

CHESTER TIMES – July 5, 1913 – HOT WEATHER DULLS MARKET – Few New Large Real Estate Deals Consummated During the Week Just Closing

While there were no new real estate deals of any proportions carried into effect this week, the builders and contractors have had busy times with work and on contracts that have been let and upon which work has not been started. There is much interested centered in the new theater on east Seventh street, which is to be erected in the near future by L. S. Conness of Wilmington. Also the erection of a number of apartment houses and stores on the property at Seventh and New Market Streets, the land for which was sold last week by the Delaware County Realty and Investment Company. Large signs have been posted on the property announcing the fact that it has been sold, but no physical evidence is present of any start on the work of building.

Preliminary steps for the building of the new St. Anthony of Padua Church at Third and Fulton Streets are now being taken by the contractors, V. Mercadante & Son of this city, who were awarded the contract for the construction of the proposed ornate edifice.

The rear of the building recently purchased by the congregation adjoining the parsonage, is being razed in order to permit sufficient room for the moving of the parsonage to successfully carry out this plan.

A large force of workmen are pushing the work and expect to have the parsonage moved by the first of next week. After this is accomplished the excavating will begin immediately, and every effort will be made to finish the structure as quickly as possible. It will be a handsomely designed building 50 x 100 feet in dimension and have a seating capacity of 600. The basement is to be equipped and converted into a school room for the Italian children of the city, who will be taught to intelligently speak English as well as the tongue of their native country.

While the construction of the church is underway, the present edifice will not be interfered with and the usual services will be conducted. It is the intention of the contractors to build around the present church and then finish the other part of the building, the present building to be razed and the new edifice completed.

MARCUS HOOK ACTIVITY – There is much activity in the Borough of Marcus Hook. It is expected that the work on the new dining hall and dispensary for the American Viscose Company will be started in a short time so that the buildings can be completed before the extreme cold weather sets in. The work on the industrial village being built by this same company goes merrily along and the people of Marcus Hook are anxiously awaiting the completion of this work and the paving on the post road in front of the properties and the large silk mill.

The Lester Piano Company is asking bids for the erection of a dry kiln, one story brick, hollow tile and concrete water proof. The building will be 20 by 35 feet. Several Philadelphia contractors are bidding on the plans which are in the hands of Ballinger & Perot of Philadelphia.

James S. Moore will shortly erect two two-story residences in the borough of Lansdowne to cost \$4000 each. The dwellings will be erected from private plans and will be up-to-date in every way.

Work is nearing completion on the addition to the Gibson building on East Fifth Street.

The improvements being made by J. J. Buckley Company on East Second Street are also nearing completion which add greatly to the facilitating of the large output of this concern.

The five new dwellings adjoining the Steamboat Hotel facing on Front Street are now about completed and this week three of them have been taken by tenants.

Streets have been laid out through the new proposed improvement at Brookhaven and a number of choice lots were disposed of during the week. It is the intention to erect upwards of three hundred houses in Chester Township. Large for sale signs have been put up on the tract of land recently laid out as a new suburban city along the Middletown Road less than two miles from Chester.

A building agreement has been signed between Amelia P. Marshall, of Glenolden, and John P. Marshall, who will erect two dwellings on Logan Avenue, Glenolden for \$5000. Venceslao Mercadante of Chester, has received the contract for the erection of a rendering plant at Ridgeway for the H. K. Mulford Company of Glenolden. The price is \$1285. A two and a half story brick house will be erected on Market Street, Garrettford, for Julius Neimeyer, L. E. Talley has the contract.

At Eddystone, the Delaware County Development Company which plans to erect one hundred and fifty houses, has had a corps of surveyors at work for several days past. In the same borough, plans have been completed for the erection of an airdome for moving pictures at Ninth Street and Saville Avenue. Work is to be started at once. At Collingdale, Hugh Cox has started the erection of a house on Pine Street.

MORE HOUSES FOR DARBY – John R. Green of Darby has purchased from Charles F. Eggleston of Glenolden, a tract of ground comprising about five and one-half acres in the First Ward of Darby, lying between Darby Creek and ground owned by the Painter Estate. The price paid for the ground was \$10,000. Efforts are to be made to have a bridge built across Darby Creek at this point to connect Tyler Avenue with Elizabeth Street and also to widen the Eleventh Street Bridge. The ground purchased, which lies along both side of Eleventh Street, will be improved by two-story dwellings, to rent at from \$12 to \$14 per month.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Chester – Charles Krengel of Philadelphia to Chas. J. Reilley of Chester. House at Second and Penn streets, Nom

Haverford Township – William Klenk of Penfield to Ellen C. Walsh of Philadelphia. Two lots at Penfield, Nom

Radnor Township – Frances R. Cary of Radnor Township to Herman Wendell of same place. Property on Lancaster Avenue, Nom

Aldan – Joseph B. Williams of Florida to C. E. Kirst of Philadelphia. Lot at Rively and Bidley avenues, Nom

Darby – Hannah E. Hambleton of _____ to Home for Widows and Single Women of Lebanon County. House on Fifth Street, Nom

Darby – P. W. Albrecht of Philadelphia to E. S. Bancroft of same place. House on Chestnut Street, \$2000

Milbourne – C. A. Corskaddon of Milbourne to J. A. Cook of Philadelphia. House on Milbourne avenue \$2600

Upper Darby – Annie Y. Wynkoop of Philadelphia to R. L. Aman of Wayne. Two lots at Kirklyn, Nom

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Radnor Township – Abby H. Wendell of Radnor to M. W. Hess of Radnor. Lot on Beech Tree Lane, Nom

Swarthmore – T. E. Levis of Media to L. M. Timeburner of Swarthmore. House on Harvard Avenue, Nom

Chester – E. P. Arment of Chester to A. A. Cochrane, trustee of Chester. Lot at Norfolk and other property, Nom

Upper Darby – J. V. Kane of Clifton to J. P. Chadwick of Upper Darby. House and lot, \$700

Chester – Hannah Loveland of Chester to J. C. Taylor of Chester House at 110 East Tenth street, Nom

Chester – William Schofleid of Philadelphia to William Miller of Chester. House and lot at Spruce and Rose Streets, \$1850

Chester – Elwood Tyson of Chester to Jethro Johnson of Middletown Township. Property on Sixth street west of New Market Street, \$7500

Collingdale – Frank B. Rhodes of Media to M. L. Stalcy of Collingdale. Lot at Rhodes and Pusey Avenues, \$456

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