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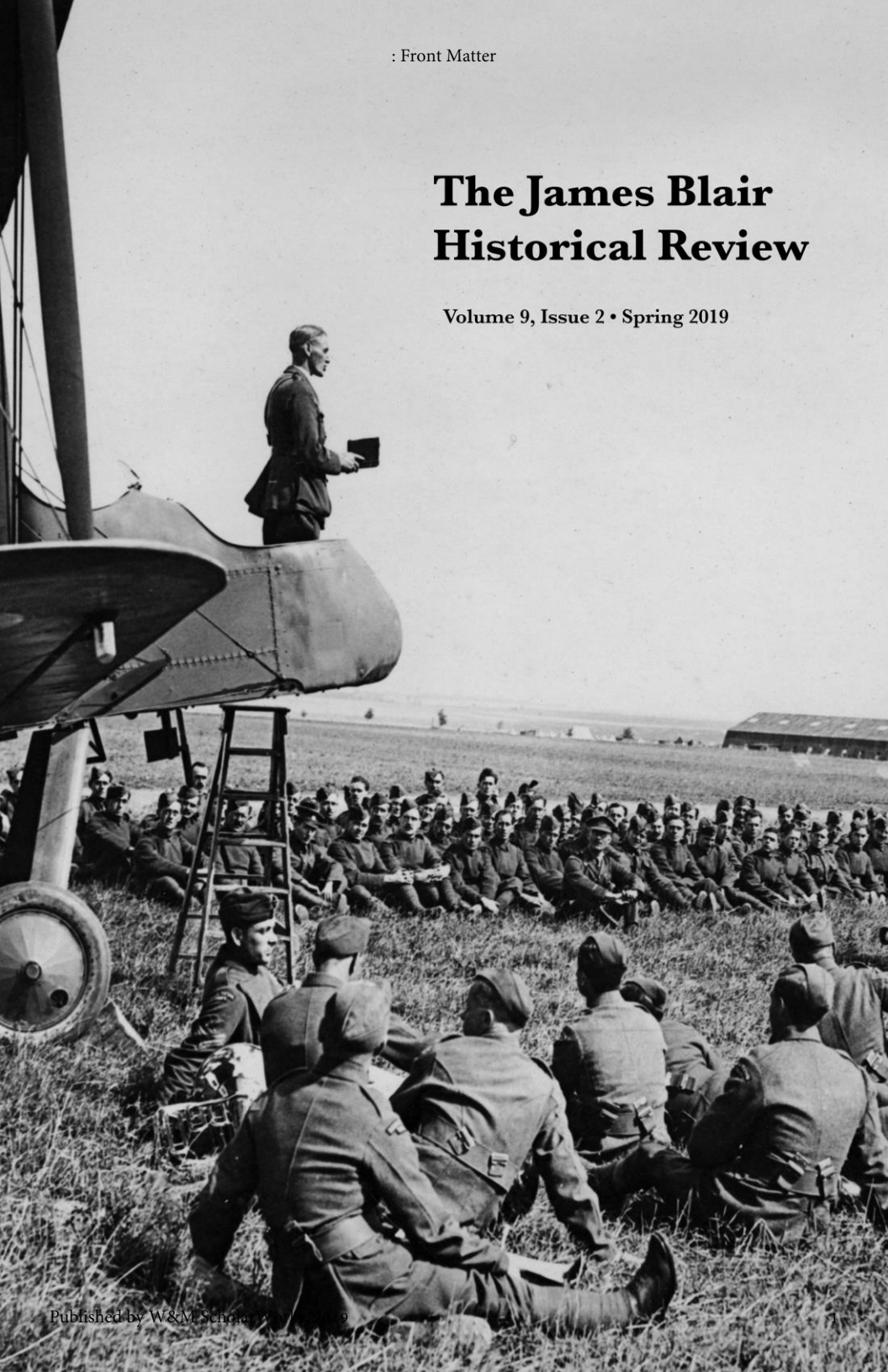
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## Editor's Notes

The present team of Editors and Peer Reviewers has now been working together for a full year, and the results are excellent. A successful year at the James Blair Historical Review now bears yet more fruit: this is Volume 9: Issue 2, the Spring Issue. This Issue includes five high-quality contributions from a selection of the nation's best undergraduates at some of the best undergraduate institutions in the world.

The JBHR staff is very pleased with the quality of this year's submissions, even those we were unable to publish. These that are now published have been chosen from a large field of compelling topics and unique papers. Nevertheless, these five papers are the most impressive of their number. Moments of sweeping change dominate this Issue—the dynamic religious experience of Great War soldiers and the ramifications of Alcatraz protests on the individual scale, and the cooling of Cold War tensions, the establishment of judicial review, and the British occupation of Hong Kong on the large scale provide insight into the choices and the consequences that people and systems can have on our shared past.

The publication of this Issue continues the relatively new system of online publication that the first Issue of Volume 9 in the Fall pioneered. And this Spring we are happy to return to the physical publication that puts the JBHR in easy reach of those accustomed to print media. This has placed an extra burden on our Layout Editor, Yutong Zhan, to whom much thanks is due. I am also grateful to Ryan Conner, Managing Editor; Luke Campopiano, Submissions Editor; Sonja Sponholz, Publicity and Business Manager; and Taylor Galanides, Website Manager. Each of these Editors contributed much to this publication, and I am, as always, in their debt for their energy, sincerity, and support.

Thank you also to the authors who submitted their labors of love, the peer reviewers who looked them over, and the curious reader who is now engaging with this completed Issue of the Review. This is truly one of our best yet, and I am sure you will enjoy it.

Sincerely,  
Jacob Clayton Manvell  
Editor-in-Chief

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