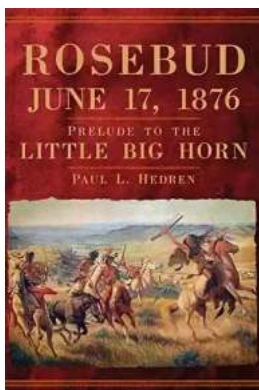


# Rosebud June 17 1876 Prelude To The Little Big Horn

On the fateful day of June 17, 1876, a battle took place that would forever go down in history as the prelude to the famed Battle of Little Bighorn. This battle, known as the Battle of Rosebud, shaped the events that would unfold in the days to come and eventually lead to one of the most infamous clashes between the United States Army and the Native American tribes.

The Battle of Rosebud was fought between the forces of the United States Army commanded by General George Crook and the Lakota Sioux, Cheyenne, and Arapaho tribes led by various prominent tribal leaders including Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull. The location of the battle was the Rosebud Creek in southeastern Montana.

General Crook had been tasked with the mission to locate and attack the encampments of the Sioux and Cheyenne tribes, who were considered hostile by the U.S. government due to their resistance against settling on reservations. The Battle of Rosebud was a crucial attempt by the U.S. Army to weaken the Native American tribes and gain control over the region.



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The battle began in the early morning hours of June 17, when General Crook's column came into contact with a group of Sioux warriors. The Native American warriors, led by Crazy Horse, fiercely fought back, launching a full-scale assault on the U.S. Army forces. The battle raged on for several hours, with both sides sustaining heavy casualties.

Despite a valiant effort by the Native American tribes, General Crook's forces managed to hold their ground and repel the attacks. However, the U.S. Army suffered significant losses and was unable to achieve its ultimate objective of defeating the Sioux and Cheyenne tribes.

The Battle of Rosebud had a profound impact on the events that followed. The fierce resistance put up by the Native American tribes served as a wake-up call for the U.S. government, alerting them to the strength and determination of the indigenous people. This realization played a crucial role in shaping the U.S. Army's strategy for the Battle of Little Bighorn, which would take place just eight days later.

The Battle of Rosebud also showcased the military prowess and leadership of prominent Native American figures such as Crazy Horse. The tactical skills and bravery displayed by the tribes during this battle earned them respect and admiration, both among their own people and the U.S. Army.

Furthermore, the Battle of Rosebud highlighted the complex and often conflicting relationships between different Native American tribes. While the Lakota Sioux, Cheyenne, and Arapaho joined forces against the U.S. Army, there were internal tensions among the tribes. These tensions would impact the events of the Battle

of Little Bighorn, as different tribes made diverse decisions regarding their involvement.

, the Battle of Rosebud was a significant event that set the stage for the famous Battle of Little Bighorn. It demonstrated the strength and determination of the Native American tribes, as well as the military challenges faced by the U.S. Army. The events of June 17, 1876, would forever be remembered as the prelude to the Little Big Horn, a battle that would go down in history as a defining moment in the struggle between the Native American tribes and the United States government.



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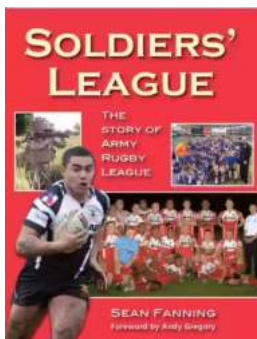


The Battle of the Rosebud may well be the largest Indian battle ever fought in the American West. The monumental clash on June 17, 1876, along Rosebud Creek in southeastern Montana pitted George Crook and his Shoshone and Crow allies against Sioux and Northern Cheyennes under Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. It set the stage for the battle that occurred eight days later when, just twenty-five miles away, George Armstrong Custer blundered into the very same village that had outmatched Crook. Historian Paul L. Hedren presents the definitive account of

this critical battle, from its antecedents in the Sioux campaign to its historic consequences.

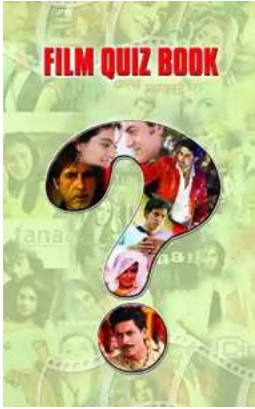
Rosebud, June 17, 1876 explores in unprecedented detail the events of the spring and early summer of 1876. Drawing on an extensive array of sources, including government reports, diaries, reminiscences, and a previously untapped trove of newspaper stories, the book traces the movements of both Indian forces and U.S. troops and their Indian allies as Brigadier General Crook commenced his second great campaign against the northern Indians for the year. Both Indian and army paths led to Rosebud Creek, where warriors surprised Crook and then parried with his soldiers for the better part of a day on an enormous field. Describing the battle from multiple viewpoints, Hedren narrates the action moment by moment, capturing the ebb and flow of the fighting. Throughout he weighs the decisions and events that contributed to Crook's tactical victory, and to his fateful decision thereafter not to pursue his adversary. The result is a uniquely comprehensive view of an engagement that made history and then changed its course.

Rosebud was at once a battle won and a battle lost. With informed attention to the subtleties and significance of both outcomes, as well as to the fears and motivations on all sides, Hedren has given new meaning to this consequential fight, and new insight into its place in the larger story of the Great Sioux War.



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