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 Today
 "The players in 'My Best Girl' are so well chosen for their parts that the audience thinks them real people rather than actors and actresses."
 This quotation from a prominent New York critic's review of Mary Pickford's newest United Artists Picture concisely sums up the merit of the cast of this comedy-romance. Headed by young Charles Rogers and Hobart Bosworth, "My Best Girl," which comes to the Birmingham Theater, today is said to have one of the best balanced companies on the screen.

Friday
 A "screen treat" in the form of a cruise to Catalina was Jackie Coogan's preparation for "Buttons," his new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer vehicle coming Friday to the Birmingham Theater. It was necessary to ascertain if he'd get seasick before putting him on an ocean liner for the new picture, a vivid tale of the oldest, Lars Hanson, Gertrude Olmsted, and a notable cast.

Saturday
 The current production of Zane Grey's "Under The Tonto Rim," said to be one of his finest efforts, is typical of the many Zane Grey successes brought to the screen by Paramount. The latest picturization of the famous author's works will appear at the Birmingham Theater Saturday.

Sunday-Monday-Tuesday
 Charlie Chaplin in "The Circus." Peanuts... sawdust... pink lemonade... clowns, tigers, elephants, roaring lions, acrobats, wire-walkers and "Chaplin in his brand new comedy will all be at the Birmingham Theater Sunday. Written, directed and produced by Charlie Chaplin, "The Circus" was two years in the making and it is the first Chaplin comedy since "The Gold Rush."

Wednesday
 When a beautiful blonde girl sets out to look for trouble usually she finds it and so do the people with whom she comes in contact. Esther Rialson does everything from making faces at policemen to kidnapping a judge in her Paramount picture "Love and Learn" which appears at the Birmingham Theater Wednesday night.

BONSTELLE
 "Cook Robin," a cleverly amusing mystery drama by Elmer Rice and Philip Barry, opens Monday night at the Bonstelle Playhouse, with Eden Gray, Craig Ward, George Blackwood and Walter Sherwin in important roles. Loren Carroll also has an interesting character part. Obtaining this play as her next bill was quite a triumph for Miss Bonstelle, as the play is barely finishing a highly successful run at the Booth Theater in New York. By special arrangement with Guthrie McClintic, producer of the play, Miss Bonstelle was able to secure it. The joint authors of the drama are both well known and brilliant young playwrights. Elmer Rice will be remembered for his "On Trial," while Philip Barry has made his name with "The Younger Son" and "L. A. and 'White Wings.'" The scene of the play is an English groshop of the 18th century, and the action takes place between 4 p. m. and 10 p. m. of the same day.

Unlike the usual mystery melodrama in this play the murderer is committed in full view of the audience. This promptly prepares the onlooker for the sane and logical, but at the same time tensely exciting explanation which follows. Instead of being completely fooled, there is a rapid and immediate attempt to discover the criminal by every process known to the questioning mind. The play is free from the gruesome, and sees only scenes which rouse the mental faculties to high activity. "Cook Robin" is a play within a play, but the inner play is never allowed to overshadow the outer, propounds itself. Who killed Cook Robin? The characters are intelligent, the situation and the incident is both logical and thrilling. Laughter lurks in every scene and follows the action until the very end of the play.

LAFAYETTE
 —Thurston, the famous magician, is breaking all records at the Shubert Lafayette Theater in Detroit. For two weeks now he has been playing nightly to standing room only, and so great is the demand for seats that the engagement has been extended to more weeks. Four weeks for a magician outside of New York is unheard of in the history of music. Thurston's program this season is the most elaborate and mysterious in all his twenty-two years as a magician and entertainer. For two hours and a half this suave, amiable Memphis is on the stage. One of the outstanding illusions this year is Thurston's latest invention, "The Vanishing Whipped and Ten Pretty Girls," in which a real automobile and its occupants are vanished on a fully lighted stage. This illusion has been a sensation this season. "The Moth and the Flame" is a magical fantasy that is regarded as one of the most beautiful illusions ever staged. "The Mystery of the Bathing Beauties" has all the elements of a good mystery story or play. In "Gravitation" Thurston plays an impish trick of the "Alice in Wonderland" kind. He proves by a sort of conjurer's topology logic that Newton was all wrong about the apple falling from the tree. According to Thurston, Newton fell upward and bumped into the apple. One of the remarkable features of the program is the half hour interlude of Oriental music, in which such famous Hindu feats as "The Rope Trick," "The Snake," the "Hindu Basket Trick," and "Red Fire" Magic of the Rajhouth are demonstrated. Thurston and his company of Hindu fakirs or magicians from Darjeeling, India.

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ORIENTAL
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HEARING DATE SET IN DEATH
 Driver Of Car In Woodward Accident Faces Court May 2

Date of examination of William Johnstone, 29 years old, 359 Goring street, Pontiac, is set May 2, following his arraignment before Justice Henry N. Harman in Pontiac. Johnstone is at liberty under bail of \$1,000. He is charged with negligent homicide in connection with the death near Birmingham of Leonard Whitman, 18 years old, Detroit.

Whitman was struck on Woodward avenue north of Birmingham March 25 while repairing a tire on his car. The accident occurred at night. Johnstone was arrested in Pontiac after a coroner's jury found him not at fault in the death, although he was driving the car.

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