

CHESTER TIMES – August 14. 1015 – MOYLAN MAN ACQUIRES LAND – Charles T. Schoen, Steel King, Takes Title to Another Farm Adjoining His Large Holdings

Charles T. Schoen, who is developing a beautiful tract of upward of three hundred acres of land in Rose Valley, not far from Media, is finding the demand for small tracts of land, comprising one or two and up to five acres, very good; and he is so convinced of the bright future in store for that part of Delaware County that he has purchased the Levis farm of forty-two acres to add to his other holdings. This farm is well located for development and lies on the Possom Hollow and Brookhaven Roads, from either of which roads all parts of the tract are readily accessible. He has applied to the Media Borough Council for an extension of Media water mains to the tract and will sign an agreement whereby he will pay the borough ten per cent on its investment until such times as the water rents from the tract will pay that amount to the borough.

W. Roger Fronefield, one of the foremost attorneys of the county, has entered the real estate field by the purchase of one hundred and fifty two acres of land in Upper Chichester Township, and it is probable that he will develop it within the next year. This tract is the old Boyd farm and the price paid for it is \$12,000. It lies just at the western end of this city and is bounded on one side by Highland Avenue. It is very close to a part of the city that is growing rapidly, and because of the development of Marcus Hook and the adjoining land, which is just beyond, this land is exceptionally well located and is ripe for development. The price paid is exceptionally low for land in that section being only \$79 per acre. Mr. Fronefield is rather reticent as to what he intends doing with the ground as yet.

Delaware County will experience another boom if it be true that the Philadelphia and West Chester Traction Company intends extending its Collingdale line to this city, which is believed by many to be the real purpose of the company in purchasing a tract of land in Sharon Hill just opposite its Collingdale terminus. Other sections of the county through which this company is now operating lines have developed tremendously as the lines have been extended, and many developments owe their existence to it. Media has had a division of this company's line but two years, yet along the line in that time have sprung up Bywood, Springfield and Pine Ridge, three big developments which are bringing people to this county. There are many developments along the West Chester division.

SOME COUNTY OPERATIONS – A number of fine residences are to be built out in the county; plans for which are under way at the present time, and work will be started on a number of them before cold weather sets in.

J. Passmore Elkington of Philadelphia, has plans out for a new home at Moylan, this county. The price is not stated, but it will cost considerable. The structural work will be hollow tile and stucco, two and one-half stories high, 54 by 27 feet, with a wing 10 by 16 feet, shingle or slate roof, hot air or water heating, oak floors and electric lights.

Sweeney & Clyde, the well-known real estate brokers of this city, have plans out for a store and apartment house on the property on Market Street, just below Fourth Street adjoining that of the building occupied by Jacob T. Fulmer. The plans call for a three-story brick structure, 20 by 110 feet. When spoken to about the matter this morning this well-known firm said that they are not sure that they will go on with the building for the reason that a number of offers have been made by parties to purchase this valuable piece of land. Unless a sale is effected, however, the work of putting up a building that will be a

credit to the main business thoroughfare of the city will be on at an early date. The plans were drawn by a Philadelphia architect.

Philadelphia architects are preparing plans for a new \$10,000 residence for Herbert Fulweller of Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. This house will be constructed of brick, two and one-half stories high, 60 by 26 feet, slate or shingle roof, electric lighting.

Plans have also been drawn for a frame house in the borough of Morton for Mrs. N. G. O'Hara. This will be two and one-half stories, 35 by 30 feet, shingle roof, steam heating and electric lights. The architect is receiving bids today for this work.

NEW \$50,000 SCHOOL – All bids for the new \$50,000 public school building to be erected by the township of Upper Darby at Highland Park, must be in the hands of the architect by 7:30 o'clock next Monday evening at which time they will be considered by the school board. The building is to be constructed of stone, 100 by 137 feet, two and one-half stories high, slate roof, heating, plumbing and lighting to be given under separate bids. A number of contractors are bidding for the work.

Plans have also been drawn for new homes for J. Bedford French of Haverford Township and C. A. Hagen of Haverford. The latter is going to make some important changes to his present home.

The Thurlow Worsted Mills has given the contract for alterations to its factory in this city to A. L. Frext & Sons of Philadelphia. This will include the erection of a steel and concrete building, three stories high, slag roof, steam heating, fire doors, and steel doors. Work will be started at once and the mill will be completed as early as possible to meet the growing business of this concern.

WORK ON SHOBER BUILDING – Nearly three stories of the Shober building at Third and Market Streets, have been completed by the bricklayers. Although the recent rains have interfered to some extent, yet the workmen have made rapid progress and the building will soon be in the hands of the carpenters. Situated on the northeast corner of the Square, the building, with its yellow brick construction, is one of the most conspicuous spots in that section, and when entirely completed, will rank with the other large buildings of the city's center.

Contractor Francis J. Moore, of the West End, has started work on nine new houses for John Keegan, superintendent of the Viscose Company. The dwellings are being erected on Hewes Avenue, Linwood, on the same plot as the 16 recently completed for Mr. Keegan.

The improvement work in progress on the building occupied by W. H. Quinn on West Third Street, near Highland Avenue, is about completed and within a few days a part of the remodeled building will be opened as a garage. The front part of the building has been re-painted.

PERMITS GRANTED – The following building permits were issued during the week by Building Inspector Terry T. Williams:

Charles Balten – Two-story brick dwelling on west side of Flower Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets

Robert Jagers – One-story garage on west side of Edgmont Avenue, between Twelfth and Fourteenth Streets

Thomas A. Brennan – Bath room in the residence of 1009 Parker Street

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS – The following real estate transfers were recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds yesterday:

Everett Sproul Detwiler of Chester and his wife to Benjamin Lachman of the same place, house and lot at 210 Pusey Street, \$1500

Upper Darby – Clifford B. Hannum and wife of Philadelphia to George T. Wadas of Upper Darby, three lots in Observatory Hill, Nominal

Chester – D. Thompson Mitchell of Lansdowne to W. Harry Booth of Chester, lot on Nineteenth Street, west of Hyatt Street, \$1250

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