

## Context Clues: Card 3

The following vocabulary is intended to provide context for information that is presented in Card 3. Also included are links to closely related secondary source material, such as brief encyclopedia articles and maps.

### Vocabulary

**American Quakers** The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), a U.S. based Quaker aid society that sponsored the Château de Montéléone, a children's home in the department of Gers.

**Auch** \ōsh\ A town in the southwest of France that is the capital and most populated city in the Gers department.

**C., Mrs.** Anna Marie Cavailhon [May 23, 1903—November 30, 1989], a devout Catholic and directress of a children's home at the Château de Montéléone in the department of Gers.

**Cert. [certificate]** An official document affirming some fact.

**Château de Montéléone** \sha-tō də mont-ē-lē-ō-nē\ A summer camp/children's home in Condom in the department of Gers in France.

**Condom** \kōndōn\ A town in southwest France in the department of Gers.

**Department** One of a hundred administrative divisions (designated portions) of the country of France.

**Department of Gers** \zhe (ə)r\ A department located in southwest France; the most populated city in the Gers department is Auch, followed by Condom.

**Directress** A woman who is the head of an organized group or administrative unit, a manager, in this case, Mrs. Cavailhon as directress of Château de Montéléone.

**Feigl, Klaus Peter** Peter Feigl's name at birth.

**Feigl, Pierre** The name Peter Feigl used to assimilate after he and his family fled to Belgium from Austria in 1938.

**Gen. [gendarme]** \ʒan-darm\ French policemen who are part of the gendarmerie \ʒan-dar-məri\ which is the national police force.

**Identity papers** Any documents which may be used to verify aspects of a person's personal identity.

**Marseille** \mahr-sey\ A seaport in and the capital of Bouches-du-Rhône department in southeast France.

**Mass** Public celebration of the Eucharist in the Roman Catholic Church and some Protestant churches, in this case, the Roman Catholic Church.

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**Sec. Suisse [*Croix Rouge Suisse Secours Aux Enfants*]** Swiss Red Cross Assistance to Children Organization, a part of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), a private non-governmental humanitarian organization founded in 1863 and staffed by citizens of neutral Switzerland.

**Toulouse** Location of a Swiss Red Cross Assistance to Children Organization branch office in the unoccupied zone of France. Toulouse, in southwest France, is the major city in the Haute-Garonne department.

**Visa** An official authorization to supplement a passport, permitting entry into and travel within a particular country or region.

**Zones, Occupied/Unoccupied** After the German army invaded France in May 1940, in June the French surrendered and signed an armistice with the Nazis. France was then divided in two: northern France (the occupied zone) was put under German control, while southern France (the unoccupied zone) was put under the control of a new French government that was established in the town of Vichy. In November 1942 German and Italian forces took over the Vichy zone.<sup>1</sup>

**Yad Vashem** <http://www.yadvashem.org/>

### Related Resources

1. “**Clickable Map of France (Departments).**” **Online Map. Flags of the World:** [http://www.crwflags.com/fotw/flags/fr\(dep.html](http://www.crwflags.com/fotw/flags/fr(dep.html)
2. “**Occupation of Western Europe, 1940.**” **Online Map. United States Holocaust Memorial Museum:** [http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/media\\_nm.php?lang=en&ModuleId=10005429&MediaId=1637](http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/media_nm.php?lang=en&ModuleId=10005429&MediaId=1637)
3. “**Collaboration,**” *Holocaust Encyclopedia.* **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum:** <http://www.ushmm.org/wlc/article.php?lang=en&ModuleId=10005466&print=y>