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From the Editor

This edition of Clio is dedicated to all those authors and journalists who make history come alive through their historical novels. Overall, these authors try to be as true to fact as their information allows, although inaccuracies are sometimes made through no fault of the author. The historical novelist spins his story mixing fact and fiction.

The great advantage of the historical novel is that it is a great way to learn history and anyone can read and enjoy these books.

The novels reviewed in this <u>Clio</u> are books which students have read over the winter or spring vacation. We are not saying that these are the best historical novels that have ever been written but we feel they are fascinating books to read and are historically accurate.

We hope that this <u>Clio</u> will inspire all those who have never read a historical novel to do so. We also hope that our professors will take advantage of the fine works that are being written and use them for their classes.

As editor, I would like to thank all those who contributed to this edition.

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