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FOR RELEASE SUNDAY, MAY 8

C. Northcote Parkinson, author of the recent bestseller, "Parkinson's Law," will lecture at Montana State University Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Cascade Room of the Lodge, according to James Beck, Deer Lodge, chairman of the MSU Visiting Lectures Committee.

The lecture, which is open to the public without charge, will be based on the book, a satiric treatment of the spread of bureaucracy in the 20th century, Beck said.

Parkinson's law was first set forth in an anonymous article in the London Economist and later published in book form in the United States. The law states, in part, that the number of employees in a working group will increase whether the amount of work to be done decreases or increases.

Prof. Parkinson's latest book, "The Law and the Profits," is currently on the New York Times bestseller list. He has written a number of scholarly works on naval history. He has contributed articles to Harper's, The Reporter and other American periodicals. In England his articles have appeared in the London Times, Punch and other publications.

The lecturer is Raffles professor of history at the University of Malaya. He was born in England in 1909, the son of the artist, W. E. Parkinson. He took an Honours Degree in history at Cambridge University and a doctorate at King's College, University of London. He has taught at the Royal Naval College, the University of Liverpool and, since 1950, the University of Malaya.

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