

**PROVIDENCE PRESERVATION SOCIETY**

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**Plat 8      Lot 275**

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**Plat 39      lot 390**

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- 1865 The Plat of house lots belonging to F. W. and K. D. Cheney was platted by Cushing and DeWitt, civil engineers. The plat was recorded at the city Office of Land Evidences on Plat Card 181 and in Plat Book 7:1. Recorded Plat Lot 43 (aka assessors lot 275) is described as measuring 50' fronting on Doyle Avenue and extending back 178.2 feet to the center of a stone wall which ran from Camp Street to the East Turnpike (now Hope Street) between Pleasant Street and Doyle Avenue.
- 1871 July - Tax ledger 6:64, Series D, indicates the fact that Frank W. and Knight D. Cheeney had extensive land holdings on Plat 8. No houses had been built on these lots. During 1871 and 1872, the Cheeneys began selling lots.
- 1872 March 15 - Deed Book 197:481 and Tax Ledgers 6:64, Series D, and 4:81, Series D, shows the Cheeneys sold ten contiguous lots on Plat 8 to Asa Pike.
- 1875 Atlas of Providence, Plate F, shows this area belonging to Asa Pike (See map, attached.)
- 1881 July - Tax Ledgers 5:273, 7:279 and 7:281, Series D, shows this area belonged to William H. Pike.
- 1882 Atlas of Providence, Plate 3, shows this area belonged to W. H. Pike. (See map attached)
- 1888 April 16 - Tax Ledger 1:389 shows two lots (delineated as 275 and 276) were transferred to Mary J. Blackmer, wife of Leon Blackmer both of Brookline, MA.
- 1888 April - Tax Ledger D, 1:389, and Deed Book 344:511 show that lot 275 was sold to Charles E. Taylor and Josephine A., his wife.

- 1888 July - Tax Ledger D, 9:35, shows no house on the Taylor land.
- 1889 January - Deed Book 378:439 and Tax Ledger 9:523 shows lot 275 was purchased by Job S. Weeden of East Providence. The lot contained 8,980 square feet and was valued at \$.14 per foot.
- 1893 May 29 - Intent to Build Certificate No. 9359-407 was issued to Job S. Weeden of East Providence to build a 2-1/2 story wooden two-tenement dwelling on his lot located on the northerly side of Doyle Avenue between Camp Street and Doyle Avenue. Allan McDonald is listed as builder. Estimated cost of building \$4,000.00 (Engineer Book, page 440). Engineers Certificate was signed by Job S. and Clara E. Weeden.
- 1894 March 1 - The property was revalued to show the house. Land value remained at \$.14 per square foot. Building value was placed at \$2,700.00.
- 1895 Atlas of Providence, Plate 28, shows this area (see copy of map, attached).

House directories show the following residents from 1894 until 1938.

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|------|-----|----------------------------|
| 1894 | 152 | S. B. Prentis, salesman    |
|      | 154 | Job S. Weeden, silversmith |
| 1905 | 152 | Louis Hart, machinist      |
|      |     | Elizabeth Shaw, widow      |
|      | 154 | Miss Abby Potter           |
|      |     | Job S. Weeden, silversmith |
| 1915 | 152 | Octavus Wood, machinist    |
|      | 154 | Job S. Weeden, silversmith |
|      |     | Louise Anderson, widow     |
| 1925 | 152 | Octavus Wood, machinist    |
|      | 154 | Job S. Weeden, silversmith |
|      |     | Mrs. Selma A. Belleville   |
| 1935 | 152 | Octavus Wood, machinist    |
|      | 154 | Job S. Weeden              |
|      |     | Mrs. Anna L. Olson, cook   |
| 1938 | 152 | Octavus Wood               |
|      | 154 | Job S. Weeden              |
|      |     | Mrs. Anna L. Olson         |
- 1938 September 21 - Both Mr. and Mrs. Weeden lost their lives during the 1938 hurricane by "accidental drowning" while in Narragansett, RI (recorded in Book 35:388/389-Vital Statistics.)

- 1939 January - The property was transferred to Archibald F. Arnold as residuary devise under the wife of Job S. Weeden. He owned the property from 1939 until 1946. (Arnold was not a resident of Providence.)
- 1940 The Providence directory shows:
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|------|-----|-----------------------|
| 1940 | 152 | Mrs. Margaret Hopkins |
|      | 154 | James H. Hopkins      |
| 1942 |     | Same as above         |
| 1946 |     | Same as above         |
- 1946 May - Transfer recorded. Real Estate agreement signed March 7 at 2:29 p.m. and recorded in Book 893. Archibald F. Arnold sold the property to Charles B. Coates.
- 1959 December - Deed Book 1088:434, Charles B. Coates retained the property from 1946 until 1959 when he sold it to Paragon Nurseries.
- 1961 December - Tax records show that the property was retained by Paragon Nurseries until title was transferred to Woodbine Realty.
- 1971 July 22 - Deed Book 1162:879 and Deed Book 1217:1099. This property was transferred to Manuel R. Leca.
- 1982 November 5 - Deed Book 1239:579. The property was sold to Stephen J. Gumbley and became owner occupied.
- 1984 December 19 - Deed Book 1279:900. The property was sold to Jacques S. Abrams. Gumbley remained at this address.
- 1986 August 4 - Deed Book 1418:239. The property was sold to Isaiah Pounds and Dorothy C. Pounds. Directory of 1986 lists resident as Dorothy C. Pounds. The property remains owner occupied.

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