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1. Editorial May 30 2016
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This edition features an important update regarding additions and corrections to our online casualty database, over 500 and counting.

Books and film from our website visitors make this a "Bookstore" edition. Be sure to check each offering.

An important notice for Verizon users is included.

Our DMZ Vets (post truce to current day) will get a separate email news update in the coming weeks.

We are still looking for ways to attract new donors/sponsors which will allow us to continue the website as a non-profit online.

This edition is also available in Adobe Acrobat format (.pdf). Acrobat allows the end reader to increase or decrease the size of the font for easier reading.

Hal and Ted Barker, Korean War Project, Dallas, TX

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2. KCCF Casualty File Review
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Our work to audit and amend our casualty listings has taken a big step forward. Officially, DOD cites losses of 36,574, but over 500 confirmed losses are missing from the official databases. We find more losses each day.

We compared various data sets, including news clippings, obituary reports, military records and rosters, and many other online documents over many months.

Air Force records show beyond any doubt that hundreds of additional losses occurred in the Theatre of Operations, including transport aircraft and passengers, bombers, and other aircraft and ground crews. For Air Force operations alone, we are awaiting records on an additional 75 losses known to have occurred but not listed anywhere except in incident records. A number of senior military officials were involved in these uncounted incidents but their names were never

honored in the official loss records to this day.

Navy records show that many Navy aircraft were not counted in any casualty lists or MIA lists although casualties qualified for the Korea Service Medal and ribbons for In-Theatre operations.

This work is a key element of the Korean War Project and our donors and sponsors are responsible for keeping this work ongoing.

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3. Membership | Sponsors
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Consider supporting the mission of the Korean War Project by donations in the form of Membership/Sponsorship.

Membership: www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html

Our Pledge Drive is an ongoing process. We are recruiting from those who have not participated, so if you can, jump on in, it will be appreciated.

The site is free for all to use and those who participate help to ensure that we remain online whether the donation is \$5.00 or more!

For those persons or groups who cannot participate, we certainly understand.

Donations/Memberships are tax deductible, if you use long form IRS reports. Our EIN: 75-2695041 501(c) (3)

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4. Message areas
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Our Looking For, Guestbook, Remembrance, and BBS message groups continue to foster networking and information sharing.

Each entry on these sections is followed by an automated response to the sender to show them what they posted.

We continue to send periodic messages to new visitors in order to ensure that each person is welcomed to the KWP.

Messages sent out from visitors to persons who have posted are followed up by Ted Barker if any are returned as undeliverable.

Always send direct email to us if you require assistance.

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5. Verizon email users notice
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Verizon email users started reporting problems of rejected email to the Korean War Project last summer. It was only recently that one of the Verizon customers sent us the "reject notice" via Ted's Yahoo

account.

The issue is for the Verizon mail server administrators to resolve and is not an issue for your personal account. Verizon has not responded to inquiries by Ted regarding the server glitch.

Ted will write to each of our Verizon customers by separate email from his Yahoo account to describe the issue.

We apologize for any missed attempts to communicate with either Hal or Ted.

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6. Borinqueneers Photo Directory 2016
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Noemi Figueroa Soulet , Executive Producer of El Pozo Productions has produced a directory of photographs of men from the 65th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division.

From Noemi: Our new publication is a directory of Borinqueneer photographs sent to us by veterans and their families over the years and includes photographs obtained from public sources as well. Organized in alphabetical order, the book contains more than 660 black and white photographs of 65th Infantry soldiers and officers listing their company and dates served, and major medals earned. The book also features appendices including a Regimental Commander photo roster, 65th Infantry statistics, and lists by name of 65th casualties and medals earned. It is an essential reference book for those veterans who do not own computers and cannot access our online Gallery of photos. Or for anyone with an interest in the 65th Infantry Regiment! 114 pages, 8 1/2" x 11".

Price: \$20.00 from borinqueneers.com/shop

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7. Thank You to our Sponsors | Donors/Members
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Thanks to all who have made this newsletter and the website possible!

The average annual number of donors is about 750.

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8. This Mailing List
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Required Notice for Bulk Mail:

We began sending this newsletter mailing in December of 1998 The first issue went to just over 2000 persons.

This list is a private list for our visitors and members. A person may join or leave the list at will. It is compiled from our Guest Book and comprises public service messages of general interest to veterans and families.

To join or leave the list: email to: Ted Barker tbarker@kwp.org Place: Subscribe or Unsubscribe in the subject line.

Consider forwarding the Newsletter to your friends by email or print. Word of mouth is how we grow.

Thanks to all who have made this newsletter and the website possible!

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9. Bookstore | Film
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Be sure to visit the main index on the web site. The links to each book allow viewers to learn more about each book.

See: www.koreanwar.org/html/bookstore.html

Many of the books are self-published. | Included are DVD and film products.

Most titles may be found online using your favorite search tool. We also post to our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

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Getting Here; Thoughts, Stories, Poems, Recollections by Buck Matthews

Buck Matthews is a former member of the 18th Fighter Bomber Wing, Communications Squadron. He was at K-46 and was a ground radio operator. He has written to the KWP about his admiration

Review: A wise, witty, and whimsical collection of stories and essays from one of West Michigan's most recognizable broadcast personalities. Flavored here and there with a bit poetry, this is an honest and open reflection on a life that, like many, hasn't gone exactly to plan. In fact, this sometimes poignant memoir reveals that there wasn't much of a plan to begin with. It's a book that should encourage anyone for whom setting goals is often more trouble than it's worth and sometimes just gets in the way of what can happen if we allow it.

Now available at Schuler Books and Music in Grand Rapids and The Bookman in Grand Haven - \$15.99.

For more information: http://buckmatthews.com/

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Task Force Faith The Story of the 31st Regimental Combat Team Film Documentary

by Julie Precious.

Review: "It is difficult to balance a rational, analytical perspective with the raw emotional experience of war, and I deeply appreciate what Julie Precious has created with so much love and intelligence. The soldiers' testimonies and historical context regarding the relentless enormity of what was faced has helped me understand my father's last days, and I am grateful to all of the individuals who participated with such care in the making of Task Force Faith".

Catherine MacLean [daughter of Col. Allen D. MacLean, Commander 31st RCT (MIA)]

Price: 18.00 with free shipping in US.

See website for details at: www.taskforcefaith.com

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On Hardened Ground

by REMee (Robert Moffett)

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This is a true story which describes the intensive training and tactics used in the search for enemy submarines during the Korean War.

Tense action, mishaps, and the inevitable gallows humor of squadron personnel comprises the well-crafted book.

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Excitement: Shot At And Missed
by Bob Lonn

EXCITEMENT: Shot At And Missed is one Marine's recollections of the experiences of the Marines of F-2-5 in Korea in 1951-52. Ken Lonn, a Mortar/Rockets Section Chief during that conflict, recalls the good times and the not so good times, the laughs and the misery, the struggles and the accomplishments. This book will take the reader on an exciting journey from hometown U.S.A., through 'boot camp' and a year of combat, from a veteran's first person view of the realities of war.

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High Tide in the Korean War: How an Outnumbered American Regiment Defeated the Chinese at the Battle of Chipyeong-ni

by Leo Barron

By early 1951, American forces and their UN allies had been driven more than 100 miles down the Korean peninsula by the Chinese. The situation was bleak when Gen. Matthew Ridgway ordered a last stand at the village of Chipyeong-ni. There a single regiment (the 23rd Infantry) of fewer than 5,000 U.S. soldiers defeated a Chinese division of 25,000 men in what has been called the Gettysburg of the Korean War

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CANDY: True Tales of a 1st Cavalry Soldier in the Korean War and Occupied Japan Kindle Edition

by Kenneth J. LaRue (Author), William D. LaRue

A new memoir has been published by Kenneth LaRue of Canton, New York, about his Army experiences serving in the Korean War. Ken fought on the front with the 1st Cavalry Division, 8th Regiment, 2nd Battalion, George Company as a PFC in late 1951. Ken died in 2012, but his son recently completed and published the memoir as an e-book on Amazon.com. "CANDY: True Tales of a 1st Cavalry Soldier in the Korean War and Occupied Japan" is both refreshingly honest and edged with humor. The title "CANDY" is inspired in part by mispronunciation of Ken's name by the young "bar girls" in Japan. Candy happens to be, too, a recurring element of Ken's story, from the treats he gives to beggar children in Korea to the Army candy he used to settle his stomach after a brutal battle on Thanksgiving 1951.

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Spare Not the Brave: The Special Activities Group in Korea
by Richard L. Kiper

The Special Activities Group (SAG) and its subordinate companies have received little attention from historians, despite being an elite combat unit and participating in highly classified and dangerous missions in Korea. Rarely receiving more attention than a footnote, their story usually begins and ends on the night of September 12, 1950, with an amphibious raid near Kunsan. Until their inactivation on March 31, 1951, SAG simply disappears from most Korean War histories. Spare Not the Brave corrects this omission.

Much of this volume is based upon the words of the participants themselves. Using previously obscure primary sources, oral histories, and official records, author Richard L. Kiper tells this unit's riveting tale. Wherever possible, first-person accounts have been verified and supplemented with official reports, maps, and documents. Drawing on his twenty-six years of infantry and Special Forces experience, Kiper brings critical analysis and insight to this previously untold story. Spare Not the Brave fills a gap in the historiography of the Korean War and adds a valuable chapter to the history of U.S. Army special operations.

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The Second Truth: Korean War
by John Viola HM2

This is a true story about a young man having to deal with a war. It takes you on a journey to boot camp training, training in the medical field, sea duty on a destroyer, and nineteen months in the combat zone. This is the transition of a patriotic, naive young boy in a war that nobody cared about because everyone served somewhere in WW2. Tired of war and only wants to get on with their lives, they didn't care, for they were in the big one. Therefore, what he had been in is known as the forgotten war. There were no victory parades, no welcome home, only feelings of shame and being made foolish. Korean War Veterans never talk about the war.

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Never Die: Corporal Bernard Jones' Experience of the Korean War
Paperback
by Clara Jones Pilarski

Bernard Jones was 20 years old when he was drafted into the Army to serve in the Korean War. This book was written 60 years later to capture his memories and experiences during one of the bloodiest conflicts in history. From Basic Training to combat to beyond, Bernard's devotion to duty and love of country is detailed in the pages of this book. After Bernard's discharge from the Army he continued to serve his community and country. He maintained lifetime memberships with Veterans of Foreign Wars posts and actively held offices and performed various military duties for decades. He attended annual reunions with Able Battery members of the 999th Armored Field Artillery Battalion throughout the United States and beyond. The Korean War, often referred to as "the forgotten war," was never forgotten for Bernard.

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Korean War Memoir
by Charles V. Gray VP-931

Edited by Cynthia Gray Beers

Mr. Gray served in several units before and during the Korean War. His first assignments were aboard the USS Sicily in Combat Information Center (CIC) supporting VMF-214 (Black Sheep Sqdn).

Next assignments were to VP-57 and VP-931: "During the Korean Conflict, I served with VP-931 for over 7 months flying surveillance patrols about the USSR, 1951-52. We were stationed at NAS Kodiak (now a Coast Guard Air Station) and flew 8 to 10 hour patrols in and around Kamchatka, Siberia, Arctic Circle Aleutian Islands, North Atlantic, and Bering Sea."

Self-published 87 pages with photographs.

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The Mortars at Chipyeong-ni
A Grassroots Look at an Historic Defensive Battle in The Korean War
by James E. Whitaker
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This is a book written to describe the actions of the 81mm Mortar Platoon of H Company 23rd Infantry Regiment 2nd Infantry Division during the battle between February 3rd to February 18th of 1951.

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91 Bravo Medic: A Memoir of the Second Korean War
by Mr George J Strejcek

This is a personal memoir covering some Basic Training and Military service in the US Army in South Korea during the years 1967-69. It covers some incidents that happened as well as the personal experience of a young man away from home. This edition now contains a few photos.

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10. DMZ Veterans (post truce)
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This section of our website continues to attract attention with an ever-growing number of visitors leaving messages or phone calls to the KWP.

As always, the issue with use of Agent Orange and other toxic chemicals is a central theme of the correspondence.

If you served after the truce be sure to browse the message areas.

A separate news update for DMZ Vets will be forthcoming in the next couple of weeks.

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11. Task Force Smith Memorial website
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One of our readers sent the link to the UN Forces First Battle Memorial in Osan City.

fsmemorial.com/connect.html

Arriving by air from Japan, Task Force Smith was the first U.S. combat unit to take on invading North Korean forces.

The task force, named after its commander, Lt. Col. Charles B. Smith, was outnumbered almost 10 to 1 in that first fight, called the Battle of

Osan.

In order to buy time for more troops to arrive, they attempted to stop nearly 5,000 advancing enemy soldiers and 34 Soviet-built tanks, with a limited amount of anti-tank weaponry.

The battle ended in defeat for the UN, but its significance lies in communicating to the North Koreans that the Americans were militarily involved in the Korean War.

It was also the first military action taken by the UN after their foundation in order to protect liberty and peace.

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Thanks again for following the Korean War Project.

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