

# *Mangorei Hall Expected To Be Up Within Year*

A tender was accepted at a meeting of the Mangorei War Memorial Committee at New Plymouth last night for the erection of what is believed will be the first concrete hall in Taranaki. The committee expects the building to be completed within a year's time.

The tender is subject to the approval of the Taranaki County Council. An estimate of the total cost of the building was not available last night, for tenders for additional work, including the construction of the roll of honour, have yet to be received. The deputy chairman of the committee, Mr. A. Hall, stated, however, that with the amount of money raised already the committee felt that the success of the project was assured.

Plans of the building were approved towards the end of last year, following a hold-up of over a year while the Government reviewed memorial subsidy conditions. Now, with the acceptance of a tender for the major work, the committee feels that the long-awaited community centre for the district is well on the way, although in view of rising costs the project is expected to be considerably more expensive than was originally estimated.