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Lesson in Rat Holes

PROPOSALS to settle and finally "pay off" the British war debt to America are gaining ground in London. They are getting an increasingly attentive ear in the United States.

The Baldwin settlement of 1923 called for payment of \$13,520,000, 000 in 62 years, but the British war debt has been in default, both as to principal and interest, since 1931. At that time the British attitude was: "We can't pay. Let them whistle for their money. We fought their fight for three years, and spent the money in the states anyway. Uncle Sam is just Uncle Shylock to us." And the American attitude was expressed by the laconic, Coolidge crack, "They hired the money, didn't they?"

But today there is a movement in Britain to pay something, to settle the matter for good and all. Why this change of front, all of a sudden?

It is all very clear. In 1931, Britain was not much worried about another war, or the financing of it. Today she is. And American law now forbids any loans to countries which have defaulted. Looking toward an uncertain future, it would be well to have that American matter cleared up so the way would be open to further loans, rather than closed by default on the last ones.

Mexico's delinquent debt, that there were bigger and more powerful countries than she who had defaulted their external loans hit the British in a tender spot. There wasn't any answer, and that is the kind of job that hurts.

So now it is proposed that a single lump sum be paid, say a half-billion dollars, and by mutual consent wash up the whole matter.

There is certainly no longer any reason in the die-hard attitude that demands payment down to the last cent. It can't be done, and there is some doubt that it would be a good thing if it were done. But that does not mean that just any kind of a cash settlement is advantageous, either.

What is it worth to the United States to have this continual reminder around her neck that the financing of war means default and ruin? It might be worth more than a half-billion dollars when the next war comes along.

And this is no discredit to the British, who would probably have paid the debt if anybody would. The point is that war debts of this kind are uncollectible from any nation and under any circumstances. It might be worth a half-billion dollars if we could be made to remember that, if we could learn that what is loaned down the rat-hole of war is gone forever.

Heart-to-Heart

WHAT the world needs is more public officials with the experience and devotion to duty and public displayed by Joseph P. Gallagher, postmaster of Philadelphia.

Postmaster Gallagher, a poet with a poet's soul, mailed to all his customers an extraordinary misadventure of his own composition. "June, the month of romance and graduations," it begins, "is also LETTER WRITING MONTH—the ideal time to renew, BY LETTER, the social, family, and business contacts you have allowed to grow dim."

"Should old acquaintance be forgot, opportunities be lost, friendships allowed to wane, loved ones

be left to wait and wonder," Gallagher continues, "all because you neglect to WRITE A LETTER? Somewhere someone is waiting."

Gallagher brightens the Philadelphia scene considerably, and at the same time makes the citizen feel a lot more chummy with his government than he feels in most communities. Other officials in other towns could spread a lot of sunshine these days by following his example.

"Eat more FOOD. Think of others. You owe it to the Garbage Department."

"NOW is the time to belt your neighbor in the nose. My fall is the coolest place in town—Your Loving Sheriff."

Editorials on News
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terrible rate, while England and France are actually slipping backward.

IN Germany and Italy, babies are subsidized.

In both countries, newly-married couples receive a loan from the state. Each child born rates as a PAYMENT ON THE LOAN.

With about the fourth child, the loan is paid.

It war is to be a nation's principal industry, SOLDIERS are an essential raw material. Germany and Italy are going into the breeding of soldiers in a big way.

KRRR PROGRAM
(1500 Kilocycles)

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Wallenstein's Orch. MBS.

4:30—Radio Campus. MBS.

4:45—Knapp Orch.

5:00—Harmann's MBS.

5:15—The Children's Hour.

5:30—Howie Wing. MBS.

5:45—Melody Lane with Wanda.

6:15—Jan Garber.

6:30—Frank Bull. MBS.

6:45—Interlude.

6:50—Hansen Motor Co. News.

6:55—News Flash.

7:00—Chico and His Orch. MBS.

7:15—The State Symphony.

7:30—Green Hornet. MBS.

8:00—Kay Kyser. MBS.

8:15—Don't You Believe It. MBS.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News. MBS.

9:15—Agnew's Orch. MBS.

9:30—Pinos Orch. MBS.

9:45—Boston Symphony.

10:00—Crosby's Orch. MBS.

10:15—Sign Off.

FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 1938

7:00—Early Birds.

7:30—News-Review Newscast.

7:40—Hansen Motor Co. News.

7:45—J. M. Judd Says "Good Morning."

8:00—Clock Club.

8:09—Merrymakers. MBS.

8:30—Haven of Rest. MBS.

9:00—Happy Gang. MBS.

9:15—Man About Town.

9:30—Pauline Albert. MBS.

9:45—Voice of Experience.

10:00—This Woman's World. MBS.

10:30—Home Town. MBS.

10:45—This Woman's World. MBS.

11:00—Songs of the West. Copco.

11:15—Variety Show of the Air.

11:30—Hal Stokes Orch. MBS.

11:45—Paul Small. MBS.

12:00—Singing Strings. MBS.

12:15—Symphony.

12:30—Noontime Melodies.

12:35—Parkinson's Information.

12:45—Hansen Motor Co. News.

12:50—News-Review of the Air.

1:00—Henninger's Man on the Street.

1:15—Rennie Weeks. MBS.

1:30—Afternoon Varieties.

1:45—Johnson Family. MBS.

2:00—A Dance Melodist.

2:15—Carmichael Hall. MBS.

2:30—Today's Front Page.

2:45—As the Story Goes. MBS.

3:00—Feminine Fancies. MBS.

3:30—Dr. Van Wyck. MBS.

3:45—Horace Held.

4:00—"State Fair." MBS.

4:30—20 Fingers of Harmony. MBS.

4:45—Koranda's Orch. MBS.

5:00—Crosby's Orch. MBS.

5:15—The Children's Hour.

5:30—The Coach. MBS.

5:45—Ray Kluny.

6:00—Pop Eye. MBS.

6:15—Jan Garber.

6:30—Pres. Roosevelt's Fireside.

7:00—Hansen Motor Co. News.

7:05—News Flash.

7:15—Congress an Emanuel Celler.

7:30—Lone Ranger. MBS.

8:00—American Family Robinson.

8:15—Symphony.

8:30—Crosby's Orch. MBS.

8:45—Songs of the Pioneers. MBS.

9:00—Alka Seltzer News. MBS.

9:15—Artists Recital Bureau.

9:30—Zinn Arthur. MBS.

9:45—The Blues and the Bops. MBS.

10:00—Jack Denny Orch. MBS.

10:15—Sign Off.

DUFF EVANGELISTS
DATED IN DOUGLAS

The Duff Evangelistic party is to be held Wednesday, June 29, at the Oakland Community church and Thursday, June 30, at Oldham in rallies preceding the summer Bible conference to be held from July 1 to 10 at Wonder, Oregon, 12 miles south of Grants Pass, on the Redwood highway.

Conducting meetings Wednesday and Thursday in Douglas county, the party will present an interesting program which will include an address by Dr. Haldane Duff, of Tacoma Lutheran college, who will speak on his experiences in 12 European nations last year. Edith Dunn Duff will present harp and vocal selections, and Rev. Walter Duff will speak.

OUT OUR WAY



WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

J. WILLIAMS

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It had happened about midnight, he thought. A sharp curve in a lonely country road. A sudden roar, a blinding flash of light. The banshee-like screech of brakes, applied frantically. Then a sickening thud, and nothing more.

"Halt," he said. "I've got it. I was in a smash-up last night."

Kelly nodded. "Correct. So was I."

"Then you," said Joe, "were the one who hit me?"

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Bones. You hit me."

"Like the devil I did. It was all your fault. You came around that corner going 80 per cent."

"Like the devil you didn't. You were 'way over on the left-hand side of the road picking daisies or something. And I wasn't going 80. More like a mid-Victorian 40. And let me tell you something else, Mr. Joseph Sandham. If I hadn't hit you, your brakes like that—she snapped her fingers—"you'd have waked up in either a hospital or a morgue this morning. And as for that truck thing you were driving, it would have been a jigsaw puzzle."

"All right, all right," Joe said wearily. "What happened next?"

"Well, I got out and waited for you to get out. But you didn't get."

"Didn't? Sorry I forgot my manners."

"You couldn't move," Kelly explained. "You must have cracked your head against the windshield when we hit. I thought you were dead."

"It isn't your fault that I'm not."

Kelly's green-blue eyes clouded. "You're an ungrateful brute. After all the trouble I went to last night on your behalf."

"You might," said Joe, "tell me what you did."

"Well, to begin with, I moved you out of the driver's seat and you were heavy as lead. Then I got in and drove that truck thing, with you in it, over here."

"What about your own car?"

She shook her head. "Wouldn't start again. Something smashed it, I guess."

Mr. Sandham suddenly recalled something about common decency. "But weren't you hurt at all?"

Kelly looked at him sardonically. "I've been wondering," she said, "when there was going to be a bit of kindly solicitude regarding hit of kindly solicitude regarding wasn't hurt. Only scared silly."

Joe leaned back on his pillow. "I'm glad," he said.

"Glad I was scared silly?"

"Don't be stupid. Glad you weren't hurt. My car wasn't entirely sunk then."

"No. It got its face pushed in a little, but it still runs."

Mention of his car brought another fact about himself back to Joe. For two years he had been employed by the longest-established and respectable firm of Chandler & Sandham, chocolate, caramels, bonbons and confections, learning the business from the ground up. At the moment he was serving in the capacity of salesman for the New England territory. Hence the car, a Ford built along the general lines of a fair-sized delivery truck. There was a recently upholstered front seat and in the commodious dark recess behind lurked quantities of chocolates, caramels, bonbons and confections, all waving under the proud banner of Chandler & Sandham.

"I don't understand," he said now, "why you brought me here? Why didn't you just toss me into a hospital?"

Kelly looked at him, speculated for a moment on the fact that he had curly dark hair and eyes a nice shade of gray, then said: "Of course, hospitals are sprinkled all over the place, aren't they? Like hot dog stands and filling stations? It was easier to bring you here, that's all. You see, the crack-up happened only a couple of miles away and I knew Uncle Tyler was in Europe. Besides, I wanted to avoid any—er—publicity."

"That's the old Garbo light," said Joe. "I shun publicity myself. Live quietly and expensively. Is my motto. But where were you going in such a rush?"

(To be continued)

FORMER CHILD STAR

HORIZONTAL

Answer to Previous Puzzle

1. Child screen star of 15 years ago.

2. Uncolored.

3. To analyze.

4. To lay a street.

5. Drunkard.

6. Strong vegetable.

7. Fish.

8. Examination.

9. To stuff.

10. Heavens.

11. Solid.

12. (Combining form).

13. Crippled.

14. Decree.

15. Biblical prophet.

16. Matter.

17. Form of "be."

18. Fishing bags.

19. Electric unit.

20. To soothe.

21. North.

22. America.

23. Auto shed.

24. Divers.

25. Heap.

26. Angry.

27. Couple.

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