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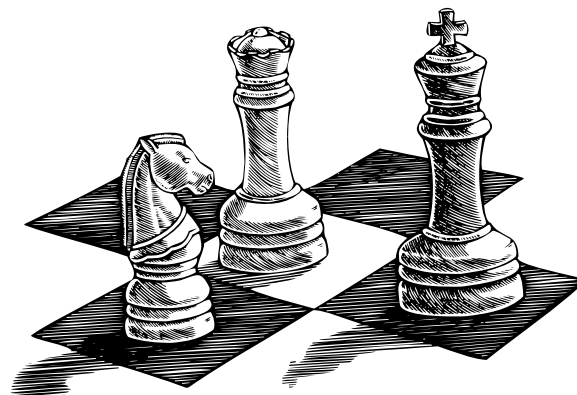
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1997 Military Review Writing Contest

With the long-awaited US Army Field Manual (FM) 100-6, *Information Operations*, finally on the street, and FM 100-5, *Operations*, scheduled for a major rewrite in 1997, aspiring writers with ideas or opinions about where future Army doctrine is headed should consider entering *Military Review's* 1997 Writing Contest. The three winning manuscripts will be published in *Military Review*, and their authors will receive cash prizes of \$500 for first place, \$250 for second and \$100 for third place.

Entries should focus on new ideas about battle command and future operations or the impact of new technologies, concepts and doctrine on the tactical and operational levels of war. Manuscripts should also specifically address some aspect of either FM 100-5 or FM 100-6. Entries that do not meet contest theme or submission parameters will be returned without consideration.

Deadline for submission of manuscripts is 1 July 1997. All contest manuscripts will be considered for publication, provided they are original and have not been previously offered elsewhere for publication. Manuscripts should range from 2,000 to 3,000 words and be typed and double-spaced. A *Military Review* writer's guide is available upon request. Send inquiries or entries to: *Military Review*, 290 Grant Ave., Building 77, Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027-1254, or call Mrs. Billie Hammond at (913) 684-9334 or DSN 552-9334 for additional information.

Foreword

I am very pleased to introduce this historic 75th Anniversary edition of *Military Review*. As the US Army's professional journal, it has enriched and broadened the scope of intellectual thought for thousands of military leaders over the years. This edition features reprints of articles by some famous authors, many penned early in their careers. Articles such as these have long served as the foundation for the exchange of ideas on military affairs and the doctrinal development of our professional Army. I want to thank the editors and staff of *Military Review*, past and present, who over the last three-quarters of a century have created a professional military journal that we are all truly proud of.

This is also a perfect opportunity to thank those who have written and submitted articles for publication. Their contributions have generated important debate on leadership, strategy, doctrine, technology and operational art. From their work, we have learned the enormous value of the continued participation of all military professionals in sharing thoughts, lessons learned and ideas.

As we stand on the threshold of the new millennium, we also find ourselves in an era of unprecedented change. The Cold War environment that gripped the world after World War II has literally evaporated. For our Army, the 21st century really began in 1989 when the Berlin Wall came down. Today, we are confronted with a less dangerous, but much more complex, threat environment. During the Cold War, we built a *threat-based* force. Our doctrine, training and equipment were driven by the Soviet threat. All that changed with the fall of the wall.

Today, we continue to adhere to our time-honored values of courage, loyalty, honor, respect, selfless service, integrity and duty, but our Army is changing as it plays a major role in our new national security strategy of engagement and enlargement. We are now a *capabilities-based* force, relevant to the new needs of the nation. Our new national security strategy is supported by our four capabilities: to compel our nation's enemies, to deter potential enemies, to reassure our friends and allies and, in domestic crisis, to support the nation.

Today more than ever, we must tap into the perspectives and ideas of our young leaders—the torchbearers destined to lead our information age Army, unmatched in capability, quality and service to the nation. Over its 75-year history, *Military Review* has been a valuable spokesman and a beacon of knowledge, permitting our Army's leaders to grow intellectually and giving us an Army envied around the world.

Soldiers are our credentials!

General Dennis J. Reimer
United States Army Chief of Staff



From the Editor

Going through back issues of *Military Review* brings to life both the journal's proud heritage and the US Army's distinct lineage. Many authors who wrote for the journal as captains, majors and colonels later show up in print as generals. Some *Military Review* authors became famous in their own right without ever wearing a uniform. That so many well-known military and civilian authors chose *Military Review* as the venue for publishing their ideas lends credibility to the journal and the US Army.

The selection process for articles in this 75th Anniversary Edition focused on authors who achieved a degree of greatness among their peers. This criterion should explain why so many general officer articles were chosen. Originality also was a key element in the selection process. An editor's note at the beginning of the original article proclaiming that the author's views were his alone and did not represent the views of the Department of the Army was a lightning rod for attention by the *Military Review* staff. Our intent was to capture the thinking of a future flag officer before he had his own staff or speech writers. Selected articles also had to have some relevance to current affairs.

Some names are conspicuously absent from the article index. If a senior general officer's name does not appear in this anniversary issue, it is probably because he never submitted an article to *Military Review*. Some senior general officers' articles previously published in *Military Review* were discounted, because they appeared to be adapted from speeches or taken from other publications. In most cases, only one article per author was selected for this special journal edition. These criteria were deemed essential to limit the edition to about 200 pages, a decision based on cost and editorial staff size. I herewith acknowledge responsibility for any omissions and solicit letters to the editor from those wishing to point out such errors. We will publish your letters in future issues.

Our comments precede most articles as well as each of the thematic sections, and an updated biography of each author appears at the end of the article. Biographies of deceased authors usually have more information than those of living authors. To maintain a feeling for the period when the articles were written, we did not change punctuation or endnote styles, both of which have evolved over the years.

I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to thank the key people whose contributions were paramount in bringing this Anniversary edition to fruition. To Colonel Richard M. Bridges, former *Military Review* editor in chief, thanks for your vision and considerable guidance in getting this project off the ground. We could not have done it without you! To Lieutenant General L.D. Holder, the Combined Arms Center commander and US Army Command and General Staff College (USACGSC) commandant, and Brigadier General Joseph R. Inge, USACGSC deputy commandant, thanks for providing the resources to publish this special edition. Your joint stewardship and insight are always appreciated. Last but certainly not least, to the *Military Review* editorial staff for their energy, creativity and perseverance-you done real good! We hope you enjoy this journey through *Military Review*'s history as much as the staff did putting it together.

GLH