

Letter from the Editor

Welcome to the first issue of *Canadian Military History*. This special double issue is distributed free of charge to all Canadian public libraries and is available to secondary schools on request. Individuals and organizations with an interest in Canadian military history may also write to obtain a complimentary copy.

This wide distribution of Volume 1, Numbers 1 and 2 is intended to attract a subscription base for *CMH* and we urge you to fill in the subscription form enclosed with the magazine. Don't forget to share the magazine and subscription information with friends.

Canadian Military History will appear twice yearly beginning in the Spring of 1993. We will present a wide range of articles and features on all aspects of our military heritage. *CMH* seeks contributions from professional and amateur historians and from retired or serving members of the Canadian Forces.

The Spring 1993 issue will carry a Letters to the Editor page and an extensive book review section. Our featured columnists Jack Granatstein, David Stafford and Robert Vogel will return and Carl Christie will continue his report on the services and source material available at the Directorate of History. Syd Thomson will share another "Letter from Kashmir" with us. As well, William Carter will join our regular contributors with the first of a series of features on the RCAF contribution to the strategic bomber offensive.

We have to hand a number of excellent articles on topics ranging from "British Espionage in Canada During the Winter of 1759-1760" (D. Peter Macleod) to "L'intervention militaire à Oka" (Claude Beaugard) but we need contributions on naval and air operations and on peacekeeping.

The Oka article raises the question of language policy for *CMH*. We intend to print articles in either French or English, allowing authors to write in the language of their choice. This is not an ideal solution and we will be looking at the possibility of a French language edition of *CMH* during 1993.

I hope you will join us in building a journal which allows Canadians to learn about an important part of their collective experience. Robert Vogel's "Reflections on the Teaching of Military History in Canada" in this issue is a good statement of our editorial approach; we seek not to glorify war or the military, just to understand their place in our history.

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