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TWO IMPORTANT CONTRACTS LET – Dr. Lewis S. Zeigler to Build Dwelling in Haverford Costing More Than \$100,000

While a number of contracts were let in this city this week, the big real estate, transactions and contracts were confined to the county outside of this city. The real estate market was very active for several days and some very handsome properties in the city and county changed ownership, one of them being the sale of the Tyson property at Twentieth and Hyatt Streets in the First Ward. This was purchased by Lawyer J. C. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, and they will make in their future home. The property was among the first real improved edifice to be constructed in the First Ward and has been the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Tyson for a number of years. John J. McClure the well-known merchant of this city, has plans out for stone residence in the same vicinity of this property which is one of the best residential sections of the city.

FINE DWELLING AT HAVERFORD – Yesterday the contract was let for a \$100,000 dwelling in the township of Haverford. The contractor is George & Borst of Philadelphia and the new residence will be erected for Dr. Lewis S. Zeigler of 1628 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. It will be constructed of hollow tile and plaster will be three stories high with dimensions of 100 by 125 feet, slag roof, composition and oak floors, kallamein doors, water proofing weather stripe and metal lath. Work will be started as soon as possible and the contract completed at, as early a date as convenient to do so.

Another contract of some importance was let to James B. Flounders of Media for the construction of a new pork packing establishment in the borough of Media for Clement E. Allen whose property was destroyed by fire some weeks ago. The contract price is \$19,000. This property is located on Brooke Street. The specifications call for the completion of the work as soon as possible.

HOTEL CONTRACT AWARDED – H. Louis Morris of the city had been awarded the contract for the erection of the new hotel for David McClure at Prospect Park. This building will be about exclusive of the hardware and fixtures, which will bring the cost up thousands of dollars more. The foundations are being dug and the work will be pushed along as rapidly as possible. The building will be constructed of brick and will have a dimension of 54 by 46 feet. It will contain about twenty rooms, and will be up-to-date in every way. It is the intention of Mr. McClure to make it one of the best hotel properties in the country for the public accommodation.

Mr. Morris has also been awarded the contract for the erection of a store room building for the Philadelphia and Suburban Gas and Electric Company on Welsh Street in the Third Ward. This work will be started the coming week, and will be hurried along as fast as possible. It will be constructed of brick and will have a dimension of 30 by 68 feet.

Dr. Archibald G. Thomson, a member of the Stock Exchange, of Philadelphia, has plans out for a residence and garage in the township of Haverford. It will be of hollow tile and stucco, and will be two and one-half stories high. Bids will be asked in about three weeks so that the property will be completed before the cold weather sets in.

STORE PROPERTIES PURCHASED – William E. Cross, sole proprietor of the Cross Company jewelers and opticians, has closed a deal for the purchase of the store at 618 Edgmont Avenue which is now occupied by the Cross Company and also for the store adjoining, 621 Edgmont Avenue. This change of realty will mean much for that business section of the city. The deal was made through Sweeney & Clyde, the well-known brokers after several weeks' negotiations with High McCaffrey, the hotel man who has owned the stores for some time.

It is the purpose of the purchaser to make extensive improvements to the two properties, by removing the partition between them and thus making one large well-lighted store; an architect has been engaged for the purposes of preparing plans for the changes, which, when completed, will make these properties thoroughly up-to-date in every respect, as it is the intention of the owner to have the

finest jewelry store outside Philadelphia, and in addition, will have a large assortment of Victrola's and records so that this store will compete with the best in Philadelphia.

This is one of the important real estate deals closed during the week. It will necessitate the removal of George K. Miller, who has conducted a china store at No. 620 Edgmont Avenue for several years.

WEST END NOTES – Contractor George D. Hewes, has completed the construction of six two-story brick dwellings at Concord Road and Edwards Street in Chester Township and several of the up-to-date and cozy residences are already occupied by parties who have purchased the properties.

N. Smith, who conducts a shoe store on Third Street, near Townsend, is having a new store and dwelling erected on Third Street, west of Hayes. The walls of the first story have been completed and operations are now in progress on the second story. A large force are at work on the building operation.

The three dwelling constructed at Ninth and Church Streets by Contractor G. D. Hewes are now being plastered and will soon be ready for occupancy. Mr. Hewes is having plans and specifications prepared for the erection of ten more houses of similar design in the same locality.

Contractor Hewes has also had lines laid out for putting in the foundation walls of a stable at Ogden station. The building will replace the stable that was completely wiped out by flames a few months ago, the house being burned down at the same time. The stable will be used as a dwelling by the owner of the farm until the new residence, which will be built later, is constructed.

Operations are now in progress on the six two-story brick houses being built at Fourth and Highland Avenue by Contractor Samuel A. Hewes. The dwellings, which will be graced with ornate porches, will face on Highland Avenue. Second-story bay windows will also be attractive features of the new houses.

John Wesley Parker is having new porches built to the front of his two properties on Tenth Street, east of Edgmont Avenue, from fences of neat design were built in front of the residences this week.

BUILDING GOSSIP – The house being erected on East Nineteenth Street near Providence Avenue, by Howard D. Taylor, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy in a few weeks.

The eight houses at Twenty-Third Street and Edgmont Avenue being built by Contractor William Ward will be finished the latter part of the month.

The Wetherill house at Twentieth and Chestnut Streets is rapidly rounding into shape. The second floor joists are laid. Contractor Provost has a large force of men at work on the building.

The bungalow being erected at Eighteenth and Hyatt Streets for James Beaumont is nearing completion. Plasterers will commence work next week.

The two houses at Thirteenth and Crosby Streets for Thomas Birch will be occupied in a short time.

The Wetherill residence at Thirteenth and Potter Streets is progressing rapidly. The roof will be sheathed in a few days and work commenced on the interior.

The Ayres building at Eighth and Welsh Streets will be ready for the lathers in a few days. The roof has been put on and with a few more good days the exterior of the building should be completed.

The store building for Nothnagle and Roser at Sixth and New Market Streets, will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

The bricklayers have finished the first story of the stores being erected by Samuel Lax on East Seventh Street adjoining the Imperial Hotel.

Work on the addition to the Convent building on East Broad Street is rapidly being pushed by the contractor in charge and with good weather conditions should be completed the early part of next month.

Work on the Rodel improvement at Seventh Street and Edgmont Avenue is progressing rapidly. The iron girders have been placed in position and the present building will be placed on the foundation in a few days.

The frame kitchen being erected at 721 McIlvaine Street is about completed. The work was done by Hugh McGilinn, owner of the property.

Carpenters have finished the improvement to the Northan residence at Seventh Street, adjoining the Eagles Home. A new bay window has been erected to the third story of the building.

The front in the Cross store at Third Street and Edgmont Avenue has been finished and is quite attractive. The old front was damaged some time ago when a heavy automobile truck skidded and demolished it.

J. Irvin Taylor has almost completed his block of houses on Penn Street above the new Fifth Street Bridge. These dwellings are two-story peaked roof style with an exceptionally high rear.

William Marker will soon have his workmen on the interior of his block of new stores and apartments on West Third Street below the bridge. The front of the buildings have been constructed of high-class brick work and present a fine appearance.

William Wiser is almost through with his building operation on Mary Street near Ulrich. These dwellings were erected by the contractor in record time as tenants are on the waiting list for them.

James Shropshire has built in the stairways in his eight houses on West Seventh Street near Pusey and from now on rush the completion of the houses.

George Hewes is making rapid progress on his dwelling at Seventh and Lincoln Streets and will turn them over to the tenants in a very short while. These houses are built on a terrace and will be choice residences.

Samuel Hewes after finishing two houses on Howell Street, below Third, have a great deal of his attention to the two houses at Third and Pusey Streets. These are now ready for the interior work and their completion is only a matter of a few weeks.

The three houses at Fifth and Lloyd Streets being built by J. G. Milbourn have had their excavation work completed. The walls will be started this week.

Horace Witsil has begun the construction of several houses at Eighth and Pennell Streets. He is using the bricks from the old Solid Steel Casting Company plant in the rough construction work.

A number of improvements are being made to the rear of the residence of Dr. F. F. Otis Bryant, at Broad and Potter Streets, and when completed will allow a greater amount of floor space.

Nolan Brothers are rapidly pushing the work on the Fox Building on Welsh Street opposite the Pennsylvania Railroad station. Work will be commenced on the interior of the building the early part of next week.

The Beacon Light Company's extensive office improvement on Market Street is progressing and will be up-to-date in every particular.

REAL ESTATE CHANGES

Lansdowne – Frederick C. Hoopes of Lansdowne to Ellen Quinn of same place. House and lot on Nyack Avenue, \$2000

Collingdale – Milton L. Stanley of Collingdale to G. M. Walmsley of same place. House and lot at 26 Rhodes Avenue, Nominal

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Upper Darby – John C. Rantz of Highland to John E. Johnson of Philadelphia. Two lots with buildings on Madison Avenue, \$4,550

Chester – Rebecca D Lukens of Chester to William H. R. Lukens of Philadelphia. One half interest in house and lot on Barclay Street, Nominal

Haverford – Joseph R. Connell of Oakmont to William L. Lobb, Walter L. Lobb and Norman H. Lobb al of Devon, Chester County, strip of land and improvements, \$5000

Radnor – John L. Simon of Philadelphia to Amelia E. Lembert of Philadelphia, lot with buildings and improvements, Nominal

Yeadon – John J. Murphy, assignee of Frances L. Maguire to Henry Sprecht, Jr., lot on Bailey Road, \$750

Chester – Jane W. Peters of Haddon Heights, N. JI. to William C. Peters of Chester, house and lot, Third and Ward Streets, \$2,600

Millbourne – Harry J. Lineman, Jr. of Philadelphia to Annie K. Crest of the same place, house and lot on Millbourne Avenue, \$5,700

Drexel Hill – Samuel Crothers of Philadelphia to Ellen D. Grime, two lots, \$580

Clifton Heights – Joanna W. Donnell of Clifton Heights to Robert C. Luhr of the same place, lot on Walnut Street, Nominal

Newtown – James P. Dowd and wife of Philadelphia to W. F. Miller, several lots, \$250

Upper Darby – Samuel Crothers of Philadelphia to M. Wilson Gulick of the same city, two lots in Drexel Hill, \$600

Chester – The Delaware County Trust Company of Chester to Thomas Elliott of Upland, house and lot, Twelfth and Madison Streets, \$4,000

Radnor – Norman P. Sinclair of Radnor to Martha S. Mitchell of Philadelphia, lot on Lancaster Avenue, Nominal

Haverford – Charles R. Graham of Philadelphia to Howard M. Lutz of Haverford, lot with buildings and improvements situated in Llanerch, Nominal

Haverford – Phillip H. Williams of Philadelphia to Milton A. McKee of Haverford, lot at South Ardmore, \$175

Ridley Township – Claude Henderson of Philadelphia to Abraham Pyle of Ridley Township, three lots, Nominal

Sharon Hill – Delaware County Trust Company to George B. Kyle of Philadelphia, lot and buildings on Hook Road and Tribbetts Avenue, \$1,450

Collingdale – Kate F. Staley and Daniel Staley of Collingdale to Moses A. Rupert and Bernard M. Rupert of the same place, lot and brick house, Cherry Street, \$2400

Concord – John W. Kirke of Bethel Township to Fanny K. Sipps of the same township, lot, Nominal

Chester – Elwood Tyson and wife of Chester to Joshua C. Taylor and wife of the same place, stone house and lot, barn and other improvements, Northeast corner Twentieth and Hyatt Streets, Nominal

Upper Darby – Josephine B. Little of Philadelphia to Mae G. Fay of Philadelphia, lot at Drexel Hill, Nominal

Chester – W. Scott Grace of Chester to Michael Fillipowiz of the same place, brick house and lot Third and Wilson Streets, \$2200

Marple – Hannah Clark of Marple Township to James Clark of Media, title and interest house, pieces of real estate buildings and improvements, Marple Road, \$5,000

Haverford – Charles S. Taylor of Haverford to Emeline R. Moore of Llanerch, lot in Llanerch \$1,650

Ridley Township – John Bagby and wife of Ridley Township to Luke Bagby of the same place, house and lot at Holmes, Nominal

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