

PERONNE FOOTBALL OF ARMIES IN WAR

Peaceful Village Often Taken and Retaken, Beginning in Fifteenth Century.

CONQUEROR'S HAND HEAVY

German Commander Gives Permission to Pillage as Punishment for Failure to Meet Requirements Promptly.

PARIS, Oct. 6.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—History repeated itself at Peronne for the fifth or sixth time, with the occupation of the town by Emperor William's forces. It is a pretty, peaceful, sleepy town, in the Valley of the Oise, with no more apparent pretension than that of attending to its own little business, and it is all the more a wonder that it has cut such a figure in history that it has succumbed to nearly every attack.

King Charles the Simple first gave Peronne right to immortality by dying of hunger while a prisoner there in 878.

Women Only Successful Defender.

Charles the Bold began his series of captures by taking it in 1465 and added to its renown by imprisoning Louis XI there for three days. The latter re-engaged himself on both Charles the Bold and the town by capturing it in 1477. The Duke of Nassau is the only one who ever failed in an assault on it; he was beaten by a woman, Catherine of Polix, who rightfully has her statue in the public square. The Duke of Wellington captured it in his turn in 1812, and the Germans starved the little garrison out in the closing days of the war of 1870, but were obliged to allow it to march out with the honor of war.

During nine days' bombardment 82 of its 700 houses were demolished and 400 were rendered uninhabitable. In this case the German commander consented not to levy a war fine on the town and dispensed the inhabitants from all requisitions which were the same to them, since there was nothing left in the place worth having.

Councillor Made Hostage. This time, as has been the case with most of the military operations, no one but the general staff and the inhabitants knew that the town had been taken until its recapture by the French troops was announced.

After an unequal struggle, the Germans entered the town August 27, just as the subprefect left at the other side in an automobile. The receipts of the postoffice and the tax department, amounting to a million and a half francs gold and several millions in bonds, payable to bearer. The Mayor and his substitute were both absent. Finding no one at the Hotel de Ville, Colonel Goebber, the German commander-in-chief, sent a line, a city councillor, and informed him that it would be necessary for him to get together a commission of a dozen important citizens who should answer with their lives for the benevolent behavior of the citizens toward the German troops, and that the commission must be ready at the Governor within an hour or Monsieur Line would be shot.

War Contributions Demanded.

From this committee the Governor demanded a war contribution of 200,000 francs, which must be forthcoming the following morning. "We certainly shall not pay it," replied Monsieur Line, "because all the money of the city and the receipts of the fiscal department have been transported to Rouen, and all of the rich citizens are at the rear where all we can do is to supply our troops with what they need while here."

"I must have money," persisted the Governor.

"We have no money," persisted Monsieur Line.

"You must pay me 2000 francs in gold this evening," said the Governor, "and you shall furnish 400,000 francs worth of supplies; furthermore, if you have led to me I'll know it and I'll have your hide and that of the town."

The following morning, declaring that the requisitions were not being filled with the necessary promptitude, the Governor inflicted a further punishment on the town in the form of a permission to the troops of two hours' pillage of houses whose inhabitants were out. This was done to punish the subprefect for having gone away with all the ready money.

Orgie Ends With Fire.

After the furniture had been removed the soldiers descended to the cellars and then started an orgie that ended in the burning of a dozen of the more important buildings in the center of the town.

The citizens' committee protested strongly against these depredations and convinced the Governor that it was not the most likely means of securing the willing co-operation of those most able to contribute to the supplying of the troops. From that time to the flight of the Germans before the advancing French the town was quiet, but the inhabitants say they would not prefer that Peronne enjoy less notoriety in history.

FOE TURNED IN 8 DAYS

(Continued From First Page.) line of the Aisne, two brigades at Soissons and three brigades at Couvillers and Cereuil on the afternoon of September 12.

"From the opposition entered by the Sixth French army to the west of Soissons and two of our army corps south of Missy, and certain other indications along the line, I formed the opinion that the enemy had, for the moment at any rate, arrested his retreat and was preparing to contest the passage of the Aisne with some vigor south of Soissons, where the Germans were holding Mont de Paris against attack.

French Heavily Opposed.

"With the assistance of artillery the third corps of the French drove them back across the river at Soissons, where they destroyed the bridges. Heavy artillery fire showed that the Sixth French army was meeting with heavy opposition along the line.

"On this day the cavalry under General Almy reached the neighborhood of Braine and did good work in clearing the town and the high ground beyond it of strong hostile detachments.

NATIVE CANADIANS IN NEW ARMY ARE FEW

One Estimate Says 85 Per Cent of Volunteers Are From British Isles.

INSURANCE CONCERNS AID

War Clause in Policies Is Not Being Enforced—Not Many of French Blood in First Force, but Brigade Will Follow.

TORONTO, Ont., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Charges are made that many native-born Canadians are not enlisting for service in the European war. One estimate goes so far as to say that of the first contingent of fewer than 85 per cent were British born, most of whom came to Canada within the last five years.

This estimate is combated by many, among others by the Canadian life insurance companies, who patriotically have decided not to enforce the war clause in their policies, which entitles them to impose a super-premium of 500 a thousand. Instead of doing so they are carrying all policies in force at the time of enlistment at the old rate, thereby substantially increasing their liabilities without any compensating revenue. They say their lists of policy-holders show a large proportion of Canadian born.

However, the highest estimate of Canadian born in the contingent is 40 per cent, 40 per cent being British born, although according to the last census the latter number only 11 per cent of the population.

That a serious situation is indicated by the circumstance is admitted by Canadian patriots. In explanation it is argued that many of the British arrivals had military training and further, having severed home ties, they were freer to respond to the call of war. It is admitted that this is only a partial explanation and that possibly there is a more serious underlying cause.

It has also been pointed out that few French-Canadians enlisted for the first contingent. The incident illustrates how slender is the bond of sentiment that now connects "New France" with old France. Nevertheless, in demonstration of loyalty to the British Empire, an entire brigade of French-Canadians is being rapidly organized and will be incorporated in the second expedition.

Retreat Details Given. The dispatch gives details of the retreat on August 23 and 29. Generals Gough and Chetwode, with the Third and Fifth cavalry brigades, covered the retreat, repulsing the Germans with great loss.

"The pursuit by the enemy," continues the report, "was very vigorous. Some five or six German corps were on the Somme facing the Fifth army; on the Oise at least two corps were advancing toward my front and were making the Somme east and west of Ham; three or four more German corps were opposing the Sixth French army on my left. This was the situation when I received a visit from General Joffre at my headquarters. I strongly represented my position to the French Commander-in-Chief, who was most kind, cordial and sympathetic, as he always has been. He told me he had directed the Fifth French army on the Oise to move forward and attack the Germans on the Somme with a view to checking the pursuit.

Communication Is Threatened.

"I finally arranged with General Joffre to effect a further short retirement toward the line between Compiègne and Soissons, promising him, however, to do my utmost to keep always within a day's march of him. The Germans were threatening the British line of communication and, continues the report:

"While closely adhering to his strategic conception to draw the enemy on all points until a favorable situation was created from which to assume the offensive, General Joffre found it necessary from day to day to modify the methods by which he sought to attain this object, owing to the development of the enemy's plans and a change in the general situation."

On September 5, General Joffre decided to take the offensive, as the conditions were very favorable to success.

Field Marshal French believes that about noon on September 6 the enemy realized that a powerful threat was being made against the flank of his columns moving south and east, and began the great retreat which opened the battle. This battle, so far as the Sixth French army, the British army and the Fifth and Ninth French armies were concerned, was concluded on the evening of September 10, when the Germans had been driven to the Soissons-Rimsles line with the loss of thousands of prisoners, many guns and enormous masses of transport.

No Rhodes Scholar to Go.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, Oct. 18.—(Special.)—No examination will be held in California this year for the Rhodes scholarship. It has been definitely stated by authorities in the University of Oxford that appointees under the Rhodes scholarship will be received in Oxford this year, but under the new system of election, 1915 is to be considered a blank year for California.

New Way to Celebrate Apple Day.

National Apple day tomorrow will be observed by the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company with an "Apple-Cooking Contest," full particulars of which are announced in the large advertisement on page 8 of this paper.—Adv.

PETS ALSO SUFFER

Dogs and Cats Among Numerous Refugees in Paris.

POUND IS OVERCROWDED

Le Figaro, However, Reassures Sensitive Lovers of Animals That Order Has Been Restored and All Goes Well.

PARIS, Oct. 6.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Human beings are not the only refugees from the war zone now harbored in Paris. Homeless cats and dogs from Belgium and the stricken cities of Northern France followed their homeless masters and mistresses and have added thousands to the camps and feline population of the city. They gave plenty of trouble to the poundkeeper, whose war-reduced staff had already enough to do to collect the thousands of animal pets abandoned during the exodus of Parisians when they were threatened. The poundkeeper became so overwhelmed that Le Figaro took cognizance of the situation in the following article:

"The horrors of war do not prevent lovers of animals from continuing sympathy to the sufferings of their proteges, especially cats and dogs—for the poor horses are no longer a question in our cities.

"We have received complaints from certain animal lovers who feel compassion for the cruel treatment of which these animals have been the object at the pound.

"We have made inquiries. Let sensitive persons console themselves. In these last weeks the exodus of the unfortunate populations of the north brought to Paris a certain quantity of stray cats.

"Dogs were also 'Belgian refugees.' And then there has been the dispersion in Paris of cats and dogs abandoned by their masters at the time of

T. R. FINANCES EXPEDITION

Colonel Gives \$5000 Toward Further South American Exploration.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Leo E. Miller, explorer and mammalogist of the Roosevelt expedition to South America, has just completed plans to start out on another expedition to South America. He will leave New York within a few days for Porto Columbia, where he will begin his trip of exploration in the inland of the American Museum of Natural History. The expedition, which will be conducted under the leadership of Miller, has been financed by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt to the extent of \$5000. The object of the explorer and his party will be to make extensive zoological studies in South America; to gather collections for the American Museum and to study the remote regions to be explored. Miller plans to cover at least 80,000 miles on this trip.

As the expedition makes its way down the Amazon River members of the party expect to spend some time making collections along the banks of the new River Theodora, which was explored by Colonel Roosevelt.

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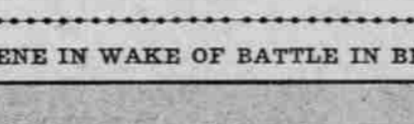
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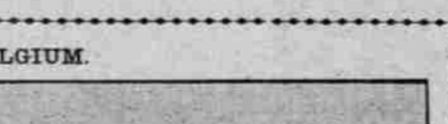
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EULOGY HEALS BREACH

WATTERSON ACCEPTS INVITATION TO LUNCH WITH WILSON.

TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT'S WIFE BY KENTUCKY EDITOR IS BEGINNING OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—Peace between President Wilson and Colonel Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, was assured last night. Tomorrow the two statesmen will pledge friendship in the White House. Colonel Watterson arrived in Washington late today and immediately arrangements were made for him to take lunch with the President tomorrow. From the manner in which the Colonel accepted the invitation, it was evident the breach, which gave rise to his attacks on Mr. Wilson as the Democratic nominee, will be entirely healed.

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