

Introduces Bill To Curtail Home Capital Gains Tax

A man who sells his home at a profit will, in most instances, be freed from paying a capital gains tax, if a bill introduced recently by Senator Charles E. Potter, Republican of Michigan, passes.

The Potter bill would "amend section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 so as to allow a taxpayer who sells his residence five years in which to purchase a new residence."

The Senator pointed out that the average home owner in the United States in 1954 had an income of \$5,000 before taxes. He described this as "top modest to bear the weight of a capital gains tax."

"As housing costs spiral upward," Senator Potter stated, "home sellers, as well as home buyers, are entitled to protection."

He explained the working of his bill as follows:

"Suppose you were transferred to another city and had to sell your home. The house for which you had paid \$10,000 might bring you \$15,000 on today's market. Under present law that \$5,000 profit—or so-called profit—on which you must pay a capital gains tax, to avoid the tax, you must buy another home within a year."

"Many people, due to circumstances beyond their control, can not build or buy within their time limit. Taxpayers caught in this type of squeeze will benefit by my bill which sets up a much more reasonable period of five years in which to purchase or build. If they haven't done so within five years, then it's time enough to think about a capital gains tax."

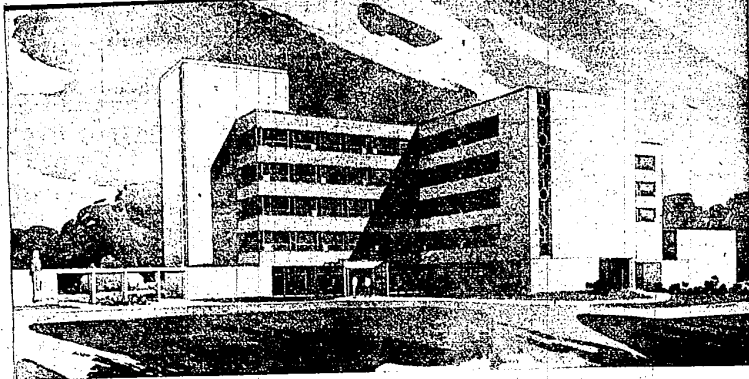
Between December 1946 and December 1956, the Senator said, housing costs have jumped 57.7 percent.

"What appears to be a profit of the time of sale is almost always a reflection of the upward spiral of living costs," he said. "Any one selling a house today who makes this type of profit finds himself spending every cent he received and often more to duplicate the home he has sold. In other words, 'the income' is killed by the cost."

Taxing this is, of course, unfair, and my bill aims to correct the inequity. If passed, the new provisions would take effect in the year 1958, beginning after December 31, 1956.

Granting a \$300 annual pay raise to 75,000 employees by the New York City government has added 23 million dollars a year to the city budget.

"We're getting a college in my home town—kind of make up for not having a high school!"—Herb Shriner.



A NEW HOSPITAL to service residents of this area, St. Mary Hospital, will go under construction the latter part of this year at a site near Madonna College in the vicinity of Five Mile Road in Livonia. Shown is an artist's sketch of the planned five-story, 174-bed general hospital to serve, not only residents of Livonia, but also families in the Farmington, Plymouth, Bedford, and Northville area. Assurance of an additional \$700,000 in a federal grant to add to money already collected in a fund raising drive for the proposed hospital which began four years ago was revealed last week. Estimated cost for building and equipping the hospital has been set at \$3,396,000. The hospital will be operated by the Felician Sisters. Any persons who have not already done so and would like to contribute funds to help assure the needed hospital a reality are asked to forward their contributions to St. Mary Hospital, 26800 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Michigan.

Park Nature Unit Readied For Class Visits

The new Nature Center Building at Kensington Metropolitan Park, which has been in partial use during the winter months, is now ready for visits by school classes beginning April 22, officials indicated.

Full use of the building for the general public will not begin until May 1, however. The Park's two naturalists, Bill Hopkins and Charles Damm, served more than 20,000 persons with conducted tours, lectures and movies last winter, and during March, a comparatively slow month in nature activity, 1,272 persons had field trips, heard nature talks, or participated in school camping programs.

The one-story Nature Center Building is located in the south-west section of the park, near the principal wild life area, where most of the park's labeled trails begin and end.

In coming weeks emphasis will be placed on the training of teachers, who may then conduct their own school groups. A variety of exhibits are designed to acquaint visitors with the inter-related soil, water, plant and animal resources of the area.

The exhibit room will be open to the general public, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on week days, and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays. Appointments should be made with naturalists for after-school visits to the Detroit office of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority—WO 1-5865.

Appointments for guided nature field trips, not including the visit to indoor exhibits, should also be made through the Detroit office.

PTA Council Planning Workshop For May 29

A workshop is being planned by the Farmington Parent Teachers Council for May 29 at 8 p.m. to be held at Ten Mile Elementary School.

A group is being planned for each office and committee and will be conducted by an experienced state officer. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

More detailed information will be announced later.

Amateur home painters are most likely to have accident trouble when they devise a makeshift scaffold or ladder for getting at hard-to-get-at places. The Institute for Safe Living of the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company says, if you cannot build a solid, safe scaffold yourself, get professional help.

Glenn Orchard Association Meets

Forty-five members of the Glenn Orchard Civic Association met Tuesday, April 9 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duto, 33200 Raphael Road, for their fourth annual meeting.

Matters pertaining to the general welfare of the association were discussed and the following officers elected for a term of one year: John Bradley, president; Ralph Seale, vice-president; Dennis Burke, secretary and Richard Thomas, treasurer.

Chairman of the various committees are: Ed Wilbert, restrictions; Mrs. Robert D. Howard, school; Mrs. Blanche McDowell, membership; Mrs. Shirley Duto, recreation; and Don Winston, maintenance.

A suggestion was made by John Bradley that a social gathering be planned for May at which time efforts will be made for a 100 per cent following the meeting the recreation committee served refreshments.

Cancer Crusade Rally For Area Planned April 23

A mammoth rally to kick-off the American Cancer Society's important "Neighbor-to-Neighbor" educational crusade, which will be conducted between April 24 and 26, will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday April 23 in the new Ford auditorium in Detroit.

Theme of the program is "Neighbors against Cancer." Everyone is invited to the program, which will feature several career stage, radio and television stars, and a variety of our Detroit Tigers, Virginia Graham, journalist and radio and television actress in partnership with the program. Miss Graham, herself a former cancer patient, is featured on television's "Strike It Rich," and performed on "Today" with Margaret Truman and Mike Wallace, as well as "Food for Thought" and "Tavern on the Green."

Ralph Bellamy is also expected to participate in the program. Bellamy is well-known to movie audiences, and is increasingly popular as a television star, recently featured on TV in "The Defender."

A thrilling dramatic presentation entitled, "Faces of Cancer" will feature many local people caught in various phases of the cancer control program.

Several Detroit Tigers will be presented by Fred A. Knorr, president of the Detroit Baseball Company, who is general chairman of the 1957 Cancer Crusade.

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THE SENIOR CLASS IS MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR ITS ANNUAL "SENIOR PROM" TO BE HELD MAY 18 IN THE CLARENCEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM. THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S PROM IS "DRIFTING AND DREAMING."

Posters advertising the annual affair are on display throughout the halls at the high school and committees have begun work on the various aspects of the prom.

Music for the prom will be furnished by Frank Bridge and his orchestra. The decorations planned will lend a "dreamy" effect to the gymnasium.

Tickets will go on sale soon, and may be purchased from any senior or at the door.

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Clarenceville High School News

Material for this column is prepared by members of the Clarenceville High School Journalism Class

Mother-Daughter Banquet Planned

Plans are underway for a Mother-Daughter Banquet to be sponsored by the Future Homemakers of America at C.H.S. The banquet will be held May 23 in the high school cafeteria.

The banquet will feature the installation of officers. This year election of officers will be held in an entirely different manner. Any girl wishing to run for an office, will announce the office she intends to seek and then campaign for herself. The final election will be held in the regular manner.

Also included in the Mother-Daughter Banquet will be a talent show by the F.H.S. members.

Chairman of the banquet are: Marguerite Williams, food; Beatie Boatright, decorations; Carol Peterson, entertainment; Junonia Robbins, table setting and hostess. Sylvia Jones will lead the group singing.

Several Seniors Plan On College

A number of seniors of the Clarenceville High School are applying for admission to various colleges. Mrs. Mary Lavers, counselor, has announced.

Clarence Weiss, who is interested in journalism, has been awarded a scholarship to Madonna College, Eastern Michigan College will have Betty Edwards among its students next fall. Betty has been awarded a tuition scholarship which will enable her to become an elementary teacher.

The Alena Foundation has declared Gary Gay a winner of a scholarship which entitles him to five hundred dollars each year of his college career as long as he maintains a high scholastic average.

"Catherine Barnes will be attending Wayne State University this fall. Nancy Labovskis, who is interested in a teaching career, has been accepted at the University of Detroit. Kay Mann will pursue a liberal arts course at Albion College.

Case Institute of Technology has accepted Donald Melton as a prospective student in electrical engineering.

Janet Van Arnam and Dinne Benson are registered for the cooperative secretarial training program at Highland Park Junior College.

In the next two weeks, Mrs. Lavers plans to have conferences with the rest of the seniors who have not yet had an opportunity to discuss college careers and job opportunities with her.

Senior Prom Plans Underway

The senior class is making preparations for its annual "Senior Prom" to be held May 18 in the Clarenceville High School gymnasium. The theme of this year's prom is "Drifting and Dreaming."

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Springbrook Civic News

Mrs. Mildred Hug

GR. 4-1926

It was a great shock to the residents of the subdivision to hear of the sudden death of Mrs. Grace Ridal last Saturday morning. Mrs. Ridal had recently sold her home on Westmoreland and was staying with her married daughter, Phyllis. A son, Stephen, also survives.

Johnny Chambers celebrated his sixth birthday on a recent Saturday with a "space man" party. Enjoying the old but ever new games of childhood and cake and ice cream were Stevie Mogie, Billy Orr, Johnny Reed, Dennis Hug, Donald Currier, Terry Mueller, David Wieland, Michael McComb, Tommy Russom and Victor Hanna.

Mrs. Clarence Chambers of Marshfield, Wisconsin, John's grandmother, arrived to visit her son's family for a month. She also plans to spend several days with daughters in Flint and Nankin Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon La Forge of Westmoreland had Mr. La Forge's sister, Mrs. Herb Raines of Sandusky, Michigan, as house guest for a month. Mrs. Raines returned home last week.

Easter Sunday will see three generations gathered at Bill and Dorothy Cody's home. Dorothy's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Seclau of Miami, Florida, formerly of Traverse City, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Robinson of Dexter, Michigan and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley of Flint, will be present to celebrate Easter and son Dennis's fourth birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Seclau will also be making their farewells as they leave soon for Europe, returning in October.

If and when warm days arrive and with them the urge to clean closets, toy boxes, etc., Vera Smith asks that you remember the Easter toy booth of which she is chairman of Our Lady of Sorrows Christmas Fair. Any used toys, sports equipment such as outgrowths, sleds, records, records, costume jewelry, or just about anything you don't want that a child would use (in good condition) will be picked up if you will call GR. 4-1926 or GR. 4-2057.

It is with regret we say goodbye to another family moving from Springbrook. Mr. and Mrs. William Sullivan of Brookview are moving to the East. Mr. Sullivan's

engineering job will be in New York but the family hopes to locate in the beautiful countryside of Connecticut.

The Hanna's and Breens gave a surprise farewell party for the Sullivan's Saturday night.

Nina and Wes Orr entertained at a birthday dinner for Wes's sister, Mrs. W. Kincaid of Plymouth, and son Gary. It was Gary's fifth birthday.

Nina's mother, Mrs. Lydia Mattson, is visiting from Manistique, Michigan and plans to stay until June.

Nancy Flack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Flack, will fly to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, over the Easter weekend to meet the family of her fiancé, Russell Knox of Detroit. A September wedding is planned.

Any man more right than his neighbors constitutes a majority of one already.

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NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

VILLAGE OF WOODCREEK FARMS CHARTER ELECTION, June 3, 1957

To the qualified electors of Section 12, Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT APPLICATIONS OF REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED on

Monday, May 6, 1957 — Last Day

at 28393 Wellington Road

from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ALSO

That a Public Meeting on the Proposed Charter Will Be Held on

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, at 8:00 p.m.

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