

CHESTER TIMES – June 27, 1914 – WILL ERECT TWO NEW SCHOOLS – Darby Borough Has Had Plans Prepared for Handsome Institutions of Learning

The officials of the School Board of the borough of Darby will shortly expend more than \$50,000 for new school buildings. Plans are being prepared for both schools and it is the intention to shortly ask for bids so that the schools will be ready for occupancy early in the fall. One of the new schools will be erected at Sixth and Walnut Streets and will cost \$11,450. The plans call for stone and terra cotta trimmings, two stories high, 91 by 65 feet. The building will contain the latest fire-proof materials and will be up-to-date in every particular.

The other building will be constructed at Tenth Street and Bridge Avenue, and will cost \$22,127. This will be a two-story structure and will be built of Sayre & Fisher brick and terra cotta trimmings, 40 by 62 feet, slag roof, concrete and hollow tile fire proofing, safety treads, metal lath. The heating and lighting and blackboards are reserved for bidders outside of the ones who gets the contract for the school building proper. The architect for both schools are Folsom & Stanton of Philadelphia.

EIGHTEEN NEW HOUSES – Probably the largest operation started this week was the eight houses being erected by James G. Milbourn, the commission merchant on Seventh Street between Howell and Springwell Streets. After these dwellings are completed it is the intention of Mr. Milbourn to build ten more on the remainder of the land which he owns in that vicinity. The latter houses will be built late in the fall or early next spring. They will all be of the two-story pattern and will contain all modern conveniences. Five of the ten to be built will face on Howell Street and five on Springwell Street. Mr. Milbourn intends to improve most of his unimproved land in the city as he finds a big demand for houses of the character which he is building.

RIDLEY PARK CHURCH – The plans are about completed for the new church to be erected in the borough of Ridley Park, for the Ridley Park Presbyterian Church. This new edifice of worship is to cost \$40,000. It is to be constructed of brick, stone and plaster, one and two stories high, slate roof, and will have up-to-date heating appliances. The architects will soon accept bids for the work.

NEW Y. W. C. A. HOME – According to the Builders' Guide, the plans for the new home of the Young Women's Christian Association at Seventh and New Market Streets, this city, are ready for the builders to bid upon. The price give in \$45,000. Mrs. A. R. Conwell of Upland is at the head of the Building Committee, which will receive bids for the building. The new home, which is to be built out of the money given by the people of this city and vicinity, will be three and one-half stories high and will be constructed of brick, limestone and terra cotta. It will have a dimension of 53 by 118 feet, slag and asbestos roof, composition doors, reinforced concrete floors, water proofing and damp proofing, metal lath, safety treads, slate blackboards, metal doors, metal lockers. The heating and electric work are reserved. Bids are to be in by June 30. Some of those who are figuring on the building are H. E. Baten, James H. Wells, Charles McCaul Company, H. C. Rea Company, Burd P. Evans & Co., Roydhouse Arey Company, all of Philadelphia; William Provost, Jr., William Ward and Nolan Brothers of this city.

CONTRACT AWARDED – During the past week a contract was awarded for a new home for Charles Yarnall at Newtown Square, this county. It is to cost \$80,000 and the contract was given to J. S. Carroll & Sons of Philadelphia. It will be a stone structure two and one-half stories high, slate roof, electric lighting, hardwood floors, canvas roof, hot water heating, indirect system.

WEST END OPERATIONS – C. Horavce Witsil the west End real estate operator and builder, has started operations on the erection of eight new houses in the western section of the city, three at Eighth and Pennell Streets, three at Eighth and Howell and two on Ninth Street, near Howell. The dwellings will be two stories high and will contain all the modern conveniences. Each of the houses will be graced with an ornate front porch.

The steel trusses for the roof are now being placed in position on the large new roofing shop being erected on West Fourth Street, below Wilson, for Hugh Ward, the contracting roofer of the West End. The excavations and foundation work for the structure, which will be one of the largest of its kind

in the wester section of the city, was done by Harry Hughes. The woodwork is being done by William Morris and Thomas Winfree has the brick contract. The dimensions of the building will be 60 by 112 feet.

The four houses in course of construction at Fourth and Palmer Streets are rapidly nearing completion. Francis J. Moore has the contract. New cement pavements and curbing were constructed about the building during the past week by Harry Hughes.

Contractor Moore is also pushing operations on the erection of the store and dwelling at Third and Booth Streets. The interior work is now going on and it is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks. Cement pavements and curbing have been laid about the new operation by Harry Hughes.

Slag roofs have been placed on the six new houses built by Contractor William Hewes on Hewes Avenue in the vicinity of Eleventh Street and Highland Avenue by Wagner and Patterson, the contracting roofers, who have also received the contract to place the same kind of roofs on Contractor Moore's four houses at Fourth and Palmer Streets.

The masons have completed their work on the western end of the new main building which is being built at the American Viscose Company's plant at Marcus Hook, and the extensive operation is now in readiness for the bricklayers.

Contractor Horace Jackson will resume operations on the Roder building at Seventh Street and Edgmont Avenue in a few days. The basement has been completed and the next step will be to erect a second story to the building.

The three houses being erected on East Twenty-Third Street by Oliver Brothers are being rapidly erected. Two of the houses are being finished out and the third is still in the hands of the bricklayers.

Rapid headway is being made on the Beaumont bungalow at Eighteenth and Hyatt Streets.

Bricklayers are about finished on the A. Holden residence at Broad and Potter Streets.

Carpenters have commenced to remodel the second story of the building at 612 Edgmont Avenue for Frank Berman, the owner of the building. As soon as the present tenant moves from the store, work will be commenced to remodel the first floor. Mr. Berman will conduct a first class clothing store when improvements are completed.

Contractor Samuel Lax is progressing on the work of the two stores on East Seventh Street near Welsh Street.

The three houses to be erected at Thirteenth and Crosby Streets will be a great improvement to the neighborhood. The cellars have been evacuated and stone masons will commence work in the course of a few days.

Contractor Jacob Buchanan is progressing on the three-story house he is erecting at Nineteenth and Hyatt Streets. The carpenters are studding it out and lathers will begin to work the early part of the week. The residence will be one of the finest in that section of the city.

The eight houses being erected by Contractor William Ward at Twenty-First Street and Edgmont Avenue will be completed in a few days. Carpenters are finishing the interior of the first eight. The roofs of two other houses in the same block are being sheathed in and work will commence on the interior the early part of the week.

The two houses being erected by David Christy at Twenty-Third and Madison Streets are rapidly being built. The bricklayers will finish their end of the work the early part of next week.

Work on the Bryant property at Broad and Madison streets will be completed in a few weeks. Bricklayers have about finished their work and the carpenters will commence to stud the house out the coming week.

Plasterers are working on the two houses being erected by Joel Phips, at Twenty-Third Street near Edgmont Avenue.

CITY BUILDING NEWS – Oliver Brothers are pushing the work upon their houses on West Sixth Street near Butler. The houses correspond with the style of the neighborhood and are attractive, comfortable dwellings. The roofs have been set in place and the finishing touches after being applied.

J. Phipps is nearing completion upon his two houses on Concord Avenue above Third. These houses adjoin the new Franklin Grammar School and replace what was formerly frame buildings.

William Marker has the front of his six three-story stores on West Third Street below the bridge painted and ready for the finishing touches. The front is faced with tin and makes an attractive appearance. Plasterers are at work on the interiors.

J. Irvin Taylor is keeping a force of men at work upon his dwellings at joining the new Penn Purity Ice Cream Company on Penn Street above Fifth. These houses are built upon an original design and resemble some of the high priced suburban buildings.

Samuel Hewes has set the porches in place on his three dwellings at Seventh and Lincoln Streets and built the steps leading up the terraces so that these houses are practically completed.

James Shropshire expects the completion of his eight houses at Seventh and Pusey Streets soon. Most of the exterior work is completed and the finishing touches are being put upon the interior.

Horace Witsil will break ground at Ninth and Howell Streets in a short while for several up-to-date houses. At present he is engaged with several pairs at Eighth and Pennell Streets.

William Wiser will be able to take his workmen away from the three houses on Mary Street near Ulrich, which he is building in a very short while. The houses are now ready for the finishing touches.

Samuel Hewes has two houses at Third and Pusey Streets, nearly completed. These are two story, red brick dwellings and are situated in a nice residential neighborhood.

Work on all the buildings in the Northern and Eastern sections of the city is rapidly progressing. A number of new dwellings will be erected at Seventh and Hinkson Streets by Contractor William Ward. Ground was broken for two of the houses during the past week. They will be two-story brick dwellings with bath and modern conveniences.

Contractor Anthony J. Loeper of Philadelphia who is erecting the seventeen houses on Chestnut Street between Tenth and Twelfth Streets broke ground this week for seven more similar houses at Tenth and Chestnut Streets and Morton Avenue. Two of the houses will face the latter street, three will face Chestnut Street and two will front on East Tenth Street.

Plasterers have roughed out the house at Sixth Street and Morton Avenue and they will commence to white coat the early part of next week. The front has been placed in the building and the sills – which are of westerly granite placed in position.

The tile cornice has been placed on the Ayres Building at Eighth and Welsh Streets and the interior is being white coated.

William M. Wyatt is progressing rapidly on the dwelling on Twenty-Fourth Street, Park Place. He is also progressing on the work of the new addition to the convent on East Broad Street.

The two houses being erected to David Christy at Twenty-Second and Madison Streets are in the hands of the lathers and will be ready for plasterers in the course of a few weeks.

Contractor Howard Taylor has a large force of workmen on his other houses on East Twentieth Street. The houses will be completed in the course of a few weeks.

J. Irvin Taylor is nearing completion the house and store at Twenty-Second and Madison Streets.

#### REAL ESTATE –

Tinicum – Hugh T. Quigley of Tinicum Township to Bennett A Quigley of Camden, N. J. of Camden, N.J. Lot on Seminole Street, Lester, Nom

Upper Providence – Joseph T. Richards of Philadelphia to Albert T. Miles of Upper Providence, lot of Summer Street, Village View, \$200

Upper Chichester – Boothwyn Farms Company to Norman W. Atkins of Chester, lot on Chichester Avenue, \$375

Chester – O. B. Dickinson, executor of the last will and testament of James M. Craig, O. B. Dickinson and The Delaware County Trust Safe Deposit and Title Insurance Company, trustee under the said will; Anna E. Craig, Crystle, Jennie B. Craig Pyle and James R. Craig to Giustino DiGirland of Chester. Eight houses numbered 2117 to 2131 West Second Street, \$13,200

Sharon Hill – Forrester H. Scott of Philadelphia to Charles H. Marshall of Sharon Hill, lot on Olive Avenue, Nom

Aldan – Julia Eberhardt of Philadelphia to Florence M. Gould of same place, lot on Albert Avenue, Nom

Lansdowne – Benjamin Sternfield of Philadelphia to Edwin L. Ferguson of same place, lot at Drexel and Windermere Avenue, Nom

Lansdowne – Edwin L. Ferguson of Philadelphia to Horace F. Griffith of Lansdowne, lot at Drexel and Windermere Avenues, Nom

Radnor Township – Henry F. Mitchell of Montgomery County to F. M. Mitchell of Rosemont, lot with buildings on Montrose Avenue, Rosemont, Nom

Upper Darby – John H. Storer of Boston to Bernard J. Woods of Philadelphia, four lots at Harwood Park, \$1810

Haverford Township – Suburbs Holding Company to Henrietta T. Braselmann of Philadelphia, two lots at Penfield, \$1020

Upper Darby – John H. Storer of Boston to Thomas S. Matthews of Philadelphia, four lots at Harwood Park, \$1860

Haverford – Charles A. Zell and wife of Bryn Mawr to Kate White of South Ardmore, two lots, \$4600

Tinicum – Joseph D. Glassberg of Philadelphia to Rittenhouse Realty Company, lot in Essington, Nom

Chester – P. Erwin Swartley of Philadelphia to William P. Ward of same place, building, including the motors and boiler, lot north side of Sixth Street between Welsh and Crosby Streets, Nom

Swarthmore – William R. Jones and wife of Swarthmore to Isabella Camp of the same place, lot \$250

Radnor – Edgar E. Traub of Radnor to Townsend K. Cheyney of Philadelphia, lot, Nom

Radnor Township – Philip A. Hart of Montgomery County to Peter A. Roundtree of Radnor Township, lot on Aberdeen Avenue, Wayne, Nom

Haverford Township – Midland Realty Company to Gilbert T. Muir of Philadelphia, two lots on Sagamore Road, Brookline, \$830

Haverford Township – Sidney A. Stephens of Llanerch to Harry P. Blank of same place, house and lot on Park Road, Llanerch, Nom

East Lansdowne – Helen B. Moss of Philadelphia to Caroline S. Pusey of Middletown Township, two houses on Hirst Avenue, \$4070

Media – Anne J. Darlington of Media to Anne N. Darlington of Media, house and lot on Front Street, West of Monroe Street. \$5463.05

Collingdale – Arthur V. Gray of Collingdale to Gideon Cole of same place, house and lot on Staley Avenue, Nom

Aldan – Lucetta Marcher of Westmont, N. J. to Mary A. Grier of Aldan, lot with buildings on Clifton Avenue, \$2700

Edgmont Township – Thomas N. Joyce of Edgmont Township to Francis V. Lloyd of Philadelphia, lot on road leading to West Chester Pike, \$1150

Haverford Township – John H. Storer of Boston, Mass to Haig H. Pakradooni of Philadelphia, ten lots at Beachwood, Nom

Haverford Township – Suburbs Holding Company to Haig H. Pakradooni of Philadelphia, eighteen lots at Ardmore Park, Nom

Radnor Township – Horace F. Weeks of Philadelphia to I. Walter Connor of Wayne, one half interest in three acres and buildings on Aberdeen Avenue, Wayne, \$1600

Upper Darby – George H. Hobdell of Darby to Thomas Sipple of Darby. Three lots at Highland Park, Nom

Darby – Thomas Sipple of Darby to Lucius A. Williams of Philadelphia, house and lot on Main Street, \$1000

Haverford Township – W. D. Wear of Philadelphia to Harriett M. Buchanan of Llanerch, lot on Mercer Avenue, Llanerch, Nom

Upper Darby – J. H. Storer of Boston, Mass. to Joseph Gerig of Philadelphia, lot at Harwood Park, \$560

Chester – W. T. McElwee of Chester to W. H. Hall of Chester, two houses and lots on Ninth Street between Broomall and Norris, \$1000

Radnor Township – Townsend K. Cheyney of Philadelphia to H. V. Massey, Jr. of Montgomery County, lot on Woodland Avenue, Nom

Darby – William A. Creditt of Darby to James B. Gaskins of Darby, lot on Marks Avenue \$200

Sharon Hill – Charles F. Keever of Sharon Hill to Harry M. Corrigan of Norwood, house and lot on Ridley Avenue, \$2000

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