

CHESTER TIMES – January 24, 1914 - DARBY TO HAVE BUILDING BOOM –
Over Three Hundred Houses to be Erected in the Spring is the Report Given out by
Builders

Unless all signs fail there will be a big building boom in the borough of Darby this spring, the statement being made by what is considered a reliable source that ground will shortly be broken for the erection of one hundred and twenty-five up-to-date dwellings. Builders some time ago predicted that with the building of the new Catholic Church other buildings would follow in quick succession, and this prediction is about to be verified. The new church will be a handsome structure and will cost, completed, about \$25,000. The ground for the combined church and school will be broken on March 25, according to the pastor, Rev. William A. Fitzgerald. The chapel will be located in the basement of the building and the other part of the structure will be used as a school.

It is also reliably stated that there will be an operation of some magnitude on Main Street, between Third and Fifth Streets, this land having been recently sold to a syndicate of Philadelphia builders. It is said that this operation will embrace two hundred houses. With these two large operations, there will be smaller operations of six, eight and ten houses, in blocks in other parts of the borough.

Realty men at Lansdowne report bright prospects for the spring, as already a number of projects are underway for new dwellings.

At Boothwyn, Frank E. Griffith has purchased from S. T. Harkness, a house, store and barn and outbuildings for a consideration of \$3000.

PERMITS GRANTED – There were but two permits granted during the week by Building Inspector T. T. Williams. He reports building matters slow, but looks for a big boom with the advent of good weather.

Edward Todd took out a permit for the erection of a one-story frame building to be covered with iron in the rear of 2708 West Third Street.

The Harbinson, Walker Refractories' Company were granted a permit for the erection of a one-story brick building at the foot of Welsh Street. They operate what is known in this city as the Fayette Brick Works. The building will be 11 by 11 feet, twelve feet high.

MORE HOUSES FOR FIRST WARD – Ex-City Controller William J. Oglesby, who has been a factor in the building development of Chester during the past few years, has decided to erect a number of two-story brick dwellings on Twenty-Second Street and Twenty-Third Street next spring. The houses will be graced with neat front porches and will contain all the modern conveniences.

The four houses being built by Joseph Arment at Twenty-Third Street and Edgmont Avenue are rapidly nearing completion. The dwellings are two stories in height and are constructed of brick. The walls of the houses were recently plastered by Frank Sheppard.

There promises to be a building boom in Brookhaven next spring. Among those who contemplate building residences of their own in that section are Albert F. Phillips, the gas fixture merchant of 525 Market Street and Fred M. Fairlamb, the letter carrier of 213 West Third Street. The dwellings will be of the bungalow design.

The nine stores and eighteen apartments erected at Seventh and New Market Streets by the Chester Realty and Investment Company will soon be ready for occupancy. The steam heating system has been installed and finishing touches are now being made to the interior of the structures.

NEW \$40,000 CHURCH – The new building committee of the Providence Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church expects to begin operation of the erection of the proposed new \$40,000 stone edifice next spring. The plans for the construction of an ornate building at the corner of Eighteenth Street and Providence Avenue have been adopted, but the contract will not be let until next month.

The old Chester Academy building at Broad and Potter Streets, have been extensively remodeled by William Lukens, who bought the property several months ago. Several additions have been made to the building which is being transformed into an up-to-date apartment house.

OTHER OPERATIONS AND DEALS – Plans are in progress for the erection of a two-story brick store and shop at 870 Main Street, in the borough of Darby. The owner is W. E. Finegan. The building will have a slag roof. The heating and lighting part of the contract is reserved to be let by the owner. The architect is H. M. Pedrick.

The plans for the proposed new residence of Dr. M. Jacobsin the borough of Media, are being revised. This will be a frame structure, one and one-half stories high, 34 by 39 feet, shingle roof, electric lights and hot water heating. Bids will be asked just as soon as the plans are adopted.

A. J. Drexel Paul of Radnor is having plans prepared for a two-story stone tenement house, 20 by 50 feet with one wing, shingle roof, hot air heat. The plans are almost ready for bids for the work.

Mary E. Converse of Philadelphia has sold to the School District of Radnor Township a tract of land located on the Lancaster Road for the sum of \$19,000. The property will be improved.

In the same township, C. B. Reeves of Bryn Mawr, has sold to Raffaele Cocco of the same place, a house and lot on the Cooperstown Road for \$3,000.

William C. Conrad and others of Middletown have sold to Kingsley Montgomery of this city, the house and lot at Seventh and Crosby streets, Chester for the sum of \$2750.

Frank B. Rhodes, the lawyer, of Media, has sold to Margaret E. Heyburn of Concord Township, a house and one acre of ground located on the state Road for the sum of \$3500.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Millbourne – Alice M. Thompson of Philadelphia to Bernice E. Galloway of same place, house and lot on Sellers Avenue, nom

Radnor Township – C. B. Reeves of Bryn Mawr to Raffaele Cocco of same place, house and lot on Coopertown Road, \$3000

Ridley Township – Clare L. Myers of Swarthmore to Mary A. Hudson of Rutledge, N. J., lot with buildings at Forest and Amosland Avenue, nom

Millbourne – Eugene Hamel of Philadelphia to James J. Meade of Millbourne, house and lot on Millbourne Avenue, nom

Chester – Henry W. Cullis, Jr. of Chester to Katherine F. Rhoads of Chester, lot on Twenty-Fourth St., nom

Chester – William M. Bowen of Chester to H. W. Cullis, Jr. of Chester, lot to Twenty-Fourth Street, nom

Collingdale – Alday H. Yocum of Philadelphia to Hugh Cox of Collingdale, eleven lots at Darby Height, nom

Rutledge – Joshua H. Witham of Jersey City to Harvey W. Monks of Rutledge, lot on Rutledge Avenue, \$100

Chester – Harry Battin and wife of Chester to Robert P. Talley of same place, store, house and lot at Third and Edgmont Avenue, nominal

Nether Providence – The Land Title and Trust Company of Philadelphia to J. Lewis Hannum of Nether Providence Township, \$1800

Chester – William C. Conrad, et ux of Middeltown to Kingsley Montgomery, house and lot at Seventh and Crosby street, \$2,750

Radnor – Mary E. Converse of Philadelphia to the School District of Radnor, tract of land at Rosemont, situated along the Lancaster Road, \$19,000

Marple Township – Henry Hipple of Marple Township to Worrall Haws of same place, four acres of land, \$227.18

Concord Township – Frank B. Rhodes of Media to Margaret D. Keyburn of Concord Township, house and one acre on State Road, \$3500

Morton – Herbert A. Davidson of Philadelphia to M. C. Grem of Morton, four lots on Main and School Streets, \$550

Clifton Heights – James Jordan of Clifton Heights to William A. Jordan of same place, lot on Washington Street, nom

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Upper Chichester – Boothwyn Farms Company to Regena Cullin of Tainer, lot on McCay Avenue, \$150

Marple Township – Mahala Edwards of Marple Township to Edward M. Haws of same place, two-thirds interest in four acres, \$953.33

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Upper Darby – C. A. Bolch of Schuylkill County to W. N. Bolich of Philadelphia, lot at Drexel Hill, nom

Haverford Township – Martin L. Kellihan of Llanerch to W. A. Kelly of same place, lot and buildings on Coopers Road, nom

Glenolden – Jon W. Marshall of Glenolden to John H. Steele of same place, lot at Warwick Annex, \$200

Lansdowne – Mary C. Ebbecke of Philadelphia to Katharine Farrell of same place, lot at Lansdowne Heights, nom

Ridley Township – Joseph V. Lindgren of Philadelphia to Carrie Haldeman of New York, five and one-fourth acres at Michigan avenue and Leiperville Road, nom

Norwood – Elizabeth K. Ringgold of Philadelphia to Edwin F. Greathead of Norwood, two lots on Seneca Avenue, nom

Chester – Edward W. Smedley of Chester to W. T. Jones of Chester, house and lot on Madison Street, \$3350

Norwood – Harriet L. Gregg of Norwood to grace W. and Ethel Gregg of Norwood, house at Winona Avenue and Chester Pike, nom

Swarthmore – William S. Neal, Jr. of Swarthmore to Robert Fussell of Media, two houses and lots on Westdale Avenue, \$2000

Upper Darby – Peter C. Rossin of Philadelphia to Frederick W. Cleasby of Philadelphia, two lots at Highland Park, \$1100

Darby Township – Hiram Shreves of Darby Township to Maria Baxter of same place, lot on Cabon Road, nom

Darby Township – Emily Keighler of Philadelphia to Wilhelmina Howarth of Darby Township, lot on Beach Avenue, nom

Darby Township – Henry Williams of Folcroft to Samuel Boyd of Folcroft to Samuel Boyd of Folcroft, lot with buildings on Tribbit Avenue, \$500

Nether Providence – Francis L. Worthington of Doylestown to L. W. Mooney of Nether Providence, house and lot at South Media, \$2350

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