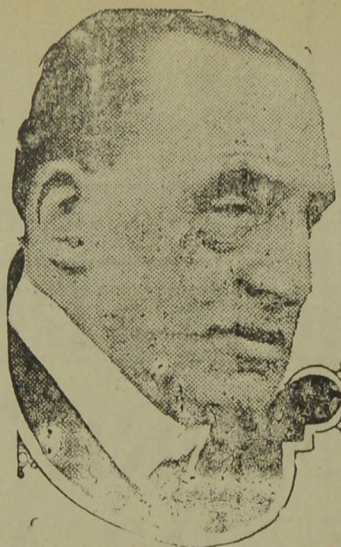
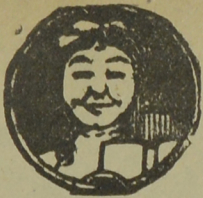


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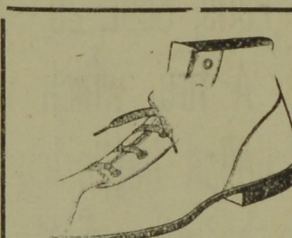
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BURNED TO DEATH BY YAQUI INDIANS

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 23.—After derailing a passenger train on the Southern Pacific of Mexico Railroad Yaqui Indians put eighty passengers in a box car loaded with hay and applied a torch to it near Torres, Mexico, last Friday. This news was received here today from Hermosillo. It was sent from Hermosillo to Guaymas and from there relayed by wireless to San Diego.

Most of the victims of the Yaquis were women, the report said. Only twenty persons who were aboard the train have been accounted for, the others, the report said, having been burned to death by the Indians.

The train was attacked and derailed, according to the report. The Yaquis then herded the passengers together in a box car in which a quantity of them had been placed. Then they sealed the doors of the car and applied a torch.

It is not believed here that any Americans were on board the train. The train was bound from Campo Verde, a small mining town, to Torres, in the State of Sonora. The passengers, it is believed, were Mexican mining men and their families who were on their way to Torres, seventy miles from Campo Verde. The train was attacked just before it entered Torres, the report indicates, and after destroying it and burning the passengers on board it the Yaquis escaped.

The Indians were deserters from some of the factories which are fighting for supremacy in Mexico, and form one of the bands that has been terrorizing Sonora for the last three years. They refuse to acknowledge any military chief, but prey upon small towns, villages and plantations.

DANGEROUS TALK BY SIR SAM HUGHES

All over the country patriotic meetings are being held especially in districts where recruiting has been slow—at which trained public speakers are appealing to the young men of Canada to enlist and fight for freedom. Much of this work is being done by busy men, who assuredly would not engage in it were they convinced that an ample supply of recruits could be obtained without effort.

The statements of General Hughes, Minister of Militia, that he can get a million of recruits any time he wants them and that men are coming forward twice as rapidly as they are required, have caused amazement and consternation among those engaged in the recruiting campaign. Such a ridiculous "brag" is calculated to stop the stream of recruiting at the very time when the need for them is becoming more urgent. There are thousands of young men offering now not because of a desire for adventure or the hope of winning fame, but because they believe there is pressing need for their help to destroy German militarism. If Sir Sam Hughes can get a million recruits any time he wants them, serious young Canadians on the point of sacrificing good positions and imperilling their careers at the call of their country will cease to regard the call as urgent and will be disposed to draw back. They will naturally regard the stirring speeches of the members of the recruiting league as overdrawn and the statements made about slow recruiting as false.

General Hughes' bragging talk is dangerous also because it leads the Canadian people generally to believe that they have done and are doing their full share in carrying on the great war. The truth is that the proportion of Canadian troops despatched to the seat of the great war. The truth is lower than that of any other overseas dominion, and very much below the percentage of men sent out from Great Britain. In Canada up to the present time the total enlistment has been about 1 1/2 per cent. of the population. In Great Britain there are under arms about 600,000 regulars and territorials enlisted prior to the outbreak of hostilities, 250,000 men in the navy and almost three million men recruited since the war began. This vast army represents almost 8 per cent. of the population of the United Kingdom. A similar proportion of Canada's population would involve the raising of more than 400,000 men in the Dominion. That could be done only by conscription. Yet General Hughes, with the irresponsibility of a schoolboy talks loftily about obtaining a million men whenever he wants them.

Sir Robert Borden ought to insist that General Hughes shall cease to talk nonsense and buckle down to work. There are great problems awaiting solution in the militia department. Sir Sam should be on the job instead of on the rampage.



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RURAL NOTES

KINGARTH

Kingarth, Sept. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Saunders Patterson of Kingarth observed their 50th anniversary on September 20th. No celebration was held on account of the children being so far away. They were married Sept. 20, 1865 by the Rev. Geo. Burns, Baptist minister who has long since passed away. Twelve children blessed the union, three girls one of whom is dead and nine boys one also being dead. Miles the youngest son answered the huge call to fight for King and Country and try with the rest of out stalwart boys to save Canada from Belgium's fate. Six grand-children constitute the relatives. One remarkable feature is that Mr. Patterson's mother Mrs. Barr of Lower Line Queensbury is living she being 89 years old and still enjoying good health. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are still in excellent health and are well known here as they lived in Kingsclear all but a few years when they were in Fredericton, N. B., running a boarding house. They are to be congratulated on this the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding, it being a notable milestone in their history, also for the happy years spent with their children who have risen up to reverse their name and who always have lived happy, helpful and exemplary lives.

LAKEVILLE CORNER.

Lakeville Corner, Sept. 18.—The weather for the past few weeks has been very favorable and the men are all through haying.

Miss Maimie Owens is visiting Mrs. M. London.

Mr. Rowan of St. John spent a few days in this vicinity.

A pie social under the auspices of I. O. G. T. was held in the hall September 7th. With ice cream for sale the sum of \$35.65 was realized.

Our school reopened August 26th with Miss Eliza Evans in charge. An Epworth League has been formed in this place with Mrs. M. London as president.

CROWN PRINCE WAS KEEN FOR WAR

London, Sept. 22.—Ian Malcolm, M. P. in a book entitled "War Pictures Behind the Lines," published today, relates a conversation he had with the Crown Prince of Germany at Berlin in January, 1914. The conversation, as reproduced from Malcolm's diary, reads in part as follows:

Crown Prince—After all, you British people ought to be better friends with Germany than you are.

Mr. Malcolm—Sir, we are always ready to be friends, but to all our overtures your Chancellor replies with an invariable snub.

Crown Prince—How can we trust you whilst you are allied with such people as French or Russians? With us together we could divide Europe and keep the peace of the world forever.

Mr. Malcolm—But how would you propose to do that under our existing treaties?

Crown Prince—You could shut your eyes and let us take the French colonies. First of all we want them.

The interview closed by my making the trite remark that nowadays nobody wanted war with injured victors and vanquished, to which the Crown Prince vigorously replied "I beg your pardon, I want war. I want to have a snack at those French swine as soon as ever I can."

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