

CHESTER TIMES – May 22, 1915 – LARGE PLANT AT MARCUS HOOK –
United Roofing Company to Expend \$125,000 on New Building in Borough

On the best authority it is stated that the United Roofing and Manufacturing Company off Marcus Hook, will shortly begin the erection of buildings to cost \$125,000 for the enlargement of the company's business. This company recently purchased additional land in the borough and it is upon this that the new buildings are to be built. The United Company has a large plant at Marcus Hook and when the additional improvements are completed it will have one, two, and three stories high, to be built of brick and concrete. They will be 23 by 43 feet; 112 by 25 feet; 70 by 70 feet; 80 by 80 feet; 210 by 66 feet; 120 by 56 feet and 200 by 100 feet.

They will be constructed with expanded metal, electric lights, rolling steel doors, metal windows and doors, fire doors and fire escapes. The owners have asked that bids be in by May 25. Two Philadelphia contractors are figuring on the work according to the Builders' Guide. The erection of these additional buildings means a great boom for the borough of Marcus Hook, which already has some of the most important industries of the country located there.

CONTRACT IN SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Real Estate Company which is developing a tract of close to 300 acres in Springfield Township along the Media division of the Philadelphia and West Chester Traction Company's line, has awarded the contract during the week for four houses and an office building on the tract, and is receiving bids for twenty more dwellings. These will be fine stone and shingle dwellings to cost \$5000 and \$6000, and the four for which contracts have been let are sample houses. The contractor ISS w. Harry Roberts of Ardmore. This development promises to become one of the most important Delaware County has known in some years. Wide, well paved streets with sewers, electric lights and gas have been and are being laid, and every inducement is being made to the prospective buyer. The tract is just at the limit of the first fare from Sixty-Ninth Street Terminal of the traction company, which has a big stone station at Saxer Avenue, the upper end of the tract, and another at Springfield Avenue, the lower end. The tract extends back almost to the Lamb Tavern, and lies in one of the finest sections of the county.

This is not the only tract to be developed in the county this summer, another important one being that of the Crum Lynne Land Company at Ridley Park. This tract lies along the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad, and comprises land partly within Ridley Park and partly in Ridley Township. Within its borders lies Ridley Park Lake, from which some of the principal streets run. Its southern border is the Darby and Chester Turnpike. The tract lies close to this city, is convenient to Philadelphia, and bids fair to become an attractive suburb to both.

CHEYNEY SCHOOL LETS CONTRACT – The Cheyney Training School for Teachers, an institution for the education of colored teachers, has let the contract for a sewage disposal plant and system, and water system to Dwyer & Co., contractors of Philadelphia. Plans for the system were prepared by Franklin & Co., civil engineers and the cost of the plant will be about \$6000.

The contract has been let for the erection of a rectory for the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart at Clifton Heights, the contractor being Jordan Brothers of Clifton Heights. The church recently purchased a plot of ground on Broadway about two

squares from the church, and it is on this plot that the rectory, which is to be of brick, will be erected. The contract price is \$6125. Rev. John Micken is pastor of the church.

Claude A. Simpler of Lansdowne has prepared plans for a three-story stone and shingle house to be erected on Wayne Avenue, Lansdowne and has let the contract for the work to Milton S. Grawl, a Llanerch contractor for \$5500. Gilligan and Son of Clifton Heights have been awarded the contract for a two and one-half story brick house to be erected on Bishop Avenue, north of Baltimore Avenue, Primos for Emily Kidd of Philadelphia. The plans were prepared by Pedrick & Grover, architects, and the contract price is \$3500. John W. Marshall, a Glenolden contractor has been awarded a contract by Rosie Frey and Howard Frey of Collingdale to erect for the latter a two-story brick store and dwelling on Bartram Avenue, Collingdale. Consideration, \$4841.10. Ernest Zigman, contractor of East Lansdowne, has received a contract from Fermini Massini of Lansdowne for the erection of a two-story house at Lansdowne Heights, Lansdowne, consideration, \$1900.

BIDS FOR NEW CHURCH – Bids will be opened on Monday next for the new First Presbyterian Church of Lansdowne. A number of Philadelphia and Delaware County contractors are bidding for the work. Contractor T. F. Manley of Clifton Heights, has been awarded a contract to build two two-story seven-room houses on Penn Avenue, Clifton Heights for W. T. Conard of Aldan. The price is \$7000. H. M. Adams of Lansdowne is having plans prepared for the erection of a furniture factory to be built at Fifth and Plumstead Avenues. The building will be of brick and two stories high. No figures are available at this time.

BUILDING PERMITS GRANTED – The following building permits were issued by Building Inspector Terryl T. Williams in the past two weeks.

Robert J. Satinton, one story brick garage in rear of 1108 West Third Street

William A. Fox, Jr., bath rooms in the rear of the buildings, 710-12 West Eleventh Street

D. T. Mitchel, two-story wood and frame dwelling on East Nineteenth Street, east of Hyatt Street

Theodore Rudewick, one-story frame and corrugated iron building in rear of 116 Thurlow Street

J. C. Taylor, Esq., two 2-story brick dwellings at the intersection of Concord Avenue and Butler Streets

Francis Moore, two 2-story brick dwellings at Eleventh and Harwick Streets

Alexander E. Lessy, one-story brick garage in rear of building at Third and Hayes Streets

Keystone Plaster Company, one-story tile building at Delaware Avenue and Morton Street

John Path, one-story frame and corrugated iron building in the rear of 219 Thurlow Street

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

Chester – Sarah Jane Pedlow, trustee, Mary Boulden and Alexander C. Boulden of Chester to Olive Thorpe of Chester, house and lot on Seventh street east of Parker Street, \$3000

Ridley Township – Michael Dykan of Philadelphia to Paraska Bodnarink of same place, four lots at Folsom, nom.

Haverford Township – Joseph R. Connell of Oakmont to Edward T. Stotesbury of Philadelphia, eighty-one acres on Haverford and Darby Road and on Coopertown Road, nom

Chester – John T. Whitley and Seth F. Whiteley of Marshallton, Del. to Sarah E. Cunniff of Chester, house and lot at 10133 Potter Street, \$1000

Collingdale – Milton L. Staley of Collingdale to Adolph Klein of same place, house and lot on Staley Avenue, nom

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