

## New Plymouth's New Post Office Opened

New Plymouth's handsome new Post Office was officially opened by the Postmaster-General, Mr Michael Moohan.

**Above:** Angela Bilski of the post office staff pins a spray onto Mrs Moohan, the wife of the Postmaster General, at the opening of the new Post Office.

**Left:** The pedestrian's view of the front of the new post office, showing the murals adorning the face.

**Below:** Mr Moohan turning the key.





**Above:** Part of the crowd of about 800 who attended the opening ceremony, held in perfect weather.

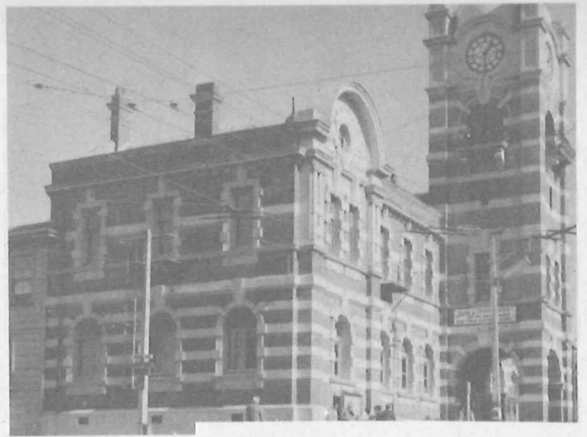
**Right:** Writing what is believed to be the first overseas cable sent from the new post office is Mr Jim McLafferty. What makes it a little more unusual, is the fact that Jim only arrived in New Zealand the previous day, and that the cable he is writing is for his father who is a Provost (Mayor) of Penicuik, Scotland.



**Below:** On entering the new building, Michael Moolhan, the Postmaster General, greeted each one of the assistants.



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**Above:** Comparison can be made here of the modern architecture of the new post office, as against the elegant antiquity of the old one.

**Left:** A day to remember. Our photograph shows the all-important date prominently displayed, as the new post office is crowded in the first few minutes after opening.

**Right:** Mr L.R. Burns, New Plymouth's chief postmaster, seated at his desk in the new building.

**Below:** Crowds round the dais at the official opening ceremony.  
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