Chinese-Canadian Veterans

In 1939, more than 600 Chinese Canadians volunteered to fight for Canada, although they did not have the right to vote. At first, Chinese Canadians were not welcomed in certain branches of the armed forces, nor were they called up for active duty.

Chinese Canadians did eventually achieve the right to vote in federal elections, soon after the war, in 1947.

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This photo of Victor E. Wong (left) and friend Poon Wong (right) was taken in an army hut in India in 1945 (Photo courtesy of Victor Eric Wong).



Willy Chong, Dake Yip, George Mar, and an unknown man, likely at the British camp in India (Photo courtesy of Victor Eric Wong).