

The former Fred Wilkinson home on Elm Street in Farmington township has been sold to John Hallam who has moved his family into the residence, according to Lloyd Gullen.

The Regan farm of 10 acres on the Walled Lake Road has been sold to Anthony Olivich of Detroit who has also moved in.

Leo Boswell of Detroit has rented the chicken farm belonging to Mrs. Nette.

ASKS FOR WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE

This country should invite all the nations of the world to participate in another disarmament conference similar to that held in Washington in 1922. Such a move was suggested by Rep. George A. Dondero, member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, in discussing the various provisions of the neutrality legislation recently before the House.

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New Neighbors

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THE Whitney's living room faced on a court. Across the court were the windows of another apartment. Occasionally Paul Whitney, relaxed on his couch, could see people moving around there. After a day or two he decided that the occupants were a young, childless couple who spent a good deal of time at home.

"I'd like to get to know them," Paul confided to his wife. "They seem like nice folks."

Mrs. Whitney sighed. "I would, too. We've been here a month now and haven't met a soul. Do you suppose I ought to go over and call?"

Paul shook his head doubtfully. "I wouldn't—not without some good excuse. You know how apartment dwellers are. They might think we were 'impinging.'"

"Better? How do you mean?" "Why, it's obviously their living room we can look into and, if you'll notice, there are windows on both sides. See, you can look right through and out the other side. It costs money to support an apartment having a cross draft."

Mrs. Whitney followed her husband's gaze. Without effort, she could look into the neighbors' living room and see the window on the wall opposite. "That's so," she admitted. "But, just the same, I'll bet they're not snooty."

"You can't tell," Paul said. "The Whitney's went into the kitchen to attack the pile of dinner dishes, and Paul rose and strolled off toward the window of his own living room. On the chance of being observed, he pretended to examine a potted plant on the sill, but his real purpose was to get a better look into the room across the court. He wanted to see what kind of furniture they had, thus estimating their wealth."

Surprisingly he glanced across the court, and was shocked to see the head and shoulders of a man framed in the window on the far side of their neighbors' living room. Startled thoughts raced through Paul's mind. The occupants of the house were out! Someone knew of their absence and was about to burglarize their home!

"He rushed into the kitchen and called his wife. She returned with him, and, standing well back so as not to be observed, they peered across the court. But the figure in the window on the far side had vanished."

"You're positive you saw someone?" Mrs. Whitney asked.

"Positive!" Paul affirmed. "Ought we to notify the police?"

"I wouldn't. Whoever it is is gone, and perhaps the police wouldn't believe us. We'd appear ridiculous."

Paul agreed to this. But he kept a careful watch across the court. The burglar, however, had apparently been frightened away.

Two evenings later Paul again saw the peeping Tom. He was standing in the same position, and sight of the man at the window of their neighbors' apartment gave Paul the same unexpected shock. He rushed kitchenward and summoned his wife. But when they came back, the figure had vanished.

Mrs. Whitney looked thoughtful. "Let's go over there and warn the people, tell them what we saw and then let them do as they like about it," she hesitated. "Perhaps we can strike up an acquaintance."

Paul got his hat and Mrs. Whitney changed her dress. Together they crossed to the neighboring apartment and knocked. A pleasant-faced woman opened the door.

"Are you Mrs. Phelps?" Mrs. Whitney asked. The woman nodded and Mrs. Whitney said: "We're Mr. and Mrs. Whitney from across the court. We—"

"Indeed! Come right in! Frank and I were thinking of calling on you folks. We're so glad you came over."

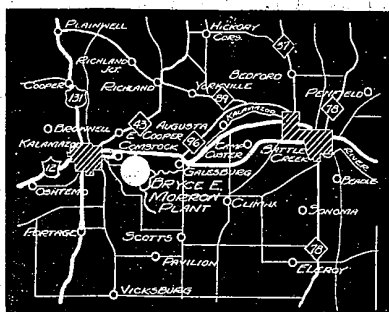
The Whitney's entered and were greeted cordially by Mr. Phelps. But the Whitney's faces remained grave. "I'm afraid," said Paul, "that we came on rather an unpleasant mission." And he explained what they had seen, apologetically explaining how impossible it was for them not to glance across the court occasionally.

Mr. Phelps looked puzzled. "There's something wrong here. Would you mind stepping into the living room?" They followed him in and he pointed toward the far wall. "You see, we have no windows on that wall. We can afford only a court apartment and—"

He broke off as Mrs. Whitney gasped. "Why, it wasn't a window at all! It was that mirror! You see, it hangs where a window might be, and faces our apartment. Paul Whitney, it was your own reflection you saw! Standing near the flower pot, you saw yourself in the mirror, and it appeared that some one else was peering in at the Phelps!"

Paul's jaw dropped. He swallowed, grinned and looked sheepish. But the Phelps thought it was a grand joke, and they urged their new neighbors to spend the evening, which the new neighbors agreed to do.

Consumers Power Co. To Build New Plant



Map showing approximate location of Consumers Power Company's new Bryce E. Morrow steam electric generating station on the Kalamazoo River near Comstock.

Monument for an Artist

Who Discovered Tomato

Like its cousin, the potato, the tomato was discovered by the Spaniards in South America. When the Spaniards conquered Peru, they found quantities of tomatoes growing in that region. When it was introduced to North America about the beginning of the Nineteenth century, writes a correspondent in the Northwest Farmer, the tomato plant was regarded as strictly ornamental and its product, the "berry," was thought by the colonists to be very poisonous.

It is not definitely known just when the tomato was found to be non-poisonous and edible or how the discovery came about. But tradition is that it was a New England man who despite the warnings and dire predictions of his friends first ate of the "love apple" in this country. This fearless fellow is said to have been Michele Felice Corne, an artist whose best known paintings were those depicting naval battles of the War of 1812. And there stands in a cemetery at Newport Rhode Island, a monument to Corne, the man who took a chance and thereby performed a great service to mankind.

Once the tomato was found to be edible its popularity spread rapidly through the country, especially during the latter half of the Nineteenth century when men in the seed business put forth their best efforts to convince people of its value as a food. As its popularity gained, horticulturists gave it more and more attention with the result that there are more than 150 distinct varieties of the tomato.

MANY COMPETE IN 4-H CLUB EXHIBITS

The 4-H Clubs of South Lyon, Novi, Ann Arbor, Farmington, and Farmington schools showed sewing and other handwork at the Exhibition and Local Achievement Day held at the Southfield school on Monday night. Miss Velma Seeley completed another year as leader of the Bond and Farmington groups.

The six girls in the Farmington are Mary Jean Parent, Marian Gestler, Betty Vedyke, Elvera Henry, Priscilla Davidson and Sarah Nelson; the eight Bond school girls are Doris King, Marjorie Houghton, Helen Fisch, Maxine Marr, Peggy Dwyer, Mary Hanson, Marjorie Gestler, and Isabelle McGarvey. Doris King and Marjorie Houghton were chosen by the judges to be in the style review at the National at Washington Junior High School on April 10. The other girls over whom Miss Seeley was leader will be honor members and will take their exhibits.

The Beaver club, the 4-H handcraft club of Novi school has been under the leadership of G. Raymond Powell, principal, assisted by Oliver Thompson and Andrew Packs. The second year boys are William Gargetta, Robert Currie, John Brooks, Jack Hinesmeyer, Arnold Weirich, George Welch, Robert Urster, Edward Champagne, Stanley Laughton and Edward Christmas. The first year boys receiving honorable mention were Damon Knight, James Champagne, Ray Rowlands, Herbert Polyn, Clifford Franke and William Dallas.

The 4-H sewing club has had Miss Mabel Chamberlin and Mrs. Wilson, as leaders. The president of the 2nd year girls is Wanita Taylor; vice president Edith Pink; secretary and treasurer, Florence Taylor; Mary Elizabeth Deneau. Other members are Kathleen Line-meyer, Katherine Logue, Evelyn Romanuk, Connie Rosenboom, Foulne Deneau, Jean Taylor, Marion Gargetta, Jean Stark, Mary Cooke, Doris and Doris Dickson.

The officers of the first year girls group are Jean Dickerson as president; Kathleen Tassie, vice president; Edith Gargetta, secretary and treasurer and Grace Wilson, reporter. Other members are Evelyn Brooks, Anna Thompson, Marjorie White, Vivian Terry, Judith Oats and Lois VanAlstine. The girls who were elected to take part in the style show on April 10 are Kathleen Tassie, Katherine Line-meyer and Judith Oats. The Gold Seal winners are Wanita Wilson, Marion Gargetta, Evelyn Romanuk and Edith Oats.

A Massachusetts court has ruled that a woman on roller skates in a vehicle. Wonder if it would class a woman with water wings as a paddle steamer.

Letters to the Editor are always welcomed by this newspaper.

Welded rails to make a continuous stretch of railway, as experiments show is possible, may make for easy riding, but what of the passenger who lulls himself to sleep by the clackety-clack, clackety-clack of the present thirty-nine-foot rails?

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Tremendous Trifles

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

ICE-JAM

OF COURSE an ice-jam isn't such a trifle, but the one which choked the entrance to Chesapeake bay in the winter of 1789 was insignificant—if you compare its size to the broad expanse of the blue Atlantic. However, it was big enough so that a ship from London was held up for two months before reaching Baltimore.

One of her passengers was a young German named Jacob Astor who was going to make his fortune, beginning by the sale of seven futes he was bringing with him. During the long days the ship was held in the ice-jam, young Jacob Astor had many long talks with another young fellow, also a German. He was returning to America to resume his fur-trading operations in which he foresaw possibilities for great wealth. Astor listened but was not particularly impressed.

At last the ship reached Baltimore and young Astor hastened on to the metropolis of New York city. But his venture in futes was a failure. He did not remember the enthusiasm of his fellow-German's fur trade. He guessed he'd try it.

He did. And within a few years it had made him a fortune of more than \$2,000,000. Today the name of Astor is a symbol for great wealth—all because an ice-jam held up the ship which brought the first one to the shores of the New world.

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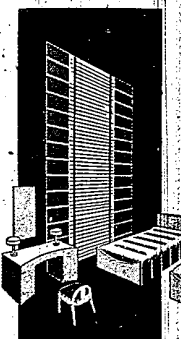
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