Themes for Future Editions
with Suggested Topics

The Human Dimension and Technology
November-December 2015 (Closed for new submissions)

The Future of War
January-February 2016
- Megacities—What will the United States look like in the next century? What effect will the future status of the United States have on the military?
- Climate change and its threat to security (water rights)
- Impact of regionally aligned forces—present and future
- Future of nonstate entities and the military’s role in it
- Evolving or eroding the Posse Comitatus Act?

Global Insurgencies
March-April 2016
- Quranic concept of war
- Updates on regional conflicts
- Regionally aligned forces reports from the field

Army Firsts
May-June 2016
- The importance of land power and its part in national security (including national defense and foreign relations): a hundred years ago, today, and a hundred years in the future
- Past wars—What worked/what didn’t work; what is and is not working now
- Weapon systems, an operational approach, right/wrong implementation
- Females in combat military occupational specialties
- Status of openly gay and lesbian servicemember acceptance
- A comparison of male and female posttraumatic stress disorder
The Future of Innovation in the Army
July-August 2016
- How much innovation is just right? Can you have too much?
- Historical examples of institutionally fostered innovation
- Institutional and cultural obstacles to innovation in the U.S. Army of the twenty-first century

Dealing with a Shrinking Army
September-October 2016
- Lessons from post-Civil War, post-World War I, post-World War II, post-Vietnam, and post-Cold War
- Training to standard with limited resources
- Quality retention during forced drawdowns
- The good, bad, and ugly of distance learning

Tides of History: How they Shape the Security Environment
November-December 2016
- Mao’s three stages of revolutionary warfare and the rise of ISIL and Boko Haram; winning by outgoverning
- Collisions of culture: The struggle for cultural hegemony in stability operations—Can a nation survive without a national narrative?
- Case studies: Histories of illegal immigration and how such have shaped national development in various countries
- Does the military have a role in saving democracy from itself? Compare and contrast the military’s role in the life of the Weimar Republic and Mohamed Morsi’s Muslim Brotherhood rule of Egypt

Soldiers from the 2nd Squadron, 38th Cavalry Regiment, 504th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, lean against a mud wall 9 January 2012 during a break from combat operations in Spin Boldak District, Afghanistan.

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