

FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Readers,

It is times like these—the unprevented and uncertain—when history feels most essential. If nothing else, this pandemic has been a lesson in living without knowing what tomorrow, a week, or a year from now will look like. The study of events from the past helps us to remember that this uncertainty, albeit difficult, is not uncommon.

The breadth of the articles in this edition is prodigious: from eighteenth-century Ireland to the early twentieth century U.S.-Mexico Border, from Sino-American relations during the Cold War to Allende's Marxist Chile in the 1970s, closing at the University of Alabama in the 1980s. The articles span across various times, continents, and cultures, and they demonstrate the commitment of the *CHR* to plural historical inquiry.

It is difficult for me to believe that, though it was founded a little over a year ago, the *CHR* has become so integral to my life. Growing the *CHR* in a few months from an idea to a robust undergraduate research journal (that received nearly forty submissions from a diverse mix of students internationally) has been incredible.

I would like to thank all the authors who have submitted their work, and for believing that the *CHR* was a worthy place to feature their research. Further, every *CHR* Staff member deserves recognition for their efforts, meticulously reviewing every submission and copyediting selected articles.

Dr. Margaret Peacock, the journal's faculty advisor, is once more characterized by her steadfast leadership and dedicated efforts to continuously guide the *CHR*. Aaron Eitson worked diligently to ensure that all review functions ran smoothly. John Pace has a meticulous set of eyes that catch every detail and a presence that brightens every conversation. Jackson Foster has been absolutely integral in establishing the *CHR*. From the very first interest meeting, he has been eager to work, in whatever capacity necessary, to ensure the *CHR*'s success. For that reason, and many more, I am entirely confident in his capacity to take over as Editor in Chief.

Again, I offer to you that, while times remain uncertain for the foreseeable future, we are not the first to face these challenges. Similar to those before us, we will persist, and our lives will be studied by historians in generations to come (and perhaps published by the *Crimson Historical Review*).

Signing off for the last time with all my best,



Jodi Vadinsky

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