrs Brisco, Mr Robert Dyer, Mr Pat Roberts, president of the club, the Mayor, Mr Andrews, and Mrs John Nolan. (Mr Nolan was absent for the pix).

## Charter Presented To Y's Men

Numerous greetings from the United States, Australia and the East were read at the charter night of the newly-formed Wanganui Y's Men's Club. An adjunct of the Y.M.C.A., Wanganui's club is the third of its kind to be formed in New Zealand. Similar clubs exist in about 40 countries where the Y.M.C.A. serves. The Y's Men's Club is a service club similar in its workings to big-brothers, Rotary and Lions.

The Wanganui Y.M.C.A. recreation hall presented a fine sight decorated with greenery and coloured lights, and furnished with tables in cabaret style. Out-of-town guests and officers who attended the inauguration included the National District Governor, Mr Robert Dyer, Ch.Ch. and Bevan Small, secretary of the Y's Men's Club in Ch.Ch. Another club official travelled from Invercargill for the function.

After the induction of the Wanganui Y's Men and the presentation of the Charter and other official business had been attended to, guests enjoyed a sumptuous supper and spent the rest of the evening dancing and chatting.



The big moment as Wanganui's Charter is officially handed over to club president Pat Roberts by Mr Dyer.



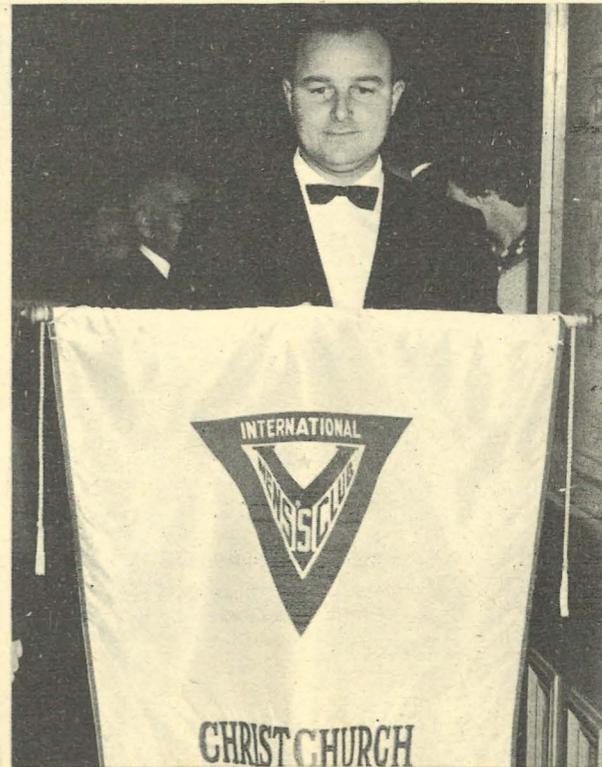
Guests and members pictured listening to the address by Mr Dyer.



The induction team pictured preparing for the induction ceremony



Noel Ryde, president of the Christchurch Y's Men's Club pictured with the flags of countries which have similar clubs.



Bevan Small, secretary of the club in Christchurch, displays his organisation's banner

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**ABOVE: THOMSON--WALKLEY:** At Christ Church, Wanganui, Beverley Joan, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Walkley, 29 Waitote Street, Castlecliff, to Brian Alexander John, son of Mr and Mrs J.A.Thomson, 67 Hakeke Street, Wanganui East. In the photograph, from left: Wayne Thomson, brother of the groom, Pamela Kaye, Selma Gorge, flower girl, the bride and groom, Dianne Trillo, matron of honour and Tom Luff, best man. Future home ... Rotorua.

**BELOW: CAMPBELL--COLEMAN:** At St Stephen's Anglican Church, Marton, Gillian Jane Baden Coleman to Kerry Kirkwood Campbell. In the photograph, from left: Malcolm Guy, Levin, best man, Janice Grant, Feilding, the bride and groom, Catherine Coleman, chief bridesmaid, Ross Campbell, best man.



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**City's Pride**

Wanganui is proud of the Sarjeant Gallery, home of many fine works of art and sculpture. The art gallery is situated in Queen's Park, alongside the Public Library, and just up from the Memorial Hall. This photograph shows to advantage the many lovely trees which surround the building.



Pinocchio was played by Euan Drum and the lovable Jiminy Cricket by Andrew Lee



A scene from the melodrama with Marilyn James as Sir Jasper and Heather Lee as 'daughter'

## Houses Packed For Pinocchio

Packed houses greeted the Wanganui Junior Theatre's pantomime "Pinocchio" which ran for three performances in the Opera House recently. Jaycees threw their lot in with the producers of the panto and proceeds will go towards the building of another feature (as yet unknown) in the Kowhai Park playground. The pantomime was produced by David Smiles and members of the Phyllis Wansbrough Dancing School filled in for the dance sequences.



Dancers and Pinocchio pictured performing for the wicked Stromboli



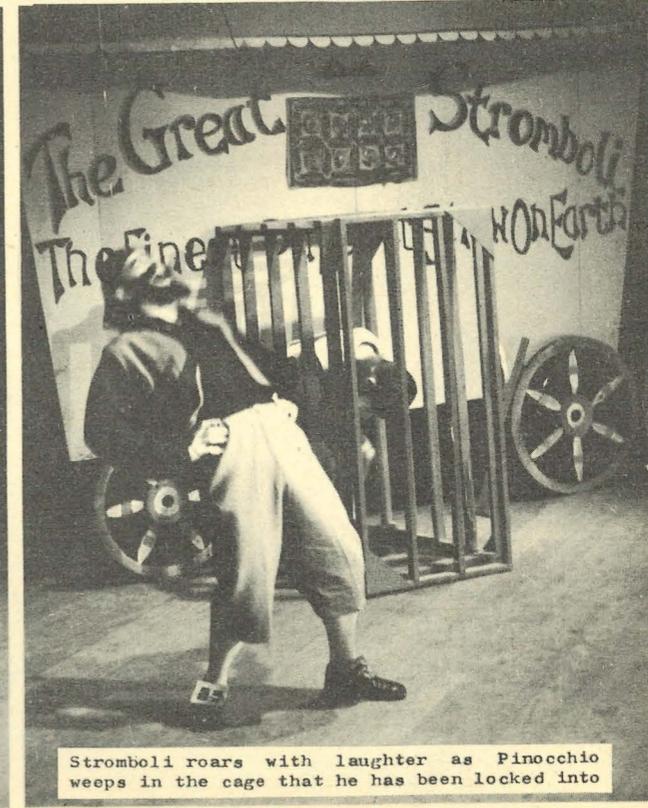
Pinocchio is lured away from Jiminy Cricket by the conniving Foulfellow (John Jukes)



Foulfellow and his nitwit friend Gideon (Graham Barr) sell Pinocchio to puppeteer Stromboli (Ian Thomson)



Ian Thomson would make any child shiver in his shoes as the fearsome villain Stromboli



Stromboli roars with laughter as Pinocchio weeps in the cage that he has been locked into

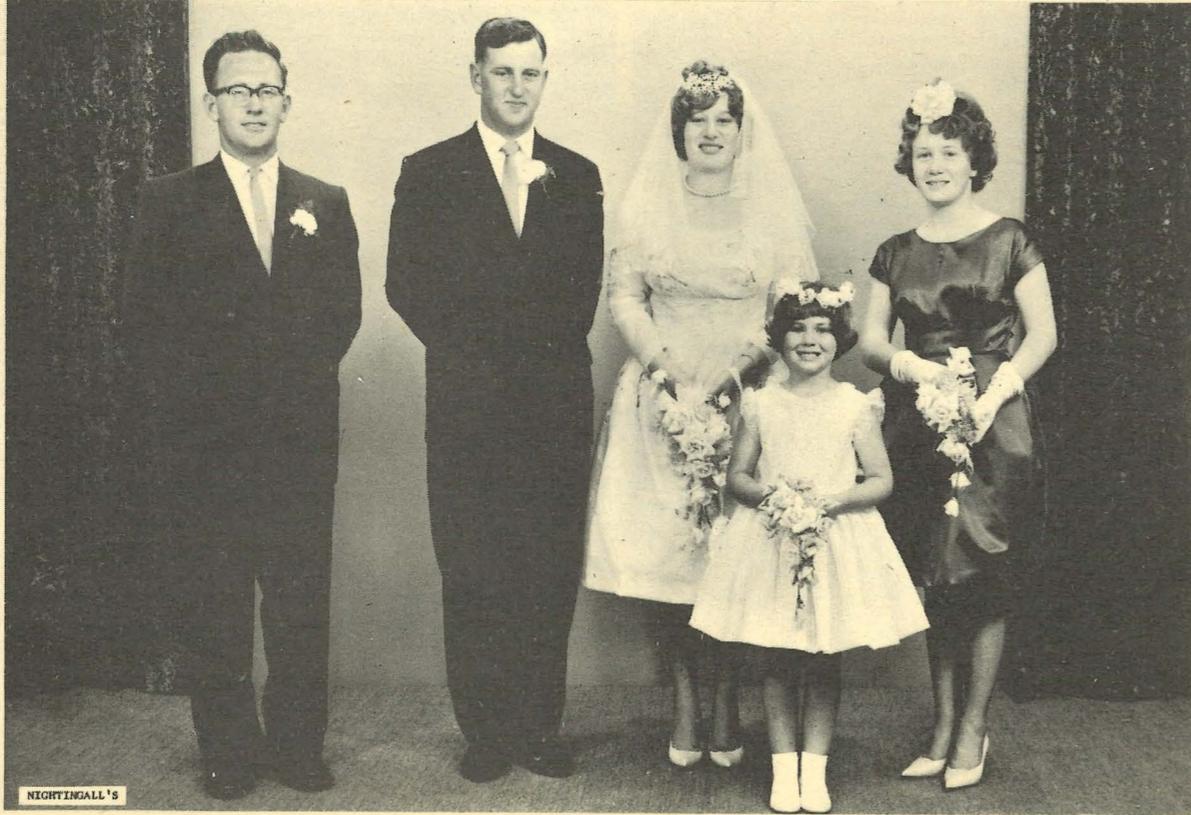


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## Wedding Bells

**ABOVE: STEELE--NEWLAND:** At St Stephen's Church, Waverley, Varien, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.L.Newland, Bankhead, Waverley, to Roderick, son of Mr and Mrs W.Steele, Inglewood. Attendants were Angela Newland, Waverley, chief bridesmaid, Glenis Grant, Waverley, Jocelyn Newland, Waverley, Tom Wilkinson, New Plymouth, best man, and Graham Steele, Inglewood. Future home...Inglewood.

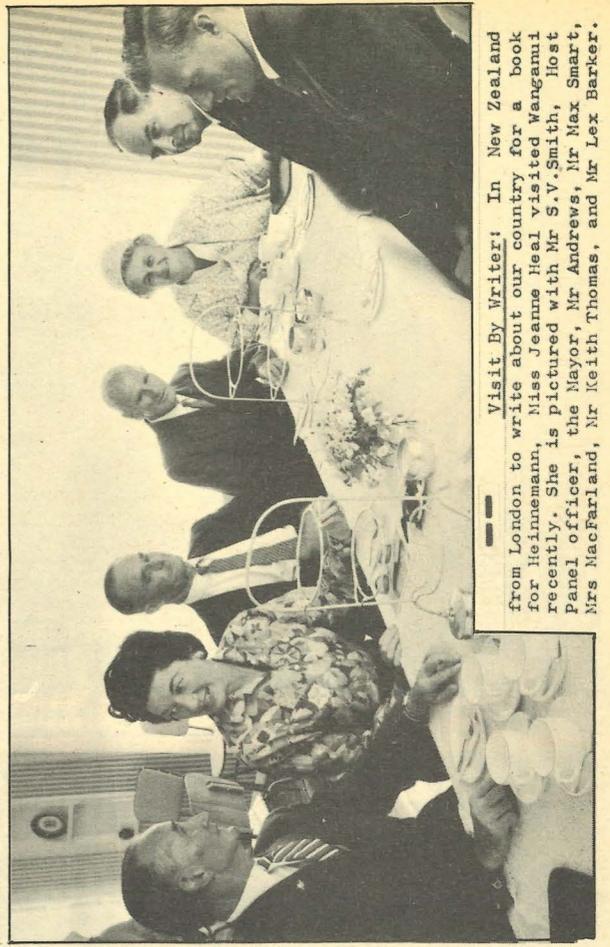
**BELOW: McKENNA--DUGGAN:** At St Anthony's Catholic Church, Gonville, Veronica Judith, daughter of Mrs and the late Mr J.W.Duggan, 73 Swiss Avenue, Wanganui, to Dennis Brian, son of Mr and Mrs D.McKenna. Attendants were Frances Duggan, Wanganui, Daniel Duggan, Marton, and Debra Duggan, flower girl. Future home...Wanganui.



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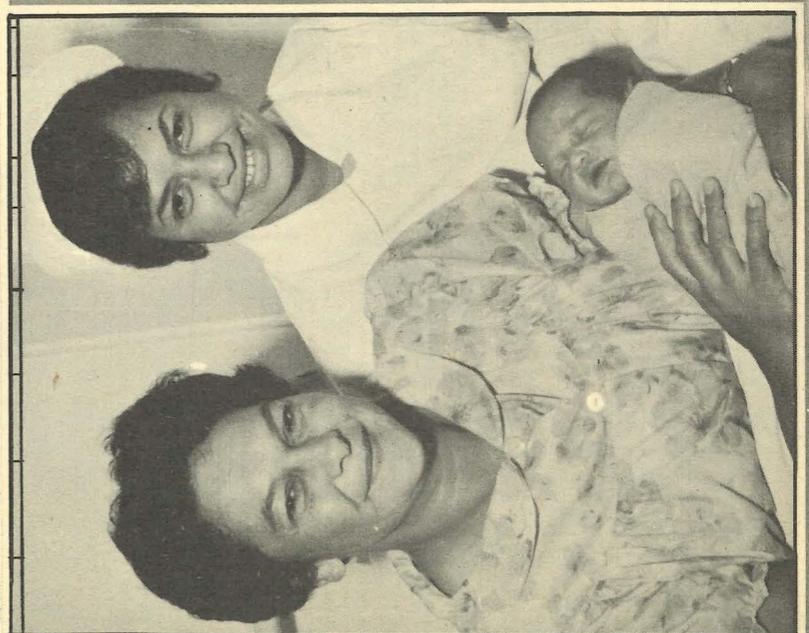


Visit By Writer: In New Zealand from London to write about our country for a book for Heinemann, Miss Jeanne Heal visited Wanganui recently. She is pictured with Mr S.V.Smith, Post Panel officer, the Mayor, Mr Andrews, Mr Max Smart, Mrs MacFarland, Mr Keith Thomas, and Mr Lex Barker.

## Rolling Camera

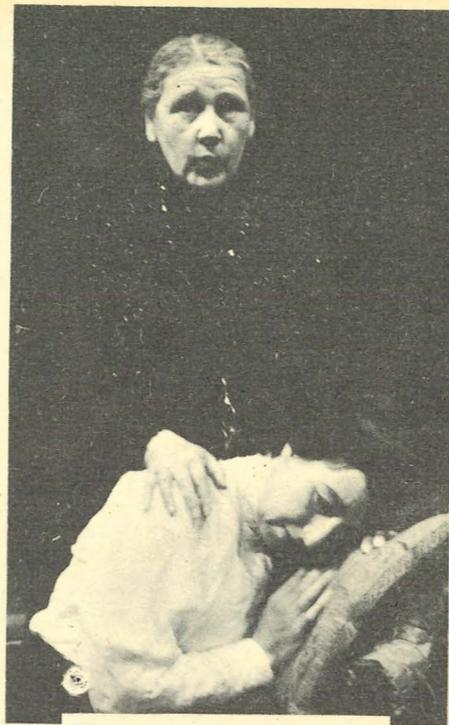
**BELOW: In Good Hands:** Baby Hemi Te Rangi Waitai, is pictured in the Wanganui Maternity Annexe at the tender age of eight days. He thrived very well in the home...not only was mum, Megan Waitai, caring for him but also his big sister Moana...a nurse in the Annexe. The proud father is Josh Waitai, a secondary schoolteacher and well-known as a musician and singer.

**TOP RIGHT: Married: Watts--Ruscoe:** At St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Clare Helene Isobella, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Ruscoe, 6 Hakeke Street, Wanganui East, to Edgar William, only son of Mrs H.R. and the late Mr Watts, Lancing, Sussex, England. Attendants were Bronwyn McGregor, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid, Annette Jollimore, Wellington, Norman Lust, Wellington, best man, John Green, Wellington. Future home..Wellington.





Anna is shown photographs of her relatives by Prince Bounine



The recognition scene with the Empress and Anna

## Anastasia

Wanganui Amateur Theatregoers are in for a treat at the R.S.A. Little Theatre between April 30th and May 5th when the R.S.A. Little Theatre presents "Anastasia", the controversial historical drama. (Movie fans will remember the film of the same name starring Ingrid Bergman in the title role). The producer for the Wanganui production is Eileen Warnock.



The Empress farewells the syndicate



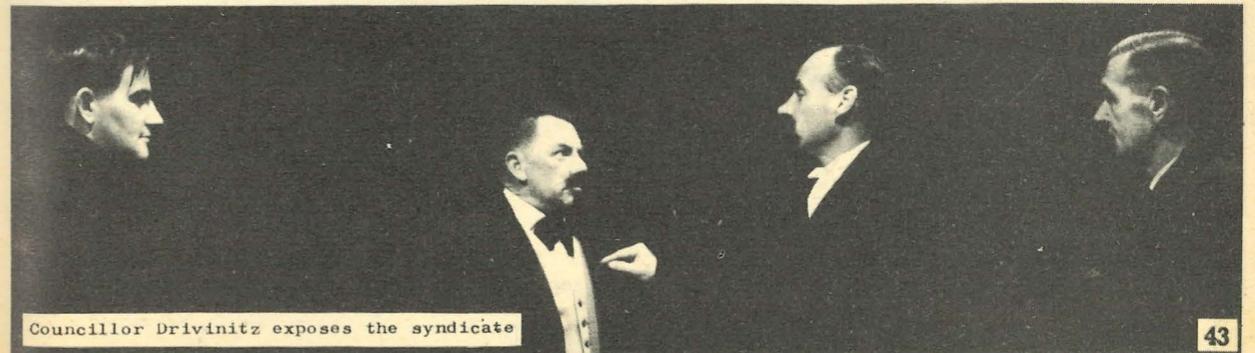
Petrovsky, Bounine Paul, and Chernov attend to Anna who is in a state of collapse

### THE CAST:

Boris Chernov.....	Syd Hanton
Piotr Petrovsky.....	Noel Watts
Drivinitz.....	Noel Netherclift
Prince Bounine.....	Peter Willcox
Sergei.....	Brian Cross
Anna.....	Mary Watkins
Charwoman.....	Dorothy Davis
Sleigh Driver.....	Joe Allan
Dr Syrensky.....	Derek Lowe
Dowager Empress.....	Edith Gilbert
Baroness Livenbaum.....	Aileen Dark
Prince Paul.....	Ian Routley



Paul revives memories of early childhood to Anna

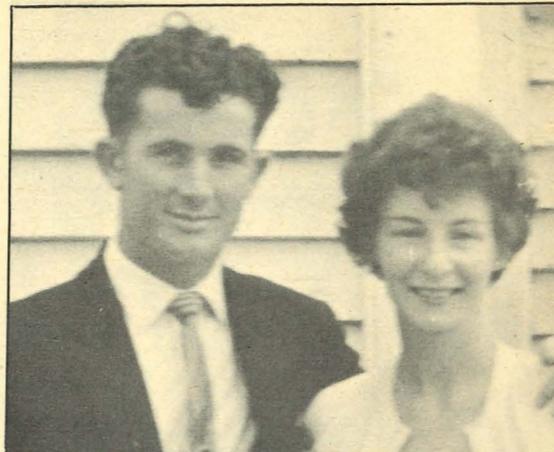


Councillor Drivinitz exposes the syndicate

## Happy Occasions



**Engaged: McBeth--Ritter:** Shona May, second daughter of Mrs O.F.Ritter, 24 Henderson's Lane, Marton, to William Leonard (Len), only son of Mr and Mrs L.K.McBeth, Kapuni Street, Marton.



**Engaged: McIntosh--Colvin:** Elizabeth Wales Colvin, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.McKie, Glasgow, Scotland, to Robert Henry Hamilton, only son of Mr and Mrs R.McIntosh, Glasgow, Scotland.

### COMING OF AGE:



William, son of Mr and Mrs Fred Phillips, 5 Field St., Aramoho.



Heather Joy, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L.Managh, "Hillvue", Marton.



Graeme, eldest son of Mr and Mrs M.Stembridge, 10 Bowen Street, Marton.



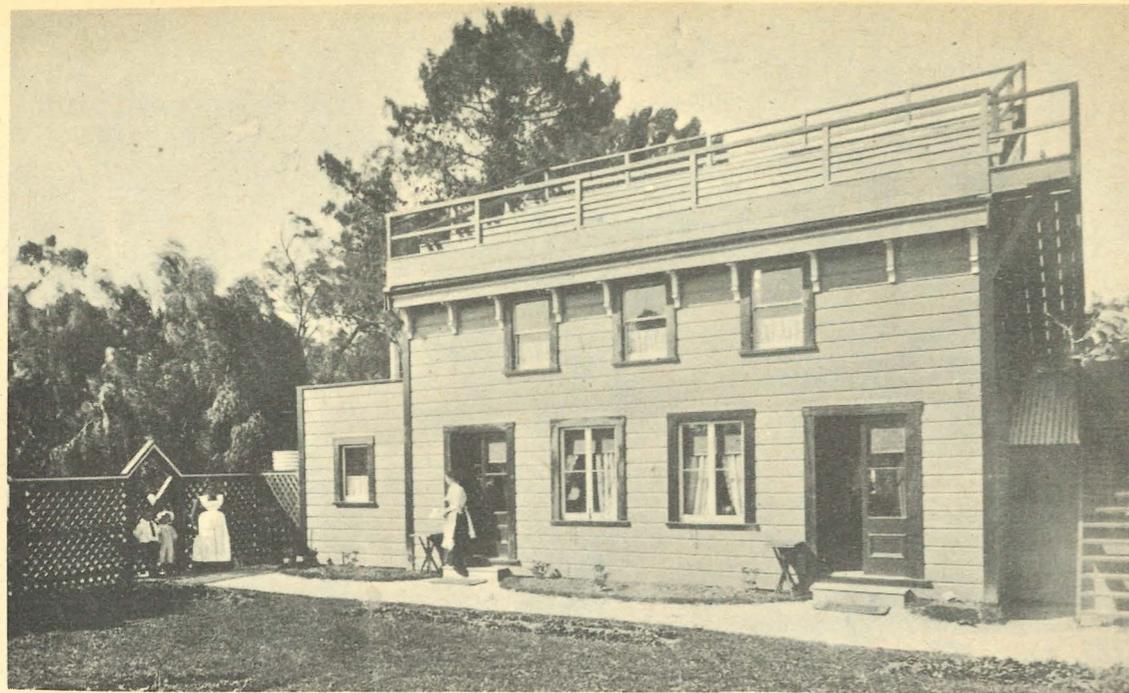
## Wedding Bells

**ABOVE: MALLASCH--BRIDER:** At St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wanganui, Linda Claire, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.H.Bridger, 29 Benefield Street, Wanganui East, to Robert Edward, son of Mr and the late Mrs E.Mallasch, 16 Miro Street, Wanganui. Attendants, from left, are: Ian Mallasch, brother of the groom, Taumarunui, Velvette Chavannes, Wanganui, Darian Benvin, Wanganui, flower girl, Jackie Foote, Wanganui, chief bridesmaid, and Jack Thompson, Wanganui, best man. Future home...Wanganui.

**BELOW: SMITH--FITZGERALD:** At St Mary's Catholic Church, Wanganui, Patricia Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K.FitzGerald, 19 Boydfield Street, Wanganui East, to Neil Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs R.O.Smith, 9 Gonville Avenue, Wanganui. Attendants, from left, were: Robert Bell, Wanganui, Suzanne FitzGerald, Wanganui, sister of the bride, Eugenie FitzGerald, Wanganui, sister of the bride, chief bridesmaid, and Terence Corrigan, Wellington, best man. Future home...Feilding.



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## Pictures From The Past

From the files of the Wanganui Museum we reproduce in this issue more photographs from Wanganui's days of long ago.

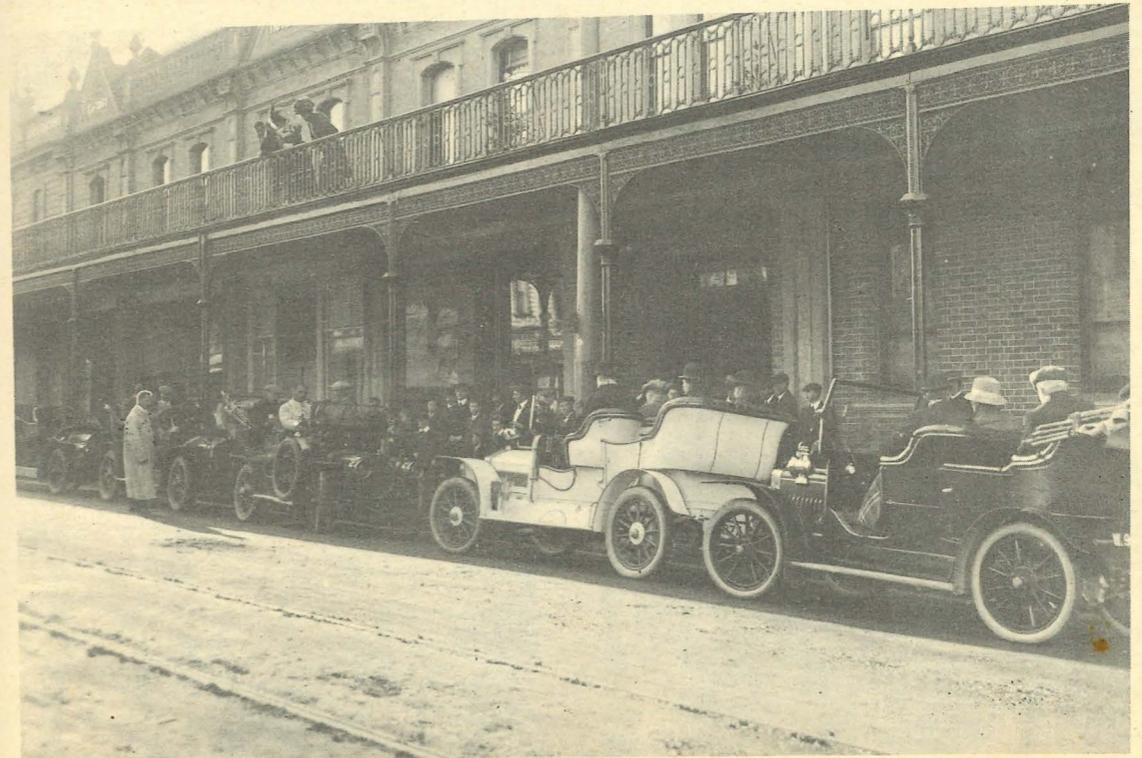
**ABOVE:** Way back in 1895 this photograph was taken of the tea-rooms (owned by Mrs M. Haywood) in Aramoho. Situated where Boyd Avenue is now, the tea-rooms also served as a grandstand for Sunday School sports meetings. Notice the gallery on the roof. In 1905 the tea-rooms were taken over by Mr Boyd, a former Mayor of Onehunga. Mr Boyd instituted a zoo on the property and for some 10 years lions, tigers, and other wild animals roamed in enclosures at Aramoho. The animals were later sold to the Auckland and Wellington zoos.

**BELOW:** George Groombridge, Mrs Groombridge, and Master Brailsford are pictured outside the baker's shop at the Taylorville end of the Town Bridge (now the Bridge Dairy) in the period around 1880.



**ABOVE:** Beach Improvement....1907. Contractors are pictured at work with horses and drays on Castle-cliff Beach. The shed in the background is the cable station building. In those days a submarine telegraph cable ran from Wanganui to Nelson to handle communications between the North and South Islands.

**BELOW:** We are not sure of the occasion...but whatever it was...it was a busy day at the Rutland Hotel. The time would be about the early 1900s...notice the tram tracks running up Victoria Avenue. Our traffic officers and meter maids of today would have a field day writing tickets for this lot with their parking habits.

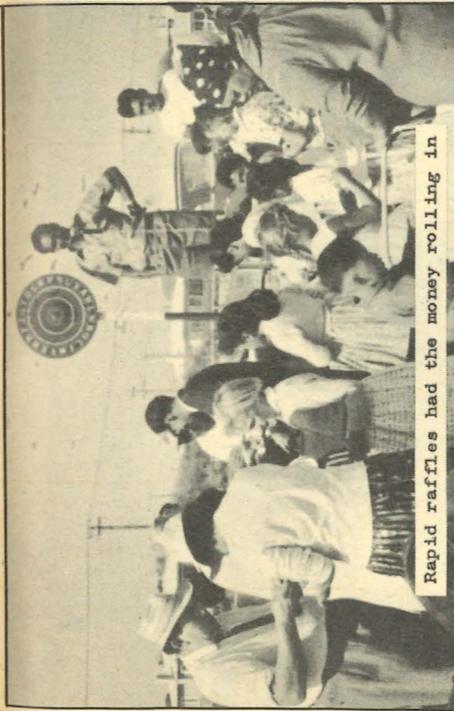




### Roving Camera

**ABOVE: Interesting Talks:** The Y.M.C.A. 20th Century Club recently had a group of very interesting speakers to address their meeting. The visitors were Miss Yu, a South Korean nursing at the Wanganui Maternity Annexe, who spoke of her country and Mr and Mrs R.E.King, a Wanganui couple who for the past 12 years have been serving with the Sudan Interior Mission in Southern Ethiopia. The trio are pictured below wearing national dresses of Korea and Ethiopia and with a display of musical instruments and articles from these countries.

**BELOW: Croquet Champion of Champions:** Pictured here are the croquet players who met in the inter-club champion of champions competition recently. The title was won by Mrs Phillips with Mr McNaught the runner-up. From left: Mrs J.B.Lockett, Gonville, Mrs E.Hammond, Wanganui East, Mr W.B.McNaught, Mrs B.Phillips, Aramoho, Mr A.E.Ogier, Durie Hill.



Rapid raffles had the money rolling in

### Fund Raising For Queen

Supporters recently attended a gala at the Castlecliff School to help along five-year-old Enez Crawford, queen for Te Rau Ote Aroha. Funds raised go to the building of a Church in Te Awamutu.



Te Rau Ote Aroha queen, Enez Crawford. Enez is the daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Crawford, Alma Road.



Uncovering the hangi



Delicious and well cooked...platefuls of hangi-cooked food were sold "like hot cakes"

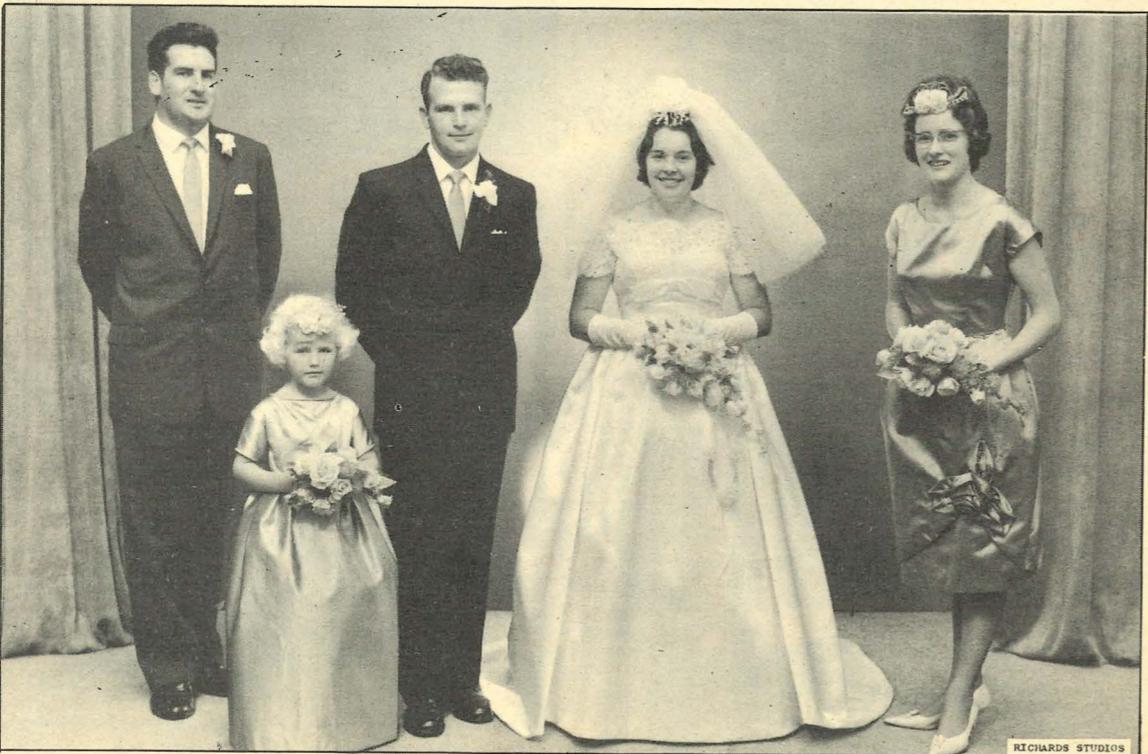


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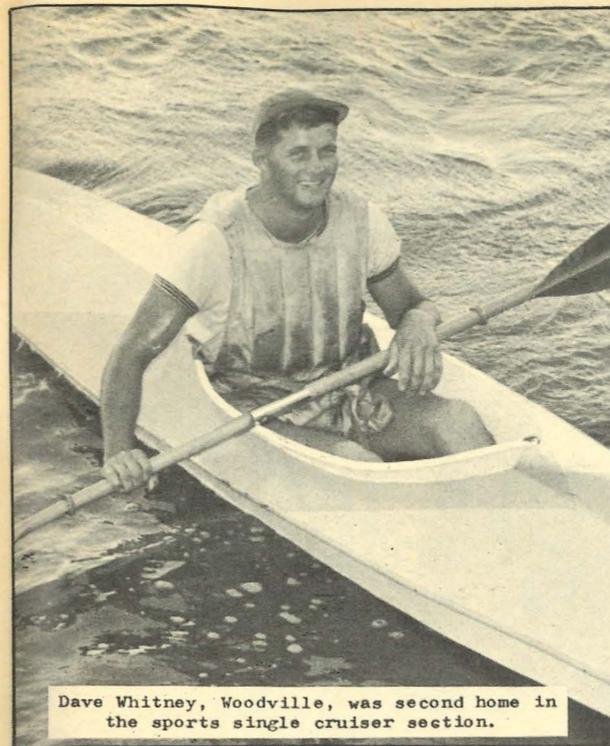
## Wedding Bells

**ABOVE: HARDYMENT--MANAGH:** At the Methodist Church, Marton, Barbara Joan, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L.Managh, R.D. No 3, Marton, to John, son of Mr and Mrs A.C.Hardyment, Wellington Road, Marton. Attendants were: Heather (chief bridesmaid) and Elisabeth Managh, sisters of the bride, Marton, Peter Hardyment, brother of the groom, Tauranga, (best man), and John Harris, Marton. Future home will be Marton.

**BELOW: MILLER--CARRICK:** At St Mary's Catholic Church, Wanganui, Diane Vanora, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A.Carrick, 60 Purnell Street, Wanganui, to Ivan Ernest, son of Mr and Mrs J.Miller, 38 Moss-town Road, Castlecliff. Attendants were Kiri Johnston, Wanganui, Maurice Manson, Auckland, and Charmaine Carrick, sister of the bride, Wanganui, flower girl. Future home...Wanganui.



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Dave Whitney, Woodville, was second home in the sports single cruiser section.



First home in the sports cruiser class was Warwick Smith, Palmerston North.

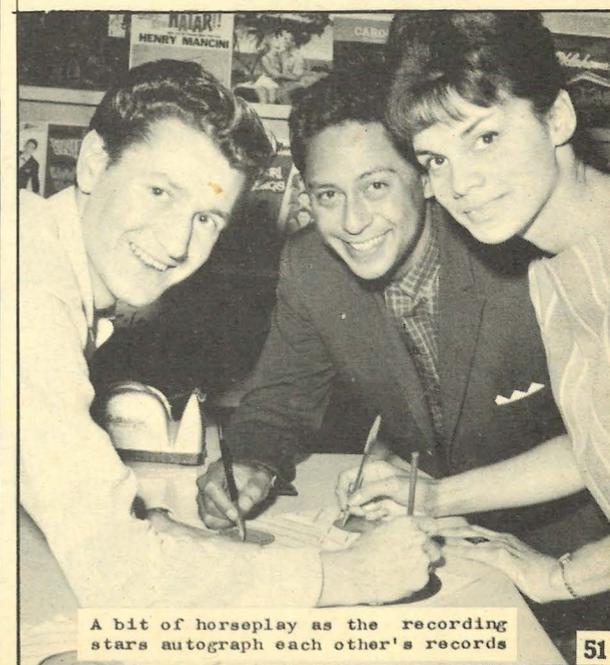
## Camera Round-up

**ABOVE: Canoe Race:** Craft from Woodville, Manawatu, New Plymouth and Wanganui entered for the annual canoe race on the Wanganui River from Atene to the city. The New Zealand champion canoeist Tom Dooney won his class with ease in the 30-mile paddle.

**BELOW: Autograph Session:** While in Wanganui recently for their show at the Opera House, Toni Williams, Kim Kreuger and Peter Posa made a brief appearance at the DIC where they autographed records.



Toni Williams autographs a record for Mrs P.R.Campbell, Mangamahu.



A bit of horseplay as the recording stars autograph each other's records



Curtiss Lovill pictured addressing Wanganui Lions at the Memorial Hall concert chamber. Also on the stage are Alan Brown, city councillor (and Rotary District Governor) and Mrs Brown, Mrs Lovill, Maurice Harris, Wanganui Lions' president, and Mrs Harris.



Mr Lovill signs the Lions visiting book, watched by Maurie Harris.



The official party on stage at the opening ceremony of the Tot Town Railway at Kowhai Park. From left: Keith Mitchell, International Representative, Mr R.Usmar, District Governor, Mrs Usmar, Horace Kirk, International Director, Mrs Lovill, Curtiss Lovill, and at the microphone, Alan Brown. It was felt that the City Councillors may have had tongues in cheeks by sending Mr Brown as the Mayor's representative....Mr Brown being a leading figure in the Lions' friendly rivals..Rotary.

## Lions' Leader Here

The World President of the Lions, Mr Curtiss Lovill and Mrs Lovill, recently spent a day in Wanganui with the Wanganui Lions Club. All the way from Maine, USA, Mr Lovill lunched with and met the local pride. Highlight of his short stay here was the opening of the Tot Town Railway by Mr and Mrs Lovill. This marked the culmination of six months' work by Wanganui Lions and volunteers.



Some of the Wanganui Lions and their wives pictured listening to their leader's talk



A handsome Maori mere was presented to Mr Lovill by first vice-president Ian Carran



Director of civil projects, Keith Thomas, presented Mr Lovill with a model loco to mark the occasion. Mr Lovill replied by presenting Mr Thomas with an identical model in return.



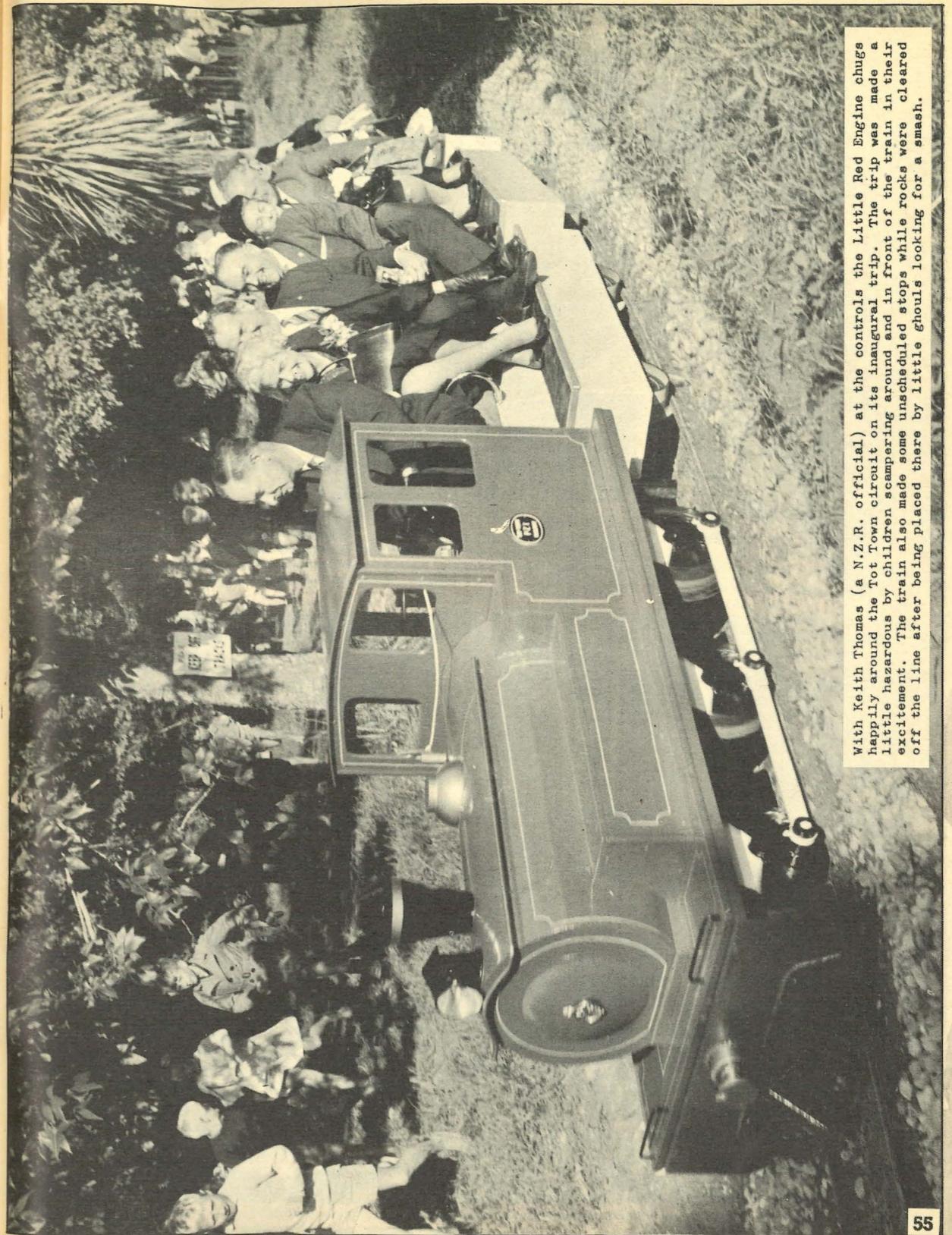
A big moment for our younger generation who will get hours and hours of enjoyment from the railway.



**ABOVE:** Mrs Lovill cut the ribbon to mark the opening of the railway. Also in the picture are Keith Thomas, Mr Usmar, Dawn Harris, and Curtiss Lovill. (Not to forget the "Little Red Engine").

**BELOW:** The official Tot Town Railway guard, young Peter Harris, and the crowd of spectators wait for the engine to be moved on its first trip.

**RIGHT:** All aboard and eagerly awaiting their trip around the track are Mrs Lovill, Mr Lovill, Mr and Mrs Usmar and Mrs Brown.



With Keith Thomas (a N.Z.R. official) at the controls the Little Red Engine chugs happily around the Tot Town circuit on its inaugural trip. The trip was made a little hazardous by children scampering around and in front of the train in their excitement. The train also made some unscheduled stops while rocks were cleared off the line after being placed there by little ghouls looking for a smash.



Mrs Marion Ruscoe takes an entry for the "Miss Kindergarten" contest.



Noel Ruscoe and Peter Cutelli did a great business with the jenny

## Kindy Garden Party

The sum of £170, to be equally divided among the eight committees taking part, was raised at a combined kindergarten garden party held recently in the Memorial Hall. It was originally intended to hold the fete in the attractive grounds of Mr and Mrs Cam Linwood's house on St John's Hill. However, inclement weather forced the organisers indoors at the hall.



Stalls were popular with the shoppers. Mrs R. Timmins is pictured having a busy time.



A feature of the fete was the Miss Kindergarten and Master Kindergarten contests. There were 41 entries in the girls' section (won by Cushla Kirkland, St John's Hill) and 18 in the boys' section (won by Kirk Slater). Pictured above is little Vicki Thompson, 91 Purnell Street, meeting the judges.

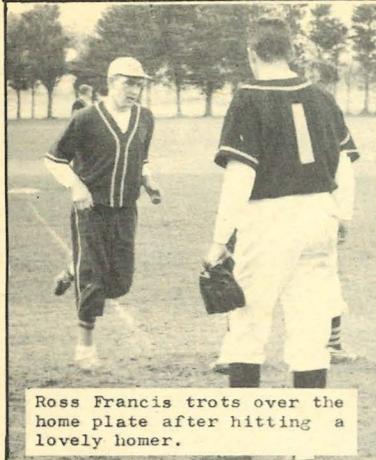


Mrs Takarangi found that her little grand-daughter, Bernadine Hartley, was not a very willing participant.



Debbie and Susan Kosmala, 38 Konini Street, meet the judges, Mrs R.P. Andrews and Miss Helen McConachie. (That is not Master Kindergarten at the right...just Herald photog. Tom Hepburn).

# Softball . . . Wanganui Beaten

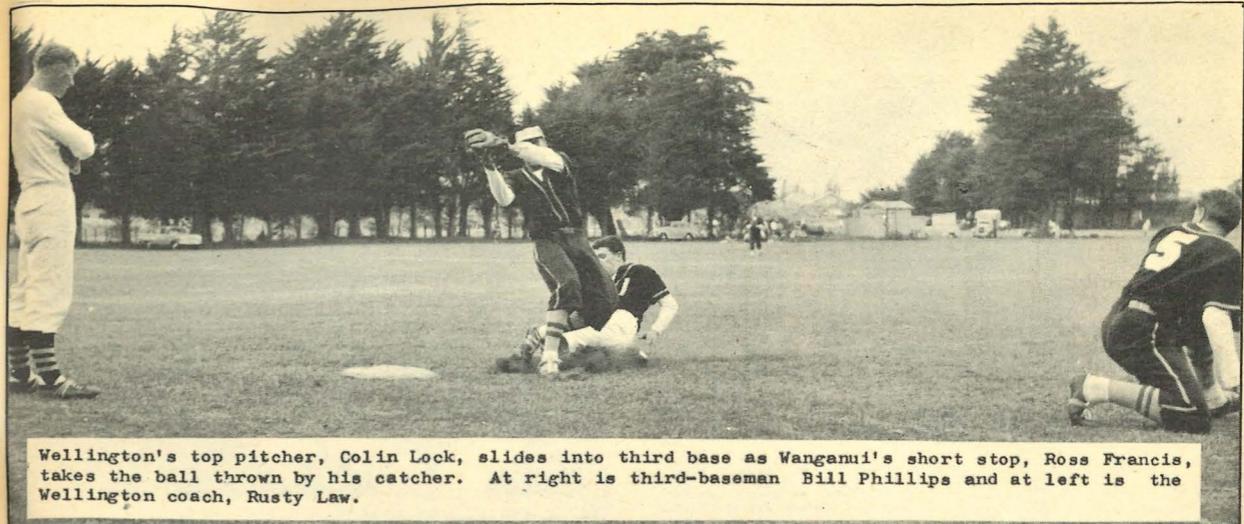


Ross Francis trots over the home plate after hitting a lovely homer.

The Wanganui men's representative softball team were well beaten when they met Wellington in a fixture at the Gonville Domain. The visitors hit pitcher Alan Broadhead as they liked and really rattled him with concerted heckling. Broadhead was at one stage loading the bags and walking the batters in one-by-one. The Wanganui coach smartly replaced him with class-pitcher Charlie Phillips and the rot was very quickly stopped.



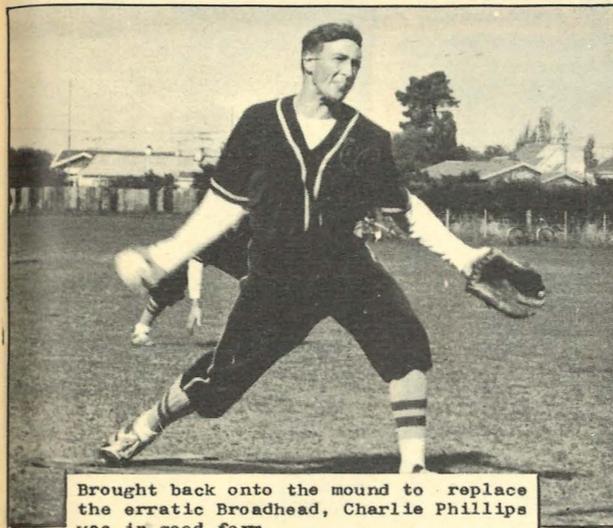
The Wellington team is sporting many new names and faces this year



Wellington's top pitcher, Colin Lock, slides into third base as Wanganui's short stop, Ross Francis, takes the ball thrown by his catcher. At right is third-baseman Bill Phillips and at left is the Wellington coach, Rusty Law.



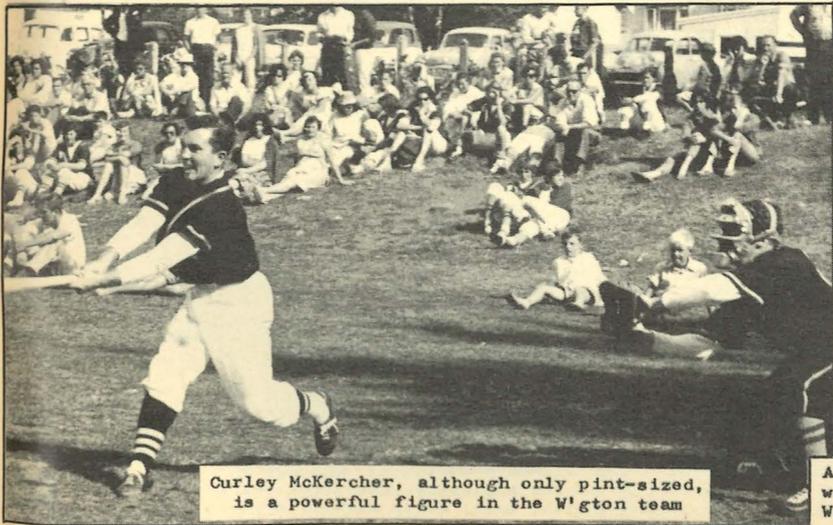
Bill Phillips tags a Wellingtonian out going to third base. Notice how pitcher Charlie Phillips (Bill's brother) has come over to cover the base in case of an overthrow



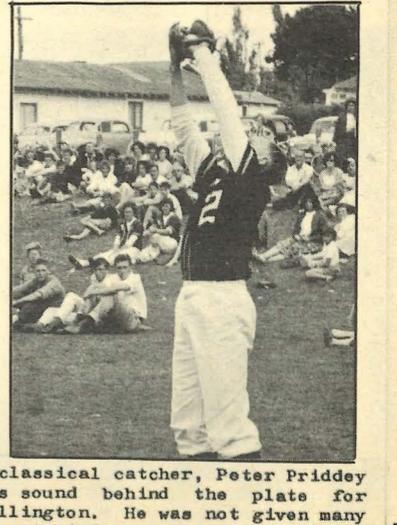
Brought back onto the mound to replace the erratic Broadhead, Charlie Phillips was in good form.



Colin Lock really had the Wanganui batters tied up. He was later relieved by second-string pitcher, Gig Ward.



Curley McKercher, although only pint-sized, is a powerful figure in the W'gton team



A classical catcher, Peter Priddey was sound behind the plate for Wellington. He was not given many opportunities at the bat, however.



Although seen two or three times in Wanganui before, Jon Zealando's Ventriloquist act with Pinocchio and Robbie was very popular.

## Good Entertainment

A good response was accorded the Toni Williams Show when it played for one night in the Opera House recently. Top acts came from Toni Williams, Jon Zealando, Peter Posa, and Kim Kreuger.



Master of the guitar...a fine performance was given by Peter Posa. His playing appealed to young and old alike.



Stars and promoters line up for our camera. From left: Jon Zealando, Toni Williams, Robin Syme (co-promoter), Kim Kreuger, Peter Posa, and Jim Shand (co-promoter). Robin and Jim are from Palmerston.



Pretty songstress..Kim Kreuger



Matured vocalist..Toni Williams



Colin Brown..a pleasant-voiced vocalist from Palmerston North



The Chessmen, Palmerston North, made a good fist of their playing. They are: Harry Ward, sax, Don Loveday, guitar, Brian Gibbs, guitar, Vernon Smith, bass, Kevin Wilton, drums, and Peter Woods, vibes, drums, and trom.



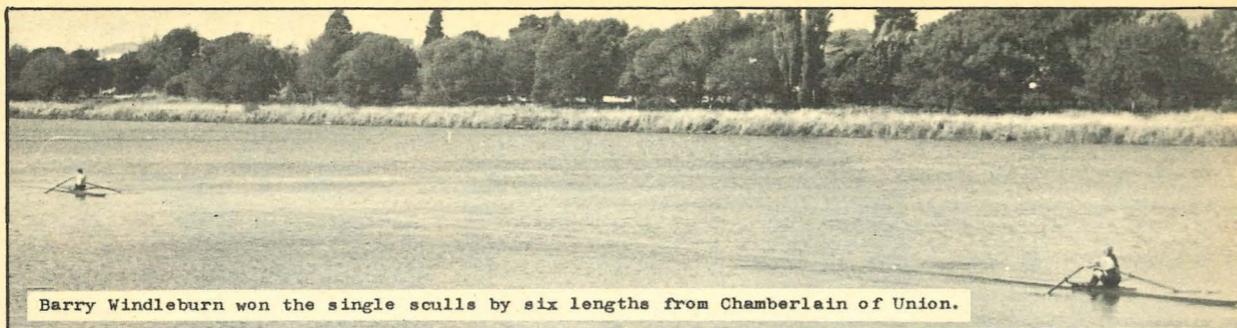
A hard worker, Jon Zealando performed with his ventriloquist dolls, did a comic act, and also his fire-eating act.



Two baked tonsils coming up



Smooth performers...the Dee Jays from P.Nth. (Dan Edwards and Joe Baker) went over well

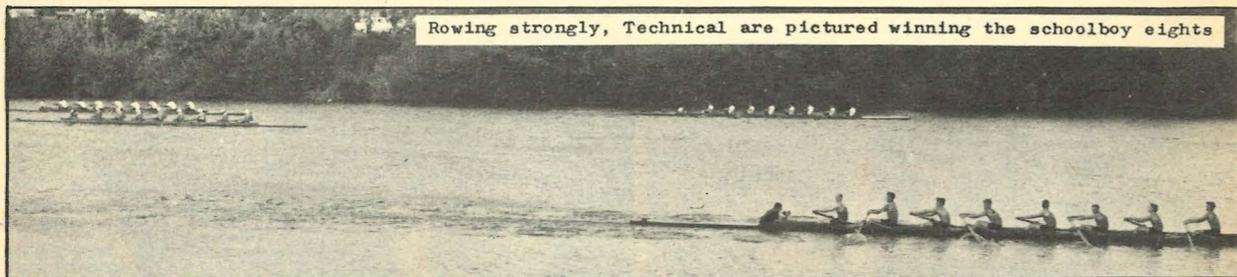


Barry Windleburn won the single sculls by six lengths from Chamberlain of Union.

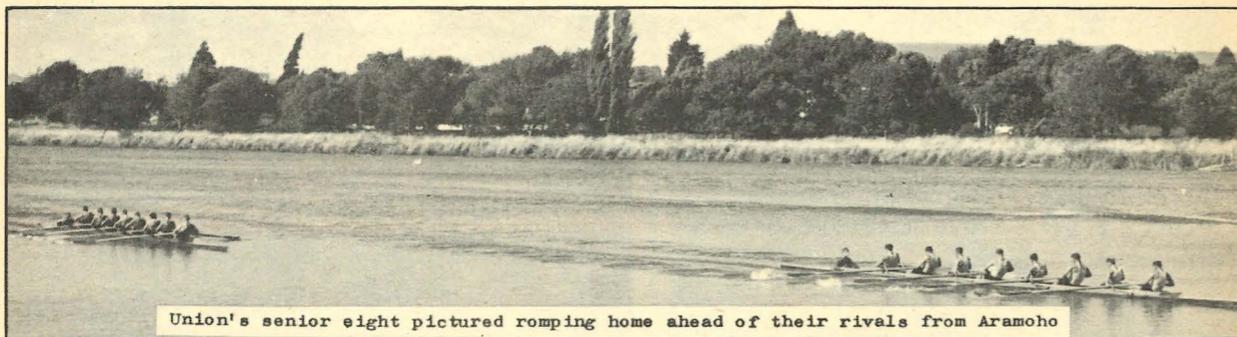
## Rowing . . . Head Of The River

Highlights of the recent Head-of-the-River regatta were the excellent win by Technical College in the first-ever inter-secondary school race for the William Webb Memorial Shield and the return to form by the Union senior eight who revenged their numerous defeats and turned the tables on Aramoho. Using their £600 new racer, Union beat the recently promoted (from junior to senior) Aramoho eight by two lengths after being five lengths ahead at about half way.

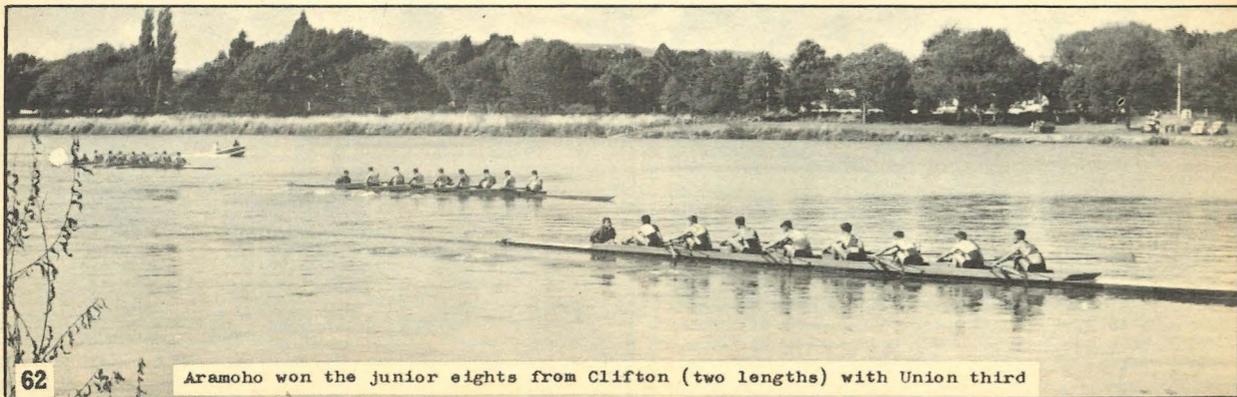
Technical filled first and second placings ahead of Collegiate in the race for the William Webb Memorial Shield. (William Webb was one of the greatest scullers ever produced by New Zealand. A member of the Union Boat Club in Wanganui for 63 years, Webb won the world's professional sculling championship from C.Towns at Sydney in 1907.)



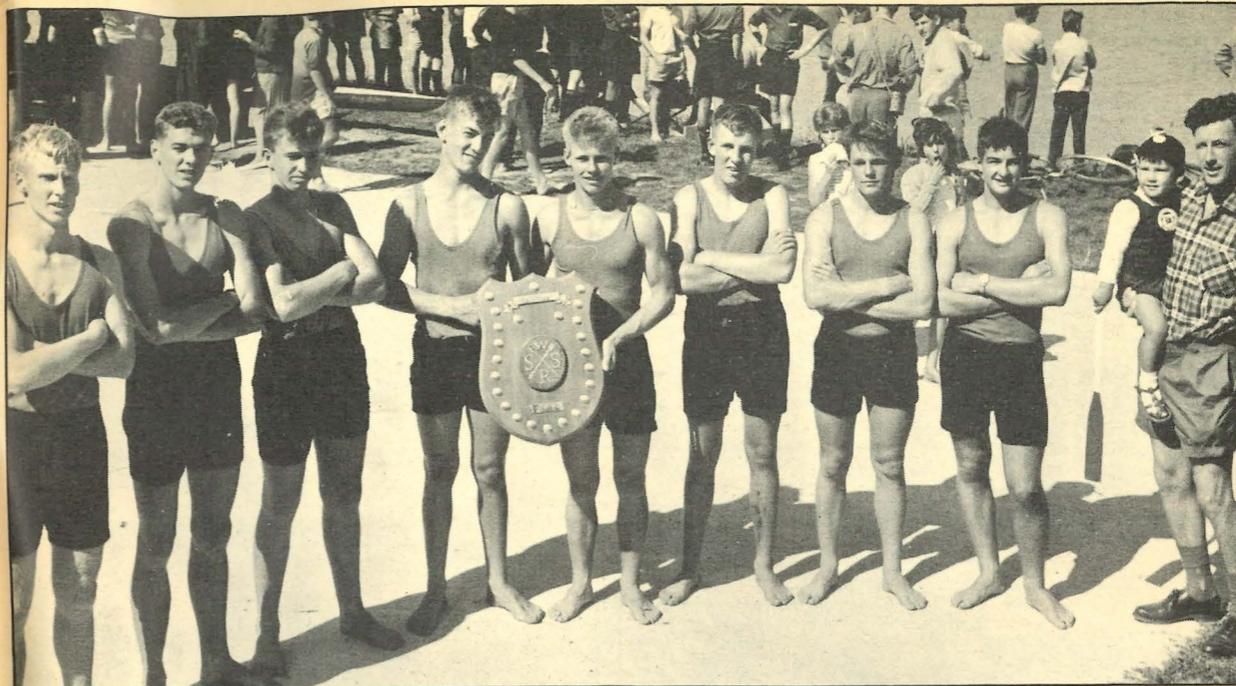
Rowing strongly, Technical are pictured winning the schoolboy eights



Union's senior eight pictured romping home ahead of their rivals from Aramoho



Aramoho won the junior eights from Clifton (two lengths) with Union third



**ABOVE:** The Technical College crew which won the William Webb Memorial Shield for the first time. From left: Alistair McAulay, (stroke), Glen McKay, Jim Visser, Lyn Larsen, Don McAulay, Royce Tunbridge, Rob Brider, Gary Fothergill and coach Alan Tong with mascot Ross Tong. Absent, Neil Tuffin, coxain.

**BELOW:** Congratulations to the stroke, Alistair McAulay, from the daughters of the late William Webb, Mrs G.Holgerson and Mrs D.Glasgow, both of Wanganui.





## Roving Camera

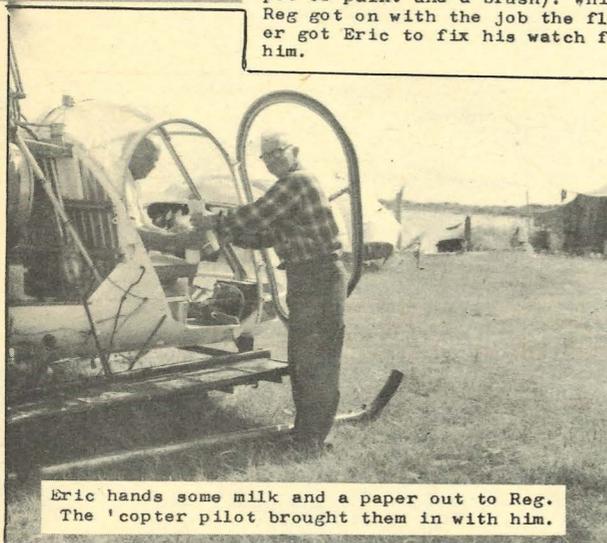
**LEFT:** Appointed: Mr John Kilkolly has been appointed by the Wanganui Hydatids Control Committee to succeed Mr J.D.Glen as hydatids control officer. Twenty applications were received for the position.

**RIGHT:** In Australia: Noeline and Graham Argent celebrated their Christmas at Lennox Hotel in Brisbane.

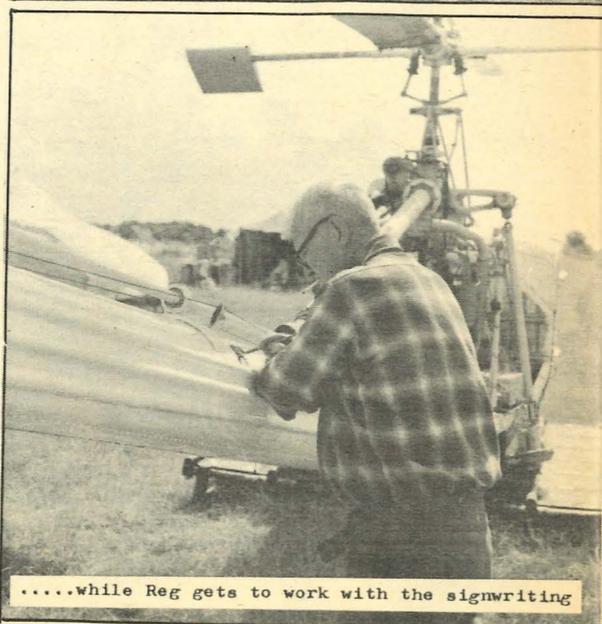
**BELOW:** No Rest For The Wicked! Wanganui signwriter, Reg Carr and watchmaker Eric Crysell went camping in the sandhills near the Waitotara River Mouth recently...to get away from it all. Imagine their surprise when a helicopter landed beside their remote camp. Alexander Helicopters Ltd wanted some urgent signwriting done so the pilot went looking for Reg (equipped with a pot of paint and a brush). While Reg got on with the job the flyer got Eric to fix his watch for him.



Eric and Reg pictured at their camp



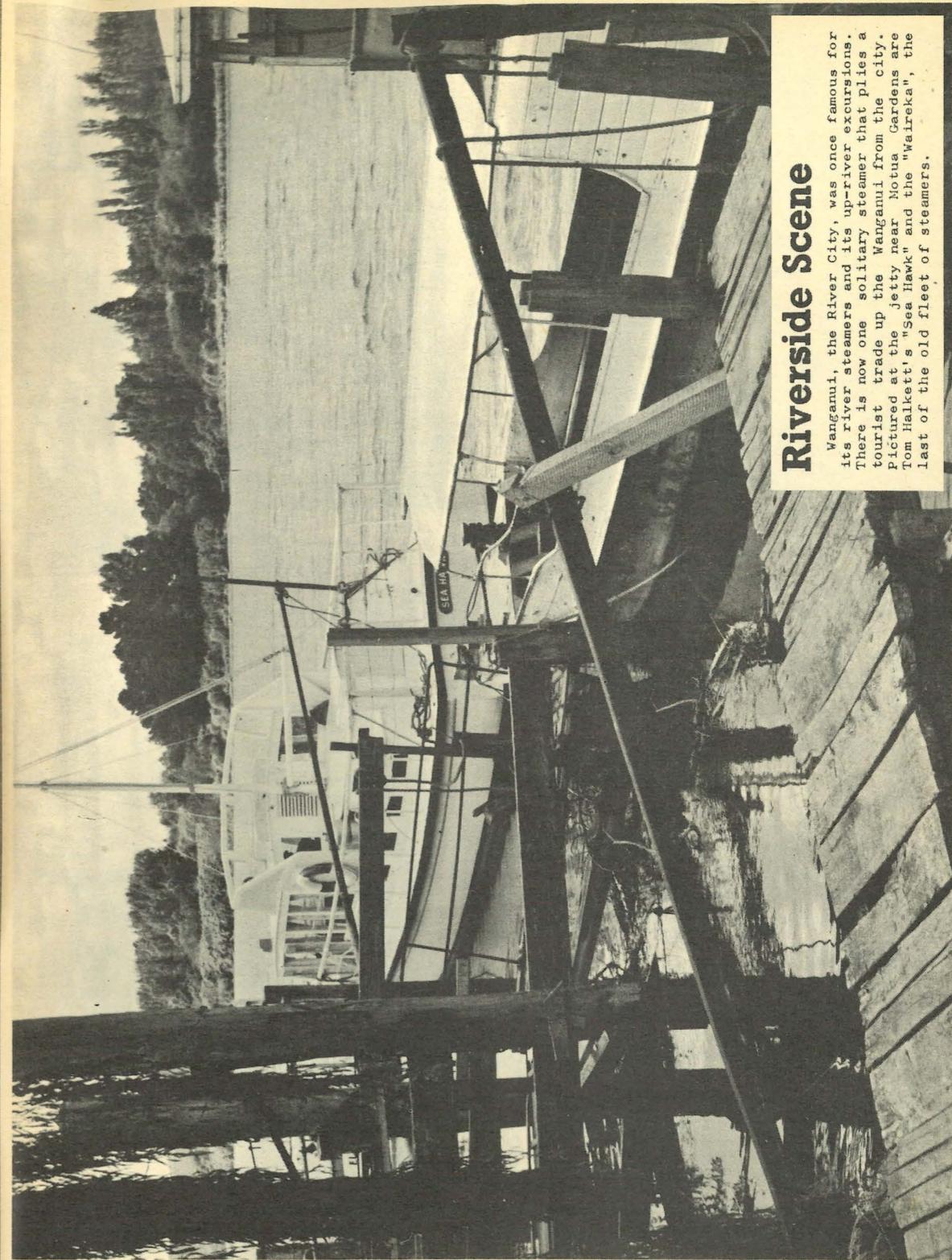
Eric hands some milk and a paper out to Reg. The 'copter pilot brought them in with him.



.....while Reg gets to work with the signwriting

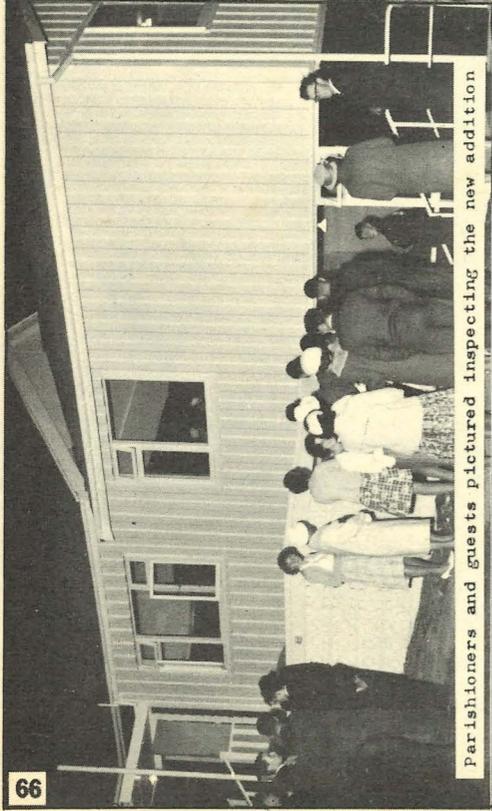


Eric attends to the pilot's watch...



## Riverside Scene

Wanganui, the River City, was once famous for its river steamers and its up-river excursions. There is now one solitary steamer that plies a tourist trade up the Wanganui from the city. Pictured at the jetty near Motua Gardens are Tom Halkett's "Sea Hawk" and the "Waireka", the last of the old fleet of steamers.



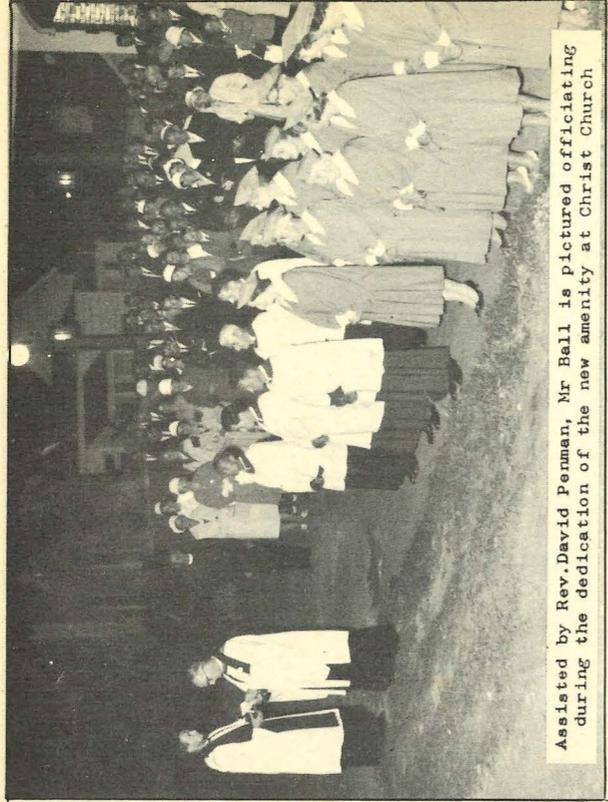
Parishioners and guests pictured inspecting the new addition

### Church Building Dedicated

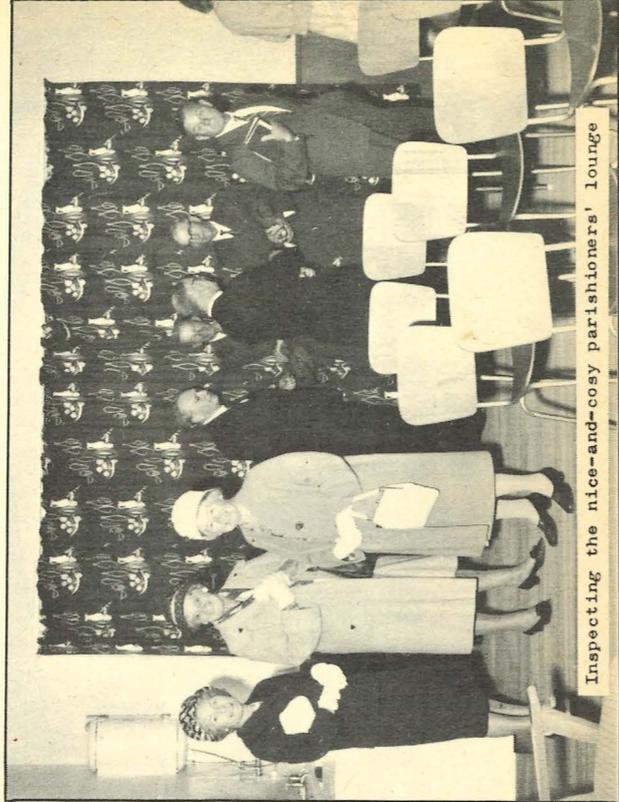
New quarters at Christ Church were recently dedicated and opened by Archdeacon F.O. Ball. Included in the new building is a comfortable lounge for parishioners and "The Dive Under" headquarters of the Christ Church coffee club. The coffee club is open to all every week-night from 7.30-10pm.



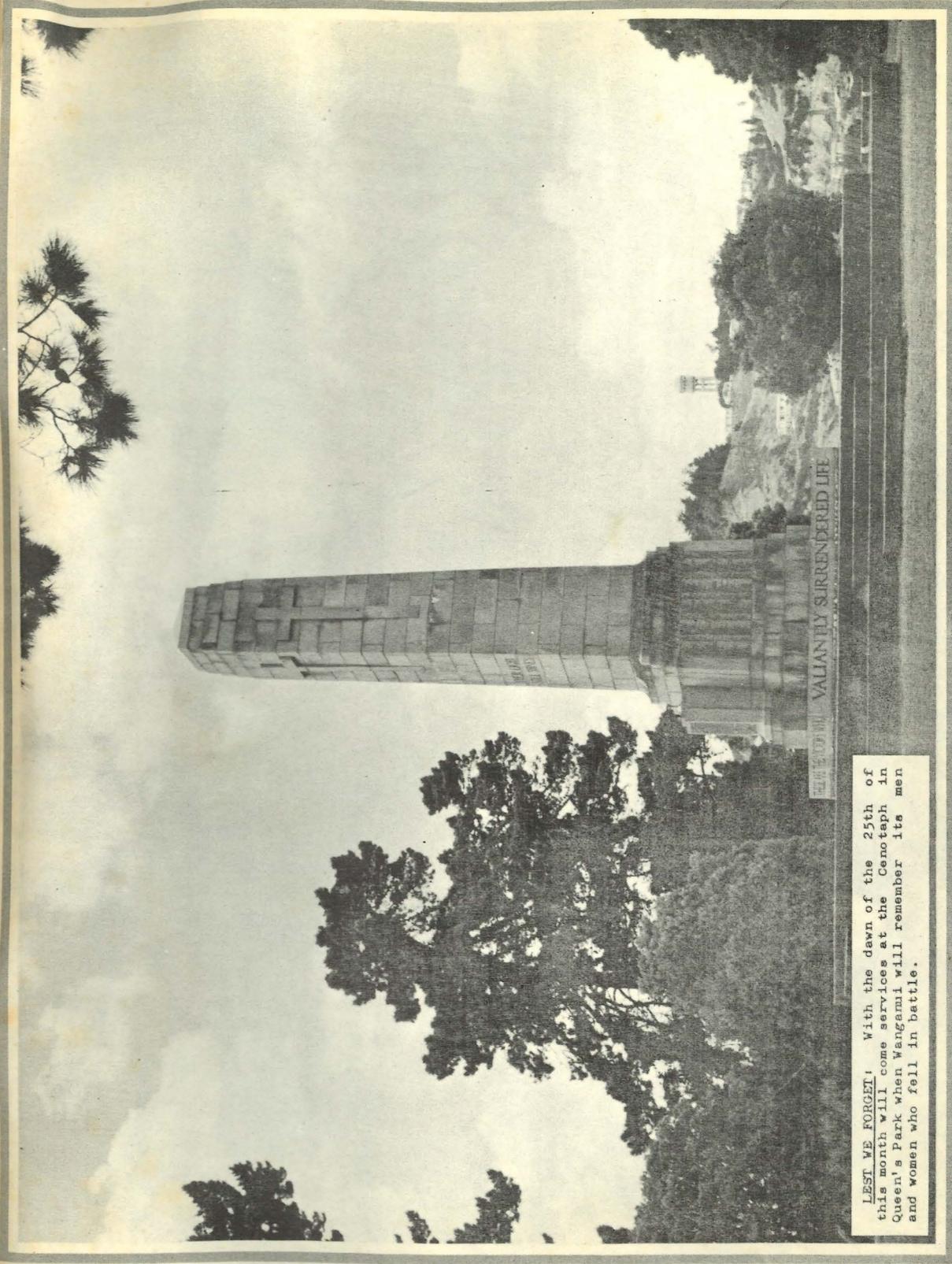
President of the coffee club, David Marshall, and Rev. David Penman admire the modernistic interior of the club



Assisted by Rev. David Penman, Mr Ball is pictured officiating during the dedication of the new amenity at Christ Church



Inspecting the nice-and-cosy parishioners' lounge



LEST WE FORGET! With the dawn of the 25th of this month will come services at the Cenotaph in Queen's Park when Wangamui will remember its men and women who fell in battle.