More assumption sales.

House prices stable but financing shifts

Residential house prices remained months of 174 and 11 months this relatively stable in Wayne and Oak to the form ourse of 174, all though there has been a marker shift. In the means of financing house purchase. The most arcent development in the single family sales field is a shift i months at the same prices between the two years, there was attally a chase in the means of financing house purchase. The most recent development in the single family sales field is a shift i months at November and April months of single family sales field is a shift is simple family sales field is a shift in morths and house purchase the two years. There was a study a months of November and April is the two present. The means the transmission of the same transmission is the two present is the same price is the transmission of the same price is the same price is the transmission of the same price is the same price

trom conventional inflancing to as-simplon asile. Under an assumption sale, the buyer assumes the mortgage for a negotiated cash down powment. The buyer has the advantage of keep-ing the interest rate on the seller's mortgage plus any equity the seller has built up. With interest rates high and mort-gage money leas available, the home-owner on the market often cannof find a buyer with purchasing power unless at existing mortgage is assumed at earlier interest rates. This shift appears in statistical re-ports in Agril 1974 and Northwest Healtors Association (UNRA). THE APRIL report, covering the first four months of 1974, indicated an average residential sale picter of

first four months of 1974, indicated an average residential sale pitce of \$25,605 in 1973 and \$29,435 in .1974. With November 1974 figures in com-paraions of 1.1-month periods showed an average realdential pitce of \$27,280 in 1973 and \$29,435 in 1974. The sales price difference between the first four



Light money market has affected real relate sales in this region. Under a liad contract sale, the sell-er holds onto the estisting mortgage null the new buyer pays it off. The buyer makes payments directly to the seller, who conveys the payment to the mortgage holder. In a high inter-est market, the land contract pay-ment is lower than if the house sale was financed by conventional. FlA or VA means. MOST OF THE VÅ and FIA size drop in average sale price in the indi-vidual months of November and April — months when bargains were avail-bele for the smart hoise shopper. The average house sale price for No-vember 1973 was 50.075 and dropped to \$27,000 in November 1974. Simarily, the April 1973 average sale price of \$29.375 /declined to \$27,000 in 1974. A look at the houses which moved on the market indicate there was gen-erally more movement in used house males with used houses seelling for slightly less in 1974 than the year be-fore. Last April, for instance, most of the houses sold were priced between \$20,000 and \$25,000. In November, the majority of houses hold were priced below \$25,000. One explanation is that assumption financing tends [to force the sales price down so that less cash is needed by the houser to take over the sales' mortgage. Because of this market phe-nomenon, when morey is tight and as-sent lessier.

proure must be lightly shaded from the direct sun. Temperaturé should be warm. 62 to 65 degrees 7 at night rising to 80 to 85 degrees during the day. The plant will tolerate the dry air found in heated homes.

omes. Soil should consist of loarny garden soil mixed with equal parts of peritie or vermiculite and peat or humas. Krep the soil evenly moist but not con-stantly wet Be very careful not to overwater this plant

247 in Southfield, 334 in the Parm-Ington area, 635 in Livenia, 605 in the buyers and sellers in all price ranges were made Garden City-Westland zone on 1547 in except for those houses sold for less 156.000. Redford. The average house sales prices for these areas for the 11 months wirre-Redford. \$27,735; Carden City/West-land, \$24,736; Livoria.cBX.200; Farm-ington area, \$47,535; Southield, \$32,775; and Plymouth-Canton, \$28,765.

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