

CHESTER TIMES – September 13, 1913 – BUILDING BOOM AT COLLINGDALE –  
Leads All Boroughs in County Up to Date For New Buildings During the Past Year

There was marked activity in the real estate market during the week, although a number of sales were recorded.

Collingdale, which led all the Delaware County boroughs two years ago in the number of dwellings erected, bids fair to repeat its former success this season. So far many new buildings have been built in the borough and preparations have been made by George Kyle to erect an operation of twenty new houses in the borough, with another operation of four houses in Sharon Hill. The twenty houses to be erected in Collingdale will rise on the tract, formerly owned by the late James Smith on Parker Avenue below Lafayette Avenue. The houses will contain eight rooms and will have every convenience. The four dwellings in Sharon Hill are to be built on Hook Road on the outskirts of the Academy section. They will contain six rooms and a bath.

The plan to obtain an adequate playground for Prospect Park has taken definite shape and, as it now looks, the recreation place for the children in this pretty borough is almost an assured fact. The first step for its possession was taken a few days ago when Jacob F. Mansure, William Calhoun, Jr. and Frank Dodson entered into an agreement for the purchase of forty-three lots and all the lands belonging to the Delaware County Trust Company of Chester, extending from Ridley Park Borough and along Thirteenth Street and Ridley Avenue for a distance of 1290 feet with an average depth of 490 feet, making about ten acres in all.

This plot of ground extends back to the line of the Trainer tract, and lies on both sides of Stoney Creek. It is partly rolling country, with some level ground with plenty of shade, making an ideal location for the purpose.

REGULAR ATHLETIC FIELD – It is the intention of those having the project in charge to fit the grounds up with all amusements a ball field tennis courts, swings, and house, swimming pool and lake for boating purposes in summer and skating in winter. A charter is to be applied for and after the ground is obtained it will formally be turned over to the proper officials.

In Darby Township, Swope and Stone of Darby have sold the old homes and property of Vernon Dutton, Oak Lane and Chester Pike to C. B. Williams. The property extending from Sharon Hill borough to Glenolden Borough and from Chester Pike to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. The improvements consist of the old homestead and three other buildings on Chester Pike. The plot is about ten acres in all. Alterations and additions to the extent of \$5230 will be made on the store and dwelling of Mrs. Edna C. Hartel of Lansdowne. The work will be done by the Lansdowne Construction Company. In the same borough J. D. Kreftburg of Philadelphia, will erect a two and a half story brick and stone house for F. W. Lawre to cost \$8500

BIG CITY OPERATION – The Chester Realty Company of 619 Edgmont Avenue will break ground on Wednesday on next week for the erection of nine store buildings and eighteen apartments on the tract of land at the northwest corner of Seventh and New Market Streets. The buildings will be constructed of brick and will be three stories in height. The stores will have modern fronts and will be of spacious dimensions. The apartments will be equipped with the most modern conveniences. The building operation when completed, will add greatly to the architectural appearance of that section.

The ten two-story brick dwelling houses being built on Crosby Street between Twelfth and Thirteenth by Contractor J. Irvin Taylor are rapidly nearing completion. All of the houses are under the interior of the buildings. The dwelling are graced with front porches of neat design, and the ornamental work between the top of the porch and the roof adds greatly to the attractive appearance of the houses.

Samuel R. Bell is putting the finishing touches on his new block of houses on West Fifth Street between Lloyd and Pusey Streets. Everyone has a tenant awaiting its completion, which Mr. Bell hopes for inside of a week.

William Deveney, the West End Contractor, has been awarded the contract for the erection of a new parish house for the Greek Catholic Church at Third and Harwick Streets. Work will be commenced upon the structure as soon as the cellars have been dug and the foundations laid. This will consume the greater part of a month. Work will be started the first part of the coming week. The structure will be stone and when finished will be one of the finest in the western section of the city.

The six new houses being erected by John J. Ryan, at Third and Edwards Streets, are rapidly nearing completion. The first of them will be ready for occupancy in about one week. Cement walks will be put down in the course of a week or ten days. As soon as these dwellings are completed ground will probably be broken for the erection of the new dwellings started by Mr. Ryan at Third and Pennell Streets.

Francis Moore, the builder and contractor who has the contract for the erection of the three new stores on Third Street, near Hayes, is progressing rapidly and the buildings will be finished in at least a week.

H. Louis Orris, the builder, has completed the Franklin Street School. He will begin work on the new addition of the Keystone Type Foundry at Fourth and Engle Streets, at once. The employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad are employed in the laying of a new switch into the yards of the company. As soon as this is completed the workmen under Contractor Morris will begin.

There was but one permit granted during the week by Building Inspector T. T. Williams. This was secured by W. C. Worrilow for the erection of a one-story frame structure to be covered with iron, on the West side of Highland Avenue, between Ninth and Tenth Streets.

#### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Collingdale – Milton L. Staley of Collingdale to Albert E. Minton of Philadelphia, House and lot on Pusey Avenue, \$2250

Bethel Township – John Laughead of Bethel Township to T. D. Laughead of same place, Two and three-quarter acres

Collingdale – James Kirk of Collingdale to A. W. Strawb of same place, Lot on Lafayette Avenue, Nom.

Chester – Cambridge Trust Company to Richard Shannon of Chester, House and lot at Twelfth Street and Highland Avenue, \$3000

Chester – Cambridge Trust Company to John R. Rue of Chester, House and lot on West Third Street, \$1000

Chester – W. H. Bond of Santa Ana, Cal. to Robert Ross of Chester, House and lot on West Eleventh street, Nom

Upper Darby – Andrew W. Gray of Upper Darby to James Graham of same place, Three lots at Highland Park, \$1500

Haverford Township – H. M. Craighead of Roxborough to W. H. Booth of Haverford House and ground at Preston, \$2300

Radnor Township - Susan Maguire of Radnor Township to James McCabe of Norristown to J. E. Hennessey of Radnor Township, House and lot on Meredith and Eachus Avenues, \$3125

Upper Darby – T. P. Leycock of Secane to W. S. Miller of Philadelphia, Two lots at Secane Highlands, \$2150

Chester – Mary A. McIntyre of Lower Chichester to John Orloski of Chester, House and lot at Second and Irving Streets, \$2475

Chester – J. Irvin Taylor of Chester to Harry Huhn of Chester, House and lot on West Eighth Street \$3000

Media – Thomas V. Cooper and Sons of Media to Zachariah Cole of Media Lot on Olive Street, Nom

Chester – Mary E. Birkmire of Chester to John A. Birkmire and Sarah B. Thomson, both of Chester, Lot at Morton and Melrose Avenues, Nom

Upper Darby – George Corbion of Philadelphia to Jennie E. Hess of same place, Lot at Drexel Heights, \$200

Swarthmore – Elizabeth N. Garrett of Swarthmore to Albert N. Garrett of same place, Lot on Chester Road, Nom

East Lansdowne – T. L. Palmer of Philadelphia to Florence C. Skillen of East Lansdowne, Two lots on Hirst Avenue, Nom

Darby – Robert B. Beith of Philadelphia to C. J. Graham of Darby, House and lot on Chestnut Street, \$2,000

Radnor – Abraham F. Huston of Coatesville to Pearl P. Smith of Philadelphia, Lot adjoining purchaser's other property, \$1,000

Aldan – Edwin E. Johnson of Aldan to Christian Beener of Montgomery County, on Clifton Avenue, Nom

Haverford Township – W. Percival Johnson of Llanerch to M. M. Corcoran of same place, House and lot at Llanerch, Nom

Chester – Emma Dalton of Norwood to Mary J. Hadfield of Chester, House and lot on West Eight Street, Nom

Chester – James E. Hadfield of Chester to Emma Dalton of Norwood, Property named above, Nom

Ridley Township – Laura R. Spruance of Philadelphia to Katie Ziegler of Ridley Park, Lot on Baltimore Avenue, Nom

Media – Charles G. Garling of Philadelphia to J. H. Peters of Middletown, Lot on Jefferson and Chester Streets, \$500

Ridley Township – Eliza J. Weatherby of Ridley Township to Michael Kowalsky of same place, House and lot on Post Road, \$1350

Upper Darby – George W. Statzell of Drexel Hill to F. B. Snyder of Lansdowne, house and lot at Drexel Hill, \$7300

Darby Township – Frank Dutton of Darby Township to W. B. Chambers of Philadelphia, Ten acres on Darby Pike, \$3670

Clifton Heights – Worthington E. Dotts of Philadelphia to J. Milton Lutz of Llanerch, Six acres and buildings, Nom.

Marple Township – Thomas L. Moore of Marple to Margaret M. Magee of Philadelphia, Twenty-three and one-quarter acres on road to Media, Nom.

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Chester – Henry Pritchard of Chester to Louis A. Clyde and Samuel D. Clyde of same place, House and lot on West Eighth Street, Nom.

Eddystone – Cambridge Trust Company to Clara Bassler of Eddystone, House and lot on Saville Avenue, \$2800

Upper Chichester – Harvey T. Ogden of Upper Chichester to w. J. Graham of Philadelphia, Two lots on McClay Avenue and Hook Road, Nom.

Upper Darby – Samuel Crothers of Philadelphia to Kenneth Walker of same place, Two lots at Drexel Hill \$460

Sharon Hill – Belmont Trust Company to John H. Donohue of Sharon Hill, House and lot on Sharon avenue, \$3800

Glenolden – Girard Trust Company to A. G. Walker and Daniel Deal of Glenolden, Two lots on Elmwood Avenue, Nom.

Darby – William Noden of Kansas City to Frank Chain of Darby, House and lot on Ninth Street, Nom

Yeadon – Bridget M. Horan of Philadelphia to William Friel of Yeadon, Three lots on Elder Avenue, \$600

Sharon Hill – Nellie Quill of Darby to Julius Nelson of Sharon Hill, Two lots on Cherry street, Nom.

Chester – L. N. Anderson of Chester to Frank Collins of Chester, House and lot on Spruce Street, \$2100

Rutledge – Christian Limhauser of Rutledge to Mary T Earley of Philadelphia, House and lot on Linden Avenue, \$5800

Norwood – Charles B. Galloway of Prospect Park to John O. Widdoes of Philadelphia, House and lot on Chestnut Avenue, \$4750

Upper Darby – Margaret T. Whelan of Philadelphia to John M. Whelan of Philadelphia, Two lots at Seaside Highlands, Nom.

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