

HOOSIER SALESMAN IN CONVENTION

First Convention of Traveling
Men of United Plant Be-
gins Tuesday.

TESTS ARE TO BE MADE.

MEN WILL BE INSTRUCTED IN
THE USE OF MACHINES—WILL
BE WELL ENTERTAINED WHILE
HERE.

The first annual convention of the traveling men of the new Hoosier branch of the American Seeding Machine Company, incorporated, will open in Richmond tomorrow morning. This is the first time that the traveling men of all three branches of the manufacturing concern have met, and the officers of the Hoosier Drill Company expect to show the visitors a time of their lives. While the men are in Richmond several dinner parties will be given in their honor at the Wescott hotel, and it is probable that they will attend the theater one evening in a body.

An excellent program has been arranged for the three days of the convention, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. There will be some thirty-two traveling men in the city.

The reception committee consists of the following officers of the firm: Fred J. Carr, manager; Walter H. Bates, general sales manager; J. W. Lamson, assistant sales manager, eastern territory; A. H. Rice, assistant sales manager, central territory; W. H. Kelsker, assistant sales manager, western territory; A. W. Rees, manager of collections and accounting; S. H. Jones, manager of improvements and patents; E. Christman, assistant manager of improvements and patents; H. H. Huntington, assistant manager of improvements and patents, and E. S. Ralph, advertising manager.

Today all the men were entertained at the Wescott hotel. Tomorrow the men will be taken on an inspection trip through the local factory, and in the evening they will meet at the hotel for the discussion of matters pertaining to the manufacture and the sale of machines.

On Wednesday the field trial of all the machines manufactured by the company will take place at the experimental field northeast of the city on the New Paris Pike. Here the workings of the machines will be explained to the men. On Thursday morning the machines made by the Kentucky branch will be exhibited and in the afternoon the Shortsville drills and cultivators will be shown.

The men who arrived today were: W. T. Connelly, of Chattanooga; M. C. Fitzgerald, Albany, N. Y.; J. A. Frost, Jr., Indianapolis; C. C. Gelb, Millersburg, O.; J. T. Harris, Franklin, Ky.; C. V. Holderman, Nashville, Tenn.; Edgar Hubbell, Saginaw, Mich.; D. B. John, Xenia, O.; B. W. Lee, Trenton, N. J.; D. C. Leggett, Big Rapids, Mich.; A. E. Murphy, St. Louis, Mo.; S. E. Metzger, Williamsport, Pa.; C. A. Marsh, Watertown, N. Y.; J. A. Moss, Baltimore, Md.; S. K. Miller, Jackson, Mich.; T. W. Noble, Lynchburg, Va.; A. T. Newton, Columbus Grove, O.; G. L. Perkins, Pittsburgh; H. Potee, Jr., Madison, Wis.; Marion Rose, Vinton, O.; George D. Rogers, Louisville, Ky.; H. W. Rawdon, Frederica, N. Y.; M. J. Sebold, Louisville, Ky.; L. L. Sterling, Moshannon, Pa.; N. A. Stedman, Greensboro, N. C.; H. P. Spencer, Butler, Pa.; S. E. Shearer, Sidney, O.; H. B. Thompson, Indianapolis; J. W. Thompson, Baltimore, Md.; E. W. Traux, Columbus, O.; F. E. Traux, Zanesville, O.; N. D. Vincent, Baltimore, Md., and A. L. Immerman, of Des Moines, Iowa.

REED IS ASSAULTED

Evangelist Who Is Known in
Richmond, Victim of Four
Masked Men.

HE PUT UP A GAME FIGHT.

The Rev. J. Fenwick Reed, an evangelist of Greencastle, who is well known in this city, where he has appeared and lectured several times, was made the victim of an assault by four masked men in that city, midnight, Saturday. The Rev. Mr. Reed delivered his celebrated lecture on the dance in this city at the First M. E. church and is known personally to a large number of local citizens.

About midnight, the minister was awakened by a knock at the door, and hurriedly dressing himself went down stairs. He had been told a messenger awaited him. Upon opening the door he was asked if his name was Reed and upon giving an affirmative answer was seized by four masked men. He was pulled to the veranda and his assailants fought to overpower him.

The minister showed his mettle and put up a game fight. He endeavored to explain his identity to the strangers and finally summoned a large shepherd dog, which barked savagely at the strangers and frightened them away. The motive for the affair remains a mystery. The Rev. Mr. Reed has been a leader in temperance agitation and in many places in America and England has led fights against the saloons.

Kodo! For Indigestion.
Relieves sour stomach,
colic of the heart. Digests what you eat.

Told Parents She Would Elope; Causes Surprise When She Does So

Not long ago Miss Jennie Wine informed her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ledger Wine, 1117 North G street, that it was her intention to elope if she ever got married. Her parents paid but slight heed to the statement, passing it off as the romantic idea of young girl.

Saturday Miss Wine, who is only seventeen years of age, showed mother and father that matrimonial statement she had made to them was no idle talk. On that day the romantic young woman met her lover, W. P.

PROHIBITION DOES NOT MAKE GENERAL CONDITIONS WORSE

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making inquiry. There is a marked contrast in the information requested. For foreign countries the inquiry is: 'How does it affect the morals of the people; what effect did it have on crime?' The inquiry from the several states is universally: 'What effect does it have on business?'

'I shall try to answer both of these questions.

There were bankers and merchants, real estate men and lumbermen, and in fact all classes and professions. The bankers said it would lessen deposits and cause a tight money market. The merchant said it would cause the people to go to Kansas City, Mo., to trade where they could get their drinks. The real estate man said it would decrease our population, render vacant many houses, cause rents and prices of real estate to fall and otherwise ruin the town. The lumberman said it would stop the progress of the town and the erection of new buildings would cease.

Evil Have Not Happened.

'What is the result? Have any banks failed? Has the price of real estate declined? Are there vacant houses? Has work on new buildings stopped? Have taxes increased? Has our city ceased to grow and are we losing in population? No man can truthfully say that any of the prophesied evils have happened.'

'The bankers who said it would injure the banks have returned to admit their mistake and now say it has helped them.'

'The real estate man says rents are higher than ever before. The lumberman says so many new buildings are being erected that it is almost impossible to supply the demand, especially in mid-winter. The tax payer finds that it has put money into the public treasury instead of increasing taxes. The furniture dealer finds that he is selling more furniture than ever before. The shoe man reports likewise. Recently Mr. Newton of the firm of Dengel & Newton, stated to me that one astonishing feature of the increase in their line was that it was largely in footwear for women and children. Why is it that when the saloons are closed the women and children buy more shoes?'

'The timekeeper of one of the large packing houses tells me that if the saloons are kept closed they could afford an increase in wages because of the increased efficiency of the men. Similar statements have been made to me by the superintendents and managers of other large institutions. I have personally talked with many of our business men and almost without exception they report an improvement in business since the closing of the saloons.'

Some Lines Injured.

'There are some lines that unquestionably were injured. For instance, the ice man was injured. The proprietor of our local plant said the closing of the saloons decreased his sales thirty tons a day. The saloonkeepers and gamblers always patronized the tailors for expensive suits, while those of legitimate professions must be content with hand-me-downs. The barbers who were located in or near a saloon have been injured, but those in the rural districts report a greatly increased business. I do not know a single grocery man, dry goods merchant or furniture dealer, but that has an increased business.'

'In twelve months after the saloons were closed the combined deposits of our banks increased one and one-half million dollars. Does that indicate a ruined business and a bankrupt city?'

'Dealing with the effect on crime, Mr. Trickett says that since the saloons were closed the city is running at a reduced expense of criminal prosecutions of more than \$25,000 a year. Crime is so lessened that the city saves an additional \$25,000 through a reduction in the police force.'

Works a Saving.

'The fact is,' says Mr. Trickett, 'that we are now saving in the various departments for the suppression of crime more than we ever received in revenue from the saloon. An examination of the criminal docket of the district court will reveal the fact that before the joints were closed it required six or more weeks to try the criminal cases. Since the closing of the joints at no term has it required to exceed three weeks. The same proportion holds good in every other court having criminal jurisdiction. We no longer need a detective force. Thieves and burglars have followed the saloon out of our city.'

City Clerk's Statement.

Mr. Trickett quotes U. V. Widener, assistant city clerk of Kansas City, as follows: 'In twenty-one months Kansas City, Kan., almost recovered from as many years of saloon oppression. Two hundred and forty-five thousand forty-two dollars and fifty-three cents of the city's debt was lifted during the last year, when no revenues were

HUMAN HEAD FOUND IN ALLEY SUNDAY

Rested on Doctor's Window
Ledge Till Pushed Off,
Owing to Stench.

USED IN AN EXPERIMENT.

**PHYSICIANS INVESTIGATE, THEN
PERFORM OPERATION ON LIT-
TLE BOY WHICH PROVES SU-
CESSFUL.**

Just about as grawsome sight as one can find in the city today, is to be seen by removing the newspaper wrapping from an object in the waste paper basket in the office of the street commissioner. The object is the upper portion of a human head. The top of the skull and the brains have been removed but the glaring eyes stare forth into space, the nose and upper lip look up ghastly and a portion of the skin and flesh has been torn from the right temple. The section of a head was removed from the cadaver of a negro at Indianapolis. It was found yesterday on the step at the side door of the Arcade theater by a party of boys, who reported its presence to the police. The crematory will be the final resting place of the skull.

Officer Vogelsong had visions of a

Guinness murder, when his two sons Walter and Wilbur and Carl Hanning, Leonard and Paul Connerton rushed into headquarters and reported finding a human head. The patrolman was acting desk sergeant and at first believed the boys were joking. They assured him their story was not imagined as the result of fright and Officer Hebble was sent with the lads to investigate. Hebble found things just as the lads described them. He was awed and felt some timidity about picking up the hideous object, but mustered up courage and took it to headquarters.

Investigation revealed the circum-

stances. In order to experiment as to

the proper way in which to operate upon John Brooks, little son of Archibald Brooks, of Chestnut street. Drs. Grosvenor and S. E. Bond sent to Indianapolis for the head of a cava-

ver. The experiment was performed

at the office of Dr. Grosvenor in the

Westcott block and afterward the

head was placed outside the window

on the sill. The sun's rays caused

such a stench to arise from the head

yesterday, that occupants of the rooms

above the doctor's office removed it.

Someone picked it up from where it

fell and placed it upon the steps at

the Arcade.

With their knowledge gained from

the experiment the surgeons performed

the operation on the little Brooks

boy and it proved remarkably success-

ful. It was necessary to remove one

of the lad's eyes. While standing on

a chair cutting grapes last August he

fell and the point of a pair of scissors,

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