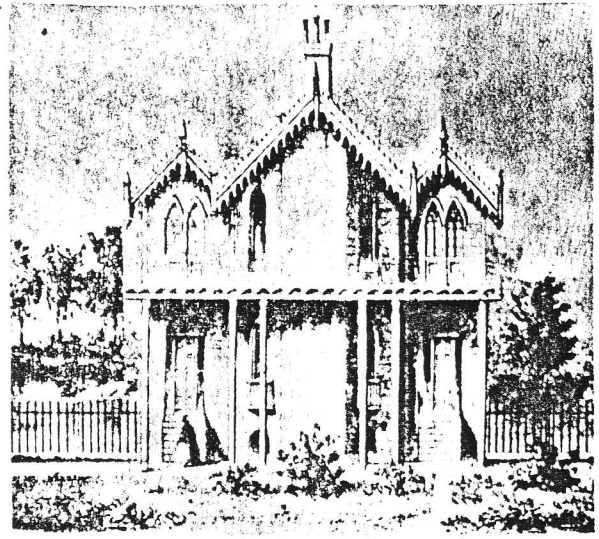
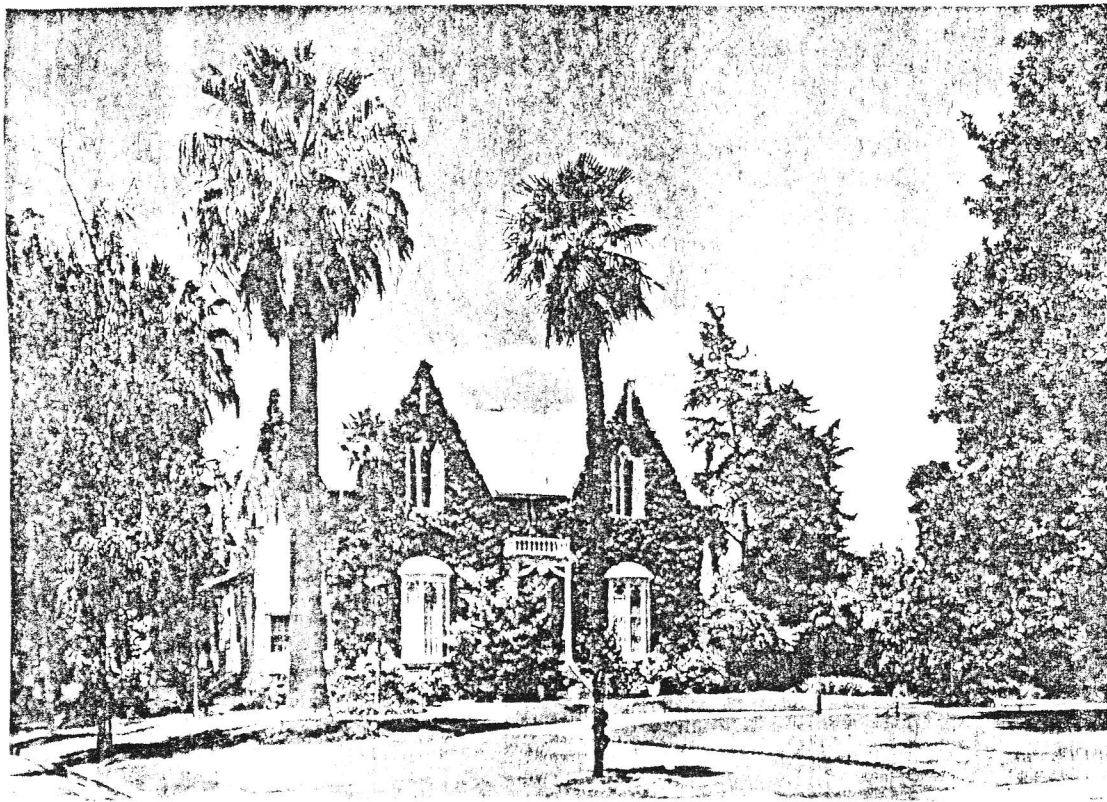


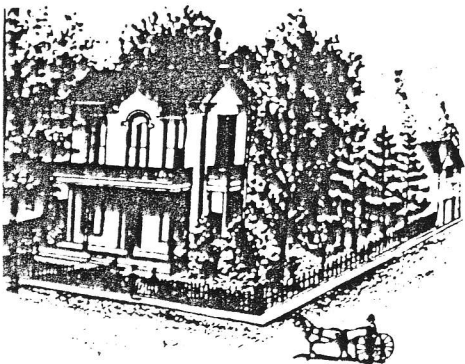
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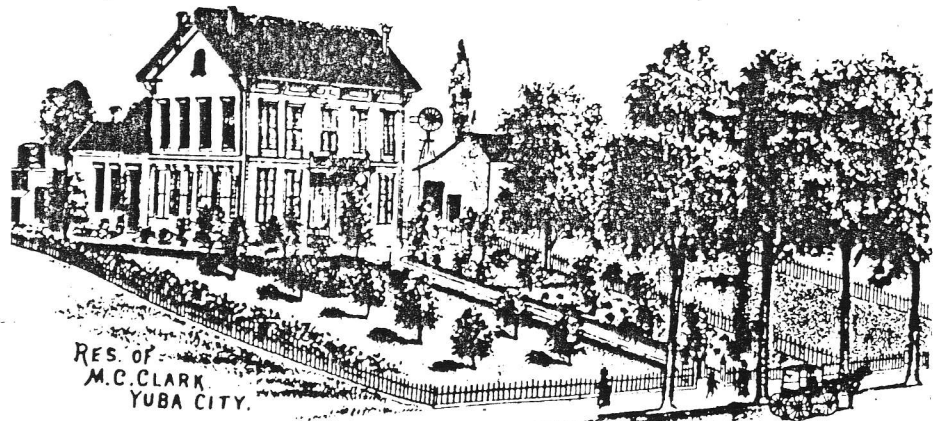
THE RAMIREZ HOME



FALLS  
CHEIM  
HOME



RES. OF C. WEEMAN, COR. 2ND ST & WEEMAN AVE.  
REAL ESTATE AND FIRE INSURANCE AGENT YUBA CITY.



RES. OF  
M. C. CLARK  
YUBA CITY.

## THE STABLER - SWINSON HOUSE

The land on which this residence stands was a part of the estate of Judge R. B. Sherrard, County Judge of Sutter, who died in 1860. This land was purchased from the estate in 1861 by Samuel J. Stabler who had recently moved to Yuba City from Maryland and who was serving as county clerk and recorder. Stabler paid the estate \$180 for about two and one half acres, an irregular piece at the corner of Second and C Streets, running west on C 782 feet and south on Second 184 feet.

Stabler built the present residence between 1862 and 1867 and lived here the next twenty years. During this period he sold the frontage on Second Street keeping a lot of 200 feet on C with a depth of 184 feet, this lot containing the house.

In 1887 Stabler sold the residence to Robert C. and Harriet Kells for \$3500. The Kells kept possession until 1899 when they deeded the property to the Farmers Cooperative Union for \$2450. The Farmers Union was conducting a banking business at the time, and this last conveyance was probably made to satisfy a loan.

Three years later, in 1902, the Farmers Union sold the house to Lutie Schillig, the wife of Bennet Schillig, for \$2050. But the lot had been reduced to 148 feet on C by the sale of 52 feet on C to Lawrence Schillig for \$275. in 1900.

The property remained in the possession of the Schilligs for thirty years or more. In 1944 Lowell O. Gibson who had acquired it sold it to Manuel S. Oliver of Alameda for \$5500. Then in August of the same year Oliver deeded the house and lot, now 148 by 184 feet, to Verne D., K. Deane, and Marie I. Swinson.

(From History of Yuba and Sutter Counties by Peter J. Delay:)

In June 1876 he arrived in Sutter County (after an account of mining in Placer County) and it reads:

"On June of the same year 1876, Robert C. Kells secured a position as Foreman for Dr. Samuel R. Chandler, five miles southwest of Yuba City. In July his wife joined him and the two kept house for Dr. Chandler. About 1878 the latter met with reverses, and was then owing Mr. and Mrs. Kells about \$650, their wages of fifty dollars having been unpaid for a considerable time. The property was attached and Mr. and Mrs. Kells were retained, taking care of the estate with such energy, wise judgment and honesty that in time all the indebtedness was paid. In gratitude for their kindness to him when in unfortunate pecuniary circumstances, Dr. Chandler, at his death in 1886, bequeathed to them his entire estate. By this act he paid tribute to their thoughtful consideration for his comfort and their efforts to assist him in defraying his debts and saving the estate from the bankruptcy court."

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## THE CRADDOCK - WINSHIP HOUSE

The first owner of the land on which this house stands is one of the early but disappointed speculators in town lots named McClure. In 1853 he sold six lots each 80 by 160 feet to J. M. Fronk all for \$200. Four of these lots were on Second Street between the then D and E Streets.

Fronk used these and other lots as a farm until 1872 when he sold these four on Second, about two acres, to Judge J. H. Craddock. And the fact that he received \$1500. for the land is evidence that he had built a house. But in 1880 Judge Craddock sold the property to Charles Weeman for \$3000. And this fact together with the fact that he had reduced the land by another sale indicates that Craddock either built the present house between 1872 and 1880 or that he improved and enlarged one which he might have received from Fronk.

Charles Weeman occupied the house from 1880 to 1893 and during this time it became known as the Weeman house. He sold the property in 1893 to Julia M. Coleman of Oakland. He received \$6000. but the land adjoining to the west increased by other purchases amounted to six acres.

In 1902 C. G. Kline purchased from the Coleman estate the house, with the land again reduced to a smaller frontage on Second Street. The price received was not indicated on the deed.

In 1935 the property, the house now on a lot 73 by 160 feet, was listed in the affairs of the estate of I.S. Losey. It was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Desmond A. Winship.

## THE BOYD - CRESS HOUSE

As early as 1851, after the decline of Yuba City as a trading center, John Kupser, a thrifty Swiss settler, began systematically to acquire the land on both sides of Second Street. He valued these former business lots as farm land. By 1860 he had mature vineyards and was producing wine for the market.

In the late 1860's certain prosperous farmers and government officials of the county acquired pieces of this land and built residences. One of these was Thomas D. Boyd who owned extensive acreage in the county. He paid Kupser \$1000. for 160 feet fronting on Second and running eastward to the Feather River on which he built the present house in 1869. But in order to have a larger lot for his new residence he paid James Marcuse \$250 for the thirty feet between his north line and C Street having then 190 feet on Second.

Mr. Boyd died in 1871 and a few years later his widow Mrs. Elizabeth Boyd, married M. C. Clark. The house then became known as the Clark house but it remained in the possession of the Boyd family for nearly seventy years.

In 1943 the Bank of America had acquired ownership and sold it to Frances Cunningham for \$6000., but by this time the frontage on Second had been reduced to 100 feet and the levee had greatly reduced the depth.

Frances Cunningham deeded the property to Louise Cunningham for the same amount in 1947, and the latter sold it to Dr. and Mrs. Paul C. Cress in 1950.

## THE FALL CHEIM HOUSE

John C. Fall, perhaps the most prosperous wholesale and retail merchant during the early years of Marysville, set about in 1854 to build what was to become the finest residence of the community. He was able to purchase four lots or a half block on G, Seventh, and H Streets from a speculator, George H. Beach, who had acquired them from the proprietors who founded the town. But not satisfied with this amount of land he purchased three more lots from J. M. Ramirez one of the original proprietors; so he then had seven eighths of a block, which cost him \$1600.

The mansion, as it was so classed in those days, was completed early in 1855 and served as the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fall until 1864 when they left Marysville for the new mining districts in Nevada. Fall's business had all but failed, and he needed cash so he sold the residence to B. E. Hickok for \$5000 which was only a fraction of its cost.

Hickok, who dealt in real estate on a large scale, used the place for the next thirteen years; but he in turn was the victim of bad economic conditions and, in 1877, was obliged to sell it to J. B. McDonald for \$3000.

McDonald kept possession for sixteen years, but in 1893, he, as had the former owners, met with adverse business conditions and was obliged to surrender the residence to the Rideout Bank for the nominal sum of ten dollars. By this time the land containing the house had been reduced to a corner plot 210 feet on G Street and 160 on Seventh.

The Bank evidently had trouble finding a buyer who could finance the property because not until 1898 did they deed it to Richard Belcher, a young attorney of the day and member of a pioneer family. The house was the residence of the Belcher family for nearly fifty years. After Mr. Belcher's death the administrators of his estate sold it to Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Cheim in 1948.

(The Marysville Herald, December 28, 1854, Col. 2, Page 2)

"A beautiful residence: On Tuesday last, we visited the beautiful mansion of John C. Fall now in the course of completion and situated at the corner of G and 7th Streets, Marysville. It is a truly a magnificent building and worthy to rank with any other private mansion in California.

The building is of brick and is a mixture of the gothic and corinthian architecture. It contains 12 rooms besides pantrys, closets and cellers, viz; in the basement 4; 4 on the 1st floor and 4 on the 2nd floor.

The 1st floor is in the clear with a wide hall running through the center of the building. The rooms are large and well lighted and ventilated. The plastering is or will be of imitation marble. That portion of the plastering now completed is exceedingly beautiful.

Fall-Cheim continued

Everything about it denoted that comfort combined with good taste has been consulted in its erection. The entire work was, we understand, constructed under the superintendence or direction of Mr. Fall's excellent Lady. To her then must the credit be given for this beautiful building.

The grounds around the building will be tastefully and artistically displayed and everything that ingenuity and art can do to add beauty to the grounds around the building will not be left undone."

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## THE RAMIREZ - ELLIS HOUSE

Jose M. Ramirez came to California from his native Chile in 1849. After extracting a generous amount of gold from the Yuba diggings he purchased a one fourth interest in the town site and the large Honcut grant to the north. He adopted the new town of Marysville as his permanent home and in 1851 began the construction of a residence. The result was the present house at 222 - 5th Street owned and occupied by Miss Enid Ellis.

After the floods of 1861-62, Ramirez disappeared and nothing more was heard about him until about 1953-54 when his granddaughter reading an account of her grandfather's early-day sojourn in Marysville, visited Mr. Ellis. She told Mr. Ellis that her grandfather had returned to Whittier where he had a wife and family and there continued to amass great wealth. Upon his death he was buried in Pleasanton, California. Just before he left he sold his residence in Marysville to James Bell who had come to California from England. Bell occupied the house about ten years and in 1871 sold it to Charles E. Sexey for \$4100. Ramirez, who had spent \$27,000 on the "mansion" as it was called, had sold it to Bell for \$3000.

The next owner was A. C. Bingham, who for many years was manager of the Decker-Jewett Bank. Bingham purchased from Sexey in 1890, and from that date to the present time, a period of seventy two years, the property has really been held by the Ellis family because Mr. Bingham had married Miss Hope Ellis, the sister of the late W. T. Ellis, Jr. After the death of Mr. Bingham, the home was inherited by their daughter who later sold it to her uncle, Mr. Ellis.

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## THE PROVOST - VAN CLEVE HOUSE

The little brick house with the gothic arches at 615 E Street is in several ways more interesting than the "mansions" of early Marysville. There is an element of mystery about it. It is clear why the opulent residents wanted their large expensive houses. But it is not clear why a person of limited means would not be content with the simple architecture of the time. The builder of the little house, Paul Provost, had good taste in 1863 when he built his new residence even though when new it was assessed at only \$1300.

The house must have appealed to the public a hundred years ago just as it does to us today because during the following fifty years there were twelve or fifteen owners.

Some of the more recent owners known to residents yet living are the Amos Fisher family in the nineties and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Niesen after the turn of the century. Then it became the home of Dr. and Mrs. Allan Grant. After the death of Dr. Grant, Mrs. Grant continued to live there until recently. During the summer of 1962 Mr. and Mrs. Van Cleve purchased the property from Mrs. Grant.

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