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CITY TO HAVE MOVIE THEATRE

Contract Awarded for Erection of Building at Weymouth and Ventnor Avenues.

During the week a contract has been awarded for the erection of this city's first moving picture house by a company of local as well as Philadelphia business men, who have been greatly interested in the picture industry for a number of years.

Some time ago the site was secured and the plans were prepared so as to be in all readiness when the time arrived for the building to go ahead.

The contract was awarded to Harry Baton, of Philadelphia, who will start work about the 15th of December, and will have the new building completed in four months from that date.

The theatre itself will be of sufficient size to seat at least six hundred people comfortably.

The plans call for the erection of a three-story building of gray brick and tile with six apartments on the upper stories and eight stores on the ground floor besides the theatre itself. Four of these stores will be on Ventnor avenue and four on Weymouth avenue.

The site secured is the corner of Weymouth and Ventnor avenues, a part of which is now occupied by the Ventnor fish market, a one-story structure. The former owner of the lot was Albert Sachse. The moving picture concern will have a frontage of about 75 feet on Ventnor avenue and a depth of 105 feet on Weymouth avenue. The location is regarded as ideal, for it is in Ventnor's business district and about central of the cottage sections. It is understood that over \$150,000 will be expended in the show house and outfit.

This is regarded as one of the important steps of years in the development of our rapidly growing city. Heretofore local people have been obliged to go for all of their entertainment to Atlantic City with the exception of the free concerts and dances given in the municipal casino.

TO PREACH LAST SERMON HERE ON SUNDAY.

Reverend Charles R. Watson, D. D., President of the American University of Cairo, Egypt, who has endeared himself to many in this city by his strong sermons at the Church of St. John's-by-the-Sea at various periods during the past year, will occupy the pulpit for the last time at this church on Sunday.

He will deliver the discourse at both the morning and evening service, and a large number of local residents will attend both services to hear his farewell sermons.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Capt. and Mrs. Samuel G. Higbee, of Port Republic, will be celebrated tomorrow evening at the residence of their daughter, Mrs. Carl M. Voelker, 108 Quincey avenue, north.

CHINA INLAND MISSION.

The China Inland Mission will meet at 3.30 this afternoon at 14 Sacramento avenue, south, and every person is invited to attend the meeting. Rev. S. M. Gillan, of India, will be the speaker this afternoon.

GUILD MEETING.

The December meeting of the Woman's Guild of St. John's-by-the-Sea Sacramento and Ventnor avenues, will be held at the home of Mrs. Harry Rhoads, 8 Sacramento avenue, south, Tuesday afternoon, December 6th, at 3 o'clock.

INFANT DAUGHTER DIES.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Carroll will learn with deep regret of the death of their infant daughter, Jeanette-Elizabeth, on Thanksgiving Eve, at the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia. Mrs. Carroll is slowly recovering from her very serious illness, having just given birth to her daughter of but a few hours. Her many friends unite in expressing their sincere good wishes for her early and complete convalescence.

ASSOCIATION TO MEET.

There will be a meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association of this city at the Troy Avenue School on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock.

After a short business session, Miss Brinton, of Philadelphia, will address the association on the subject of "Milk," which is in line with what the Kindergartens are now doing. Mr. Thomas G. Sheen, president of the Board of Trade, will show your own city, Ventnor, by lantern slides.

CARE SHOULD BE GIVEN TO CHILD

Medical Inspector of Public School Sends Letters to Parents As Precautionary Measure.

For a number of years in the past the regular curriculum of the schools have been seriously hampered by the breaking out of some disease that is common among children, and this year Dr. L. R. Souder, Medical Inspector of the local schools, hopes to avoid this by having the co-operation of the parents themselves.

Dr. Souder for the past few weeks has been making a thorough examination of every school child in the city, and has pointed out to various parents slight defects that have been found in individual cases, but now he intends sending a letter to every parent in order to avoid all of the contagious diseases peculiar to children at this season of the year.

The following is a copy of the letter:

To Parents:

This is the time of year when the contagious diseases peculiar to children are most prevalent. In order to forestall a possible outbreak of serious trouble certain precautionary measures should be taken,—because of the fact that an enlarged inflamed tonsil, a congested throat or a swollen, irritated nasal membrane furnishes a fruitful soil for the lodgment and growth of disease germs, great attention and constant care should be given to these parts. The nose and throat must be kept scrupulously clean, and should be sprayed two or three times a day with some efficient antiseptic solution. It is advised that the family physician be consulted at once as to what to use and how to use it. In order to maintain the natural bodily resistance to the various infections, the state of the general health must be carefully looked after, protecting the child from undue exposure, avoiding, so far as possible, the contracting of "colds." When such conditions do arise, immediate medical advice should be sought.

L. R. SOUDER,
Medical Inspector, Ventnor Public School.

Seen and Heard

Mrs. C. B. Turner entertained a Thanksgiving dinner party at 15 Suffolk avenue, south. The out-of-town guests were Dr. Andrew Ireland, and Misses Aimeda and Anna Ireland, who motored from Philadelphia. Mrs. Turner returned to Philadelphia with the motor party for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. O'Neil and family, of Germantown, opened their cottage at 14 Baltimore avenue, south, for the Thanksgiving week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sauter motored down from Philadelphia with a party of friends and opened the Sauter cottage, at 7201 Atlantic avenue, for Thanksgiving, remaining until Sunday.

Mrs. Edna J. Burns, of 7209 Atlantic avenue, spent the week-end with relatives in Haddon Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Golding and Miss Agnes Golding have returned from a visit to New York.

The many friends of Mrs. F. H. Neale will be gratified to know that she is recovering from her recent illness at her home, 6506 Ventnor avenue. Miss Kathleen Neale, a student at Wilson College, is visiting her parents for a few days, having come east to attend a convention of College Students.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashbrooke Lincoln, of 12 Vassar Square, who have been sojourning in Redlands, Cal., are now in Pasadena.

Mrs. F. C. Henry, formerly of this city, now of Paterson, N. J., spent the Thanksgiving Holidays with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Quinlan, of 36 Weymouth avenue, north, had as their guests for Thanksgiving dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schwendeman, of Germantown; Mr. Rudolph Brandenburg, Staunton, Va.; Mr. Frank Robinson, New York; Miss Quilan and Miss Steele.

AUTOMOBILE LICENSES.

For the convenience of residents of this city and Chelsea, as well as Margate and Longport, Robert W. Bartlett, cashier of the Ventnor City National Bank, has again made arrangements with Andrew S. Orr, Motor Vehicle Agent, to issue the same from the bank.

Mr. Orr will be here only one day, Thursday, December 15th. New drivers licenses can be procured at the same time from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. on the day mentioned above.

TRADE BOARD TO HOLD MEETING

Address To Be Delivered This Evening by Col. Bryant at Troy Avenue School.

Members of the local Board of Trade will hold an important instructive as well as social session this evening in the Auditorium of the Troy Avenue School at 8.30 o'clock.

No business will be transacted as the body held their regular monthly meeting at the Ventnor City National Bank on Tuesday evening, when a large number of the members came out for a number of interesting discussions.

The meeting this evening is another along the policy adopted sometime ago to hold the social sessions separate from the business meetings, and thus not draw them out so late in the evening.

Col. Lewis T. Bryant, Commissioner of Labor of New Jersey, and a large property owner in this city, having built a number of handsome residences on the south side, as well as smaller ones on the avenue named after him in the lower end of the city, will deliver an address illustrated with motion pictures, entitled "Care of the Injured Workman in New Jersey." This address is of intense interest to every citizen and warrants a full attendance of the large membership of the local body.

A buffet luncheon will be served immediately after the lecture.

INSTALL PASTOR OF LOCAL CHURCH

Exercises Last Evening Attended by Ministers From Several Different States.

Ministers from all parts of the state, Pennsylvania and Virginia were in attendance at the Installation Council on Thursday evening at the Community Church when formal installation of Rev. M. S. Poulson as pastor took place.

The Council was composed of ministers of the Congregational Churches, who officially recognized the pastorate of the minister called last May by the local congregation.

Prior to coming to Ventnor, Rev. Poulson was pastor for two years of the Congregational Church at Portsmouth, Virginia. Several months after Rev. Frank S. Ritter, now stationed at Jersey City, had tendered his resignation, the Ventnor church extended a call to Dr. Poulson.

Action taken by the congregation about a month ago resulted in the decision to call an ecclesiastical council with the object of formally installing the minister as the leader of his flock here.

What is known in church circles as an Installation Council, convened at the Ventnor City Community Church (Congregational) Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

This session was a formal one and preparatory for the evening session which was held at 8 o'clock in the church room at Ventnor and Frankfort avenues.

The following program was carried out:

Prelude on the Piano, Mrs. Frank J. Hepler.
Hymn, "More Light Shall Break From Out Thy Word."
Welcome from the City, Hon. Amor W. Brehman, Mayor of Ventnor City.
Greetings from Churches, Rev. Paul R. Hoppe, Ph. D., President Ministerial Union.

Reading Council Minutes, the Scribe Introductory Prayer, Rev. Archibald Black, D. D., Montclair, N. J.
Scripture Lesson, Rev. Edwin R. Holden, Portsmouth, Va.

Hymn, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"
Installation Sermon, Rev. Clarence Hall Wilson, D. D., Glen Ridge, N. J.
Installation Prayer, Rev. Charles W. Carroll, Philadelphia, Pa.

Right Hand of Fellowship, Rev. George P. Eastman, Orange, N. J.
Charge to the Minister, Rev. Howard B. Clarke, Plainfield, N. J.
Charge to the Church, Rev. Jay T. Stocking, D. D., Upper Montclair, N. J.
Hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," Rev. Charles H. Richards, New York City.
Benediction, Rev. Marna S. Poulson

Susquehanna—The Quality Coal
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BOND ORDINANCE PASSES COUNCIL

Will Provide Money For Purchase of Bathing Beach in Lower End of City.

On Monday night at the regular meeting of City Council fresh steps were taken for the purchase of an additional bathing beach, a matter which has been under consideration for a long time. An ordinance providing money for the purchase of such a site was killed at the last meeting of Council. A similar ordinance came up and passed first reading.

A fight may develop on it later, it was indicated.

The ordinance provides for the issuance of \$30,000 in bonds toward the purchase of a beach bounded by Lafayette and Melbourne avenues. The bonds would be a 6 per cent issue.

After the vote had been taken, the City Solicitor was asked to explain the status of the whole beachfront park which is now held by the city under easement deeds. Mr. Wescott explained that \$15,000 has been voted by Council and now is available for the purchase from the land holders of their riparian rights on the beach. Under the present deed, the boardwalk would be moved when 300 feet of beach existed on the ocean side of the walk. All the preliminaries for securing the full rights to the beach have been completed, Mr. Wescott said, but the city is waiting until the matter of the bathing beach is settled so as to avoid duplication of effort in settling the whole matter. The sum of \$15,000 for all the rights along the beach is so small that the rights will be in truth a gift to the city if the plan is carried through.

Specifications for incandescent lamps for the lighting system to replace the out-of-date arcs, were adopted at the Council meeting and bids for the lights will be opened at the meeting on December 27.

It was announced that on next Monday night there will be an executive session of the whole of Council to discuss the 1922 budget.

Personal Chat

Mr. F. J. Duin and Mr. E. J. Bingham, of Philadelphia, were business visitors the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Westing, of St. Davids, Pa., were the guests of friends here over Thanksgiving. Mrs. Westing will be remembered as Miss Helen Somers.

Mr. Jack Garton and Mr. William Tierney, of Waterbury, Conn., visited their cousin, Mr. Henry Tierney, at his home here over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Duane are spending some time with relatives in Montclair, N. J.

Miss Miriam Reed has returned to her home in Philadelphia, after visiting Miss Mildred Davis at her home, 6705 Ventnor avenue.

Mr. John Forsythe has returned to Westtown, after spending the holidays with his parents at their home on Oakland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grant have returned to their home in Flushing, N. Y., after spending several days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Martin, at their home on Oakland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. William Denny have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after spending the week-end as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Cochran at their home, 9 Weymouth avenue, north.

Gordon Youngman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Youngman, of Suffolk and Atlantic avenues, returned to Ithaca, N. Y., where he attends Cornell, after spending the holidays with his parents.

Fred Clark returned to Trenton, N. J., having spent the holidays with his mother at 1 Victoria avenue, north.

Contractor and Mrs. Edward S. Collins and family have taken possession of their newly built home, 107 Harvard avenue, south.

RENEWS ACQUAINTANCE.

Mr. G. N. Robinson, of Ocean avenue, who is still residing at Somers Point, was a Washington visitor last week, and while there renewed his acquaintance with Ambassador Herrick. Many years ago when the Robinson Show was visiting Marion, Ohio, a pair of young tigers came into the world, and President Harding and Ambassador Herrick were in the office of the circus when the brother of Mr. Robinson was informed of the new additions to the circus, and they were immediately named after the two men. Both remembered the instance well when Mr. Robinson called on them during his visit.

LAND OWNERS HAVE SOCIETY

Protective Association Formed to Enforce St. Leonard's Tract Land Restrictions.

The St. Leonard's Association for the protection of property in the tract, and for the purpose of seeing that all restrictions were carried out was fully organized on the 18th of November, as announced heretofore, with Almerin Marston as President, Allen B. Endicott, Jr., Solicitor, and Harold W. Faunce, Secretary and Treasurer.

The following gentlemen were elected directors of the Association: Amor W. Brehman, Homer I. Silvers, Wilbur Zimmerman, J. Vaughan Mathis, Allen B. Endicott, Jr., Aaron Champion, Herbert A. Faunce, Thomas Youngman, Almerin Marston, W. H. Martin, G. Arthur Bolte, George A. Gumphert, W. J. Carrington, Geo. B. Wilson, Frank J. Myers, James M. Daly, Charles C. Beyer, J. Coles Brick, Agnew T. Dies, W. James Montgomery, Harold W. Faunce, William J. Beury, George A. Bourgeois, Theodore W. Schimpf, and John S. Westcott.

There are 212 property owners in the tract and 55 were enrolled at the first meeting, which organized with the election of officers.

The tract covers a distance of about eight city blocks, running from the beach to the Throughfare. All told there are upwards of a thousand separate lots.

Included in the section are homes which are valued at upwards of \$100,000. No property owner has as yet attempted to evade the restrictions.

The contemplated violation of one owner has stirred the occupants of homes in the district into action. Under the law it requires that when a violation of restriction is undertaken there must be immediate protest filed, and failure to protest is accepted in law as an acquiescence on the part of neighbors to the violation. It also gives the same privilege to violate restrictions to other land owners if a protest is not registered.

The solicitor was instructed to file protest against the contemplated erection of an apartment house and stores at Surrey and Ventnor avenues, and a bill was filed in the Court of Chancery, and the owner of the land so notified. Since that time he has notified the solicitor that he will modify his plans and will not erect any building that will violate the restrictions.

The most important work of the Association is to perpetuate the restrictions and to accomplish this the assistance of every property owner is necessary.

A meeting will be held at the Oxford Avenue School, Monday evening, December fifth, at eight o'clock, to formulate plans for this work, and it is expected that many other property owners will be present at that time to take an active part in carrying out these plans.

XMAS FUND CHECKS.

Those who were enterprising enough to take out Christmas funds last year have been receiving checks during the past few days. Some of the banks have not as yet mailed the checks, but those who were in the club at the Ventnor City National Bank received their checks yesterday, just in time to use for the payment of the second half of the municipal taxes, provided they wanted to use it for this purpose.

When taxes were payable later in the month than they are now many took out cards as an easy way of having the taxes ready, and the early mailing of checks this year was greatly appreciated by many.

The fund this year in the local bank, as well as those of Atlantic City, is larger than ever, and the progressiveness of the people has been shown by a larger percentage of the people keeping up their payments throughout the entire year.

Both of the local banks are now announcing Christmas clubs for next year.

TAX OFFICE BUSY.

During the past few days the office of Tax Collector James G. Scull has been a busy place, many property owners making a last minute rush to pay the second half of their taxes, which was due and had to be paid on or before Thursday. The penalty of eight per cent interest always causes a rush on the last days of the tax period.

Deliveries at any time desired daily and this insures Ventnor householders the best service for all kinds of sea foods, if orders are given to the CHELSEA FISH MARKET, 2707 Atlantic Avenue. Phones—Bell 2180 and 2181