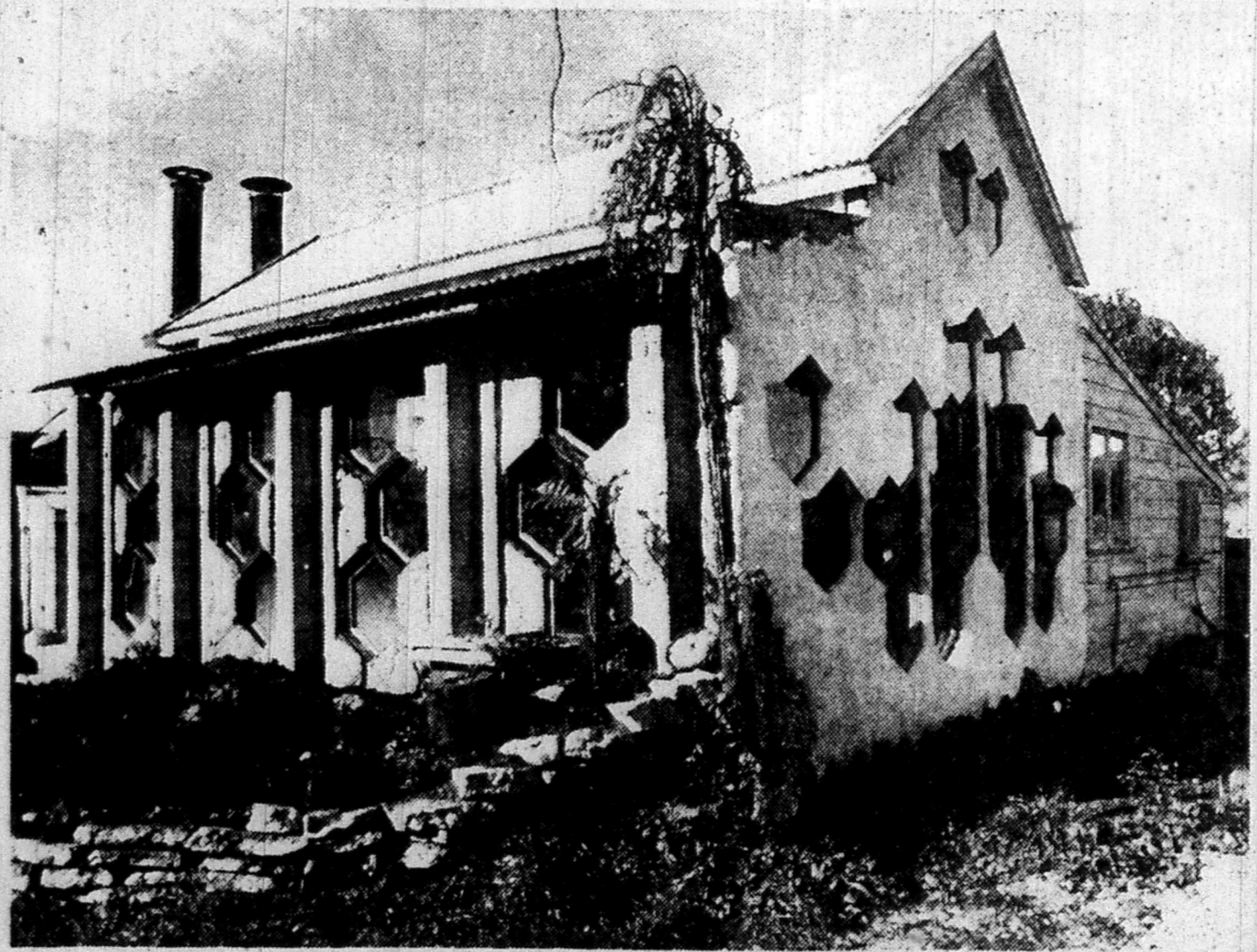


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This unusually designed cottage is part of a property auctioned in Hurworth Road, near New Plymouth, today for \$16,000. Included in the property, formerly owned by Mr E. W. Brewster and Noran Builders Ltd, was the old Hurworth Rd dairy factory. About 15 people attended the auction conducted by Gilmours Auction and Basil Brough. Bidding opened at \$8000 from two bidders. The main building on the 1.2580 ha site is of reinforced concrete construction.

# Concern fo

**CHRISTCHURCH, To-day (NZPA).** — A Christchurch paediatrician says he fears for the future of the growing number of New Zealand children being raised by solo mothers.

Speaking at the national foster care conference, Dr T. Casely said the children's

situation was often far from ideal.

"There is serious concern for the number of children reared by young, immature solo mothers whose own childhood may have been inadequate."

The solo mother was often hampered with financial stress as well as emotional instability and immaturity.

This was certainly not an environment in which to bring children up, he said.

Failure to meet a child's needs for love and security could be disastrous.

This was a particular problem in New Zealand where statistics revealed that last year one in five children were born to unmarried mothers