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The Idol Dancer
a love story of Southern Seas

AT THE LYCEUM TONIGHT (FRIDAY)—IN BENEFIT OF
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THE PICTURE WHICH ALMOST COST D. W. GRIFFITH AND COMPANY THEIR LIVES, IS MASTERFUL BLENDING OF LOVE, DRAMA AND COMEDY, WITH A MYSTERIOUS DANCING BEAUTY, THE QUEST OF WHITE MEN DERELICT IN THE SOUTH SEAS.

THE CAST

Mary—the mysterious dancing girl of barbaric beauty.... Claire Seymour
Dan McGuire—the beachcomber, reckless derelict of fate. Rich Barthelmess
Rev. Franklin Blythe—a missionary who doesn't understand. Geo. McQuarrie
Walter Kincaid—the puritan youth who finds his great chance

Creighton Hale
Mrs. Blythe—who watches fate with a martyr's mind until.... Kate Bruce
Donald Blythe—who preaches the gospel of pants for native boys

Thomas Carr
The Blackbirder—exploiter of natives and Walter's inspiration

Anders Randolph
The Rev. Peter—with pious look and open book—a native convert

Porter Strong
Old Thomas—Mary's foster father, a man of strange manner. Herbert Sutch

Wando—two skulls adorn his kingly breast, while his own?.. Walter James

Slave—blinded by ignorance but an instrument of destiny. Adolphe Lestina

Pansy—who strives for man's attention by shimmying instead of flirting

Florence Shortt
Native Boy—the gospel of pants brings drama into his life.... Ben Grauer

Native Musican—he invents the ukelele Walter Kolomoku

MARY, daughter of a French father and a Javanese mother, has inherited the petite grace and beauty of her paternal ancestors, and combined with this is the mystical fascination of the Orient pervading all her charm. She is the idol of the natives on the South Sea Island where her foster father makes his home. Their veneration and love for her is shown by the tribal name they have bestowed upon her—"White Almond Blossom"—a flower as beautiful as it is rare.

To the island comes two young men. Dan McGuire lands on the beach after being thrown from a trading schooner as a worthless worker. He is content for he has a bottle of gin. A sandy beach for a bed, and the abundant tropic fruits for sustenance is satisfaction for all his desires. Walter Kincaid comes to the island in search of health as a guest of his uncle, the missionary there, Walter's health and the fact that he is the only son of a widowed mother, has kept him secluded from life. Religion is his one engrossing characteristic.

Both Men Love Her

Both men succumb to the charms of Mary. She finds herself strangely affected by each of them. Both betray their love. Dan by attempting to carry her off to a distant island, Walter by nearly coming to blows with his uncle over a criticism of Mary by the missionary.

Mary dances the beautiful, passionate South Sea Island hula-hula when both the young men are at her cottage, and with the dance

alone.

Trader Also Desires Her

But The Blackbirder, a trader, who has landed on the lower end of the island on a pearling expedition, has also seen Mary, and she is the cause of the strongest lustful desire he has ever felt. To gain possession of her, he uses the refuge given a fugitive slave by the missionary, as a reason to attack and destroy the village at a time when all the men folk, with the exception of the missionary and Walter, are away on a fishing expedition. The Blackbirder has it all his own way until Walter finds the strength in his over-worked heart to sound the war tomtom of the village and beat off his assailants until its reverberations have reached the keen ears of the fishing party, who return to a rescue. Ambition has filled Dan, and he is scornful of his own laziness. He feels the need of new fields for his activities, but a confession of her love for him from Mary decides him to prove his worthiness of her on the same soil that had been the place of his regeneration.

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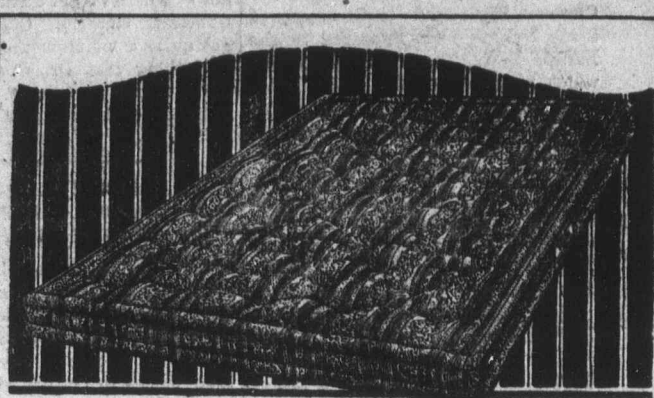


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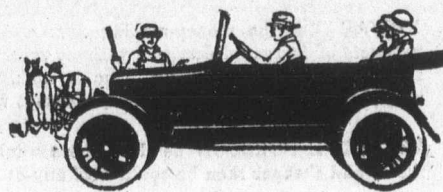
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