Marine Corps Historical Publications Catalog

Available Publications List and Chronological Bibliography

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Introduction

Since 1920 the historians of the United States Marine Corps have produced several hundred works on Marine Corps history. These have ranged in length from a few pages of mimeographed material to lengthy case-bound histories sold by the Government Printing Office (GPO) through the Superintendent of Documents. This catalog is in two parts. The first lists those publications still in print and available from the Superintendent of Documents (in which case the GPO stock number and price is given) or only from the History and Museums Division (in which case the abbreviation MCH&M is included). Most of the historical works sold by the GPO are available free to recognized libraries and similar institutions on request to the History and Museums Division. Many of the publications marked MCH&M are intended for limited distribution, and are not generally available to individuals. This is particularly true of Occasional Papers which are reproductions of original copy from various sources. These have the additional marking of an asterisk, i.e., MCH&M*.

The second part of the catalog is a chronological list of all significant historical publications that were officially produced or sponsored by the History and Museums Division and its predecessors. There are a host also of historical briefs which are not listed. These were produced, mainly by the historians of the Reference Section, in answer to repetitive questions on popular subjects. These are regularly revised and updated and are not generally considered in the class of publications.

Operational and administrative histories of the Marine Corps are listed in chronological order under the “General Histories” section of this catalog. Most of the monographs and casebound histories which were published concerning World War II and Korean War campaigns are long out of print, but possibly may be obtained from booksellers who stock or are willing to search for earlier Marine Corps histories. A list of such booksellers is maintained by the division and may be obtained on request.

The division is currently engaged in writing a nine-volume chronological history of Marine Corps operations in Vietnam, the first five volumes of which are listed in this catalog. Well along toward completion is a series of histories of the active duty and Reserve infantry and artillery regiments of the Corps. A similar series of squadron histories is an on-going project. The first modern-day history of a major Marine Corps
base, Quantico, has been published and more base histories are planned or underway. An ambitious overall history of the Corps has been started with a history of Marines in the Revolution and similar histories of significant eras are planned or in preparation.

Fortitudine, the bulletin of the Marine Corps Historical Program, is published quarterly and distributed throughout the Corps.

GPO publications may be obtained by writing to:

Superintendent of Documents
Government Printing Office
Washington, D.C. 20402

(Be sure to include stock number and check or money order with each order.)

Publications of the History and Museums Division, under the conditions outlined above, may be obtained by writing to:

Marine Corps Historical Center (Code HDS-1)
Building 58, Washington Navy Yard
Washington, D.C. 20374-0580
Part I  Available Publications

General Histories


United States Marines at Harpers Ferry and in the Civil War. Bernard C. Nalty. 1966 rev. ed. 26 pages. 1 map. Short narrative of Marine Corps participation in the events at Harpers Ferry federal armory and in the actions of the War Between the States. Includes battle at Drewry's Bluff where Cpl John Mackie, first Marine to receive Medal of Honor, was engaged. Soft cover. MCH&M.


109 pages. 65 illustrations, including appendix of 35 photographs from album of BGen Robert H. Dunlap, USMC. Account of Marine Corps presence in the Dominican Republic based on official reports, memoirs, personal correspondence, and recollections of participants. Soft cover. MCH&M.


**Marine Flyer in France, The Diary of Captain Alfred A. Cunningham, November 1917-January 1918.** Capt Alfred A. Cunningham, USMC. Edited by Graham A. Cosmas. 1974. 43 pages. 8 photographs. Experiences and personal impressions of the first Marine aviator when he toured British and French aviation facilities during World War I. Soft cover. MCH&M.

**Women Marines in World War I.** Capt Linda L. Hewitt, USMCR. 1974. 65 pages. 30 photographs. Appendices. Account of women Marines' service based largely on veterans' accounts. Soft cover. MCH&M.

**Quantico: Crossroads of the Marine Corps.** LtCol Charles A. Fleming, USMC, Capt Robin L. Austin, USMC, and Capt Charles A. Braley III, USMC. 1978. 146 pages. 83 photographs. 4 maps. Appendices. Index. A history of the Marine Corps base and its immediate area from the 1600s to the present day, when it is the principal officer training command in the Marine Corps. Soft cover. Hardcover edition available for library distribution. MCH&M.

**The United States Marines in Iceland, 1941-1942.** LtCol Kenneth J. Clifford, USMCR. 1970. 22 pages. 1 map. 1 photograph. Appendix. Bibliography. Briefly describes the background and reasons for the Marine move to the island. Illustrates a force in readiness. Soft cover. MCH&M.


United States Marine Corps Special Units of World War II. Charles L. Updegraph, Jr. 1972. 1977 reprint. 105 pages. 11 maps. 17 photographs. Appendices. A brief narrative of experimental special purpose units organized by the Marine Corps for World War II, including raider, parachute, and defense battalions, and barrage balloon and glider squadrons. Soft cover. MCH&M.


Marine Corps Women’s Reserve in World War II. LtCol Pat Meid, USMCR. 1968 rev. ed. 98 pages. Appendices. General history of women in the Marine Corps from February 1943 through demobilization. Soft cover. MCH&M.
**The United States Marines in the Occupation of Japan.**
Henry I. Shaw, Jr. 1962 rev. ed. 1969 reprint. 29 pages. 2 maps. Concise narrative of major events that took place when Marine units deployed to Japan at close of World War II. Includes operations of 4th Marines and MAG-31 at Yokosuka and 2d and 5th Marine Divisions with MAG-22 in Kyushu and Honshu. Soft cover. *MCH&M.*

**The United States Marines in North China, 1945-1949.**

**Marines and Helicopters, 1946-1962.** LtCol Eugene W. Rawlins, USMC. Edited by Maj William J. Sambito, USMC. 1976. 113 pages. 15 charts and tables. 36 photographs. Appendices. Index. A developmental history of the procurement and employment of helicopters by the Marine Corps in the early years of the emergence of the doctrine of vertical envelopment. Soft cover. *MCH&M.*


pages. 5 maps and sketches. 23 photographs. Appendix. Story of first formative year of III Marine Amphibious Force civilian aid. County Fair, Golden Fleece, and Combined Action programs. Soft cover. MCH&M.


Extensive pacification operations by the CAPs. Soft cover. GPO 008-055-00165-0. $10.00. Hard cover edition available for library distribution.


Unit Histories

The 1st Marine Division and Its Regiments. 1974. 24 pages. 20 photographs. Includes World War II action at Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, Peleliu, and Okinawa; Korean War; Vietnam. Soft cover. MCH&M.

The 2d Marine Division and Its Regiments. 1984. 56 pages. 36 photographs. Includes World War I activities and World War II actions at Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, Tinian, and Okinawa; Lebanon 1958 and 1982-84; Cuba 1962; and Grenada 1983. Soft cover. MCH&M.

The 3d Marine Division and Its Regiments. 1975. 25 pages. 25 photographs. Includes short histories and lineage and honors of the division and its four line regiments. A supplement covering the 21st and 26th Marines is included. Soft cover. MCH&M.


War II campaigns on Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, and Tinian. Japan occupation. Lebanon; Cuba; Dominican Republic. Soft cover. GPO 008-055-00177-2. $11.00. Available for library distribution.

A Brief History of the 7th Marines. James S. Santelli. 1980. 84 pages. 9 maps. 60 photographs. Appendices. 1917-1978. Intervention in Cuba. World War II campaigns on Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester, Peleliu, and Okinawa; North China; Korea; Vietnam. Soft cover. MCH&M.

A Brief History of the 8th Marines. James S. Santelli. 1976. 103 pages. 8 maps. 28 photographs. Appendices. Raised in 1917, the regiment served in Texas and Haiti and was disbanded in 1925. Reactivated in World War II, it served on Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Saipan, Tinian, and Okinawa. Subsequent service included Lebanon, Cuban missile crisis, and Dominican Republic. Soft cover. MCH&M.


A Brief History of the 12th Marines. Charles R. Smith. 1972. 84 pages. 5 maps. 13 photographs. The 12th Marines in World War II including Bougainville, Guam, Iwo Jima. The postwar years, the cold war period, and Vietnam. Also furnishes a general history of the development of Marine Corps artillery. Soft cover. MCH&M.


A History of Marine Observation Squadron Six. LtCol Gary W. Parker, USMC, and Maj Frank M. Batha, USMC. 1982. 73 pages. 6 maps. 56 photographs. 1920-1977. Wide variety of experience and aircraft in Nicaragua, Okinawa, Korea (first combat use of helicopters), and Vietnam. Soft cover. MCH&M.

A History of Marine Attack Squadron 223. 1stLt Brett A. Jones, USMC. 1978. 39 pages. 19 photographs. 2 maps. Appendices. Details the activities of the "Bulldog" squadron from its first combat action at Guadalcanal through the Okinawa campaign of World War II, its years of training and readiness prior to its commitment to Vietnam action, and its postwar movements. Soft cover. MCH&M.

A History of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 232. Maj William J. Sambito, USMC. 1978. 23 pages. 19 photographs. Appendices. Story of one of the oldest tactical squadrons in the Marine Corps; the "Red Devils" were activated in 1925 with field service in China, World War II, Vietnam, and Thailand. Soft cover. MCH&M.


A History of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 312. Maj William J. Sambito, USMC. 1978. 25 pages. 13 photographs. 2 maps. 1 diagram. Appendices. The famed "Checkerboard" squadron's exploits in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam are examined, as well as its peacetime training and deployments. Soft cover. MCH&M.

Bibliographies

An Annotated Bibliography of the United States Marines in the Civil War. D. Michael O'Quinlivan and Rowland P. Gill. 1968. 15 pages. Deals with Marines on both sides in the war. Soft cover. MCH&M.


An Annotated Bibliography of the United States Marine Corps in the Korean War. D. Michael O'Quinlivan and James S. Santelli. 1970. 32 pages. Index. Comprised of unclassified publications dealing in whole or in part with operations. Listings according to subject matter and, in the case of ground operations, according to geographical locations. Soft cover. MCH&M.

An Annotated Bibliography of the United States Marine Corps' Concept of Close Air Support. James S. Santelli. 1968. 24 pages. Listing of publications dealing in whole or in part with the development and employment of close air support within the Marine Corps. Period covered is first real combat employment of the technique through the Vietnam War. Soft cover. MCH&M.

An Annotated Bibliography of United States Marine Corps Artillery. Ralph W. Donnelly. 1970. 68 pages. Deals primarily with field artillery but includes material on antiaircraft defense and tactical rockets and missiles. Naval gunfire and ships' guns are not within the scope of this work. Brief section on manuscript material, considerable periodical references, and references to published photographs and training aids. Soft cover. MCH&M.

An Annotated Bibliography of Naval Gunfire Support. LtCol Harold A. Bivins, USMCR. 1971. 9 pages. Index. Listing of generally available articles and books that relate to naval gunfire support from its beginning through the war in Vietnam, including the recall of the battleship USS New Jersey. Soft cover. MCH&M.
Chronologies


Catalogs


Registers of Personal Papers


John Archer Lejeune, 1869-1942. LtCol Merrill L. Bartlett, USMC (Ret), compiler. 1988. 123 pages. 1 photograph. Covers some of the more than 6,600 documents of the Lejeune Papers in the Library of Congress, photocopied for the Marine Corps Historical Center, and a small collection of related items donated to the Center. Correspondence of the 13th Commandant is explored with particular reference to the nine years of his commandancy, which “remain the least known and appreciated of his accomplishments.” Includes biographical sketch. Occasional paper. Soft cover. MCH&M*.

Special Publications

Guide to the Marine Corps Historical Center. 1987 rev. ed. 32 pages. 1 map. 13 photographs and illustrations. Describes the Center's location, physical plant, and facilities. Soft cover. MCH&M.
**Marine Corps Historical Center Writing Guide.** 1983 rev. ed. 74 pages. Contains chapters on research, writing, footnoting, bibliographies, map preparation, captioning, and indexing in Center style. Soft cover. *MCH&M.*


**The Problems of U.S. Marine Corps Prisoners of War in Korea.** James Angus MacDonald, Jr. 1988. 295 pp. A thesis prepared for a graduate-level degree in 1961 at the University of Maryland, this study has had a remarkable influence on official policies regarding prisoners of war since it was written. It is published for the use of the serious student of the POW experience. Occasional Paper. Soft cover. *MCH&M*.

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Historical Publications,
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1945

Guadalcanal Campaign, August 1942 to February 1943. 1945. 96 pp.

The Fifth Marine Division in World War II. 1stLt John C. Chapin, USMC. 1945. 26 pp.


1946


Campaign for the Marianas. 1946. 91 pp.


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Marine Corps Traditions. 1948. 16 pp.

Marines at Midway. LtCol Robert D. Heinl, Jr., USMC. 1948. 56 pp.


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A Chronology of the United States Marine Corps, 1775-1934.


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The Colonel Robert D. Heinl, Jr., 1982 Memorial Award in Marine Corps History: Texts of the Winning Article and Those Receiving Honorable Mentions. 1982. 54 pp.


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