

UNDER PRESSURE

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Blackadder was scarcely conscious of his driver's treachery, so absorbed was his attention by the gaudy muzzles of two double-action forty-fives and the man who held them. Experience in many tough spots of the world, notably mining camps and the diamond fields of Lencois, had taught him a run at the level of the hip invariably means business. Besides, Dorado's pear-shaped face presented such a vivid incarnation of brutality as to arouse doubt as to whether the six shooters might not in the long run turn out to be angels of mercy. Instinctively Helm raised both hands and kept them tight. Without an opening to move a muscle Dorado sent a searing bullet between the spread fingers of one of them.

"Put 'em down," he ordered in guttural English, then murmured instructions to two of his followers. They dismounted, the fittest Blackadder for arms, seized him by feet and wrists, swung him into the saddle of one of the other horses and trussed his ankles beneath its barrel so tightly he winced at the pain. He started to protest in Spanish but caught his tongue in time. Both men mounted the remaining saddleless horse and the cavalcade was off. Dorado rode at its head at a milk-eating hand gallop and the rest followed closely bunched around the prisoner.

The barranca was narrowing steadily. Three abandoned drifts gashed in the walls of the chasm, two on the southern one on the northern side, and along the stream for a distance of a hundred yards men could be seen busily slashing wooden beams for placer gold. Their muttered order Dorado dismissed and passed into the recesses of the largest of the cave-like openings. In a moment every rider had unseated and the freed horses were driven helter-skelter upstream into a cliff-locked corral.

The nearest man to Blackadder drew his sheath knife and slashed the laces that connected his ankles. Either by accident or purpose he gashed the pony's hide as well. The horse leaped in air, hurling rider and saddle to the ground. There was a roar of laughter. Finding himself unable to rise Blackadder started to crawl on hands and knees to the brook, intending to bathe his lacerated and half-paralyzed legs in the cooling water.

At such a slosh of the icy water his fury rose, restoring his courage and determination to more than his normal level. Leaning far over he extracted passport and wallet from his breast pocket and managed to thrust them under a large stone. Presently Dorado called to him — "Come loudly, but the funnel of the dirt road like a megaphone."

"Get here, cabron."

Blackadder found he could barely walk. He approached, entered and sat at a distance from Dorado sank on a truss of hay with his back against the wall. Instantly his long training as a miner set his senses alert. He detected the fact that there must be a shaft, small or large, somewhere in the rear of the cave. Blackadder's nostrils informed him such was the case, not by reason of any odor but because of an indescribable thinness in the air. Dorado strolled a camp stool.

"You speak Castellano?" he asked.

"No, I speak Blackadder," he replied.

"What is your name?"

"Henry Gilfalcon."

"Henry, is that right? You gringo — Americano?"

"No, I'm British," said Blackadder, but instantly regretted the falsehood. For at the sudden hardening of Dorado's luminous eyes he realized it had not gone over.

"I think perhaps you lie," said Dorado softly. "When I know you I send a finger to the American ambassador — one finger each week. How much money you got?"

"I did lie," said Blackadder, "and I'm sorry, I'm an American, but all my money — everything I had in the world — was in my dispatch case in that car."

"No money, eh? Perhaps pretty soon somebody want to buy you for \$5,000 pesos. Better write letter while you have enough fingers. You write letter any time you like; I read it. You say send money to general Dorado, Mexico City."

"I see," said Blackadder, frown-

Author Talks Very Plainly To Uncle Sam

FIGHT OF UNITED STATES IN PRESENT STRUGGLE IS WITH BRITAIN NOW, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE THREE BOOKS DECLARE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (CP) — Three books freshly on the market from three publishing houses carry the same warning to Americans. They conclude that the United States now, quickly, must, in the words of one of them, "thrust at the heart of Nazi power before it is too late."

They believe that "if Nazism triumphs, with its permanent state of mass hysteria, with its strangulation of the moral sense, with its destruction of the best scientific brains and the strongest characters in every population, degeneration might easily spread like wildfire."

Carr holds that the future of the world depends upon collaboration of the powerful nations and "no better starting point for that collaboration could be found than in a close relationship between Great Britain, the Dominions and ourselves."

"Probably the quickest and most practical way for bringing peace to the world after Germany's defeat would be a working military agreement between the United States and Great Britain, supported by Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa."

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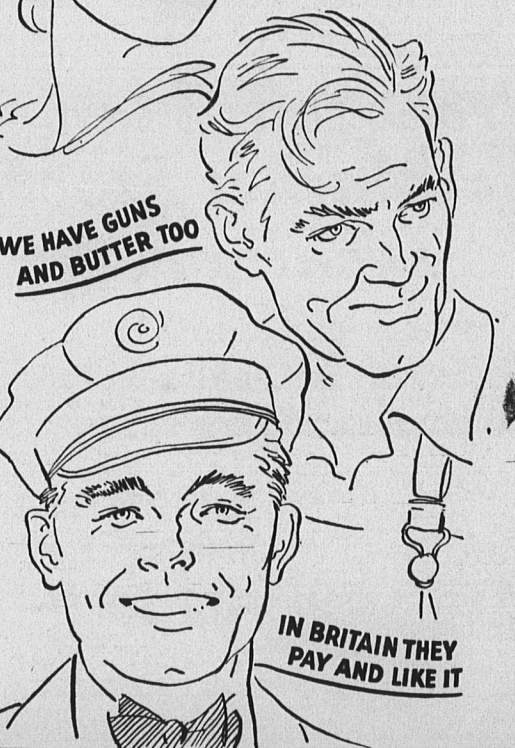
NEW INSTALLMENT PLAN OF PAYING INCOME TAX WITHOUT INTEREST.

First payment due on or before January 31st



ONE BILL I'M GLAD TO PAY!

THANK GOODNESS WE LIVE IN CANADA



WE HAVE GUNS AND BUTTER TOO

IN BRITAIN THEY PAY AND LIKE IT

THIS YEAR, for the first time, it is possible for you to pay your income tax in eight monthly instalments without interest.

In former years, you had to pay at least one-third of your income tax by April 30th. After that date 5% interest was charged on the unpaid balance (8% after August 31st).

This year, two-thirds of your tax may remain unpaid after April 30th without interest, provided you pay in eight monthly payments beginning in January.

This plan was put into effect to enable you to adjust yourself to the sharply increased income tax burden for 1940 and is available to you only on the following conditions:

One-third of the total tax must be paid in four monthly instalments payable in January, February, March and April. The remaining two-thirds of the tax must be paid in four equal monthly instalments in May, June, July and August.

For example, if your tax is \$60.00 it may be paid as follows, without any interest charge.

On or before Jan. 31	On or before Feb. 28	On or before Mar. 31	On or before April 30
\$5	\$5	\$5	\$5
On or before May 31	On or before June 30	On or before July 31	On or before Aug. 31
\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10

Actually you may pay one-twelfth of your total tax in each of the first four months of 1941, and one-sixth of the total in each of the next four months. However, it is recommended that you pay your tax in eight equal monthly instalments of \$7.50 each instalment for a total tax of \$60.00.

WHO PAYS INCOME TAX?

If you are a single person without dependents, and your income in 1940 was more than \$750.00 you pay general-income-tax.

If you are a married person without dependents, and your income in 1940 was more than \$1,500.00 you pay general-income-tax.

If you are a married person with children, you are allowed \$400.00 exemption for each dependent child or grandchild, in addition to the \$1,500 exemption.

FILL IN YOUR INCOME TAX FORMS NOW

The necessary forms for making your income tax returns are available at any post office, or from the Inspector of Income Tax for your district. Complete information and rates of taxation are supplied with the forms.

Make out your income tax returns now—before January 31st. Find out how much your total tax will be. Learn how much you must pay each month. By doing this, you will avoid interest charges and penalties.

PAYMENT FORMS

Instalment Income Tax Remittance Forms are available at any post office, or any branch of any bank, or the office of the Inspector for your District, and their use will ensure accurate and proper allocation of your payment. However, you can send in your instalments by ordinary letter with your name and address plainly stated thereon, clearly indicating the division between Provincial and Dominion Tax payments.

RATES OF GENERAL-INCOME-TAX WHICH INDIVIDUALS MUST PAY

Your net Taxable Income is the amount left after you deduct exemptions from your total income.

If your net Taxable Income is \$250 or less the tax is 6% thereon.

If between \$250 and \$1000 the tax is \$15 plus 8% on the excess over \$250

" " 1000 and 2000	" " 75	" " 12%	" " 1000
" " 2000 and 3000	" " 195	" " 16%	" " 2000
" " 3000 and 4000	" " 355	" " 20%	" " 3000
" " 4000 and 5000	" " 555	" " 24%	" " 4000
" " 5000 and 6000	" " 795	" " 27%	" " 5000

For higher incomes refer to the Income Tax Act.

In addition to these rates, there is a surtax on all investment income in excess of \$500.

Also there is National Defence tax and in some Provinces, Provincial Income Tax.

RATES OF NATIONAL DEFENCE TAX

For a single person
2% on the total income if the income exceeds \$600 and does not exceed \$1200.
3% on the total income if the income exceeds \$1,200.

For a married person
2% on the total income if the income exceeds \$1,200 with a tax credit of \$8.00 for each dependent child or grandchild.
For 1940 the tax is on one-half of the income and the tax credit is \$4.00.

To Save Interest Charges and to Speed our War Effort—PAY PROMPTLY

This year, Canada needs your income tax as never before. Your whole-hearted co-operation will help to speed our war effort. The united efforts of all Canadians will help to hasten the successful conclusion of the war and end our huge war expenditures. Pay your income tax cheerfully. Pay instalments promptly. Thus aid yourself and Canada.

Payment: You may send a cheque, Post Office or Money Order in payment of income tax by mail, to the Inspector of Income Tax for the District in which you reside, made payable to the Receiver General of Canada. Write plainly, and give your name in full, so that mistakes in crediting may be avoided. Do not send money or postage stamps in envelopes.

Companies can also pay on the instalment plan outlined above. This includes Income and Excess Profits Tax Liabilities.

DOMINION OF CANADA INCOME TAX DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE

HON. COLIN GIBSON, Minister of National Revenue

WASIMER ELLIOTT, Commissioner of Income Tax

BUILD UP Gold Resistance WITH PARKE-DAVIS HALIBORANGE CAPSULES IN SOUTH AFRICA

50 For 95c
100 For \$1.55

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Small Size 79c
Large Size \$1.39

Pleasant to take as orange

REDDIN BROS.

Hard Sledding With Football Under Bombing

Huddersfield, England, Jan. 7 (CP) — The problems of Henry Beaver, hard-working secretary of the Huddersfield Town Football Club, are typical of those of the men behind the scene who are struggling to keep football alive in wartime.

Running a football team these days is something like running a gas place hockey team in Canada. Gas receipts are small, players come and go and you're never sure on Friday what your lineup is going to be on Saturday.

Huddersfield, whose impressive record in the past includes winning the first division championship three years in a row, gaining the English cup final four times and winning the cup once, has been as hard hit as any other club.

Economy has been the keynote of its fight for survival and the grounds and stadium, built to hold 70,000 people are looked after by

Admiral Leahy Begins duties

VICHY, France, Jan. 8 (AP) — Admiral William D. Leahy formally began his duties as United States ambassador to France today, and close observers of French politics expressed the opinion that his appearance on the Vichy scene was one of the most important of recent events here.

So far there has been nothing concrete to back up this belief, but it was considered by some that the mere arrival of Admiral Leahy, who presented his credentials and a personal letter from President Roosevelt to chief of state Marshal Petain today, had a moral effect there four words were censured.

Observers pointed out that French policy since the Armistice has been based on the belief that Germany

Shoppers Found 'Rationed'

LONDON, (CP) — The old school has joined the list of rationed articles in Great Britain. There has been a big demand in recent weeks for school and regimental ties and dealers have had to restrict their selling.

Aunts, mothers, wives, sweethearts, sisters, have been doing their shopping with an eye for something sensible in price and delicately tinted with patriotism. Results: old school and regimental ties.

As there are more than 200 varieties of public school ties alone the extent of the orders can be imagined. The aunts of England have just about cornered the market.

In addition, ties of this kind call for artificial silk and manufacturers were curtailed to two thirds of their supplies of 1939. Many wholesalers ran out of ties a month ago.

Evacuee Family Goes Back Home

LONDON, Mrs. Hugh McCorkendale, English novelist, has returned with her three young children from Canada "because I couldn't stay there while thousands of other mothers were facing the music with their children here."

Mrs. McCorkendale took her children to Canada in mid-summer and said she thought every mother who could was sending her children overseas. When she learned the evacuation scheme had been abandoned she was not prepared to save her own or her children's skins "While other parents were deprived of the chance of coming to Canada."

Monkish Husband

WELLING, England (CP) — Saying her husband spent most of his life in a Jersey monastery and her marriage was like a "stater," a woman in this Kent town sued for divorce and was granted a decree nisi.

TILLIE THE TOILER — EMOTIONAL "STAGE"

I BELIEVE MAC IS GIVING JANE ALL THOSE NEW CLOTHES — SHE KNOWS WHERE HE GOT ALL THAT MONEY

WELL, I'M BEGINNING TO REALIZE NOW THAT MY REAL CALLING IS GOSH! WHAT WILL GLAMOR DO FOR HER NEXT?

SO MAC IS GIVING ME MY NEW CLOTHES BUT I'LL BE ANY BUSINESS OF YOURS — YOU NOSEY LITTLE BUSY-BODY

I COULD SCRATCH YOUR EYES OUT

HMMM...THERE SEEMS TO BE A BIG EMOTIONAL SCENE AROUND HERE

By Westover