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WILLIAM DeMILLE'S
PRODUCTION
'Midsummer Madness'

With **LOIS WILSON, LILA LEE, JACK HOLT** and **CONRAD NAGEL**

You whose one-time lover may now be merely your husband. You whose sweetheart has come to be only a wife. Do you often wonder where the old romance has fled?

And if, in a moment of midsummer madness, something should re-awake the first wild ecstasy—

A drama that pierces convention's veneer and shows what real love is—and does!

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From the Famous Novel, "His Friend and His Wife," by Cosmo Hamilton
Scenario by Olga Printzlau

Comedy—Another Knockout
Jimmie Adams in
"BANG"
Sexton Orchestra

A TIP—Impossible to beat this program at regular prices.

ECONOMIES TO SAVE \$10,000
URGED BY TAXPAYERS LEAGUE
Reduction of Police Force and Putting One Man in Charge of Both Police and Fire Departments Favored.

With his finger at causes asserted to be responsible for the present rate of taxation and particularizing economies proposed for a reduction of levies, the Cascade County Taxpayers league at a meeting in the city council chambers Thursday night adopted a report by its ways and means committee providing for saving of \$10,000 annually to the taxpayers of Great Falls. Adoption of the report included instructions for its submission to the city council, with the recommendation that its provision be made operative.

Reduction of the police force, consolidation of its superintendency of the police and fire departments and the housing of all city departments in the city hall building were the principal methods of economy proposed. The report was read to the meeting by B. J. Boorman, chairman of the committee, and was unanimously adopted by the crowd that overflowed from the council chambers into the hallway.

Vote on Wage Scale Avoided.
What was declared by H. B. Mitchell to be a move that would have disrupted the league and forever destroyed its usefulness, was precipitated by a portion of the crowd with the proposal that the organization take a position in the wage dispute now in progress between the city and the federal union. Labor men were probably a majority in the audience and except for an abrupt turning of the tide after the discussion had at times become heated, the meeting, it was thought, would have gone on record as favoring a rescinding of the council's action in reducing the wage scale for laborers to \$4.50 a day.

Herbert Gallaber, Thomas Barrett, and Richard Sherwood, representing the laboring men, presented to the meeting arguments for action on the matter of the wage scale and a motion had been put for the adoption of a corresponding resolution when Mr. Mitchell asked if those present realized what the consequence would be if the motion passed.

To Enter No Controversy.
"There are some here now, and everyone will know in a short time that if this organization takes a stand in a wage dispute, the Taxpayers league will not survive," Mr. Mitchell declared. "For this league to accomplish its purpose, it must avoid controversial matters. I would favor submitting to the council a request that in all department officials included, where possible, but for this organization to attempt to bring influence to bear on a controversy over a specific wage scale would be to invite certain disaster."

Mr. Mitchell put a motion for the rejection of all previous motions, providing that proportionate decreases in all salaries be made where the question of legality is not involved, and that officials whose salary would remain fixed during their tenure be asked of the governing law be asked to voluntarily accept any resulting reductions. Mr. Mitchell's motion carried, but there was a substantial negative vote from the labor men.

Discuss Salary Cuts.
Previously, the meeting had discussed the question of what salaries should be legally reduced by the city council. Legal opinions given were that elective officials and officials appointed for a stated term could not be reduced except by their own action.

The report of the ways and means committee, consisting of B. J. Boorman, A. H. Gray and George Mallon, to the meeting was as follows: "Some departments are being conducted at the present with a thought of efficiency and economy. These departments are entitled to the commendation of the taxpayers. In the departments where the conditions exist and where economy and sound business judgment are not practiced, it is our duty as taxpayers, to co-operate with the public officials to right any wrongs that may exist, or in case wrongs have existed in the past, to see that there is not a repetition of those wrongs."

Old Debts Not Paid.
"Our county records would reveal the fact, perhaps not known to the taxpayers in general, but a matter of record, namely, that the First avenue north bridge, which has been the property of Cascade county for something over 30 years, has not yet been paid for, notwithstanding the bridge was used continuously, and only a few months ago, was disposed of as junk. The same records would show that the site on which our court house is situated is not yet paid for. Should you desire deeper into the records, it would reveal that the obligations that we assumed in 1887, when Cascade county was created, for that indebtedness covering that portion of the county that followed when the new county of Cascade was taken from us, has been still unpaid, notwithstanding the transaction occurred and the obligation was assumed 34 years ago. The records will show that the obligation on the bridge, water office, and our obligation assumed at the time the county was created have been subjected to the payment of annual interest for a period of 10 years at seven per cent, and for a period of 20 years at five per cent, or in other words, the interest that we have already paid on these obligations, exceeds the amount of the original obligation, and at this time we are not in a position or will not be in a position to meet these obligations at maturity."

Bonds Due in Two Years.
"The records of our municipality would show that up on July 1, 1923, there will be maturity on \$141,000 of bonds, which might show, under proper analysis, that these were in payment of some of the first city warrants, issued by our municipality over 30 years ago. These records would also show that the original purchase price of our city parks made nearly 30 years ago, was not met at maturity."

"We believe that the public affairs should be just as economically administered as the direction and management of private interests or private corporation. The successful individual or private corporation, when contracting an obligation, at once commences to lay plans to reduce that obligation, thus reducing the interest charge contingent on said obligation. Any private corporation that bonds itself or obligates itself to pay a given sum at some subsequent date, must, by necessity protect that obligation or its credit is impaired and bankruptcy often follows. The system of neglect to meet contracted obligations at maturity, meeting them into refunding issues, a like pending debts that sooner or later become burdensome. It should not be the policy to ascertain what the limit of our indebtedness can be under the law, but in a position that public indebtedness should be held at a minimum in order that our credit may be upon a solvent basis, to the end that our bonds may be sought for by bond purchasers, thus selling at a premium and at a low rate of interest."

Outside Capital Needed.
"In this great undeveloped country, we require outside capital for our development. If the prospective investor will look up our records and therein finds a reflection of our administration, reflected in taxation and levies, his conclusions are then and there made. If it can be shown that our bonded indebtedness is at a low register and our rate of taxation is lower than that of other communities, it is quite likely that that investor will become interested. It is on the other hand, it is found that our public affairs are not administered in an economical way, but extravagant, and that our obligations have not been met at maturity and that our rate of taxation is excessive, he moves on to other communities where conditions are more appealing to the investor."

"From the compiled records of our state board of equalization, it would show that in 1912, according to census, the average per capita tax in the United States was \$13.91; that year (1912) Montana showing a per capita tax of \$26.83, which was the highest in the United States. This per capita tax has risen in 1920 to the enormous figure of \$48.00 for every man, woman and child residing in the Treasure state. These figures are alarming. They are appalling and not conducive to the investor."

To Seek Sound Basis.
"We will grant that the great War added in disjuncting conditions generally, but a thorough investigation might reveal the fact that economy was not the watch word, even in the years that just preceded the great conflict. But this is a reconstruction age and necessarily must, to bring affairs of municipalities, county, state and individual industries upon a sound and healthy basis, require careful thought and co-operation by all of us; this being absolutely necessary before business will resume and return to normal. Business conditions are not normal. Many upheavals and rupt changes are still in store. Neither labor or capital can escape the deflationary process which is following the war prosperity period. Prosperity cannot be legislated but come from the thousands of communities throughout the country adjusting conditions locally. This great nation is made up of community units and through them is reflected either prosperity or depression. Perhaps when this calendar year will have closed it will indicate that there have been nearly 20,000 business failures in the United States a greater number than have existed since the year 1914. The individuals or firms that will survive, are those who practice strictest economy in the conduct of their business."

For Business in Public Affairs.
"We believe that the public affairs should be put strictly upon a business basis. Our city is the third largest employer of labor in the community, being surpassed only by the Smelter and the Great Northern Railroad. Our city has an annual expenditure of approximately \$325,000.00. There is a million dollars passing through the hands of our City Treasurer annually. We simply speak of this in order that you may realize its importance. Recently the records show that the wages of our city laborers have been reduced to conform with the exigencies of the present time. Your committee has definite plan that contemplates a saving of over \$10,000 per year. The specific recommendation is as follows:

Police and Fire Department.
Chief of Police now \$210, to sergeant at \$170; saving \$40.
Captain, now \$180, to plain clothes at \$150; saving \$30.
Sergeant now \$170, to plain clothes at \$145; saving \$25.
One jailer now \$160, to patrolman at \$145; saving \$15.
Plain clothes man to act as jailer on his shift.
Less four patrolmen at \$145 month saving \$680.
Total, \$840.
Less additional salary to be paid to chief or superintendent of public safety to be in charge of both police and fire departments. Under these conditions one of the firemen would be delegated to drive the police patrol and other men in the fire department delegated with police powers to be used in case of emergency. Water office now paying \$110 a month, to move to the city building, saving \$1820.
Health department rooms now paying \$145 a month, to move to city building, saving \$1740.
Net saving, \$11,400.00.

"From this you will perhaps find it necessary to deduct the extra compensation paid the superintendent, if the two departments were consolidated."

Would Use City Hall.
"You will observe that this plan contemplates a utilization of our splendid new city hall, used by our fire department. It is a splendid building and it would make splendid quarters for our water office and the health department. This building is not paid for, yet we are paying interest on the bonded indebtedness, occasioned by reason of its construction and while the building is splendidly arranged, it is practically vacant. By the attached floor plan, we believe that the wisdom of moving the water works into the quarters now occupied by jail officers and chief of police, might be considered. The court room could be utilized by our medical department. This splendid building is furnished with first aid department, occupied by jail officers and chief of police magistrature. It has his headquarters in the identification room. The records of our police department would show that in March, there were only two commitments; six

commitments in April and 14 commitments in May. On June 4 there had yet been no commitments thus far for the month. We have not examined the records for this week. On June 4 there were two under minor sentence and two awaiting trial.

Make Duties Interchangeable.
"The plan contemplates only a reasonable utilization of the services of the man in the employ of the city and surely no person would be so unreasonable as to expect to draw salary without giving service, and whoever salary he gives without service, it reflects a hardship upon the taxpayers. If the committee has been correctly informed, in many cities police duties and firemen's duties are interchangeable, where emergency cases require it. We understand that in the city of Helena the firemen perform the duty of custodian of the city jail, resulting in a substantial saving of expense to the taxpayers."

"We recommend the utilization of our public owned quarters and building, eliminating outside rentals. We recommend the greatest efficiency of public employes. We recommend an economical administration and expenditure of public funds."

"We, your committee, believe that the above recommendations have merit and we submit them and recommend that they be passed to the city council for its consideration."

MOSE SMITH DIES
AT GALEN, AGE 71
Pioneer and Picturesque Figure of Great Falls Streets Succumbs.

Mose Smith, pioneer and long a picturesque figure on the streets of Great Falls, was found dead in his bed Thursday morning at Galen, Mont., where he has been in charge of the livestock of the state tubercular institution for two years. His body will be buried in Highland cemetery, beside that of his wife, who died five years ago.

A native of Maine, Mose Smith settled at the Sulphur Springs 40 years ago. Thirty-four years ago he came to Great Falls and worked as carpenter on the plant of the B. & M. Company. Eighteen years ago he engaged in the express business.

Smith, who was 71 years old, leaves only two relatives, so far as known, a sister, Mrs. Wesley Curmuff of 708 Ninth avenue south; and a nephew Bruce Curmuff, for 20 years an employee of the Great Falls postoffice.

American Legion
Wires Regrets at
Galbraith Death

Walter Neubert, adjutant of the Great Falls post of the American Legion, Thursday telegraphed to the National headquarters of the American Legion at Indianapolis the regrets of the Great Falls post at the death of F. W. Galbraith, national commander of the legion.

A business session of the Great Falls post was held Friday evening at Veterans' hall. After the meeting the auxiliary will give a dinner for the members. The dinner will be the culmination of a drive for membership which was launched by the local post of both organizations with the hope of making a good showing at the state convention which will be held at Lewistown the latter part of this month.

2000 Range Cattle
Back From Canada

Special to The Tribune.
Malta, June 9.—This week the Mator Land & Cattle company is moving some 2000 head of range cattle from across the line in Canada to the Fort Belknap Indian reservation. Dr. Perry Benor is here from Great Falls and inspected the cattle when they crossed the line. They will be taken to the Milk river somewhere above the Dodson dam. Many will go from here to watch the spectacular scene at the crossing.

Wife Gets Divorce
and Half of Property

Special to The Tribune.
Lewistown, June 9.—Harriet Jane Lane will be awarded a divorce from John B. Lane, Judge Roy E. Ayers announced Wednesday, after hearing the case. The parties are residents of the Garnett district. Extreme cruelty was the ground for the suit. Permanent alimony to the amount of one-half the property goes with the verdict. The parties were married at Watska, Ill., in 1886.

MEXICO TREATY IMPROBABLE
Mexico City, June 9.—(By the Associated Press).—Formal signature of a treaty between Mexico and the United States as a condition to recognition of the Obregon administration by Washington is impossible, said a statement issued at the presidential office Wednesday night.

Al Jolson in 'SINBAD'
Grand, tonight. Curtain at 8:15. Box office open noon today. The biggest event in the history of the Grand theater.—Ad.

TONIGHT
The GEM
"WHERE'S MY WIFE"
LAUGHS — A RIOT
Doors Open—7:00
Last Show — 9:15
Prewar Prices
35c 10c

ESKIMO DRESSINGS FOR LEGS ABSENT
WHEN "SINBAD" OPENS HERE TONIGHT;
CONCEDED NEW HAVEN MORALS SOLELY

Bare legs still "go" on the metropolitan stage, regardless of the legislation that has tabooed that sort of dress, or undress, in many of the smaller cities, where public morals have to be watched by the police. Several of them are to be seen in Al Jolson's "Sinbad," which is proving the sensation of years where it plays. "Sinbad" which will be the attraction

by connoisseurs to be in discord with the atmosphere and spirit of the production, and, moreover, a high and low outrage against art. Be that as it may, no such violation of artistic principles will shock the spectators in Great Falls, who may feast his eye upon dimpled knees throughout the sailor number of the second act, quite as freely as if pursuing his art studies at the seashore during the bathing season.

Eating Place Fined
\$25; Wasn't Sanitary

Helena, June 9.—H. M. Shea, director of the food and drug division of the state board of health, has received word from the county attorney of Carbon county, telling of the conviction of Sam Lybber of Fromberg. Lybber was fined \$25 in the justice court for conducting a public eating place which was in an insanitary condition. The inspection was made some time ago by Mr. Shea.

Newspaper Women
Take Over a Weekly

Miss Lorene Burks, a member of the reportorial force of The Tribune for four years, and Miss Dorothy Duncan, who has held a similar position on the Leader, will leave this (Friday) morning for Hardin, Mont., where they have leased the Hardin Herald, a weekly paper.

Prisoner Brought
From Lethbridge
to Face Charges

John Hansen, alleged to have passed worthless checks on four Great Falls druggists, returned to Great Falls Thursday night from Lethbridge, Canada, in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Jack Abrams. Hansen was arrested in Lethbridge by the Canadian Mounted Police, on instructions from Sheriff Bob Gordon.

Deputy Sheriff Abrams said no difficulty was experienced in bringing the prisoner across the border. Hansen, according to the statement of Abrams, served time in Deer Lodge for forgery and escaped about a month ago while on parole.

Al Jolson's
Dance Hits
Will Be Featured Saturday Night.
ODEON
DANCING

ALCAZAR THEATRE
Claimed by those who have seen it—to be one of the best pictures ever shown in the city—
Only Two More Days—Today and Tomorrow
ZANE GREYS
POPULAR STORY
The MAN OF THE FOREST
A massive tale of love and adventure with an all star cast—A picture that will be hard to forget—
MANAGER'S NOTE—This is one picture that you cannot afford to miss—
—Alcazar News Reel
—Alcazar Scenic
—Mutt and Jeff Comedy
Prices for This Attraction
MATTINEE 30c
NIGHT 50c
Adults 30c
Children 10c
Adults 50c
Children 10c
PLEASE COME EARLY

CALLAGHAN & SON
Phone 6756 423 Central Avenue
GRANULATED SUGAR, Per 100-lb sack \$8.40
WALDORF BRAND MAINE CORN, Per case of 24 cans \$3.25
EMPSON'S STRINGLESS BEANS, Per case of 24 cans \$3.75
KIRK'S FLAKE WHITE SOAP, Per box of 100 bars \$6.25
HILL'S BROS. RED CAN COFFEE, 5-lb. can \$2.10
THESE FIVE ITEMS FOR CASH ONLY
SPECIAL — LIBBY'S OLIVES — SPECIAL
Libby's Queen Olives, packed in original brine in new style tin. This method of preparing Queen Olives is the original Spanish method.
We are introducing these olives in tin, (contents equivalent to that of a 40c bottle), at 20c
Fresh Green Peas, 2 lbs. for 35c
Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Head and Leaf Lettuce, Cabbage, Carrots, Asparagus, Radishes, Green Onions, Rhubarb, Etc., Etc.
Hood River Strawberries, Cantaloupes, Bananas, Oranges and Lemons.

TROOP 6 BOY SCOUTS.
WILL GET SILK FLAG
The silk flag, which was promised to the Boy Scout troop which had the cleanest district during the clean-up campaign will be presented to Troop 6 of the Episcopal church Friday at 7:30 p. m. Mayor Armour will make the presentation speech and give the token of appreciation to the winning troop.

GRAND THEATRE
— TONIGHT AT 8:15 —
Biggest Stage Event in Years
MAIL ORDERS NOW
Messrs. Lee and J. J. Shubert Present
THE WORLD'S FOREMOST ENTERTAINER
"There is but one Jolson."
—W. G. Harding
Pres. of U. S.
AL JOLSON
A STUDY IN WHITE A TINT IN BLACK
SINBAD
GREATEST OF ALL WINTER GARDEN TRIUMPHS
The Opulent Oriental Musical Comedy That Has Shattered All Show Records
100—ENTERTAINERS—100
A RAVISHING REVEL OF RADIANT GIRLS
PRICES—Lower \$3.50; Balcony \$3, \$2
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