



Taumarunui now has two fully carved meeting houses at Ngapuwaiwaha and Wharauroa maraes and the local tourist promotion committee frequently arranges visits to the maraes where local residents take the visitors on conducted tours. Here a party of West German tourists have the new Hikurangi Meeting House explained by one of the carvers, Mr Bill Johnathan.



## Book binding award

A four and half year apprenticeship in the book binding trade has netted Abe Scott a prestigious in-house award from his employers, Government Print, Wellington.

The Nylex Fletcher Trophy goes to the best design and binding of a book printed and published by the Government Printer.

Abe's winning design was for the book, 'The Shadow Of The Land', a story of British policy and racial conflict in New Zealand, by Ian Wards.

The book was bound in leather with the front cover design incorporating two hands, each a different colour, grasping the globe.

This is the first time Government Print tradesmen like Abe have been eligible for the trophy award which is now in its third year. Previously only apprentices were eligible.

Abe comes from a family of nine brought up in Porangahau and did his schooling in Hawke's Bay. From high school he was assisted under the Department of Maori Affairs trade training programme to take up a bindery apprenticeship with the Government Printing Office.

A keen fitness fanatic, Abe plays squash, and is presently enjoying his rugby season with Marist/St Pats — Presidents grade.