# "The Happy Squanderer"

#### or

### "OIL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL"

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# Synopsis and Review of "The Happy Squanderer" By H. P.

The show opens in a swell joint in the Desert or somewhere, which is run by a guy called Mustapha Barani, who is a sheik and a very rich guy with a lot of potatoes and some beautiful dolls, which is something I care for very much. Further-more, one of his dolls is a nifty piece called Norobi, who is by way of being a dancing girl, a very cute piece weighing 90 pounds or something less sopping wet, and very successful with guys, par-ticularly old ones. Now a guy called Sid 'Olland is coming to this Barani's joint, but before he arrives a guy called Plato Narcissus, who is a very big shot indeed, with even more potatoes than Mustapha, arrives and lets it be known that Sid 'Olland is his chicken and no one is to try and pluck him. It seems Zealand or somewhere, and Plato has a liking for they discover oil in this 'Olland guy's country, New oil because oil means potatoes and Plato collects potatoes. Mustapha the Sheik says he likes oil quite a lot too, so this guy Plato leaves in a huff and then some. Well, it seems that Sid is a sucker and gets taken for a ride by Norobi-in fact he gets so hot he almost catches on fire-and what with sighing all over and asking Norobi to be his ever-loving he forgets what he is doing and gives his oil rights to the Sheik. When Sid finds what he has done he is more than a little upset, what with being hot and then cold and losing his oil, and particularly losing his oil, so Plato, who is a smart guy, says he should use his noggin and not get tangled up with good-looking dlls who aren't his wife and what more can he expect. Furthermore he says if Sid gives him the oil rights for a few grand he will get the phoney rights from the Sheik. Sid says O.K. and takes it on the lam.

Then things get mixed and I am more than a little confused but it seems that Plato hires a couple of guys who are very tough characters and not the sort I would personally associate with or even know, let alone talk to, and they are to lift the rights from the Sheik. Furthermore he gets a Miss Lovebody, who is an old doll of about 45 or less with a plain plan, to help. But before you can say Sugar Ray Robinson this doll Miss Lovebody plays Plato for a sucker and gets herself engaged to become the Sheik's ever-loving wife, which is something she wants to do for some time or even longer. This puts paid to Plato's plan, for his two hired helps are very tough citizens indeed, so they do not have much to think with and they cannot get the rights either.

Then everybody goes to New Zealand where the oil is and the Sheik sinks a bore which is the first good one ever sunk in New Zealand which is a very small place indeed and doesn't compare much with Texas or even Coney Island, for that matter. But Sid, who is the big shot in New Zealand, is still sore about how he is taken in by the Sheik and Norobi and arranges with Plato and his two boys to give the well the works the day they open it. So they put a pineapple in the well and this blows up so successfully that all the guy and dolls, including Sid and Plato, who don't beat it fast enough, are properly rubbed out and die.

Then they all go to Heaven, which is a very surprising thing, for if ever I see a bunch of palookas who should never go to Heaven this is it, and in fact St. Peter is somewhat surprised too, especially as they say they are from Wellington, which it seems he has not heard of before. So St. Peter says they have no business being there and are to go to the other place, which seems to be a right thing, so I take off my hat to St. PetPer. And at that moment I am struck smack-dab on the noggin by an old fish which is thrown by a student or lecturer or something and I go out which afterwards I consider to be a very good thing because I hear that this show is very popular and many citizens wish to see it, and in fact it is so popular that many persons are badly killed and maybe hurt trying to get in, so I am glad all I get is a bump on my bean.



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# LYRICS FROM THE SHOW

#### A SONG TO START THE SHOW

1st Student:

What's playing at the Opera House?

#### 2nd Student:

I'll tell you what's playing at the Opera House the greatest show since Sid 'olland went to a night club in Malaya and let a Singapore him. That's what's playing at the Opera House.

#### 4th Student:

What are you guys doing?

Others:

We'll tell you what we guys are doing. We're keeping the audience amused until they've had time to finish writing the script. That's what we guys are doing.

4th Student (indicates curtain):

What's happening back there?

Others:

We'll tell you what's happening back there. The Students are preparing an Eastern Scene that will knock the spots off Aly Khan's third wife's boudoir—that's what's happening back there.

#### All:

Yes, when students turn away from the scholastic The result is almost certain to be drastic.

1. Extravaganza's here

Bringing laughter and cheer So sit back and enjoy the show we have. The dialogue is tame and the lyrics don't rhyme

And the dancing's so bad you'll surely be glad to leave

At half-time.

2. You will see a guy, He's an M.P. of course Giving shady stimulation to a horse For its dope the mag's a glutton, And the horse's name is well-known, But the guy's only doing it in Extrav.

3. When you smell a gent With Parisian scent, You can bet that he's stinking about Extrav. For he's been abroad for his countrymen's sake

But he must cease to roam and set out for home

Or his braces will break.

4. When you see a guy, Floating out of the sky, You can bet that he's doing it for Extrav. He's a killer, he's a slayer, It's the P.M. in Malaya, But the guys only doin' it in Extrav. Extrav, Extrav.

The guy's only doin' it in Extrav!

 But if you see a joke Give your neighbour a poke Or he might miss the solitary gag we have. And if he's getting drowsy Well you know that he thinks we're lousy But we'll still make him welcome at our Extrav. Act I-Scene 1

#### An Eastern Market-place OPENING CHORUS

Ho, so we sing while opening up our show, Doesn't really mean a thing we know, But still it's something to say And it sounds much better than "Hey" Hoping that you'll enjoy this year's Extrav. Hopeful that it's not the last we have So, if you're rearing to go, And don't mind jokes slightly low On with the show.

#### BARANI'S SONG

Oh, I'm the famous Mustapha Barani, The richest man from Africa to Greece, So I spend the autumn bathing in Miami And the winter chasing chorus girls in Nice, Very Nice.
Yes, I'm a Sheik, wild but meek, I take a new wife every week, But I haven't found one yet that's really right, I've been on the scoot, with King Farouk And now they've given him the boot And done things to him from an unfair height. I'm a regular Valentino, At least, when full of vino And when I get rife, with a pretty wife, The husband heads for Reno. Yes I'm a sheik, not mild but meek, And I get sheikered every week But I've been good for the past few days So I think I'd better change my ways tonight. I'll start in early, And sock the gin till I get screaming tight, Then grab a girlie, And wreak a little damage, if she's chic tonight.

#### A VERSE FOR THE VAMP

For at a party, when I appear,

The girls get tarty, the men all cheer The dames get het up But all men get up, To meet Narobi.

The old men simper, the young men faint, The old maids whimper, "She's only paint." But still the males Start making trails, To meet Narobi.

Men always find me charming I'm the one they adore, They think my smile's disarming And my figure, they want to see more.

But I say, "Fred, don't get too free," My little bed is just for me So don't get funny For it costs money To meet Narobi.

#### SID'S SONG

- I'm as naughty as Paris in spring time I'm as fast as a student in May Nevertheless I am forced to confess That I'm really a wonderful guy. I'm New Zealand's favourite statesman Wandering along with my head in the sky If I should fall please dont blame me at all For I'm really a wonderful guy. Royal Commissions make all my decisions I don't have to make up my mind Which is all to the good for if ever I should I boggle to think what you'd find. I am a smoothie who charms all the ladies The taxpayers, too, I know just how to woo And you will note from the way that they vote That I'm really, I'm really, I'm really,
  - I'm really, I'm really a wonderful guy.

#### FINALE

- Hip hip hooray for ouu ringenious Sheik,
- He"s found a way to get rich in a week,
- For all we need is a lead from the the well to a drum
- Then we'll be rich, so watch out New Zealand, for Beware, Barani's on his way;
- The oily bird s coming out to stay,
- So don't recoil at the thought of taking oil from your soil,
- Just shout out hip, hip hooray.

#### Act 1—Scene 2

#### MISS LOVEBODY'S LAMENT

#### SINGS-

- I've got all the gen on handling men my dear Narcissus
- I know a girl can't fail to win a male with red-hot kisses
- I used to be, universally, known by all the boys as "Cuddles"
- Though now, I find, I am more refined, I can still get hot when I've wined and dined.
- And the Shiek, I feel can't resist appeal like mine, dear Plato
- In a week that man will be weaker than a mashed potato
- He just won't know what's hit him,
- And then I shall outwit him,

And while he craves romance I'll slip the rights out of his pants.

#### THE CROOK'S CANTATA

Just remember what I've told you three, I don't want any foolery; Just get the Sheik whle we're at sea And get those mining rights.

#### Miss L.—

You may rely on me, I'm sure, For he'll be looking for armour So I'll turn on some French allure And strip down to my tights. S. and FGS.-

And f the dame don't get the Boss, Remember still that we Will, by no means, be at a loss Though we'll be all at sea. Excuse us if we do not stay, Our crook's tour's on its merry way, And if you think crime doesn't pay Your're due for several frights.

#### Act 1—Scene 3

#### A SONG FOR GIRLS

We want men and we've heard it said That they've 40,000 surplus Down in old N Zed; Think of every bed Uninhabited Men exhibited Waiting to be wed We want men We want men We want men We want men Our female instinct Is very far from extinct 'Cos we want men To satisfy our yen Betya pretty life we do Doodle oodle oodle Doodle oodle oodle Doodle oodle oodle Doodle oodle oodle Betya pretty life we do Betya pretty life we do

#### CAPTAIN'S AND BARANI'S STORY

Underneath the table I spend most of the year Underneath the table I finish off the beer Every night you'll find me Lying on the floor Hoping that the party Won't end till we have drunk some more Drinking when it's raining Drinking when it's fine I think it's good to be alive Bottles at my elbow No wonder I feel gay Underneath the table I pass my nights away.

#### SELLINGTON HERE WE COME!

Now here we are in Sellington, Now our trip is done Mal de mer we cannot bear But still we've had some fun, fun, fun, etc.

So here's to our saucy ship, Here's to the crew, Here's hoping, gulls and buoys, That we get what we want in Sellington.

#### Act 2-Seens 1

#### PARLIAMENT SONG

This ole house is getting shaky This ole house is collecting mould This old house just groans and trembles And the members get so old, This ole house is a getting feeble; Just like Him it's had its day. It's a getting ready to meet its fate.



The script writers wish to thank Misses Barbara Haldane, Jo Hirsh Beal, and Shona Gale for valuable secretarial work.

#### CHORUS

Ain't gonna need this house no longer Ain't gonna need this house no more Ain't got time to fix the members Ain't got time to lock the door Ain't got time to oil the voters Nor to fill no empty seats Ain't gonna need this house no longer It's a getting ready to meet its fate. This ole house is afraid of critics This ole house is afraid of facts This ole house wants home and comfort Rather than to face the axe. This ole house was once quite useful This ole house once did much good Now it seems to be unable To sort the trees out from the wood.

#### A SONG FOR SECRETARIES

#### Typists sing

We're cabinet's private secretariat, We're the only ones to whom they can dictate, But some honourable members we won't name Have intentions that aren't quite the same; Beware of the sofa bureaucrat.

We're Cabinet's private secretariat, We're the only ones to whom they can dictate, But in the long run we are out of luck, Only pass they make is to pass the buck Or starts talking through his Homburg hat.

Yes sir, we are the wenches Whom the front Treasury benches Occasionally like to pinch and pat, But stenographers recognise the type, Give him onions when he hands out tripe, But the next general election will provide a new selection in Parliament.

#### A SONG FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS

Division bells, division bells Ringing all the day, Oh! what fun in Bellamy's Till they call us away.

Division bells, division bells Sound their reveille, We drop our cues And leave our booze, We dare not disobey.

#### Verse

Intent on comic strips We utter pointless quips Mouths filled with acid drips, Pull faces at the whips, Such lovely fun and games, We call each other names, Each one the other blames, All day ad nauseames.

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#### Chorus

Division bells, division bells, Keep us up at night, Oh how tiresome it can get When Opposition's fight. Please take them away, If they were silent We could stay In Bellamy's all day.

#### DELINQUENT'S SONG

We're too darn young, We're too darn young, We should be good, but we want to be bad, Do what we should but we want to be bad, That's why there's much more fun to be had, But we're too darn young.

#### ANOTHER SONG FOR PARLIA-MENTARIANS

Some think an M.P.'s life all skittles and beer, Some think an M.P.'s life a holiday mere, When people ask about the life that we lead There's one thing on which we are all agreed.

Never, never be an M.P. If you value your self-respect; Never, never be an M.P. Compromising your intellect; Never, never be an M.P. If you don't like stress and strife; Never, never be an M.P. Unless. You want to have a horrible life Unless, You want to have a horrible life.

You can think what you please, Drink what you please, Or hoodwink what you please, You can taste what you please, Waste what you please, Play what you please.

You can do anything but say what you please.

You can wake when you please, Sleep, laugh, weep, laze or be spree When you please.

Or speak in Address-in-Reply when you please.

Never, never be an M.P. If you think you can make one cent Never, never be an M.P. If you've no one to pay the rent, Never, never be an M.P. Haunted by election year, Never, never be an M.P. Unless You want to have a chequered career, Unless You want to have a chequered career.

#### FINALE

Barani-Yes, I'm the Sheik, My outlook's bleak, I've been done the dirty By that Plato Greek. And I had to leave behind my harem dolls, So I think I'll catch a plane back home tonight. I'll start out early, And soon I'll be back in my own home tent, Then grab a girlie, And observe the ancient customs of the or-i-ent. Narobi-Though not in movies I've got the goods, I drove the vicar into the woods, The ecumenic Went schizophrenic To meet Narobi. Miss Lovebody-I've got all the gen on handling men, At least I thought so, 1920 styles. Though you thought, "Good Heavens! What Where I was taught no A girl will now say yes If she's in distress Says she, "O what fun, daddy's got a new shotgun." Sid-I have made many stupendous blunders, Should have been sacked but just in the last act It turns out in the end, That I'm everyone's friend

Yes, I'm really, I'm really

Allalley. Yes, he's really, he's really, etc. etc. Yes he's really, he's really, etc., etc. Yes, he's really a wonderful guy. And the cause FINAL CHORUS And the cause Sid-Everything that happens in the year Extravaganza. Is lampooned in Extrav. We have lots of fun guying everyone, We hope you liked it too-we have. AllIf Sid seemed to fail, And his bids For the oil Were all foiled by a goil It was all of the kind that you'd call Extravaganza. This type of political tripe Has the ring of the genuine thing As you know from your own radio

The plot isn't hot, And it's quite oversexed, The gags seem to drag At the slightest pretext, Though you thought. "Good Heavens! What next?" As we sing this finale we hope it was up your alley.

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Sid 'Olland Dennis Brown
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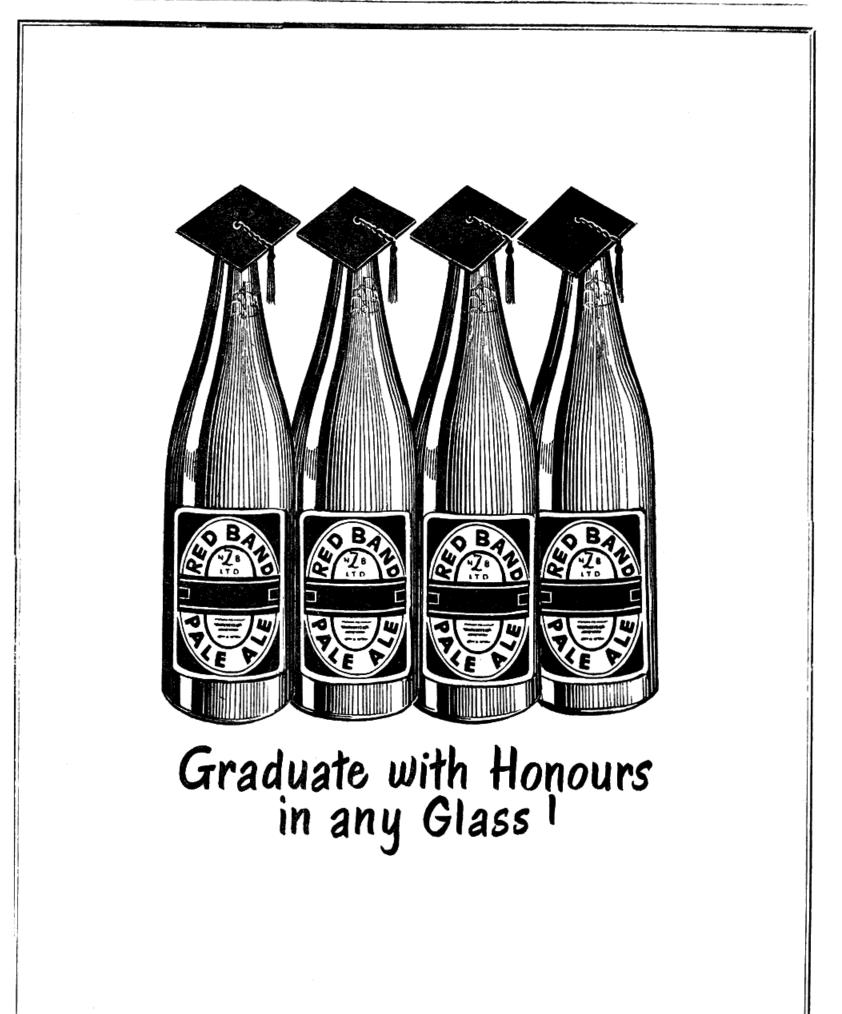
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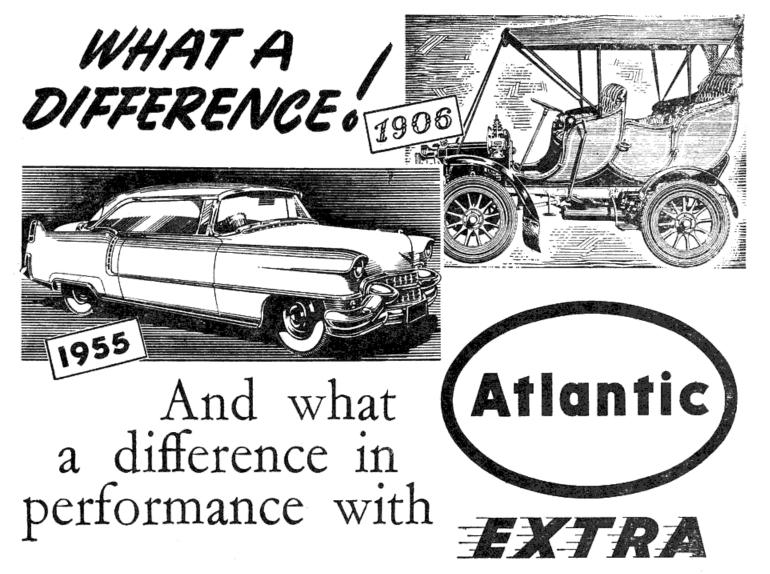
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