End Matter

We begin with a list of the 60 cyclical signs, which in the above translations are here represented by their sequence numbers, as day 34 (丁酉) and so on.

Next comes a reference list of the dates and dynasties mentioned in the text, for the convenience of all, but also for the guidance of hose readers who may not be familiar with classical China and its conventions.

The list of Works Cited includes several works seen but not actually cited, to put them on record as suggestions for future reading. Further to that end, comments (italicized) have been added to some of the entries.

The Romanization Table appears in our books and in the journal Warring States Papers; it is our standard comparison of three schemes for the spelling of Chinese words. We like ours best, which is why we use it (it is less misleading for the uninstructed than the others; for details, see the Preface), but readers will need to be aware of the others if they intend to read at all in the secondary literature.

The Subject Index is simply a guide to places in the book where certain names or ideas first occur, or are most fully discussed. It is not complete, nor does it attempt to serve as a glossary of key terms.

Such as they are, we hope that these conveniences will aid readers, and especially those who may come to the subject from another field, whose needs the authors have attempted to keep in mind during the writing of this book.

We hope you have enjoyed the book, and will find these last pages useful, whenever they may be needed.
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