

CHESTER TIMES – June 12, 1915 - \$350,000 SPENT FOR SCHOOLS – This is the Total Sum Expended So Far This Year for the Cause of Education

Plans are out and bids have been asked for the erection of a school house in Upper Darby Township, to cost about \$49,000. It will be located at West Chester Pike and Kelly's Lane, Highland Park, and is being erected to care for the rapidly growing population in that part of the township. Upper Darby's population is increasing very fast, and the school directors are almost at their wits ends to keep pace with the increase in the number of school children. With plans for one building ready and work on the building not yet started, the directors are planning to increase the size of the High School on Lansdowne Avenue by the addition of several rooms. As the plans are just beginning to be talked of, there can be no estimate as yet regarding the cost.

Delaware County is spending a great deal of money just at present for schools, there having been more buildings erected during the year than in any previous year, the cost amounting to about \$350,000. Media has completed the erection of a building costing \$30,000; Lansdowne has a new school which cost \$60,000; Marple and Newtown Townships built a joint high school at a cost of \$30,000; Darby has two new buildings costing \$60,000 and erected one last year which cost \$30,000; Eddystone spent \$20,000; East Lansdowne put up a \$15,000 building; Haverford Township spent \$15,000; and Morton spent \$13,000. Clifton Heights School Board is contemplating spending \$18,000 for the addition of four or six rooms to the school house next year and Aldan will build an addition to its school.

IN EAST LANSDOWNE – East Lansdowne is to be the scene of considerable building during the next few months, several contracts having been let during the week and work having actually started on one operation. A. F. Phillips, a Prime builder, has started work on the first pair of eight houses which he will erect on Lexington Avenue. The houses will be of stone and stucco of eight rooms each and will have hardwood floors on the first floor. The operation will cost about \$35,000. Tyan and Company of East Lansdowne, will build three single brick houses which will cost \$2,000 each. Edward Schwarz of East Lansdowne will build four stone and stucco houses to cost about \$15,000.

Clifton Heights will also save several new buildings during the next couple of months. Rev. John Michan of the Catholic Church has taken title to a lot on Broadway, where a \$6,300 rectory will be built. A new church and school are also contemplated but these may not be erected for some time. Anton Aloswski of Clifton Heights has purchased a lot on Broadway and will erect a store and dwelling to cost \$3,500. Joseph Stalk will erect a house and store on a lot on Broadway which he recently purchased. A. F. Blake, a Clifton real estate dealer, reports the following sales:

House and lot at 915 Bartram Avenue, Collingdale, sold for Newton Butzen to J. R. Holt of Philadelphia for \$3,200. House and lot on Edgmont Avenue, Clifton Heights, sold for Anton Aloswski of Clifton to Alexander Corkus of Philadelphia for \$2,050. Six lots on the Levis Estate at Broadway and Holly Street, Clifton Heights, to Archbishop Prendergast for \$2100. Three lots at Penn and Berkley avenues, Clifton Heights on the Levis Estate to Walter T. Conrad for \$2,000. Four lots of the Levis Estate on Broadway to Joseph Staron of Nicetown for \$1,600. The new owner will erect four two-story houses to cost \$2,500 each. Lot on the rear of Berkley Avenue on Levis Estate to Thomas Pauley for \$50 and adjoining lot to Mrs. Robert McKeage for \$50. Lot at Oak View for Francis McCullough to Louis Endorp for \$150w.

William P. Mahoney and the Commonwealth Title Insurance and Trust Company, executors of Bartholomew Shea, deceased, have let a contract to the Presbry Coykendall

Company, contractors for the erection of an ornate granite and Tennessee marble mausoleum at Holy Cross cemetery. The work is to be completed in eleven months and the price is \$74,950.

CONTRACTS AWARDED – Norman Foster, a Lansdowne builder, has been awarded the contract to build a house on Sellers Avenue, Bywood, for V. Gilpin Robinson and Albert F. Damon, Jr., the promoters of Bywood, which is close to Sixty-Ninth Street terminal. No price has been made public.

Ignatz Wagner of Ridley Township, has awarded a contract for the erection of a brick bungalow at Ridley Park Heights, this to cost \$1,575. Flounders Brothers of Media have secured the contract for the building of a second story to the Gallagher Garage on West Seventh Street, Chester, which is owned by Hugh J. McCaffery. No price is made public.

A building agreement between George Hogg of Philadelphia, contractor and George Shober of Chester for the erection of a four-story building at Market Square, has been filed in Media. The building is to contain two stores and apartments, restaurant and a lounging room and will be 27 feet, 6 inches by 122 feet. It will be ready by October 1, and the contract price is \$20,265. E. Allen Wilson is the architect.

An agreement between Marian A. McAllister, owner, and William J. Doyle, trading as Doyle & Company, contractors, for the rebuilding of a house at College avenue and Railroad Avenue, Haverford Township, which was damaged by fire, has been filed. The renovation is to cost \$3,762.

An administration building to cost \$50,000 is to be erected at Newtown Square, this county, for Garrett Williamson Lodge of Philadelphia. It will be constructed of stone, two and one-half stories, 56 x 165 feet, slate roof metal lath, maple floors, and tile work. The Heating and lighting are reserved. The architect has received revised bids for this improvement.

There is to be erected in the borough of Darby a new club house and association building, the owner's name being withheld for the present. It is to be built of brick, three stories high, slag roof, 42 x 86 feet, tile floors, steam heat and electric lighting. Several Philadelphia contractors are bidding for the work, the bids being received by the architect.

A new residence is to be erected in the borough of Aldan for Richard Higson of Colwyn. It will be constructed of stone and stucco, two stories, 18 x 38 feet, shingle roof, gas and electric lights. The owner is taking bids. Several local contractors are bidding for the work.

CONTRACTS AWARDED – James H. wells of Philadelphia has been awarded the contract for the erection of a new residence and garage for Caspar W. Morris of Philadelphia, in the township of Haverford, to cost the sum of \$125,000. It will be built of brick and plaster, will be two and one-half stories high, 71 x 90 feet, with a wing 22 x 25 feet, shingle roof, vapor heating, electric lighting, hardwood floors.

J. D. Lengel of Wayne has received the contract for making some additions and alterations to the residence of Dr. M. R. Ward at Wayne, this county. The improvements will consist of a one-story dining room addition.

Within a very short time, work will be started on the erection of the four-story apartment house at Third and Market Streets. The building is being built for George Shober, the restaurant man, who will have a place of business on the ground floor with the other stories devoted to apartments. This improvement is one of the biggest in that section for years and will completely change the appearance of that corner of Market Square. The proposed building will be of brick construction, and will be modernly equipped in all departments.

The work on the erection of three new stores at Third and Pennell Streets for John J. Ryan continues to progress. The foundations have been laid and the first floor joists have been placed in position and brick layers have commenced operations.

Contractor William J. Wisner has completed the erection of a garage for R. S. Stainton in the rear of the latter's property near Third and Pennell Streets and is now making repairs and alterations to the Ross property adjoining.

The houses erected by J. Irvin Taylor at Eleventh and Butler Streets are about completed and the employees of the contractor are putting the finishing touches on the structures.

THE LINCOLN APARTMENTS – The apartments in the Lincoln-Republic Building, Eighth Street and Edgmont Avenue have been offered for rental by Rolland P. Lutes of the Lincoln-Republic Life Insurance Company. At this time there are three of the apartments vacant, one of them being occupied by Miss Florence Kurfis, the hairdresser. It is expected that the apartments will be rented within a short time.

In the kitchens of the apartments there are stationary washtubs and Hoosier cabinets. This is something new in the line of buildings having apartments over the stores. Each room is equipped with all modern conveniences, including electric light and speaking tubes. A janitor is on duty at all times and keeps the rooms free from dust and attends to all the laboring work about the building. The apartments have been inspected by quite a number of persons and all speak well of the plan of each room.

Among the real estate transfers recorded yesterday is one of properties has been in the hands of receivers to Stanley E. Wilson of Philadelphia for \$250,000 and by him to the N. Z. Graves Corporation, as the company will be known in future. The transfers of the day are as follows:

Marcus Hook – Samuel Lyons of Marcus Hook to Covington M. Giles of same place, lot with buildings on Market Street, \$4000

Haverford Township – George A. Edsall of Montgomery County to Daniel M. Lefevue of Berwyn, Chester County, three lots at South Ardmore, \$925

Lower Chichester – Stanley E. Wilson of Philadelphia to N. Z. Graves Corporation, properties in Camden and six tracts containing 108 acres, with two mills, twenty-four houses, other buildings with fixtures, machinery, horses, etc. Nom

Lower Chichester – Harry G. Michener, David Baird and William F. Brown, receivers of N. Z. Graves Company to Stanley E. Wilson of Philadelphia, properties named above. \$250,000

Chester – Samuel G. Thomas, Chester to Louis Winchester of same place, lot with improvements on Central Avenue north of Tenth Street, Nom

Chester – Arthur P. Collins of Massachusetts to Louis Winchester of Chester, house and lot at 1002 Central Avenue, \$1700

Lansdowne – P. Leonard Church to Frederick Kern, lot with buildings, Nom

Upper Darby – Alexander C. Ferguson of Philadelphia to Alexander C. Ferguson, Jr. of New Jersey, lot at Pattonville, Nom

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