

## Organisation and Numbers of Polish Cavalry Corps at the beginning of October 1920

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### 1st Cavalry Division

#### 6th Cavalry Brigade

1st "Krechowiecki" Ulan Regiment – 400 sabres, 12 HMGs

14th "Jazłowiecki" Ulan Regiment – 350 sabres, 12 HMGs

12th "Podolian" Ulan Regiment – 300 sabres, 12 HMGs

1st Battery, 3rd Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

2nd Battery, 3rd Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

#### 7th Cavalry Brigade

2nd "Rokitniański" Light Horse Regiment – 150 sabres, 8 HMGs

8th "Prince Józef Poniatowski" Ulan Regiment – 400 sabres, 12 HMGs

9th Ulan Regiment – 300 sabres, 12 HMGs

1st Battery, 1st Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

2nd Battery, 6th Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

### 2nd Cavalry Division

#### 8th Cavalry Brigade

2nd "Grochowski" Ulan Regiment in honour of Gen. Dwernicki – 400 sabres, 12 HMGs

108th Reserve Ulan Regiment – 200 sabres, 12 HMGs

115th Reserve Ulan Regiment – 200 sabres, 12 HMGs

1st Battery, 8th Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

#### 9th Cavalry Brigade

1st "Józef Piłsudski" Light Horse Regiment – 400 sabres, 12 HMGs

201st Volunteer Light Horse Regiment – 300 sabres, 12 HMGs

203rd Volunteer Ulan Regiment – 200 sabres, 12 HMGs

1st Battery, 4th Horse Artillery *Divizion* – 4 guns

1st Battery, 7th of Wielkopolska Horse Artillery *Divizion* (probable) – 4 guns

Total: 3 610 sabres, 140 HMGs and 28 field guns

### Notes:

While called a corps, in practice it operated as independent brigades.

As usual with Polish numbers, "sabres" is only that, and MG-gunners and the like are not counted. There had also been recent reinforcements, so numbers may have been higher.

It is possible that the rest of the 8th Horse Artillery *Divizion* – five further guns in the 2nd and 3rd Batteries – took part in the raid on Korosten as part of the 8th Cavalry Brigade.

The corps commander, Juliusz Rómmel, noted that number of machine-guns in each regiment was variable but usually 16 to 24. They were mostly *taczanki*, the rest being pack mounted on horses.

Each squadron had two organic *taczanki*, with the rest being grouped in a machine-gun squadron at the disposal of the regimental commander. There may well have been some *taczanki* attached to the horse batteries as well, which might explain some of the discrepancy in numbers.

