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What Their Geographies Taught
About Canada.

Germany has captured all the United States and a part of Canada, startlingly announces the Rocky Mountain News. The conquest took place ten years ago, all on the quiet and unknown to the inhabitants. The Kaiser at the time admitted the occupation and subjection of this territory and issued maps for the education of the little Huns in the public schools of the fatherland, whose gullibility left them believing that the select and rich parts of the world belonged "by divine right" to the German people, and all the rest was inhabited by swine and heathen.

But America has at last come to the full knowledge of its predicament by reference to page 55 map No. 1, of the Volkshul-Atlas von C. Diercke (public school atlas), used in the schools of Germany ten years ago.

As the youthful Hun struggled through his geography lesson he became "enlightened" about the world. He knew Germany, for he had seen the great pompous dignity of its emperor reviewing the imperial troops. Germany was a reality to the child. But about the rest of the world, Bah! They were heathen and "low browns."

And then the teacher came to page 5 of the lesson and then to map No. 1. It is titled "Verteilung der Menschenrassen," or the division of the human race. In great, stirring red ink the pupil was at once attracted to a vast area covering the whole of the United States and almost half of Canada.

And across the whole was written "Germanen," meaning Germans. To the north was a strip of green designating that there was the home of the "Noramerikanische Indianer," meaning the North American Indians. But the skillful art of lying, even in the face of an untruth, because they thought they could get away with it, led the authorities of Germany to step farther, and, behold, the race that gave to Germany the first knowledge of telephones and telegraphs, the submarine and airplane, through American inventions, was transformed into "heathen."

Map No. 2 on page 5 shows the western hemisphere in another light—that of the division of religions. Here the miracle of miracles is being worked, for in a heathen country German missionaries are battling the elements and savagery of a hideous race to plant the imperial and holy flag of Germany upon its soil and to bring "Christian" enlightenment to their unholy souls.

Across the face of the United States and Canada dark shaded places are shown, with a footnote reading "Gebiet deutscher Heidenmissionen," meaning spheres of influence of German missionaries to the heathen.

Useless Information.

We always devour all the statistics we can find, says an exchange. They are wonderful. Listen:

If all the phonograph records made in one year were thrown from the top of Brock's Monument they would break.

It would take four men some time to lick all the postage stamps made in Ottawa in one year, but we don't know just how long.

If all the telephone conversations from corner drug stores in one year could be recorded on a phonograph, nobody could listen to them.

A mule can climb to the top of Mt. Popocatepeti in five days. He can descend in five seconds.

If all the doughnuts made by the Salvation Army could be linked together in one chain, they would reach from Paris to Somewhere in France.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.
Functions of the "Official Head" of a Province.

The appointment of a new Lieutenant-Governor for Ontario has revived interest in the functions of that official. Technically speaking, he is in charge of the administration of government of the province; actually, he acts only on the advice of the executive council or cabinet, and performs no duties that could not be fulfilled by the chief justice of the province, unless they be social duties which are his by tradition, but not by law.

It would not be an easy matter, if desirable, to abolish the position of lieutenant-governor, because the appointment is required by the British North America Act, the constitution of Canada, and the provinces have allotted to him various duties not common to all. For instance, in British Columbia, the lieutenant-governor is authorized to transmit by message to the Legislature the draft of any law which appears to him to be desirable. And in Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia he appoints the member of the Upper House or Legislative Council. In Quebec he appoints the Speaker of that body.

The lieutenant-governor is authorized to choose the ministers who shall assist him in the governing of the province and constitutional practice requires that he shall choose them from the party having a majority of the members of the Legislature. In practice, the lieutenant-governor selects the party leader having the largest following to form a ministry, and almost as a matter of course approves of the selections made for the various portfolios.

Other duties of the lieutenant-governor are:

To summon, prorogue or dissolve the legislature.

To recommend the appropriation of the revenues and all money bills.

To assent to or veto bills or reserve them for the consideration of the governor-general.

He appoints all officers necessary to the work of administration.

He may dismiss ministers or demand their resignations.

The lieutenant-governor, contrary to popular impression, is not a representative of the King, and holds no commission from him. He is appointed by the Governor-General in Council and may be removed by the same on the advice of the Dominion Cabinet. Munro's "Constitution of Canada" says he presides over the administration and forms a part of the legislature.

A Patriotic Indian.

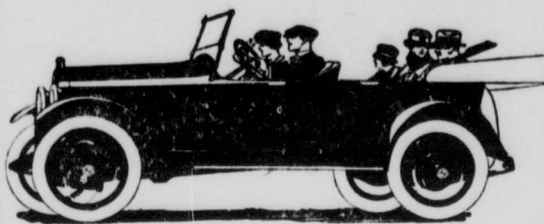
Chief Joseph Davies of the Brunswick House Band of Ojibway Indians, and several of his tribe, who enlisted in 1916 with the 227th (Men of the North) Battalion, were among the returned soldiers who arrived home from France by the Olympic.

Chief Davies was granted by the military authorities the unique privilege of wearing upon his uniform throughout active service his official Indian chief's insignia.

On his arrival at Chapleau a welcome was extended by Indian Agent T. J. Godfrey and a large deputation of members of the tribe. A pathetic feature of the chief's homecoming is that two of his children have recently died of the "flu."

The chief's wife, traveling more than thirty miles by canoe, having to break the ice in many places to get through, bringing with her one dead child and one seriously ill with the epidemic, arrived in Chapleau too late to save the life of the second child, who died shortly after admission to the hospital.

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