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...not the things single in my day, you [unintelligible 00:00:06]. Then from that time on, I believe that Pearsons [unintelligible 00:00:11], then Per and Phyllis Pearson, and they lived there and they moved away to town shortly before Per died and then it, uh, it was then sold to the, uh, Coats who now occupy it.

So we go down, we down, down the road toward North Easton and the next building on the, on the right and [unintelligible 00:00:42] around the corner is the long road, there's the old schoolhouse that was there and it was torn down, down and moved away several years ago. It was on the corner of Mountain Road. The next place is-is the, uh, Donna and David English place. He and wife Donna lived there for quite a few years and before that it was owned by John Sulkin Kay. It was David [unintelligible 00:01:11]'s mother-in-law and father-in-law, owned it for quite a long time. When I was a kid that was owned by Harry Mc[unintelligible 00:01:19]. He-he shipped milk and, uh, I picked up his milk when I drove a milk truck and he was there, uh. Previous to him, that was the place where-where, um, my father had lived before they bought the farm in near Parkers Grove here. They used Shady Lane to that school across the road there and, uh, so then you go on down the, to Elegan there, or I thought there was a newer house built there – well, I say newer, it was probably built there 25 years now built by Bill Rowe who later moved away and the place was sold to a family name of Watters, who still occupy it.

Then you go on down the hill and when I was a kid there was a, the first thing would be a [unintelligible 00:02:11] a grocery farm and house. So this house is in there, that was, the house was owned by the Lester Becker Farm. It was part of that operation and [unintelligible 00:02:25] burned down. There was a family by the name of Brown that lived in there then. That was one of the first families that gotten taken out by the brand new Easton Fire Company so that was a good many years ago.

Anyway, the next place on the right would be a newer house built by John Ustianowski from 20 years ago and still lived in by him and his wife. Next on the right would be the, uh, [unintelligible 00:02:58] house. His mother-in-law and Lewis Whitaker lived in there when I was a kid. When [unintelligible 00:03:08], the-the Beck family, uh, the older generation of

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Becks lived by that, downstairs, I think it was [unintelligible 00:03:18] that time and that, uh, the man who sold to, uh, John and [unintelligible 00:03:25] was Robert [unintelligible 00:03:29]. The house, uh, the barn was converted to a house across the road and that was the house that burned down that was then owned by the Edwards.

So then you come on down the road and there's a-a house there built by Charles and Nan Norman probably 40 years ago and it's still like such by-by, uh, their daughter, Nancy, and her married name is [unintelligible 00:03:59] I also spent a lot there. [Unintelligible 00:04:03] are known by John [unintelligible 00:04:09]. John and his wife, Ruth, still live in there. They quite farming now, so they just run out to the grocery barn. And I think that was the Carlson farm there. Betty Carlson and her daughter, Louise, lived over there and they had the, there's a hired man, [unintelligible 00:04:24] Osborn rented a house in Barkers Grove. So, uh, he, uh, Betty Carlson died and Louie was there, lived in there in the house with her [unintelligible 00:04:36] had [unintelligible 00:04:37] when they first come to [unintelligible 00:04:39] and I don't know if their realtor worked for my uncle Edward Lundberg and he worked for him for quite a few years and, and, uh, Tanner [unintelligible 00:04:51] was in that place for probably 40 years and still lives there. So next on the right [unintelligible 00:05:00] Wells' house is a little house. We used to be a I guess a [unintelligible 00:05:10] weekends and he worked in Easton Town Highway during the day. His, uh, granddaughter, [unintelligible 00:05:23] Peters [unintelligible 00:05:24] still owns that house and it's now vacant. So that takes us back to Route 40. That's the Valley Summit Road.

And while we're there, we'll go across Route 40 – that is known as the Wells Road. That building on the right, that first building you encounter is a barn belonging Phillip and [unintelligible 00:05:51] Dietz residence. Next thing on that road is a-a house built by Taylor Henderson, Jr. a few years ago. He and his family live there. Then you come to the Henderson farm and there's two houses on that place now. There was no houses occupied by Al Henderson when the Taylor Sr. sons and the house nearest the road is occupied by Elsie Henderson, Taylor's wife. There's a – when I was a kid that was, uh, also the Henderson farm. George Henderson and Bertha, and they had two daughters and a son I believe, and they were, Mrs. Henderson was, uh, quite musical. She was an excellent piano player, played quite musical by ear and the kids, when they were young, were known as the Henderson trio. The two daughters

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and the son sang together at local, uh, things, meetings and gatherings and so forth. So, uh, that had [unintelligible 00:07:02] owned by Mrs. Henderson's father, Frank Wells. That was his farm originally. Joe and [unintelligible 00:07:08] took it over at some time and Frank came to spend his last years with, uh, his other daughter, Grace [unintelligible 00:07:16], who lives at the corner of, uh, Wake Road and Route 40. That's where he lived, spent his last years with the Dixons.

So then you take a turn towards the [unintelligible 00:07:31], you come to the Wake Road. So down that a ways, as long as we're there, you go down Wake Road and the first place on your right would have been a place back in a lane was formerly owned by Lester Paragon. He lived in there when I first started [unintelligible 00:07:50] with the Paragons. He was also a member of that Beetle Hill Russian Orthodox Church, that family was and, uh, that, uh, he-he later bought the Thomson's home on North 40 and moved out of there and that, uh, nothing left there anymore. The house and barn burned. The house was not in much state of repair. They're still there I believe.

The next place on your right would have been the place I knew as a whiskey farm. It was operated by Edward Lewinsky. He and his mother and, uh, a sister lived there for a while and, uh, they ran that farm until Eddie was able or had to retire and sold to, uh, two or three different people. It's now owned by, uh, Gabriels and it's operated now as a more of a vegetable farm. The dairy operation is gone. So that's the last place on the Wake Road until you get to, uh, you turn around there and come back because there's no more houses to the [unintelligible 00:09:00] road.

And on the right hand there's the southern side of the road and you come up on the, it used to be the Keegan farm. Tom, Thomas Keegan and family lived there and after, uh, Tom and his, uh, wife and they had a couple daughters that lived there, and they were both school teachers. Tom was a elementary principal once he retired from the [unintelligible 00:09:32] school and they sold that, uh, farm and land. It's now a part of the Anderson farm.

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And this land, uh, back toward Route 40 and on the right hand side you encounter some of the [unintelligible 00:09:47]'s farms barns and when you're near the state road, you come upon a house built by George Allen and his wife when they first got married and they still live in there.

If you want to turn around and come back towards the [unintelligible 00:10:03] and there are the, uh, one house on the, the main house and-and the great farm – let's see. There was numerous buildings on the other side, you go over on that north side to go through and that, uh, house there when I was a kid was-was owned then by, uh, George Norwood Allen, father of Norman, and, uh, for him and his wife Eagan, but they lived in [unintelligible 00:10:30] and they commuted back and forth, except summers they lived in that Sherman farm which is connected to Elm farm owned by them, is back by Farm Road. And, uh, the Allens run that for 30 years and then offered it to, uh, Norm and down to his son George. And then, uh, that pretty much takes in the, uh, Wake Road. So you turn back and come on up the, uh, the, uh, Reynolds Road and that's, uh, the first place you would come to is on the right would be a house built by Robert Henderson Sr. That was built some 25 years ago probably [unintelligible 00:11:24] and then the next place on the right would be a house that when I was young was occupied by Lester Peters and wife Grace and two daughters. It was owned at that time by Anna Lundberg. She had married John Lundberg in the house farther on [unintelligible 00:11:46] and she, uh, rented that house out to the Peters and the both of them died while they were living there. It was later taken over by Mary Alice Ellis who was a step-granddaughter of Hannah Lundberg, and Joe Phillips and Mary Alice Phillips live there now. And that brings us back to the corner, the house with Joe Phillips and Mary Alice still own this two-family house at the corner of, uh, Route 40.

We'll now go back north on 40 where I left off on [unintelligible 00:12:23] at the corner of Burton Road where the E.T. Briggs stands right on the corner. E.T. Briggs was a well-known person around town. He was in the machinery business and a well-known farmer. He raised about 14 children there, I believe, and the farm is still in the family. It's now operated by a great-grandson of Eugene Briggs. His name is Billings.

The next place on the right is a newer house that was built by Donald Briggs, one of E.T.'s sons, and he built that house there as a retirement home. He had a farm in [unintelligible 00:13:05] he

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ran for many years and, uh, he came back here to retire. It's been sold just recently. Don, I think, is still alive and in-in a nursing home someplace.

So that's, uh, the next house on the right is a, is also a Briggs house. It was, uh, owned and occupied by, uh, Frank Briggs. No relation to E.T., but, uh, his daugh-, E.T.'s daughter Emma married Frank Briggs, a guy from south of Albany someplace. So they lived there for many years in my younger years and, uh, they, uh, they had, uh, uh, four children – a daughter and three sons. One of the sons came back there a few years ago and re-did the, uh, old homestead and I think that S. John Briggs lives in there now. He re-did that whole house and-and modernized it and he now lives in there as a retirement place.

Next place on the right would be, um, Thomas farm today. It's, uh, now operated by Lloyd Thomas and when I was a kid, that was the Lewis Dickson place. He had a herd of cattle and, uh, had a barn there was in the sale of mostly work horses. We bought one or two there; my father bought one or two there himself. And Lewis Dickson quit farming in his later years and went to work in the, uh, S&T Mill at Middle Falls and was killed when an elevator when down there.

So, uh, the next thing north of that would be, uh, the north meeting house of the Quaker Easton Meeting. That's been there, a big building, for many years and it's still there. They still have services about every Sunday in there I guess.

And the next thing on the right would be the health spa. Now it was built like I think by Kenneth Hill. He was one of Lou Dicks-, he was Lou Dickson's married his oldest daughter Margarite. He built that house somewhere over 40, 50 years ago and they still live in there. They're kind of semi-retired now, but.

The next place past that was a small house that was built there by John Vesser for his father and mother, Jake and Anna Vesser. They spent some years in there and then they, until they moved in with their daughter Tilly Buckley, Ed Barker's [unintelligible 00:15:40], and then it was sold to the McCarts, Will and Cora McCart bought it then and still occupy it. [Unintelligible 00:15:47] McCart, one of their daughters, was pretty, she's pretty much retired now I think.

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And you go on north of there and through the woods and the first place was the Ezra Wells place. The Barnes are on the right hand side of the road, also on the left. And next to that was the Homer Dickson farm, a small farm, [unintelligible 00:16:07] barns only. That house was also on the other side of the road.

And then you go on north of there was a farm that was operated by Hayward Peters and his father, John, and Hayward sold that farm some years ago to the, uh, - she's one of our counsel people – and this is Mr. & Mrs. Stewart. They've since built a house for one of their sons back in the, near the woods that's in back of that, but, uh, that was a well-known farm. He was a well-known [unintelligible 00:16:40] beater in town and advertising. He moved away and to Hartford, I believe, and I think he's still alive. Hayward's [unintelligible 00:16:49] in the real estate business up there.

And on north of that was the barn to the Beatty, excuse me, the barn to the Edwards farm was on there, on that easterly side of the road. And the barn to the Beatty farm run either to the side of the road, they still stand all of them. And, uh, next to that was, I knew it as the Norton place. I think his name was Elmer Norton and, uh, he-he farmed it there when I was a kid and, uh, he's now living in by his, uh, uh, well, he married his, uh, granddaughter I believe and, uh, Dr. Ward is the veterinary that lives in there.

So that brings us to the corner of Hegeman Bridge Road and then to go on north, once again, there's a big, uh, old farm house there. When I was a kid it was owned by, uh, d-d Regan, I believe Georgia Regan. He ran a-a junkyard or auto salvage yard there. That, uh, junk in that there, in that field between them has been [unintelligible 00:18:05] and that's also full of cars. Also, I think he did some auto repair in there too. Then you, it was, the farm was sold to, uh, Dave Perry. He was there for some few years and he built a barn there. It was a hor-horse barn. He had horses and board horses for people. Then he sold it to a man that's there now named Riggio. He operates a vegetable operation there now.

The next building on your right is the county store house, the county local store house and, uh, that's been there for 25 years probably. And next north of that now is the Elks Club building and that was also built 15, 20 years ago. And that brings us to the, uh, corner of the, uh, Bulson Road

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and from there north was, when I was a kid, that was, uh, Styles or Peckham's Quarry buildings and there was, uh, the quarry buildings were there.

To the north of that was a house occupied by George Beggar who ran a bar and grill across the street on the, on Route 29 and, uh, you know, now it's the, uh, the Battenkill Veterinary Clinic. That house has been torn down. The new building had been built in there.

So there we'll turn around and come back south on 40. The first building on the right is, uh, now the Country Power building. It was built as a building about 25 years ago first of all used as a machine shop by [unintelligible 00:19:46] and then sold to the Country Power a few years ago to operate the local ag-waste over there.

The next building on the right is an apartment house built there some few years ago. It's owned I believe by the Bouchard family from Schuylerville and rented out for apartments in that building. The next thing to that, to the south of that is the house that was built by William Downey Sr. who moved [unintelligible 00:20:14] in Greenwich. That's since been sold to someone else unknown to me.

The next place on the corner of Bulson Road is the, his name was, to me Eddie Cox was, it was owned by Joseph [unintelligible 00:20:29] and [unintelligible 00:20:31] but Eddie Cox was one of his hired hands who lived there for many years. It's now occupied by a surveyor, James [unintelligible 00:20:40].

The next place on the right that your [unintelligible 00:20:43] is the house built by [unintelligible 00:20:48] taken over by [unintelligible 00:20:58]. It's a newer house.

The next thing in the old, uh, [unintelligible 00:21:06] lived there when I was a kid. He worked for Whitesides. He delivered oil for them on a tractor-trailer. [Unintelligible 00:21:15] territory and it was taken over by Joe Connors at the, uh, [unintelligible 00:21:24]. His wife and family lived in there. Joe just passed away here in the last year. Mrs. Connors still lives there.

The next place on the [unintelligible 00:21:35]. The first house there is, uh, is, uh, is built by, uh, uh, Bob Guilder. He was a local electrician. He and his wife lived there for many years. It's

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now, uh, [unintelligible 00:21:56] gun business. He has a house and there's a small building next to it where he sells guns, [unintelligible 00:22:01] guns and so forth.

The next house is a house built by, uh, a house of Tom and his wife [unintelligible 00:22:08] daughter of Bob Guilder. They've lived there for many, for quite a few years. [Unintelligible 00:22:15] until just recently he retired.

The next place on the right is a building now owned by Marshall [unintelligible 00:22:22] which was a dance hall and roller-skating rink in the old days, then it converted to a western store. It's now, uh, I think there's, uh, two apartments in there that are rented out I think by the Renz. That was also – when I was a kid – that was [unintelligible 00:22:43] junkyard before the dance hall was there. The same Mr. Taggart ran it. He sort of went out of the junk business and got into [unintelligible 00:22:51] cars and built that dance hall and roller-skating rink there.

The next thing on the right would be the old, uh, uh, schoolhouse. That's been Britt's District School that was converted to a house and was lived in for some time by the Fletcher family and, uh, who's in there now, I don't know.

So that brings us back to the Hegeman Bridge Road heading south. The next place on the right is the, was the Archie and Minnie Beatty residence when I was a kid. It has, uh, since been sold to the Ladells and Ladells use the land and, uh, I think they rent the house out.

And if you look, come on south again and there's, the first house you encounter is a house built and-occupied by Tom Selbridge. He built that some, house some 25, 30 years ago now.

Next on the right is the, uh, old Eldridge farmhouse. It's been in the Eldridge family ever since I can remember and Mr. Eldridge, Tom Eldridge, the grandfather of Tom, lives there at the other house, was in, the head of the Greenwich Bank, so they've lived there for many years.

And the next house on the right is a, is a house, uh, that also belongs to the Eldridges. It's a, it's now, uh, Tom's sister, Deedee and her husband live in that house.



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There's the next place on-on the right is the, uh, uh, farm owned by Howard Pettis and John Pettis was his father and they farmed it there for quite a long time and, uh, Howard eventually sold out to the Stewarts – Janet and I can't remember her husband's name – but they've lived there for some time now and, uh, they still farm it there.

The next on the right would be a house that was, uh, farm of the Homer-Dickson farm and when I was a kid and, uh, that was, uh, sold to a man that was, um, he was a carpenter. His name was Bob Veneer. He lived in there for some time, uh, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Veneer and it was purchased quite a while ago by Dick Brownell and he-he and Helen, who was the librarian of Easton Library, live there now. They raised their family there and he's just there pretty alone there now.

Next on the right would be a place known as the Ezra Wells house. The person that lives in there now is Buddy Burts. It changed hands sometimes in the interim years, but it's now occupied by Buddy Burts.

Next on the right would be the old Norman Green house. Norman and wife lived there and they had a couple of sons about my age, uh, Dick and, uh, George Green, and there, uh, it's been sold two or three times since and the place in the big old farmhouse, but it's unknown to me who's in there now.

Next on the, that would be a house built by, uh, uh, a man that formerly owned the, uh, Green house for a while. His name is, uh, his name is, uh, Sal [unintelligible 00:26:29]. He's been there, around this part of the country some 30 years or more, 30 or 40 years.

And next on the right heading south would be the-the, uh, place was, when I was a kid it was the John Vesser farm, a poultry farm, and John and Avis lived there for many years. And after their son James went to school me, was killed in World War II, he sold the farm to Charles McCart and it's, it belongs now I believe, uh, Charles McCart's daughter, Joann Booth. She still, uh, has some beef cattle there. The poultry operation is all gone.

Next on the right would be the house on the corner of the Wilbur Avenue turn. That's house has been, uh, it was once owned by the McCakrins of the, of the farm down on, uh, Wilbur Avenue. It's been occupied by various people. Right now by Darryl Hill lives there. He's a logger and

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wood-cutter and he's owned it for some time but, uh, it's changed hands many times since in my memories.

Next on the right would be the, uh, Vassler place, it is now. When I was a kid, that was the first of all the Charlie Thompson place and they sold that farm and moved down to, uh, North Easton, he and Ernest was his son. And then it was, uh, sold to a, uh, Lester Paragam. He lived in there for some years with his family and, uh, and, uh, and then he, uh, I think he, I believe he-he retired and moved away and it was sold to the, to the Bachelor family and they're still there. That's the great big double houses. Well it must have been, um, a house and the side a house all together. It sits back and leans somewhat.

So the next place on the right would be some distance down the road, the place known to me as the Haygel place. It's been the Haygel's place all my life. It was, uh, a sister and brother and their mother lived there when I was a kid. The-the man's name was Leo, his sister Lillian was there and has been and she still lives in that house. She's getting to be kind of an elderly lady at that, at this time.

So then to come back to the, uh, the corner of, uh, the, uh, Cheese Factory Road. When I was a kid there was a building right there on that corner, on the northwest corner was an old, uh, also an old cheese factory building. That was I believe torn down. It's gone now.

Next on the right would be, uh, Rutherford farms or I knew it [unintelligible 00:29:28] so I can remember was originally owned by the Hillman family. It's now owned and operated by George Hezer, a new of the Hillman brothers that were there. He and his son – his son lives in the house of George Jr. and he operated quite a bit, uh, farm there.

And the next on the right would be a place down the long lane. When I was young that was the Winchell farm. The Winchells, I think, only rented that from the family that had previously owned it, but way back 50 years ago it was bought by, uh, Tony [unintelligible 00:30:08]. He was a man that moved here from, uh, Mechanicville and, uh, he raised his family there and-and is still, uh, in that, uh, in the [unintelligible 00:30:17] family, the, uh, grandson of, uh, Tony is there and, uh, and his, uh, son's wife is still there, and they operate a, still quite an extensive farm there.

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Then we're driving down the road quite a ways to that's the-the house was, uh, once owned by the, uh, Slokum family and it was, uh, purchased, uh, by a, uh, man thereafter. He was Bob Mehaffy. He offered to farm there and-and, uh, milk cows for some years and then, uh, he died and Mrs. Mehaffy moved away and it was sold to Albert Foss. He helped, he turned the barns over into poultry houses and built some new barns and [unintelligible 00:31:08] by Albert Foss and his wife Ann for quite a few years. And then it was – on his death it was sold to the uh, uh, [unintelligible 00:31:22] that live in there now.

This on the right would be a house that was, uh, it was a before that also occupied by Albert Foss, just a house on [unintelligible 00:31:35]. It's now owned by Phyllis Shier, she lives there. [Unintelligible 00:31:43] moved away I think [unintelligible 00:31:47]. That was that one [unintelligible 00:31:48] that was [unintelligible 00:31:51] named Tilly Buckley and daughters lived there, and then [unintelligible 00:31:56].

In the small house next to that there was [unintelligible 00:32:01] house where [unintelligible 00:32:05] son lived there. The father was [unintelligible 00:32:08] lived right down the road with [unintelligible 00:32:10] which was her hired hand, and it was sold to, uh, [unintelligible 00:32:15] at the time, uh, [unintelligible 00:32:20] and, uh, her husband had died and left the farm up there and she [unintelligible 00:32:29] some years and was owned by, uh, Rick Skylar, who is a veteran of World War II. That was, uh, he had a farm below and that was his retirement too for some years and then it was, uh, eventually bought by, uh, [unintelligible 00:32:45] Sr. lived in there for some years. And really, after he moved out they used it as a hired man's house for the [unintelligible 00:32:52]. It's now occupied by Bob Moy Jr.

Next on the right would be the, uh, town barn. When I was a kid the town barn consisted of an old church. I think it was a [unintelligible 00:33:09]-formed church [unintelligible 00:33:09] had been, the halls have been turned into a town [unintelligible 00:33:15] and [unintelligible 00:33:16] and that [unintelligible 00:33:21] was used as the town shed for some years and that burnt down when [unintelligible 00:33:26]. They had a wooden [unintelligible 00:33:27] fire in there most of the time and it-it got on fire during the day time and it was just a big open fire trap in there and it went up very quickly. So when they built another building to the south of it and,

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uh, that was there for some years, uh, Baker building and, uh, that blew down in a windstorm of I believe 1952. So they had to build another, uh, new shed which stands there now.

And next and now we're coming back to, uh, [unintelligible 00:34:05], Sarles Ferry Road and, uh, the first place on the right is also there is a, also was when I was a kid, that was owned by Paul [unintelligible 00:34:18]. He lived in there, uh, alone. He had a briefly a time on [unintelligible 00:34:24] Road, that was a [unintelligible 00:34:27] and it's now, uh, it was in the [unintelligible 00:34:31] family for many years. It's just been sold within the last five or 10 years. The people that are in there now are unknown to me. And so that was another house where the [unintelligible 00:34:41] very close together. The [unintelligible 00:34:45] house there was torn down and [unintelligible 00:34:47] and a new house was constructed by Allen [unintelligible 00:34:52]. It's a pretty modern house, uh, solar-heated and all those type of things, but not lived in at this time.

And the next place on the right would be a house built by, uh, Taylor Henderson, the more modern house, and it's now occupied by Shirley Land, the-the town [unintelligible 00:35:14] at this time.

Next on the right would be, uh, Judge Briggs's house. Ralph Briggs and his wife Dorothy live in there and they built that house some 30 or 40 years ago, and-and still reside in there.

Next on the right would be a house, uh, that was built, uh, for Catherine Thompson who was a daughter of Ernest Thompson that lived on the farm next door and after Ernest died and-and she had that house built for herself to live in. She lived there since, for some years and she's now in the Pleasant Valley Infirmary and the house is rented out to someone else I believe.

And next on the right would be the, uh, it was originally the [unintelligible 00:36:02] Thompson farm in my day and it was, uh, operated until, uh, Ernest died. It's a small farm, a small dairy operation, but it's now owned by, uh, Bill Shannon Jr., whose father Bill Shannon Sr. bought it from the Thompsons and the Shannon family still lives there.

And the next thing we come up on our right is the, uh, [unintelligible 00:36:34]. It's still there. It's been there since I believe it's the date of 19[unintelligible 00:36:37]. At one time it was, uh,

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[unintelligible 00:36:40] library was in there in [unintelligible 00:36:43] across the street. That room is now used as a kitchen and Donald Cook's office is in the south of that building at this time. [Unintelligible 00:36:56], which is now the Burton Hall parking lot was also [unintelligible 00:37:03] and owned by Mrs. Margaret Chapin, whose son or husband John, John died, uh, quite early. He had two sons – John Jr. and Robert, who I went to school with – and Mrs. Chapin lived there. He went in the service in World War II and never returned to this area and Mrs. Chapin lived here for some years and then it was purchased by Charles Goman. He lived in there and, uh, he and his wife Nan and their family, and they, uh, at one time after his arrest onto that house, uh, a few years earlier. It stayed in the Goman family until the house was purchased by the town just a few years ago and, uh, torn down and they're plotting it into a parking lot.

Next on the right is a, the, uh, they call the [unintelligible 00:37:59] house which has something to do with the [unintelligible 00:38:02] man had, uh, invented the, uh, steam engine way back. When I was a kid, that was occupied by, uh, I guess it was Cora English and she was, uh, lived there alone more or less, but she at sometimes had boarders. I think she used to do washings for people around town. After her death, it was, uh, bought by, uh, Lewis Snell, uh, Lewis, uh, Slokum Sr. and he owned it for some years. I don't believe he ever lived in it, but there was, at one time rented to, uh, Judge Briggs and his wife Dorothy lived in there when their children were younger until they bought their new house [unintelligible 00:38:46], now owned by Bill Peters across the road and, uh, occupied some of the time and not [unintelligible 00:38:55] and right now it's, uh, Allen Curtis that lives in there. [Unintelligible 00:38:59] runs the feed store on, uh, [unintelligible 00:39:02] Route 74 [unintelligible 00:39:06].

Then also on the corner, uh, there's the [unintelligible 00:39:12] now occupied by [unintelligible 00:39:15] I believe owned that also owned by [unintelligible 00:39:18] figures Dietz lives there. That was one for [unintelligible 00:39:24] one of the old, uh, decent stores and it was also the post office at one time, then the, then there's the house and, uh, the store was joined together and they now make, uh, one building.

So that brings us back to the northeast to the corner of Wells Road. Then we'll take a right hand turn on what's now known as Church Lane, just south of the [unintelligible 00:39:51] church.

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The first building there is a house that was owned by Harry and his, [unintelligible 00:39:57] his wife and – I forget her name – but they raised a family of 12, 14 children in there. It was in the Goldman family for many years and just a few years ago it was, uh, bought by John Danley who owns the Easton Market. He owns it now but it's unoccupied at this time.

Next on the right is a house that was owned by Helen Honeysack. She and Mike, her husband who is recently deceased, just, they lived there for many years and, uh, Helen and-and her son Michael still live in there. When I was a kid, that was the Charlie Wilbur place. Charles and Mary Wilbur lived there and for some years and, uh, they were a well-known family in town and, uh, quite active in the Quaker Church and those kind of things. And, uh, after their demise, uh, Mike and Helen bought that place and that road was once part of the main road from, uh, Amos to [unintelligible 00:40:56]. It was eliminated and been hell from thereafter. And, uh, in 1932 or '33 when they built the-the first state road through here.

The last building on the right before you have to turn around and go back is the, uh, uh, old, uh, Easton schoolhouse which was built replacing the one that was closer to the road [unintelligible 00:41:20] North Easton. I can remember when that was done. That was, uh, the new building was built at the same time they built the road in 1932 or '33. And that place was converted into a [unintelligible 00:41:34] by, uh, Roger and Shirley DeVos many years ago and since then sold, uh, now, uh, a school teacher in Greenwich, uh – whose name I can't remember now – lives in there.

And in their yard to have to turn around and come back. It's a dead end thing down. The only house on the other, on the right hand or [unintelligible 00:41:56], when I was a kid that was, uh, John [unintelligible 00:42:01]. John was a man that, there was a small acreage there, but he had worked on farms around here all his life. That was his retirement home more or less. He raised some vegetables and had a [unintelligible 00:42:12] with a barn on the other side here over and that was, when they died it sold to the Ingram family. Part of the Ingram family, uh, still uses it as a summer place, vacation place and now it's back to Route 40 on Church Lane then.

I think we'll next go, uh, to Burton Road and north on 40 and North Easton and it's a, and, uh, right at Briggs' farm Burton Road turns east first of all. The first place past the Briggs farm

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would be the barns that are on the Fury place, then you'd, uh, and there's a house on the other side of the road there quite a ways and there's a newer house built, some 15 years old, by George Briggs. He's the son of, uh, the Frank and Emerald Briggs that own the place on Route 40. It's their youngest son, I believe.

And from there on you can go over to the, uh, junction of the Easton Station Road and the road turns from there north, It continues from there. The first place on the right is the Ladell farm, [unintelligible 00:43:31] Ladell and, uh, was a person everybody would be in there and [unintelligible 00:43:35] and his grandson sold on that place. It's a combination, uh, dairy and sheep farm.

And the next place on the right could be the house built by one of the Marshland, Lewis Marshland's sons. That's a newer house just built a few years ago.

Next on the right would be the, uh, what I knew in the old days as the Mealy place. That was unoccupied for many years until Lewis Marshland bought it some years ago and-and converted the house and fixed it up and [unintelligible 00:44:11] into two or three apartments there. There's also I think a barn standing there on that premises.

Then you come to the, uh, corner where the, uh, Birch Hollow Road turns right and the place on that, uh, along that road is the, uh, I knew it as the McHugh place and it's, uh, lived there by, uh, Hughes and then for some time by one of them, the McHugh's daughters, she was married to a man named, uh, Ryan, Ryan, and she lived there-there for many years and after he died and it's now been, uh, bought by the Holmquist family. They live there now. The [unintelligible 00:45:03], at least they used to. I don't know about the land.

Then you go on from there, uh, farther north again and the next place you encounter [unintelligible 00:45:15] the, uh, Baldwick Burdick residence in the old days, uh. So that now consists of there's a house out there. The first [unintelligible 00:45:25] another house, there's a new that's built by, was built by one of, uh, Cort Thomas's daughters and that was [unintelligible 00:45:39]. And [unintelligible 00:45:42] Burdick was the, uh, father-in-law of Cort Thomas. Cort Thomas and his wife lived there for several years and then the place was, uh, sold to the leather stocking yards, which is a big place that takes in those originally five or six farms, I

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believe, and they converted the, uh, barn into a living quarters for Cort Thomas and he lived there in that, uh, barn quarters until he died.

And the old farmhouse is next on the right. That also belongs to [unintelligible 00:46:19], but it's, uh, I don't know if it's occupied now or not.

Then you go on, uh, go on the road a little bit and there's a fairly new house there built by, uh, uh, a teacher and a contractor, his name, I forget now.

And then you go on north toward the junction of the County Road 74 and railroad [unintelligible 00:46:49] and there's the barns and the [unintelligible 00:46:52] farm there and that is the last...

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...westerly side of the road heading back toward Route 40. That's the farm I always remember it as the Wynter Burdick farm. It was farmed, uh, for many years by Wynter and his son Carol Burdick and, uh, sold-sold after their deaths to a-a person named, uh, I believe Morris now lives in there.

Then you come down toward 40 again on the right hand side of the road and it'd be the new house built there by someone unknown to me.

The next place you come to would be the barns of the [unintelligible 00:00:39] farm was the, uh, formerly the Walter Burdick farm and, uh, back in the late [unintelligible 00:00:46] inspired that farm was the, uh, uh, that was the Grimes farm formerly owned by Walter Grimes and his son Walter Jr. They farmed there for many years [unintelligible 00:01:02] until that-that house there is used as the main residence on the [unintelligible 00:01:08] farm now.

And, uh, the next place on the right would be the old, uh, school for that district. That's been converted to residents for many years and they live there, it's a summer place I think now and he lives there are unknown to myself.

The next place on the right would be the, what used to be known to me as the Jim Pettis farm and, uh, he, that was a well-known man in town, Jim Pettis, and he had several children, some of



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whom still live around town today. And, uh, it's now owned by a man named [unintelligible 00:01:51] has converted the house and built another small building there as a guest house and the land is used by a person unknown to me.

Next on the right would be the, that house was also owned by Jim Pettis and used as a hired man's house, and it's since been sold off to a-a person who I don't know his name [unintelligible 00:02:16]. He's a carpenter or a contractor that's in that place.

So then that brings you back to the corner of Easton Station again and you proceed on from that point toward the west toward 40 and the first place on the, on the right would be the Marshland farm. It was a formerly the Isaac Borden Farm. The man who, uh, started the or built I guess the Burton Hall, that's a big farm and it's been in the Marshland family for many years. It's now occupied by, uh, Moe Marshland and two or three of his sons. There was a new house there by Lewis himself and it was the old farm house, it was the old curtain house and one of the sons lives in there.

So then you come on a little further east and the other of, uh, Louie Marshland's son Andrew who's currently the road commissioner in town lives in the little house along the woods there.

And you come on back and, uh, toward [unintelligible 00:03:22] once again, that's not a long distance, and there's the Halston [unintelligible 00:03:27] farm and a barn or two on that side of the road. The dairy farm has been in the family for years. I think it still is. The Flaharty family is I think all passed on now except maybe one sister someplace, but it's at this time unoccupied.

That brings us back to Route 40. I think next we'll go, uh, do the Herrington Hill Road. That's the road that intersects with the Valley Summit Road and goes toward the Willard Mountain Ski Run. Uh, there's not much for buildings on there for quite some distance and go past the, uh, turn to the Willard Mountain Ski Run, there's a what was formerly the Kuzmich farm on the corner of Freeman Road. The house was, uh, some buildings on the, on the right hand side road, some on the left and the house was a brick house I suppose you would say on Freeman Road. So we'll take that Freeman Road. The house is on the right hand side, brick house, and it's been in the Kuzmich family for many years and Heritage recently sold the place three or four years ago to, uh, people that built a new house here on The Intervale Road near the ski run. That, uh, their

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names are unknown to me at this time but, uh, they own that, uh, uh, farm there and the house is currently unoccupied.

But the next thing you would come to was a place on the right hand side of the road, uh, on the southerly side I guess and there's a house there built by, uh, Mr. & Mrs. Bass that live there now, some few years ago.

Next on the right would be, uh, what was a barn, uh, to the, uh, Otis Harrington farm. It's now, uh, used as a summer place by the Kent family who-who, uh, once owned that farm until just recently. They owned the whole farm. So they converted one barn into a summer place or living quarters there.

And next down on the right is, uh, quite some distance down the road towards, uh, County Road 74 is the old house now occupied by, uh, I think it's Nathan Wright. He's one of the Nates, of the Wrights from, uh, by Summit Road, one of their sons and, uh, previous to that was, uh, lived in by, uh, Elroy Rose for some years.

Then you go on down past the, uh, the Waters Road and the junction on your left, there's a small house there built by Jim [unintelligible 00:06:24]. He's a cousin of the Nessles that run the meat market and he used to work at the meat market. He's now employed by the [unintelligible 00:06:29] Central School and that's the last place on that side of the road, so we'll turn around at the 74 and turn back up the hill.

So then you're, the place on the corner of 74 is the house of, was a house there, was the Calder house when I was a kid and it was owned by the Calders for many years and it was then, uh, split up and the Pfeiffers bought the farm and, uh, also it was there it was owned by, uh, Carl Johnson and wife. And while they were there, it burned up. The big old house, it used to also be the Archdale [unintelligible 00:07:11]. That was, the junction was a railroad stop and was known as Archdale Station and they ran the store, this big three-story house. The lower story was the store and two stories above there for living. When that burnt down they bought, there's a, there's a small ranch-type home there now.

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And you could climb back up the road to, uh, through the Waters Road junction again to your right and the next place on the, going up the hill you know there's, right now there's a trailer there that belongs to the Herrington family, but the next place that I remember was a place there when I was young was, uh, occupied by, uh, the Fletcher family I believe and later by, uh, Mr. & Mrs. Sitmore. Mrs. Sitmore was one of the Fletcher's daughters and, uh, it's now, uh, owned by the-the Harrington family. I think one of the Harrington family lives in there. That's one of Otis Sr. grandsons, I believe.

Next on the right would be a house that was bought on, the house by itself was bought some years ago by the Harrington family and Otis Jr. lived in there for some years, and then it's since been purchased by, uh, Collins. Uh, Lou Collins' family lived in there for quite a few years now.

Then you come on, once again this, to the house that belonged to the Harrington farm which was a place that had not only cows, but had a, quite a sizeable orchard and it's now occupied by, uh, a man by the name of, uh, Nichols, Nicholas I believe, and went to, uh, part of the farm on the left hand side of the road I guess has been kept by the Kent family, but that's the old farmhouse that, uh, Nicholas lives in.

So the next one on your right would be the, what's now the, uh, Easton Mountain – well, it's a naturalist camp, I guess. In other words, a nudist colony. And there was a house that's now been separated off and the family in there [unintelligible 00:09:47]. And next is there's, uh, some buildings back in the [unintelligible 00:09:53] that belong to the naturalist club.

And from there on, you come quite some distance to the west and then the next thing on the, on the right would be a house near the woods built by, uh, David Yurchak. It often changed hands. I forget who owns it now.

There's a house-house there near to the road. Next to that, that was, uh, it was owned by, uh, one of the Mr. Yurchak's sisters, uh, Miss. Scheibel from Greenwich originally.

Then you come on to farther over and some of the buildings of the [unintelligible 00:10:45] farm or there and then you take the turn on [unintelligible 00:10:51] toward the ski run and just

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beyond that is the house that was, uh, is occupied by, uh, Teresa Kuzmich. She was Harry Kuzmich's wife. They're since separated and, uh, Teresa owns that house.

The next on the right would be the, uh, house built by Anita and Bill Sharon some few years ago and, uh, next to that is a, uh, old house that was a [unintelligible 00:11:22] place and, uh, it was occupied for many years by Dan Finnigan and wife and has just been sold recently to, uh, Don Pearson, Donald Pearson. He and his wife and family live in that house now and [unintelligible 00:11:40] several lands on each side of the road, but that's since been sold off pretty much, split up in-in many ways.

And next to the right would be the, uh, John Kirk residence. That was also I think part of the Finnigan farm land and it's a house that was built there some 15 years ago. John Kirk is, uh, his wife lived there with their children and he is the manager of the Schuylerville Curtis Store.

So that pretty much brings us back to the Valley Summit Road. So then-then we'll go, uh, on what know-known at The Intervale Road now. I remember the days it was The Irish L Road. The first place on the right, the easterly side would be a new house recently built by the Wintour family. It's just a man and his wife. It's a show place they have all of Willard Mountain, big place.

Next on the right would be a small house built by a brother of, uh, Lawrence Riley who was a priest. He used that as a summer place and retreat for several years. It now belongs to some of, uh, [unintelligible 00:12:54] family I believe.

So then you, uh, see quite a ways and the next place on the right, or excuse me, the barn's on the right and house is on the left, is the, uh, Leonard Joyce farm.

And, uh, then you go down to the foot of the hill, the, uh, only other place on that road on the right hand side would be the Schaefer farm. It is now Fred Schaefer and Mary Lou live there. And that was, when I was a kid, that was, uh, Louis Berts farm. Louis Berts and his wife was a sister of, uh, Ralph Briggs, as I understand, the current town judge. They lived in there and, uh, uh, Louis Berts was killed in an accident when the scaffold collapsed in the barn some years ago and, uh, Mrs. Berts stayed there and, uh, operated the farm with the aid of hired help. At one

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time her brother Ralph, the judge, and his wife lived there and tried to help her run the farm and, uh, then, uh, then she sold that farm to the Shafers, they've owned it for a long time. Been farming there full-time for many years, and then it was a part-time farm and a residence from them on.

So then you have to turn around and come back, uh, up the hill and the-the, uh, first place on the right is a new house built by Dick Nettle and his wife. Mrs. Nettle was a-a daughter of Leonard Joyce who, and Mrs. Leonard Joyce still owns the house on the farm and occupies it.

And, uh, the next place on the, on the, uh, right would be, uh, also there's a-a farm in there, uh, in that corner of the, of it's now known as Dead End Road, this house on the, on the, uh, that corner. It's, it was once part of the farmhouse that was formerly farmed by the Palmer family and, uh, that's since been sold off as a separate house and lot. That person there is unknown to me.

So then you, while we're there we'll go up that lane, the road, that was, uh, known as the, uh, O'Malleys Lane in the old days and there-there's a farm in there by the-by the O'Malleys land. It was a fairly large family and the father was killed in a runaway team accident many years ago, and then it was sold to different people. There's been two or three people lived in there and just, eventually there's, the house burnt down and, uh, another house was, uh, converted, [unintelligible 00:15:57] converted the house that [unintelligible 00:16:01]. I think there's no buildings in there now. There was a barn until a short time ago when it was torn down and used for, uh, as a conversion [unintelligible 00:16:11] timber-type barn. So that's the only place in there.

If you get back to The, uh, Intervale Road, the next place on the right would be the Lawrence Riley residence. That's been in the family for many years and I think this is, the first owners I remember there's a mother and father, and she was a-a Joyce, the place was once, uh, no I'm sorry, her name was Lyons. It was once owned by I think the Jack Lyons. Lawrence Riley lived in there and operated the farm for many years and, uh, still lives there now, he and his wife. Maybe some of the family left.

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Then you come on back because, to the, uh, the, uh, Willard Mountain Ski Run and, uh, the old house is still there was at that time the Kasowskis lived in there. Phil Kasowski, who I went to school with, and his father lived there and it was unoccupied for many years until the ski run took it over and built the buildings, most of which are there now except the old house that Phil lived in.

The next on the right would be a house setting-setting back in a little lane or driveway owned by Harry Kuzmich and built by Harry Kuzmich just four or five years ago when he sold the farm on the corner of Freeman Road to the Wintours. And he uses that as a summer residence and spends his winters in Florida now.

That brings us back to the Herrington Hill Road. I think the ne-ne-next we'll go on Waters Road which is a short rode, a mile or so long. It goes from the Herrington Hill Road north to The, uh, Intervale Road or Ski Run Road.

We'll start from Herrington Hill. On the right there's a, the first place on the right is a newer house built by some of the Nessle family.

And the next place on the road, some distance north and on the easterly side or the right hand side of the road is a place that's as I remember has always belonged to the Harold Sheraton. Harold Sheraton just died here within the last year or so and his wife Hellen was a Helen McHugh in the old days and she has, uh, as I understand it, left there now and gone to live in Greenwich in an-an apartment. That house is now vacant.

That's the only two places on these [unintelligible 00:18:54] side of the road so we'll-we'll go to the, uh, junction of The, uh, Intervale Road and turn back to the west and the house to the south and the house on the westerly side of the road, the first thing you encounter there is a trailer that belonged to the, uh, the Shaker farm on the right. Some of the Shaker family lives there now I believe.

And the next place on the right was a house known to me as the, uh, Flynn residence – Jack Flynn and wife. She was, uh, a Pettis, one of James Pettis's daughters, and they lived there and raised their family there. And it think it's been sold now to another person.

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So next on the right would be the, it was an old, uh, building there, it was pretty well run-down, it was restored by Bob Sheraton, one of Harold's boys. He lives there now and he's restored the house and it's in pretty good shape.

And right beside there there's a lane that leads way back up into the place between The Intervale Road and Herrington Hill Road. It was occupied when I was a kid by the Zawala family. Some of the Zawalas went to school when I did. This, they later moved away to-to, uh, Schaghticoke area and bought a farm down there and, uh, it's been changed hands two or three times since and this, uh, the buildings are, uh, kind of run down. Nobody, as far as I know, occupies it now.

Then you go on farther and, uh, that next house on the right I guess would, uh, now would be occupied by a-a lawyer, a female lawyer. Her name is Marti Ellerman. I don't know if that's her maiden name or her, uh, her husband's name I don't know.

Then you, you come on to the south once again and there's a house in there that was built by, uh, Hal, uh, Ketchum in the old days before he became a country western star, he's a well-known person in the whole country. Today he's a country western star who lives in Nashville, I believe, and that was his house. He built it there and it's been sold two or three times since. I think it now belongs to Don Idleman, but I'm not sure of that.

Then you come on back to the Herrington Hill Road, there's a house on the, on the western side of the road, the last house is, uh, was, uh, [unintelligible 00:21:36] was built by, uh, Bob Coldren and his wife, uh. He now runs the, uh, car emporium on the [unintelligible 00:21:47] Road and that's back to Herrington Hill Road on that road.

I think we'll next go to the Brownell Road. I'll take that from north to south because it was originally the main road from, uh, Valley Summit toward Greenwich. It was replaced by the, uh, railroad, that road, J&J Railroad, so the houses on there-there are, the road is pretty close to the railroad so there's no houses on the easterly side, so we'll turn around and come back from north to south.

The first place on the right is a newer house that got built a few years ago, a resident unknown to me.

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And the next place is a house that was built here by Clara Missle some years ago. Also changed hands and that used to be a chicken farm, and the original house burnt down and Clara Missle lived in the, one of the chicken house buildings for a while until she built this new house. And I think she's since died and some other people are in there now.

The next place to the south of that would have been what was the Neal [unintelligible 00:22:59] residence. Neal was a man that lived there alone at that time. He had a wife and son at some period of time, but he lived there alone and he had a small farm originally by Pete Snell. He was the father of Harold Snell, former road commissioner here, and he's the grandfather of-of most of the Snells that still live around here. It was then purchased by Ralph Briggs and it's been sold off now, was sold off to a Spears person and they've since got out of there and it's been, it's now occupied by a person also unknown to me.

The next place on the right would be a place that, uh, was the Sela Wilkinson place. She was, uh, the grandmother of, uh, Lyle Wilkinson and it's just burnt down here recently so there's nothing left. There nothing but a barn's wreckage now.

The next place going down along the road on the westerly side would have been a house that was occupied by what they used to Big Dick Herrington. He was a giant of a man, lived there alone and the house was in bad repair in the old days and he finally moved out of there and moved down to the, uh, place closer to Valley Summit.

And then next on the right would be a house that was occupied by the Moon family. I think his name was Clarence and he was the father of Ken Moon, the guy that's still in Greenwich and has been a barber there for many years. He still does a little bit of barber work.

The next place on the right would have been the Ozela Brown place where Big Dick Herrington moved later and lived in what was one-one of the outbuildings there and it's now owned by Bob or Clyde Lebaron. He's owned it for some, uh, number of years.

The next to the south would be a little house that was when I was a boy it was, uh, occupied by Brownell. He was the father of Winford Browwell, who was at that-that time sold the [unintelligible 00:25:20] summit. He owned almost everything around there. His father – who I



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think was a Civil War veteran – had lived there at that time. The old man. It's later changed hands two or three times now and in a bad state of disrepair and it's unoccupied now. The last [unintelligible 00:25:41] heading toward [unintelligible 00:25:42].

Next we'll go north on County Road 74, or the railroad bed road. The first place on the right just north of Valley Summit is the Don Nato residence, built by Don. He and his wife have lived there since.

Then you go on some distance north, uh, there's nothing there and near the corner of Easton Station Road is a building Curtis Feed Store built by John Curtis and run by his son Allen. He built that years ago and it's a feed and farm supply store. That's near the site I think where the old Easton Station itself was. It was on that side of the road. And across the Easton Station Road is the old barn, saw barn as I understand it, went with the station that, uh, still stands there.

Then you go on again some distance north and there's nothing on the right hand side of the road until you, there's a couple of houses, newer houses back in the woods that are accessible by a lane are people unknown to me.

Then, uh, the next thing north of that is the, uh, I would know as-as the Mosher farm owned by a man named John Mosher in the early days and he and his, uh, son has operated it for many years. They just sold it in the last few years. John Mosher has died and the place has been sold and to the, uh, some of the veterinaries from the Battenkill Veterinary Clinic.

And the next north of that is a house that sits on-on a high bank owned by one of the veterinaries from that, uh, Battenkill Veterinary Service.

Next north of that is another house on a high bank just built in the last few years by Dick Nolan and right north that is a trailer occupied by, uh, Bernard Nolan. He's lived there for many years and had, uh, access to the, uh, [unintelligible 00:28:02] road [unintelligible 00:28:04] so there we're stop and maybe, uh, turn around.

So then you come south. Once again, there's a, uh, south there on the westerly side of the road is a house that was part of the Mosier farm, now occupied by someone unknown to me, and that

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place was really accessed from the [unintelligible 00:28:28] Birch Road. It was a lane, long lane, had to cross the railroad tracks. When the rail was put in, it made the houses fairly close to the railroad which they are now.

And, uh, then come on south once again and there's, uh, the next place is a place built some 20 years ago by, uh, Mark Wells, a teacher at the Greenwich High School. He's been there for many years and he built that house and still lives in it – him and his wife, I believe.

And, uh, the next, uh, thing on that side of the road would be way down between the Easton Station and Valley Summit, and that's the Nettle Meat Market. The Nessles built that some 20 years ago or more and they're still in business there. That's about the only thing that's on the westerly side of the Railroad [unintelligible 00:29:24] Road or Route 74.

Then we take a right on Route 74A, which used to be known as the Archdale Road before the county took it over. The, it goes north from the Archdale intersection where there used to be a railroad station and so on and so forth. [Unintelligible 00:29:46] encounter first of all the farm down, now the John Pfeiffer farm. That was the Forrest Lyons farm when I was a kid. Forrest Lyons farmed it there and brought up his family pretty much and later on it was sold to the Pfeiffers. Winford Pfeiffer was the original owner, and his wife, and they, uh, since, uh, the house was occupied by some part of the Pfeiffer farm, but the house would be [unintelligible 00:30:17] on the same property was, uh, is the John Pfeiffer house where he lives now, he and his wife, and I think their children are pretty much grown up so they're pretty much alone.

Next east of that is the, uh, Nettle place, built by Winford Nettle and his wife who was one of Pfeiffer's daughters, a sister of John I believe, and they built that house some years ago and Mrs. Pfeiffer still lives there now.

And then you head down around the corner and now you're heading north more or less. We're taking the right hand side of the road. We'll go up there, uh, quite some distance and the first thing you would, uh, come to on your would be a house on your right at the junction where the Gillis Road starts and goes into the town of Cambridge. It was known to me in the old days as the Art Weldon farm and that was bought by the Ryans, Frank and Lee Ryan many years ago and Frank and Lee Ryan still live there today.

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Next on the right would be a place known to me as the Brower place. I think that was a small farm, but it was a retirement home for Mr. Brower and his sister. It's since been sold to someone else, I'm not sure who.

Next on your right would be the-the Roger Davidson farm. Roger Davidson and his wife Liz still live – they've owned that place for many years. And previous to that, that was one of the [unintelligible 00:31:49] farms, I believe.

And next on the right would be the Bill Schiff originally the house that went with his big farm there and Bill and his wife lived in there for many years and it's-it's not occupied by Ed Schiff, his son, and his wife and, uh, he, uh, Ed still runs the farm and help-helps [unintelligible 00:32:14] some other help. But, uh, when Bill retired, he bought the farm immediately north of there in back of the [unintelligible 00:32:21] as Charlie Pettis place and he's-he's owned that, is joined into the Schiff farm and he's been living there now, uh, Elsie Schiff is now deceased and Bill lives there alone I believe.

So that's the last place on the easterly or right hand side of the road until we come to the junction of 372 where the Easton Fire House #2 now stands. So we'll turn around and come back to the south. The first place on the right again would be the, I knew it as the Dan Beetle residence. Dan Beetle and his wife lived there and [unintelligible 00:33:01] small farm to that too. But, uh, it's now occupied by one of Dan's daughters, Barbara and her husband Ray Baldack have been there for many years.

And then come on south of there and there's a house that's Bob Lyons, Robert Lyons and his wife live there and Bob was a-a Forrest Lyons, had the farm on Archdale. His father built a house next to it after he sold the farm and then he lived there for quite a long time and he's now deceased. I don't know who lives in that house.

The next thing south of that was the old, uh, school house in Pettis District or [unintelligible 00:33:43] District. House converted into a house by I think the Bengal family years ago. It was afterwards bought by Forrest Pratt. He and his wife lived there until they retired to Saratoga some few years ago and it's, I think that house is also owned by the Schiff farm now.

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When you go on south again and it's, uh, the next buildings are the Schiff farm buildings on that little corner there like and the, and the there's a little, uh, lane down south of the barns that was, there was a house in there, it's also belonged to Schiff but that was the early [unintelligible 00:34:24] Grandma Moses, the famous artist from Eagle Bridge. And that used to come up, that would be a connecting road, went back to the Easton Station Road and it was closed for many years before [unintelligible 00:34:38].

So then the next thing to the south of that would be the, uh, Brownell place. That was, uh, once, the place there was once owned by Malcom Lyons and his wife. He was a brother to Forrest. The house, the original house there has burnt down. It's now a-a double-wide trailer or something in there and there maybe some of the barns left yet, but.

And next south of that would be, it would be the Easton Station Road intersection on your right and, uh, just south of that, a little bit of distance is the Knapp place. It's still owned by the Knapps. It was owned when I was a kid by Vernon Knapp and wife and family, and now owned by one of the Knapp sons.

So that takes us back to the place where the road once again goes east and returns to the, uh, Archdale corner. There's just one house on that section. That was also built by Mr. Pfeiffer and, uh, he and his wife are both deceased now. Who lives in that house, I do not know.

So that brings you back to the end of the road. So we'll next go to the Colonel Baume Road, which is a older, it-it intersects, uh, with, uh Route 74 at the junction with, uh, Burton Road. It goes across Burton Road to the Colonel Baume Road. When I was a kid there was only one place on that road that was the farm at one time occupied by James Perry Sr. and family. And when I went there, I used to go in there and plow snow, it was a dead end road, it ended at that farm. It used to be known as a halfway farm many years ago and Mr. [unintelligible 00:36:27], Albert's wife, second wife, lived there from when she was a child and she was a well-known resident of town. And after, uh, the Perrys got out of there, sometime the Langdons bought that place, Ted Langdon and his wife from Greenwich that ran Central Lunch lived there for some years. Who lives there now, I don't know.

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On that road farther on some of the relations of the Langdons and on that side of the road is some other new houses. The only person I know that lives there now is the last house toward the west after you've turned around and come back. The place at the beginning is now owned and occupied and bought and I guess built by Al Davis, the son of Orin Davis, well-known contractor, earth-moving contractor around here.

That's that little short road and that's about all there is on it. [Unintelligible 00:37:18] northeast there's a section of the town we'll, uh, go up and take a ride up [unintelligible 00:37:25] Road now. That's a road that intersects to the east near the Easton Fire House. The first place you come to there and it's quite some distance is, uh, now, uh, occupied by Donald Baer and family. He's, Donald Baer is a well-known as the Easton Country [unintelligible 00:37:41] and well-known carpenter and contractor around here, and he bought that house and refurbished it. It was in pretty bad shape before. He fixed it up and he's lived there for some years now.

The next place on the right was a place owned by the Seacord farm. It was a hired man's house for many years and who lives in there now, I can't tell.

Then the [unintelligible 00:38:04] road turns right, there's no other, uh, houses on there until it re-meets with Route 372, so we'll turn around and go back heading west on, uh, Taber Road. The first place on the right is a place I knew as the Norton place, just a house alone I believe, and it's owned by Gilbert Norton and wife, were the occupants. Now, I don't know.

The next place on the right was the, uh, I knew it as the [unintelligible 00:38:35] Bain farm. It was also known as the Water Works farm. At one time, it was part of the Greenwich Water Works Company. They sold it to [unintelligible 00:38:43] Bain. He farmed it there for some years and the barn burned, he built a new barn and the house is occupied by someone else that I don't know. The barn is still there, but the house is occupied by-by someone I don't know.

The next thing on that road and the last thing is a lane on the right leading back to the, uh, Saunders, Gary Saunders lives in there now. That's – and I think Cy and Irene Saunders still live in there. It was originally a Stewart place. I think his name was Rollin Stewart lived in there, he and his wife and family some distance back from the road. It's quite a long lane. And now they

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sold to the, uh, Cy Saunders and his wife. They lived there for many years and his son Gary and wife also live there now. That's the last place on Taber Road till you get back to Route 372.

So then we'll do Route 372 starting at its junction with the town of Cambridge. The first place on the right would be the Nelson Pettis residence in the old days and Nelson Pettis built that house there many years ago and he and his wife, Helen, lived there until, uh, Nelson was, uh, deceased and Helen still-still lives there with her son John.

And that's the only place there. We'll get back to [unintelligible 00:40:14] Road. The next place on the right is-is now owned by Nellie Beetle. Her and her husband, Herb, bought that place many years ago from Herb Snell. Herbert Snell was also one of Pete Snell's sons. [Unintelligible 00:40:30] death, the Beetles bought that place.

Then you come on, the next place on the right would be the-the house to the Miller farm. The buildings were across the road and have since been torn down, but that, the place was owned by Ray Miller. He was a well-known person in town, ran a sawmill there. In fact, he sawed out the lumbar for the Easton Fire House down here on Route 40.

Then you go on toward the Village line again, the next place is owned by my cousin Robert Lundberg. He built that house some 25 years ago or so in there. He still occupies it.

So next on your right would be the, at the junction of the [unintelligible 00:41:12] Cambridge Road where it turns off. The barns to the Miller Bain farm and, uh, there was an old, there's a bar there, it still stands there, it operated when I was a young man is known as the Little Bar. It had the shortest bar they said in New York state, about four feet long and, uh, that was operated for quite a few years and been closed for many.

The next place on the right was the, is now owned by Paul [unintelligible 00:41:37] and wife and, uh, when I was a kid owned by, uh, Ray, uh, Skinner, Raymond Skinner. He was Dr. Skinner's father. That was his retirement home.

There's a couple more places on the right whose owners I don't know and probably never did. But there's another, then the last place at [unintelligible 00:41:57] there's a lane leading to the

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right off 372 – goes back in there some distance to the place I knew as the Luddington farm. It had been a farm at one time and there was a lady named Mrs. Luddington who lived there and then I think her husband was already deceased and it was, she boarded some people there and one of whom was a local state trooper. That was the only southerly barracks of the New York State Police in Washington County at that time, so they answered your calls and stayed there at that place.

So that brings us to the [unintelligible 00:42:36]. Then we'll have to turn around and go back and, uh, you-you, uh, the first place on the right or the western side of the road is the Miller Bain house. When I was young, that was the Nettle farm and, uh, Chloe Nettle – I believe her name was – and her son Alan lived there and farmed it, and then they sold that farm to Miller Bain and it's still occupied by, uh, Miller Bain's daughter. She married Harry Carp and they live there now, I believe.

And then there's a, on that side of the road there isn't much of anything anymore until you get back to the, uh, the house on the corner of Taber Road now owned by Tom Stewart and, uh, was once owned by the Taber family and then Wally Stewart owned it for a long time. He's now deceased and his son om lives in there.

That brings us back to the Easton Fire House #2 at the corner of Archdale Road and there's 372. As long as we're right there, we might as well go up the old Cambridge Road and to start with 372, the first place on the right I remember as the Hoppy Eddie place. Hoppy Eddie's name I, first name, I don't really know so I always called him Hoppy. He was a well-known mechanic, worked at John Whiteside & Sons for years. Spent his remaining years until retirement working the Washington County at their truck, uh, barn in Fort Edward. Who lives there now, I don't know.

Then you proceed on east and turn south and there's only, uh, I think one other place on that road and that's the George Clark residence. George Clark and his wife – I believe her name was Lucille – they lived there for many years and had a farm there and George, uh, Clark still lives there. Then that's the last place on that side of the road.

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Then we turn around and come back and the first place you would come to is a place that's back on the lane now owned by Russ McCoy. When I was a kid, that was owned by, uh, the, uh, Aldus. Mr. Aldus was connected with the [unintelligible 00:45:02] Power & Light Company. At some, uh, at some point, it became the property of Russ McCoy who still lives there just back in the lane.

And there's one more house on that road on the northern side of the road that was once the Walden farm, Marshall Walden and wife lived there and children. And it's now owned by a, uh, a tree surgeon, uh. His name is Dahmer, Adam Dahmer.

So that brings you back onto Route 372 once again. Then we'll go over to the Center Falls road a little bit. That's the road that t's off of Old Cambridge Road because the north, at the beginning point. The first place on there is the, uh, what's known to me as the Hill farm. Two Hill brothers live there, older men in my younger days and that place has since been sold to Marshall Walden Jr. and now to the Zinc family. They've been there for many years, some parts of the Zinc family.

Then you proceed on, uh, easterly and northerly to the farm now occupied by, uh – I should mention that you have to take a left hand turn to get to this farm that's now occupied by Joann Bates and, uh, there's a farm there still in operation. Barns are on the left hand side of the road.

The only other building now standing is the, uh, [unintelligible 00:46:40] building. If you go down the hill and through the underpass and there's a building right there. That's the unloading station for the Hollingsworth [unintelligible 00:46:52] across the river. The material had to be, uh, unloaded there and...

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