

Northwest Theatre Company ledger, 1922

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Northwest Theatre Company (Missoula, Montana)
Title	Northwest Theatre Company ledger
Dates	1922 1922 1922
Quantity	1 volume
Collection Number	Mss 323
Summary	Accounting ledger listing expenses and income for theatres in Missoula, Montana, in 1922.
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Access Restrictions	Researchers must use collection in accordance with the policies of Archives and Special Collections, the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library, and The University of Montana--Missoula.
Additional Reference Guides	Finding aid in the repository.
Languages	English

Historical Note

In 1922 the Northwest Theatre Company in Missoula, Montana, had three major holdings, the Empress Theatre, the Liberty Theatre, and the Wilma Theatre. These enterprises were located in downtown Missoula with the Empress at 210 N. Higgins, the Liberty at 211 E. Main, and the Wilma in the Smead-Simons Building at 127 S. Higgins. According to advertisements in the 1922 Missoulian newspaper, these theaters generally showed movies. In 1920 W.H. Smead and W.A. Simons commissioned the architectural drawings for the most impressive of these buildings, the Wilma Theatre. Simons and Smead were probably the major partners in the Northwest Theatre Company at this time.

Content Description

This collection consists of an accounting ledger. Payments recorded include items such as COD charges for incoming films, road show expenses, organ repair, stagehands' wages, cleaning bills, utility bills, advertising expenses in the *Missoulian*, fees for "added attractions," and charges by film

companies like United Artists Corp. and Goldwyn Distribution Corp. Incoming monies are primarily from local daily ticket sales and road shows.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

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Processing Note

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Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

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Business records--Montana--Missoula

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