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Held Six Hours In Ventilator Shaft

William Dieseroth, Margate Public School Janitor, Faces Death at Depth of 30 Feet

Imprisoned for six hours at the bottom of a ventilator shaft thirty feet in depth, William Dieseroth, janitor of the Margate public school, last Saturday had the most nerve-racking experience of an eventful life of 65 years. Timely arrival of his son who sought assistance in the rescue probably saved his life.

A broken chain caused all the trouble. In order to repair the damage it was necessary for Dieseroth to lower himself into the thirty-inch square hollow shaft of metal, which he did by letting himself down a stout rope fastened to the girders in the attic of the school building.

After having adjusted the chain links Dieseroth essayed to climb out of the shaft by means of the rope, but his strength failed him. His son had expected to go to the building to assist his father but he was delayed for several hours and in the meantime the aged janitor through repeated efforts to climb the rope and also to attract attention had become quite weak, his condition being also affected to some extent by gases which were being forced through the ventilator.

Failure of his son to respond to his calls for help led the father to have misgivings and since the school would be closed until Monday he feared that he might be compelled to remain imprisoned until he could indicate his presence to the teachers or pupils then.

It was only by merest chance that the son heard the pounding on the metal sides of the shaft indicating that his father was in trouble. After his rescue Dieseroth went to his home on Washington avenue greatly unnerved by the experience.

David Braunstein III At Pittsburgh Home

Young Merchant Who is Soon to Take Over Schuldenfrei's Store Suffering from Typhoid

David Braunstein, formerly a member of the firm of Braunstein-Blatt Company and more recently attached to Kaufman Brothers, owners of the largest department store in Pittsburgh, is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever at his home in that city. S. M. Braunstein, his father, left his home in Ventnor Monday to visit his son.

The younger Mr. Braunstein's resignation from his responsible position with Kaufman Brothers was to have become effective within a week, and he had planned

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Tax Assessors of the City of Ventnor City will sit in Council Chamber at City Hall, Ventnor City, N. J., on Friday, January 2, 1925, between the hours of 8 P. M. and 5 P. M., when the assessment list for the year 1925 may be inspected by any taxpayer for the purpose of enabling such taxpayer to ascertain what assessments have been made against him or his property and to confer informally with the assessors as to the correctness of the assessments to the end that any error may be corrected before the filing of the assessment list and duplicate with the Atlantic County Board of Taxation.

P. E. HOWARD,
E. STEELMAN ROYAL,
CHARLES H. HARRISON,
Adv. Board of Assessors.

Richards to Be "Disciplined" For Break With Senator Edge, say Trenton Reports

Atlantic County Senator Slated to Lose Highly Prized Place on Judiciary Committee as Breach With United States Senator Grows Wider

It would appear that punishment is about to be meted out to Senator Emerson L. Richards for his offense in wandering outside the Edge reservation during the primaries preceding the November election. Word comes from Trenton that Atlantic County's representative in the upper branch of the State Legislature is to lose his highly desirable membership in the Senate Judiciary Committee, and if this prediction proves true the breach between Edge and Richards, first apparent when Edge refused to come to Richards' aid in the State senatorial primaries two years ago, will be materially widened.

Senator Richards, it is reported, also did his best to persuade Senator Edge to lend his aid to the Bader-Johnson-Richards faction during the Commission election last spring, but without avail. When Senator Edge in his role as State leader behind the Edge candidacy for the United States Senate it was freely predicted that the feud would be carried to the legislative halls at Trenton, and this prediction now appears to be verified.

But no one who knows Senator Richards expects him to accept the discipline about to be visited upon him with complacency. He is a fighter, first of all, and he is remarkably resourceful. Senator Edge, in his role as State leader, will find Richards a power to be reckoned with, and one who may throw many a monkey wrench into the political machinery at the State Capitol during the winter months.

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Christmas Gifts Are Burned After Crash

Women's Finery Destroyed as Department Store Truck Collides With Touring Car

When a truck of the Preis Department Store, driven by Nathan Abrams, 19, collided last Saturday afternoon with a touring car driven by H. S. Zeigler of 6 North Baltimore avenue, it was necessary to call the fire department to extinguish the blaze that resulted. The truck, laden with Christmas gifts, was completely demolished.

According to witnesses Mr. Zeigler was coming towards Ventnor avenue from North Wyoming avenue. The truck was coming down Ventnor avenue, but could not stop in time to prevent the collision. As a result of the smash-up the Preis truck, laden with valuable Christmas presents, was turned completely over and set on fire. No arrests were made. Both drivers escaped serious injury, only receiving a few minor cuts and bruises.

The fire department responded to the alarm sent in and extinguished the flames in five minutes. Handsome gowns, lingerie and silks were burnt completely before the firemen arrived.

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Marine 7900—Adv.



SEN. EMERSON L. RICHARDS

Reception Tonight To New Clergyman

Rev. Walter Bruggeman Arrives at Shore to Take Charge of Ventnor Community Church

Rev. Walter Bruggeman, newly elected minister of the Ventnor Community (Congregational) Church, will preach his first sermon as pastor of his charge at the shore this evening when he conducts the watch night services. He succeeds Rev. Marna S. Poulson who now heads the Anti-Saloon League of New Jersey. Prior to the religious gathering this evening a reception will be tendered Rev. Walter Bruggeman by the members and friends of the church.

It is expected that Rev. Walter Bruggeman will arrive in Ventnor this afternoon and will take up his permanent residence at 5211 Atlantic avenue. Here he will reside as long as he is the pastor of the Ventnor Community Church.

Rev. Walter Bruggeman is leaving a charge in the small town of Boothwyn, Pa., where he was a minister for the last four years. While in this town he gained an enviable reputation as a worker of good and a preacher of unusual ability.

It is believed that Rev. Bruggeman is the youngest pastor at the shore. He is thirty years of age. He is married. During the World War, Rev. Bruggeman entered the service as a chaplain and for eighteen months ministered to the spiritual needs of the American soldiers.

His early training was received at Princeton University where he distinguished himself in his scholastic studies and debating ability. After completing the academic course in Princeton, Rev. Bruggeman entered the theological seminary of Princeton University and graduated with high honors.

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Old Ocean Ceases War On Longport

Beach Accretions Now Noted Where Havoc Was Wrought by Storms of Previous Years

Longport has ceased to be the ocean's plaything. Buffeted by high tides, laid waste in sections and in almost constant dread of the Atlantic's assaults for a period extending from 1911 to 1921, the progressive, fast growing community on the lower end of Absecon Island now appears to have come into its own.

Captain Samuel E. Holdzkom, keeper for many years of the Federal Coast Guard station in Longport, declares that the beach is at a higher level now than at any time during the years he has been located there. As proof of this he cites the fact that he recently walked on the beach oceanward of the Sea Wall at low tide from Twenty-third avenue to the Eleventh avenue jetty, without getting his feet wet.

Captain Holdzkom also reports he found the beach was building up materially on the south-west side of the Eleventh avenue jetty, towards Ocean City. For many years serious losses were encountered in this section through storms and high tides, during which great inroads were made on the beach. The sand removed by the waves was carried to Ocean City, where beach accretions were made as fast as they were lost by Longport.

Homes were undermined and destroyed and in some instances the lives of occupants were endangered during the terrific storms that swept this section of the Atlantic coast. But this danger now appears to have passed and residents of Longport are happy as a consequence.

New Pier Loop Approved By Margin of One Vote

Ventnor Councilmen Approve Pier Loop Project by a Vote of Four to Three

By a vote of four to three, Ventnor Council, at the last meeting of the year, authorized the creation of a new street 50 feet in width, joining Cornwall and Cambridge avenue, 250 feet south of Atlantic avenue.

Prior to consideration of the measure, which was introduced by Councilman Moore on November 10, opportunity was afforded for a public hearing, but only one taxpayer, George A. Bourgeois, speaking, however, only for himself, urged upon Council to not only to pass the measure providing for the proposed street, but insisted that immediate steps should be taken to acquire all vacant land abutting the Municipal Pier site. Mr. Bourgeois contended that the time will come when the city will find it necessary to do so and felt that acquisition now would cost from three to five times less than it will in a few years.

"You gentlemen cannot afford to do anything but pass it," said Mr. Bourgeois, referring to the pending ordinance. "The large number of heavy taxpayers favoring its passage shows that

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JOHN W. RISLEY
Energetic Mayor of Margate City, who is devoting all his efforts towards advancing the welfare of his community

Margate In Throes Of Building Boom

Construction of Homes During Past Year Involve an Expenditure of \$2,000,000

With nine sub-divisions each reflecting in a measure the best features of home development projects in various parts of the country Margate City is now in the throes of a real estate boom unprecedented in the history of Absecon Island. Construction of handsome cottages is proceeding at an amazing rate, the past twelve months showing building to the extent of approximately two million dollars, which is deemed by those in close touch

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Arauna M. Vail, Dies At Home in Ventnor

Was Senior Member of Largest Perfume Manufacturing Firm in the Country

Arauna M. Vail, senior member of the firm of Vail Brothers, rated among the most prominent perfume manufacturers in the country, died recently in Ventnor, where he had made his home for the last two years. Prior to his removal to Ventnor he had resided in Atlantic City for twelve years. Interment was made Tuesday of last week in the family plot at Plainfield, following private services in his Ventnor home and services later at the Oliver Bair funeral parlors in Philadelphia.

Mr. Vail, who was 71 years old, commuted daily between the shore and his place of business at Fifth and Dauphin streets, Philadelphia. He was a member of the Chelsea Baptist Church, and Rev. T. J. Cross, pastor, officiated at the services here and accompanied the body to Philadelphia with Mrs. Vail and other relatives.

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—Marine 2180 and 2181.—Adv.

Ventnor Is Facing Budget Increases

Many Improvements Scheduled for 1925—Police and Firemen Seek More Pay

With the chief budget items still to be determined Council as a committee of the whole will meet in conference next Monday night to make the final draft of the appropriation ordinance to be introduced in January.

Growth of the city will make necessary increases in certain budget items which affect public utilities, the city having committed itself to a program of service since copied by other municipalities. Ash and rubbish collection is now a permanent feature of progressive cities. The sanitary appropriation, which includes municipal disposal of all refuse in addition to garbage, will probably be increased to make possible adequate collections.

Members of the police and fire departments are said to have been led to believe that they will receive an increase in wages if a way can be found to provide the funds without causing too great a jump in the tax rate.

An insistent demand by the general public for more adequate street lighting facilities presages a material increase in the appropriation for that purpose.

Creation of additional voting precincts enjoined by state law as the result of the heavy vote cast at the general election will necessitate a larger budget on that score.

Street improvement plans made necessary by public demand indicates a larger appropriation in order that the work actually required might be accomplished.

Expansion of the Municipal Pier and playgrounds, including tennis courts, will require more funds than heretofore and with the ever-increasing demands made by residents for more entertainment Council has been urged to provide adequate funds for more comprehensive amusement features.

Christmas Spirit All Pervading At Shore

Festivities and Charities Planned on Larger Scale Than Ever Throughout Absecon Island

When Kris Kringle drives over the resort tonight with his legendary reindeers he will find merriment and jollity on all sides. Never have more festivities and charities been planned by individuals and organizations of the shore than during the present Yuletide.

Everyone, from the kindergarten children to the patriarchal organizations of the shore, is doing something to make the Christmas holidays a little brighter for others. In the public schools the pupils have all taken to selling Red Cross seals and by their persistence have greatly assisted in

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ARE YOU A CROSS WORD ADDICT?

No greater indoor sport was ever invented than this latest brain-teasing pastime. As well enter the ranks of its devotees now as later, for you're bound to become enrolled some time. The series of cross word puzzles published weekly in the VENTNOR NEWS is about as intricate as they come. If you solve them you are sure to rank with the best. The answer to this week's puzzle will be published in the next issue.