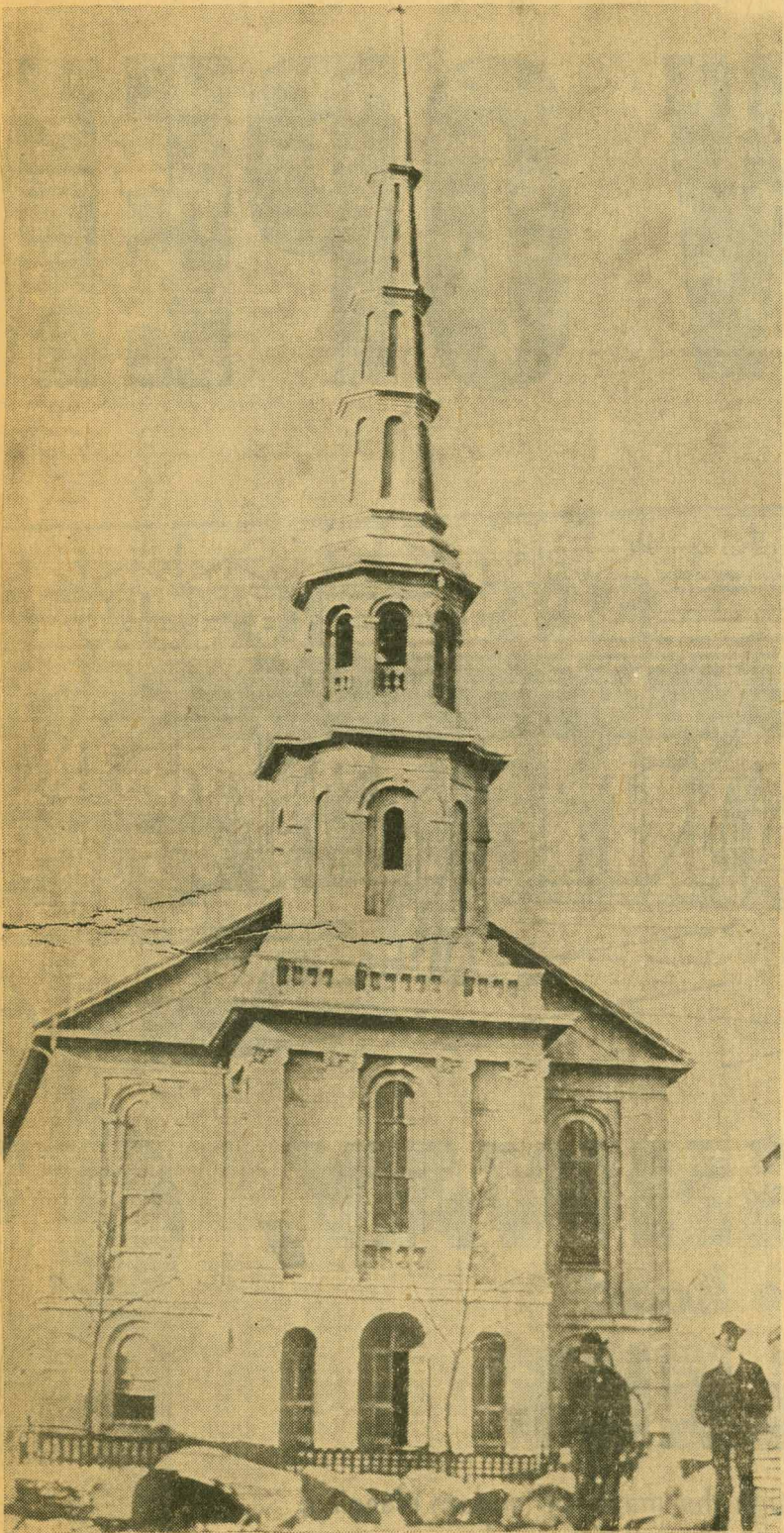


## New Glamour Comes To Old Church



This print shows the Provincetown Methodist Church as it originally appeared following its completion in 1860, with its lofty steeple which, weakened through the years, had to be removed. The almost century old structure is now undergoing changes that will make it the beautiful and outstanding home of the Chrysler Art Museum of Provincetown.

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AND SPEAKING of changes in Provincetown, last Friday with the final transfer of papers, the 98-year old Provincetown Methodist Church ceased to be a church and became the Chrysler Art Museum of Provincetown, Inc. The church building has been purchased by Walter P. Chrysler, Jr., at a reported price of \$40,000. Mr. Chrysler, who has a summer home in Wellfleet, has an estimated 3,500 pieces of art and sculpture in his present collection which he started 35 years ago when he was 14 years old. The first group of paintings will be exhibited in the new museum this summer and while it will take time to assemble the collection to be exhibited in Provincetown, Mr. Chrysler has said that it will be as fine and as representative a group as it is possible to assemble. Last Sunday the Methodist Church services were held in the Church of the Redeemer, Universalist, and the Rev. Gilman L. Lane has announced that they will be conducted there for about a year along with other church activities.

NOTE: Having been sold to Walter Chrysler, Jr. to be made into an Art Museum, all further articles on the Center Methodist Church will be found at the new location on Shank Painter Road, off Back Street, below the Governor Bradford School.