

Y. M. C. A. PROSPECTS ARE DISCUSSED

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN LISTEN TO ASSOCIATION OFFICERS.

About 25 business and professional men of the city took supper together at the Missoula hotel last night, and after having done justice to an appetizing meal, listened to a talk by George D. McDill of Chicago. Mr. McDill is a general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who devotes his energies to the industrial branch of the association work.

The supper was planned on short notice, the first suggestion of it coming from a meeting of the Neighborhood club last Saturday night, at which J. A. Goodell, another Y. M. C. A. man, was present. Knowing that Mr. McDill was to pass through Missoula yesterday, he suggested that it might help on the present movement for a local Y. M. C. A. if Mr. McDill stopped off between trains and met some of the men interested in the matter. The supper was arranged for the purpose of this meeting.

Mr. McDill, in his remarks, told of many instances in which association buildings had been put up in cities large and small. He told of a visit to Los Angeles a few years ago, when he saw a vacant lot on which was displayed a huge sign that read: "Los

Angeles proposes to erect on this lot a character factory." Then he told of a second visit only a month and a half ago, when he saw standing on that same lot a magnificent seven-story Y. M. C. A. building which had cost \$700,000.

"Men give their money for association buildings," said Mr. McDill, "because they think it a good business proposition. They themselves may not be Christians or church men; but they want their clerks and assistants to be cut on the Christian pattern. And the Y. M. C. A. does much to produce men of this stamp and character."

Mr. McDill's remarks were brought to a close with the earnest statement that he hoped the time was ripe for the men of Missoula to make an investment for character in an association building. His talk was listened to with keenest interest.

Dr. M. J. Elrod spoke on behalf of the committee appointed some two months ago to see what preliminary steps could be taken in the matter, and reported that not very much had been accomplished. He was followed by Elmer E. Hershey, who voiced the sentiments of all present when he said that, "Everybody wants a Y. M. C. A., but the question is how to get it." His conclusion was that, in view of present building plans and operations of three of the largest churches in the city, perhaps the most feasible thing to be done just now is to keep talking it; urge it; and soon we will have it.

Secretary J. A. Goodell then made a few remarks and replied to a few questions about the local situation as he had found it during several days of canvassing.

Before the meeting adjourned a resolution was passed, urging the committee of 13, appointed some weeks

ago at a public meeting at the chamber of commerce, to make all possible haste in bringing to public attention some report and recommendations concerning the Y. M. C. A.

FOR LONG BATTLE.

Peoria, Ill., May 15.—An order establishing a commissary department for idle miners is considered as evidence that a prolonged battle is in sight by United Mine Workers of Illinois unless the committees appointed last week shall reach some conclusion today. Another phase entered into the controversy yesterday when resolutions were adopted by the miners condemning International President Lewis for abolishing the office of international vice president.

VICKSBURG SAILS.

San Francisco, May 16.—The United States gunboat Vicksburg sailed today for Corinto to relieve the Princeton, which has been protecting American interests on the Nicaraguan coast during the hostilities in the southern republic. The Vicksburg is expected to return here in September.

Commander Julius A. Pratt, Post No. 143, Dept. Ill., G. A. R.

Mr. Isaac Cook, commander of above post, Kewanee, Ill., writes: "For a long time I was bothered with backache and pains across my kidneys. About two months ago I started taking Foley Kidney Pills and soon saw they were doing just as claimed. I kept on taking them and now I am free from backache, and the painful bladder misery is all gone. I like Foley Kidney Pills so well that I have told many of my friends and comrades about them and shall recommend them at every opportunity. Garden City Drug Co., Geo. Freisheimer, Prop.

LAWYERS TO FIGHT RECEIVERSHIP

ACTION OF JUDGE KINKEAD IN HOCKING VALLEY CASE IS TO BE OPPOSED.

Columbus, Ohio, May 16.—It was announced tonight that tomorrow morning attorneys for the Hocking Valley Railway company will apply to Federal Judge John E. Sater for an order to head off a receivership for the Hocking Valley, established today by Judge E. B. Kinkead of the common pleas court. Judge Kinkead appointed John M. Sheets, former attorney general of Ohio, and Henry J. Booth as receivers for the Hocking Valley under a bond of \$500,000, and a few minutes later overruled a motion to have the case transferred to the federal court.

The court enjoined the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway company from voting stock in the Hocking Valley. In the court's judgment the Chesapeake & Ohio was within its rights in buying Hocking Valley stock as an investment, but not for the purpose of controlling the company.

The proposed retirement of \$15,000,000 preferred Hocking Valley stock is enjoined.

IN THE THEATERS

H. I. Ellis tells an amusing story. It is the custom of Mr. Ellis as agent of the "Gingerbread Man" company to arrange in each town for 2,000 or 3,000 little gingerbread men, that are put on exhibition, and given free to everybody.

At Jackson, Miss., after having made these arrangements, the baker, a German, having signed the contract to deliver these 2,000 gingerbread men, became enthusiastic and made up his mind to show "that man with the show," that he could do something else. So he baked in his oven a gingerbread man, four feet high, and placed it in the window of W. G. Brown's drug store, where it was admired for several days before the arrival of the show in Jackson. A clerk in the drug store carelessly knocked down this gingerbread man and broke off the left leg. The other clerk said, "Wouldn't it be funny to phone Dr. Williams and tell him that there is a man down in the drug store with a broken leg?" They both agreed and telephoned Dr. Williams (who, at the time, was taking a bath) that there was a man at the drug store with a broken leg. The doctor hurried to the drug store, and they showed him the man with the broken leg. The joke was on the doctor, and he took it good naturedly, smiled and walked away.

The next day the doctor had occasion to phone to this drug store for medicines for a number of prescriptions, and after the prescriptions had been compounded, the clerk said, "Who is this for, who will I charge this to?" The doctor said, "Charge it to the Gingerbread Man."

At the Grand.

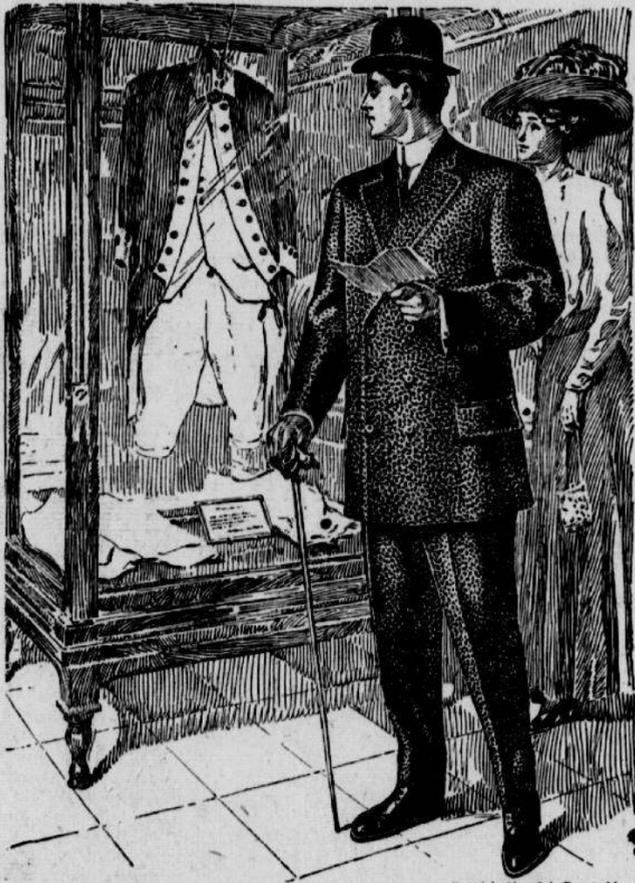
The attention of the audiences in attendance at the Grand theater last evening was held by the exceptionally clever bill of pictures presented. There were in all five reels of film, each telling two stories of unusual interest. They were of mixed character, some telling of comedy, others of mirth and still others of tragedy. The illustrated song was new and tuneful. The acts which failed to arrive in time for last evening's entertainments will be presented this evening and they are promised as being very brilliant. The Crescent Comedy Four, which will come direct from Livingston, are said to be very good, although the exact character of their act is not known. Another act will be provided as the second number of the program.

At the Bijou.

The Bijou theater last evening presented its admirable picture bill to packed houses. The pictures were of interesting and pleasing subjects and the illustrated song, "Back to My Old Home Town," was replete with melody, as sung by El Levasuer. "The Flower of the Bush," not the headliner, but of especial interest, told a tale of stirring western life and romance, in which Earl, Howell, a former Missoula boy, takes a leading role and the part of the winning sutor for the hand of the heroine. "Davy Crockett" is the title of a most active romance, wherein the renowned pioneer takes the leading role. Whether the picture is based strictly upon a Crockett expedition or does not detract in the least from the interest of the picture, which contains in its length much beautiful mountain scenery. "The Witch of the Ruins" is one of Pathe's films and tells the story of an attempted abduction, in which the villain's plans are spoiled by a youthful-appearing witch, possessed of a kind heart. "Diamond Cut Diamond" is a comedy, the characters being dressed in the costumes of the early French days. The entire bill is excellent and applause-worthy.

Family Theater.

Last night the New Family theater company presented to a very well-satisfied audience "The Gambler." The play sustains everything said for it. It is a good show, well played, with specialties between the acts that are in themselves worth the price of admission. "The Gambler" is built a good deal on the lines of Dustin Farnum's now famous play, "Cameo Kirby," being a study of the old type of river boat gambler, who was more chivalrous than the knights of old. All the company, whom the people of Missoula have come to know almost personally, are seen to good advantage. "The Gambler" will be seen until Thursday, when "The Man of Mystery" will be produced.



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