

CHESTER TIMES – February 20, 1915 – MUCH BUILDING IS PROMISED –  
The Greater Part Will Be Done Out in the County Districts in Eastern Section

Unless there is a fall down in present plans the greater part of the building to be done in this county the coming spring and summer will be confined to the districts outside of this city. Hundreds of houses are planned to go up in Upper Darby Township, Clifton Heights Borough, Darby Borough, Lansdowne Borough and through that section adjacent and contiguous with the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Clifton Heights alone will have more than \$100,000 worth of new buildings go up if present plans carry. The towns in Upper Darby will mean the expenditure of about \$200,000, while the laying of sewers in that township will bring lots of other property into the market for building purposes. Drexel Hill is another of the places that will enjoy a boom the coming summer. Land has increased in price very rapidly in this section.

UPLAND IMPROVEMENTS – Despite the general depression of business throughout the county, Upland seems destined to experience quite a boom during the next few weeks or months. In addition to the houses now under way by Nichols Brothers, which are the first of a proposed operation of thirty-two, ground has been broken for another modern dwelling at Tenth and Main Streets by T. Harry Hammond. On Thursday Samuel T. Pretty disposed of a piece of land on Tenth Street to Morris F. Alcutt, who will immediately begin the erection of an up-to-date home. James P. Richardson, the general contractor of the borough, has started to grade the piece of land at Tenth and Woodside Avenue preparatory to starting six houses to face on Woodside Avenue. Those dwellings, while not so large as some others, will be thoroughly modern. These, with several small operations talked of make it look rather rosy for the borough from a building point of view.

BUILDING INSPECTOR OPTIMISTIC – Speaking of the building outlook for the coming spring and summer months, Terry T. Williams, building inspector, said that the outlook for new buildings was very bright at this particular time and that he fully expects to have his hands full during the next eight or nine months. During the past two weeks he issued the following building permits:

Twain Zabitko, opened in rear of the residence at 223 Wilson Street  
William Ward, two two-story brick dwellings on the northwest corner of  
Fourteenth and Crosby Streets  
C. R. Rosenberg, one-story brick garage in rear of property at Second and Hayes  
Streets  
Bert R. Baker, two-story store and dwelling on the northeast corner of Twentieth  
Street and Edgmont Avenue

BUILDING CHIPS – Contractor Joel Phipps will complete the Linski garage at Ninth Street and Morton Avenue the early part of next week. The cement work has been finished by the Dickerson Paving Company. The large windows on the Morton Avenue side of the building will be placed in position the early part of next week.

The residence at Nineteenth and Chestnut Street, which is in course of erection for Tax Collector Dean J. Deakyne is rapidly rounding into shape. The roof has been put on and Contractor Leslie Taylor has an extra force of workmen employed on the interior of the building.

It will be but a short time before the Lincoln Republic Building at Eighth Street and Edgmont Avenue is completed. Workmen are beautifying the interior of the building and

if the weather permits next week the exterior work will be completed. It is understood that a local hardware dealer will occupy the first floor.

V. Mercadante has about completed his work on the Odd Fellows' Temple at Eighth and New Market Street. The building is occupied by several lodges.

Contractor William Ward will break ground on Monday for two 2-story brick dwellings on the northwest corner of Fourteenth and Crosby Streets. The dwellings will be modern in every detail and will contain all conveniences. With the erection of these two houses there will be very little ground in that section of the city left for building purposes.

A large force of stone masons are at work on the Arthur Machin houses on Twenty-Second Street between Providence Avenue and Potter Street. The foundations will be finished the early part of next week. The eight houses will be of the airlite design.

Ground was broken in the past week for a store and dwelling on the northeast corner of Twentieth Street and Edgmont Avenue for Bert R. Barker. The building will be two stories high and will contain all modern conveniences. Stone masons will start their work the early part of the week if the weather conditions are favorable.

The first floor joints have been placed on two of the four houses being erected at Twenty-Fourth Street and Edgmont Avenue for M. T. Ackerman. The stone masons working on the foundations of the other two houses will finish their work today.

COUNTY SEAT SOLD – Thomas Allen has sold his 37-acre countryseat, Rossalyn, on Baltimore Pike, Wawa Delaware County, to Charles H. Wells. It adjoins the homes of Mrs. C. E. Dohan, Mrs. J. Gibson McCall, George Wood and Coates Coleman. The sale was negotiated by C. P. Peters & Son, brokers, who negotiated the purchase of the same property 15 years ago.

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