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A statue of Napoleon created by a General's son

Did you know... The bronze statue of Napoleon on horseback in the Place de la Légion d'Honneur in Montereau-Fault-Yonne was sculpted by Charles-Pierre-Victor Pajol, the eldest son of a General who was the hero of the Battle of Montereau in 1814.

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A tumultuous journey for the Napoleonic eagles at the Château de Fontainebleau

The Napoleonic eagles, which are located at the entrance of the Château de Fontainebleau, were removed and replaced several times as the political regimes in France changed during the 19th century. Let's take a look back at the destiny of the…

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The Grande Armée passing through Melun in September 1808

On leaving and returning from campaigns, the imperial army would stop off in several towns in France where the soldiers would be welcomed and homage would be paid to them. It happened in Melun in 1808.

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Why was the Pope held captive in Fontainebleau?

While relations between Napoleon and Pope Pius VII had settle d with the signing of the Concordat in 1801, they deteriorated f our years later. The Emperor wanted to prevent the Papal States from trading with England. Let’s take a look back at a tug…

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Restoration of the Emperor's library

The Emperor's famous library, located in the Petits Appartements of the Château de Fontainebleau, has been unde rgoing restoration work since October 2020. It is scheduled to r eopen to the public on 7th May 2021.

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