Chicago Open History 2015: Quizbowl's New Chains Discovered Round 5

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1. One version of this substance used in the late Roman army was known as bucellum or bucellatum. The "Sailor Boy" label produces this substance en masse for consumption in Alaska, and the oldest surviving example of this substance is housed in Denmark and dates from the early 1850s. This substance was the main ingredient in dishes called lobscouse and skillygalee, and was often prepared alongside "desecrated vegetables." During the Spanish–American War, the slogan "Remember the Maine" was stamped on units of this substance, which were popularly known as "worm castles." Leftovers from the Mexican-American War provided most of the supply of this substance to the (*) Confederacy, and the usual Union soldier received nine to ten of these items per day. For 10 points, name this dense biscuit made of unleavened flour and water which was a staple of military rations during the American Civil War.

ANSWER: <u>hardtack</u> (prompt on "cracker" or "bread"; prompt on "biscuit" before "biscuit")

2. Literature produced by this polity includes the *Paterikon*, a collection of the lives of the saints of the Monastery of the Caves, as well as Saint Hilarion's sermon *On Law and Grace*. This polity saw the construction of the church of the Intercession of Our Lady on the Nerl River. Field cultivation under this regime included a fallow practice called *perelog* and mass deforestations called *podseka*, often carried out by the dispossessed *izgoi* and the peasant *smerdy* class. Alesha Popovich and (*) Ilia of Murom are heroes whose deeds are narrated in the *byliny* epics produced under this polity, such as *The Lay of the Host of Igor*. The *Primary Chronicle* is the most important historical work for this period, and its customary law code is often translated as *Russian Justice*. For 10 points, name this early Slavic state ruled by such monarchs as Yaroslav the Wise, centered on a namesake trading city.

ANSWER: Kievan Rus

3. This person was the first holder of the title Captain of the Three Provinces, which was used by successors for four centuries. In this leader's greatest victory, his 13 board-roofers were able to rout ten times as many *sekibune* of the Left Army near Jindo. Earlier, the temporary dismissal of this commander led to the disaster of Chilcheollyang. This leader's forces won major victories at Dangpo, Okpo, and Hansando in addition to his aforementioned masterpiece, 1597's Battle of (*) Myeongnyang. This admiral ordered that his war drum continue beating after he was mortally wounded by a sniper at Noryang. For 10 points, name this 16th-century Korean admiral, the "Horatio Nelson of East Asia" who invented the turtle ship.

ANSWER: Admiral Yi Sun-shin [family name is Yi]

4. This sort of area is the subject an ongoing program known as U.P.P. The usual name for this type of place derives from a new name given to Providência, which in turn is that of an itch-inducing plant endemic to Bahia. These places got their name as they were originally given for settlement to demobbed soldiers from the (*) Canudos Campaign. These zones are typically built on hills, as with the largest one, Rocinha. Technically known since 2010 as subnormal agglomerates, these have been brought under the rule of law by "pacification," which has been largely successful in the North and South Zones of Rio. For 10 points, give the term for sprawling urban slums endemic to Brazil, such as Cidade de Deus or "City of God."

ANSWER: favelas (prompt on "(Brazilian) slums"; accept subnormal agglomerates before "subnormal")

5. The current site of Camp David was previously a training site for this organization known as Area "B." Chemist Stanley Lovell became the first head of Research and Development for this organization, whose director referred to him as "his Professor Moriarty." Gadgets created by this organization include a type of exploding firecracker named after Hedy Lamarr. Some of this organization's crazy ideas include slipping estrogen into Hitler's food so that his moustache would fall off and using (*) bats to carry firebombs into Tokyo homes. In part due to a secret report by FDR's chief military aid Richard Park, this organization was terminated by Truman in September 1945, despite the protestations of its director, Wild Bill Donovan. For 10 points, name this American intelligence agency founded during World War II, the predecessor of the CIA.

ANSWER: O.S.S. (or Office of Strategic Services)

6. In the 1980s, the army of this nation undertook a series of cross-border raids known as Operation Lemon, Operation Grape Fruit, and Operation Cassa Banana. Later, this country's North Korean-trained Fifth Brigade undertook genocidal atrocities known as the "Gukurahundi." A mysterious 2001 farm fire claimed the life of a former commander of this country's armed forces; its military has been led by Constantine (*) Chiwenga since the death of Solomon Mujuru. Youth paramilitaries known as Green Bombers are loosely attached to this modern nation's army, which was formed by regularizing militias active in its War for Independence, known as the Second Chimurenga. For 10 points, name this African country, where the militias ZIPRA and ZANLA formerly acted as wings of the dominant political parties, ZAPU and ZANU.

ANSWER: (Republic of) Zimbabwe

7. A utopian community in northern Tennessee named for this place had some success before a typhoid epidemic in 1881. Thomas Carlyle called this place "a temple of industrious peace" after staying here a week. Arthur Stanley's biography of one of its leaders focuses on that man's reform-mindedness. Stanley was probably the inspiration for the sickly George Arthur, who features in a book set here. The hero of that book agonizes over whether to cheat in Latin and is the enemy of the bully (*) Flashman. Thomas Hughes' time spent at this place served as the inspiration for *Tom Brown's School Days*. A leader here gave new responsibilities to the boys in sixth form to encourage self-government. Hughes was a student here when Thomas Arnold was its headmaster. Legendarily, William Webb Ellis did not kick a ball he caught during a game here but instead ran with it into the opposing goal. For 10 points, what public school in Warwickshire provided its name to the sport contested in the Six Nations?

ANSWER: Rugby School

8. *Description acceptable*

Sara Yorke Stevenson's account of this regime referred to it as a "bed of roses in a gold mine." Brigadier general Jo Shelby offered the service of himself and his Missouri cavalry to this government after the defeat of the Confederacy. The Prussian prince Felix Salm-Salm led a charge of hussars in a last-ditch effort to save this regime. The troops that helped establish this government were sent over claims to the unpaid "Jecker loan." This regime's official proclamation was delayed by (*) Zaragoza's victory at the Battle of Puebla, which is commemorated on Cinco de Mayo. The loss of French military support doomed this government, whose leader was executed by order of Benito Juárez. For 10 points, name this short-lived government ruled by Maximilian.

ANSWER: <u>Second Mexican Empire</u> (prompt on partial answer; accept the Mexican government of Emperor **Maximilian** before "Maximilian"; prompt on "French intervention (in Mexico)")

9. This man angered the sitting president at the national convention by first nominating Dwight Eisenhower and, after Eisenhower refused, himself for the party's presidential candidate. He and Estes Kefauver sponsored an amendment to the Servicemen's Ballot Act that would have eliminated poll tax for men serving in the military. Nicknamed "Mr. Social Security" for his advocacy of the elderly, one of his last major legislative accomplishments was raising the minimum mandatory retirement from 65 to 70. This dedicated New Dealer and foreign policy interventionist was elected to the House of Representatives twelve years after losing his Senate seat. His opponent in the Senate race did not really accuse this man of being "a (*) shameless extrovert" or of having "habitually practiced celibacy" before marriage, but George Smathers did give him the nickname "Red" for his leftist leanings. For 10 points, name this Florida Democrat.

ANSWER: Claude **Pepper**

10. While a monk, this man likely drew a self-portrait kneeling next to Christ in the Glasonbury Classbook. Along with Aethelwold, this man pushed for the Regularis Concordia, which codified the rules for monastic life and was called for by the Council of Winchester. According to a medieval biography of this man, he pissed off King Eadwig by preventing Eadwig from having a threesome with his future wife and her mother, and Eadwig sacked his monastery in revenge. In one myth, this patron saint of blacksmiths and silversmiths used his tongs to hold the Devil by the face. This man devised the (*) coronation ceremony for King Edgar the Peaceful, which is the basis for coronations today. For 10 points, name this 10th century Archbishop of Canterbury, the most popular English saint before Thomas Becket.

ANSWER: St. **Dunstan**

11. Named answer required

Robert Coleman Foster edited a pamphlet of testimony and narratives about this person's past. John Overton changed several important dates in testimony about her, and the Nashville Committee was in charge of putting out that pamphlet and deflecting other attacks on her family. Her marriage in Natchez had to be redone, among other reasons because the territory only recognized Catholic ceremonies at the time. Her future husband was a boarder at the house of Lewis Robards, whom this woman was married to at the time. Emily (*) Donelson served as hostess for an estate after this woman's death until Donelson was asked to leave for snubbing Peggy Eaton. This woman's husband blamed her death on his opponents accusations of bigamy and adultery. For 10 points, name this wife of Andrew Jackson.

ANSWER: **R**achel **Jackson** (or **R**achel **Donelson**; prompt on "Jackson" or "Donelson"; prompt on descriptive answers like "Andrew Jackson's wife")

12. This firm's missiles were given names ending in -streak, like Bluestreak and Firestreak, which was also known as Blue Jay. The Gipsy engine was used by this design group to power its Moth series, designs later adapted into 1944's Hornet and 1941's Mosquito, respectively a fighter and light bomber. A major design by this company experienced several catastrophic failures due to concentrators of stress from (*) cabin pressure; those flaws included punch rivets and rectangular windows, which led to metal fatigue and a series of explosive decompressions starting in 1954. For 10 points, name this British aircraft company who created the first commercial passenger jet, the DH-106 Comet.

ANSWER: de Havilland Aircraft (prompt on "BAE Systems" or "Hawker Siddeley")

13. This man signed an agreement with Chaim Weizmann conditionally supporting the Balfour Declaration. This man died suddenly while in Switzerland, leading to suspicions of poisoning. It is alleged that he was responsible for the Simele Massacre of Assyrian Christians, carried out by Kurdish general Bakr Sidqi. Historian David Fromkin argued that this man's role was largely invented by his main British ally, who also translated his speech at the Paris Peace Conference, and argued against the Sykes-Picot Agreement. His loss at the Battle of Maysalun to the French led to him being deposed as King of (*) Syria, but the British granted him the monarchy of a neighboring country. For 10 points, name this first Hashemite king of Iraq, a leader of the Arab Revolt supported by T. E. Lawrence.

ANSWER: Faisal I of Iraq (prompt on "Faisal")

14. One ruler of this polity dismissed a group of advisers named the Marmosets in order to secure a regency, and it was once occupied by a highwayman nicknamed the "Archpriest," Arnaut de Cervole. One lord of this polity, whose personal motto *il me tarde* or "I look forward" was on his seal, protected Pierre de Creon after he had stolen 100,000 francs from the Duc de Anjou. Another had his cousin Louis of Orleans hacked to death by street thugs and then stole his mistress Isabeau. Its monarch was murdered on the Montereau (*) bridge by agents of the Dauphin in 1419. That man, John the Fearless, had seized Paris after Agincourt. Another lord of this polity, who signed the Peace of Arras in alliance with France in 1435, was Philip the Good. It lost its independence after the Battle of Nancy. For 10 points, name this region of east and northeast France once ruled by Philip the Bold.

ANSWER: Duchy of **Burgundy** (or Duché de **Bourgogne**)

15. *Description acceptable*

A week before this speech was given, its writer met with American officer Archimedes Patti, who would later criticize the American government for ignoring the implications of this speech in a book subtitled *Prelude to America's Albatross*. This speech criticized another country which had "went down on their bended knees" and "twice sold our country", and claimed that its speaker's nation has "broken the chains which for nearly a century have fettered them". This speech was given in (*) Ba Dinh Square shortly after the abdication of Emperor Bao Dai and would be rendered moot until the Battle of Dien Bien Phu. For 10 points, name this September 2nd, 1945 speech given by Ho Chi Minh, which he started by quoting a similar document written by Thomas Jefferson.

ANSWER: Vietnamese Declaration of Independence (accept equivalents)

16. A member of this organization wrote a pamphlet that was just one hundred rhetorical questions in support of traditional authorities called the *American Querist*. Jonathan Mayhew attacked the heavy-handedness of East Apthorp, a member of this organization in Massachusetts. Patrick Henry became famous by defending Hanover County against one of its members, who sued for back wages after the House of Burgesses limited the pay of its members in the Two-Penny Act. Samuel Seabury was a member who, like most of its members, wrote against the American Revolution. Seabury had to go to Scotland for (*) consecration, but in 1786 Parliament passed a law allowing people to be ordained in this organization without taking the Oath of Supremacy. For 10 points, name this organization which became the Episcopal Church after the American Revolution.

ANSWER: Church of England (or Anglican Communion; accept Episcopal Church before "Episcopal")

17. A. B. Bosworth argued that the official records of this event with tampered with by a scribe to cover up a conspiracy. Memoirs by Onesicritus blame anonymous guests for it. Another version centers on a hollowed-out mule's hoof. This event may have been predicted by a self-immolating priest named Calanus. The *Royal Journals* describe this happening over several days, rather than the sudden shock described in the *Liber de Morte*. Shortly before this happened, the main person involved gave his signet ring to his (*) general Perdiccas, and shortly after it, Arrhidaeus and a not-yet-born child were made dual monarchs. Apocryphal sources blame it on Cassander, who used poison provided by Aristotle. It is known this event happened on June 10th or 11th, because a Babylonian astronomer recorded in his log that day that "the king died." For 10 points, name this event that ended the reign of a Macedonian conqueror.

ANSWER: the **death** of **Alexander** the Great

18. One person involved in this industry created the future home of Dwight Eisenhower's American Assembly, the "Arden" estate in New York. That man from this industry also launched a 1899 Alaskan expedition based on an obsession with killing bears. One leader in this industry had his reputation tarnished by the publication of his legislative shenanigans in the Colton Letters, and was also a target of muckraker Charles E. Russell. A prominent group in this industry kicked Theodore (*) Judah out of a project he'd masterminded. A magnate in this industry commissioned Muybridge's photographic study of galloping horses. "Victory Day" was celebrated in 1869 by a group in this industry known to themselves as "The Associates" and to others as "The Big Four." A checkerboard land strategy was employed by that group in this industry, comprised of Mark Hopkins, Charles Crocker, Collis Huntington, and Leland Stanford. For 10 points, name this industry, portions of which were reviled in California as the all-consuming "octopus."

ANSWER: <u>railroad</u>s (accept <u>train</u>s or <u>locomotive</u>s or other equivalent answers; prompt on "transportation" or similar answers)

19. This conflict began with the contested election of a king who resigned from the cardinalship upon the death of his brother. During this conflict, Janusz Radziwiłł was the de facto ruler of one side, and gained the enmity of the nobility by signing the Union of Kėdainiai with the leader of the invading army. That leader also allied with George II of Transylvania in the Treaty of Radnot. This conflict was ended by the Treaty of Oliva, and the larger war prompted by this conflict was ended by the Treaty of Andrusovo. The common term for this conflict was coined by (*) Henryk Sienkiewicz in a novel that followed With Fire and Sword. For 10 points, name this late 17th century conflict which began with an invasion by Charles X Gustav and devastated the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.

ANSWER: Swedish <u>Deluge</u> (or <u>Second Northern War</u>; prompt on "Northern War"; prompt on "Polish-Swedish War")

20. Henry Adams rails against the supposed ill effects of implementing this in his essay "Degradation of the Democratic Dogma." A Spencer cartoon depicts the law implementing this practice strutting into Congress as a dapper, mustachioed young man, only to hobble out with a floor-length white beard and cane. Motivation for this process was provided by a two-year deadlock in the wake of the ouster of John Pettit of Indiana and a four-year logjam in Delaware beginning in 1899. Hearst had David Graham Philips write the series "The (*) Treason of [the body in question]" to advocate for this reform; other exponents included George G. Hayes and William Borah, himself a member of the body being reformed. For 10 points, what electoral procedure became law in the U.S, when a section of Article I, Section 3 was overridden in 1913 by ratification of the Seventeenth Amendment?

ANSWER: direct <u>election</u> of U.S. <u>Senat</u>ors (prompt on "(passage of the) Seventeenth Amendment"; prompt on reforming Congressional elections")

TB. This group's logo, a snake wrapped around the handle of an axe, explains its motto, *Bietan jarrai* or "Keep at both." The Ermua Forum was created to oppose this group, having been founded in the wake of 1997 protests at the actions of two of its agents, Amaia and Txapote. This group's biggest success to date was known as Operation Orgo. Its popularity and toleration plummeted in the wake of its killing of (*) Miguel Ángel Blanco. A now-banned political wing of this group was called Euskal Herritarrok or Batasuna. For 10 points, name this semi-disbanded terrorist organization whose aim is independence for the Basque Country.