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**LIONS' EXTRA OF ATLANTIC CITY PRESS**

"One of the big surprise hits of the Lions' Charter Banquet at the Breakers on Saturday evening was the 'Lions' Club Special,' a ten page 'extra' written (with the exception of a few special articles), composed and printed by the Press-Union staff. The 'extra' was notable for its novel and original make-up, its illustrations, the fine craftsmanship in its display advertising technique, and it won quick commendation from both the members of the shore club and the Lions' International officers present."—Atlantic City Press.

The above is strictly true. The Press might have been a bit more generous in its recognition of the Press Committee of the Lions' Club, one member of which gave his entire services for several days in aiding the preparation of the edition, but this does not detract from the fact that in getting out the "Lions' Extra," the Press-Union performed a notable newspaper feat.

It is a pleasure to be able to extend praise and congratulation to the Press-Union for its special edition which, by the way, is to be forwarded to every Lions' Club in America by international officers as an example of real achievement in publicity work. In getting out such a fine edition the Press-Union benefits both the Lions and Atlantic City, and it clinches its right to demand a place as one of the leading newspapers of New Jersey. With its splendid plant, its notable editorial and advertising staff, and its new A B C advertising rating, the Press has become a real asset to the resort and an institution of which every person in Atlantic City should be proud.

**NEW PENNSY STATION**

There is splendid recognition of the importance of Ventnor, Margate and Longport as well as of Chelsea in the announcement that the Pennsylvania Railroad will establish a new station at Hartford and Winchester avenues and inaugurate four new fast trains for special benefit of the people of this section of Absecon Island. It is not beyond the province of the Ventnor News as a paper devoted to the interests of its own people to ask that they tender the support of their patronage to this new railway venture.

It is especially gratifying to learn that the Pennsy officials have planned especially for the convenience of commuters from this section in preparing to lay out a fine motor driveway and parking place for motor cars in connection with the plans for the new Chelsea station. There is something particularly comforting and gratifying to the business man coming from his maybe hard day at the office to be met at his home station by his own car with the ease of the home folks ready to

greet him as he alights. The Ventnor News expresses its best wishes to the railway innovation which gives the central and lower section of Absecon Island the station and service which it undoubtedly deserves.

**NEWSPAPER TRIALS**

Ventnor City has had another of those well known trials by newspaper and as consequence has met with court rebuff and faces imminent possibility of having two chiefs of the Police Department to pay. Unless there is some flaw in the proceedings as yet unknown, William E. Sprague is again Chief of Police entitled to emolument as such and in position to collect a nice bunch of back salary which will come directly from the pockets of the taxpayers.

There seems to linger in the minds of city officials, not alone in Ventnor, that when they have made accusations, held enough hearings to give the newspapers a few scare heads and otherwise whooped 'er up for a few days or weeks that the baby is named and that the affair is over. When will they learn that there is absolute and exact legal method of carrying out proceedings which involve the position and reputation of men who hold places in city departments; that it is not enough to convince the agile-minded reporters of the guilt of the man under fire? The newspaper trial is a strictly American proposition — spectacular — but sometimes pitifully lacking in results as compared to orderly procedure with proper legal safeguard as to the manner of its conducting.

**FIX THE STREETS**

Members of Ventnor City Council could give their project for improving city streets a big boost by the mere changing of the meeting place for holding their official — taxpayer symposiums on the subject. Just now the meetings are being held in the well-warmed, nicely-lighted Council Chamber in City Hall where a tax dollar appears about the size of a cart wheel while the problem of paving or otherwise fixing up the highways dims by time and distance almost into the nebulous.

Why not change the meeting place? Pick out a nice juicy day like last Saturday, send out hurry calls for a mass meeting, and hold that same mass meeting right in the centre of any one of some two-score cross streets of our fair city. It might be well to advise those invited to bring along some rubber boots, umbrellas and some pneumonia-killer of the hip variety, but these things are mere details which can be settled later.

There might not be such a crowd. Perhaps only the very enthusiastic would respond. But there is a nice little bet waiting in this office for stray takers who wish to wager that those who attended ever again would raise voice against any measure which would cause immediate and thorough action to remove from Ventnor City the real disgrace of highways or approve paving or repair of streets ranging from bad to awful, and from merely cussable to a state of miry squidginess that makes them practically impassable.

The state of Ventnor streets has reached a plane where improvement no longer should be a problem. The official or officials who went out on a good rainy day, made formal inspection and then had nerve enough to go ahead with the paving or whatever improvement is needed might not be popular at the time of such ordering. But the day would come when at end of long and useful life, they could lay down to peaceful death, knowing that there would be a lot of friends at their funerals.

**WHERE THE VENTNOR NEWS STANDS**

The Ventnor News expects to get into the coming contest for the Mayoralty of Ventnor up to what might be called, its editorial neck. The Ventnor News is deeply in-

**THE GOLFING PARSON**

By Charles Scheuer  
It was a Scottish minister  
Who though he'd often scoff,  
Became, as other scoffers have,  
A devotee of golf.  
But (though I grieve to tell the tale)  
When he would swipe the air  
Or plow the "green" this minister  
Most dreadfully would swear.  
Until the elders of his church  
With solemn faces came  
To him and said: "Stop swear-  
ing so,  
Or else give up the game."  
Then quoth the Scottish minister:  
"It does make me so mad  
To miss the ball, I can't refrain  
From using language bad.  
"But since I cannot play at golf  
Unless I swear a wee,  
I'll give it up." "What! Golf!"  
they cried,  
"Why no—the ministry."

terested in the project of giving New Jersey a new Republican Governor who will serve his state and its people safely, sanely and with real courage; it believes it shares with the voters the responsibility of doing everything possible toward nomination and election of candidates of the highest grade for national, state and county officers.

But its chief interest lies in the welfare of Ventnor and in the kind of men or women who are selected to govern this splendid city. It welcomes as a privilege the duty of giving its maybe poor best to further the political advancement of those who will pledge themselves to consider Ventnor first—consider Ventnor and its citizens before they consider the aims of mere politicians or their own selfish interests.

The Ventnor News will not attempt to dictate to the slightest degree; neither will it advise beyond a certain editorial limit. During the campaign now opening, its news columns will be kept free of partisanship that is not the partisanship of Ventnor progress, and its editorial columns will state nothing that can be taken to mean support of any man or woman who is not worthy of support as a real disciple of Ventnor advancement.

Ventnor residents and taxpayers need no printed word to aid them in selection of those who are to manage this great resort city. But it is the belief of the Ventnor News that there will be a welcome for a fearless and independent journal which will set before the people the very latest and most carefully compiled information regarding both men and issues. It will be the aim, therefore, to secure and present the names, the spoken pledges and the prospects of those who may enter the lists for Ventnor City office, be they candidates for positions great or small. So far as the Ventnor News is concerned, there will be no bias in its political news and no cringing in fear or pandering for favor in its editorial outlook on the developments in Ventnor politics. The Ventnor News is for Ventnor—that is its political platform.

**Sprague To Be Police Chief**

William Sprague, Chief of Police, will be restored to duty for the present, at least, according to the statements of Ventnor City officials. Supreme Court order, reinstating Sprague to office is not to be ignored, and City Solicitor John Westcott announced yesterday that the order would be obeyed.

The status of Chief Fringe, under the court order, leaves him without office. Legal experts contend that as there was no vacancy when he was appointed that he has no legal right to the place and he probably will be retired for the present, at least. There will be further moves on the part of Mayor Brehman and other officials, but they refuse to announce their plans.

**Athletic High Alose Range**

Douglas, of Ventnor, Acting  
Cn of Debating Team

U Ventnor shall have a High school of its own, The VEJOR NEWS intends that activities of Ventnor stud at Atlantic City High shall have proper recognition. For present, Anard W. cha of this department. Litt, Sophomore, is in Anpws items concerning Ver students should be bro to his attention.

Anard W. Littman  
La Friday night our Varsity team Atlantic City High School against defeat at the hands of St. a Prep. I noticed, however at our team was by no mean low but played a fast and snagg game. Our cheers and crieers all to no avail as the oppets knew their plays and real reserve praise for the wonder showing they made. Let's hope have no more games like this.


**Dramatic Society**  
Dig my ramblings through the ills of A. C. H. S., I encountered a few of the faculty advisors of the Dramatic Society and learned their production will staged on March 11 at the Kei Theatre. The title of the play "Quality Street" and judging the enthusiasm the member this splendid organization has displayed, I truthfully believe the play will surpass the protions of the previous years.

**Doings of the Forum**  
The last meeting of the Forumes the installation of officerpok place. The new officers prosed to do their best and thaed the members for the support they received. A heated debathen began over matters relat to the pins which hadn't be definitely settled until this meng. Dr. Dike, faculty advis then gave a few lessons on defing. A few topics were discud and debated upon. A humeus side of the meeting was thfact that we imagined we we in the House of Representativ at Washington.

**The Herald**  
Friday last the Herald came oumuch to the delight of their subscribers. The Herald is a scol magazine coming out mthly and giving a review of thimportant events in the precdng month. Mr. Whelan and Ms Grace Mary Moore were "otted." These students are vy popular throughout their alimater. The Joker's Column w bubbling over with quips, humous incidents happening in the vrious rooms and concerning soe of the happenings of the pills. A picture of the new hip school was given and a page explaining the "wonders" of the ne edifice.

**The Athenium**  
Miss Dorothy Kahn, the scribe of his organization, gave me a rept of some of the activities of the society for under classmen. I noted that it has been decided up to have a debate with the second team of the Forum as the Fomnites have accepted the challenge. Douglas Neal of 6506 Ventnor avenue, one of our active stuents residing in Ventnor, is acting captain of the debating team representing the Athenium. Th other members are Frank Seger, Morton Sontheimer and Olve Filer who is the alternate. Th above organization has quite a png list of activities. They hare mock trials, debates, dramatizations and many other things which they participate in at their regular weekly meetings.

One of the most elaborate banquets ever given in Atlantic City was held last Saturday night on the Breakers' Roof by the Lions' Club. A real jungle with animals roaming about surprised and delighted members and their numerous out of town guests.



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