

**US ARMY  
MILITARY HISTORY  
RESEARCH COLLECTION**

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The United States Army Military History Research Collection has as its primary mission the preservation for scholarly use of source materials related to the military history of this Nation. As far as can be determined, no other library in the United States has as extensive a collection of published and unpublished materials relating exclusively to the role of the military in the development of the United States. The Library of Congress receives copies of all books copyrighted in the United States. Original source materials such as diaries, letters, and unofficial records cannot be found in that institution as a general rule, except as related to persons of national interest and stature. Some academic and special interest libraries, such as the Marshall Library in Lexington, Virginia, contain military works and papers relating to specific periods of United States history. The United States Army Military History Research Collection alone, however, is dedicated solely to perpetuating the history and traditions of the Army; the contributions of the Army to the development of the United States; and the lives and experiences of the men and women who participated in its development.

The nucleus of the Military History Research Collection has come from three primary sources: The US Army War College, the National War College, and the US Army Command and General Staff College. These three institutions collectively have transferred more than 120,000 bound volumes to the Research Collection. Some of these books date from the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries; they provide the historical background from which the United States Army developed. Other books are of far more modern date; these furnish contemporary information and insight about the history of the Army, its doctrines and deeds, its men and their accomplishments.

Constantly growing in size and improving in quality, the Research Collection receives books from libraries throughout the Army as well as from many individual donors. In addition to purely military matters, these volumes include coverage of many allied fields and sciences: law, science and technology, sociology, medicine, religion, explorations, economics, geography, and political science to name but a few. Many relate to military and diplomatic affairs of foreign nations, for the military history of the United States from the outset has been closely related to that of other nations.

Original source materials are a vital and integral part of the Military History Research Collection. Diaries, letters, photographs, and personal records provide the research scholar with a keenly intimate insight into events of the past. The Research Collection includes the original handwritten manuscript of Emory Upton's "Military Policy of the United States"; the diary of General George Crook; Revolutionary War orderly books; personal papers of Generals Harold K. Johnson, Arthur Trudeau, Paul Caraway, and many other less well known individuals whose services have contributed to American military life and history.

Periodicals, photographs, art work of all types, are to be found in the Research Collection. Effort will be devoted to oral history--the recorded interviews with individuals who have participated in historical events of the past and present. Military fiction will be an added category within the overall collection, for such writings provide an insight into the materials read by the average citizen; materials which, although classified as fiction, often influence public opinion toward the military and toward the federal government.

The establishment of this Research Collection, however, is only the beginning. Constant effort is being made to improve and expand the overall content of the Collection, in order to provide the maximum in authentic data for research by scholars. Books, magazines, and other published materials represent only one means of bettering the overall value of this Research Collection. Another, and far better way, is the addition of the personal papers and records of individuals who have contributed to the special field represented by the US Army Military History Research Collection.

American men and women who have served in the uniforms of their country usually have many items of historical interest which should be preserved for posterity and made available for scholarly research. Personal papers and records, letters, diaries, photographs, and art work accumulated during--and after--service in uniform will be of extreme importance to the historians of the future. Many individuals have family papers and records, as well as personal library collections which will be of great research interest. All of these items reflect the history, the traditions, the legends, and the accomplishments of the armed services and should be preserved.

The US Army Military History Research Collection is actively seeking such items relating to all periods of United States history. Detailed information regarding the general nature of materials desired and specific information pertaining to contributions may be obtained by writing:

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d. Personal copying devices will be used only by permission of the Librarian.

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9. Classified Materials. Access to classified materials is available only in accordance with current Army regulations. Information about such access may be obtained from the Librarian.

The US Army Military History Research Collection is located in Hutton Hall, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. Normal hours of operation are from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Directions for parking will be provided visitors by the Military Policeman on duty at the Main Gate to Carlisle Barracks. Additional information may be obtained by writing or calling:

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Use of the Collection



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The primary mission of the United States Army Military History Research Collection includes the two-fold purposes of preserving materials of historical significance related to the military history of the United States and fostering the research in military history. The professional staff of the Research Collection will assist in every way possible the scholarly use of the materials in the Collection. Certain regulations, however, are necessary. These are not intended to be solely restrictive in nature. They are designed to assure better preservation of historically significant materials while at the same time providing for more efficient use of research sources. The contents of this pamphlet provide general guidelines for research use of materials included in the Research Collection.

1. Circulation. The US Army Military History Research Collection is not a circulating library. Books and other items may not be withdrawn by an individual.

2. Interlibrary Loans. Published materials—books and periodicals—may be borrowed through interlibrary loan application by an academic or public library. Such requests are normally honored. The

following classes of research materials WILL NOT be available through inter-library loan:

- a. Manuscripts
- b. Photographs
- c. Motion pictures
- d. Maps
- e. Art work of all types
- f. Audio tapes
- g. Rare books
- h. Materials in poor physical condition

3. Stack Access. Access to stack areas will be authorized by the Librarian of the Research Collection based upon the research qualifications of the individual concerned, the type of research required, and the category of research materials needed. The following rules apply to all individuals authorized stack access:

- a. Papers and pencils only may be taken into the stack areas.
- b. No briefcases or binders will be permitted.
- c. Ball point pens or fountain pens will not be permitted.
- d. Portable typewriters may be taken to carrels or study areas but cases will be removed and returned immediately to the Reference Room.
- e. Personal copying devices may be used only with prior approval of the Librarian.

f. No cameras permitted without approval.

4. Carrels. Carrels are available in all stack areas. These will be assigned to individuals by the Librarian upon application and will be retained by the individual concerned during the entire term of his research and study.

5. Study Areas. Adequate study areas are available for individuals not authorized stack access. Research materials will be provided by the Historical and Reference personnel.

6. Smoking. Smoking is permitted in stacks and carrels with the following exceptions:

- a. Rare Book Room
- b. Manuscript Stacks
- c. Audio-Visual Stacks
- d. Periodical Stacks
- e. Other areas where No Smoking signs are posted.

7. Copying. Copies of materials in the Research Collection are available on a cost-to-the-user basis. Prices for Xerox copies per page or aperture card microfilm per card are available upon request to the Librarian. The following rules apply to copying materials in the Research Collection.

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