

Fallen Timbers 1794: The U.S. Army's First Victory

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There is a wealth of background to the campaign -- the most interesting aspect of which is the forces arrayed against the fledgeling United States -- the British, Spanish, various Indian tribes, traitors with the US administration and army and various groups inspired by French revolutionary zeal to carve out their own states in the west.

The progress of the campaign is detailed and is largely concerned with moving an army and supplying it over long distances in the wilderness.

An order of battle for both sides is provided along with an assessment of many of the leaders and their plans.

See also "Wabash 1791," Osprey Campaign series No. 240 by the same author.

The battle itself is small -- less than 5,000 men in total -- and is therefore easily reconstructed as a wargame. It would also suit the soloist as the Indian forces (supported covertly by the British) appear seemingly at random to harass the American advance and are not tied to lines of supply; they can therefore very easily be controlled by automated systems with the soloist taking the part of the more ponderous American army. Visibility in the battle itself was low so that units - especially Indian ones -- can come and go seemingly at random, another boon for the soloist.

--Paul Le Long

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