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ACTIVITY IN REALTY IN DELAWARE COUNTY – Upper Darby  
Experiencing Building Boom - Chester's Progress

During the past week real estate has taken on a jump in every section of the eastern end of this county, and much activity has been shown, so much so that many of the real estate brokers have been forced to increase their clerical forces. The prospects in general for selling building lots, and building has never been brighter. While Chester city has been quiet for the past week, there is considerable building at this time.

One of the busiest sections is Drexel Hill, south of the Garrettford Road in Upper Darby Township. This part of Drexel Hill is being developed by George Statzell and he is going to build many houses on the place, which will have gas lights. Springfield water, sewerage. There is one new feature to this place, namely: Every lot sold must be at least 70x183 feet. This is more than three times the size of any other single lot sold in many places. Increasing the size of the lots has been the cause of bringing ready buyers.

William Devoe, a real estate broker of Upper Darby and who has an office in Garrettford in speaking of real estate in eastern Delaware County said yesterday, "I believe that within the next two months, Upper Darby will see one of the greatest building booms in its history. Mr. Devoe said that inquiries for property are numerous and that within a few days he expect to pull through some very big deals.

The prospects for Drexel Hill both north and south of the Garrett Road, said Mr. Booth are very bright, and he expects to see at least several hundred new houses erected this summer and next Fall.

Willard Hoopes another real estate dealer in East Lansdowne, said that it was impossible to realize the rapid growth of the county and that the only trouble was that there are not enough houses being erected to meet the growing demand.

Arthur F. Blake, a real estate dealer of Clifton Heights was recently disposed of the Devine row, consisting of four houses and one store to E.E. Barry. He has also sold the property of Mary Whelan, in Clifton Heights to Edward Duvotson, James Gordan and Elizabeth and Fanny Gordan. The Gordans will erect at least eight houses on the plot. Mr. Blake feels that real estate in Clifton Heights is bound to take a jump.

James V. Kane another real estate broker of the county, and who resides in Clifton Heights says that he is looking forward to a busy season. Mr. Kane has sold more houses recently and he says that the demand for renting six room houses with modern convenience in Clifton Heights is growing faster each week. Mr. Kane also feels that many new houses will be built in Clifton Heights this season.

T. Erwood Allison, the real estate broker of Wallingford, who recently purchased the Twaddell property along the Baltimore Pike, just east of Media, is having a topographical survey made of the ground. This work is being done by a corps of students from Drexel Institute.

The Vernon tract at Wallingford which is being developed by Mr. Allison is about ready for the market. This tract contains eleven acres, and Mr. Allison is building a macadam road through the place and also laying cement sidewalks. Mr. Allison believes that there will be a big demand for lots at Wallingford this year.

BUILDING NOTES OF CHESTER – The two brick houses being built on East Third Street near Crosby by J.H. Phipps, a contractor, are rapidly nearing completion. The dwellings will be modern design.

Albert Lindsay, a business man of Third and Franklin Streets, has arranged to build five small brick houses in that section of the Sixth ward known as Banana Avenue. The tenements will be two stories high and provided with modern conveniences.

Harry Richardson and William Galbraith, both of whom are contracting builders, are busy on new realty operations at Linwood Heights, where they have contracts to erect a number of modern dwellings. The building outlook in that section of the county is exceptionally bright, they say.

An addition is being made to the store building at Tenth and Market Streets, Marcus Hook, which was occupied until recently by Mrs. Bowker, who disposed of her ladies' furnishing business. It is reported that the extension to the building is being made for the establishment therein of a candy factory.

W.S. Gootie is erecting a large dwelling on Hewitt Avenue, Linwood Heights for John McGinley, who is employed by L.N. Wood and Brother, of Linwood.

IN NEARBY BOROUGHs – The building outlook in Upland is also good. In addition to the operations previously reported, work was started Thursday on the cellar of the proposed new home of Samuel Mahon.

In addition to the other activities in building in Leiperville, Paul Hill, of that place, has announced that he will probably erect a number of houses in that section and in Eddystone. Several of the citizens of the village are having improvements made to their homes.

Eddystone is also making progress for during the past week ground was broken at Eddystone Avenue and Ninth Street for dwelling for Mrs. Cornelius McGinn. It is expected that many more buildings will be erected in this borough this summer in addition to those already in course of construction.

BIG REALTY DEAL RECORDED – The sale by Horace Twaddell of Lansdowne over 89 acres of land in Nether Providence Township to T. Ellwood Allison, of Wallingford, which was announced some weeks ago, has been recorded in the office of Recorder of Deeds, J. Lord Rigg. The price named is \$25,500.

#### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Darby Borough – George G. Patchel of Darby Borough to Harry Tarbatton of Darby Borough, house and lot 31 feet by 139 feet, \$2900.

Chester – Mary C. Longstretch of Lower Merion to Josephine M. Logan of Chester, brick house and lot 23 by 120 feet on North side of Seventh Street, \$3000.

Upper Chester – Paul Dehner of Chester to Mary E. Thompson of Chester house and tract of 28 acres, 1 acre 23 perches, \$3500.

Upper Darby – Samuel B. Bartram of Lansdowne to Margaret C. Hoopes of Upper Darby, house and tract of 18 31-100 square perches, \$2200.

Clifton Heights – Walter Perry of Clifton Heights to Dorothy M. Limle of Yeadon, brick house and lot 60 by 90 feet, \$1500.

Dorothy M. Limle of Yeadon to Thomas McNamee, Sr. of Clifton Heights, brick house and lot 60 by 90 feet, \$1600.

Nether Providence – Horace G. Twaddell of Lansdowne to T. Ellwood Allison of Wallingford, buildings and tract of 73 44-100 acres also tract of 16 acres, 2 roods 32 210 perches, \$25,500.

Tinicum – William L. Horne of Tinicum to Ernest Peppermiller of same place, frame house and tract of 1 acre 105 square perches, \$3400.

William L. Horne, et al, of Ridley Park and Tinicum to Ernest Peppermiller of Tinicum, tract of 13 acres, \$1100.

Chester Township – Alexander R. Fullerton of Chester to Richardson H. Armstrong of Upper Chichester, buildings and tract of 56 acres 12 perches, \$8500.

Upper Providence – Granville T. Dunn of Upper Providence to Henry Jones and wife of Media, lot 62 by 106 2-3 feet, \$1600.

Chester – Henry G. Ingram of Chester to Clarence C. Ayres of same place, lot 58 by 71 by 40 feet at N.E. corner of Welsh and Eighth Street, \$2000.

Newtown – Isaac Paschall of Newtown to Sarah B.S. Calvert of same place, house and tract of 10 acres 17 perches.

Lansdowne – Frederick B. Dean of East Lansdowne to Samuel J. Green of same place, buildings and lot 50 by 120 feet, \$3200.

Upper Darby – Frank Keller of Upper Darby to Charles S. Taylor of Haverford, buildings and tract of 62 49-100 acres, \$35000.

Chester – James Barrett of Chester to William Billingslea, et al, Trustee of Pa., buildings and lot 19 by 135 feet on West side of Central Avenue, \$1700.

Upper Providence – William P. Hipple of Marple to Louie C. Wertz of Upper Providence, house and tract of 47 acres, also tract of 11 acres, \$8000.

Penfield – Suburbs Holding Co. of Phila. To Manuel Carbonell of Phila., lots No. 83, 84, \$780.

Nether Providence – William Sharpless et al, of Nether Providence to Walter Roberts of Riverton, buildings and tract of 65 541-1000 acres, \$20000.

Chester Township – Hugh T. Ferguson and wife of Chester Township to E. Lewis Barlow of same place, frame house and tract of 2263, 1-2 square feet, \$4400.

Upper Chichester – Charles E. Hannum of Upper Chichester to John Frost of Phila., tract of 300 by 710 feet, \$3600.

Edgmont – James Patchel, Jr, of Glen Riddle, buildings and tract of 117, 26-1000 acres, Nom.

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