ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY

JANUARY 20

The Virginia Theater in Wheeling opened on January 20, 1908.

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Investigate the Document: (Virginia Theater, 1907-08, Sc84-248)

1. Does the poster try to persuade mainly through words, visuals, or both equally?

2. What was the only night of the week the theater was not open?

3. Select (2) advertisements you found interesting. Would you see it advertised in the present-day? If not, why?

Think Critically: Analyze the new forms of entertainment that became popular at the turn of the century. Evaluate how innovations in technology affected the leisure industry and popular culture in the United States. Was there a cultural gap between social classes? At the beginning of the 20th century the most popular entertainment came from vaudeville shows--stage entertainment consisting of various acts (such as performing animals, comedians, or singers.) Have our tastes in entertainment changed in the past century? What do Americans do for entertainment today?
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