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Artistic Magic at Chautauqua

McDonald Birch Will Make Last Night "Joy Night."



Artistic magic—alluring allusions—bewildering mysteries—will open the eyes and ears and minds of Chautauqua fans on Joy Night. When McDonald Birch waves his magic wand strange things begin to happen. Mr. Birch is the youngest professional magician on the stage and through his natural artistic talent and ability has elevated his exhibition to the level of real art. He is a mind reader, too, and has bewildering surprises for people of every age and taste. A vein of genuine humor runs through Mr. Birch's program. He is a born humorist and keeps up a running chatter of witty sayings, stories and personal remarks to the audience that is infectious. Special scenery and stage equipment are carried for "Artistic Magic." It will be a clean, clever exhibition of the very latest in everything magical and mysterious.

Democrats Have Failed To Nominate President

THREE OFFERED TO CONVENTION FOR CANDIDATES

UNDERWOOD, ROBINSON AND McADOO PLACED IN NOMINATION

New York, June 25.—Three names were placed in the list of democratic presidential aspirants at the convention session in New York Wednesday. As the roll was called Fordney Johnson of Alabama placed Senator Underwood's name before the convention, stressing the candidate's policy to openly oppose the Ku Klux Klan. Senator Robinson was the next to be placed in nomination by C. P. Brough, former governor of Arkansas, and McAdoo was next, his name being offered by former Senator James D. Phelan of California. William G. McAdoo was placed in nomination for the presidency at the democratic national convention Wednesday by former Senator James D. Phelan of California, with the declaration that he is the "natural leader of progressive thought and achievement."

"This year demands the return of triumphant democracy," said Mr. Phelan. The progressives of the nation look to the democratic party for their leader. Shall we give him to them? There is room in America for but one reactionary party, and the republicans have pre-empted that field. The party's chance of success depends upon its choice for candidate for the presidency of this man."

SMITH PLACED BEFORE THE CONVENTION

New York, June 26.—Deadlocked in advance and its fighting fever mounting, the democratic national convention was called at 10:30 today to drive forward with the reception of nominating speeches, while platform builders, heavy eyed, struggled on with their weighty task.

This was another day of tumult and fervor, interspersed with oratory. Only three nominations had been made when yesterday's adjournment ended the one hour demonstration staged on behalf of William McAdoo, and about 17 remained on the schedule, including that of his leading rival, Governor Alfred E. Smith.

Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York was formally placed before the convention to nomination for the presidency of the United States. In course of the presentation of his name, Franklin D. Roosevelt, himself nominated for the vice-presidency four years ago at the San Francisco convention and now serving as campaign manager for Smith, said the New York governor "is the most dangerous adversary that the republican party ever had to fear and his name spells victory."

After a comprehensive recital of Governor Smith's record in public office, picturing him as the warrior, invincible in defense of right and in attack on wrong, Mr. Roosevelt said the democracy of America "will stand without fear and without hesitation loyally behind Mr. Smith as the nominee of the convention."

DOROTHY GISH, VIVID DANCER IN "BRIGHT SHAWL"

Dorothy Gish is doing a Spanish dance at the Royal Theatre this week in the Richard Barthelmess picture "The Bright Shawl," that is one of the most delightful features of this fascinating romance of the days of Spanish domination of Cuba. It is a revelation of the versatility of this very talented young actress, who in a perfumed atmosphere of old Havana, gives the dancing number with a grace and charm that captivates all who see it.

Sam Spencer, well known stockman of the Sun River Country, was a Choteau visitor Tuesday, transacting business.

LONGEST TRAIN OF SHINGLES TRAVELS ACROSS CONTINENT

The train of shingles' great train, which travels across the American continent left the Pacific coast this week, traveling over the Great Northern Railway on its journey to the Twin Cities and eastern markets. The train consisted of 125 freight cars, measuring more than a mile in length, requiring three of the Great Northern Railway's mammoth mountain type oil burning engines to haul this remarkable consignment of roofing material. There are enough shingles in this lot to roof the houses of a town of 10,000 people. The train attracted considerable attention en route and motion pictures were taken of its movement for use in the news weeklies throughout the country.

The shipment was made by the Hunting Merritt Company of Vancouver, B. C. This movement of shingles marks new era in the shingle business of the Pacific coast, it is said. The indications being there is a revival in the use of cedar shingles in the middle west and east. During 1923 nearly a billion cedar logs were cut in the forests of Washington and British Columbia and used in the manufacture of shingles. Orders for several more record-breaking train-loads of shingles already are being filled in the western mills. If the shingles in this single train were laid end for end, they would reach from Seattle to Portland, Maine.

The trees from which the shingles are made grow to an enormous size, often measuring from eight to ten feet in diameter.

Two thousand years ago many of the red cedar trees now growing along the Pacific Coast in ashington were young giants of the forest. In those days the Pacific Coast Indians appreciated the value of the red cedar for the use of making their gigantic war canoes, some of which were 70 to 80 feet long. The Indians know this wood to be impervious to weather, rot, insects and the disintegrating processes of nature.

LOOKOUT, JACKIE, MICHEY'S AFTER YOUR LAURELS

Jackie Coogan has a rival. In the person of little Mickey Bennett, seven and slightly freckled, the screen has a new child wonder. We leave the picture public to make its own decision in this matter after viewing "Big Brother," an Allan Dwan production of the Rex Beach story, coming to the Royal Theatre for a two day's run on Sunday next.

Mickey not only is the leader of a gang in this picture but he is fast becoming the leader of juvenile screen players. Ever since he essayed to be young Thomas Meighan in "Cappy Ricks," two and a half years ago he has been in great demand in kid parts. The good luck star that follows Meighan whom he emulated in his camera debut has been shining ever since on Mickey. In the short space of time that he has been on the screen he has played in more pictures than many of the recognized luminaries of the screen. Not long after he fell out of a tub into a lake near Boston for scenes in "Cappy Ricks" he played in "Marriage and Morals," with Tim Moore, whom he is now playing with in "Big Brother." Mickey also appeared in "The Empty Cradle," "Second Youth," "The Man Who Played God," "Reported Missing," "The Last Moment," and "Mighty Like A Rose."

TO THE VOTERS OF TETON COUNTY

C. W. Wymer announces himself a candidate for the office of sheriff of Teton county, subject to the will of the republican party. He has lived in Teton County over 20 years and is a taxpayer himself.

If nominated and elected, he pledges himself to an efficient and businesslike administration and enforcement of the statutes without fear or favor.

Your support will be appreciated. C. W. WYMER.

H. C. Peters rented a number of billiard and pool tables from H. L. Halladay and moved them to his soft drink parlors on upper Main street Tuesday afternoon.

"Uncle Nick" Tuttle of Bynum was in Choteau Tuesday supervising a job of painting done on his resident property in own.

Australian Trio to Appear Here Soon

Splendid Musical Organization on First Tour of This Country.



In Australia, where the public are great music lovers and critics do not spare aspirants to musical fame, Alan Murray, Edwyn Hames and Dolly Stewart are not only great favorites but heralded by the press as artists of exceptional ability, talent and performance. These musicians will come to Chautauqua on the fifth day with programs that range from Dolly Stewart's dainty "songs at the piano" to the instrumental masterpieces played on Edwyn Hames' violin and the most stirring vocal classics sung by Alan Murray. As a baritone Mr. Murray has made a distinctive mark in the musical world and it will be a privilege to hear this young vocalist whom the Sydney Bulletin predicts "will soar to the giddy heights of fame." There is equally enthusiastic comment on the violin playing of Mr. Hames, while Dolly Stewart—in a class all to herself—is a popular idol with entertainment lovers.

FARMINGTON NEWS NOTES

A number of Farmington people attended the "Messiah" held in Choteau last week. Mrs. Edwin Anderson visited her parents in Choteau last week. Rev. Hagen conducted services in the Norwegian Lutheran church last Wednesday. Mrs. J. Edwards, Mrs. Anderson and Ethel, visited at the S. Lindseth home last week. A fine baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Benard Hanson at the Choteau Hospital. Mrs. Hanson returned to her home last Sunday. Mrs. C. O. Lindseth and Eleanora visited with Mrs. L. N. Hoagland last Thursday. Mrs. S. Lindseth and Della visited at the J. J. Otness home last week. The "Home Mission Society" of the Methodist church met with Mrs. H. P. Kruger last Thursday. The women of this society are very busy making different articles. A delicious luncheon was served which was greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. and Mrs. S. Lindseth visited with Mrs. L. N. Hoagland last Saturday. A surprise party was given at the Chalmers home last week. The evening was spent in doing different amusements. A delicious luncheon was served at midnight which was more than enjoyed by all. Mrs. Chalmers left last week for Ortenville, Minn., to visit with her mother and brother. Rev. Stoele, of the Lutheran Old Peoples Home of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho will be away for a month and has asked Rev. Hoagland to take his place preaching twice every Sunday. Miss Anette Evenson visited with Mrs. L. N. Hoagland last Saturday. Mrs. L. N. Hoagland will leave soon for Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where the Hoagland family will make their future home. Theodore will remain in the Rexall Drug Store until Sept.

FOREST SERVICE NEWS NOTES

Supervisor Myrick and Deputy Rush are at Gates Park on the Lewis and Clark National Forest this week, conducting a guard training course. Fire guards, lookouts and rangers of the Forest are attending the meeting, there being over twenty-two of them. The course is for the purpose of fully informing every man of his job in the fire organization and how he can best carry out his part of the work. He is shown the methods of detecting fires and reporting them, and how to discover them and put them out. The most satisfactory way to do this important work is covered right on the ground, and when the course is completed every man will know exactly what his job is in the organization and the best way to handle it. At the conclusion of the instruction, a test will be given, and every man who fails to pass will be released and replaced with one who has satisfactorily passed the examination.

Gus Depner returned from Kevin L. J. Otness had what might have been a serious accident when something went wrong with the steering wheel and the car ran into a ditch. It was badly damaged but no one was hurt.

Guy Seekins returned from a visit to Kevin last week. The Luther League met in the church last Friday evening. Lunch was served which made it pleasant for everyone.

Rev. Fjeldseth of Minnesota is here on a visit. He conducted services in Conrad last Sunday.

COUNTY AGENTS NEWS NOTES

GRASSHOPPERS WELL UNDER CONTROL IN TETON COUNTY

Grasshoppers are well under control in Teton county, the farmers having put on a very successful poisoning campaign this year. Twenty-two thousand pounds of arsenic having been used to date or an amount sufficient to poison 5565 sacks of bran which would cover an area infested with hoppers of over 55,000 acres. It is possible that a small amount of arsenic will be used yet this month but the portion will be small in comparison with that used prior to this time.

Outstanding among the communities which have poisoned for hoppers successfully this year is the Porter bench. The assistant state entomologist was in that territory last Friday and was very well pleased with the work that has been done. A survey was made of a few farmers on the Porter bench in order to estimate what the cost of poisoning had been this year and in no case was the cost of poisoning as much as fifty cents per acre. Bret Read, Joe Rose, H. J. Moon, W. J. Earls, Garnett McDonald saated that they were not afraid of grasshoppers when they had as effective a poison as the bran mash. In some instances farmers had grasshoppers piled up an inch high in the barrowpit of the road adjoining their places.

COMMUNITY PICNICS

Several community picnics will be

STATE IN BETTER SHAPE THAN IT HAS BEEN FOR THREE YEARS

Great Falls, June 18th.—Montana is in better condition than it has been at any time in the past two or three years and shows more signs of returning prosperity than any other state or part of a state in the northwest, according to A. F. Cardon of Washington, D. C., revealing appraiser for the federal farm loan bureau in the twelfth district.

Mr. Cardon and other men connected with the federal farm loan bureau met here Monday to confer on means of appraisal of lands in the state on which money has been loaned by the bureau.

Mr. Cardon arrived in the morning from Spokane and stated that from reports and from personal observation an optimistic outlook for Montana is justified. F. J. McCormock, chief appraiser of the Spokane land bank, which is the headquarters for this district, is also present at the conference.

held in this county starting July 8th and ending July 16th. The following are the dates and places where the picnics will be held:

- July 8th, Agawam
- July 9th, Beck
- July 10th, Bole
- July 11th, Pauer
- July 12th, Collins
- July 13th, Dutton
- July 14th, Spring Valley
- July 15th, Lowry
- July 16th, Farmington

Statement of Condition of FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHOTEAU

At Close of Business March 31, 1924

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Cash in vault and in other banks	Deposits
U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds	Surplus and undivided profits
County warrants, real estate, etc.	Capital stock
327,187.11	327,187.11



A Noble Ambition

The ambition of this institution is to justify the confidence of its customers, to be trusted because of its good judgment, its faithful observance of duty and its financial responsibility.

Conferences with the officers of this bank are cheerfully given to those who desire seasoned and well-reasoned advice.



Citizens State Bank CHOTEAU, MONTANA

Capital, Surplus and Profits over \$65,000.00