

Deployment of the Prussian Landwehr in the Year 1813 (1860-61)

Abstract

The reformed Prussian army, joined to the *Landwehr* (territorial reserve), transformed Prussia into a “nation in arms.” This military strength helped Prussia defeat Napoleon in 1813-14, in alliance with troops from Britain, Austria, and Russia. The image below depicts the departure of *Landwehr* troops into the field after a blessing at a church in Königsberg, East Prussia. On the right, a Jewish soldier is seen off by his apprehensive parents.

Source



Source: Oil painting by Gustav Graef, 1860/61.

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