

Walter E. Kaegi

Walter E. Kaegi continued to investigate, expand, and polish the embryo of his book manuscript *The Dynamics of Muslim Invasions and Byzantine Resistance in North Africa*. His book *Heraclius Emperor of Byzantium*, which Cambridge University Press published in 2003, continues to sell well, his editor informs him. He published the following papers: “The Earliest Muslim Penetrations of Anatolia,” in *Byzantine State and Society in Memory of Nikos Oikonomides*, edited by A. Avramea, A. Laiou, E. Chrysos (Athens, 2003), pp. 269–82; and “Les défaites de Byzance en Orient” and “Expansion musulmane. La conquête de l’Ouest” [French translations of “Religious Elements in Muslim Conquests” and “North Africa”] in *Le Monde de la Bible* (No. 154, November 2003): 14–19, 36–41. Kaegi also published some book reviews: “Review of *Byzantium and the Arabs in the Sixth Century*, Volume 2, Part 1,” by Irfan Shahid, in *Journal of the American Oriental Society* 123 (2003): 461–62; “Review of *A Cumulative Bibliography of Medieval and Early Modern Military History and Technology*, by K. DeVries,” for *De Re Militari* (2004): http://www.deremilitari.org/RESOURCES/REVIEWS/devries_cb.htm; and “Review of *Armies of the Caliphs*, by H. Kennedy, in *International History Review* 16 (2004): 105–07.

Regarding publications now at press, Kaegi completed two articles that will appear in *Byzantinische Forschungen* 28 (2004): “The Interrelationship of Seventh-Century Muslim Raids into Anatolia with the Struggle for North Africa” and “Byzantine Studies Present and Future.” He also completed the following paper, “The Early Muslim Raids into Anatolia and Byzantine Reactions under Emperor Constans II,” which was accepted and will appear in the proceedings of the University of Erfurt (Germany) International Workshop on “The Encounter of Oriental Christianity with Islam in the 7th and 8th Centuries,” under the editorship of Emmanouela Grypeou. He completed the following book reviews: “Review of *The Chronography of George Synkellos*, translated by Wm. Adler, and Paul Tuffin, for the *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*; and “Review of *The Empress Theodora: Partner of Justinian*, by J. A. S. Evans,” for the *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*. He corrected page proofs for his “Review of *Nachrichten zum byzantinischen Urkundenwesen in arabischen Quellen (565–811)*, by D. Beihammer,” for *Jahrbuch der Osterreichischen Byzantinistik*.

Kaegi was awarded a Fulbright-Hays Fellowship for research on the dynamics of Muslim Invasion and Byzantine Resistance in North Africa (7th–8th centuries CE) in Tunisia, Morocco, and Algeria, for twelve months, starting in September 2004 and terminating in September 2005. He declined the offer of an ACLS Fellowship for the same project.

Marquis *Who’s Who in America* has informed him that it will list him in its 2005 volume.

Kaegi gave the following papers and public lectures: 17 October 2003 at 29th Annual Byzantine Studies Conference, Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, “Reinterpreting Constans II (641–668)”]; and 27 March 2004 at “North Africa, Aspects of the Transition from Late Antiquity to Islam: The Problem of Africa for Theodosius, Marcian, and Heraclius,” University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign Symposium “Late Antiquity in Illinois,” held at Illini Union.

Kaegi’s principal focus has been on his book manuscript on the Muslim conquest of Byzantine North Africa, and researches on the reign of Emperor Constans II (641–668). In support of his broader research on North Africa, he visited early Byzantine sites in Corsica during March 2004. He is likewise preparing a chapter on Byzantine relations with the Muslim world for the Cambridge History of the Byzantine Empire, edited by Jonathan Shepard. Kaegi continues to serve as editor for the journal *Byzantinische Forschungen*.