

MARTIN BECK OF ORPHEUM CIRCUIT

Something About the World's Greatest Vaudeville Organizer Who Visited Here This Week.

HIS SYSTEM OF "SPOTTERS."

Keeps Four Men and Two Women Constantly Traveling. With Some Startling Results.

Martin Beck, general manager of the Orpheum circuit and conceded to be the world's greatest vaudeville organizer, has been somewhat in the public eye in Salt Lake this week owing to his securing control of the local vaudeville theater on State street. Quite a number of people in consequence are asking, who is Martin Beck?

Without doubt he is the greatest single figure in the vaudeville business of the world, and is one of three men—B. F. Keith and Percy Williams being the others—who control the vaudeville of America.

Twenty years ago Martin Beck was a waiter in a beer hall in San Francisco. Today he is a millionaire.

He is a short, stocky, keen-eyed little man with a Hebrew with a German accent. His keen eyes and his devotion to detail have won for him the enviable distinction in the business world. He has the reputation of being a close bargainer and a relentless opponent who will brook no opposition. Outside of his talent for securing the best entertainers of three continents Mr. Beck has but one hobby, and that is automobiles. He is reported to have the latest high-power machines, one in each of his offices in New York, several in Chicago and one in Los Angeles. He somewhat surprised those with whom he was walking on State street a couple of days ago by identifying the make and horsepower of automobiles a block away.

GREAT ON DETAIL.

Martin Beck's eye for detail was ever alert during his three hours' visit to Salt Lake. He had not been in the Orpheum two minutes before he made the astounding discovery that some paint had been chipped off the woodwork in the lobby, and that the usher was wearing a soiled collar. These two calamities created a mild storm.

Just prior to coming to Salt Lake Mr. Beck was in Los Angeles and there demonstrated, as the Los Angeles Times puts it, "internal vigilance is the price of safety and success."

UNCANNY OMNIPRESENCE.

The Times credits Mr. Beck with an uncanny omnipresence. It asserts that part of his system is to keep a force of spotters circulating around the 20-odd theaters in which he is directly interested. These spotters make daily reports to Mr. Beck by wire and the results are somewhat startling to the nerves of the various resident managers.

There are said to be six of these individuals in the employ of Mr. Beck. Four men and two women travel from place to place, keeping him in the mate touch with affairs at the various theaters on the circuit.

THREE PERPLEXED MANAGERS.

Ten days ago, being in his Chicago office, he sent a telegram to the manager of the Kansas City house. It was 9:15 in the evening, and his wire read: "Look in your gallery, and you'll find your gallery doorkeeper asleep." They jumped in the stairs, caught the doorkeeper slumbering as peacefully as Abou Ben Adhem, and he woke up jobless.

Three days ago, sitting in Mr. Brown's Spring-street office, Los Angeles, he wired to Memphis, Tenn.: "This morning you set a pile of old cans and general rubbish in your stage entrance. Have them removed at once." And before he put away his fountain pen he scribbled this one to Denver: "It is nearly noon, and there is still a heavy coating of dirt on the window sills of your box office. Why?"

It is a safe wager that there were three perplexed managers when these telegrams were received, and not only perplexed, but chagrined, for "investigation in every case only proved the correctness of the eerie warning of the wire."

PAYS BIG SALARIES.

While Mr. Beck ostensibly is the man who hires all the Orpheum acts most of his work is done by his assistant, Mr. Bray, who gets a salary of \$15,000 a year. Mr. Beck surrounds himself with the best and pays good salaries accordingly. He has perfected a unique system, which greatly simplifies his work. The latest is the establishment of a proposed press bureau to cover every act on the circuit.

SOME OF HIS EXPERTS.

"I have in my New York office," said he, a couple of days ago, "a man who is a thoroughgoing expert on aerobatics. That's his job. He does nothing else. Then I have a man who is an expert on vocal performances as they are applied to vaudeville. It's his

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business to judge not only the intrinsic merit of a singing performance, but its adaptability to our audiences—really the most important part of the thing, after all. Another chap is a sketch-artist. I have had him under observation for several years, and I conclude now that he is the best sketch man in the business. These men are 12 in all. They look at the acts. They make my suggestions. They save me the amount of labor that would swamp a giant."

Y. M. C. A. FORENSIC CLUB.

The regular weekly session of the Y. M. C. A. Forensic club will be held in the clubroom this evening commencing at 8 p. m.

Owing to the basketball game last Friday the meeting was postponed. The subject for debate is, "Resolved, That Hughes is a more desirable candidate than Taft for president of the United States." Messrs. Allen Childs and A. Q. Anderson will offer the question and Messrs. J. B. Kyle and Frank Meyers will take the negative side.

Besides the debate, an interesting program has been arranged. The club extends a hearty invitation to all to be present.

CAPT. BURBIDGE IN OGDEN.

Capt. J. B. Burbidge of the police department, is in Ogdren on official business. In the Junction City there are three or four men under arrest on suspicion of having turned several housebreaking tricks. Two of the men were recently released from the state prison and Capt. Burbidge has gone to Ogdren to see the men and learn what he could about their deportment while in Salt Lake.

CASE CONTINUED.

Peter Cerra, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, was in Judge Diehl's court this morning for hearing, but the matter was continued until next Monday morning.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theater—DeWolf Hopper in a new opera, by DeWolf, with a chorus that knows how to sing, and a supporting company in all ways capable, will be presented at the theater last night. The attendance was big and brilliant, and while it took some time to wake the audience up, they became thoroughly aroused later on, and Mr. Hopper may be credited with another success. He has never been funnier than in his curtain call speech; in his rendition of the inevitable "Casey at the Bat," which he has made a classic of his kind, and depends upon Judge Lewis' decision, which is expected some time this afternoon.

DECIDE THIS AFTERNOON. Counsel for plaintiff argued that the Short Line was responsible for damages done by its rolling stock upon its own premises and tracks, no matter who was in control as lessees. As to whether the wife shall go to the jury, which the wife asks for, depends upon Judge Lewis' decision, which is expected some time this afternoon.

SHE CHARGES CRUELTY.

Wife of N. Ray Mecham Files Suit for Divorce. N. Ray Mecham was made defendant in a suit for divorce filed yesterday by Lillias Mecham. Cruelty, brutality and non-support are the grounds upon which the wife asks for the divorce. The complaint sets forth that the couple married Oct. 11, 1905, and that the mistreatment alleged, commenced soon after that time, while for more than a year plaintiff has received no support from defendant.

As to the alleged acts of cruelty, plaintiff says that defendant on July 19, 1907, threw her upon the floor, choked her, called her unprintable names and accused her of infidelity. The wife wants a share of real estate valued at \$1,000, temporary alimony and attorney's fees. The defendant is a local dentist.

SAYS HUSBAND PROFANES.

Emma Ferguson Richards filed suit for divorce yesterday afternoon from J. H. Richards, basing her suit upon the inhuman manner in which he has been treated by defendant. It is alleged that for a period of three years she has been subjected to an almost continuous round of profanity from her husband. The couple became man and wife at Farmington, Aug. 12, 1902.

SUES FOR \$2,000.

Mrs. Sarah E. Kariack has entered suit in the district court against William B. McSherry for the sum of \$2,000 and interest, alleging in a complaint filed yesterday that she was induced by the defendant to invest in certain mining stock, and that the representations of McSherry as to the holdings of the company were false and fraudulent. It is further claimed that defendant promised to return the said \$2,000, but kept his word only to the amount of \$100.

WANTS \$1,000 DAMAGES.

The case of Thomas Morris against Salt Lake City is still on before a jury in Judge Ritchie's court. The plaintiff is suing for \$1,000 as alleged damages to his property, First North and Seventh West street, by reason of the lowering of the sidewalk, which left a row of shade trees in such a condition that some of them blew over on plaintiff's house.

HELP FOR UNEMPLOYED

Capt. Woods Says That 120 Men Badly Need Work.

Capt. M. M. Woods of the Salt Lake Cavalry association, asserts that all people having any kind of odd jobs notify him at once so that he may furnish men from those most in need of employment.

There are now in Salt Lake about 250 men out of work, who have families dependent on them, and of these there are 130 urgently in need of work, according to Capt. Woods. This latter list embraces only those who have neither work nor resources, and have exhausted their credit. "The situation that is before us," he said, "is a very serious one. I found, too, that I did not grow tired of Grape-Nuts and continued to eat it."

BODY ARRIVES.

Funeral Services Over Remains of Late George Acocks Tomorrow.

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QUESTION IS AS TO LIABILITY

Peculiar Condition Arises in Damage Suit Against Oregon Short Line.

ENGINE HAD BEEN LEASED.

Judge Lewis Will Probably Decide This Afternoon Whether Case Shall Go to Jury.

In the case of Cromsens against the Oregon Short Line Railroad company, on trial before a jury in Judge Lewis' court today, motion for a non-suit was made by counsel for the defendant, and the same was argued during part of the forenoon and will be continued this afternoon. The suit was brought by the parents of Raymond Cromsens to recover damages for the death of the latter, who was killed by a switch engine, May 22, 1907, on Third West near Sixth South. The contention of the defense is that the engine, No. 613, which caused the death of the boy, was leased to the Salt Lake Railroad company, and that the liability in the premises, if there was any, was upon the last named company.

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last night, and the funeral services will be held Sunday at St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Mr. Acocks at the time of his death was 30 years of age, and his life was full of adventurous incidents of pioneering days. He came to Utah in 1859 in the employment of the Union Pacific railroad, and he was the first baggage man ever to come into the city. In 1874 he went to Wyoming where he lived until securing a post-office appointment in Washington, D. C., which position he held for 12 years.

He is survived by a widow residing at 245 West Seventh South street, eight children, 41 grandchildren, and 30 great-grandchildren.

ESTATE IS TRANSFERRED

O. P. Miller Becomes Administrator of Affairs of the Late W. C. Staines.

Judge Armstrong in the Third district court handed down a decision this morning in the friendly and technical suit of O. P. Miller vs. the executors of the estate of the late Robert T. Burton, to legalize the transfer of administration of the estate of W. C. Staines. The decision on points of fact given by Judge Armstrong is that Robert T. Burton accounted for the administration of the estate of W. C. Staines, deceased, up to April 1, 1901, and that his executors have filed here in a true and correct accounting from April 1, 1901, to Dec. 1, 1907.

"That said accounting correctly shows all money and property received during that period," said Robert T. Burton for the said estate. That each of the items of expenditure therein contained was made for the benefit of said estate, and that on said estate there remained on hand a balance of \$19,831.16 in cash, and the following described personal property:

Seventy shares Z. C. M. I. stock \$3,459.00
Fifty-two shares State Bank of Utah 6,877.50
Elmer's Life Insurance Co. 1,443.50
Five shares Thatcher Bros. Banking Co. 560.00
Ninety shares Utah Idaho Sugar Co. 357.40
Seven shares Cunningham & Co. 166.75
Seven shares Clark, Eldredge & Co. 318.50
On deposit in Deseret National bank 630.16

Total \$20,308.81

The decision, in point of law, is that "the defendant is entitled to a decree setting, allowing, and approving said account and finding the balance due thereon as in the findings of fact. That a decree be entered providing that the said property be turned over to the plaintiff, and that the said Robert T. Burton be discharged as administrator."

MORE SMELTER PROBLEMS.

Farmers' Committee Will Meet Tomorrow Afternoon.

Tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the executive committee of the Salt Lake valley farmers will meet to consider the application of the United States smelter to continue operations under a modification of the decree in the United States courts.

The purpose of the meeting is to decide whether to oppose the move, and at present opinion in the committee is somewhat divided. It is held by those against allowing the matter to be heard without entering a defense that the United States smelter contains a large number of copper furnaces, and that the claim that a way has been found to do away with the copper fumes is a mere fiction. The farmers claim that their case is very different from that of the American Smelting and Refining company, which runs only a lead smelter.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE.

Ogden Girl Falls Under Wheels of Heavy Wagon.

(Special to the "News.")

Ogden, Feb. 25.—Lillie Stahl, the 5-year-old daughter of Thomas Stahl, last evening met with a very serious accident. She was trying to jump from a wagon loaded with gravel when she slipped and fell beneath the wheel, which passed over her face, crushing her jaw in two places, almost tearing her ear from her head. It was a narrow escape from death, as the wide tire of the wagon undoubtedly prevented the crushing of her skull.

PETITIONS FOR CLEMENCY.

Prisoners File Their Requests With State Pardons Board.

The following petitions for official clemency from the state prison have been filed with the board of pardons: By Robert Lanier, convicted of attempted burglary, Dec. 9, 1905, Second district court, sentenced seven years, parole; Lester Christensen, forgery, sentenced Nov. 20, 1907, Seventh district, one year, pardon; C. M. Kinsler, burglary and attempted jail breaking, Sept. 19, 1905, Second district, seven years, commutation; A. F. Miller, statutory rape, April 19, 1905, First district court, five years, pardon. Miller is now out on parole and according to all accounts is behaving himself and doing well, having obtained steady employment. The petition of Christensen is accompanied by a long list of citizens of San Juan county.

POLICE HOPE FOR GARCIA'S CAPTURE

Chief Pitt Succeeds in Locating Relatives of Suspected Murderer.

HE WAS BORN IN CONEJOS.

Known by Early Associates to Be a Bad Man and One Who Would Kill.

When Joe Sullivan, charged with the murder of Police Officer Charles S. Ford, was captured in Portland and subsequently returned to this city for trial, the search for Joe Garcia, the Mexican-Chinese was not ended. Chief of Police Pitt has not given up hope of landing the man who was a pal of Sullivan when the pair held up several men in the Albany bar and later killed Officer Ford on the night of Dec. 14.

Thousands of letters and photographs of Garcia were sent out by Chief Pitt and as a result of letters written to the authorities of hundreds of cities, the chief has been able to locate relatives of the man wanted and it is believed that Garcia will yet be captured.

REAL NAME GALO GARCIA.

Through letters received from Colorado officers, it is learned that Garcia's real name is Galo Garcia and that he was born in Conejos, a small Mexican village on the frontier in southern Colorado. Sheriff McGregor of Conejos has been working on the case and through him and one of his deputies, an officer named Glard, the Salt Lake police have been able to locate Garcia's relatives.

At Capulin, Colo., there is an uncle of the man wanted. His name is Bonifacio Trujillo. J. N. Garcia, a brother of the suspected murderer, resides at Rock Springs, Wyoming, and another brother, named Frelau Garcia, and a sister, reside at Del Norte, Colo. The man also has relatives at Lumberton and Alamogordo, N. M.

According to the letter received yesterday by Chief Pitt from the Colorado officer, Garcia moved from Conejos to Capulin and then went to Del Norte. He herded sheep at Grand Junction for a man named Raymond Martinez. In the letter the officer says: "He was a bad man and I believe he is the one who shot Patrolman Ford."

A careful watch is being kept on all these places and the relatives of the alleged murderer are being closely watched. The officers believe that sooner or later Garcia will show a brother or sister and that then he will be captured. Detectives are working on the latest clues and there will be no let up in the search until the man is under arrest and in prison as Joe Sullivan is awaiting trial on the charge of murder.

STOLE MASON'S TOOLS.

Several days ago a quantity of mason's tools were stolen from a man named Alexander Smith. This morning Officer Phillips located some of the tools in a State street second hand store where they had been sold by a man giving the name of T. M. Tuttle, the latter was located in an East First South street rooming house and placed under arrest on the charge of petit larceny.

GOVERNOR TO ATTEND BALL.

Governor John C. Cutler and staff will attend the ball to be given this evening by the High School cadets at Odeon hall. The grand march, which is scheduled for 8:45 o'clock, will be led by the executive.

BLAINEY BROUGHT BACK.

Ogden Police Captain Has in Custody Alleged Diamond Thief.

(Special to the "News.") Ogden, Feb. 25.—Capt. of Police C. C. Brown returned today from St. Louis, having in custody Chester Blainey, who was arrested by the St. Louis police on request from the Ogden department. Blainey is charged with stealing a pair of diamonds belonging to Miss Livingston, of this city. It being alleged that he became acquainted with the young lady and took advantage of the acquaintance to steal the diamonds.

ALWAYS HUNGRY

Ordinary Food Never Satisfied Her.

A young lady in Minn. writes of her experience: "After a disheartening struggle for five years against the life attendant on mal-assimilation of food, I am at last on the high road to recovery and feel impelled to give credit where it is due."

"Some years ago I had a long illness due to stomach trouble. Every meal ate caused me either excruciating pain or a dull heavy misery that was even worse. I weighed but 90 lbs., was almost hopeless as I found that a poorly nourished body means lack of brain power and ambition."

"I was always ravenously hungry and while I could not eat the appetizing dishes on the table, I longed for them. That longing was what prompted me to try Grape-Nuts. The food had a flavor that I liked—rich without being heavy."

"I left off my daily laxative as I found I did not need it for Grape-Nuts was so easily digested, constipation disappeared. I found, too, that I did not grow tired of Grape-Nuts and continued to eat it."

"It forms my breakfast exclusively and I also eat it with eggs and fruit. I have gained 12 pounds in less than a year and that is nothing compared with my gain in strength and courage."

"I can now eat a hearty meal which satisfies my appetite and it does not leave me, as formerly, feeling as though I had dined on tacks." "There's a reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in place

McDonald's Rainbow chocolates come in different sized packages. Take a small one home some evening. It's worth while to taste the best grade of chocolates in the world.

McDonald, exclusive manufacturer of fine chocolates.

KENTUCKY'S DEADLOCK BROKEN FOR BRADLEY.

Frankfort, Feb. 23.—On an informal count of the vote in a joint session today, the vote of Bradley, Republican, seemed to have been elected to the United States senate, having received 64 votes to 60 for Beckham. The Democrats and 1 for Blackburn. The Democrats at once left the hall in an attempt to break the quorum, but later returned and the vote was ordered verified.

Bradley received the vote of four Democrats, three from Louisville, Senator McNutt and Charlton, and Representatives Audler and Lillard. Boyle, voted with the Republicans, giving Bradley 64, the number necessary to elect. A scene of the wildest excitement prevailed before the result was announced, the Democrats demanding a recapitulation of the vote. Bradley was seated on the floor of the house chamber and released the Democrats from their primary nomination pledge. Many of the Democrats jumped to their feet and sought to change their votes, the majority going to Congressman James.

A strong effort was made to induce the four recalcitrant Democrats to leave Bradley and vote for some Democrat.

LATE LOCALS.

Directors' Meeting Today.—A meeting of the directors of the Utah Bank & Trust company, for the annual election of officers by the directors of the Utah Savings Bank & Trust company.

Buy Old Clawson Property.—J. A. Earls has bought from DeWitt B. Lowe, for \$9,000, a lot 35 by 115 feet, at Third East and Brigham streets, the old Clawson property, through A. Richter. Mr. Earls expects to improve the property during the year, by erecting an apartment house there.

Conference Rates Due.—The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (Chicago) rate conference, which is to be held in Salt Lake, will convene next April, from Cowley, Frannie, Garland and Local. The rates to be put in by it, the Rio Grande and the Colorado Midland for conference next April, from Cowley, Frannie, Garland and Local. The rates to be put in by it, the Rio Grande and the Colorado Midland for conference next April, from Cowley, Frannie, Garland and Local.

Cross-Examination On.—The cross-examination of Marcus E. Jones, one of the government's star witnesses in the case of the alleged murderer, who is in this city, was continued this morning, and will be probably finished this afternoon. An adjournment will be taken until Monday. The government has a number of witnesses to bring on, and they will be long period will be consumed by the defense, the Utah Fuel and allied companies. The hearing is before Master in Chancery Lewis.

Ward E. Pack Very Ill.—The friends of Ward E. Pack, of Utah county, will regret to learn that he is at the Groves L. D. S. hospital dangerously ill. Since the death of his father, Hon. Ward E. Pack, which occurred several months ago, he has been in very poor condition physically and lately came to town to undergo a surgical operation. The trip was a very trying one, and he reached the hospital exhausted. His mother, Mrs. Laura C. Pack is at his bedside.

Ogden Jewelry Co. Incorporates.—Articles of incorporation of the Crescent Jewelry company, of Ogden, were filed today in the office of the secretary of state. The concern is capitalized for \$10,000, 100 shares of the par value of \$100 each. The directors named are: Jacob S. Zeller, James H. Kaugus, Edmund T. Hulan, and W. H. Zeller. Mr. Zeller is president and treasurer. The company will carry on a general business in the jewelry line, and takes over the business of Paul W. Stecher.

FARNSWORTH.—In this city, Feb. 27, Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Duzette Farnsworth, in her 67th year, died at her residence of heart failure. She was the widow of Mr. L. H. Farnsworth, 1150 East First South, Saturday, Feb. 27, at 2 p. m. Interment in city cemetery.

DICKWORTH.—At 743 Jackson street, Salt Lake City, on February 27, 1908, of scarlet fever, Annie R. Dickworth, daughter of Charles H. and Jamie May Dickson, Dickworth, aged 9 years, 11 months and 15 days.

The funeral cortege will leave the family home at 10 o'clock on Monday, Feb. 28, at 2 p. m. Interment in city cemetery.

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