

# SOUTH KOREANS BEAT OFF REDS



DEFENDERS REST — Holding the Republic's flag, two retreating South Korean soldiers rest near Suwon, Korea, before regrouping for a stand against North Korean invaders, who were one mile away when this photo was made.

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### TRAFFIC ACCIDENT DEATHS EQUAL RECORD SET IN U. S. LAST YEAR

Nearly 300 Killed In Traffic Mishaps Since Friday Night

No Fireworks Deaths Or Heat Prostration

By United Press  
Traffic accidents killed Americans at the rate of one every 14 minutes today as the nation swung into its Fourth of July celebration.

The death rate was equal to that of last year's, when a new high in holiday slaughter was recorded.

More Heavy Traffic  
Safety experts feared it would go even higher because traffic will be heavy tonight and tomorrow night on most highways.

United Press compilations showed that 286 persons were killed in traffic accidents between 6 p. m., local time, Friday, and 10:30 a. m. today.

Reports from UP bureaus showed that 450 persons had met violent deaths during the period, including 81 drownings. Airplane crashes killed 11 and miscellaneous accidents 72.

No deaths were reported from either fireworks or heat prostration.

385 Deaths Expected

The National Safety council had predicted that 385 persons would die in highway crashes in the 102-hour period from 6 p. m. Friday to midnight Tuesday. That would have been a death rate of 3.77 per hour. Actually, the death rate was running more than four an hour.

Despite the hazards of crowded highways, Americans turned out by the millions, grimly determined to enjoy the holiday as a respite from the gloomy international news of the past week.

Many had to return to work for today, complicating the traffic situation.

Plan No Mobilization Of Reserves In Week

Washington, July 3—(U.P.)—Defense Secretary Louis Johnson today scotched reports that a partial mobilization of reserves is slated to get underway this week.

"Nothing like that is in prospect at the present time," Johnson told reporters.

The defense department also threw cold water on the reports.

A department spokesman reissued Johnson's statement of June 28 in which he said that "it is not contemplated to call the reserve components to active duty in the foreseeable future."

NOT TO MEET

The new organized naval reserve electronic company will not meet this evening due to the holiday, according to Lt. Edward O. Leonard, commanding officer.

The next meeting will be at 7:30 p. m. Monday, July 10. All men in the company must attend to take physical examinations which will be given by a team to be sent down from Seattle headquarters.

Lost Girl Found Safe After 50-Man Search

Longview, Wash., July 3—(U.P.)—A four-year-old girl lost in Mt. Rainier National park since yesterday afternoon was found today by two Tacoma, Wash., men; the ranger's office here reported.

A ranger said the girl, Marcelia Ramiskey, was in good condition with no visible cuts or abrasions but was taken to a doctor's office at Buckley for examination.

The ranger did not identify the men who found the girl. Forest rangers and soldiers, assisted by bloodhounds, had searched the bear-infested Carbon river area of the park for the girl who strayed from a family picnic.



PROTEST U. S. ACTION IN KOREA—Germans in the Soviet sector of Berlin rally at the Lustgarten to protest measures taken by the United States in Korea. Sign reads: "Truman threatens with war, to enforce the peace."

Youngster Drowns In Orchard Home Irrigation Ditch

Kerry Michael Wilkins, year and a half old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilkins, Bandon, drowned in an irrigation ditch along Orchard Home drive here early yesterday, according to Coroner Carlos Morris.

The youngster, who with his parents and two other children was visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wilkins, 2049 Orchard Home drive, apparently fell into the swift water of the full ditch at about 10 a. m. He was missed about a half hour later, and the family started searching for him.

The body was found a block away at about 11 a. m. A Conger-Morris ambulance resuscitator and a doctor's injection of adrenalin failed to revive him.

Litwiler Funeral home, Ashland, is in charge of arrangements.

Forest Men Again Urge Fire Caution

State forest patrolmen and Rogue River national forest fire protection officials joined today in a renewed plea for fire caution in southern Oregon's forests over the July 4 holiday.

The warm and pleasant holiday weather has helped to dry the forests out, they reminded, and it would be easy for a disastrous fire to gain a foothold.

Fireworks especially are a danger, they said, and asked that they not be used in forest areas.

Pilot From Portland Lands on Nevada Road

Portland, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—A Portland pilot, missing four hours on a flight from Portland to Lakeview, Ore., yesterday, made a safe landing near Winnemucca, Nev., the civil aeronautics administration reported today.

CAA officials said Guy Fulton, 49, of Portland said he ran out of gas after overshooting the Lakeview airport and landed his light plane on the highway about 60 miles north of Winnemucca. He was alone in the plane.

Salem, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—A crowd of nearly 2,500 is expected at Champe August 6 when state employees and members of their families picnic at the historic spot on the Willamette river.

Radio Highlights

"Lindy" Sales, one of the boosters of the Pee Wee Baseball league and coach of the Phoenix entry, will appear on Dick Schuchard's "Breakfast Sports Page" Wednesday at 7:45 a. m. on KYJC (1230 kc.).

Diplomats Indicate More Optimism Since Red Invasion of South Korea

Washington, July 3—(U.P.)—U. S. diplomats showed more optimism today than at any other time since communists invaded South Korea.

They believed the United States still faces severe military tests, but has overcome the greatest diplomatic dangers.

Despite reports that four planes marked with the red star of Russia were operating

with the North Korean air force, there was a growing belief here that Moscow will keep hands off—even if the communists lose.

Officials would not comment on dispatches from the Korean front that IL-10 reconnaissance planes with Russian markings took part in a raid on the Suwon airstrip.

But U. S. officers have discounted or denied previous reports that Russian pilots have joined the battle. Since all North Korean planes are Russian-built, it was considered possible that the four bearing Russia's red star may have been put into use without bothering to paint on the North Korean insignia.

The optimism here sprang in part from:

1. Overwhelming world support for U. S. intervention in Korea.

2. A hope that the strong western stand will discourage Russia from adventures likely to touch off a general war.

The Fourth of July celebration will get off to a start tomorrow at 9:30 a. m. with a grand western parade on Main street, and down Helman street to the junior high school. At 11 a. m. a band concert will be given in the park band shell and at 12 noon a barbecue will be held in the park.

The Ashland Riding association sponsored rodeo and races will get under way at the association's grounds north of Ashland, at 2 p. m.

Evening programs at the park will include an organ recital at 7 p. m., a band concert, 8 p. m., final grand fireworks display at SOCE Pearl bowl, 9:30 p. m. A Jaycee street dance on the Plaza blocks will continue from 9:30 p. m. to 12 midnight.

The riding association's queen and princesses will preside at the rodeo tomorrow afternoon and queen candidates of the Jacksonville Gold Rush jubilee queen contest will be introduced.

Portland Area Given Big Fireworks Display

Portland, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—Residents of a southeast Portland neighborhood got a free pre-holiday fireworks show yesterday when a \$2000 stock of pyrotechnics was unintentionally set off.

Multnomah county sheriff's deputies believed a carelessly thrown small firecracker started the explosion. Also destroyed was a tent valued by Owner Richard Allen of Salem at \$1000.

GOV. MCKAY APPOINTS

Salem, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—Gov. Douglas McKay reappointed I. A. De France of Salem today to a five-year term on the state public employees retirement board. De France represents employees on the board.

Americans Rushing To Help Republic's Stubborn Forces

Line North of Suwon Held by South Korea

Tokyo, Tuesday, July 4—(U.P.)

Hard pressed South Korean forces clung stubbornly to outflank Suwon today, beating off communist attempts to encircle them before onrushing American troops could come to their rescue.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that the Korean republicans still were holding a line north of Suwon, 20 miles south of Seoul, and also held the town of Incheon, the port of Seoul, 25 miles northwest of Suwon.

Three Columns Move

Three North Korean columns, each reported to contain some tanks and artillery, were slashing southward in the region east of Suwon. The headquarters communique said they appeared to have reached towns to the southeast of Suwon.

The South Koreans fell back on Suwon after abandoning their crumpled Han river defense line at the outskirts of Seoul under relentless communist pressure.

Field dispatches reported U. S. ground forces, including armored units, were rushing north from the provisional capital city of Taejon, 70 miles south of Suwon. All available trucks and trains were speeding the Americans northward for a head-on collision with the communists.

Clash Today Expected

Officials predicted that the Americans and North Koreans would clash today, U. S. Independence day. But MacArthur's communique reporting the southward push of the communists east of Suwon, said only:

"The enemy utilized every available means of transportation to expedite the movement of the columns. Apparently this was an attempt to outflank and encircle the South Korean forces prior to the arrival of United States reinforcements."

The communique also said South Korean reinforcements were moving north in an attempt to contain the communist threat east of Suwon.

The North Koreans forded the Han river just east of Seoul in the vicinity of Kwangjang and advanced south and southwest toward Suwon in two small parallel columns eight and 12 miles east of Suwon.

Switchmen's Strike Still Not Settled

Chicago, July 3—(U.P.)—Government mediators failed to settle a strike of AFL switchmen against five western railroads but reported progress today in efforts to avert a nationwide walkout of trainmen and conductors.

The switchmen's union rejected a government appeal to end its eight-day-old strike but offered to send enough men back to work to move "essential material."

A railroad spokesman termed the union offer "utterly impractical" and said "it is impossible to try to run half a railroad."

John Thad Scott Jr., new chairman of the national (railway) mediation board, appealed to the union to call off its strike because of the "critical" Korean situation.

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Two Firemen Injured In Fire at Gresham

Gresham, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—Two firemen suffered slight injuries yesterday while fighting a spectacular blaze that leveled the sawmill unit of Barger Mills, Incorporated, causing an estimated \$100,000 damage.

Flames were visible for more than 10 miles as the sawmill quickly became a heap of ashes. Debris, carried into the sky on flaming clouds of smoke, showered most of Gresham, near Portland.

Witnesses told police the fire started in a railroad siding at the mill where four railroad cars were being loaded with finished timber. All the cars were destroyed.

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WASCO DEMOS ELECT

The Dalles, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—The Wasco county democratic central committee today announced the election of L. V. Broughton as chairman in a meeting during the week-end.

Emergency Board Supports Civil Defense Plan With \$25,840 Fund

Salem, Ore., July 3—(U.P.)—The state emergency board, called into extraordinary session here Sunday, threw its full support behind Oregon's stepped-up civil defense program with a quick and unanimous appropriation of \$25,840, all that was requested.

Gov. Douglas McKay, who called the Sunday meeting, told board members that Oregon's air raid warning and ground observation preparedness efforts were lagging behind those of Washington and California and attributed the shortcoming to the face the 1949 Oregon legislature made no appropriation to carry on the work of the state civil defense agency which it authorized.

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civil defense, the governor indicated.

Said McKay: "I am not the least bit jittery, but I feel that we would be derelict in our duty by not moving forward on the premise that 'anything can happen'."

Jack A. Hayes of Salem, deputy director of Oregon's civil defense agency, told the board that a federal outline of vigil defense procedure was still lacking but was expected by September 1.

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around-the-clock basis in observation towers.

To an observation by Frank Van Dyke, Medford, speaker of the house, that if one of the coast states falls down in setting up civil defense, the entire plan for western states will fail to function.

Hayes added: "In building up this CD group, we are not primarily protecting ourselves, it is a co-operative movement in which we are protected and in turn protect others."

Should any enemy planes, for instance, swoop over the north pole and head for the states, British Columbia would warn Washington. Washington would prepare and pass on the warning to Oregon, with latest observations. Oregon would prepare and pass on the warning to California, and so on."

Korean War Seen Possible Death to Excise Tax Slash

Washington, July 3—(U.P.)—Public demand for excise tax cuts and a veto threat seemed likely today to warm a cool senate reception of a proposed increase in corporation taxes.

But the Korean war could kill the tax revision bill completely. Democratic leaders warned that prolonged fighting could mean even higher taxes.

The finance committee scheduled a meeting to discuss the house-approved measure and planned to set a date to start formal hearings.

Elsewhere in congress:

Both Parties Have Say

Politicking Congressional candidates from both political parties were ready to make a campaign issue of the Korean war. Democrats called for "national unity" behind President Truman's bold stand.

Republicans agreed to that but no more. They broadened their attack on administration far eastern policies pre-dating the South Korean invasion.

Crime—The senate's special crime investigators announced they will hold hearings later this month in Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and Miami in the course of their \$150,000 investigation.

Truman, Johnson Eye Far East Battle Maps

Washington, July 3—(U.P.)—Defense Secretary Louis Johnson, armed with a military map of Korea, brought President Truman up to date today on fighting in the far east.

Johnson, Under-Secretary Stephen Early and Gen. Omar N. Bradley, chairman of the U. S. joint chiefs of staff, "briefed" the president for 25 minutes at the White House. Johnson said Mr. Truman would be briefed daily from now on.

Johnson, Early and Bradley were calm and assured. Johnson paused in the White House reception room to photograph a snoozing reporter with a camera.

CAP Cadets Leave by Air for Drill Contest

Medford's drill squadron of the civil air patrol left at 8:20 a. m. today for Ogden, Utah, where they will participate in a regional drill competition. They were representing Oregon, having won the state championship from Portland last month.

A big C-46 airforce reserve transport plane from the Portland airbase picked up the youngsters and their leaders at the airport here this morning.

The group is expected to return some time after 8 p. m. today. About 35 cadets were expected on the jaunt, under the leadership of Lt. Don Stewart.

Federal Court Jurors Released From Duty

Paul Hanlin, deputy United States marshal here, reported today that all cases scheduled to be heard in federal court July 6 have been settled. Jurors who were called for that date are released, he said.

#### Weather

FORECAST: Mostly clear skies tonight and Tuesday except scattered clouds and thunder showers over mountains Tuesday afternoon. Continued warm.

Highest Yesterday 83  
Lowest this Morning 56