

DILWORTH COLLECTION, 1970, 1985-1986

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ABSTRACT

In 1890, Edward Dilworth Latta, Mayor F.B. McDowell, and four other local residents, formed the Charlotte Consolidated Construction Company. They developed a plan for what would become the first Charlotte suburb, named Dilworth, which would provide housing for the ever-increasing number of industrial workers coming to the city. The new community was located south of Charlotte, and included several amenities such as a streetcar system for commuting residents, and Latta Park.

Opening Day for Dilworth was May 20, 1891, with highlights of fireworks and a baseball game before the land auction began. Not all of the lots sold, however, and empty parcels still continued the following year. Fortunes began to change when the Atherton Cotton Mill opened just south of Dilworth in 1892, which was quickly followed by additional plants.

By 1945, the Charlotte Consolidated Construction Company sold its final lots, and went out of business. Dilworth continues to be a prominent neighborhood in Charlotte.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

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