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OPEN SOURCE PUBLISHING AND THE SMH

BY KYLE LONGLEY

For many outside Europe and Australia, the idea of “Open Source” remains a mystery (and often a term few recognize). However, it has begun and will continue to shape the future of journals as well as how academic organizations fund themselves in the next five years.

Four years ago, SHAFR leaders asked me to chair a task force on “Open Source.” I must admit to not knowing anything about it, but I dove in and learned a great deal. Basically, the governments who sponsor a great deal of the research in Europe and Australia argue their investments should create access for everyone, instead of requiring subscriptions (often very expensive ones) to access the research. While directed primarily toward medical and STEM fields, it does reach beyond and requires researchers in the humanities and social sciences to publish in open-source outlets or secure special consideration for others.

With the system now being debated in the United States in states such as California (typically a national leader on such innovations), it is important to note this will affect journals, including the *Journal of Military History*. First, journal editors have been working overtime to adjust to the new requirements, especially those with international audiences and submissions from countries emphasizing open source.

More important, the funding models will change. At a recent meeting of the American Council of Learned Societies, I learned that the American Philosophical Association has already gone to open source with their journal. Fortunately, they planned ahead and found a way to fund the publication without too much extra cost for its members. Second, the director of the American Historical Association, Jim Grossman, informed me that Oxford University Press in the new contract for the *American Historical Review* had reduced their payments to the AHA by 40%. This is just the start of the process, and the loss of revenues will lead to higher dues and the search for other cash streams.

The same likely will happen to SMH in a couple of years when our contract with EBSCO ends. We cannot expect as generous revenues off accessing our journal. Therefore, we must make judicious economic choices, one of those starting with a line-by-line review of budgets for everything from conferences outlays to journal costs (hence, one reason I asked people last time to consider switching to electronic versions of the journal). It will be easier to make these transitions in the next couple of years,

rather than waiting for it all to come crashing down on us as open source (and of course other factors like inflation) affects the bottom line and subsequently costs including annual dues.

I simply wanted to alert people to the issue. We must all start working toward addressing the issues, and we appreciate your patience, assistance, and support in doing so.

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DR. WILLIAMSON MURRAY

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Williamson “Wick” Murray, a giant in the field of military history, passed away peacefully on August 1 in Fairfax, Virginia. His body of work, stretching over fifty years, covered an impressive array of subjects: military theory, grand strategy, operations, and airpower. His writings not only made important contributions to academic scholarship, they exerted considerable influence on professional military development as well. He was also a passionate teacher deeply committed to his students, whether those students were undergraduates, graduate students, or military leaders.

A 1963 graduate of Yale University with honors in history, Murray served a tour of duty in the Vietnam War as a U.S. Air Force officer. Upon completion of his active-duty service, he returned to Yale and pursued a Ph.D. in military-diplomatic history, working under Hans Gatzke, one of the foremost diplomatic historians of his time, and Donald Kagan, a distinguished historian of classical Greece whose mastery of Thucydides and the Peloponnesian War inspired Murray to become a formidable authority on those subjects in his own right. Murray’s doctoral dissertation resulted in a well-regarded first book, *The Change in the European Balance of Power, 1938-1939* (Princeton, 1984).

After two years as an instructor at Yale, Murray accepted a position in military-diplomatic history at The Ohio State University and, together with his colleague Allan R. Millett—himself a giant in the field of military history—created one of the first graduate programs in military history. It soon gained a reputation as one of the best. Murray and Millett collaborated on several edited volumes and co-wrote *A War to Be Won: Fighting the Second World War* (Harvard, 2000). Described by one reviewer as “a book of remarkable and compelling originality,” it received widespread acclaim, not just for its scholarship but for a lucid style that made it accessible to general readers.

In classroom settings Murray was in his element, a born teacher who spoke without notes in a conversational style frequently punctuated by bursts of wry humor. He combined an obvious passion for history with a joy of performance that captivated students and instilled in many of them a passion for

history of their own. He had a strong interest in helping students to become better writers and a lifelong hatred for the passive voice. In 1987 he received the Alumni Distinguished Teaching Award, Ohio State's highest award for classroom excellence.

Murray retired from Ohio State in 1995 but continued his career through service to a number of other academic and military institutions. Among these were visiting professorships at the U.S. Air War College, U.S. Army War College (where he held the Harold Keith Johnson Chair in Military History), the U. S. Naval War College (as a Secretary of the Navy Fellow), and the U.S. Marine Corps University (where he was the Matthew C. Horner Professor of Military Theory). Other posts included the London School of Economics, the U.S. Military Academy, and the U.S. Naval Academy. He also held the Charles Lindbergh Chair at the Smithsonian Institution's Air and Space Museum.

In addition to *The Change in the European Balance of Power* and *A War to Be Won*, Murray published a wide selection of highly acclaimed articles and books, including *Luftwaffe* (Nautical and Aviation Press, 1985); *German Military Effectiveness* (Nautical and Aviation Press, 1992); *The Air War in the Persian Gulf* (Nautical and Aviation Press, 1995); *Air War, 1914-1945* (Weidenfeld and Nicholson, 1999); and *America and the Future of War: The Past as Prologue* (Hoover, 2017). In collaboration with Major General Robert Scales Jr. he co-authored *The Iraq War: A Military History* (Harvard, 2003); with Kevin Woods *The Iran-Iraq War* (Cambridge, 2014); and with Wayne Hsieh a military history of the U.S. Civil War, *A Savage War* (Princeton, 2016). He was also a major contributor to *The Cambridge History of War*, edited by Geoffrey Parker (Cambridge, 2005).

Murray edited or co-edited fifteen volumes on military effectiveness, military innovation, and grand strategy: *Military Effectiveness* (Allen and Unwin, 1988); *Calculations: Net Assessment and the Coming of World War II* (Free Press, 1992); *The Making of Strategy: Rulers, States, and War* (Cambridge, 1994); *Military Innovations in the Interwar Period* (Cambridge, 1996); *The Dynamics of Military Revolution, 1300-2050* (Cambridge Press, 2001); *The Past as Prologue: The Importance of History to the Military Profession* (Cambridge, 2006); *The Making of Peace: Rulers, States, and the Aftermath of War* (Cambridge, 2009); *Conflicting Currents: Japan and the United States* (Praeger, 2009); *The Shaping of Grand Strategy: Policy, Diplomacy, and War* (Cambridge, 2011); *War Strategy and Military Effectiveness* (Cambridge, 2011); *Military Adaptation in War: With Fear of Change* (Cambridge, 2011); *Hybrid Warfare: Fighting Complex Opponents from the Ancient World to the Present* (Cambridge, 2012); *Successful Strategies* (Cambridge, 2014); *Grand Strategy and Coalition Warfare* (Cambridge, 2016); and *The Culture of Military Organizations* (Cambridge, 2019).

In 2019 the Society for Military History honored Murray with the Samuel Eliot Morison Prize for lifetime achievement in the field of military history.

At the time of his passing, Murray was finalizing the publication of a history of military revolutions, *The Dark Path: The Structure of War and the Rise of the West, 1500 to the Twenty-First Century*, with Yale University Press.

Murray is survived by his wife Lesley Smith, his children Alexandra Murray and Spencer Murray, and five grandchildren.

Mark Grimsley and Peter Mansoor, The Ohio State University

SEEKING COFFMAN AWARD SUBMISSIONS

The Society for Military History Coffman First Manuscript Award is given annually to the best dissertation in military history. The award is named in honor of Dr. Edward M. Coffman. The competition is open to PhD scholars whose work blends military history with social, political, economic, and diplomatic history and to authors of studies centering on campaigns, leaders, technology, and doctrine. The winning author receives a cash award and a plaque. The winner also is recognized at the awards dinner at the Society for Military History annual meeting.

Society for Military History First Manuscript Prize Submission Guidelines Eligibility:

1. The dissertation must have been defended or the PhD degree received in the 2023 calendar year (between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023).
2. Only English-language manuscripts will be considered. Translations are not eligible for consideration unless the author both translated and annotated the manuscript.
3. The text of a submitted manuscript must be at least 250 pages in length.
4. Submitted manuscripts should be the record copies filed with the PhD-granting university. Manuscripts may be under contract for publication in the fall of 2024 or later.

Submission Instructions:

1. No later than 15 December 2023, the author must submit - a copy of the full manuscript, a 3-5 page précis of the same, and a current curriculum vitae - to Elizabeth A. Coble, chair of the 2024 Coffman First Manuscript Award Committee, at ABNATW@gmail.com.
2. The précis must include a statement of the work's thesis and conclusions, its place in the relevant historiography, and any new or underused primary source materials or innovative methodologies that shape it.
3. All submissions must be double-spaced and submitted in PDF format.
4. The Committee will designate the winner on or about 20 February 2024.
5. The Society for Military History will present the Coffman First Manuscript Award at its 2024 Annual Meeting, 18-21 April 2024, in Arlington, VA.

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Applicants must be full-time graduate students in an accredited graduate doctoral program and members of the Society for Military History. Applications should include a three-page, double-spaced proposal (in 12 pt. font) outlining research goals, methodology, and research budget; a 2-page maximum curriculum vitae; and a letter of support. The proposal should demonstrate a sound knowledge of the historiography, a realistic research plan, and the promise of making an important contribution to the field. The application should include a letter of support from the dissertation advisor. The deadline for proposals is **December 28, 2023**. The committee welcomes applications from graduate students working on any time period or region who use historical methodologies to investigate war and its consequences, militaries, and/or war and society.

Applicants should send proposals and curriculum vitae as a single PDF document in an email attachment to Professor Lorien Foote of Texas A&M University, the Chair of the Committee (lfoote@tamu.edu). Advisors should send confidential letters of support in a separate email attachment to Professor Foote. The winner will be notified by January 31, 2024.

Procedures

- 1 Committee chair will receive applications and letters of support, then upload all materials to the Millett Committee team drive.
- 2 Committee members will have access to this drive provided to them by the SMH.
- 3 After the application deadline, the committee chair will check to see that all recommendation letters have been received. In the case of outstanding letters, the chair will contact the dissertation advisor and give her or him an extra couple of days to submit the letter.
- 4 Committee members will review all applications and keep notes of their assessment of each application.
- 5 The committee members will all submit their top three choices to the committee chair by January 31.
- 6 Over the next few days, the committee will deliberate either via email or zoom conference to arrive at an award winner.
- 7 In the event that the committee does not arrive at consensus, a vote will determine the winner.
- 8 If the committee does not arrive at a winner on the first ballot, run-off elections will be held until one applicant receives at least two of the three votes.
- 9 Committee chair will notify the award winner.
- 10 Committee chair will notify the other applicants of the committee's decision only after the winner has accepted the award.
- 11 Committee chair will notify the SMH president and vice president of the committee's decision.
- 12 Committee chair will upload all pertinent communication regarding the deliberations to the Millett Committee team drive.

Evaluation Rubric (65 points total)

To ensure the committee members evaluate proposals on the same criteria, they should use the following rubric.

(10 points)

Proposal clearly describes the project's topic in a way that is understandable to anyone familiar with military history.

(10 points)

Research goals are clearly stated and appear reasonable. Author outlines appropriate archives, libraries, or sources and has a clear plan for pursuing this research. Research will clearly advance the project.

(20 points)

Proposal makes a clear intervention in existing historiography about the specific topic. A proposal about Napoleon will make clear, for example, how the author's conclusions will change or reframe what historians think about Napoleon.

(20 points)

Proposal demonstrates how the project will make important contributions to the broader field of military history. It should be clear, for example, how a project on Napoleon will be important for all historians, not just those interested in Napoleon. Historians of all persuasions should be able to grasp the historical significance of the project.

(5 points)

Recommendation suggests confidence in the proposal and the author's ability to produce an admirable dissertation.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2024 VANDERVORT PRIZE

The Vandervort Prizes recognize outstanding journal articles that contribute to the field of military history.

The Vandervort Prizes honor the *Journal of Military History*'s longtime editor, the late [Dr. Bruce Vandervort](#). A prize is awarded to at least two of the best articles published in *The Journal of Military History* during the previous calendar year, as well as up to two articles published outside of the journal.

All articles published in *The Journal of Military History* are automatically considered for the Vandervort Prizes.

The selection committee is seeking nominations of outstanding articles published in other journals. These should be articles published in peer-reviewed academic journals, in English, with a publication date of 2023. The journal itself need not focus on military history, as we are seeking to recognize scholarship that shows the intellectual breadth of our discipline.

Self-nominations are permitted. One nomination per individual, please.

To nominate an article for consideration, please submit a copy of the article (preferably as a PDF) and complete citation information to Dr. Adam R. Seipp (aseipp@tamu.edu) by January 19, 2024.

CALLS FOR PAPERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

Call for Papers

The History Graduate Student Organization (HGSO) at Texas A&M University is proud to announce our 14th annual graduate and undergraduate history student conference to be held February 9-10, 2024 at Texas A&M University-College Station.

The conference features keynote addresses by Kara Dixon Vuic (Texas Christian University) and Christian Pinnen (Mississippi College). The theme for this year's conference is "Navigating Crises and Resolutions." This conference seeks scholarly discussion on new perspectives, ideas, and reflections regarding historical events that have continued to impact our present time. In selecting this theme, we welcome papers that consider race, identities, gender, conflict, communities, violence, and culture. Papers that explore transnational history, environment, nonhuman actors, migration, memory are all encouraged to apply as well. This conference encourages conversations and research that explore crises and challenges throughout history, resolutions and laws, and the conversations in between.

Undergraduate and graduate students interested in presenting at the conference must submit a 250-word (maximum) abstract, along with a curriculum vitae (CV), by Friday, **November 17, 2023**. Notifications of acceptance will be sent via e-mail by Friday, December 15, 2023. Accepted presenters will have until Friday, January 26, 2024, to submit completed papers, not to exceed ten pages. Completed panels are welcome and not required or expected. All submissions and correspondence should be emailed to: tamuconference2024@gmail.com.

Awards in recognition of excellence will be presented to the best overall PhD., M.A., and undergraduate papers. Travel grants will be awarded on the basis of merit and documented need.

Call for Chapters: Edited Volume discussing Mountain Warfare.

Editors: Edward Salo, PhD, (esalo@astate.edu)

Submission Deadline: November 15, 2023

Objective:

The study of mountain warfare has become increasingly important in modern military strategy due to the strategic significance of rugged terrains worldwide, particularly in regions considered "hot spots." Mountains often serve as natural borders and barriers, making them critical locations of strategic importance. Possessing the high ground can provide tactical advantages in conflicts. Additionally, insurgencies and asymmetric threats frequently occur in mountainous regions in modern warfare, while tensions can arise in regions with disputed mountainous borders, such as the China-India border. Therefore, being prepared for potential conflicts in these areas is crucial for national defense. This comprehensive volume endeavors to offer a complete comprehension of mountain warfare, covering its past significance, present-day relevance, and future potential. It is an invaluable resource for scholars, military personnel, historians, and anyone fascinated by the complexities of warfare in demanding environments.

Potential Topics (but not limited to):

- **Historical Perspectives:** The role of mountain warfare in pivotal historical conflicts.
- **Geopolitical Significance:** Analysis of the strategic importance of mountainous regions in contemporary geopolitics.
- **Terrain and Environmental Challenges:** Exploring the unique obstacles mountainous terrain and climate presents to military operations.
- **Tactical Innovations:** Examining specialized military tactics and equipment for mountain warfare.
- **Case Studies:** In-depth analyses of specific mountain warfare campaigns or battles and the insights we can gain from recent mountain warfare operations.
- **Training and Skill Development:** Approaches to preparing soldiers for mountain warfare.
- **Humanitarian and Civilian Aspects:** The impact of mountain warfare on civilian populations and humanitarian efforts.
- **Future Trends:** Anticipated developments in mountain warfare strategies and technologies.

Submission Guidelines:

- Prospective authors are invited to submit chapter proposals (approximately 300-500 words) detailing their proposed contribution.
- Please include a brief author bio (200 words), highlighting your expertise in the field.
- Chapters should be original, previously unpublished works. Co-authored works are welcomed.

Important Dates:

Proposal Submission Deadline: November 15, 2023

Notification of Acceptance: January 1, 2024

Full Chapter Submission: May 15, 2024

Peer Review Process: July 1, 2024

Final Manuscript Submission: September 1, 2024

Publication Plan:

The book is planned to be published by either the Marine Corps University Press, West Point Press, or the Naval Institute Press, and will undergo a rigorous peer-review process to ensure the highest quality of contributions.

Contact Information:

For inquiries and submission of chapter proposals, please contact esalo@astate.edu.

Call for Undergraduate Papers

The editors of the United States Military Academy's undergraduate journal, *Report*, invite all undergraduate students and recent graduates to submit articles for Volume 14, scheduled to be published in May 2024! The theme for this year's issue is "Innovation, Technology, and the Future of National Defense." However, papers examining all topics and fields of history will be considered for publication.

Deadlines: Submissions will be reviewed on a semi-rolling basis with two rounds of review. Papers submitted by **November 1, 2023** will be considered in Round 1, and authors will be notified of decisions

by November 13. Papers received by **February 1, 2024** will be considered in Round 2, and authors will be notified of decisions by February 16. Submit papers to report.history@westpoint.edu.

Submission Guidelines

- 13 Authors do not need to have attended or graduated from West Point.
- 14 Authors must be actively enrolled undergraduate students or recent graduates who received undergraduate degrees within the last 12 months.
- 15 Submissions must have been written during the author's undergraduate studies.
- 16 Authors may only submit one paper for consideration per publication cycle. However, if a paper was categorized as "revise and resubmit" during Round 1, authors are invited to revise their papers and resubmit for further review in Round 2.
- 17 Papers based on original research are the strongest submissions.
- 18 Article submissions should not be under consideration with other publishers or have been previously published.
- 19 Submissions must be in Microsoft Word (not Adobe PDF) format with Chicago-style footnotes.
- 20 Authors wishing to include images with their articles must obtain and provide proof of copyright permission prior to submission.
- 21 The recommended word count is 2,500-6,000 words, but the editors welcome submissions of any length.

About the Journal

Report is an open-access undergraduate journal based in the Department of History at the United States Military Academy. The journal is published annually by the West Point Press and edited by a team of undergraduate students and faculty advisors. The journal provides a platform to showcase the historical scholarship produced by undergraduate authors. The journal accepts and encourages submissions from undergraduate students at West Point, other service academies, colleges, and universities. Submissions must be related to the field of history (broadly defined).

For more information and to see past volumes, see

<https://digitalcommons.westpoint.edu/communities/d240a195-1583-49e2-83af-750e337577ac>. We look forward to receiving your submissions and publishing another outstanding volume of *Report*!

Call for Papers

The Military History Consortium (MHC) will be holding its first annual conference on 7/8 June 2024 at Lancaster University in the United Kingdom. The organising committee invites panel and individual paper proposals on any aspect of military history and the history of war and conflict in its broadest sense, ranging from ancient to modern times and spanning the entire globe. This includes the interactions between political, economic, social, and cultural history with military history. In line with the MHC's aims, panels and papers that cover periodically and geographically under-represented areas, e.g. Antiquity and the Global South, are especially welcomed. A key aim of the MHC is also to provide a platform for and support the development of early career scholars, and therefore submissions from PhD students and postdocs are strongly encouraged.

Panel proposals should consist of:

- 3 papers and 1 chair/discussant

- 500 words rationale and presentation of the panel
- 300 words abstract for each paper
- 150 words short bio for each contributor

Individual paper proposals should consist of:

- 300 words abstract
- 150 words short bio

The submission deadline is **1 November 2023**. The organising committee will inform potential participants on whether or not their paper has been accepted by 30 November 2023.

Please send your submissions as pdf or word documents by email to Dr Evert Kleynhans (kleynhans@sun.ac.za) and Professor Marco Wyss (m.wyss@lancaster.ac.uk).

The MHC

The MHC connects institutions, academics, and students engaged in the study of warfare and/or military organisations in the past. Its dual aim is to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas in order to strengthen international research cooperation, and a framework for joint teaching initiatives and programmes. The MHC's membership is international, and its scope is global. While the consortium's teaching and research agendas focus on the past, it seeks to address contemporary security challenges and inform related policy debates. It is only the study of war and the military in the past that enables us to understand and contextualise the present and thus prepare for the future.

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Call for Abstracts

Please consider submitting an abstract for the 2024 Warfare, Environment, Social Inequality and Pro-Sociability (WESIPS) Biennial Conference to be held at the University of Seville, Spain.

This symposium will take place on June 4-7, 2024.

The organizers are seeking papers from a variety of disciplinary perspectives and theoretical approaches addressing one or more of the following topics: Prehistoric/historic/contemporary warfare, ritual violence, biodiversity, natural resource utilization, past and present cases of environmental degradation/sustainability, egalitarianism, advent of social complexity, social inequality, conflict resolution, and prosocial behavior from a variety of disciplinary and theoretical perspectives.

The deadline for submitting abstracts for the WESIPS Conference is **January 11, 2024**.

To submit an abstract or for more conference information go to: <https://spanishstudies.org/wesips/>.

Please note that ALL submitted abstracts will undergo anonymous review. Therefore, an invitation to submit an abstract should not be considered as a guarantee of acceptance.

Participants are expected to make their own travel and lodging arrangements.

WESIPS does not offer financial assistance nor does it grant registration fee waivers to participants.

Call for Papers

Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution
September 20-22, 2024

In 2024, Fort Ticonderoga embarks on our multi-year commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. Fort Ticonderoga seeks to explore both the local and global events of the Revolutionary War, through new exhibits, programs, and the beginning of our unique REAL TIME REVOLUTION™ interpretive experience.

In 2024, the museum opens a new Exhibition, A Revolutionary Anthology, displaying material from Fort Ticonderoga's unparalleled collection to explore the breadth of the revolutionary experience through its material culture. Beginning in 2024, the contents of this exhibition will change annually to reflect a series of interpretive themes designed to focus on aspects of the Revolutionary era, its participants, events, and repercussions.

The first of these installations explores the theme Power of Place. The American Revolution and the War of Independence played out across a vast geography. The Revolution made an impact in all corners of the world, far from political centers or even the combatant nations; but the specific history and geography of places in North America like Ticonderoga channeled and condensed this revolutionary human activity. This concentrated people, actions, and events in unique ways. Geography, topography, and hydrology shaped the Revolutionary struggle in profound ways that gave places far from population centers profound significance for political and military events that had a lasting effect on individuals and nations and whose remains can still be traced across the land to this day.

The Fort Ticonderoga Museum seeks proposals for our twentieth annual Seminar on the American Revolution. We encourage papers from established scholars, graduate students, and others related to the theme Power of Place, and are especially interested in papers that engage with the geography of the Revolutionary world. This can be in terms of military campaigns, archaeology, biography, cartography, or regional histories, across any number of disciplines that address the period and places of the global American War for Independence.

Selected submissions on the theme Power of Place may be published in the subsequent volume of the *Bulletin of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum*. In print since 1927, the *Bulletin* is the museum's venerable publication and will embark upon a thematic series of volumes mirroring the themes of our 250th anniversary commemoration to preserve in print new research on the period for posterity. Submitting an abstract for consideration for publication is not required, and we welcome abstracts for papers alone, or for publication.

Sessions are 30 minutes in length followed by 10 minutes for audience questions. Fort Ticonderoga may provide speakers with partial travel reimbursement. Please submit a 300-word abstract and CV by email by **October 31, 2023**, to Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org

Submitters wishing to be considered for publication should additionally submit a draft copy of their paper with their abstract and CV, by January 5, 2024, to Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org.

Submissions for the Bulletin should review our style sheet and guidelines here: <https://www.fortticonderoga.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Style-Sheet-Bulletin.pdf>. Papers may range from 4,000-8,000 words. Authors are responsible for obtaining permission to publish any copyrighted material, and for bearing the costs of obtaining or reproducing illustrations. Accepted authors will have free access to illustrations from Fort Ticonderoga's collections. Submissions receive peer-review after an initial screening.

Call for Papers

All Roads Lead to Gettysburg:

A Conference Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, Temple University

Friday-Saturday, April 5-6, 2024, Temple University, Philadelphia

Deadline for applications: October 15, 2023

The Battle of Gettysburg, July 1-3, 1863, ranks as the most famous battle in U.S. history, and with good reason. Involving an estimated 160,000 soldiers (85,000 Union and 75,000 Confederate), it was the largest engagement waged in the Western Hemisphere, and it produced up to 51,000 casualties. Devotees herald Gettysburg as the Civil War's turning point, but that ignores the fact that the following year witnessed even more bloodletting than 1863, and the mounting carnage came close to sapping the Union's will to continue to crush the Confederacy.

Nevertheless, Gettysburg has acquired an allure that surpasses that of all other Civil War battles. That stems from its size, the many dramatic incidents that spelled the difference between victory and defeat, and the moving words Abraham Lincoln uttered while consecrating the battlefield's national cemetery. Gettysburg became a mecca for veterans, their descendants, and generations of students.

It is widely believed that more has been written about Gettysburg than any other American battle. That begs the question, Is there anything new to be said about that three-day orgy of mass murder? Judging from scholarship over the past generation, the answer is yes. Some scholars provide fresh insights into military issues that have dominated Gettysburg debates. Others have tapped political and social history to tell us more about the men who clashed on that hallowed ground. Gettysburg's popularity as a tourist attraction has also inspired a series of memory and material culture studies. While the guns may have fallen silent, historians continue to exchange verbal salvos over Gettysburg's history and meaning.

The Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy (CENFAD) at Temple University, along with its co-sponsors (the Temple History and Political Science Departments and the Society for Military History),

will hold a 24-hour conference bringing together scholars of Gettysburg. We welcome all scholars to submit individual paper proposals that address any theme related to the battle of Gettysburg. Among these are:

- Strategies and tactics
- Military leaders
- Lincoln, rhetoric, and politics
- Ordinary soldiers
- Cultural or social issues
- Gettysburg after 1863
- Memory
- Material culture
- Park history

To submit a paper, please send by **October 15, 2023**, two Word or PDF attachments to Joseph Johnson (not Johnston!) at joseph.johnson0008@temple.edu.

1) A maximum 300-word description of your paper, with a title, followed by your full contact information. If your institution can cover your travel or lodging costs, please include this information in this document after your description.

2) A 2-page CV that includes your affiliation and your most prominent publications, if any.

Undergraduate or graduate students are welcome to apply, and CENFAD especially welcomes applications from underrepresented groups. The conference will take place over 24 hours on April 5-6, 2024, at the Center City campus in downtown Philadelphia, starting with an evening event on Friday and panels in the morning and afternoon on Saturday. For accepted applicants/presenters, CENFAD will cover travel to Philadelphia and lodging for Friday night if their home institutions cannot. Accepted applicants will be notified in November.

Everyone is welcome to attend the conference.

Please direct any questions to CENFAD Director Alan McPherson at alan.mcpherson@temple.edu.

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JOBS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Job Announcement

Tenured/Tenure-Track: Assistant Professor or Associate Professor (Public History)

Texas A&M University: College of Arts & Sciences: History

Location: College Station, TX

Open Date: Aug 21, 2023

Deadline: Nov 01, 2023 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time

Description

The Department of History in the College of Arts and Sciences at Texas A&M University invites applications for two full-time positions in Public History, one at the rank of tenure-track Assistant Professor and one at the rank of Associate Professor with tenure, to begin in the fall of 2024. The geographical, chronological, and topical focus is open. Successful applicants will complement and extend existing department strengths in the research area of Public History, as well as in other research areas. For more on the department's exceptional research, see our faculty listing. The successful candidates will maintain an ambitious, productive research agenda, teach two courses per semester, build new courses and contribute to curricular programs related to the field of Public History, recruit and train exceptional students, and participate in university and professional affairs.

Texas A&M University is a Top 20 public research institution and among the largest universities in the United States. It is a land, sea, and space grant institution that holds the distinction of classification as an R1 Doctoral University (Highest Research Activity), and faculty benefit from the resources and support associated with this designation.

Our department is committed to broadening participation in higher education and has a policy of being responsive to the needs of dual-career couples. The department is interested in candidates who, through their research, teaching, and/or service, will contribute to the breadth and excellence of the academic community, as well as the educational needs of the population of Texas and the global community.

Located in College Station, the university is 90 miles from Houston, 100 miles from Austin, and 165 miles from Dallas. The Bryan-College Station metropolitan area has over 160,000 residents and is experiencing rapid job growth.

Qualifications: Ph.D. in history or a related field.

Application Instructions

For queries about the position please contact Dr. Sonia Hernandez electronically at soniah@tamu.edu. All application materials should be submitted through or uploaded to Interfolio at apply.interfolio.com/130533. To apply please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, personal statement to include philosophy and plans for research, teaching, and service as applicable, and 3 confidential letters of reference.

Application Process

This institution is using Interfolio's Faculty Search to conduct this search. Applicants to this position receive a free Dossier account and can send all application materials, including confidential letters of recommendation, free of charge.

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action/Veterans/Disability Employer committed to diversity.

Job Announcement

Professor of Strategy in the Air War College's Department of Strategy

Summary

The Air War College's Department of Strategy invites applications for an open-rank tenure-track position of Professor of Strategy. The AWC is a 10-month resident program for senior military officers/civilian leaders from the United States and 48 partner nations.

A PhD in a relevant field (political science, history, etc.) with expertise in security studies is required. The minimum starting salary is \$97,000. The department receives excellent financial support for research, conference attendance, and professional development.

Duties

Teaching:

- Leading graduate-level seminars of 8-16 students at a 2/2 equivalent load
- Teaching the Department of Strategy's core curriculum, including the interdisciplinary Foundations of Strategy course
- Teaching electives in the applicant's areas of specialization and/or teaching the AWC's Regional Security Studies (RSS) course. RSS courses involve taking students to different parts of the world for roughly two weeks to study political, military, economic, and societal issues in that region.
- Developing curriculum and advising student research
- Facilitating experiential learning (war games, strategy exercises, etc.) throughout the academic year

Research:

- Engaging in professional research and writing in areas of expertise
- Seeking publication of book manuscripts, articles, monographs, and book reviews for publication in scholarly journals, professional journals, and other outlets
- Presenting results of research at conferences and symposia

Service:

- Serving in faculty positions supporting personnel and programs
- Participating with other academic and professional associations, professional military education schools, AF/DoD institutions, universities, and colleges for professional development

- Delivering lectures, conducting seminars, participating in panel discussions related to AWC curriculum
- Maintaining academic currency by consistently reviewing professional literature and participating in professional associations

Qualifications

An earned doctorate in political science, history, or a related field is required, as is expertise in security studies. In addition:

- Teaching experience (preferably at the graduate level) commensurate with professorial rank sought and/or professional experience and a suitable publication record are required.
- Expertise in Asia is highly desired but not required.
- US citizenship and the ability to qualify for a US security clearance is required.

Too apply, see here: <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/752713700>

General Omar N. Bradley Fellowships in Military History

Each year the General Omar Bradley Foundation offers \$2000 research fellowships to up to ten Army officers engaged in research related to military history. The Omar Nelson Bradley Fellowships selection committee consists of members of the Department of History of the United States Military Academy appointed by the Professor and Head, Department of History, United States Military Academy. Selection of the Fellows will be made without regard to rank, branch, or affiliation with the USMA Department of History. Funds will be granted to those officers who are actively engaged in original, archival historical research (including digital humanities research and digital research in archival sources) and have the best developed plans for conducting significant historical work. Research should be in pursuit of a graduate degree or scholarly publication. The committee will recommend a slate of ten proposed Omar Nelson Bradley Fellows to the Directors of the Omar Nelson Bradley Foundation by January 15, 2024 with the aim of a final announcement of recipients by February 15, 2024.

Who May Apply. U.S. Army officers who are actively engaged in the study of military history may apply for these fellowships. Reserve officers may apply, but preference will be given to individuals on active duty. “Active engagement in the study of military history” includes research toward a master’s degree or doctorate in military history or research toward a scholarly article or monograph in military history, and can include digital humanities projects (the creation of databases, map collections, and the like).

The selection committee interprets “military history” in the broadest sense. Projects supported in 2022 included U.S. Army logistics, 1898-1918; the American Military Mission to Armenia in 1919; the discourse surrounding the Third Reich’s “Islam Question”; the service of the USS *Bass* during WWII; military intelligence in the American Civil War; the energy security strategies of China and the United States; the first U.S. Special Operations missions in Colombia; and the linkages between overseas empire and governance in the United Kingdom c. 1900-1920.

Officers who have been awarded a fellowship in the past may apply again. In such cases, the officer should indicate the receipt of the previous grant and how it was employed, including any publication (or degree thesis) to which it contributed.

How to Apply. Officers meeting the criteria above should apply to Professor Samuel Watson, Chair, Omar Nelson Bradley Fellowships Committee, electronically at samuel.watson@westpoint.edu, or Professor Samuel Watson, Chair, Omar Nelson Bradley Fellowships Committee, Department of History, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York 10996. The committee strongly prefers electronic applications. These may consist of a single PDF or several documents, but should be sent in a single email. Applications are due by **January 1, 2024**.

Letters of application should include:

- name, rank, e-mail address, surface address (we will need this to send your check if you are selected), phone number, and duty position of the applicant;
- the objective of the proposed research, progress of research to date, any distinctive methodology to be used, a specific statement of needs for funding (for example, specific archives or collections to be examined, and costs expected to be incurred in doing so), and the proposed method of publishing or disseminating the results of the research. Note that microfilm, PDFs, or other downloads can be purchased with this funding.
- Additional materials that will assist the committee in evaluating the application may also be submitted: letters of recommendation, preferably from scholars (for example, thesis or dissertation advisers, or other scholars who have read your scholarship) and writing samples (of no more than chapter or article length) are recommended. Curriculum vitae (for those working on a post-dissertation project) may be valuable. (You may also note any previous scholarly publications, or those under review or accepted for publication, in your application letter.) Transcripts, ORBs, and OMPFs are unnecessary. Applications are due by **January 1, 2024**.

Required Grant Application Items (must be received by January 1, 2024):

- Name, rank, duty position, contact information (including surface address)
- Topic, scholarly value, and concrete objective (expected outcome—publication or degree) of the research
- Methodology (particularly if digital, quantitative, or oral history, or otherwise not the usual written form)
- Progress of research to date
- Itemized cost estimate
- Proposed method of disseminating research results (thesis, dissertation, article, chapter, essay in edited collection, etc.). Electronic publication is entirely acceptable, particularly for digital humanities projects, but funding is not designed to support blog posts or the like.

Suggested Supporting Items:

- Letters of Recommendation (preferably scholarly)
- Writing Samples or Manuscripts
- Curriculum Vitae (particularly for those working on a post-dissertation project)

Application Timeline:

- Applications due no later than **January 1, 2024**
- Committee forwards recommendations to the Bradley Foundation no later than January 15, 2024

- Announcement of recipients approximately February 15, 2024
- Funding normally arrives in March, as a check to you.

Send Application Materials Electronically To: samuel.watson@westpoint.edu

Or to: Professor Samuel Watson
United States Military Academy
Department of History
Suite 251, Building 601
West Point, NY 10996

The committee strongly prefers electronic applications.

Smithsonian Fellowship Announcement

The Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum is excited to announce several fellowship opportunities opening for applications on October 15, 2023.

The Guggenheim Fellowships (2024-2025) are competitive three- to twelve-month in-residence fellowships for pre- or postdoctoral research in aviation and space history. An annual stipend of \$30,000 for predoctoral candidates and \$45,000 for postdoctoral candidates will be awarded, with limited additional funds for travel and miscellaneous.

The Verville Fellowship (2024-2025) is a competitive nine- to twelve-month in-residence fellowship intended for the analysis of major trends, developments, and accomplishments in the history of aviation or space studies. An annual stipend of \$55,000 will be awarded for a 12-month fellowship, with limited additional funds for travel and miscellaneous expenses.

The Charles A. Lindbergh Chair in Aerospace History (2025-2026) is a competitive 12-month fellowship open to senior scholars with distinguished records of publication who are at work on, or anticipate being at work on, books in aerospace history. Support is available for living expenses in the Washington, D.C. area up to a maximum of \$100,000 a year. Please note that the Lindbergh Chair selection process runs one cycle earlier than for the other fellowships because senior scholars often need more time to arrange sabbaticals or leave.

The deadline to apply for all fellowships is **December 1, 2023**. Announcement of the selected candidates will happen in mid-March 2024. Applicants are encouraged to contact members of the Smithsonian's research and curatorial staff who might best serve as advisors or consultants during the development of proposals.

For more information please see <https://airandspace.si.edu/get-involved/fellowships>. For questions about proposals, topics, advisors, or other academic issues, please contact Michael Hankins at HankinsMW@si.edu. For administrative questions, please write to NASM-Fellowships@si.edu.

New Fellowships Announced

The Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation announces the inauguration of two annual research fellowships, beginning in 2024. Each fellowship provides \$1,000 to support the cost of travel and per diem expenses for researchers to use the Foundation's library at the Strayer House in New Market, Virginia, for a period of at least five consecutive days. The fellowships are open to graduate students, academics, teachers, museum professionals, and independent scholars whose research interests may benefit from the Foundation's holdings.

Fellowships will be awarded to applicants focusing on the American Civil War era in the Shenandoah Valley, broadly conceived, and whose topics match the Foundation's collection. The Library's holdings can be accessed at <https://www.shenandoahatwar.org/library-database>.

Recipients will be required to complete their fellowship research within a period of one year from the date of the award. Fellows will be asked to make an evening presentation to the public during residence and to summarize their research project and findings in writing.

Applicants should send a resume or C.V., a cover letter describing their research project and how the Library's collection would benefit their work to:

Library Fellowship Selection Committee
Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation
9386 S. Congress St.
New Market, VA 22844

Applications for the 2024 fellowships are due on **November 1, 2023**.

For more information, call the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation at 540-740-4545 or email info@svbf.net.

SMH ON SOCIAL MEDIA

For those not already aware, the Society maintains a private group on Facebook where members can post articles relating to military history, exchange job announcements, and discuss any number of topics relevant to the academy. The private group is an excellent forum for recruiting conference panels, arranging professional meet-ups, consulting the membership about research, and keeping oneself aware of new developments relating to the historical profession. If you are interested in joining, you only need to have an active Facebook account and find the "Society for Military History" group. Once you ask to join, one of the administrators will add you shortly thereafter. The Society also maintains a public Facebook page that members and non-members can view at any time, as well as a presence on Twitter under the handle @SMH_Historians.

SEEKING WEIGLEY TRAVEL GRANT SUBMISSIONS

The Russell F. Weigley Awards are given to outstanding graduate students to help defray costs associated with presenting a paper or roundtable at the annual meeting of the Society for Military History. The award provides \$1,000 to each recipient.

Only students whose proposal for a paper or roundtable has been formally accepted for inclusion in the program are eligible for these awards. *Students, however, are welcome to submit an award application before they are notified of their acceptance for the conference.* Applications will be evaluated based on the quality and originality of the proposed work and its likelihood to contribute to the development of the field of military history.

Applicants should submit a brief cover letter, curriculum vitae, and a copy of their paper or roundtable proposal as a single document. A letter of recommendation from the student's primary academic advisor should be sent separately.

Applicants should be aware that this amount may not cover all travel costs. The committee does not consider financial need in making these awards. There will be approximately six awards for the 2024 conference.

Students enrolled in graduate programs outside of North America may also apply for the **Jeffrey Grey Memorial Travel Grant**. Applicants will be considered for both awards but may only receive one in a given year.

Application materials should be sent electronically to Holly Mayer (mayer@duq.edu). The application deadline is **November 30, 2023**. Awards will be announced by early February 2024. Awardees will be honored at the Society's awards dinner and will receive a complimentary ticket to that event.

SEEKING GREY TRAVEL GRANT SUBMISSIONS

In honor of the late Dr. Jeffrey Grey, the Society for Military History is pleased to award the Jeffrey Grey Memorial Travel Grant. This grant will be awarded to an outstanding graduate student who is enrolled in a graduate program located outside of North America. Funds are intended to defray costs associated with presenting a paper or roundtable at the annual meeting of the Society for Military History. Applicants must indicate that they do not currently reside in North America. The award will not exceed \$3,000 and will be based on a reasonable estimate of the cost of travel, accommodation, and registration.

Only students whose proposal for a paper or roundtable has been formally accepted for inclusion in the program are eligible for this award. *Students, however, are welcome to submit an award application before they are notified of their acceptance for the conference.* Applications will be evaluated based on

the quality and originality of the proposed work and its likelihood to contribute to the development of the field of military history.

Applicants should submit a brief cover letter, curriculum vitae, detailed budget, and a copy of their paper or roundtable proposal as a single document. A letter of recommendation from the student's primary academic advisor should be sent separately.

Eligible students may also apply for the **Russell F. Weigley Graduate Student Travel Grant**. Applicants will be considered for both awards but may only receive one in a given year.

Application material should be sent electronically to Holly Mayer (mayer@duq.edu). The application deadline is **November 30, 2023**. Awards will be announced by early February 2024. Awardees will be honored at the Society's awards dinner and will receive a complimentary ticket to that event.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Symposium Announcement

The National Museum of the United States Army is hosting an upcoming fall symposium on **October 20th**, titled *Army Leadership: From Washington to Powell*.

The 2023 Fall Symposium examines over 200 years of Army leaders and leadership. From the creation of the Continental Army to today, the Army has fostered leadership at all levels.

Throughout U.S. history, Army leaders adapted to field conditions. They maintained a clear vision, built strong organizational cultures, and motivated troops. Some leaders showed skills early and rose through the ranks, while others rose to the occasion. Leaders emerged at every level, often in the face of adversity. They demonstrated an ability to sacrifice, act decisively, and carry out a commander's vision. Today, effective Army leaders serve as role models and case studies for future generations.

Registration is FREE and offered both in-person and virtually. For more information and to register, visit: <https://www.thenmusa.org/2023-leadership>.

Public History Awards Seek Nominations

2024 NCPH AWARDS CYCLE OPEN FOR NOMINATIONS

Recognize those who put history to work in the world!

Over \$8,000 in award money is available to recognize excellence in the multitude of ways public historians apply their skills to the world around us. The awards program promotes professionalism and best practices among public historians and raises awareness about their activities. Recipients will be honored during the National Council on Public History's annual meeting, April 10-13, 2024, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Guidelines as well as current and past recipients are listed on the NCPH website:
<https://ncph.org/about/awards/>

Due November 1, 2023

NCPH Book Award

A \$1,000 award for the best book about or growing out of public history published in 2022 or 2023.

Robert Kelley Memorial Award

This \$500 award honors distinguished achievements by individuals, institutions, or nonprofit or corporate entities for making history relevant to individual lives of ordinary people outside of academia.

Due December 1, 2023

Excellence in Consulting Award

Up to two \$500 awards for outstanding work and contributions by consultants or contractors.

Outstanding Public History Project Award

Two \$750 prizes recognizing projects—digital, print, film, exhibit, etc.—that contribute to a broader public reflection and appreciation of the past or that serve as a model of professional public history practice. One prize will go to a larger institution (roughly 6 or more paid staff) and the other to a smaller institution.

NCPH Grassroots Public History Award - Salt Lake City

A \$750 award recognizing an individual or community organization doing important public history work in the state of Utah.

New Professional Award

Two \$500 travel grants to enable new professionals, practicing public history for no more than three years, to attend NCPH 2024.

Student Project Award

A \$500 travel grant to attend NCPH 2024, recognizing the contributions of student work to the field of public history.

Graduate Student Travel Award

Five travel grants of up to \$300 each for graduate students presenting (session, poster session, or working group) at NCPH 2024.

We hope to see nominations for your own work, or the work of your colleagues. See our website for submission guidelines: <https://ncph.org/about/awards/>.

World War II Discussion Forum

The purpose of the World War II Discussion Forum is to highlight scholars who possess an unrivaled knowledge of their subject matter but don't necessarily have the standard academic background or affiliation. While we certainly recognize the contributions of those household names whose tomes line

countless libraries, our aim is to offer a platform for those who toil alone and quietly driven solely by a passion to know what happened and why.

Fall 2023 Semester Schedule

All lectures are hosted over Zoom, free and open to the public.

- **Saturday, October 14th at 1pm ET:** Anthony Tucker-Jones on *Battle of the Cities: Urban Warfare on the Eastern Front*
- **Tuesday, October 24th at 8pm ET:** Stan Fisher on *Sustaining the Carrier War: The Deployment of U.S. Naval Air Power to the Pacific*
- **Saturday, November 11th at 1pm ET:** Hal Friedman on the US Naval War College between 1945 and 1947
- **Saturday, November 25th at 1pm ET:** Brian Lavery on *Two Navies Divided: The British and United States Navies in the Second World War*
- **Tuesday, December 5th at 8pm ET:** Steven Bailey on *Target Hong Kong*
- **Tuesday, December 19th at 8pm ET:** Arthur Gullachsen on *Bloody Verrières: The I. SS-Panzerkorps Defence of the Verrières-Bourguebus Ridges*

Zoom Links:

- [Saturday, October 14th](#)
- [Tuesday, October 24th](#)
- [Saturday, November 11th](#)
- [Saturday, November 25th](#)
- [Tuesday, December 5th](#)
- [Tuesday, December 19th](#)

Awards Announced for Excellence in US Army History Writing

The Army Historical Foundation is pleased to announce the winners of the 2022 Army Historical Foundation Distinguished Writing Awards. The 2022 awards honor books and articles published in 2022. The winners:

Book Awards

- **Biography**
Parker Hitt: The Father of American Military Cryptology, by Betsy Rohaly Smoot (University Press of Kentucky)
- **Operational/Battle History**
The Last Campaign: Sherman, Geronimo and the War for America, by H.W. Brands (Doubleday)
- **Institutional/Functional History**
Creating the Modern Army: Citizen-Soldiers and the American Way of War, 1919-1938, by William J. Woolley (University Press of Kansas)

- **Journals, Memoirs, and Letters**

Gavin at War: The World War II Diary of Lieutenant General James M. Gavin, edited and annotated by Lewis Sorley (Casemate Publishers)

- **Unit History**

Men of Armor: The History of B Company, 756th Tank Battalion in World War II, Part Two: Cassino and Rome, by Jeff Danby (Casemate Publishers)

- **Reference and Compilation**

No award presented

Article Awards

- **Academic Journals**

“From Sergeant Snorkles to Drill Sergeants: Basic Training of Male Soldiers in the U.S. Army, 1953-1964,” by William M. Donnelly. *Journal of Military History*, April 2022.

- **Journals and Magazines**

“Generation Yank,” by Pete Zablocki. *Military History*, January 2022.

The book award winners receive a plaque honoring the book and a \$1,000 cash award. The article award winners also received a plaque and a \$250 cash award. The awards will be formally presented to the winners at the Army Historical Foundations 2022 Members’ Meeting and Dinner on 2 November at the National Museum of the U.S. Army, Fort Belvoir, VA.

The AHF Distinguished Writing Awards program was established in 1997 to recognize authors who make a significant contribution to the scholarship on U.S. Army history. Each year nominations are submitted to the Awards Committee by publishers and journal editors. A small group of finalists are selected and a final judging is made. The winners are announced in the spring.

For more information on the Foundation and its activities, please view the AHF website at www.armyhistory.org.

New York Military Affairs Symposium Fall 2023 Schedule

**** Zoom links for all lectures can be accessed at NYMAS.org ****

Red bold denotes Saturday afternoon lecture.

Friday, October 20th, 2023, 7pm ET

The Economic Consequences of U.S. Mobilization for the Second World War

Professor Alexander Field

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87400367594>

Friday, November 3rd, 2023, 7pm ET

The New Cold Wars: Their Origins and Their Likely Trajectories

Professor John Mearsheimer

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88544188900>

Friday, November 17th, 2023, 7pm ET

Dorris Day and the American GI

Mary Owen

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81117922532>

Saturday, December 2nd, 2023, 1pm ET

How To Fight A War

Professor Michael Martin

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84139012030>

Friday, December 15th, 2023, 7pm

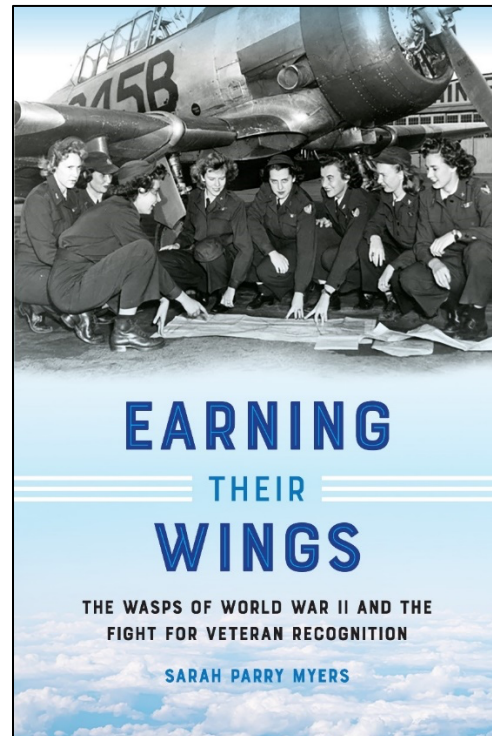
Black Snow: Curtis LeMay, the Firebombing of Tokyo, and the Road to the Atomic Bomb

James Scott

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87497336113>

Kudos!

Congratulations to Sarah Parry Myers for the publication of *Earning Their Wings: The WASPs of World War II and the Fight for Veteran Recognition* by UNC Press. Established by the Army Air Force in 1943, the Women's Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) program opened to civilian women with a pilot's license who could afford to pay for their own transportation, training, and uniforms. Despite their highly developed skill set, rigorous training, and often dangerous work, the women of WASP were not granted military status until 1977, denied over three decades of Army Air Force benefits as well as the honor and respect given to male and female World War II veterans of other branches. Sarah Parry Myers not only offers a history of this short-lived program but considers its long-term consequences for the women who participated and subsequent generations of servicewomen and activists.



Seminar Series: Crimean War

You are warmly invited to the first in a series of four seminars on the Crimean War and in particular on France's long-overlooked contribution to it. The seminar series is entitled *Resurrecting France's Forgotten War: the Crimean War of 1853-56 / Ressusciter la guerre oubliée de la France: la guerre de*

Crimée de 1853-1856. Seminars will be hybrid, taking place physically in UCD School of Languages, Cultures, and Linguistics (Dublin) and online via Zoom.

Venue: Room D301, Newman Building, UCD, Belfield, Dublin 4

To book your seat or obtain the Zoom link, please email Dr Paul Huddie, Coordinator, International Network for Crimean War Studies, at crimeanwarnetwork@gmail.com'.

Seminar 1: 12 October 2023, 5pm:

Title: ‘The Crimean War and Cultural Memory: the war France won and forgot’

Speaker: Dr Sima Godfrey (Associate Professor Emerita, University of British Columbia)

Full details of the seminar series are available here:

[Ressusciter la guerre oubliée de la France: la guerre de Crimée de 1854-1856 Resurrecting France's Forgotten War: the Crimean War of 1854-56 \(ucd.ie\)](#)

Subsequent seminars are as follows - all in the same physical venue and all available online as above:

9 November 2023, 5pm: ‘Cemeteries as Places of Memory of the Crimean War in Istanbul: A Comparative Study of the French and Ottoman Commemorative Cultures’, Dr Saltuk Duran (Istanbul Technical University) Semester 2 (2024)

8 February 2024, 5pm: ‘France’s Experience of Expeditionary Warfare in the Crimean War’, Dr Marc de Bollivier (Ministry of National Education, France)

7 March 2024, 5pm: ‘British Army Perceptions of the French Army during the war and its Effects’, Anthony Dawson (University of Portsmouth)

SOCIETY FOR MILITARY HISTORY AT THE 2023 NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS HISTORY CONFERENCE

The Society for Military History has long maintained an active presence at the Northern Great Plains History Conference, and this year was no exception. SMH provided six full panels for the conference, and it was good to see that there were even more military history panels on the program. The Society also hosted its annual luncheon, featuring Brian Linn (Texas A&M) as the keynote speaker, and its customary “huddle” at a local watering hole, where current members mingled with (and recruited!) prospective members.



Brian Linn provides an entertaining but challenging luncheon address to SMH attendees, talking about the need to write military history not just for historians but also for practitioners.



SMH members and guests gather at Monk's House of Ale Repute for meaningful discussions about military history.

MEETINGS CALENDAR

2023

October 12-13 – The NASA History Office and the **National Air & Space Museum** will jointly sponsor “Discover@30 and New Frontiers@20: a Symposium on NASA’s Discover and New Frontiers” space exploration programs. This event will be held in Washington, D.C.

October 18-21 – The Oral History Association will hold its annual meeting at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor in Baltimore, Maryland. This year’s theme is “Oral History As/And Education: Teaching and Learning in the Classroom and Beyond.” For registration and other details, see the Association’s website at [2023 Call for Proposals | Oral History Association](#).

October 25-27 – The American Astronautical Society will host its 16th annual Wernher von Braum Memorial Symposium at the University of Alabama at Huntsville in Huntsville, Alabama. For more details as they become available, see the Society’s website at [Wernher von Braun Memorial Symposium | American Astronautical Society](#).

October 25-29 – The Society for the History of Technology will hold its annual meeting in Long Beach, California. For more details as they become available, see the Society’s website at [News – Society for the History of Technology \(SHOT\)](#).

October 27-28 – The National WWI Museum and Memorial will host a symposium at the Museum in Kansas City, Missouri. For more details as they become available, see the Museum’s conference webpage at [News | National WWI Museum and Memorial \(theworldwar.org\)](https://theworldwar.org/news/national-wwi-museum-and-memorial).

October 28-29 – The League of World War I Aviation Historians will offer a symposium at the National WWI Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Missouri. For further information, contact the League’s president, Dan Polglaze at dpolglaze@comcast.net.

November 9-12 – The History of Science Society will hold its annual meeting in Portland, Oregon. For more details as they become available, see the Society’s webpage at [History of Science Society \(hssonline.org\)](https://hssonline.org)

November 23-24 – Royal Military College of Canada History Symposium 2023, Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston-ON. Full details at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/2023-rmc-history-symposium-tickets-634220178627>.

December 7-9 – The National World War II Museum will host its 16th annual International Conference at the Museum in New Orleans, Louisiana. For registration, see the Museum’s website at [16th International Conference on World War II | The National WWII Museum | New Orleans \(nationalww2museum.org\)](https://nationalww2museum.org/16th-international-conference-on-world-war-ii-the-national-wwii-museum-new-orleans).

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January 4-7 – The American Historical Society will hold its annual gathering at the Hilton San Francisco Union Square Hotel in San Francisco, California. For further details, see the Society’s website at [Annual Meeting Program | AHA \(historians.org\)](https://ahahistorians.org/annual-meeting-program).

February 2-3 – The Institute for Political History and the Arizona State University Center for American Institutions will co-host a Policy History Conference at the Tempe Mission Palms Resort in Tempe, Arizona. The theme of this year’s gathering is “Policy History Studies: The State and Future of the Field”. For registration, see the Institute’s website at [Policy History Conferences | Journal of Policy History \(asu.edu\)](https://policyhistoryconferences.asu.edu).

February 9-10 – The History Graduate Student Organization at Texas A&M University 14th annual graduate and undergraduate history student conference, in College Station, TX. Contact: tamuconference2024@gmail.com.

April 5-6 –All Roads Lead to Gettysburg: A Conference Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy, Temple University. Contact: Joseph Johnson at joseph.johnson0008@temple.edu.

April 10-13 – Annual Meeting of the National Council on Public History and Utah Division of State History/Utah Historical Society, Hilton Salt Lake City. Point of contact: Program Manager Meghan Hillman at meghillm@iupui.edu.

April 11-14 – The Organization of American Historians will offer its annual conference at the New Orleans Marriott Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. This year’s theme will be “Public Dialogue, Relevance and Change: Being in Service to Communities and the Nation.” For more information, see the Organization’s website at oah.org/conferences/oah24/.

April 18-21 – Society for Military History 90th Annual Meeting, Arlington, Virginia. The conference hotel is the Crystal Gateway Marriott.

May 8-9 – 19th Cryptologic History Symposium, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab Kossiakoff Center in Laurel, Maryland. Details at <https://www.nsa.gov/History/Cryptologic-History/Cryptologic-History-Symposium/>.

May 18-20 – War College of the Seven Years’ War at Fort Ticonderoga, Fort Ticonderoga, NY. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org.

June 7-8 – The Military History Consortium first annual conference, Lancaster University in the United Kingdom. Contact: Dr Evert Kleynhans (kleynhans@sun.ac.za) and Professor Marco Wyss (m.wyss@lancaster.ac.uk).

June 7-9 – Sons of the American Revolution Annual Conference on the American Revolution, Norfolk, VA. Conference theme is The American Revolution: War on the Waters. For more information contact C.C. Felker at ccfelker@msn.com.

June 19-22 – Society of Civil War Historians Biennial Conference, Sheraton Raleigh in Raleigh, North Carolina. Details at <https://scwh.memberclicks.net>.

September 20-22 – Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution, Fort Ticonderoga, New York. Contact: Richard M. Strum, Director of Academic Programs: rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org

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March 27-30 – Society for Military History 91st Annual Meeting, Mobile, Alabama.