

Korea Casualties Listed at 142,277

Washington — (U.P.) — The Korean war cost 142,277 American casualties, including 25,604 dead, the Defense department reported today in its final weekly casualty report.

The report gave this breakdown of American casualties in the three year war: 25,604 dead, 103,492 wounded, 8,529 missing, 2,219 captured and 2,433 previously reported captured or missing but since returned to military control.

A defense spokesman said it includes all the late casualties in the Korean war and represents a "preliminary total" of all American casualties.

Defense officials expect it will be at least another year before the final official tabulation is completed, but they said the final toll will not vary substantially from today's figure.

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West Felt Too Busy Seeking Collapse of Russia's Satellites

(Editor's note: Walter G. Rundle, United Press foreign news writer, is substituting for Phil Newsom while the latter is vacationing.)

An uneasy suspicion is developing that the West has been so busy watching for evidence that the roof is about to fall in on Russia's jerry-built satellite structure that we've failed to notice that a number of foundation stones have been kicked loose in our own European security system.

Western diplomats, who read similar motives into the Kremlin's latest "peace and unity" proposals on Germany, suggest it's time to wake up to the fact that Moscow has been cashing in handsomely in West Europe on its phony "let's be friends" strategy.

While we've been preoccupied with such interesting spectacles as anti-Communist riots in East Germany, Poland and Czechoslovakia and high level knife wielding in the Kremlin itself, here's what's been going on in our own back yard:

Not Sitting Down
1. Italy's pro-Western government of Alcide De Gasperi has toppled, largely through the cooperative efforts of the Italian

Communists and left-wing socialists.

2. The Communists have egged on and taken advantage of the wave of French strikes which have further weakened the tottering economy of that Western ally.

3. The six-nation West European defense community has been quietly shelved with no inclinations of early revival of this important European defense project.

4. Moves toward European unification have slowed to a standstill.

Wait and See

To a considerable extent, these developments can be traced to the lulling effects of Moscow's siren song of "peace and friendship" which has encouraged a wait-and-see policy in West Europe and influenced its leaders to channel some of their vital energies into the old avenues of internal strife and tardy defense.

Now the Kremlin is concentrating on Germany.

Important Elections Due

Important elections are coming up in West Germany in three weeks. At stake, for the West, is the political future of the government of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, most determined champion of German cooperation with the West and a German contribution to an European defense force.

The Kremlin's weak end note was a thinly disguised attempt to buy the election for Adenauer's political foes.

Transportation Growth On Pendleton Show

Pendleton — (U.P.) — The story of the growth of transportation in the West will unfold during the annual Westward Ho parade which will be staged here September 11 during the Pendleton Roundup.

Parade Director Dan Bell said all commercialism will be barred in the parade which will tell the story of transportation from the first rude drags and vehicles to more modern wagons and Mormon carts.

The Pendleton Roundup, a three-day affair, lasts from September 10 to 12.



COURT-MARTIALED — George Schreiber, 25, USAF 2nd Lieut. (above), has been convicted by a court-martial in Taegu, Korea, of premeditated murder and conspiracy to commit murder in death of a Korean national last September. The conviction is subject to review.

Battery Powder Maker Expects End Of Fraud Order

Washington — (U.P.) — Manufacturer Jess M. Ritchie said today he expects the Post Office Department to announce soon that it has cancelled a seven-month-old mail fraud order against his controversial battery pep powder, AD-X2.

A spokesman for the department confirmed that "we are going to issue something on AD-X2 in the next three or four days." He refused to elaborate on that statement.

Seen as Vindication

Ritchie said he has "reason to believe" that the department will officially vacate the fraud order, which has been "suspended" since March 2. He said he regards the impending action as a "vindication" of his product, which has been labeled worthless by the Bureau of Standards.

The order, which forbade Ritchie to use the mails to sell or advertise AD-X2, was issued last January on the basis of the Bureau of Standards' finding that the powder would not rejuvenate old storage batteries as Ritchie claimed.

In and Around Gold Hill

Gold Hill — Mr. and Mrs. Lester Parker, and family, of the Old Stage road had as their recent guests, Mrs. Noel Kellogg, and son Jimmy, of Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fields of Lafayette, Calif., were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Fields, of 4th street the past week. Other guests at the Field's home were their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fields, of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Molloy, and sons David and Johnny, spent last week end at Crescent City, where they visited friends. They were accompanied on their trip by Miss Gertrude Molloy, sister of Mr. Molloy.

Gold Hill Garden Club held its regular meeting August 7 at the home of Mrs. Otto Jones, on North 99 highway. There was a smaller attendance than usual due to summer vacation, and the group had one visitor. Mrs. George Dorman will be the hostess for the September meeting, with Mrs. Lester Thompson as co-hostess. The date will be announced later. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Sgt. and Mrs. Richard Abbott, Oceanside, Calif., are the parents of their first child, a daughter, Deborah Joy, who weighed in at five pounds, 12 ounces, August 12. Mrs. Abbott is the former Joanne Cogswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cogswell, and well known in Gold Hill. Abbott, the son of the Howard Abbotts of Grants Pass, is in the Marine corps, and sailed for Japan on August 13.

"Grandma" Rowe, mother of Mrs. Lucy Eddington, celebrated her 94th birthday recently. Many close friends and neighbors joined in the community in wishing her well.

District Superintendent and Mrs. Meredith Groves, formerly of Medford, and now of Eugene, were special guests at the Gold Hill Community Methodist church Sunday, August 16. The church was filled to overflowing to hear Dr. Groves speak, and many were friends and members of the Medford Methodist church, his former pastorate. Special music was provided by Mrs. Norman Gail, Mrs. Paul Molloy and Mrs. Roy Eskew, accompanied on the piano by Miss Nadra Moore. The services were followed by a basket dinner held in the church dining room, with between 60-65 in attendance. A quarterly business meeting followed, conducted by Dr. Groves, and the Rev. H. A. Dierdorff, pastor of the church. As a special

event of the day, the Women's Society of Christian service presented Rev. and Mrs. Dierdorff with a beautiful rug in commemoration of their 51st anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lester and children Rick and Vicki, spent the week end at Diamond lake, where they tried out their new boat, recently completed by Lester.

Friendship club members and their families of the Amethyst Rebekah lodge will hold their second picnic of the summer Friday, August 21st, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Charles Bell on Second avenue. Members are asked to bring card tables, folding chairs and table service. For information concerning the planned potluck, call Mrs. Paul Molloy, chairman, at Gold Hill, 59222.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hall and son Raymond, of 4th avenue, are visiting in Phoenix, Ariz., at the home of Mrs. Hall's father. They plan to return to Gold Hill about the last of August to prepare for the new school year.

Gold Hill Lion's club held its regular meeting August 13 at the Dardenelles, conducted by Jack Cannon, president. A special guest was Dr. Lee Mellish of Medford, the new district governor of the Lion's. Dr. Mellish gave an interesting talk, accompanied by colored moving pictures, of his attendance at the international convention of Lions held in Chicago last June. Sixteen members and several guests enjoyed the evening. During the business meeting plans were made for a membership drive, with final discussion to be held at the next meeting.

Sales Tax Seen for Benefit of Schools

Portland — (U.P.) — Clarence Hines, superintendent of Eugene schools, says a sales tax may be necessary to help support Oregon schools.

Hines told the leadership conference of the Oregon Education Association here that Oregon's present birth rate means \$80,000,000 in new schools and \$16,000,000 in operating costs in the next five years. He said school support now rests on state income tax and local property taxes.

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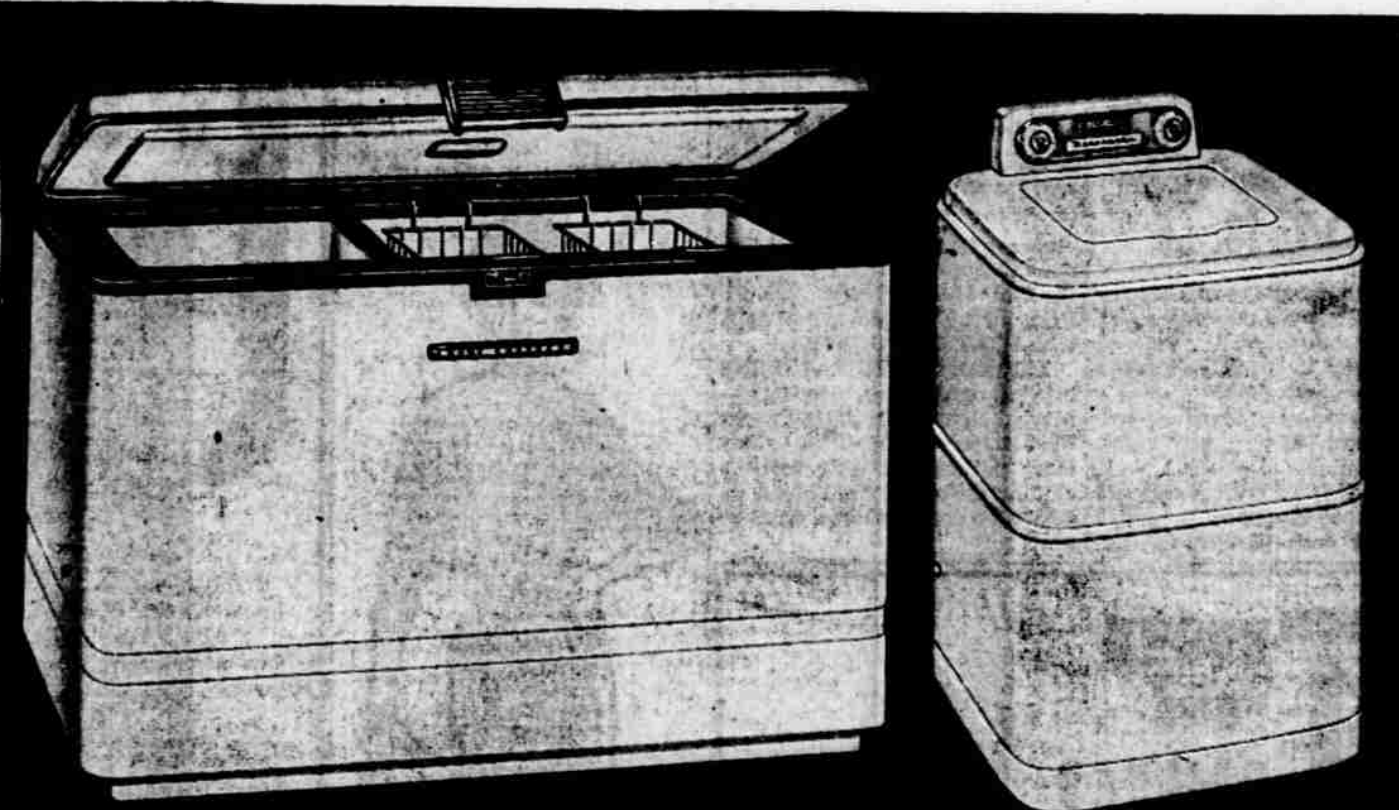
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