AMUSEMENTS

"La Boheme" and "Martha."

The offerings of the Aborn English Grand Opera Company at the New National Theater next week will be "La Boheme" and "Martha."

Puccini's beautiful "La Boheme," one of the greatest of the modern school, will be sung during the first half of the week. Its story is intensely interesting and deals with the Latin quarter of Paris.

For the latter half of the week Flotow's "Martha" will be sung. Its beautiful melody and sentimental interest have made it well-nigh immortal.

Among the Aborn favorites to be heard next week are Elena Kirmes, Johanna Kristoffy, Albert Amadi, Walter Wheatley, James Stevens, Alfred Kaufman, Paul Galazzi, Louise Le Baron, Mario Carboni and Gladys Chandler.

"Liberty Hall."

"Liberty Hall," R. C. Carton's comedy, with which Charles Frohman celebrated the twentieth anniversary of his Empire Theater, New York, and in which he expects to send a notable company on the road next season, will be the offering of the Columbia Players next week at the Columbia Theater. Mr. Carton will be recalled as the author of "Lord and Lady Algy" and other notable successes. The central character in the piece is a lovable old bookseller, William Todman, although the Lord is also an interesting personality. This part was played originally by Henry Miller. In the recent New York revival John Mason had the role. There is a deep heart interest to the piece, which is well supplied with homely sentiment and dialogue that is pleasing. The comedy provides an excellent role for Miss Heming.

"The Spendthrift."

Porter Emerson Browne's successful play, "The Spendthrift," will be presented at Poli's Theater next week for the first time at popular prices. It tells a gripping story of American life. The central figure is Richard Ward, a man who works hard, who has a natural inclination to live within his means, and who loves his home. His wife longs for luxuries, and because of his love for her and his efforts to provide her with the pleasures which she craves he is kept grinding and toiling under a mountain of debt, which finally topples over on him and forces him into bankruptcy. A softening influence in the presentation of the character of the wife comes from the suggestion that, while her extravagance is her dominant impulse, it is brought about in a great measure through her sincere endeavor to provide her husband with a home commensurate with the position in life she believes him big enough to occupy. When she realizes he is a bankrupt and that her extravagance is responsible for his condition she borrows money in a desperate effort to save him. This move on her part leads to the smashing big scene of the story.

Henry E. Dixey.

Henry E. Dixey will be presented for the first time in high-class vaudeville here, and at the popular scale of prices, at the B. F. Keith Theater next week. Mr. Dixey will give his "Mono-drama-vaud-ologue," a comic composite in which he artistically and amusingly travesties other actors of the drama and vaudeville. Another stellar feature will be Maud Lambert and Ernest Ball in a musical morceau of new song hits of their own. Other attractions will include Lyons and Yosco, "Sunny Sons of Sunny Italy," in a strolling troubadour interlude of new ballads and music; the Cadets de Gascogne, a martial instrumental novelty; Bertie Herron and Bonnie Gaylord, minstrel comediennes; the Lelands, Gormley and Caffrey; Twisto, the human twister; the Hearst-Selig motion picture review and the pipe organ recitals.

Two concerts will be given Sunday, and all the attractions of the present week's bill will be presented.

Cosmos.

Commencing next week, the Cosmos Theater will offer its patrons two complete shows each week, changing Monday and Thursday with entirely different bills. Next week will open with a galaxy of attractive summer offerings headed by Perry's Minstrel Maids in their merry offering of song and dance features. The little troupe has made itself famous here and elsewhere and includes Josie Flynn, sometimes called the feminine Al Jolson; Margaret Krause, a charming interlocutor; Lottie Gardner, the original ragtime girl; Marva Rehn and others. The noted Rianos Trio will give a midair exhibition of thrilling aerial athletics; Fay and Minn, musical comedy celebrities, will present a repertoire of higher vaudeville songs and dance features; Addinston and Franks, physical culture exponents, will appear in their own specialty, and Paganini, a noted violinist, will furnish a brilliant musical offering with his instrument. In addition to this the Pathe weekly pictures in motion of unusual happenings in the world and the photo-comedies will be an important attraction.

Sunday from 3 to 10:30 p.m., besides the attractions of this week, with new specialties, an elaborate orchestral program will be featured.

Glen Echo.

The big feature at Glen Echo Park for the remainder of the week will be nightly exhibitions by Howard Leslie Holt and Miss Lillian Taylor, noted dancers of the latter-day society dances. Since their first appearance Monday night they have become the rage among the dancing contingent of the capital and surrounding territory. Their exhibitions are given in the big pavilion. On Memorial day, in addition to the usual features that mark the celebration at Glen Echo, there will be a matinee dance at which Miss Taylor will give a special number.

All the amusement devices are running and every night exhibitions of free motion pictures are given in the open-air stadium. The afternoons are devoted to tots and their mothers and nurses, for every effort is being made to make the park the best place about the city for an all-day outing for the children as well as for the older folks.

Chesapeake Beach.

The Chesapeake Beach railway officials have perfected their arrangements for opening their resort on the shores of Chesapeake bay Saturday, Decoration day. It is announced that reservations for space have already rendered necessary six special trains. From this it would seem many Washingtonians are planning to spend the day where the salt water breezes blow.

Caruana's Corps De Ballet.

In response to the request of friends and others, the dancing exhibition given by Caruana and his corps de ballet at the New National Theater two weeks ago will be repeated Wednesday evening at Carroll Institute at popular prices. The program will be given in its entirety with the addition of several special numbers by the Misses Raymond, who were unable to appear at the first performance. The program includes many varied dances and choruses and the dancers will wear the same handsome costumes used at the first exhibition.

Colonial Beach Opens Tomorrow.

Colonial Beach will inaugurate its summer season with its first trip tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The steamer St. Johns, which is in readiness for the initial excursion to the popular river resort, has undergone extensive improvements, and has been newly painted and decorated throughout. The second trip to Colonial Beach will be made Saturday, Memorial day, at 9 a.m., and another trip Sunday at the same hour, returning both days at 6 p.m. The renewal of the popular forty-mile trips down the Potomac will be made Monday evening, June 1, continuing every evening except Saturdays and Sundays during the summer.

The spacious deck of the steamer has been put in condition for dancing and preparations have been made for the serving of meals on the boat.

Chevy Chase Lake Opens Saturday.

Conducted under the usual plan of free admission, and in the same manner as in former years, Chevy Chase Lake will inaugurate its season Saturday, the resort being open day and evening.

Its natural beauty is made more enjoyable by the addition of hundreds of comfortable seats and tables for the convenience of picnic parties who intend to pass "the 30th" in the open. There is an abundance of shade and the pleasure seeker is bound to find comfort at the lake.

The evening will be marked by a grand opening concert by a section of the Marine Band, followed by dancing in the big pavilion. This arrangement will prevail throughout the season, with the pavilion feature omitted Sunday evenings. The management always sees to it that order is maintained.

Visitors will find the merry-go-round, swings, bowling alleys and other amusement devices in complete readiness Saturday evening. Through cars from the Treasury and from 7th street insure satisfactory service.

FILM Features

Garden.

At Moore's Garden Theater Belasco's old-time dramatic success, "The Stranglers of Paris," will be offered in film form Monday and Tuesday. David Belasco staged the production, with practically an all-star cast. Wednesday and Thursday Daniel Frohman will present the Famous Players' Company in "A Woman's Triumph," adapted from Sir Walter Scott's story "The Heart of Midlothian." Friday and Saturday the main attraction will be a film version of "The Reckoning," featuring Miss Katherine Gray and Douglas Fairbanks. For all, the Garden Orchestra will play appropriate musical accompaniments.

Crandall's.

Sunday's bill at Crandall's Theater will be headed by a four-part Apex film, "The Great Bullion Robbery," depicting a thrilling theft of a large consignment of bullion, and the subsequent capture of a daring gang of thieves. Monday and Tuesday the main attraction will be "The Cloister and the Hearth," or "Maid, Wife and Widow," a five-part film production of Charles Reade's great novel; Thursday and Friday, "Justice," produced in four complete parts by the Hepworth Film Company, with an all-star cast of English actors, will be shown, and the headliner for Saturday and Sunday following will be "Luck, Love and Gasoline," a Vitagraph feature, with John Bunny, Lillian Walker and an all-star Vitagraph company cast. These feature films will be supplemented by the usual run of regular photoplays. The arrangement of the theater, with its entrance and many exits, in addition to the large ventilating system, makes it one of the coolest and most comfortable in the city. Green's Orchestra plays appropriate music for all the picture plays.

Casino.

The Casino Theater, for the second week of its summer program, announces Jack London's famous story, "The Sea Wolf," in seven complete parts. Hobart Bosworth is featured in the title role as Wolf Larsen, supported by Herbert Rawlinson and Viola Barry. The story is a weird and thrilling one of Wolf Larsen, captain of the Ghost, a sealer bound for the waters north of Japan; Humphrey Van Weyden, a gentleman of leisure, and Maud Brewster, a survivor of a shipwreck. Forty large electric fans have been installed at the Casino. The music is furnished by a well directed orchestra afternoons and evenings.

Gen. William McComb of Louisa, who has been visiting ex-Mayor M. G. Willis at Fredericksburg, Va., is the last living general of the Confederate army in Virginia. He is eighty-five years old.

SAYS U. S. MUST TURN ELSEWHERE FOR MEAT

Investigations of Dr. Melvin in South America Revealed in Special Bulletin.

South America as a possible source of meat supply for the United States is treated in a bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture detailing the experiences of Dr. E. T. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industry, who went over Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina last summer and fall, investigating the meat exporting business. Dr. Melvin says that in view of the increasing shortage of the meat supply in the United States, and the increasing demand for home consumption, this country will have to depend upon some other source of supply than the western cattle country.

He says that the system of meat inspection in South America, especially in the Argentine, is as a whole very satisfactory. In some details it does not come up to the requirements of the American government, but this it is possible to correct. The Argentine minister of agriculture expressed a great deal of interest in the subject, and requested the President of the United States to send one of the federal meat inspectors to Argentina to instruct the local inspectors in details that were required by the United States in accepting meat for import.

United States Imports.

For a long time Canada and Mexico have been the chief sources of supply for foreign meat entering the United States. Mexico has fallen off in quantity owing to the disturbed political conditions. Argentina has increased her exports to the United States very largely since last October. At that time the imports were about 2,000,000 pounds for the month. Last March the imports from Argentina into the United States reached almost 21,000,000 pounds.

Dr. Melvin says that the Argentine government extended every courtesy and facility to him while making his tour of inspection. It even had a veterinarian familiar with all the details of the business and familiar with the English language to make the trip with him.

The breeds of cattle raised in Argentina probably are superior to those found in any of the other South American countries. In both Uruguay and Brazil there are many fine animals, but the average is not so high as in the Argentine. Most of the good breeding animals in all of the South American countries are now being imported from the United States.

WAITS FOR SWEETHEART 67 YEARS, THEN GIVES UP

"Apple Mary" Walsh of New York Will Spend Summer in Workhouse.

NEW YORK, May 28.—After sixty-seven years of waiting for the return of her sailor sweetheart, who sailed as the third officer of an American merchantman on a voyage to China with her promise to marry him on his return, "Apple Mary" Walsh, eighty-four years old, has decided to desert her station at the Battery for more comfortable quarters on Blackwell's Island.

The heat yesterday led "Apple Mary" to reach her decision. She asked a policeman to arrest her that she might spend the summer in the workhouse. She was taken before a police magistrate, who, after hearing her story, committed her as requested.

"Apple Mary" explained that she received a letter from her sailor boy a year after he sailed. After that no trace of his ship was ever recorded, but she always expected to meet him some day at the Battery, where they parted on the day he sailed in 1847.

GOVERNMENT CONDUCTS MAIL ORDER BOOKSHOP

Public Documents on Various Subjects Can Be Had by Those Interested.

It is not generally known that the United States is conducting a mail order bookshop, but this is brought to the attention of the public in the weekly letter of the Department of Agriculture to its 28,000 crop correspondents. The announcement of the book concern would be termed an advertisement if it were run in display type in an ordinary newspaper. But as it is a government publication and not intended for profit it becomes merely a literary announcement.

The statement deals with the division of public documents and gives a list of sixty-one catalogues that can be sent on request by the superintendent of documents to those who are looking up any special subject. The catalogues cover everything from the land laws and public lands of the United States to researches in electricity, mechanics and geography conducted by the various scientific and semi-scientific departments. The publications listed in these catalogues are out of print so far as free distribution goes, but the announcement states they will be sold at cost to any one looking up a particular subject. They are recommended, therefore, to persons preparing papers on any of the various subjects treated.

The latest census reports show that there are 9,967,039 fowls in Michigan. The annual production is 59,915,851 dozens of eggs, with a farm value of $11,734,799.

CHURCHES TO PRODUCE RELIGIOUS PLAYS NOW

Exposition Department of Missionary Education Movement to Provide Properties.

NEW YORK, May 28.—Churches throughout the country and societies affiliated with them are now able to produce religious plays, written in proper dramatic form with stage directions and properties through the establishment in this city of the exposition department of missionary education movement.

This new department which is one of the most interesting developments of modern church work, was organized last January. Announcement is made today that it is now able to offer a play, with scenery for its production, to churches for use in illustrating, in dramatic form, its home and foreign missionary work. A storehouse here is now fully equipped with scenery and properties, together with costumes, household and other implements, and everything needed to set a church play. The properties may all be rented for a nominal sum by the religious organizations for which they are intended. They cannot be had for secular purposes at any price.

The scenery and larger properties are made after photographs and with the advice of missionaries who have been for years in the different missionary fields and who know thoroughly the countries represented.

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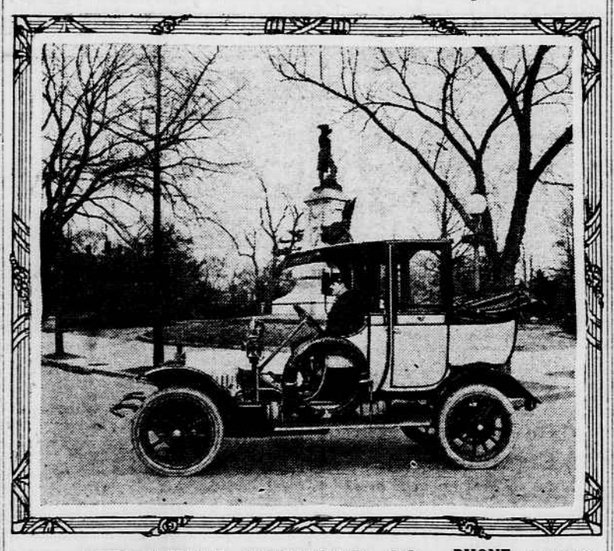

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