

FAMOUS FOOTBALL CAPTAINS.



GEN. MERRITT'S RISE.

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"It was in the battle of Beverly Ford that Merritt made his mark," says Gen. T. F. Rodenbough, who served with him through most of the rebellion. "He set it high up, too, for in that one day he jumped from the rank of captain, acting as colonel, to the position of brigadier general, and the command of the regular brigade, familiarly known as the Old Guard."

"In the spring of 1862 the Union cavalry, which had been split up into small divisions during the earlier part of the war, was reorganized, and Gen. Pleasanton was made chief, and chief of the Army of the Potomac. Merritt was assigned to the Second Cavalry, with the rank of captain.

"At the beginning of June it was reported that Lee was getting ready to move north, and a force of 10,000 cavalry was sent out to see if they could locate any large bodies of Confederate troops, with a view to determining the truth of this report. In the course of our expedition we ran into some 12,000 Confederate cavalry under Jeb Stuart, not far from Culpeper. Fording the Rappahannock in the early morning we attacked the Confederates' camp.

"The ensuing engagement, known as the battle of Beverly Ford, is recognized by military writers as the most conspicuous cavalry engagement of the war. The numbers on each side were nearly equal, the ground was favorable for mounted operations, and the fighting lasted all day, from 5 in the morning until nearly 9 at night.

"There were two young officers on the Union side who won great glory that day. They were Merritt and Custer, both of whom were immediately afterwards made brevet brigadier generals. Better than all else, Merritt won the warm commendation of his old commander, the gallant Buford, of whom he afterward wrote:

"His slightest praise was more valued by his officers than a brevet from the War Department." "At the battle of Gettysburg, his next big fight, Merritt performed service which was not fully appreciated until later. His command got into the fight on the third day, the day after Pickett's charge, and engaged the extreme Confederate left near Round Top. He was facing a superior force, but he kept it so busy that when Lee sent word to Longstreet to move forward and back up Pickett's Longstreet replied that the Yankee cavalry was giving him all that he could attend to, and that he was unable to help Pickett. Considering the night results, it is difficult to say how great Merritt's service to the country really was. It did not go unrewarded, for Merritt was breveted major from July 1, 1863, for gallant and meritorious conduct.

On the 11th day of May, 1864, Sheridan was only six miles from Richmond, when he was opposed by Stuart's cavalry. The latter believed that the safety of their camp was at stake and fought like demons. Sheridan usually knew how his battles were coming out, but he was anxious on that day, and for a time the issue hung in the balance. Then a great cheer rose on the left of the Union line, and Merritt's and Wilson's divisions dashed forward in a sabre charge that swept the Confederates off the field and carried the day for Little Phil. That action made Merritt a brevet brigadier general.

Merritt's fourth distinguished reward was won in the battle of Hovos' Ford, seventeen days later. Greer's division and the brigades of Torbert and Merritt were opposed by a heavy force of strongly entrenched position. Mounted troops could not dislodge them, but the cavalrymen held their own in the face of a gallant fight until Custer's men, who had been hastily dismounted, came up with hand playing and colors flying.

"The music and the yell which always followed Custer's men was like an electric shock to us," says one of Merritt's officers. "and we went forward over the Confederate works as though carried on a wave. The General was in front among the Johnnies, yelling with the best of us. We were all delighted when he was breveted colonel for his work on this day."

QUEER TALE OF ARCTIC SEAS.

Ship Icebound for Fifty Years Drifts Into the Harbor of Corvo.

One of the most curious finds ever made from the sea was that which came to the Azores in 1853. The island of Corvo was then in possession of two bench-combers, runaway English sailors. There came drifting into a little harbor one morning a craft which had evidently been frozen in the ice for a lifetime, and had lately been released. It had come down from Davis Strait, and was provisioned for a year. The crew had been a brig, and she was a Russian. Her hatches were on and her cabin doors fast, and the hull was buoyant. She had come out of the belly of an iceberg, and was protected by ice and that consisted of skins and furs in prime condition. No papers were found in her cabin, but it was figured that she was a sealer or trader, carrying a crew of ten or twelve, and that she had been provisioned for a year. The four found aboard tasted like chalk, but the beef was perhaps better than the day it was put on board. She had been abandoned when frozen in, and the dark color of the woodwork and the growth of moss proved that she had drifted for years. Then she got fast in the ice, and became part of a berg. The date of a letter found in her fore-cabin showed that she had been abandoned nearly half a century before. The hull drifted on to a sandy beach, and the combers went to work on her. They got out the furs, which brought them \$4,000, hoisted out a couple of barrels of beef, and then set fire to the wreck, and little remained of her when the story leaked out. That the hull had come down from the far north was proved only a few weeks later by the log of an English merchantman. She reported passing a great iceberg to the northwest of the Azores, and of seeing a curious object embedded in it fifty feet above the surface of the water. This object was believed to be a whale, but it was probably the hull of the brig. Getting down into the warm sea, the berg fell to pieces, and that queer old relic found herself afloat again.

THE OREGON'S GREAT VICTORY.

Her Crew's Reception of the News of Dewey's Victory.

In his account of the great victory of the Oregon in the Century, Lieutenant Eberle thus describes the receipt at Rio de Janeiro of the news of Dewey's victory: "On the afternoon of the second day of May came the news of Commodore Dewey's superb victory in Manila bay, but it was getting into the warm sea, the berg fell to pieces, and that queer old relic found herself afloat again. When the battle of Winchester was begun Merritt was six miles away facing Breckinridge's column. He fell back, breaking it, driving the cavalry back through the infantry lines, and, to the words of Sheridan's report, 'sent the enemy whirling into Winchester.' For his service in this battle and

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THREE OLD BROTHERS.

Combined Ages of Three Russians Are Said to Amount to 350 Years.

It is not popularly supposed that the conditions which surround the lives of the peasants of Russia are conducive to good health, or longevity, yet the Russian papers have recently printed pictures of three peasants—brothers—who are, beyond doubt, the three oldest members of a single family alive. The family name is Korolev, and this legend of the cap of every Oregon man bore throughout the war."

TRIBUTE FROM LOVING FRIENDS

Memorial to Winnie Davis, Unveiled in Richmond.

In a lovely plot in Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Va., at the foot of a steep hill and by the side of her father, repose the remains of Winnie Davis, daughter of the Confederacy. Recently a memorial was unveiled over her grave, a tribute from adoring women all over the country, to perpetuate the memory of one who was beloved in life and mourned in death. This is probably the first time in this country's history that a monument has been erected to a woman solely by women. The design represents the Angel of Grief seated on a granite pedestal, one hand holding a wreath as if to place it on the grave. In the pose of the figure dignity and sadness are blended, and in the face the angel is unforgetful sorrow. From every point of view the outline is perfect and the pose of the wings is exquisitely graceful.

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THE PRINCE OF WALES.

Some Interesting Facts About England's Heir-Presumptive.

Here are some facts about the Prince of Wales which are condensed from his biography as written by his private secretary: He never allows a typewriter in his house. He spends \$5,000 a year for telegrams. He allows only two knives and forks to each guest at his table.

He is colonel eight times over. He has one private secretary, two assistant secretaries and a staff of clerks to assist them. He receives 200 letters a day, and answers most of them. Every minute of his time in London is spent according to schedule. He has every order of knighthood in Europe.

His uniforms are worth \$75,000. He is a field marshal and an admiral. He is the chief horse owner, dog owner and yachtsman in England. He goes to church every Sunday morning.

He never goes to the races on Sunday. He started life with an income of \$500,000 a year. He says he has no debts.

He loves to travel incognito in Paris. He buys hundreds of theater tickets without using them. His favorite vehicle in London is a handsome cab, yet his stables cost \$75,000 a year.

He thinks his nephew, the German Emperor, is too sentimental. He has friends of every nation and speaks German, French, Italian and Russian.

His life was never attempted by an assassin. He is 5 feet 6 inches high and weighs 180 pounds. He has light gray eyes, gray beard, a brown complexion and a bald head.

His hands and feet are small and neat. He is 57 years old and has four grandchildren. His favorite wine is a champagne of 1850, and his favorite liquor a Cognac 40 years old.

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A striking evidence of the scarcity of workmen is a great placed which has been hung out in front of the post-office, Ottawa, Canada, by one of the lumber companies asking for 1,000 laborers and 500 shantymen.

When hat is wet with rain it should be dried with a silk handkerchief, brushed with a soft brush and when it is nearly dry with a harder brush.

LEAD PENCILS HAVE A HISTORY.

They Were First Made Two Hundred Years Ago in England.

The lead pencil, the most common of all writing implements, is somewhat over 200 years old. The term "lead pencil," however, is a misnomer, as, in a mineralogical sense, there is not a particle of lead in its composition. The lead pencil originated with the discovery of the graphite mines in England in 1565, during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. As graphite is a greatly resembled galena, the German name for which was bleiglanz, it was given the name of lead, or lead. In the early days of lead pencil making the graphite was saved in no thin sheets and cut into strips smaller and smaller until they were of a size to be covered with light wooden slips, and thus serve as pencils. The first pencils created much excitement. The graphite mines were considered of inestimable value and were protected by law. But there was a great waste, first, in digging, for many of the pieces were too small for cutting, and again in the manner of cutting the graphite, which was a laborious task. The material was lost. So a binding substance had to be invented. Glue, gum, isinglass and other substances were tried, but the graphite was only rendered hard and brittle and of uneven hardness. Its marks were faint and indistinct, and in those days if the point broke it was quite an undertaking to sharpen it again. First, the wood had to be cut away and the graphite heated over a light to soften it, after which it was drawn to a point with the fingers. In 1795 Conte, a Frenchman, came on the idea of using pulverized graphite and binding clay. This discovery resulted in pencils of varying hardness, according to the amount of binding clay added, and each pencil was of exactly the same hardness throughout its length. Soon after this discovery improvements followed in mixing, rolling and sharpening the graphite composition, which was cut into lengths, placed in a warm oven to harden, and finally incased in wood, as seen to-day.

ACCIDENTS WITH LAMPS.

Any table on which lamps are placed should be of firm construction, large top, and of sufficient weight at the base not to tip easily or jar when touched. A great many so-called accidents with lamps are caused by placing them on light, rickety tables.

RICHEST PEOPLE.

The Osages are probably the richest people per capita in the world. Each one of them, man, woman and child, has 90 acres of good land and receives \$50 from the Government four times a year.

WHAT THE FOOL THINKS HE KNOWS.

The wise man knows he only thinks.

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The Waiter Knew 'Em.

A downtown restaurant was in the turmoil of the busy dinner hour. Careless business men rushed in and swallowed a lunch as though millions depended on their haste. Waiters balanced steaming platters on the tips of their little fingers with the ease of Japanese jugglers, and everything seemed confusion. Yet there was a certain degree of discipline among the waiters and they seemed to know their customers and their usual choice of dishes. For instance, when a pair of lantern-jawed actors without an engagement entered, the waiter that listened to the order yelped to the cook: "Two soups and a Ham-o-meat!"—Detroit Free Press.

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