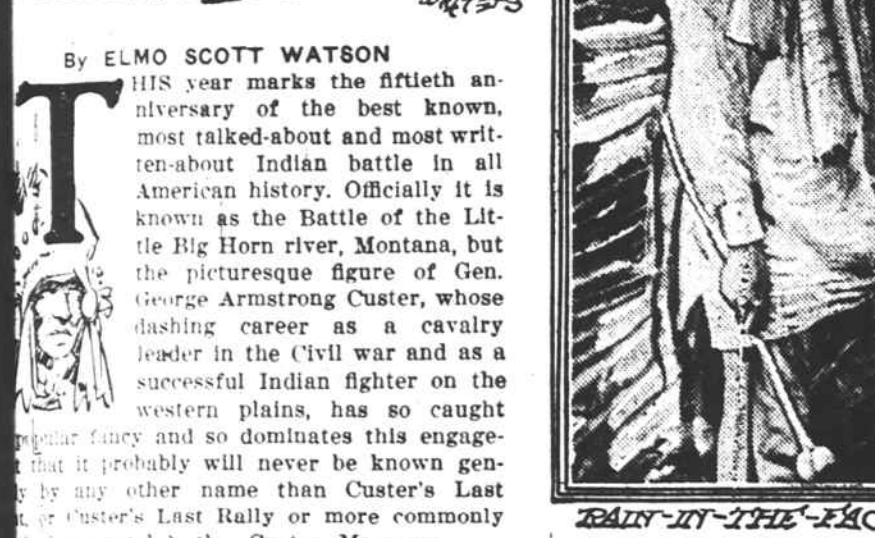


# Custer's Last Fight



50th Anniversary  
Most Famous Indian  
Battle to be Observed  
this Year

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THIS year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the best known, most talked-about and most written-about Indian battle in all American history. Officially it is known as the Battle of the Little Big Horn river, Montana, but the picturesque figure of Gen. George Armstrong Custer, whose dashing career as a cavalry leader in the Civil war and as a successful Indian fighter on the western plains, has so caught popular fancy and so dominates this engagement that it probably will never be known generally by any other name than Custer's Last Battle or Custer's Last Rally or more commonly and inaccurately the Custer Massacre.

For the semi-centennial celebration of this disastrous event under the direction of the Little Big Horn Memorial association, organized last year in Montana but including in its membership a score of persons nationally known who are prominent in the work of patriotic societies perpetuating historical spots. One of them is E. S. Godfrey, U. S. A., retired, who was lieutenant in Custer's regiment, the Seventh Cavalry, on that fateful day fifty years ago.

The program calls for participation in the celebration by the present personnel of the Seventh Cavalry, now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas, and by the Crow and Cheyenne Indians, the sons and grandsons of the savage warriors who overwhelmed the soldiers on the Little Big Horn. The United States government is co-operating, \$30,000 having been appropriated by congress recently for the transportation of the troops to and from the battlefield. Congress has also passed a bill authorizing the secretary of the interior to acquire and set aside 100 acres on the site of the fight between the Indians and the detachments commanded by Major Reno and Captain Benteen, which was a part of the Custer battle, and to erect a suitable monument and historical marker on the site of which will be a part of the celebration. But the most interesting part of the program will be the march of the Seventh Cavalry from the mouth of the Rosebud river to the site of the battle on June 22 and following by Custer and his doomed men. The march will be on the Custer battlefield, the site of which was reserved by the federal government upon which a reservation was established many years ago, on the site of June 25. There they will be met by representatives of the formal ceremony symbolical of the "hatchet-burying" between red men and white.

The celebration which is attracting national attention will be recalled a tragedy which has affected the entire nation a half century ago. It is a tragedy which has been heard every year since the battle. It is a tragedy which has been heard every year since America's history made into their "Valley of Death." The story of this battle is so well-known that it is almost a cliché. It has been told and retold in many ways. Over it has raged many a bit of controversy and around it has sprung up a mass of tradition, myth, misinformation and "fact." Fortunately, however, it has been worked industriously by those who have worked industriously to bring the story of the Custer battle and its details to the light. There are many details over which there is still a chance for disagreement, but in the main certain facts which have been established by the most reliable sources have been established.

Of all the Custer battle was not the "Custer Massacre" as it is so often called. Custer and his men fought desperately and all of the 212 men in the five companies of the Seventh which accompanied him were killed. There was no ambush, no slaughter of wounded men, none of the other factors which would justify calling this battle a massacre. The debate over which there has been much discussion is whether or not Custer was the orders of his superior officers. It is a debate which has been carried into an academic affair. It is a debate which has been carried into an academic affair. It is a debate which has been carried into an academic affair. It is a debate which has been carried into an academic affair.

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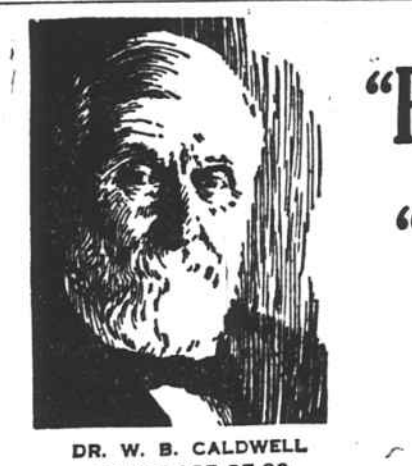
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