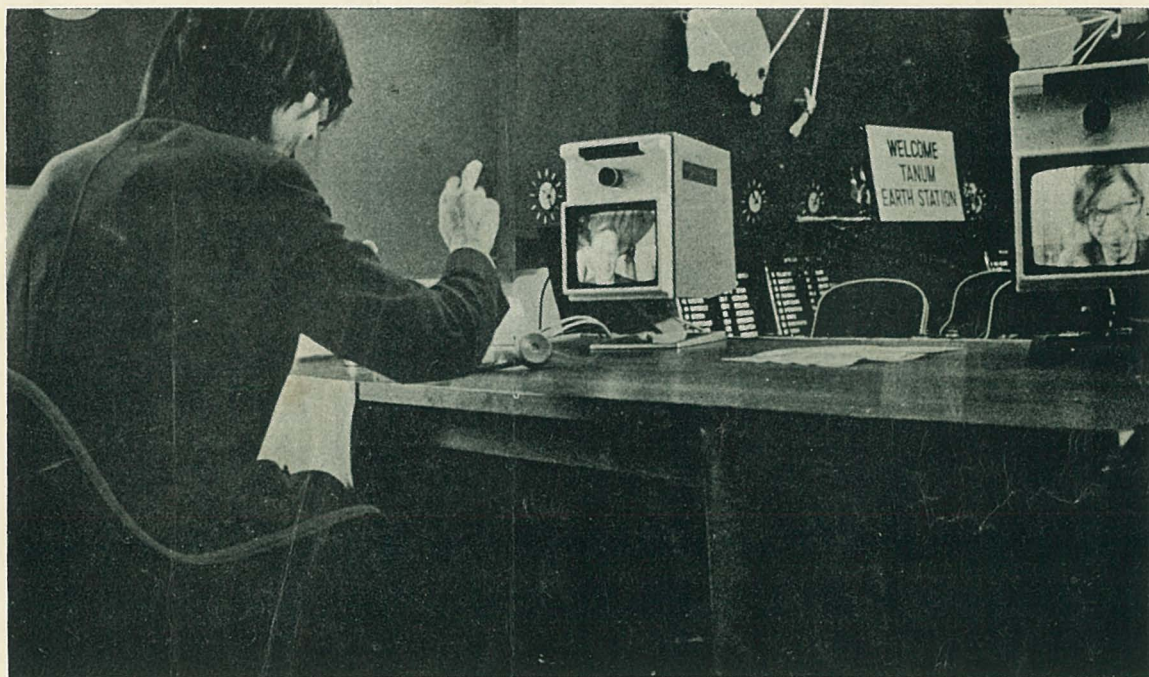


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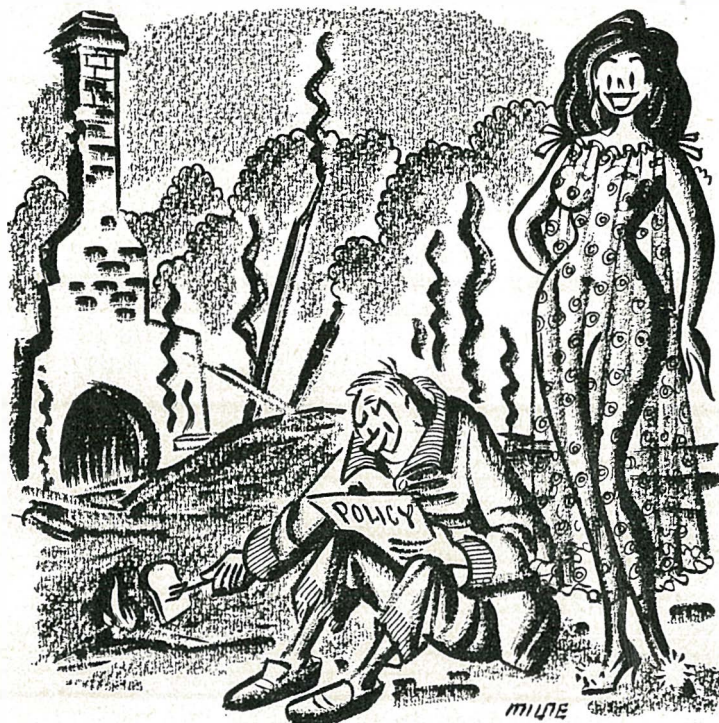


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Telephone of the Future: Although video-phones, such as the ones being tested in the picture above have not reached New Zealand as yet, it should not be many years before the deaf of this country have the means to talk or sign to their friends overseas. The picture shows a deaf man in the United States conversing by signs with another deaf man 3000 miles away in Sweden, via communication-satellite and video-phone. The link with the Satellite Earth Station at Warkworth can be seen on the wall in the background. (See story on page 27).

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IMPROVING OURSELVES

How many of the deaf after they leave school continue to try to improve their knowledge of language, their speech and their lipreading ability? Many of them do not seem to realize how much it can mean to them to do so. In their jobs, for instance, how many of the deaf are as good at their work as their hearing workmates, often better, but are held back from promotion because they cannot speak or lipread well enough. How many are cut off from the interest and enjoyment of everyday talk with those around them for the same reason.

The desire to improve their speech and lipreading must come from the deaf themselves, but how do they go about it after leaving school?

"Concentrate first on acquiring language," says Mr. Cyril Allen, former principal of the Kelston School for Deaf and a teacher of the deaf for well over forty years. "Language must come first." What exactly is language? It can mean a number of things, but one simple description of the word from the Oxford Dictionary is "knowledge of words and their use."

How can the deaf acquire more language? Well, here's a suggestion: How about leaders among the deaf inviting other deaf folk in their districts to their homes regularly to discuss all sorts of interesting subjects. Suitable guest speakers could be invited to these discussion groups. If desired, debating teams could be formed and compete against each other. This is a way in which the deaf could not only help themselves acquire more language but have a lot of fun and friendship as well. An example of how it can be done can be seen in the Taranaki Deaf Club notes in this issue.

See Welfare Officer Lance Manning's notes in this issue. He makes a similar suggestion.

In its next issue the Deaf News hopes to report the formation of such discussion groups among the deaf. Speech and lipreading classes could be organised on the same lines, with qualified tutors being obtained to lend their help.

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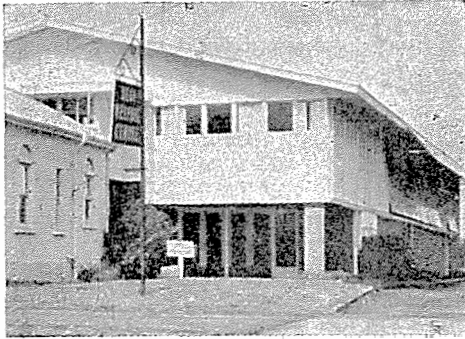


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DISTRICT "ROUND-UP"

AUCKLAND



Election of Officers

The annual general meeting of the Auckland Deaf Society was held in the clubrooms on 16th April and the election of officers resulted as follows:

President, John Hunt; vice-president, Jim Owen; secretary, Bert Anton; treasurer, Peter Murray; committee, Julie Owen, Josephine Beech, Adrienne Killen, Barbara Brain, Pauline Sedon, Don Beech, Dieter Helmerding, Johnny Keogh and Keith Smith.

Jonathan Anton was appointed captain of the Badminton Club. Peter Murray, chairman of Men's Indoor Basketball, and Barbara Brain, captain of Women's Indoor Basketball.

Don Beech was appointed the Club's sports-master.

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Congratulations to the new officers of the Auckland Deaf Society. There is a saying that "a new broom sweeps clean" so let us hope that the committee gets the co-operation of all members for a smooth running year.

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Deepest sympathy go to Jim Owen who recently lost his sister. Jim attended her funeral in England.

Barbecue for Sports Delegates

A barbecue was held at John and Verna McRae's place in honour of the visiting delegates to the New Zealand Amateur Sports Association meeting in March. About 50 people went along to sample the delicious spread of grilled sausages, chops, etc., and to inspect John's hobby room. John has a fine collection of mementoes which he and Verna collected during their travels overseas.

Mini Bus Tour

One day recently a mini bus sent by the Auckland A.A. took a party of pensioners from the Deaf Welfare Centre for a drive around Auckland district. It called at French Bay and enabled Mrs. Hilda Ross to pop round to Mrs. Jerome's place, for a quick nineteen to the dozen. Mrs. Jerome was Mrs. Gray, former matron of Sumner and Titirangi deaf schools. She is always delighted to have deaf people visiting her. Her health has prevented her coming into the city.

Bonny Babies

Twins must run in the Goodhue family for Hilda recently presented her husband, Ivan, with twin boys. Jean Pearce, her sister, had boy and girl twins and her husband's sister also had twins. Hilda and Ivan's bonny boys came in for much admiration from fellow members of the Auckland Deaf Society who visited her in hospital. Another bonny baby is Glenice and John Bays' daughter. Kath, Stewart and Anne Barclay paid the Bays a visit at Warkworth on Anzac Day and thought their new addition was a beauty.

Eight Daughters in a Row

While on the subject of babies, the Cole family featured in an Auckland newspaper recently consisted of mother, father and eight daughters. The father, Colin Cole, is a well-known fashion designer, and his parents, Wilma and Howard Cole, who died some years ago, were a deaf couple still warmly remembered by older members of the Auckland Deaf Society. Colin's daughters are baby Melissa, Annabel (18 months), Sarah (4), Charlotte (8), Katherine (9), Gabrielle (11), Deborah (15) and Virginia (17).

Tabloid Sports Evening

About 80 members of the Auckland Deaf Society attended the monthly social on 6th May, and they were glad they did for tabloid sports were held and the fun was fast and furious. There were ten events, including such difficult ones as flipping cards into a hat from the edge of a large circle, and competition between the teams was keen. The winning team was lead by Don Beech, the prizes being large cakes of chocolate. Ken and Jennifer Brain gave the committee generous help in running the sports. Other welcome guests included Dennis and Paul McDonnell, of Thames, who were staying with Terry Walbran, and Mr. and Mrs. Mullane, of Massey, Auckland. Mrs. Mullane, who has been deaf since she was six years old, and her husband, who is hearing, came out from England some years ago.

Swimming Sports

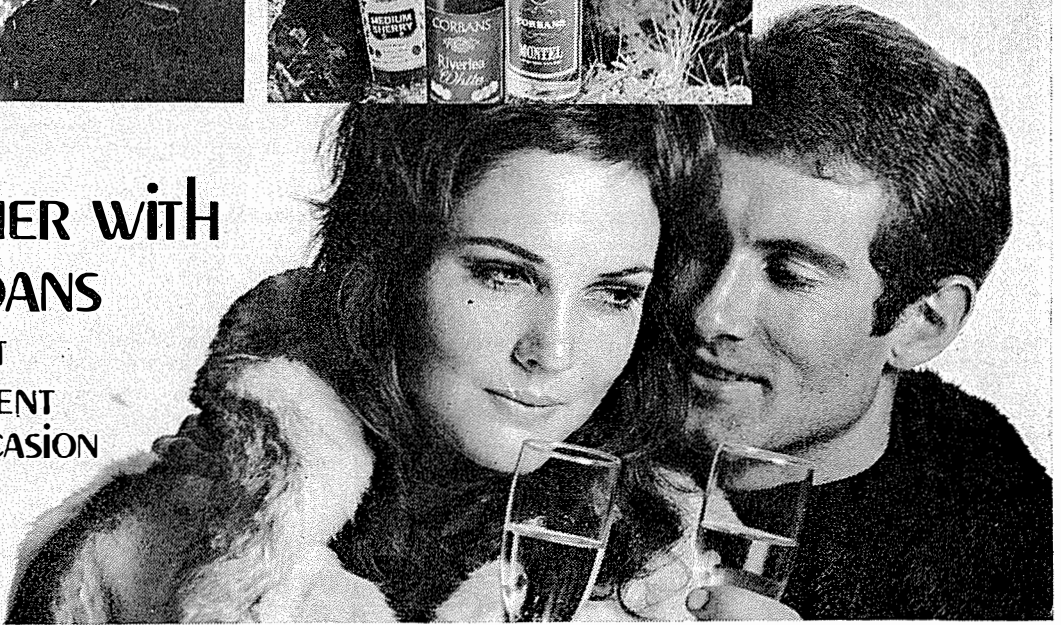
The Auckland Deaf Society's swimming sports this year held at the Kelston School for the Deaf baths on a Sunday morning had quite a few on-lookers present but few competitors. Gary Howard proved too strong a swimmer for the others, winning the 100 yards freestyle, the 100 yards breaststroke and the 50 yards backstroke. Susan Hamilton was the only woman entrant, but she was runner-up to Gary with the same number of points as Ken Saw.

"Sen" Smith Injured

A chipped bone in the left leg and a cut that required several stitches in the right leg, were suffered by "Sen" Smith when he was struck by a hit-and-run motorist on the way home from a bowling evening on 25th May. "Sen" had just got off the bus at Owairaka and was crossing the road, when he found a car without lights, bearing down on him. He dived to get out of the way but didn't quite make it. Fortunately he landed without injuring anything besides his legs, but it was as close to being killed that he ever expects to be. With his leg in plaster he's been impatiently waiting to get back to indoor bowls, the game he is famous for.



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Pavlovas and Pictures

Those present at the Deaf Club one Wednesday night in January had "Sen" Smith to thank for a special treat at suppertime in the form of platefuls of luscious cream-filled pavlovas. They were provided by "Sen's" wife, Kath, to celebrate his 60th birthday. He might be 60 but he's still got more vim and vigour than most men half his age.

On another night at the Club recently "Sen's" youngest son, David, who arrived back from England in March, just in time to be best man at his brother's wedding, showed a fine collection of coloured slides he and his wife had taken while they were overseas. There was a good attendance to see the slides which "Sen" showed on his projector. David not only described them, but also thoughtfully supplied typewritten notes which made the slides very easy to follow. David was transferred by the bank he works for to London for two years, and he and his wife managed to see a lot of the world in that time. His slides included Japan, Hong Kong, Russia and many parts of the Continent. The most delighted persons in the audience were Steve and Stephanie Puljan when slides of their beloved homeland, Yugoslavia, were shown.

David Bond Married

The former secretary of the Deaf News Editorial Committee, Mr. David Bond, looking bonnie in his kilt of McBeth tartan, appeared in the N.Z. Herald not long ago with his attractive little Scottish bride, Margaret, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steele, of Dundee. Their wedding was held in Dundee, and David's mother, Mrs. J. E. Bond, of Rangeview Road, Henderson, sent a real horseshoe on a white ribbon which was presented to the bride as the couple left the church. David who completed his M.A. while teaching at the Kelston School for the Deaf, met his wife while she was at a course for the teaching of deaf children at Manchester University. He gained a diploma in audiology at Manchester University and is now doing research on the psychology of teaching the deaf at Nottingham University. He and his wife plan to come to New Zealand at the end of this year. We wish them every happiness.

Church for the Deaf

There has been a steady attendance of deaf folk and their families and friends at the church service held specially for them at 10.30 a.m. on the third Sunday of the month in the clubroom of the Auckland Deaf Centre. Rev. Trevor Fear has used his experience and understanding of the deaf to make the service as clear and inspiring as he can, using coloured film strips to illustrate his sermons. One deaf mother was heard to comment after attending a recent service for the first time, that it was the first time she had ever been able to understand what was being said at a church service. The chat over a cup of tea after the service also helps to make it a warm, friendly occasion.

Wallace and JBL

Wallace Williams has been reading his newspapers very carefully lately looking for the letters JBL among the news. The financial collapse of the JBL business empire concerned Wallace a lot because he had some shares in a mineral company associated with JBL. Not that anything could worry Wallace for long. "Never mind," he was heard to remark, straightening his very colourful new tie, "I've also got shares in the Farmers Trading, and look how they're rising!"

Champion Dogs

Mrs. Laura Hunt has reason to be proud of her two wire-haired fox-terriers, especially "Idee" (Ch. Jaemar Shimmering Idol Aust.), a two-and-a-half-year-old, as she recently won five ribbons on Ribbon Parade Day at the Terrier Club in one afternoon.



"Idee"

The ribbons were for Best on Parade, Best Mover, Best Head, Best Coat and Best of Breed. She was the most decorated dog of all that day. This year, has seen more successes for "Idee." She has entered several competitions, is still collecting Challenge Certificates, and is now qualified for Championships. Proud Laura is waiting for a confirmation that "Idee" is a Champion of the N.Z. Kennel Club.

The other dog, Newstead Playboy ("Tony"), a three-year-old, has been a bit slow collecting Challenge Certificates but he has only three more to come (12 altogether) before he qualifies for championships.

Johnnie Keogh's Trip

Johnnie Keogh recently spent four weeks in Australia during which he visited Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Surfers' Paradise. Apart from a period when he had a painful toothache that resulted in a tooth being extracted in Brisbane, he thoroughly enjoyed himself and brought home some really posh clothes.

K. Smith and P. Sedon.

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WAIKATO



L to r: Mrs. Mumford, Mrs. Bissett, Mrs. Wake, Mrs. Mateer, Miss Croft and Miss Hammond.

Mrs. Flossie Mumford, of the Waikato Deaf Club, was one of the Senior Citizens invited by the Cambridge Borough Council recently to afternoon tea at the Town Hall to meet the Governor-General and Lady Porritt. The Governor-General shook hands with the Senior Citizens and when told that Mrs. Mumford was deaf, asked if she did lip-reading. Mrs. Mumford states that she was very nervous when she met the Governor-General but it was a most enjoyable gathering.

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The Club was sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Mills and Lynn, of Te Awamutu, who have gone to live in Takapuna. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have passed their farm over to their son. They were farewelled by the Club on 25th March.

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Stuart Reid of the Waikato Deaf Club is proud of the fact that two of his uncles have been honoured now. His Uncle Lawrence (Mr. A. L. Friis, of Tauranga), who is deputy chairman of the N.Z. Dairy Board, received the C.M.G. in the 1972 New Year Honours, and his Uncle Donald (Mr. D. S. Reid), who is Resident-Commissioner of the Chatham Islands, was invested with the M.B.E. some years ago.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cummins, parents of Katherine and John, lost an older daughter, aged 38, with four children, recently. She was in hospital a couple of days, then died suddenly. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the Cummins family.

Honeymooners from Australia

Bob and Mary Profilco were married in Australia recently and came to New Zealand for their honeymoon, as another couple they knew, were being married in Whangarei. The other couple were Alison Gordon, who came from up north and had been working in Australia a few years, and an Australian, Paul Roger. Bob and Mary first went down to Christchurch and toured around a bit, then John Hughes met them in Auckland and took them to Whangarei to the wedding. After the wedding, both couples did some touring together until they left on 9th May on their return to Australia.

J. L. Hughes.

TARANAKI

Hangi at Meeting

On March 18th the Taranaki Deaf Club held a special meeting at Gwen Rapley's place to welcome a party of nine deaf Aucklanders and three deaf Hamiltonians. The meeting place was a hayshed-workshop with a concrete floor with a hangi fire just outside. Rapleys had cooked a superb dinner of chicken, kumeras and potatoes, and they are already experts in the art. We had some fun with competitions between Taranaki and Auckland in games. Later in the evening Keith Smith, of Auckland, had the misfortune to fall off a stair and got a bump on his forehead.

Home from Japan

Peter Horner was home a second time a few months ago from a marvellous trip to Japan. He was six months on that trip, which included the Expo 70 in Japan. He then went to Australia for a working holiday to raise money to come home on the boat via Fiji and Honolulu. Unable on his return to land a job in New Plymouth, he went to Auckland to work.

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Two members of the Taranaki Deaf Club, Colin Schweiters and Kevin Kelly went to the Hamilton deaf indoor bowling championships over Easter. They came home empty-handed.

Debate by the Fireside

On April 14th, Kevin and Lynn Neale opened their home to us for a chat by the fire. We had a debate on "The Role of the Deaf in Society."

Kevin bought his house in the heart of the city from his late uncle. He showed us some of his skill at furniture-making. He is still doing it at night school. Kevin was in hospital for a week having an operation on his back some time ago.

Barry Gernhoefer Back

A surprise arrival at the Neale's place after a time in Australia and Christchurch was Barry Gernhoefer. After six weeks of no job in Christchurch, maybe the call of the Taranaki greenlands brought him back to his old home town of Eltham. Thanks to his brother, he works in the Eltham freezing works. We hope to see quite a lot of him in the future.



L to r, (back row): Barry Smith, Grant Brewster, Kevin Kelly, Colin Schweiters.

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DISTRICT "ROUND-UP"

After the Hamilton Deaf indoor bowls, Bill and Mary Rees and Ray and Florrie McNutty, with the help of the police and a garage owner in the darkness, called at Brewsters' place on their way home to Wellington.

The Smiths Fix It

After seeing Elaine Deed off to Auckland by plane after her holidays, Sally Smith drove her car all the way through the city with the public staring at her because of the funny noises coming from the car that she was unaware of. The car eventually broke down and had to be towed back to the Smith's home in Opunake. Next day, Barry and Sally in their overalls, took the car motor to bits and found the crankshaft bearings broken.

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Our committee had decided that we will meet in private homes and in the hall alternately every month.

G. Brewster.

HAWKES BAY

During Easter Cyril and Norah Pruden of Christchurch were in Napier for five days. They say they will never forget the enjoyable hospitality.

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Norman Hahn of Christchurch, also spent three days in Napier and said he liked the beautiful city. He bet on a horse at the Hawkes Bay races called Miss Smooth which was placed nowhere. After his departure he motored to Rotorua to his cousin's place for two days.

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Adrienne and Andrew Killen of Auckland and their two-year-old daughter visited Adrienne's parent's place at Hastings for Easter weekend.

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There was a good gathering of deaf people for parties at Myrna and Roland June's place and also Sally and Merwyn Forman's place.

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Pam Howell, of Wellington, and her boyfriend, Kaz Witoko, of Australia (he was one of the Aussie basketball team which came to New Zealand last Christmas), were in Napier for Easter weekend.

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Noel Fraser from Gisborne, where he works as a mail sorter, came to Napier for four days to see his new deaf friends.

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Nannette Swiggs of Hastings, and her two Chiuaua (breed of dog) completed in a Hawkes Bay dog show and won two silver cups. Well done Nannette.

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Congratulations to Myrna and Roland June who became proud parents on 5th May of a new son. He weighed 7lb. 7oz. at birth and they have called him Tom.

R. C. Forman

MANAWATU



J. C. Bailey.

On 17th March, 1972, we had a very successful Annual General Meeting with about 23 members present. The Election of Officers resulted in us having two new members on the Committee in the persons of Gloria Fage (nee Signal) and Phonse Carroll. They replaced Dorothy Beck and Lindsay Jones who resigned from the Committee. The Officers for 1972 are as follows:

Patron: Mr. G. Rennie (his ninth year); Vice-Patron: Mr. J. Milne; President: Mr. B. G. Cockburn; Vice-President: Miss L. Nilsson; Secretary: Mr. D. D. Beech; Treasurer: Mrs. B. J. Hazelwood; Committee: Mesdames S. Hanson and G. Fage, Messrs K. Funnell and A. Carroll; Honorary Solicitor: Mr. F. G. Opie; Auditor: Mr. A. W. Finnigan.

Bigger Hall Found

The Club year has started off very well with the majority of members taking an active interest in sports and Club activities. As a result of the interest in the Table Tennis and Indoor Bowls Competition among members, it has been found necessary to find a bigger hall as the League for the Hard of Hearing Rooms have proved to be too small and inconvenient. We are using the Manchester Lodge Hall on the first and third Sundays at each month and we still use the League for the Hard of Hearing Rooms on the first Friday night of each month. The Manchester Lodge Hall is very roomy. It holds two indoor bowls mats and two table tennis tables with floor space left for members' children to play on.

Plenty to Interest Members

There are 10 members of the Men's Indoor Basketball Team and they play in the Horowhenua Indoor Basketball Competitions. The team was formed by Brent Austen and is being coached by Albert Hanson. The team hopes to play at the Deaf Convention next Labour Weekend. Brent Austen has also started Billiard and Darts Competitions for men members at his home, where they meet on the third Friday of each month. So there are a lot of interests for members this year.

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Women's Group

Mrs. Suzanne Hanson (nee Murphy), was appointed Convenor of the Women's Group earlier this year by members of the Group. They take turns at meeting once a month in each other's homes. They are continuing to do sewing, knitting, soft toy-making, etc., for the Deaf Club Stall to be held in October.

Men's Group

The Men's Group is continuing to meet this year on a larger scale, Brian Cockburn is the Organiser, Albert Hanson President, Daniel Beech Treasurer and Mr. Phonse Carroll, Mr. Jim Henry and Mr. Brent Austen Committee members. Weekly raffles have been run at the Masonic Hotel on Friday evenings, and also a "Pig In A Barrow" raffle to raise funds for Club members' trips to the Deaf Convention. Nearly all the Club members are involved in the Club's activities one way or the other.

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Albert Hanson was in hospital for 12 days some time ago having the varicose veins removed from his leg. He finds his leg more comfortable now.

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Kevan Funnell came third in the Junior Golf Competition for the Peter Webster Memorial Cup.

Bowling Championships

Seven of the Club's members went to Hamilton for the Open Indoor Bowls Championship for the Deaf. Six men played and Joan Bailey went along and took photos and movie camera films of the Championships. Glenn and Beryl Jaggard with their son also went up to Hamilton. We were pleased to see Wally Arthur come runner-up in the Singles and Wally and Brent Austen come runners-up in the Pairs.

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Rangi Brooking called in to see Brian Cockburn at his work place on his way from Christchurch to look for a job in Napier.

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Joan Bailey is building up a film library of the activities of the Deaf Club's members.

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Thirteen members of the Deaf Club turned up to help collect for the Community Chest on 8th April, also thirteen from the Manawatu Association for Parents of Deaf. A collecting area was shared between them.

Sports Players

Kevin Rhind, Brent Austen, Neville Anderson, Wayne McKail, and Glen Jaggard are playing hockey for Technical College Old Boys. Wayne, Brent and Glenn are in the Senior Reserve, and Neville and Kevin in the Second Grade. Barbara Hazelwood, Gloria Fage, Dorothy Beck and Lindsay Jones are playing at the Terrace End Table Tennis Club. Phonse Carroll is again playing Rugby for the Te Kawai Football Club.

Club 10 Years Old

This year is the Deaf Club's 10th year of activities. The Club was founded on 7th July, 1962, by Joan Bailey. The Committee is planning a Cabaret evening to celebrate the Anniversary on 15th July. The foundation members of the Club, are Joan Bailey, Keith and Irene Gordon, Albert Hanson, Maree Carroll, and Diane Hall-Kenny. They are all still active members of the Club.

D. D. Beech.

WELLINGTON

We are very pleased with the large attendance we are having at our new Clubrooms. There are many new young members. Championships are well under way and our Club Captains are very busy.

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Danny McLoughlin, a professional boxer from England, was a welcome visitor. We hope he is very successful in this country and hope to see more of him.

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Kaz Witko from Perth is enjoying his stay in Wellington and joining in our sports.

Successful Scholar

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Monk's third son, Brian, and his wife left Wellington for Melbourne on 27th March to continue their studies at Monach University. Brian is studying for his Doctor of Philosophy Degree and his wife for her B.A. Brian gained his B.Sc. with honours at Victoria University after four years study. They expect to be away three years. We wish them all the best.

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New secretary, Terry Bailey, is making a grand job of the position. We are also happy to add a new Vice-Patron, Sir Charles Burns, to the club.

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New members from overseas are Kaz Witoko from Perth and David Davies from England. Kaz toured New Zealand with the deaf Australian Basketball Team and has come back because of his liking for one of our girls — which is our gain. Among other welcome new members are Vicky and Cherie Sisters, of Upper Hutt, and Elaine Pilcher from Lower Hutt.

This Year's Convention

Although it is only a small club, the Wellington Deaf Club hopes to give visitors to the Sports Convention next Labour Weekend an enjoyable time. If hotel accommodation is required the Bellvue Gardens and the Grove are both motel hotels and central in Lower Hutt. The Kings Cross is another Lower Hutt hotel.

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We were sorry that some members were victims of some vandals on a recent Club night, in having their cars damaged while enjoying their evening. We hope it won't happen again.

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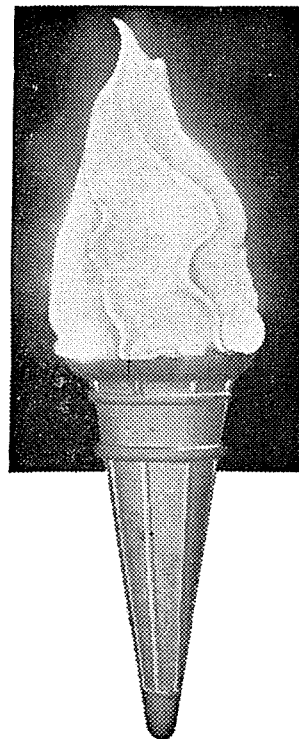
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fairbrother's daughter, of Featherston on her marriage. Many members travelled over the Hill and had a most enjoyable time.

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Annual Meeting

Officers elected at the annual meeting of the Christchurch Deaf Club (Inc.) were:— Patron: N. G. Pickering, Mayor of Christchurch; President: Mr. V. A. Pope; Vice-President: Mr. T. E. A. Still; Hon. Vice-Presidents: Mrs. D. Wales, Mr. N. Kirk, M.P., Mr. G. D. Griffith, Mr. C. Pruden, Mrs. N. C. Rawley; Secretary: Mr. J. R. Swindale; Treasurer: Mr. M. Ward; Committee: Mesdames N. O. Hahn, K. J. Williams, D. G. Chilwell, W. A. Smart and M. E. Coutts; Liaison Officer: Mrs. M. Herrick; Hon. Solicitor: Mr. H. P. Smith; Hon. Auditor: Mr. J. L. Neale; Life Members: Mr. and Mrs. C. Pruden.

Sports Section Officers elected were:—Chairman: Mr. W. A. Smart; Secretary: Mr. J. R. Swindale; Treasurer: Mr. M. Ward; Asst. Treasurer: Mr. W. J. G. Chandler; Committee Delegates: Mrs. A. E. Bennett (table tennis), Mr. V. A. Pope (indoor bowls), Mr. B. W. Clews (men's basketball), Mr. T. E. A. Still (badminton), Mr. B. W. Clews (billiards, pool and darts).

Hospital Patients

Mrs. B. Larking (nee Billie Barrow), formerly of Christchurch, but now of Greymouth, spent a short visit to Christchurch in the Public Hospital in mid-February. She broke her arm just before Xmas, but when the plaster was removed she suffered pains in her shoulder and came to Christchurch to have it looked at and fixed. Mrs. M. Sinclair also had a short stay in Hospital, at the end of February. We are happy to report that both are well again now.

A Night With the Jaycees

On March 7th, my wife and I were invited to an evening with the Jaycees. I was asked to address the gathering for approximately 20 minutes, after which I was asked a lot of questions about the Deaf Club, the Deaf School, and my own family life. It was an evening I will remember for a long time. We were asked to spend supper with them. They say they learnt a lot. We hope so. My wife and I learnt quite a bit too. Before we left for home we were given several books and papers, etc., and were informed that other J.C. Chapters may ask me to visit them also.

Baby Alarms

The Secretaries of all Deaf Clubs and Societies know that the Club was active last year in getting quotations from different centres for a suitable alarm to let deaf parents know baby was crying. Well, our enquiries have been completed and prices have been obtained for these alarms from all over the country. Our selection was an appliance made by Practical Appliance Ltd., P.O. Box 9128, Wellington. Anyone reading this who wants an alarm or knows of anyone requiring one should order from the above address. It is our wish that one firm makes the whole country's requirements so as to keep prices down. Practical Appliance Ltd. quoted the lowest of several we received. All firms have been thanked, and now I wish to thank all those good deaf people who helped me in my quest to get something worthwhile for the young deaf couples who have babies. All we hope is that the appliances prove satisfactory.

The Christchurch Deaf Boys' Basketball Club came of age recently, and celebrated the occasion with a suitable function at the Clubrooms on Saturday, 13th May. There was an attendance of approximately 140 people, who enjoyed the evening very much.

V. Pope.

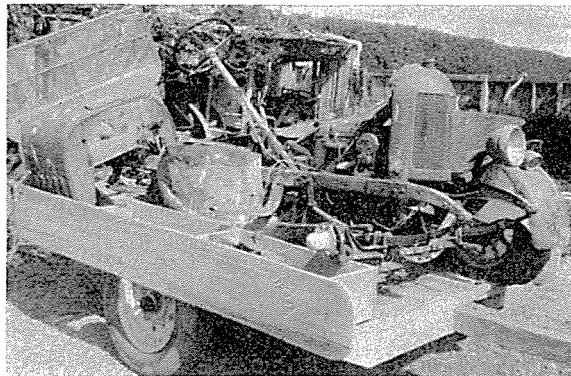
THE STORY OF "BULLNOSE", MY 1925 MORRIS COWLEY

by David Fechney, of Christchurch.

It all began when I went to the hotel and David Sinclair told me he wanted to get rid of his old car. He offered to sell it to me for £2 and I bought it and sent it down to my family's home farm. We played with it there and it got broken down.

One day David Sinclair and I were making a new boat. We took the old car's engine to the boat but it was not much good for the boat. Then David Sinclair said to me, "We'll cut the chassis of the car in half to make a boat trailer". However, I didn't cut it in half and the old car was left at the farm for three years. The body started to fall to pieces and got rusty.

One day, I was helping Wrey Jury at his place and I said to him, "What do you think of the old car's rusty engine and chassis? they're not much good to me". I took Wrey Jury to the farm and he said it would be better to keep the car, it might be worth a lot of money.



Before

Restoring the Car

So I started to restore the engine and the chassis at my new home and gathered parts for the car from all over the South Island. I started to remove the rust and repainted it. I found an old Morris body at New Brighton and copied the old rotting wood. I made all the new woodwork, the body frame and metals, four new mud-guards, a running-board, and a new copper honeycomb radiator and the hood bow.

Brian Cockburn did the cleaning of metal ready for new nickle and chrome parts for the car. Robin Thorp and I sanded the body and chassis ready for new paint. Robin made a wonderful job of spray-painting it with blue body and black mudguards. Lesley Gibling got me two rubber bulb horns from England.

It took me six years to finish the old car and I got it finished three weeks before the Vintage Car Rally in Nelson.

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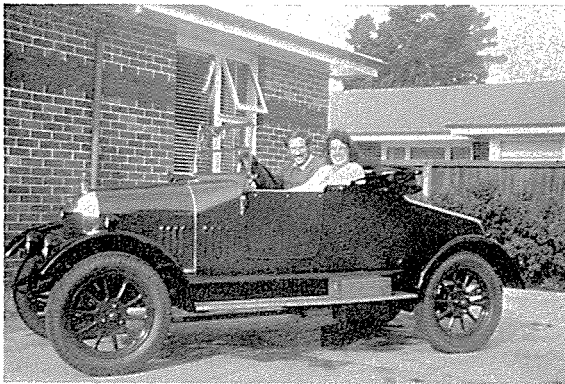
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After

Vintage Car Rally

My wife and I had a wonderful time at the Rally. We started the Rally from Timaru. After we left Timaru my car broke down at Geraldine. I got it fixed, finding it was the magneto. Then we had to come back to Christchurch and stay the night there.

Next morning we left Christchurch and went up to Hamner Springs and stayed the night there. Next day we left Hamner Springs and went up to Kaikoura for the night, then up to Nelson and stayed there for 11 days. We had a very rough trip from Waiatu on the way to Kaikoura.

Entered in a Race

One day we had to go to Blenheim for the Vintage Car Racing which went on for 24 hours. We did not start the races until 1.30 in the morning and finished racing at 1.45 next morning. There was only seven miles to go in the races.

When the races finished we left Blenheim at 2 o'clock in the morning and arrived at Nelson at 4 o'clock in the morning. The ones who had been in the races, got badges. The Mayor of Nelson shook hands with me and gave me the Vintage Car Rally Badges.

Valerie and I had a wonderful time at the Final Dinner and Dance and my old car went very well on the way home from the Rally.

AUSSIES THRILLED BY N.Z. TRIP

An interesting account of what the members of the Australian Deaf Representative Basketball Team thought of their tour of New Zealand a few months ago is contained in "The Deaf Talkabout", the Adult Deaf Society of Victoria magazine.

On 28th December, 1971, the group was at the Sydney International Airport early ready for the exciting trip around New Zealand. A large number of Sydney deaf people were there to farewell us. The flight was smooth until half way when it became a bit rough due to high wind currents. We landed at Auckland Airport. We were surprised to see a welcome dance by Maoris in their national dress. Excited deaf New Zealanders welcomed us and many words of greetings were exchanged between the groups. We stayed at the airport for at least one hour before dispersing. Kind volunteers took us to the Club during the evening for a get-together.

On the second day (29/12/71) the supporters went on a bus tour of Auckland's suburbs whilst the team practiced at the Auckland Deaf Society Club Rooms. After the first match, which Australia won the Australians presented a trophy commemorating the first match between the two countries. At night a large group of Aucklanders joined us in a Yugoslavia Barbecue at which the chef was a Maori skilled at roasting lamb in the hot burning coals.

A picnic 30 miles south of Auckland was arranged for the third day and we were interested in the very green valleys on our way to Wenderholm. Gary Howard of New Zealand arranged the sports programme which followed, and after a Maori Dance by deaf Maoris, we returned for a "get-together" at the Auckland Deaf Society.

The New Year's Eve party will long be remembered, especially by those with sore heads the next day. More sightseeing on 31/12/71 included One Tree Hill and the former deaf school. On New Year's Day we travelled to Palmerston North. On the journey we saw Waitomo Caves and its glow worms. This is a fantastic sight! The caves have long lofty galleries with millions of glow worms sparkling on the roof and lighting the underground river. We stayed overnight at the Tokoroa Hotel and to keep the players in trim sent them on a five mile jog! From here the next day to Rotorua and its famous water spouts. One, the Pokutu Geyser rose to 100 feet while we were there. Although we were an hour late arriving at Palmerston North, the friendly deaf were waiting to make us welcome.

At Palmerston North we saw St. Dominic's School for the Deaf at Feilding whilst on an interesting sightseeing tour. It was at Palmerston North that the International Match in which Australia met New Zealand took place. A social evening at night including a mime act, in which John Hume of N.S.W. took part, was a great success.

Next day by air to Wellington, capital of New Zealand. In this busy city set around Oriental Bay, we enjoyed the company of our hosts. The film "Australian Deaf Games" was shown by courtesy of the Victorian (Australia) Deaf Committee. The tug-o-war between Australia and New Zealand at the picnic, at Paekakariki, was declared a draw! The rope broke!

On January 7th the team flew to Christchurch in the South Island, but sad to say, the supporters went by ship. This notorious sea crossing lived up to its rough reputation and we won't say who were good sailors and who were bad!

Our arrival on 8/1/72 was at Lyttelton, 15 miles from Christchurch where a bus was waiting. Unfortunately we were expected to arrive at Christchurch Railway Station and it was there that our welcoming party of deaf friends was waiting! However it was soon sorted out and we toured the city during the morning and played, and were beaten, by the Christchurch deaf, in the afternoon. After the farewell at night we left early the next day for the airport to end 13 wonderful and exciting days with the New Zealand deaf. The tour was extremely successful and every Australian who went will never forget the friendships made, on this first ever organised sporting and social tour by deaf Australians to deaf New Zealanders.

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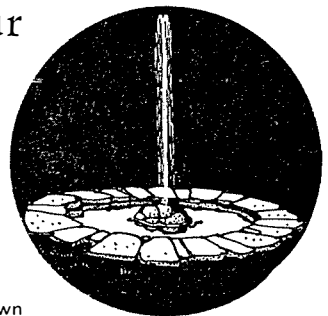
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MARRIAGES



FLEMING-KAY: The marriage took place at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Te Awamutu, between Allison Margaret Kay, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kay, Wharepuhunga, Te Awamutu, and John Staig Fleming, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Fleming of Hamilton.



WELHAM-ALSOP: The marriage took place at St.

Barnabas Church, Fendalton, on March 4th, 1972, between Marilyn, second daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. A. W. H. Alsop, and Russell, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Welham. Russell is an ex-pupil of Sumner S.F.D. and Marilyn, is an ex-pupil of Sumner and Kelston S.F.D. The happy couple are at present living in Sumner.

BIRTHS

BAYS: On April 12th, 1972, at Warkworth, to Glenice and John Bays, a daughter, Brenda Joanne, 8 lb 7 ozs.

HALCROW: On April 26th, 1972, at Christchurch, to Brenda and Murray, a son.

TAMEPO: On March 16th, 1972, at National Women's Hospital, Auckland, to Hilda (nee Goodhue), and Ivan, twin sons. All well.

HOME FROM OVERSEAS



Lesley arrives at Hydra Island, Greece.

Miss Lesley Gibling of Dunedin, some of whose experiences on a working holiday overseas appeared in the Deaf News last year, has supplied some more news of her travels just prior to her arrival home. She writes as follows:

Tour of Scotland

We left for Scotland by the Excelsior European Motorways Coach on the way to Edinburgh, Scotland. We saw the famous Greta Green (runaway marriages) also the famous blacksmith shop at Greta Green. It is half way between the English and Scottish Borders. Then on we went to Edinburgh and stayed for three nights in a beautiful hotel with different coloured tartan carpets and curtains in every room. They really looked lovely.

We did a lot of sight-seeing in Edinburgh, visiting the Edinburgh Castle and St. Giles Cathedral. Next day we went on an excursion for the day to Trossachs Stirling, Falkirk. We saw famous Rob Roy's birthplace at Aberfoyle and stopped for lunch at the Highland Motel, with its beautiful lochs and waterfalls where there is plenty of salmon fishing done. The Autumn colours were beautiful. We went to the Olympic Games Swimming Pool, very big and beautiful inside.

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Then on to Glasgow, which was a very dreary place with rain while I was there. I stayed with my Uncle's mother in Neilston, 10 miles from Glasgow. She made me very welcome and I met other relations and had a wonderful time with them. Scotland is very much like Dunedin, with plenty of hills.

Wonders of Greece

In November I went to London Gatwick Airport to catch the Boeing 707 Jet plane for Greece. The plane took four hours and landed at Athens, where a coach was waiting for us and took us to a lovely hotel. The weather was very hot. We made a coach tour at night to see all the beautiful floodlights around Athens. We saw the Royal Palace just outside of the city and the guards in their national costumes. We also saw the famous Acropolis on the top of the hill and looked down on a wonderful view. We saw the famous Greek Museum.

Next morning we left the hotel to go on a boat trip to see the famous Island of Hydra, which is Jackie Onnassis' favourite island. The shops were beautiful with lots of lovely jewellery. We really enjoyed walking around and then lunched on the boat and left to visit the Island of Aegina. It was lovely too. We saw a Greek Orthodox Temple also, the national costumes being really beautiful. We arrived back at the hotel for dinner.

We also visited the Greek Old History Museum and walked up to the Temple of Apollo. We spent the whole day in Delphi, then went to see Cape Sounions temple of Poseidon, God of the Sea. We saw all the very expensive homes — they are all painted white. In the evening we went to the famous Tourkolimano Fish Restaurant and the meal was really enjoyable. Afterwards we went walking around the ships and bought some souvenirs. We spent six wonderful days in Greece and left the Olympic Airport in Athens. The plane was delayed four hours but the airport was so busy, the time just flew. On arrival in London I stayed with my deaf pen-friend, June Buckley, for the night. Greece is a very old and interesting place.

Homeward Voyage

One week later I was busy getting ready for my trip back to New Zealand. The English deaf people gave me farewell parties and a wonderful time. Twenty-five deaf friends came down to Southampton Dock to see me off on the "S.S. Australis". They had been very kind to me on my two years working holiday in England. I was very sad to leave them.

The boat took four days from Southampton to Las Palmas and we went ashore for three hours. Some of the markets have very cheap radios, cameras, etc. It is a very hot place. We bought some lovely souvenirs.

We then left for Cape Town, arriving nine days later. We went ashore and walked around the shopping centre and saw lots of African people. We bought some African wood carvings which are beautiful and not expensive. After leaving Cape town the weather turned rough and nearly everyone was sea-sick. The storm lasted for five days but I was okay, and never missed a meal. Several people were injured with broken legs and arms, bruises, etc. I was very careful and enjoyed the rough seas taking a few photos of the huge waves.

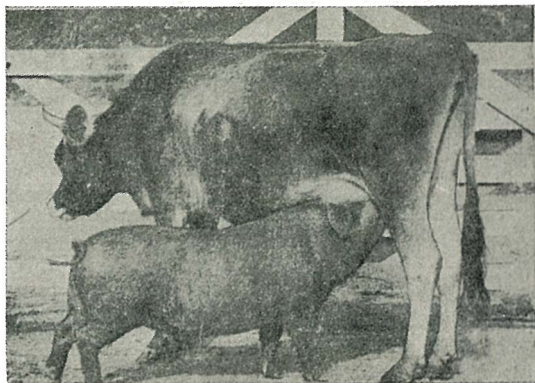
Next stop was Fremantle, near Perth. The weather was still very hot, and 1000 immigrants left the ship here. We had a great look around by taxi and saw the Swan River, the University of Western Australia and lots of other places.

Next stop was Melbourne and I had a great day there. Everywhere was very busy with people doing their Xmas shopping. Then on we went to Sydney and had a lovely day there. A deaf boy joined the ship for a South Pacific Xmas Cruise and we had a good talk as I had not been with a deaf person since leaving England. The hearing people on the ship were very good to me and I enjoyed their company very much and made some good friends.

On arrival at Auckland wharf, 22nd December, I went up on to the deck at 6 a.m. and saw my mother's car arriving. I was very pleased to see her after over two years. Then I went down for breakfast and to my cabin to find a note from John Hunt. I was very pleased. It was very thoughtful of him to come to the wharf so early in the morning. It was good to be back in New Zealand just in time for Xmas.

I enjoyed every minute of my overseas trip, and the kindness of the people I met everywhere. It was a wonderful experience.

COWS ADOPT PIG



"Give me a cow instead of a sow anyway!"

A prized possession of the Goodhue family, three members of which are deaf, is this picture of one of the sons used to have on his farm and one of two cows that adopted it. The picture appeared in the Whangarei newspaper in 1961 over the following report:

One of a litter of five-month-old pigs owned by Mr. I. E. Goodhue, of Pokapu, has been adopted by two two-year-old cows. The pig is accepted as a calf and takes daily refreshment from both. Its coat is sleek and shiny, and the pig is almost twice the size of the others in the litter.

The pig started suckling other cows before it was "adopted" by the two early in March. According to Mr. Goodhue, the pig tried several cows first. "He found that they would not kick him", Mr. Goodhue said.

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The first term of 1972 was a very busy one for all sections of the school. As part of the school programme various visits were made to places of interest both in and out of Auckland. Some of these visits included trips to Maori Bay, North Head and farms in the Waitakere area. Special booklets for the pupils' social studies work have been developed by teachers and these have been eagerly used by the children.

As part of the physical education an extensive swimming programme was undertaken daily for all pupils. In addition sports in softball and cricket were played against the neighbouring schools.

The usual winter sports have begun in earnest and we have many of our boarding pupils playing in rugby, soccer and hockey. The hostel boys' hockey team has won many games so far this season. Some of the older boys are playing for the Kelston Boys High School Rugby teams and these too have had some good wins.

Hobbies clubs have been taken by teachers for many of the pupils and several of the older pupils have become very enthusiastic stamp collectors. Others have been enjoying their art work, printing and modelling.

ST. DOMINIC'S

At the close of last term an enjoyable evening was arranged by the Sisters as a "Thank you" to the School and Domestic Staff members. Mrs. P. Smith and Sister M. Dominic were farewelled. Sister M. Jacinta returned from overseas and Sister M. Ligouri replaced Sister Dominic. Two of last year's preschoolers are now new entrants together with two very small boarders.

Activities

The School Picnic at Himatangi Beach climaxed a successful interest centre on "The Beach" and there were many interesting collections of shells and driftwood. "Money and Spending" led into our March Gala. Each year the day's entertainments swell and the small boy's highlight was a vintage fire-engine owned and driven by Mr. Tait, one of the teacher's husband — round and round the paddock with siren going and brass gleaming for 10 cents a ride. A follow-up evening was held in the Hall for the Gala helpers and about seventy from the various local clubs attended. The children sang and danced and spoke informally and their naturalness and evident happiness delighted the visitors.

"Music and Songs" again proved popular and worthwhile especially as Cindy Stringfellow's father came with his Pop Band and played for dances and hit-songs. The School has bought some strong beat drums and cymbals and the children enjoy turns in beating out the rhythm for assembly songs. "Wool" was another topic that worked out well and Phonse Carroll gave a shearing demonstration down at the new sheepyards.

Visitors

Several groups of visitors have been through the classrooms including two young American teachers who stayed for a couple of days. They thought everything was just **fab-u-lous** and that the children were terrific. Though from Hollywood they said they didn't know **all** the stars in Beverley Hills.

Improvements

The Senior Classroom acoustics have improved by laying down carpet squares as an experiment. The old red stable — Sister Stanislaus' original classroom — has had some boards replaced and with a coating of reddish-brown paint looks quite fresh for its age — near 100!

It is good news to know that plans are going ahead for a National Body to assist the deaf and their parents.

LATEST PROGRESS IN AIDS FOR DEAF CHILDREN



Evening Standard Photo.

Sister Jacinta giving Linda Feltham a hearing test.

The head teacher at St. Dominic's School for the Deaf at Feilding, Sister Jacinta, has just returned from an extensive overseas study tour with a knowledge of some of the world's most recent developments in the teaching of deaf children, according to the Manawatu Evening Standard.

Sister Jacinta travelled overseas under a Churchill Scholarship and was away 18 months. Most of this time was spent doing an advanced course of study in audiology at Manchester University, England.

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SCHOOLS

She also spent several weeks at the world's leading school for deaf children in Holland, and nearly five months visiting other schools and studying new developments in the British Isles, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, and Australia.

She made a complete study of hearing aids, and as a result of this soon hopes to have the best type of group aids from England installed at St. Dominic's.

These aids have a wider frequency than the present single hearing aids, and so help a child hear more clearly.

Leading Country

Most of Sister Jacinta's research into hearing aids was carried out in Denmark, which is recognised as the country leading the world in such research.

She studied the selection of hearing aids for different types of hearing impairment and ways of extending the low and high frequency range of amplification in hearing aids.

Sister Jacinta said the fact that a child had a hearing loss did not mean he was not endowed with the same inherent ability for language and speech as normal-hearing children.

"What it does signify is that, without early and proper amplification, he will not receive the adequate sample of language necessary for him to utilise his capacity to use language and speech," she explained.

"It is only by the use of the best types of hearing aids that deaf children will be helped to acquire language and speech as normally as possible".

More Parental Guidance

Sister Jacinta also wants to encourage a greater development in parental guidance at St. Dominic's. She studied training in parent guidance of pre-school children, after diagnoses of hearing impairments were made, at Manchester University.

Guidance and home training programmes for pre-school children are relatively new to St. Dominic's, and their ultimate aim is for the deaf child to become a full member of his family unit.

She also studied at Manchester University all aspects of education of deaf children, and was trained in clinical methods and techniques for diagnosing deafness in babies, school children and adults.

The course provided Sister Jacinta with specialised knowledge of new types of equipment being used for testing hearing power.

Sister Jacinta's thesis involved an investigation into the performance of hearing aids used by a group of pre-school children attending guidance classes at the university's audiology department.

She spent three weeks at St. Michelgestel School for Deaf Children, in the south of Holland.

The school is directed by the world's leading authority on teaching language to deaf children, Dr. van Uden.

Every child and every group of children at the school rely completely on spoken language, and Sister Jacinta said the school had to be seen to be believed.

'No Sign Language'

"I did not see a single instance of sign language being used by pupils," she recalled.

Sister Jacinta said from seven years old, even the severely deaf children were talking in sentences with

extremely good speech which teachers did not hesitate to correct.

"As I went from class to class, I saw that the teachers were carrying out closely agreed policies and methods", she said.

Sister Jacinta attended the International Conference on the Education of Hearing-impaired children in Stockholm late in 1970.

She met and heard leading world authorities on all aspects of the education of deaf children.

During the 10-day conference, a wide range of opinions and research findings were exchanged on such topics as the incidence of Rubella (German measles), in particular the 1964-65 epidemic, secondary education, and visual aids for speech correction.

She said the impetus behind the achievement of pupils in various schools of a high standard she visited was an atmosphere of total dedication and hard work.

DARCY DALE BACK HOME

Dr. Darcy Dale, former Principal of the Kelston School for Deaf children and for the last six years Senior Lecturer in Education of the Deaf at London University, who has many friends among the deaf of New Zealand, came home for 10 days recently. He gave generously of his time between looking up friends and relatives, visiting Schools for the Deaf and addressing organisations and parents of deaf children. His news of developments in the teaching of deaf children was listened to with interest. He admitted to a deeper understanding of parents' problems in regard to their children now that he has a small son and daughter of his own. The following is a newspaper report of some of his comments on the integration of deaf children with hearing children while he was here :

Many deaf children in New Zealand, now taught at special schools, would probably attend general schools in the future, Dr. Darcy Dale, senior lecturer in education for the deaf at London University, said in Auckland today.

"This integration of deaf and normal children is one of the major world trends in education of the deaf," he said.

"In future more and more deaf children will be educated in general schools," he said. "Our problem is to devise ways of meeting new difficulties which arise with deaf children in ordinary schools.

"One of the things we are looking at is an increase in itinerant teachers of the deaf, and another is a type of tutorial service under the direction of a teacher of the deaf but controlled by normal staff".

"Education methods for deaf children vary all over the world," he said, "but one of the leading schools is St. Michielsgestel in Holland. It is strongly supported by the Dutch Government. "But even those experts travel to England to investigate the integration of children taking place there", he said.

"England leads the world in integration. New Zealand can learn from them.

"The rolls of English schools for the deaf have dropped from 5000 to 3000 over the past years as integration takes place", said Dr. Dale.

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Hostel Opened

The hostel for boys which I mentioned in an earlier article is now reality. It opened on June 5th and houses eight boys, possibly nine. A Matron-Housemother has been appointed and took up residence on 22nd May. Any young man from school-leaving age may apply for a place in the hostel and the board charged will be based on a sliding scale according to the wages earned. In the case of young men taking apprenticeships, a lodging allowance from the Labour Dept. could cover most of the boarding cost. Twenty-three years of age is the maximum for any young man to come to the hostel but consideration could be given to older young men in special circumstances.

Discussion Groups

Sports of various kinds seems to be the mainstay and prime social activity of many deaf people. This is excellent and it assists greatly towards good health and fitness and also helps with mental and physical co-ordination. From time to time, however, one hears small whispers of discontent such as, "Well, sport is all very well but there are lots of other things in life, you know."

A young deaf man said to me recently that it was very easy to become involved in sport but not so easy to learn about what went on in the world. He felt that this fast-moving and changing world baffled him and there were so many things that he knew nothing about. He said he would like to know more about, for instance, Vietnam, Hippies, drug addiction, space flights, astronomy, gardening, car maintenance, etc. To name some of the possible discussion areas that he could become involved in would easily fill this page.

I wonder how many other people feel this way. Perhaps, if there are enough interested people we could start discussion groups and possibly arrange for lecturers in current affairs to come and talk. It could, of course be a lot simpler with a group of people just getting together to talk about these things. I would be glad to help in any way. Perhaps the time has come also for various deaf societies throughout the country to give some thought to this apparently increased need, and make some provision for it.

Lonely Women

I am concerned about the number of young and older married women I encounter who seem to have no contact with the world outside of their homes. Usually they have two or three children, no transport of any kind, and for the most part are confined to their homes. In some cases they cannot afford even to go out on the bus.

The situation is relieved somewhat where there is a husband, but in the case of separated, divorced or widowed persons it is grim indeed. It is even worse if one happens to be deaf or perhaps hard-of-hearing and is cut off from communication with neighbours and totally dependent on the odd visitor dropping in to liven up the day.

I was talking about this recently to a group of people and one said "but surely these women can find something to do with themselves" and presumably promptly forgot about the problem. I can only say to this that there are "none so deaf as those who do not want to hear."

I do not know the answer to the problem but I will put forward the suggestion that for the women I am concerned about their best means of probable help lies within themselves. They could form mutual assistance groups within their own districts — perhaps meeting in each others homes from time to time, particularly if one person has transport and can assist the others.

I have stated that I am prepared to work in with any such group, but I repeat that it lies with the people in this situation to initiate help for themselves as there appears to be little hope of action or even interest from any other quarter.

The situation I have mentioned is not peculiar to Auckland I am sure. It may be found anywhere in New Zealand. I would appreciate suggestions from any person, deaf or hearing, Deaf Society member or not, of any scheme they can come up with to help in this situation.

DEAF USE TRANSATLANTIC TELEPHONE

In Washington, D.C., Yerker Andersson intently watched the small TV-like screen in front of him. In Tanum, Sweden, A. Martinsson sat before a similar screen and introduced himself as a shipyard worker. Mr. Andersson replied that he was an assistant professor at Gallaudet College, and the two men began talking about their families and life in their respective homes.

The conversation was carried out entirely in sign language — both Mr. Andersson and Mr. Martinsson are deaf—and vividly demonstrated one use of video-phone equipment.

This exchange was part of ceremonies on December 3, 1971 that formally inaugurated the new Nordic earth station for satellite communication at Tanum, Sweden. Arranged by the Communications Satellite Corporation in Washington, D.C., the demonstration was the first transatlantic use of the video-phone, which employs a picture receiver connected to a conventional telephone.

Several diplomatic guests, including the ambassadors to the United States from Sweden, Denmark, Norway, and Finland, also exchanged greetings with fellow-countrymen attending the ceremony in Tanum.

A native of Sweden, Mr. Andersson came to the United States in 1955 to attend Gallaudet College and graduated in 1960. He praised the video-phone equipment but noted that deaf persons had to be sure to sign close to their faces or the small screen would cut off their signs and render them speechless.

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WHY DEAF PEOPLE ONLY?

Wanganui

Dear Sir,

I am writing this to congratulate Joan Bailey on her article in the Deaf News, re segregation of the deaf; also your own article.

I am one of the lucky ones not born deaf. I married a hearing man and had five hearing children, and all my life I have been with normal hearing people, so I think I can speak from experience.

I have never had much contact with deaf people only when I visit them or they visit me, but I enjoy their company just as much as I enjoy the company of the hearing. In fact I came up to Auckland three times in twelve months to visit my deaf friends.

Here in Wanganui we have no Deaf Club. There are about 37 deaf adults I know of and many children. We all have our own hearing friends and only see each other occasionally. I have asked them if they would like to be with deaf people all the time. In most cases the answer was no, they like to mix normally with their hearing friends.

What I have noticed about these people, any of whom are deaf born, is the remarkable absence of gesturing, also they seem to speak much better.

When the deaf are too much together it stands to reason they nearly always speak without voice. I have found I do it myself so the voice must suffer. If you are with hearing people you know you must use your voice all the time, which is the best thing any deaf person can do. The more you use it the better.

I know some have speech difficulties but I have found most hearing folk are very sympathetic and will help. Some, of course, are different and just ignore you, but then the deaf sometimes ignore the hearing. I know this from the experience of many of the deaf taking me for a hearing person and being rude, turning their backs and refusing to speak.

You have many intelligent deaf folk in Auckland who can speak well and they can lip-read far better than I can. They should be encouraging the hearing to join them.

Of course the club is a good thing for many lonely deaf folk but must they make it their "All". Must they be segregated from the hearing always? I think not.

So I hope Joan has given the deaf food for thought. I congratulate her again and say she is absolutely right.

Edna C. Groves.

Editorial Note: This letter has been shortened.

Avondale,
Auckland.

Dear Sir,

It was with great interest that I read "Why Deaf People Only?" in our last Deaf News. Until I became completely deaf after an operation sixteen months ago, I was quite unaware of just how a deaf person looked at life and the problems he had to face. This, I feel, is because of a tendency for the deaf to avoid contact with the hearing. But it is only by such contact, as Joan Bailey says, that a better understanding between the two groups can be built. Both have much to give each other.

Having been on both sides, I would like to make a few comments. I do not think that hearing people really realise what a wonderful achievement speech is, and how much more so for the deaf. Since coming to Auckland eight months ago to live with other "deafies", I have gained a great admiration for those—especially the born deaf—who have mastered this task which is taken for granted by hearing folk.

I am very slow to try saying names and words that I have never heard. So I can now understand why a deaf person withdraws when a hearing person does not understand what he or she has said.

However, deaf people must realise that when talking to each other they often use a sign which covers several words of the spoken language. Then when they use the spoken language they may only say one word where a hearing person uses three. Hearing people must be given time to get used to this.

At the same time as learning to lip-read, I had to adjust to this, and it made the job a lot more difficult. And because I cannot move my face much yet I could not instantly respond to other deaf people as they would not be able to lip-read me. Together with the fact that I cannot even smile, I found it hard to talk to either the deaf or the hearing.

For this reason I found it essential to learn the Deaf Alphabet. Although it is certainly better for the deaf to use the spoken language whenever possible to increase their ability to communicate with all people, for a person such as myself who cannot be lip-read, it is desirable that other deaf people know this form of communication.

At present, because of lack of understanding, whatever the handicap, any ordinary task well done is regarded as a great achievement. Anything done by a handicapped person which takes above average effort is regarded as a freak. Being deaf does not give us the right to ignore the hearing, even if some of them ignore us. Remember, we have a lot to contribute too, so let us give them the chance to know us better. We don't want more concessions than absolutely necessary—certainly not pity—but simply the chance to show our own worth.

Being deaf has changed my life and outlook, but not my faith in God. He did not make me deaf, though it is from Him that I receive the strength to make adjustments. I believe that He can use my deafness to, among other things, improve the understanding between the deaf and the hearing. And I am more than willing to be used; if I could help any person in any way—I trained as a Primary School teacher—please let me know, as to do so would give me great joy. I thank God daily for all the wonderful people who I come to know through being deaf. May He bless you all.

Sally Ellis.

Miss Ellis's address can be obtained from the Deaf News.

Palmerston North.

Dear Sir,

Why is 'Joan's Jots' written at all? Why do I bother to waste time when after a survey of deaf club members I found that (1) Hardly any of them read it; (2) None of them know what 'Segregation' means, neither did they bother to look it up in the dictionary; (3) A number said they were fed up with it but omitted to say why?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I realise of course, that some words are too long for the deaf to understand; this I can't help, to change my style to writing simply just for the sake of a few individuals would mean that I change completely—sorry, I can't do that. I write for the general interest of people. If you readers don't like it naturally, I'm not offended—I cannot expect to please everybody. I'm only happy to know that I do please some of you.

When I said 'segregation' — I did not mean as a whole, because the deaf do work with the hearing, but in PART. The deaf, once they leave their jobs for entertainment, seldom have much to do with the hearing nor they with them. I understand the deaf because I experience it too. However, deaf clubs tend to isolate the deaf from LIFE.

They are afraid the hearing will take over their clubs. That is negative thinking. If a club is administered properly and run fairly by both sides, nobody is going to rule; it will merely be a form of co-operation. How often have I seen deaf presidents, secretaries, etc., insist on co-operation from members, yet fail to give it themselves in some vital issue.

Think now? If the 'Friends of the Deaf Incorp' were the administrators. If they represented N.Z. at the World Federation for the Deaf congresses, what advances might be made in adult deaf education, employment, etc. Only the educated deaf can hope to be anything in the future which is rapidly changing towards computerization.

Can any of you who were at school twenty years ago say that the deaf pupils today are better educated than you were then? Look at your younger members, they are proof. Can you say that you knew more then than they do now—or are you equals? Can you say that education today gives better or the same results it did in your time? That is a hard question to answer isn't it?

What I do say is this: They have better hearing aids, schools and teachers, and find jobs waiting for them before they leave school. It's the language barrier that beats them, as it beats you. It is language that reaps discontent between the deaf and the hearing. It will probably always be so. We have all had wonderful teachers—the souls of patience—who did a wonderful job. Many deaf people — I am ashamed to admit — are better at pronouncing some words than I am myself. Certainly, when the deaf leave school many are gifted, they were bright enough to learn. I have seen plenty of bad examples too, through no fault of either the teachers or the deaf; just once again a language barrier.

Now if N.Z. deaf schools adopted an oral/manual sign language this barrier might be cracked to a large extent and the deaf once they left school would not eventually wander back to the deaf clubs because LIFE let them down.

One thing I do hate and that is the N.Z. deaf sign language system. If the American method was adopted we could teach it to our friends and employers with the eventual result that we would no longer be left out and in the dark. Classes for deaf sign language would be fun to start. It would be another step towards total communication.

The deaf clubs and deaf people must CHANGE— if they did things could really happen. Are they going to or will they continue to turn away from ideas just because they involve the hearing.

Joan C. Bailey.

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Dear Sir,

I would like to contact deaf people, who collect stamps. I collect stamps of New Zealand myself and would like to exchange stamps of South Africa with people. I can write a little English, but I speak Afrikaans. If there is anybody interested, I would like them to correspond with me. Anyone interested should write direct to me at any address given.

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(Deaf man).

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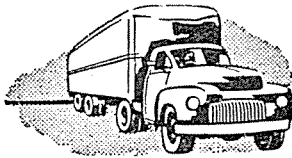
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N.Z. DEAF INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1972 N.Z. Indoor-Bowls Championships for the Deaf which were held at the Y.M.C.A., Hamilton, last Easter were voted by all who attended to be an outstanding success. No stone was left unturned by the Waikato Deaf Club to ensure that the tournament ran smoothly and the organisation could hardly be faulted. Great credit was due to the ladies who supervised the catering arrangements and to the three gentlemen who willingly gave up two days of their holiday break to umpire the games and also act as Tournament Controllers. Without the help of all these people the Tourney would never have run its course so smoothly.

The playing surface at the Y.M.C.A. was simply super and experienced competitors present were loud in their praises of it.

Following is a brief summary of the results:

(A for Auckland, M for Manawatu, T for Taranaki, W. for Wellington).

Singles

Total entries — 46.

Post-Section Results:

1st Round:

J. McRae (A) beat N. Anderson (M).

2nd Round:

C. Schweiters (T) beat T. Stratford (M).

O. Gibbons (A) beat R. Neeley (A).

W. Arthur (M) beat N. Norris (A).

B. Kinnaird (A) beat Miss J. Smith (W).

L. Collins (A) beat Mrs. K. Smith (A).

P. Murray (A) beat Mrs. C. Norris (A).

M. Howell (A) beat S. Clarke (A).

S. Smith (A) beat J. McRae (A).

3rd Round:

Gibbons beat Schweiters.

Arthur beat Kinnaird.

Murray beat Collins.

Smith beat Howell.

4th Round:

Arthur beat Gibbons.

Smith beat Murray.

Final:

S. Smith (A) beat W. Arthur (M).

Pairs

Total entries — 28.

Post-Section Results:

1st Round:

E. Mackie and P. Murray (A) beat R. Neeley and H. Lawrence (A).

B. Austen and W. Arthur (M) beat C. Goodhue and J. McRae (A).

Mrs. B. Gibbons and S. Smith (A) beat W. Anderson and W. McKail (M).

2nd Round:

D. Croskery and B. Kinnaird (A) beat K. P. Smith and O. Gibbons (A).

Mrs. R. Gibling and S. Clarke (A) beat K. Kelly and C. Schweiters (T).

Mrs. D. Howell and M. Howell (W) beat E. Mackie and P. Murray (A).

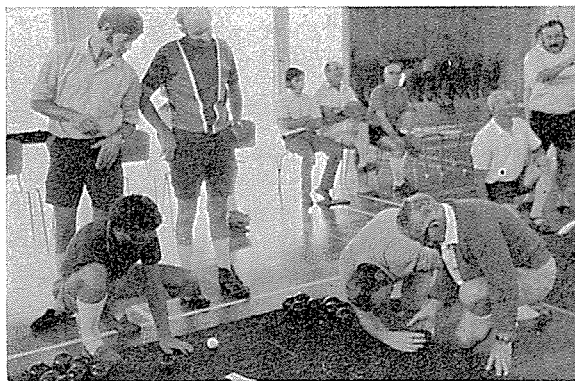
B. Austen and W. Arthur (M) beat Mrs. B. Gibbons and S. Smith (A).

3rd Round:

Croskery and Kinnaird beat Mrs. Gibling and Clarke. Austen and Arthur beat Mrs. Howell and Howell.

Final:

D. Croskery and B. Kinnaird (A) beat B. Austen and W. Arthur (M).



J. C. Bailey.

"This is how it's done".

Rinks:

Total entries — 13.

Post Section Results:

1st Round:

K. P. Smith — G. Goodhue — J. McRae — O. Gibbons (A) beat K. Funnell — B. Austen — T. Stratford — W. Arthur (M).

Mrs. B. Gibbons — R. Neeley — H. Lawrence — S. Smith (A) beat Mrs. R. Gibling — T. Gibling — L. Collins — S. Clarke (A).

Final:

Mrs. B. Gibbons — R. Neeley — H. Lawrence — S. Smith beat K. P. Smith — C. Goodhue — J. McRae — O. Gibbons.

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Mrs. B. Gibbons (A).

Following the Championships a Social and Prize-Giving was held in the Fairfield School Hall on Easter Saturday night and a large crowd attended. The evening was spent in dancing and games.

A picnic was held at Hamilton Lake on Easter Sunday and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The weekend was rounded off with a meeting in the Fairfield School Hall on Easter Sunday night.

The 1973 Championships have been allotted to the Wellington Society.

WIN FOR RAY WHITING

Mr. Ray Whiting, of Glen Innes, had the distinction recently of being in the winning combination at the recent Auckland Indoor-Bowling Centre Triples Championship. He was the lead in the successful St. Pius Club team.

Ray thus joins the late Leslie Barratt, Stan Clarke, Kathie Smith and "Sen" Smith as Deaf Indoor-Bowlers who have won Auckland Centre Championship medals. Congratulations Ray. Keep up the good work.

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SPORTS

SPORTS RESULTS — 1971-72

CHRISTCHURCH DEAF CLUB

The Sports Secretary of the Christchurch Deaf Club J. R. Swindale, has supplied the Deaf News with the following results of competitions held during the year 1971-72.

TABLE TENNIS

Open Gordon Wallace Memorial Cup:

Men's Singles: Winner: G. J. W. Chandler, Runner-up: R. J. Ellison.

Club Competition

Men's Singles: Winner: G. J. W. Chandler, Runner-up: R. J. Ellison.

Men's Doubles: Winners: R. J. Ellison & J. V. Bryson, Runners-up: G. J. W. Chandler & K. Harker.

Women's Singles: Mrs. P. Fehney, Runner-up Mrs. A. E. Bennett.

Women's Doubles: Mesdames P. Fehney & H. M. McDiarmid; Runners-up: Mesdames A. E. Bennett & C. Liddicoat.

Combined Doubles: Winners: Mrs. C. Liddicoat & Mr. R. J. Ellison, Runners-up: Mrs. M. E. Smart & G. J. W. Chandler.

Consolation: Men's Singles: N. O. Hahn. Women's Singles: Mrs. H. M. McDiarmid.

Mansell Cup: (Outstanding): Mr. G. J. W. Chandler.

One team was entered in the "H" Grade Canterbury Association Competition and played 20 games for 12 wins and 8 losses.

Both men's and women's representative teams entered in the new events for the N.Z.D.A.S.A. inter-club table tennis for the John Rae Cup and Smith Rose Bowl. Christchurch name will be first on both trophies. Christchurch teams deserved their victories because of their vastly improved performances. Congratulations to both teams.

Open Table Tennis Tournament

This was held at Selwyn Hall on Saturday, 23rd October, 1971. The tournament commenced at 9 a.m. and concluded at about 3.30 p.m. There were overall 20 men and 10 women entrants for the respective singles and doubles.

R. J. Ellison (Christchurch) displaced the three top players of the Men's Table Tennis ranking lists in the Open N.Z. Men's Singles. The most thrilling feature of the Open Men's Singles was the final match between Ellison and G. Brown which lasted five tense sets, Ellison taking the 1971 title. As expected the outstanding woman player was Mrs. G. Rapley (Taranaki), who took the 1971 title in the Women's Singles, retaining it for her fifth consecutive year.

N.Z. Open Table Tennis Rankings

Abbreviations used in the following position are: Auckland (A), Christchurch (C), Manawatu (M), Taranaki (T), Otago-Southland (O-S).

Men's Singles: R. J. Ellison (C) 1. G. Brown (T) 2. W. J. G. Chandler (C) 3. J. McRae (A) 4. F. Schindler (A) 5. R. Sheffield (A) 6.

Women's Singles: Mrs. G. Rapley (T) 1. Mrs. G. Fage (M) 2. Mrs. A. E. Bennett (C) 3. Mrs. P. Fehney (C) 4. Mrs. B. Hazelwood (M) 5.

Men's Doubles: R. J. Ellison & W. J. G. Chandler (C) 1. J. McRae & W. Dennis (A) 2. R. Sheffield & F. Schindler (A) 3. R. J. Forrest & D. Tod (C) 4.

Women's Doubles: Mesdames A. E. Bennett & P. Fehney (C) 1. Mesdames G. Fage & B. Hazelwood (M) 2. Mesdames V. McRae & J. Pearce (A) 3.

Combined Doubles: Mrs. G. Rapley & G. Brown (T) 1. Mrs. V. McRae & J. McRae (A) 2. Mrs. A. E. Bennett & W. J. G. Chandler (C) 3. Mrs. P. Fehney & R. J. Ellison (C) 4. Mrs. J. Pearce & R. Sheffield (A) 5.

Consolation: Men's Singles: R. Sheffield (A) 1. R. Flynn (O-S) 2.

Women's Singles: Mrs. B. Hazelwood (M) 1. Mrs. V. McRae (A) 2.

BADMINTON

Coutts Cup

Women's Singles: Miss J. M. Watt, Runner-up: Mrs. N. P. Still.

Men's Singles: G. C. Harker, Runner-up: T. A. E. Still.

Three more trophies were donated by its own section for the respective doubles for winners only.

Men's Doubles: R. A. Shekleton & R. Welham, Runner-up: M. Hansen & N. O. Hahn.

Women's Doubles: Misses J. M. Watt & K. Fredrick, Runner-up: Mrs. M. E. Coutts & Miss M. Aslop.

Combined Doubles: Miss J. M. Watt & R. J. Forrest, Runner-up: Mrs. P. Allen & T. E. A. Still.

One team was entered in the "F" Grade Canterbury Association with 12 games for 12 wins; and takes the title for the first time since its team entered three years ago. The team comprised Messrs. T. E. A. Still (Captain) G. C. Harker, R. A. Shekleton, Misses J. M. Watt, M. J. Butcher and Mrs. N. P. Still. Reserves: Mrs. P. Allen and Mr. R. Welham. Christchurch inter-club was entered in the N.Z.D.A.S.A. Badminton Convention for the Bob Scott Memorial Shield tournament and won the trophy for the second successive year by one game with 148 points equal over its rival opponent Auckland team. Miss J. M. Watt was the outstanding player of the tournaments.

Men's Indoor Basketball

One team was entered in the Canterbury Association with 18 games for 13 wins and 5 losses. There were only two team entrants for the Cunliffe Memorial Cup in the N.Z.D.A.S.A. inter-club basketball tourney. Christchurch had excellent combination; and their superior intercepting, passing, recovering, goal shooting and attacks left Auckland floundering. Thus Christchurch comfortably won by 59 points to 39 to retain the cup for the second successive year. This team, comprising six representative players who had lost the first unofficial test against the touring Australia team, beat Australia in the final match due to their stonewalling movements. J. C. Campsie played a good role as he set up attack after attack and good combination passes and goal shootings with his support players J. Ballantine and K. McDiarmid and the rest of the players also played well. Thanks and congratulations are due to J. Campsie and D. M. Sinclair for captaincy and coaching duties respectively which halted Australia's winning streak on its tour. Christchurch beat Australia by 54 points to 40.

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INDOOR BOWLS

John Kinnear Memorial Cup (Open Singles)

Winner: M. G. Sauer, Runner-up: R. McAlpine.

Open Pairs: Winners: J. M. Bennett & P. Berry, Runner-up: M. G. Sauer & Miss L. Potts.

Open Singles: Winner: V. A. Pope, Runner-up: Mrs. L. Pope.

Open Fours: Winners: Mrs. L. Pope, Mrs. J. Chilwell, G. M. Sauer & M. H. B. Halcrow, Runners-up: Mrs. M. E. Smart, W. A. Smart, N. O. Hahn & (one name mislaid).

Open Handicap Singles: Winner: Mrs. J. Chilwell, Runner-up: W. A. Smart.

Club Indoor Bowls Section

Singles Winner: V. A. Pope, Runner-up: M. G. Sauer.

Pairs Winners: Mrs. M. E. Smart & K. Williams, Runners-up: I. S. Kaye & B. N. Gernhofer.

Fours winners: V. A. Pope, A. Tod, Mrs. B. Bryson & Mrs. V. Bramley, Runners-up: B. N. Gernhofer, Mrs. M. E. Smart, L. Fechny & L. Finlay.

One team played 10 friendly games for four wins and six losses. There were four inter-club teams entered in the N.Z.D.A.S.A. Sports Convention Indoor Bowls tournaments for the Jerome Trophy. In the concluding rounds of the tourney played Christchurch beat Auckland by 20 points to 8, thus Christchurch was the first to break Auckland's sixteen consecutive years of wins. Congratulations are due to the winning team.

ATHLETICS

There were three teams competing in the N.Z.D.A.S.A. Convention Athletic tournament for the Oxspring Shield tournament. Auckland did not take part. Christchurch outclassed two opposing teams to retain the shield for the second successive year. No new records were made. Miss E. K. Raper was the outstanding athlete and won a new open event, the Women's 400 metres, to take the Canterbury Cup, which was donated by the Christchurch Deaf Club. R. J. Forrest won the Open Men's 1500 metres, to take the Palmerston North Centennial Cup from D. Beech, last year's holder, who was beaten into third place.

OTHER SPORTS

Dart Championships:

Winner: R. J. Forrest.

W. A. Smart Draught Shield: Winner: R. McAlpine.

Open Billiard Pool Singles: Winner: P. W. J. Downie.

Sportsman of the Year

The judges made their own assessments of the merits of any competitors, who were candidates purely on their performances. Miss J. M. Watt was the unanimous choice of the Griffith Plate and Colin Kay Cup awards for 1971 Sportsman of the Year. Playing Badminton, she won the Canterbury Association "F" Grade Open, the Christchurch Deaf Club Women's Singles, the Women's Doubles and Combined Doubles, in Club competitions; and in the N.Z.D.A.S.A. Sports Convention she was an outstanding competitor. Her selection as Sportsman of the Year was a most popular one, and she was given a standing ovation when she was presented with her awards. It is very unlikely that any of our Club members will equal or better her achievements for some years to come.

16th NEW ZEALAND DEAF SPORTS CONVENTION

Christchurch won the Aotearoa Turi Shield for

the second successive year, with six trophies, including two new trophies, namely the John Rae Cup for Men's Table Tennis, and the Smith Rose Bowl for Women's Table Tennis tournaments. Its representatives won the Athletics, Women's & Men's Table Tennis, Men's Indoor Basketball, Badminton and Indoor Bowls. The final results were: Christchurch (18 points), 1., Auckland (9) 2., Manawatu (5) 3., Wellington (3) 4. Christchurch competitors also nearly won all open event trophies except two table tennis events, (Women's Singles and Combined Doubles). This included a new trophy, namely the new Women's Open 400 metres event. Christchurch set a new record since its Club's inception by winning 14 trophies. This wide success enabled the Christchurch Deaf Club to look with pride towards its Golden Jubilee Queen's Birthday Week-end.

"C.D.C." BADMINTON CLUB

by Noeline Still

Last season was a most wonderfully exciting and successful season indeed for the Christchurch Deaf Club Badminton players. "Dynamatic" Club Captain, Tom Still pushed A team through the Canterbury "F" Grade Competitions unbeaten.

"Wonder Girl", Janet Watt, collected titles and trophies left and right.

Game players like Janet Watt, Geoff Harker and Robert Shekleton had a go at the "B" Grade Competitions to see how good or bad they were. Although the opposition they met proved too strong they impressed and drew favourable comments from their opponents. Geoff Harker saw several rounds through before being knocked out.

Keen Competition

Most of the team entered the Canterbury Graded Competitions and did very well. Most of them reached the semi-finals and Janet Watt won the Women's Singles easily.

Labour Weekend saw "Christchurch selected" retaining the Bob Scott Memorial Shield but not without "Battles" both on court and verbally.

We were all very pleased and proud to see Clubmate Janet Watt collect the "Sportsman of the Year" Awards from both the Christchurch Deaf Club and N.Z. Sports Assn.

Club Captain Tom Still, points out that all the year's successes could not have been possible without the grand teamwork, the support of those great reserves, faithfully turning up at matches in case needed, the support and encouragement of Clubmates and, of course, the interest and encouragement shown by the Mother Club in general.

To all he extends his heartfelt gratitude.

Social Activities

So much for Sporting Activities. Now the Social Scene, which was equally successful.

On February 12th this year we put on a South Seas Dance.

The band, floor show, supper and decor were South Seas and many people dressed to suit the mood. How colourful it was, many photos being taken. A pity the Deaf News does not print in colour!

The supper featured more than sixty crayfish caught by T. Still and G. Perkins, an Aussie working in Christchurch at present. Also raw fish prepared by N. Still which everyone found pleasantly palatable.

Finally we held a Barbecue Picnic at Taylor's Mistake on 20th February, which was enjoyed by friends and members.

Joan's Dots

by JOAN BAILEY



Annual Cash Award

For years now I have been listening to older, more experienced deaf committee members, repeating sadly how hard it is to get the younger generation — some oldies too — into putting their shoulders to the wheel to raise more money for club finance. 'Oh, YES! they work alright BUT only when the money they are helping to raise goes towards their own personal TRAVELLING EXPENSES TO DFAF CONVENTIONS. Now, that is not a very fair attitude for young deaf N.Z.ers to take; or for that matter, any deaf person. If the deaf clubs do not have your help constantly to gather in finance then deaf clubs are going to be non-existent before very long. WHAT WILL YOU DO THEN????

I'm going to make a suggestion to which I hope deaf club committees, parents and other individuals will respond to if they want their clubs to gain. The suggestion is that ALL deaf clubs contribute towards an annual CASH AWARD to be made to the deaf man and woman who most provides inspiration and valuable service for deaf clubs and citizens. If the award is made large enough, so that it is worth \$30 each to the winners, I'm sure deaf people will respond and work harder for their own clubs in the same way that they sweat to become the owner each year of "The Sportsman of the Year" trophy. However, a cash award is for KEEPS. If the deaf clubs pledge to make an annual contribution to this award they would find themselves reaping a considerable harvest in more ways than one. In addition, it would awaken in the deaf person the courage to be, the courage to shoulder life again and to accept full responsibility for everything he or she meets. If nobody objects I would be pleased to organise the award and will myself contribute \$3 annually.

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The 1972, 8th World Annual Deaf Championships for Bowling were due to be held in Rockford, Ill., U.S.A., from July 1st to 3rd. Last year it was held in South San Francisco, California. The first prize of \$1,000 was won by Truitt L. Dunagan of El Monte, California. He averaged 196 for 25 games and is in his middle fifties.

T.V. Petition

What happened to it???? Have you given up the ghost so easily! The first was presented in 1968 and again in 1969 only deaf people signed; this I think was a grave mistake, it should have been sent round

to ALL Leagues for the Hard of Hearing for their signatures as well. This way the petition would have done some good and the whole project would have screamed "DEAF POWER". A studio camera by the way costs \$25,000, so keep that in mind. Also Swedish T.V. decided to provide manual interpretation for most programmes during a special period.

Now you know that a disability brings additional expenses, so instead of petitioning for T.V. captions, why not petition instead for certain adaptations which involve additional expense to the deaf, like installing a doorbell with a visual alarm, or fitting amplifiers to telephones when needed. If the blind can get paid readers then why should the deaf not have paid interpreters who can go with them to meetings, night classes etc, and have some of these expenses under a government subsidy. Well, why not indeed.

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"His voice is silent" but his memory continues. Dr. Antonio Magarotto of Padua, Italy devoted his whole life to the problems of the deaf people of Italy. In 1925 he set up the "Padua Association of the Deaf", and in 1927 organised and chaired the first national meeting of the deaf in Padua; later in 1932 he established the "Ente Nazionale Sordomuti" recognised by law in 1942.

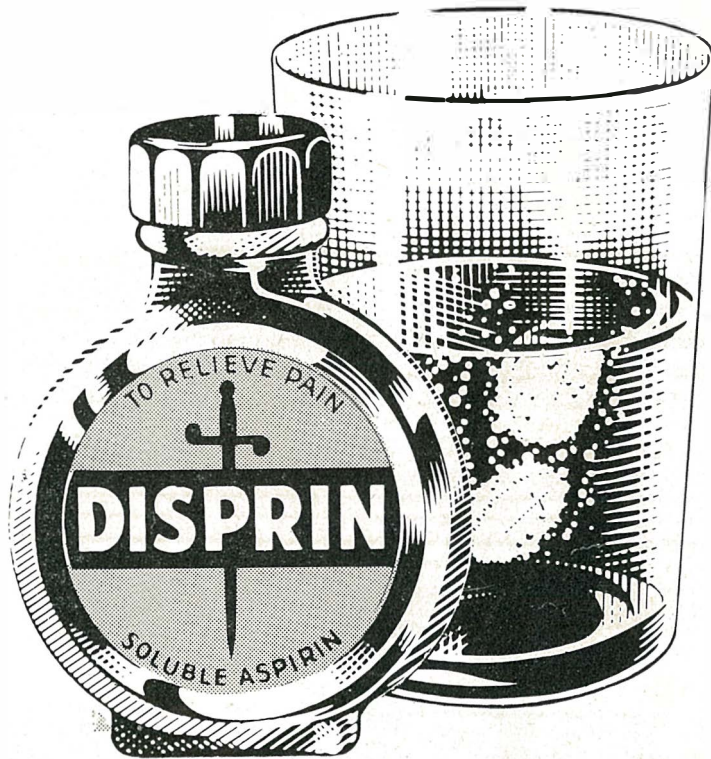
Antonio Magarotto received the Honours Causa Doctor's degree in Human letters from Gallaudet College in 1964. Then two days before his death he was named "Cavaliere di Gran Croce" to the merit of the Republic by the initiative of the President of the Italian Republic. This high distinction was the last of a long series of honours conferred on him by the Kings of Italy, Pope Pius XII and Pope John XXIII, by the National Association of the Disabled and Invalides, and by the World Federation of the Deaf, etc.

In 1969 the Gallaudet College Students Association conferred the prize "Outstanding Man of the Year" in memory of him. He was also known as "Papa dei Sordomuti". He was deaf himself and worked passionately for the deaf. His son, Dr. Cesare Magarotto, carries on his work and is General Secretary to the Bureau of the World Federation for the Deaf. He is also Chief Editor to their official Magazine "THE VOICE OF SILENCE".

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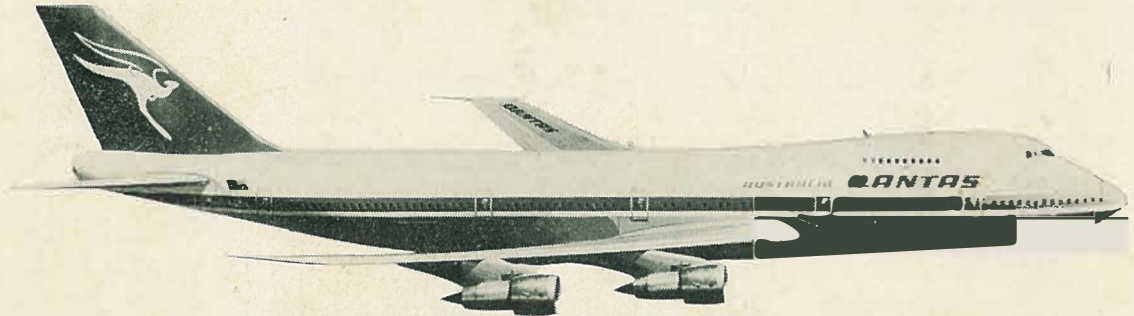


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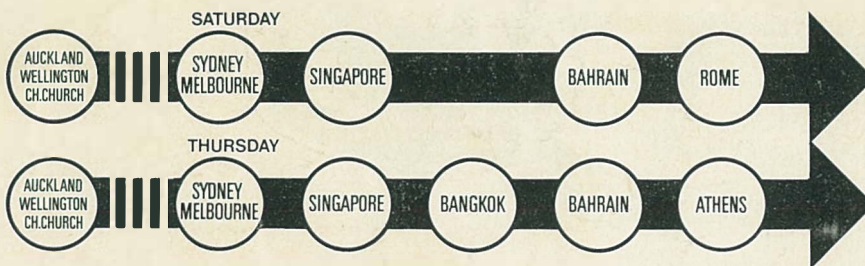
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