

CHESTER TIMES – October 30, 1915 – NEW SCHOOL FOR MARCUS HOOK –
Building That will Cost Nearly \$80,000 to Be Erected and Residents Will Vote On Loan At
Election

Another large sum of money will be added to the nearly half million dollars spent for schools in Delaware County during the last year, as Marcus Hook is about to build a school house to cost close to \$80,000. A plot of two acres of ground owned by Mahlon E. Marshall has been condemned, and the court has appointed a board of viewers to assess the costs. This ground lies on Market Street and adjoins the fire house. The entire tract embraces 15 acres, and the borough wants only the two acres lying in front. The building will be of stone and brick, and will be ample for the needs of the borough for years to come. Not only is the present school building too small, but the accommodations in the borough hall and private houses which have been fixed up for school purposes are also inadequate. The people of the borough will vote upon the loan to be used for the new school on Tuesday. Marcus Hook is growing rapidly and the present congested condition of the schools is of comparatively recent origin.

The Victoria Plush Mills, which has two plants at Lenni and one at Swarthmore, is feeling the general impetus to industrial conditions in the county, and its business has increased to such a degree that brick additions are being built to one of the Lenni Mills and the Swarthmore Mill. There have been no contracts awarded for the work and Joseph Seal of Media has been put in charge. No probable cost has been given out. The A. P. Welsh Company of Glen Riddle, is another company that is feeling the business boom, and the mill in the little village along the Chester Creek is taking on hands as fast as they can be obtained. The Thomas Kent Manufacturing Company at Clifton Heights, is working night and day in an attempt to catch up with war orders for woollens.

NEW APARTMENT HOUSE – Clement J. Sharkey of Fernwood has awarded a contract to Thomas F. Manley of Clifton Heights for the erection of an apartment house at Market Street and Garrett Road, Garrettford. The first floor of the building will be used as a store with apartments on the second floor. The contract price is \$10,000. Contractor Manley has been awarded a contract to build two pairs of twin houses for W. T. Conrad, the Clifton coal merchant. The cost is \$5,000 a pair.

Glen Mills School has let to Latta and Terry, Philadelphia contractors, a contract for additions and improvements to the sewerage system. Plans were prepared by Franklin & Company, Philadelphia, and the prices are arranged on the per yard and per ton basis and no figures are available.

John W. Marshall, a Glenolden contractor, has been awarded a contract to erect a two and one-half story hollow tile dwelling at Morton and Hinckley Avenues, Ridley Park for Ellwood J. Turner. The contract price is \$3,000.

William B. Palmer, the Clifton Heights real estate dealer, has sold a plot of ground on Summit Street, Clifton Heights, for John Beaumont, Sr., to Councilman John L. Connor of same place, who will erect four houses in the spring. They will cost about \$5,000 a pair.

V. Gilpin Robinson and A. F. Damon, promoters of Bywood, along the Philadelphia and West Chester Traction Company's Media Division, have awarded a contract to Joseph E. Schenie, a Haverford Township builder for a house on Sellers Avenue, Bywood. No price has been made public, but the building will be on a par with other houses on the tract which are costing upward of \$4,000.

TEN NEW HOUSES – Ten brick dwellings, two stories high, will be erected on the west side of Clayton Street between Third and Fourth Streets. The owner of the operation is Maurice

Golden, who some time ago after a careful observation decided that more modern dwellings were needed in that section and has already started to have the cellars excavated. The permit was issued for the buildings several days ago.

Other permits issued during the past two weeks by Building Inspector Terryl T. Williams are as follows:

George M. Bricker, two 2-story brick dwellings on the North side of Twenty-Fifth Street between Edgmont Avenue and Elkington Boulevard

George M. Bricker, four 2-story brick dwellings on the South side of Twenty-Fifth Street between Edgmont Avenue and Elkington Boulevard

Joseph M. Howe, one-story garage covered with corrugated iron in the rear of 515 east Twenty-Second Street

J. H. Phipps, one-story frame covered with corrugated iron on the southeast corner of Twenty-Fifth Street and Edgmont Avenue

James Babe, one-story brick garage in the lot on the south side of Mary Street between Concord Avenue and Franklin Street

Truax Brothers, one-story brick garage in the rear of 118-20-222-24 East Seventh Street

BUILDING NOTES – Contractor James Babe is constructing a brick building in the rear of 312 and 314 West Second Street. Bricklayers have been at work on the operation for the past week

R. E. Ross, owner of several houses on Parker Street below Third Street is having the houses repaired and renovated both on the interior and exterior

Improvements at the Roach Shipyard continue to progress slowly. The mold left is completed and workmen are now making an extension to the carpenter shop.

A brick addition has been made to the dwelling house at Third and Dock Streets

S. P. Gray, a merchant of Third and Penn Streets has had a new store front installed and other improvements made to his establishment

William J. Wiser, a local contractor, has completed the work of constructing a new kitchen in the basement of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Kerlin Street above Third. Other improvements to the interior of the edifice are underway

Two brick houses are under course of construction on West Sixth street west of Concord Avenue. The first story is about completed

BUILDING PLANS – Plans are out for alterations and addition to the Methodist Episcopal Church, Swarthmore. Stone, 1-story, 48x21 feet, shag roof. Owner taking bids. E. J. Kreitzburg, 1345 Arch Street

Plans are completed and bids are ready for residence and garage for H. A. Heulings of Moylan. Hollow tile and plaster, 2 ½ stories, 60x30 feet, tile roof, hot water heating, electric lighting, hardwood floors, tile work. Walter F. Price of Philadelphia, architect

Plans are completed and bids are being received for residence for H. A. Heulings, Moylan. Hollow tile and plaster, 2 1/2 stories, 53x42 feet. Spanish tile roof, electric lighting, hot water heating, oak floors, and tile work. Architect Walter F. Price, 714 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, taking bids which are due today. The following are under consideration: R. C. Billinger & Co., William R. Dougherty, H. E. Baton, H. E. Grau Co. and Herbert L. Walton.

Thomas M. Seeds of 1207 Race Street, Philadelphia, is taking sale-bids for laboratory building, Glenolden for H. K. Mulford Company, 412 South Thirteenth Street, Philadelphia. Hollow tile and plaster, 3 stories, 50x30 feet, asbestos shingle roof, composition floors (heating and electric work reserved).

A contract has been awarded to the Pomeroy Construction Company for substation No. 2 for the Beacon Light Company, this city, at Eddystone. Hollow tile and steel, 1 story, 36x36 feet, slag roof, reinforcing bars.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS – The following transfers of real estate were recorded with Recorder of Deeds Rigby:

Yeadon – Edward K. Crothers of Philadelphia to Louis Kober of same place, lot with buildings on Church Lane, \$1

Haverford Township – May Friswell of Philadelphia to Leonard Shortland of Haverford Township, two lots at South Ardmore, \$500

Upper Darby – George W. Steinmetz of Clover Hill to Elizabeth C. Kanon of same place, two lots with buildings at Clover Hill, \$2700

Haverford Township – Suburbs Holing Company to Robert McFarland of Montgomery County, two lots at Ardmore Park, \$170

Tinicum Township – Maurice L. Wurzel of Philadelphia to George Mullen of same place, lot at Lester, \$100

Chester – Taylor C. Burke of Chester to Velda Milbourne of same place; seven houses and lots at Sixth and Jeffrey Streets, \$2600

Norwood – John J. Dougherty of Haverford Township to Leonard B. Botfield of same place, lot at Chester Pike and Winona Avenue, \$1

Aldan – Amy R. Stevenson of Collingdale to John F. Schmidt of Aldan, house and lot on Albert Avenue, \$2800

Chester – Joseph L. Arment of Chester to James F. Faulkner of Chester house and lot on Madison Street, south on Twenty-Third Street, \$1

East Lansdowne – William Baxter of Philadelphia to Robert Baxter of same place, lot on Oak Avenue, \$1