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#### Spanish Prehistory

FOSSIL MAN IN SPAIN. By Hugo OBERMAIER. New Haven: Yale University Press. 1924. \$5.

Reviewed by GEORGE GRANT MACCURDY. Yale University

HAT the translation of a book is a tribute to the author as well as to the wide appeal made by the subject treated is especially true of the work in hand. Obermaier is the author of "Der Mensch der Vorzeit" which was published in 1912. Four years later, there appeared that which in some respects amounted to a new edition but with special emphasis on Spain, and the title was changed to: "El Hombre Fósil". The present work is a new edition of "El Hombre Fósil" with the incorporation of additional material up to 1922, the time when the manuscript passed from the author's hands into those of the translator. The translation has been done by Christine D. Matthew with a rare and sympathetic understanding. Fortunately also for the author, there is an illuminating introduction by Professor Henry Fairfield Osborn, who likewise revised Chapter III of the text in order to make it more simple for readers unfamiliar with scientific nomenclature. A complete translation of the author's text of Chapter III, with no alteration or omission, is given in the Appendix.

To appreciate the meaning of fossil man, one must be able to visualize his climatic and faunal as well as cultural environment, and here the author's wide experience and skilful method of presentation make the reader's task easy. As indicated by the title the work is practically confined to that portion of the prehistoric in which fossil man lived-namely the Paleolithic Period; the final Chapter deals with the transition from the Paleolithic to the Neolithic Period. But in its geographic scope, the work is by no means confined to Spain, since the rest of Europe, and other parts of the world come in for treatment.

Prehistoric Archæology is a science which is growing by leaps and bounds. This is particularly true of that part of man's prehistoric past which is revealed by discoveries centering in the European fields. Among those with a first-hand knowledge of the field in question, the author ranks among the foremost; his work is absolutely essential to a thorough understanding of Spanish prehistory.

It is true that many important discoveries have been made since the text of "Fossil Man in Spain" was turned over for translation and publication-processes which require time, in the present instance two years. One will therefore search the volume in vain for accounts of a dozen important recent discoveries, and new points of view on others, such for example as Predmost now classed as Aurignacian instead of Solutrean.

More than fifty pages are rightly given to Paleolithic art and here the text is enriched by a number of illustrations in color. The author concludes that the realistic paintings of eastern and southeastern Spain came to an end not later than the Magdalenian, and should be regarded as the equivalent of the realistic art of Spain north of the Cantabrian Mountains and of southern France. Their makers were peoples under the influence of Caspian culture from northern Africa, which was already archæologically dis tinct from the Magdalenian and Solutrean of the north. On account of this southern influence it is not surprising that certain kinds of designs common in the north, such as testiforms and hand silhouettes, should be entirely lacking. This lack is more than counterbalanced by the important representations of the human figure and the surprising scenic compositions-both entirely lacking in the Franco-Cantabrian region,

The last chapter dealing with the transition from the Paleolithic to the Neolithic Period brings out clearly the differences between the late Paleolithic culture of northern Africa and that of central Europe. Whereas the Early Caspian is essentially the same as the Aurignacian of France, the Late Caspian of Algeria and Tunis presents neither the true Solutrean types nor any typical Magdalenian implements. Spain was the highway of contact between the north and the south and partakes of the cultures peculiar to each. In the Appendix is to be found a wealth of bibliographic references.

#### The Corsican

NAPOLEON: AN OUTLINE. By BRIG.-GEN. COLIN R. BALLARD. New York: D. Appleton & Co. 1924.

Reviewed by Major W. R. Wheeler

GENERAL BALLARD'S study of Napoleon is further evidence of the lasting appeal of the leader whose strategical conceptions as well repay investigation today as they did in the years prior to 1914. And in this connection it is worthy of note that the middle year of the World War saw the publishing of an edition of Henderson's "Stonewall Jackson" - the American leader whose military actions and results followed most closely those of the great Corsican. The principles of war are changeless and only their expression varies as we move onward with the years from Blaise de Montluc to Liggett and Bullard.

General Ballard elucidates the little known details of the armistice of Cherasco, just before Lodi, wherein the twentyseven year old leader demonstrated all the qualities of a confidence man in duping the Sardinian plenipotentiaries. The Austrians were not only deprived of Sardinian aid but, through Bonaparte's cleverness, were also deceived by their Sardinian allies, now, and unwittingly, become the tools of the young French general.

It is to be noted that the author, on page 55, credits Bonaparte with the "Beyond the Alps lies Italy \* \* \* " proclamation. Colonel Tournes of the French Ecole de Guerre asserts that this speech is an afterthought of St. Helena.

The chapter on the Marengo campaign brings out the necessities of military action as a function of statesmanship. Happy the statesman who is also his own, competent, soldier! A few years later France had reason to regret that her soldier was also her statesman. At the time, however, Napoleon balanced the two duties perfectly and his strategical defensive was consummated by the tactical offenses of Marengo and Hohenlinden.

The author finds that Napoleon succeeded as leader of men, and as tactician, but that, in the end, he failed as strategist. In the author's opinion 1810 was the critical year, the crest of the Epoch, after which the waves of the Empire beat themselves to pieces against the rocks of the Coalition. This year he saw the desertion of the following: Fouché of the Imperial Police; Talleyrand of the Diplomatic Service; Bernadotte of the Marshals; King Louis of the family. Having drawn within himself as he ascended, the Emperor had reached the point of being unapproachable by all, including even members of his own family. Forgetting the increased size of his armies, the Emperor failed to decentralize. The man who had been command, staff and services—all in one—for smaller armies was unable to split up his work into tasks to be parcelled out to and accomplished by others. The Russian Campaign was the disastrous result.

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