

**Margate is Aroused
by New School Need**

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the number likely to leave the school at the end of the term, shows that the full enrollment will be far in excess of the present capacity. In addition, it is a matter of record that a large number of children are being sent to the Ventnor schools by property owners residing in the extreme upper section of Margate, the cost of tuition being paid to Ventnor by the parents. The membership of the Board of Education includes: William H. Whittaker, president; Mrs. B. Boynton Filer, vice-president; Seth Page, secretary; Anthony Gertzen, Jr., and Dr. Theodore Senseman.

Opinions will be invited by the board touching the matter of size and style of building to be erected. Many property owners who have taken a keen interest in the matter of schools have taken the trouble to make a survey of new cottages being erected in the upper section of the city, and have learned that the number of houses indicates an influx possible next fall of over 200 pupils if all the dwellings are occupied and the usual ratio of children to a family shall prevail. It is, therefore, contended by those who favor modern economic methods that a building be erected large enough to accommodate the probable increase during the next five years.

In view of the known advocacy by County Superintendent Cressman of group buildings, not a few taxpayers are favorable to the innovation which has proved most advantageous in many southern sections. Under this plan there would eventually be three or possibly four buildings on the ground now owned by the city.

Others favor the unit system, which contemplates the construction of a portion of a building based on a general plan stipulated in the original specifications for a completed structure. By this method a compact structure would result eventually, although the construction might be extended over a period of years, additions being made as the demand for more rooms became apparent.

In view of the importance of the matter in hand it is expected that the Commission Chamber will be crowded to capacity tomorrow night.

**Beach Improvements
May Total \$150,000**

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exceed \$75,000, but other expenditures for a general improvement of needed facilities on the beachfront, including, of course, the proposed comfort stations, will necessitate the raising of probably \$150,000 by means of a bond issue.

Council will also probably pass on first reading the recently completed zoning ordinance, the draft of which was submitted by the special commission named to make changes necessary in the original in order that it might conform to the statute. The suggestion that the measure be held up pending possible action by the Legislature on the recommendation of Governor Silzer that the constitution of the State be amended to make zoning absolutely legal was unfavorably received.

Mayor Adams and former Mayor Marston attended the conference and joined in the discussion of the various projects presented.

Kangaroos outnumber sheep two to one in the Australian Northwest where they are proving a nuisance.

The Greeks originated shorthand.

**Ventnor Loses Money
by Dilatory Tactics**

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sidering the advisability of getting into communication with County Tax Board officials and requesting them to urge the municipalities which have hitherto been slow in submitting their records to use more speed this year. Atlantic City lost a considerably larger sum than Ventnor last year through the same causes.

Mr. Scull points out that the County Board of Taxation cannot fix the rate for the county tax until all the municipalities have been heard from. Last year, he said, Ventnor received its tax rate from the county on May 22, whereas tax bills, according to law, became delinquent on June 1. As a consequence the sum of \$312,000 which should have been collected up to June 1 was not in the city's coffers until July 1, and the amount lost to the city in interest charges totaled \$1,560. Atlantic City's loss for the same reason amounted to several thousand dollars.

In Camden and other South Jersey counties, said Mr. Scull, tax bills were in the hands of the property owners before Ventnor, Atlantic City and other Atlantic county municipalities knew what the tax rate would be. The law in this regard, to which slight attention is paid, is to the effect that tax duplicates should be in the hands of the collector on April 1.

Because of the unusually long delay experienced last year, Tax Collector Scull was compelled to issue the following notice to Ventnor taxpayers: "Owing to the lateness in receiving the tax rate from the Atlantic County Tax Board and the consequent delay in sending out the tax bills, City Council has authorized the tax collector to accept payment of the first half of the 1924 taxes at any time up to July 1, 1924, without the interest penalty."

**Sinking Fund Bonds
Now Total \$341,942**

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are as follows: Purchase of investments, \$59,400; Sinking Fund bonds paid in 1924, \$75,000; Sinking Fund cash balance on December 31, 1924, \$6,730; total disbursements and cash balance, \$140,770. The value of the bonds actually held at the close of the year is fixed at \$341,942.

Mayor Carleton E. Adams is president of the Sinking Fund Commission; George H. Bratten is secretary, and the members of the Commission are Clement Wasleski, Adam Freund and Charles C. Beyer. Allen B. Endicott, Jr., is solicitor to the Commission.

**Annual Financial Statement
Reveals Stability of Ventnor**

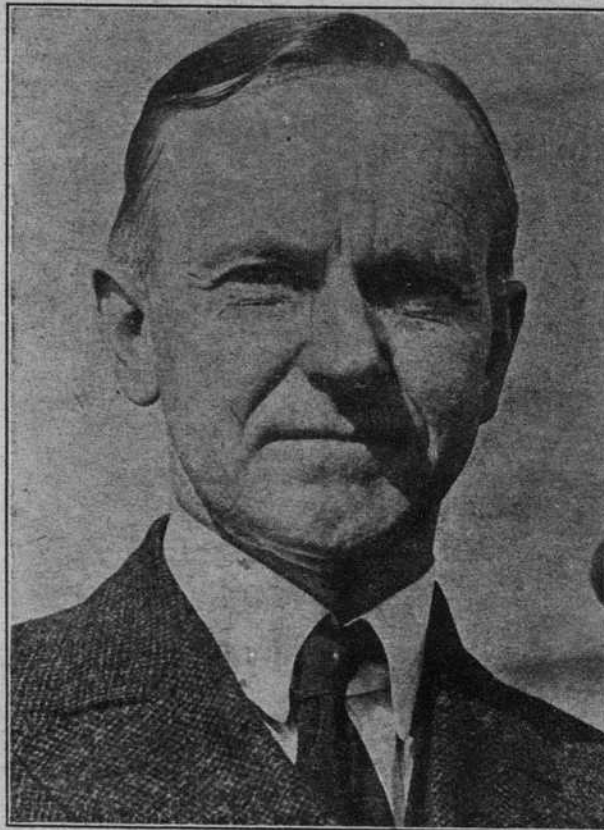
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bonds outstanding on January 1, 1924, amount to \$340,000. The tax revenue notes outstanding on January 1, 1924, amounted to \$3,118. During the year additional notes were issued in a total of \$140,000. The sum of \$81,076 was paid during 1924, leaving a balance on December 31 of \$62,041.

The total of general improvement notes outstanding on January 1, 1924, was \$309,494 and there was issued during the twelve months that intervened a total of \$413,740. Of this aggregate \$135,524 was paid, leaving a balance on December 31, 1924, of \$587,710.

At the close of 1924 the city had on deposit in cash \$15,220 in the Ventnor Trust Company's vaults, and \$53,244 in the Ventnor City National Bank, a total of \$68,435.

Mother polar bears frequently have three cubs at a time.

**President Coolidge Is Unruffled By
Activities Before Inauguration**



CALVIN COOLIDGE
Calm on Eve of Inauguration

WASHINGTON, March 3—As the inauguration approaches, the most placid and unconcerned person in the capital is the one who will be the principal figure tomorrow and for four years thereafter.

President Coolidge is busy signing bills, and, according to one of his close friends, "wondering what he will do with other bills." He is also sending to the Senate daily a big batch of Post Office and routine nominations. He closed up his advance preparation for the inauguration, with which all Washington is busy, when he finished his address a week ago.

Between now and 11 o'clock tomorrow morning, when he leaves the White House to take the oath before Chief Justice Taft, he will study legislation sent down by Congress.

Frank W. Stearns and Capt. Adolphus Andrews, the President's naval aide, were busy about the White House going over inaugural plans. The President's father, Col. John C. Coolidge, arrived today and this evening was passed quietly.

The only casual interest the President has shown is in the arrangements centered on the reviewing stands in front of the White House, from which he will witness the parade, the chief attraction of the ceremony. He strolled out of the White House at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and walked around the unfinished carpentering, examining the framework carefully and figuring on the seating capacity. Returning, he was at his desk early, took up the daily routine and had a number of appointments.


Dawes Visits Old Friends
Vice-President-elect Dawes received callers throughout the day and passed an hour yesterday morning at the Treasury, where he served as Comptroller of the Currency under President McKinley and as Director of the Budget under President Harding. Half of the time yesterday morning was devoted to shaking hands with budget officials and talking with Budget Director Lord.

Senator Curtis, Chairman of the Joint Congressional Committee for the Inauguration, announced today the program for the exercises at the Capitol. Special places were assigned Senators, Representatives, Diplomatic Corps, the Cabinet, the

Supreme Court and Chiefs of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

The Vice-President-elect will enter with the Committee on Arrangements, will be announced and seated on the left of the President pro tem. The President, escorted by the same committee, will be announced and seated in front of the clerk's desk. The President pro tem, will administer the oath, deliver his address and declare the Senate adjourned sine die.

The Vice-President will assume the chair, prayer will be offered and the Vice-President will deliver his address. The proclamation calling an extra session of the Senate will be read and the Vice-President will administer



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oaths to the new Senators. Special routes were announced for the various participants and spectators of the Senate proceedings to reach the inaugural platform in front of the Capitol. After the oath and the address, the President will be escorted from the platform to his automobile, and, with an accompaniment of troopers, will proceed back to the White House. Special precautions will be taken by the secret service to protect the President during the ceremony.

The revised list of Governors who will attend was announced by Chairman Gallier of the Citizens' Committee as follows, some Governors having withdrawn their acceptances and others added theirs:

Gov. C. J. Morley of Colorado; Gov. John H. Trumbull of Connecticut; Gov. R. P. Robinson of Delaware; Lieut. Gov. Henry H. Denhardt of Kentucky; Gov. Alvan T. Fuller of Massachusetts; Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland; and Gov. J. G. Winant of New Hamp-

shire; Gov. George S. Silzer of New Jersey; Gov. Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania; Gov. Aram J. Lee Trinkle of Virginia; Gov. Franklin S. Billings of Vermont; Gov. Adam McMullen of Nebraska; Gov. Nellie Ross of Wyoming; Cuno H. Rudolph of the District of Columbia; Lieut. Gov. Seymour Lowman of New York; Lieut. Gov. C. H. Lewis of Ohio; Gov. Jackson of Indiana, and Lieut. Gov. Fred E. Sterling of Illinois.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH?
Mrs. Friendly—"And do you want your little son to follow in his father's footsteps?"
Mrs. Truthful—"Heavens, no. If he does he will fetch up every day at some bootlegger's door."

LAZY LARRY AGAIN
Zeke—"Say Larry, I'd like to take you in with me on the promotion of this land."
Larry—"Nope, thanks. Two-thirds of promotion is motion and it's not for me."

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