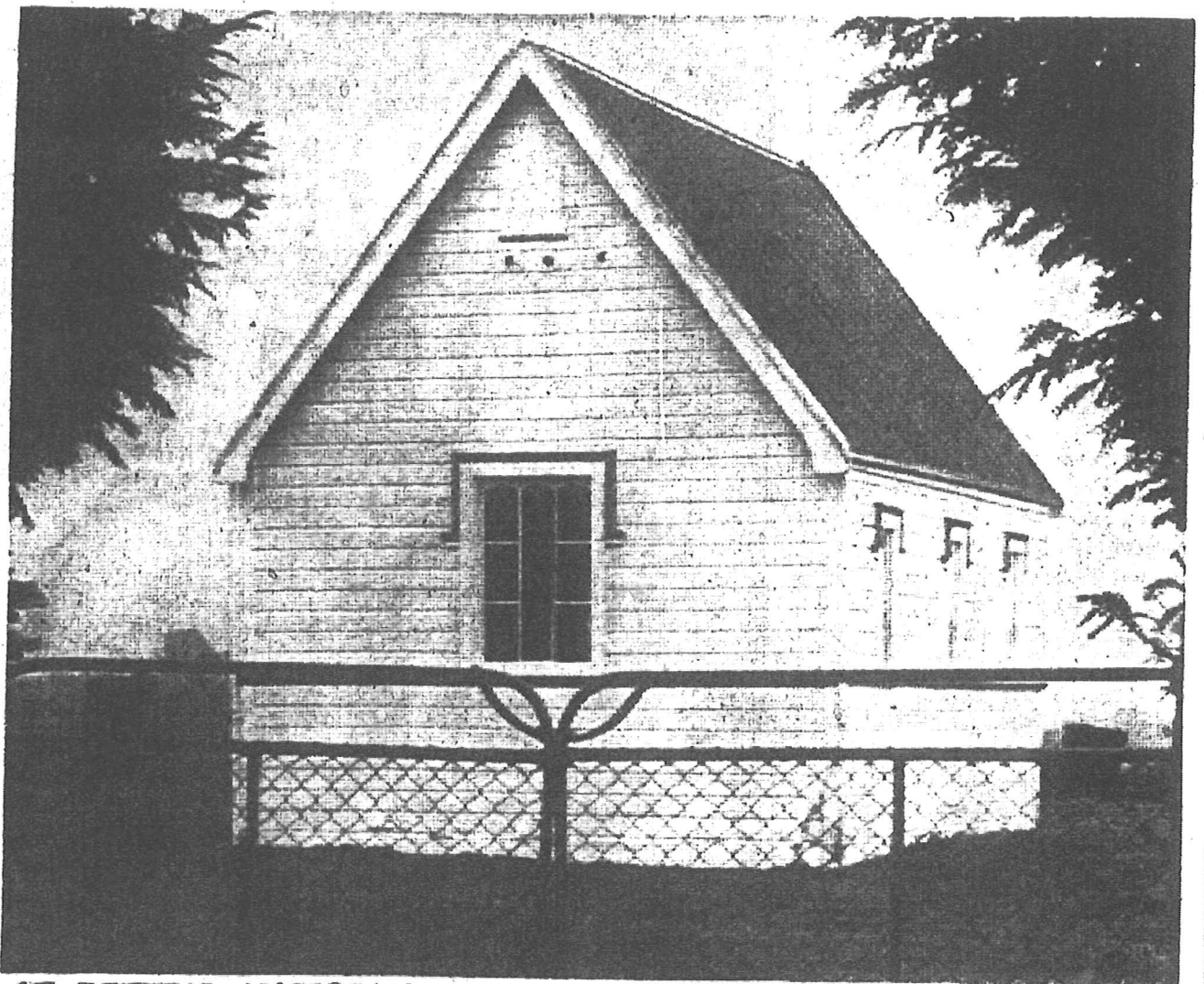


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CHURCH BEING DEMOLISHED



ST PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, Tataraimaka, which was built over 70 years ago, and which is now being demolished.

After the foundations were damaged in a storm about two years ago, the Okato parish vestry applied to the standing committee of the Diocese of Waikato to have services discontinued and the building dismantled.

Permission was granted and the last service was held by Archdeacon K. Liggett, with a congregation of about 100 people, on July 14.

Materials in the church were given to a number of parishes. Altar frontals were sent to a mission in the Solomon Islands and

the carpet was given to All Saints' Church, Uruti. Pews, the organ and Bible are now at St Paul's Church, Okato. The Honeyfield Memorial Window will be installed above the pulpit at St Paul's.

Mr Rod Dunlop, a student at St John's Theological School, Auckland, receives the cross and candles.

The foundation stone for St Peter's was laid on December 11, 1897, by Archdeacon H. Govett of New Plymouth and the building was consecrated

by Bishop Cowie, of the Auckland diocese, on January 25, 1898.

Mrs E. M. Honeyfield, St Aubyn St, New Plymouth, was one of the first brides to be married in the church. About 73 years ago she married Mr William Honeyfield in the church. Mr Honeyfield's mother, Mrs James Honeyfield (nee Caroline Barrett) was a daughter of Dicky Barrett, a well known figure during the whaler settlement at New Plymouth's port.

Demolition began on Saturday.