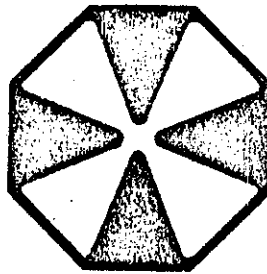


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FOREWORD

1. This semi-annual chronology provides a handy reference source document of the day-by-day sequence of events affecting Eighth Army. It serves as a continuing record of historic firsts, changes of command, anniversaries, command visits, and other significant events in Korea.
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- 1 ROK President PARK Chung Hee, in a New Year's message to his nation, says the ROK must strengthen its defense capabilities and solidify ties with allies in the coming years to prevent Communist aggression.
- 2 Rep William S. Broomfield (R-Mich), House Foreign Affairs Committee, begins a five-day visit with a discussion with ROK President PARK on US military plans for Korea.
- 3 The NEW YORK TIMES reports that President Nixon has directed the Defense Department to "delay indefinitely" plans for US troop withdrawals from Korea beyond 20,000 men scheduled to be reduced by 30 Jun 71. Pentagon sources reply that there are no such plans to be delayed.
- 4 The first heavy snow of the new year causes 178 deaths throughout the ROK.
- 4 Five members of the House Armed Services special subcommittee on drug abuse, headed by Rep G. Elliot Hagan (D-Ga), arrive in Seoul for a check on drug problems among US forces in Korea.
- 5 The ROKMJ notifies USFK that it will exercise jurisdiction over SP4 Terry A. Mathews, 36th Engr Gp, I Corps (Gp), who is alleged to have raped and murdered a Korean girl in Uijongbu on 22 Oct 70.
- 6 BG Edward B. Kitchens, new 2d Div ADC, arrives to replace BG John W. Collins who is reassigned to USMAAG, Ethiopa. Kitchens was formerly CG of USACDC, Ft Leavenworth, Kansas.
- 6 NK warships fire on two ROK fishing vessels, sinking one and crippling the other before it is rescued by ROKN ships. The first sea incident of the year left 12 friendly crew members missing and presumed dead.
- 11 GEN Leonard F. Chapman, USMC Commandant, arrives for a three-day inspection of US Marine units.

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- 11 President PARK announces that his government is planning a military cutback in Vietnam. The ROK presently has approximately 50,000 men serving in the RVN in two full army divisions, a marine brigade, and supporting forces.
- 12 According to a press report, Turkey has decided to withdraw its detachment serving with the UNC in Korea.
- 12 L. Wade Latham, outgoing Deputy Chief of the US Mission in Korea, departs for the US after serving more than two years in the ROK. He will be replaced by Frank T. Underhill, Jr, on 28 Jan.
- 12 Rep Charles Wilson (D-Calif) departs for the US after concluding a four-day visit to Korea.
- 13 Four crewmen are killed when a US Army UH1D helicopter crashes on the Kimpo Peninsula, 25 miles W of Seoul. The helicopter was supporting a search for a suspected NK agent. The victims are CPT Dennis H. Uyenoyama, 1LT N. L. Sutera, SP4 Kurt J. Schroeder and PFC David L. Alvarez, all of the 239th Avn Co.
- 13 GEN Mark W. Clark (Ret), former commander of the UNC and signer of the Korean Armistice Agreement, arrives in Korea for a three-day visit, heading a 25-man delegation of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The group hopes to formalize plans for the erection of a monument on Seoul's Namsan Mountain in memory of the 54,246 Americans who died in the Korean War.
- 14 BG Sidney M. Marks, 7th Div ADC(M), departs for a new assignment as First Army CofS, Ft Meade, Md.
- 15 A liberal leave policy for servicemen is in effect and memorial services are held in Eighth Army for Negro civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr, on this anniversary of his birthday. At RC#1, in the 2d Inf Div, some 300 black soldiers stage a peaceful march and demonstration. Helicopters, armored personnel carriers, and a number of MPs are present to maintain order.
- 15 Presidential Advisor and former ROK Premier CHUNG Il Kwon visits Washington to confer with Congressional and State Department officials about the Vietnam War and US-ROK relations.
- 15 The ROKA marks the 25th anniversary of its activation. In its relatively short history, the ROKA, part of which is deployed to the RVN, has become one of the Free World's largest and best trained armies.

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- 15 The ROK Women's Army Corps, formerly under DCSPER, is activated as an independent agency under control of the ROKA Cofs.
- 17 The Eighth Army boxing team takes first place for the third consecutive year in the 1971 USARPAC Boxing Championships held at Shea Field House in ASCOM, Korea.
- 17 GEN William B. Rosson, new CINCUSARPAC, arrives for a week-long orientation visit during which he will meet with US and ROK leaders and tour military installations from the DMZ to Pusan. It is his first visit to Korea.
- 18 The DA Honor Award for Safety is presented to Eighth Army by visiting CINCUSARPAC GEN William B. Rosson. It is Eighth Army's second consecutive DA award and its fifth in the past eight years. This command reported a 16 percent decrease in the number of accidents during FY 70.
- 18 Addressing Korean defense officials, President PARK Chung Hee calls for a goal of self-reliant defense. He says "the ROK has learned much from the US in the military field, but we must work out something of our own from what we have learned."
- 18 COMMANDO JADE, a ROK/US air exercise, opens today. Air defense, interdiction and immediate close air support mock battles will be conducted.
- 20 I US Corps (Gp), largest unit of its kind in the Army, observes its 53d anniversary of distinguished service which includes action in 20 campaigns and three wars.
- 20 According to the FOEU, Eighth Army is planning to release some 16,000, or 46 percent, of its 35,000 appropriated fund Korean employees by 30 Jun 71.
- 21 President Park, on the third anniversary of NK's abortive Blue House raid, warns a security council meeting that NK is increasing their campaign to launch another attack against the South.
- 21 The ROKG grants an entry visa to the first Soviet citizen to visit the ROK. G. A. Dorofeev, a Russian scientist, will attend the forthcoming seminar of the International Atomic Energy Agency which will be held in Seoul.
- 22 Drugs took the lives of two Americans in Korea last year, according to an Eighth Army spokesman. The announcement, which did not specify whether the persons who died were servicemen, also reported that about 60 patients a month are admitted to Eighth Army hospitals for drug problems.

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- 23 USS Pueblo hijacked by NK three years ago today. One crewman was killed. Remaining 82 were released from captivity 11 months later. NK Communists still retain vessel.
- 23 In an attempted hijack of a KAL airliner over South Korea, the skyjacker and a co-pilot are killed and 22 others wounded by a homemade bomb. Hijacker KIM Sang Tae, 22, exploded the bomb after he was shot twice by a security guard as the plane was making a landing at Kojin on the ROK's east coast.
- 23 ROK observes Freedom Day. On this date 17 years ago, ROK President Syngman Rhee freed 7,604 NKA prisoners and 14,235 CHICOM prisoners who chose freedom by refusing to return to Communist hands.
- 23 MG Francis L. Sampson, Army Chief of Chaplains, begins a four-day visit to the ROK.
- 26 ROK MND JUNG Nae Hiuk discloses that the ROK will deploy new AA guns to complement the Nike Hercules and Hawk missile system to further protect the Seoul-Inchon industrial area from enemy attack.
- 27 Lunar New Year. Today begins the "Year of the Pig" in the Orient and the year 4304 in Korean history.
- 27 The ROK Ministry of Education issues detailed instructions to the ROK's 58 colleges and universities for enforcing a new student military training program. The program requires all male students to undergo three hours of military training a week.
- 29 MG SHIN Won Shik, MND's Asst Vice Minister for Logistics, departs for the States with a five-man delegation to consult with representatives of DOD and Colt Industries, the manufacturer of the M16 rifle, and to finalize details for the construction of an M16 plant in Korea.
- 30 Eleven military policemen, electronic metal detectors and a dog trained to detect marihuana are added to the Eighth Army customs team at Kimpo AB to assist in checking passengers and baggage for contraband on both incoming and outgoing MAC flights.

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- 1 The 3/81st Arty, formerly a I Corps Arty unit, becomes a part of the 4th USA Msl Cmd in ceremonies at Camp Colbern.

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- 1 Three months ago the first mail contract ever signed with a Korean commercial carrier went into effect to provide a more efficient airmail run for US military at Kwangju. Effective today, this contract is expanded to include Cheju Island and Kangnung. Kunsan will be included by 18 Mar and Taegu by 20 Mar.
- 2 LTG Boonchai BAMRUNGPHONG, Thai DCS, begins a five-day visit to the ROK to inspect the Thai Rotation Company.
- 2 The Army Nurse Corps, including a professional staff of 89 throughout Eighth Army, today celebrates 70 years of service.
- 3 ROK and NK troops engage in a 20-minute firefight across the DMZ after NK Communists fire machine guns at a ROK outpost. There were no friendly casualties.
- 3 Thai Premier Thanom KITTAKACHORN announces that Thailand will withdraw its 120-man infantry company from Korea by Jul 72. This will leave only US, British and ROK troops in the UNC which originally had 17 nations fighting in the Korean War.
- 4 USO celebrates its 30th year as a soldier welfare organization and its 15th anniversary in Korea. In the ROK, the USO has branches in Seoul and Taegu.
- 4 DOD announces FREEDOM VAULT, a joint air mobility exercise, will be held early next month to demonstrate the capability of USSTRICOM units based in the US to move rapidly to an overseas area. A reinforced battalion of the 82d Airborne will airdrop near Osan.
- 6 A joint ROK-US statement issued here and in Washington declares both governments have reached full accord on the modernization of ROK armed forces and arrangements for the reduction of US forces in Korea. It reaffirms the US commitment to the defense of Korea and provides for annual security consultations to assess the military threat posed by NK.
- 6 Following an appeal from the ROK National Red Cross and the Korean National Tuberculosis Association, members of USFK contribute \$10,515.
- 8 President Park, in a special message to the Korean people, announces that ROK troops will soon take over the 18½-mile western sector of the DMZ which has been guarded by US Army troops since 1953. The move is a part of the 20,000-man US troop reduction. American soldiers will remain in the vicinity of Pannunjom, site of MAC meetings between the UNC and the Communists.

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- 9 Figures released on the fourth anniversary of the effectuation of the ROK/US SOFA reveal that the ROK has assumed jurisdiction in 133 of 5,580 offenses involving US military personnel in the past four years. Four American soldiers are serving terms in ROK prisons and two others, sentenced to death, are awaiting a new trial.
- 9 Rep C. E. Gallagher (D-NJ), Chairman of the East Asian and Pacific House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee, arrives on a five-day official visit.
- 9 BG Charles D. Daniels, Jr, formerly with the Missiles and Space Div of R&D, DA, replaces BG W. H. Vinson, Jr, as CG of I Corps (Gp) Arty. Vinson will go to R&D at Fort Ord, Calif.
- 10 ROKMJ notifies USFK that it will indict PVTs Howard F. Jones and Ernest D. Marbra both of KORSCOM's 83d Ord Bn, for attempted rape.
- 10 Effective this date, maximum leave authorized for US servicemen to visit the US during a 13-month tour is increased from 20 to 30 days.
- 11 BG Anna M. Hays, Chief of the Army Nurse Corps, arrives for a three-day inspection tour of Army medical facilities in the ROK.
- 16 A US Congressional staff report says the modernization program for the ROK armed forces will permit continuing reductions of US forces in Korea although complete withdrawal is not contemplated. The report also recommends that KMAG be dissolved and replaced with a joint US advisory group as soon as possible.
- 21 NK troops fire some 100 rounds at a ROK Marine outpost south of the DMZ. No friendly casualties are reported.
- 21 The ROKA Logistics Command is activated at Pusan to streamline the logistical support system and economize on funds and manpower.
- 25 A search for two US soldiers and a KN employee, missing since 26 Dec, continues with no lead on their disappearance. SP5 Scott Moore and SP4 Kenneth P. McIntyre, both of the 6/44th Arty, 38th Arty Bde, and YANG Hee Chon, an NCO club manager, have not been seen since they departed their base near Kunsan to pick up supplies.

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- 27 Eighth Army announces that the 2d US Div will withdraw from their positions in the western sector of the DMZ by early March to be replaced by a ROK division. The pullback is part of the plan to reduce US forces by 20,000.

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- 1 A new Eighth Army PX plan, designed to minimize customer inconvenience and at the same time guard against blackmarket activities, becomes operational. Under the new computerized system, each person authorized PX privileges will be issued one ration plate similar to the credit cards issued by oil companies. Each soldier and DOD civilian will be authorized monthly purchases up to \$75. Dependents may make monthly purchases up to \$50.
- 1 The ROKA introduces a new dark green-gray uniform which will completely replace the older uniform by 1973. KATUSA personnel will continue to wear the uniform issued to them by the US Army.
- 1 The ROKA takes full control of the HDRF with a view toward strengthening its organization and personnel training. The HDRF was formerly under the KNP.
- 1 Samil Day. Host nation celebrates anniversary of the 1 Mar 19 independence movement against Japanese colonial rule.
- 1 In simultaneous ceremonies along the DMZ, GPs and OPs in the US sector are renamed for Korean War Medal of Honor winners, as the 2d US Inf Div prepares to turn over their frontline area of responsibility to the ROKA. GPs and OPs were formerly named after wives and daughters of former division commanders or US soldiers killed in the zone since the Armistice.
- 2 LTG Richard T. Knowles, Asst to Chairman, JCS, arrives for two days of discussions with US and ROK military officials.
- 4 FREEDOM VAULT, a three-day ROK/US combined air mobility exercise, is climaxed by an air drop from C141 Starlifters of paratroopers from the US-based 82d Airborne Division and ROKA Special Forces. The second phase begins tomorrow when ROK troops will relieve the 800 US airborne soldiers who have flown 8,500 miles from Pope AB, N. C. in three days with refueling stops in Alaska and Okinawa.
- 5 RADM Henry J. Rotrige, PACFLT Chaplain, arrives in the ROK for a four-day visit with ROK and US armed forces.

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- 5 BG Ronald J. Fairfield succeeds BG Donald R. Ward as I Corps (Gp) CofS in ceremonies at Camp Red Cloud. Fairfield was formerly 7th Div ADC. Ward has been assigned as DCSINT, CONARC.
- 6 Exercise FREEDOM VAULT ends as 802 paratroopers assigned to 2d Bn, 504th Inf, 82d Airborne Division begin their return trip to Fort Bragg, N. C. The three-day trans-Pacific airlift maneuver was rated as a "100 percent success." No serious injuries were sustained.
- 7 ROK President PARK Chung Hee discloses in a press interview that the ROK does not plan the immediate withdrawal of its 50,000 troops who are supporting the RVN in the Vietnam War, but a withdrawal timetable is being studied.
- 7 LTG Joseph M. Heiser, Jr, DCSLOG, DA, and Dep Asst Secretary of the Army for Installations and Logistics Gerald B. Russell, begin a three-day tour of US Army logistics centers in the ROK.
- 8 ROK CECH announces the start of Exercise MYOLGONG (Crush Communism) which will continue until 31 Mar and involve all of the ROK armed forces. Over 30,000 mock Communist agents will be dispatched into coastal areas in vessels and inland by light aircraft to test the quick reaction capability of ROK counter-infiltration forces.
- 8 NK soldiers open fire with automatic weapons and mortars on a ROK Army GP south of the DMZ in the central front. ROK positions return fire.
- 8 PVT Raymond Pue, Jr, 2/9th Inf, 2d Inf Div, is charged by military authorities with premeditated murder in the 20 Feb killing of 1SG Harvey D. Heap in an NCO Club at Camp Wilson.
- 9 A ROK/US joint investigation team arrests 19 US soldiers stationed in the Yongsan area on charges of smuggling some \$30,000 worth of contraband goods from Japan via the APO.
- 10 The bodies of two American soldiers and a Korean employee of Eighth Army are found along with their truck at the bottom of Chung Chong Lake, 100 miles S of Seoul. The men, who worked for 6/44th Arty, 38th Arty Bde, have been the subject of an intense search since they were reported missing on 26 Dec while on a routine supply run.

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- 10 In ceremonies at Freedom Bridge, MG G. H. Woodward, CG, 2d US Inf Div, and MG H. K. Moon, CG, 1st ROK Div, sign a document officially transferring responsibility to the ROKA for the 18½-mile sector of the DMZ, which has been guarded by a US division since the war. US troops will continue to guard the access road to the Panmunjom truce site. The 2d Div is relocating to the I Corps reserve area formerly manned by the 7th US Div which will depart Korea later this month.
- 10 US military officials announce that the 54 Phantom F4s of the 475th TFW, now stationed in Misawa, Japan, will be moved to Kunsan AB, Korea. The 475th will be redesignated the 3d TFW, one of the AF's oldest combat units, and be activated in Korea on 15 Mar.
- 13 The ROK and foreign news media decide to boycott MAC meetings in a response to a new UNC limitation which, because of undue press commotion, allows only AP, UPI and three ROK newsmen to cover Panmunjom meetings in a pool for all other foreign media.
- 13 ROK MND signs an agreement with the US firm, Colt Industries, Inc., to make M16 automatic rifles in Korea. MND officials say construction of a \$15 million plant is expected to begin early in April with a US defense loan now under negotiation.
- 15 FROKA observes the 17th anniversary of its activation.
- 18 The FOEU announces that they have been notified by USFK officials of a 30 Jun dismissal of 6,000 Koreans employed by the US military. The lay-off is part of the overall reduction of US strength in the ROK. Representatives of the union and Eighth Army are discussing ways to train and find jobs in the local business community for those affected by the cutback.
- 19 The 2d US Inf Div begins official operations at Camp Casey as part of the largest realignment of troops in Korea since the end of the Korean War. The 2d, formerly headquartered at Camp Howze to the west, moved into the facilities formerly occupied by the 7th US Inf Div which has been reduced to a small rear party detachment. The 2d Div Arty units were relocated to Camps Stanley and Essayons which had been used by I Corps (Gp).
- 19 The UNC suspends requirements for limited press pool coverage of MAC meetings at Panmunjom which were put into effect last week because of excessive noise made by members of the press outside the conference room.

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- 20 Eighth Army announces that the US troop cutback and recently imposed worldwide budget restrictions will result in the reduction of some 4,000 of its Korean employees and 300 US civilian spaces by 30 Jun.
- 20 Thirty-three ROK fishermen and their six vessels are released by NK after a nine-month detention by the Communists.
- 24 The ROK CIA reports it has arrested two NK spies and three ROK fishermen who collaborated with them. The NK spies infiltrated into the Pohang area in Oct 70 and conducted espionage activities in that area.
- 25 DOD officials disclose that military grant aid for the ROK in FY 71 amounted to \$290,802,000. The ROK is expected to receive about the same amount in FY 72 if Congress approves the allocation.
- 25 The 38th Arty Bde in Korea celebrates the tenth anniversary of its reactivation.
- 25 Dep Asst SECDEF for Equal Opportunity Frank W. Render II and his team begin a six-day visit to study the racial situation throughout Korea.
- 26 ROK MND announces that USFK has returned about 36,000 acres of the some 69,000 acres of land it has used since the Korean War. More than 100 US installations will be transferred to the ROKG by 30 Jun as part of the reduction of US ground forces in Korea.
- 27 A special farewell ceremony is held at Eighth Army to honor the 7th Div and the thousands of men who have served with the division during the more than 24 years the 7th has been in Korea. President PARK Chung Hee is on hand to present the division with a ROK Presidential Unit Citation and present its commander, MG H. G. Moore, a special ROK military award. The impressive ceremony ends with a 17-gun salute and the simultaneous lighting of smoke pots to pay tribute to the 7th Div's 15 campaign streamers and two decorations.
- 29 Some 200 members of the FOEU stage a sit-in demonstration at Yongsan Compound in Seoul to protest the reduction in force of 250 KN employees of Eighth Army's Facilities Engineer.
- 30 Four NK spies operating out of the Seoul suburb of Yongdongpo are arrested. They had the mission of disrupting the upcoming national elections.

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- 30 The six-week 1971 DOD Federal Campaign Fund drive ends today in Eighth Army. Total collection is \$86,654.57 or an average gift of \$2.89 per donor.

APRIL

- 1 The functions formerly performed by the US Army, Navy, and Air Force advisory groups are consolidated at Yongsan under a single headquarters called JUSMAG-K. JUSMAG-K replaces the old PROVMAAG-K which had performed MAP budget functions for the three separate advisory groups. Simultaneously, KMAG, which had the mission of building the ROK Army ever since 1 Jul 49, is reorganized as the US Army Section, JUSMAG-K. The reorganization reflects the increased development of the ROK armed forces toward self-sufficiency.
- 1 The 8/61st Arty, a new battalion armed with Chaparral missiles and Vulcan "mini-guns," arrives in the ROK for assignment to the 2d US Div. The new highly mobile, air transportable weapons system will be deployed to shore up existing air defense now guarding the critical Uijongbu corridor leading to Seoul.
- 1 The 40-man color guard of the 7th US Div, the last remnant of the division which served nearly a quarter of a century in Korea, leaves for inactivation at Fort Lewis, Washington.
- 1 Eighth US Army Special Troops is discontinued with its functions and assigned units being transferred to US Army Garrison, Yongsan. The history of Special Troops began with that of Eighth Army on 10 Jun 44.
- 1 The Eighth Army Wightman NCO Academy at Camp Casey is relieved from I Corps (Gp) and assigned to 2d Inf Div effective today.
- 1 The two-million member HDRF marks its third anniversary. The HDRF, made up mostly of reservists but including volunteers, was activated to meet the need for a civilian defense system to help counter NK infiltration and espionage.
- 2 The 7th Inf Div is removed from the active Army rolls at Fort Lewis, Wash. The first battalion designations of some 7th Div units will be retained in the 2d Div to provide for the perpetuation of the 7th Div heritage in Korea. The battalions which will become a part of the 2d are: 1/31st, 1/17th and 1/32d Inf; 1/73d Armor; and 1/31st Arty. In addition, the 7th Div Memorial Chapel will continue at Camp Casey.

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- 2 SSG Ruben Chavez, 13th Sup & Svcs Bn, begins serving a 72-day prison sentence in lieu of paying a 6.5 million won (\$20,000) fine for smuggling gold into the ROK from Hong Kong. He becomes the first American soldier imprisoned due to his inability to pay a fine since the SOFA went into effect in Feb 67.
- 2 MG George P. Holm, CG, KORSCOM, receives the US Presidential Certificate of Management Improvement, the highest award granted under the government-wide management improvement program launched in Feb.
- 3 The ROKG announces plans to begin production this year of limited kinds of crew served weapons such as mortars as the first step in building a munition industry.
- 4 Third anniversary of the death of Dr. Martin Luther King. At Osan AB, more than 700 US military men of all races and ranks march in memory of the slain civil rights leader. MG Robert Maloy, USAFK Commander, joins the march.
- 5 Arbor Day. US forces join the ROK populace in planting seedlings in an annual effort to enhance the natural beauty of the country.
- 6 USFK issues a directive to its personnel to refrain from becoming involved in Korean political activities or discussions in view of the upcoming ROK presidential and parliamentary elections.
- 8 For the third straight day, violent clashes between students and police flare at Korean universities, as 5,000 students protest the revised military training laws for college students.
- 11 The Kimchi Kabana Officers' Club on Yongsan Compound is destroyed by a fire which began in an adjoining warehouse. No injuries are reported. Damage is assessed as \$25,414.
- 11 A Congressional report reveals that the Korean War was the second biggest conflict in American history in terms of the number of servicemen in the battle area. There were 12 million Americans in battle areas during WWII, compared with 3.3 million in the Korean War, 2.2 million Union forces in the Civil War, and 1.4 million in WWI. The US suffered 33,629 battle deaths in Korea or 1.04% of the men in the combat area, the lowest rate up to 1953. When the total record is compiled after the Vietnam War ends, Vietnam, by the same criterion, will probably become the second largest conflict in US history.

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- 12 NK's Foreign Minister calls for consultations between North and South Koreans at the truce village of Panmunjom or in a third country on Korean unification. He also denounces ROK President PARK Chung Hee as a traitor and warmonger.
- 12 President Park breaks ground for a \$81 million subway system for the capital city of Seoul. The nine-mile long subway is expected to be completed by Jan 74.
- 13 Three days of racial incidents in Anjong-ni village outside of Camp Humphreys end as the village is temporarily put off limits. Several US soldiers are arrested on charges of arson and larceny. The KORSCOM command is investigating the incident.
- 13 This month the US deaths in the Indochina war reach 54,284 making that war more costly than Korea in terms of human lives. In the Korean War 33,629 Americans died on the battlefield while 20,617 died away from the front lines from various causes.
- 13 Renewed student rioting in Seoul against on-campus military training reaches new intensity as 4,000 students battle police.
- 13 The NK proposal for meetings on the unification of Korea is termed by the ROKG as "nothing but a malicious plot aimed at harassing the presidential election" scheduled for 27 Apr.
- 15 The KNP announces the arrest of two NK espionage agents whose missions were to destroy industrial facilities and assassinate high-ranking government officials. They had been infiltrated by sea on 5 Mar and later set up operations in Pusan.
- 15 Twenty-second anniversary of ROKMC. In its short history, it has become one of the largest Marine Corps in the Free World--second only to the USMC.
- 16 Howard E. Houston, USAID Chief in Korea, leaves to take office as the USAID mission chief in India. He will be replaced by Michael H. B. Adler, the AID director in Nigeria for the past four years.
- 18 The ROK Foreign Ministry says that NK has trained more than 2,000 foreigners of various nationalities for guerilla warfare and other subversive activities in more than 30 countries in SEA, Africa and Latin America.

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- 18 About 4,000 supporters of opposition party presidential candidate KIM Dae Jung stage a street demonstration and clash with riot police in downtown Seoul.
- 18 The 4th USA Missile Command celebrates its 13th anniversary with organization day activities. Formed on 18 Apr 58 from the 100th Fld Arty Rocket Bn, the unit was assigned to Camp Page, Korea, its present location.
- 18 National Library Week begins with Army libraries throughout Korea promoting their services.
- 19 Foreign Minister CHOI Kyu Hah announces the ROK will withdraw an infantry division from the RVN before year's end because of the improved capabilities of RVN forces. The ROK currently has an estimated 50,000 troops in Vietnam--two infantry divisions, a marine brigade and support units.
- 19 Eleventh anniversary of the bloody 19 Apr student uprising which toppled the 12-year regime of President Syngman Rhee. Occasion is marked by students, government officials and members of the victims' families.
- 19 A four-day farewell visit by LTG William P. Yarborough, Deputy CINCUSARPAC, begins. LTG Yarborough, a former I Corps CG, will retire in the near future.
- 20 ROK military authorities announce the arrest of 51 Communists who formed four separate spy teams engaged in instigating student and public uprisings in Seoul, Pusan and Cheju Island to disrupt the forthcoming elections.
- 20 ROK Foreign Minister CHOI Kyu Hah departs for Washington to attend a 23 Apr foreign ministers' conference of six Vietnam War allies.
- 22 The ROKA Security Command announces the arrest of a Communist agent and a university student collaborator who had engaged in espionage activities in the Seoul area.
- 22 A memorial ceremony marking the 20th anniversary of the Battle of Yultong fought by the Philippine Expeditionary Forces to Korea (PEFTOK) during the Korean War is held in front of the Philippine monument at Yultong-ni, 50 miles N of Seoul. Of the 7,420 PEFTOK soldiers who served in Korea during the war, 125 were KIA and 329 WIA.

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- 22 Eighth Army marksmen again outshoot their opponents to capture all major team matches in the 1971 USARPAC Rifle and Pistol Team tryouts. Eighteen Eighth Army team members are selected to represent USARPAC in succeeding matches which will culminate with National Match competition in August.
- 23 The ROK CIA announces the arrest of a 13-man Communist espionage ring operating in North Cholla Province.
- 24 President PARK Chung Hee denies opposition party allegations that his party plans to institute a generalissimo system for him, saying that he is seeking only one more term in office.
- 24 The 20th anniversary of the heroic action of the British Gloucestershire Regiment near Soma-ri along the Imjin River during 1951 is marked in ceremonies at the battle site.
- 24 ROK armed forces are placed on alert to be ready for NK provocative actions during and after the upcoming ROK presidential election.
- 25 ANZAC Day. In ceremonies at the UN Memorial Cemetery in Pusan, Australian and New Zealand Korean War dead are commemorated today.
- 26 Seoul National University resumes all classes after a 13-day suspension in the wake of student demonstrations against campus military drill.
- 26 A ROKG official says that "knowledgeable people anticipate that American troops will be withdrawn by 1975 except for a token force." DOD answers that the US has no plans beyond lowering the US troop strength to 43,000 by the end of Jun 71.
- 27 The UNC requests information from NK concerning the status of 389 Americans, 1,647 South Koreans, 167 Turks and 30 other UNC military personnel believed to have been alive and in the custody of NK at the time of the signing of the Armistice Agreement in 1953. The request was made by MG F. M. Rogers, UNCMAC Senior Member in a letter to his NK counterpart MG HAN Yong Ok. Communist side ignores the request.
- 27 Eighth Army Sergeants Major Dining-In held this date at Frontier Club, an NCO Open Mess in Yongsan. Guest speaker is MG George Holm, KORSCOM Commander. The SGM Dining-Ins are held quarterly to honor incoming and outgoing sergeants major.

APRIL

- 27 ROK voters go to the polls to exercise their franchise in the 1971 presidential election.
- 28 USFK announces that the Military Airlift Command's 611th Military Airlift Spt Sqdn at Kimpo AB will be relocated to Osan AB beginning 1 Sep 71 for economy and efficiency reasons. Eighth Army signal units will move into facilities vacated by the Air Force at Kimpo.
- 28 Three NK infiltrators, testing positions recently occupied by ROKA in the old US sector of the DMZ are repelled after a brief exchange of fire.
- 28 More than six million Americans, or about six percent of the entire male population of the US, have served in Korea from Jun 50 to Feb 71 according to the VA.
- 29 A fire in a NCO billet at ASCOM attributed to faulty wiring causes \$52,000 damage. No injuries are reported in the blaze.
- 30 NK positions in the western portion of the DMZ fire automatic weapons at two ROKA guardposts on the southern side of the Imjin River for about one hour. ROKA positions return the fire.
- 30 NK charges that an American high-speed, high-altitude reconnaissance plane violated Communist air space for "espionage and hostile acts." US military officials decline comment on the charge.

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- 1 President PARK Chung Hee is declared the winner of the 1971 presidential election. Park received 6,342,828 votes to 5,395,900 for National Assemblyman and opposition party candidate KIM Dae Jung. The turnout was 79.85 percent of the 15,552,236 eligible voters. UNCURK observers termed the election orderly and conducted in a "calm atmosphere almost free of violence or disturbance."
- 1 Eighth Army observes the 14th anniversary of Law Day with a special garrison flag retreat ceremony.
- 1 Eighth Army personnel change over to summer uniforms.

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- 1 Duty hours for HQ, Eighth Army are changed from 0800-1700 hrs to 0730-1630 hrs in order to take advantage of daylight hours for recreation.
- 1 MG Harold G. Moore, former 7th Div CG, takes over his new assignment as CG, Infantry Training Center, Ft Ord, Calif.
- 1 Soldiers throughout Eighth Army are authorized a duty day off this month to take part in a command-wide "Duty Day With God" sponsored by the Eighth Army Chaplain's Office. Activities will include retreats, field days emphasizing brotherhood, and religious discussions.
- 1 A new rank insignia for ROK Armed Forces enlisted men goes into effect today.
- 3 MG William A. Enemark, DAIG, and party begin an 11-day inspection of HQ, Eighth Army.
- 4 Secretary of the Army Stanley R. Resor arrives in the ROK for a two-day visit with US and ROK military officials.
- 4 One ROK coastguardsman is killed and another seriously wounded in a gun battle with NK infiltrators attempting to land near Inchon. The agents escaped in their high-speed boat. These are the first confirmed military casualties to occur this year on either side.
- 5 BG Ralph J. Richards Jr, Asst Comptr for Comptr and Finance Information Systems, visits the ROK to brief commanders and finance personnel on the Joint Uniform Military Pay System-Army, a new worldwide centralized military pay system scheduled to begin in Eighth Army in November.
- 5 GEN SHIM Hung Son, Chairman of the ROK JCS, meets with US and RVN officials in Saigon giving further rise to speculation on the withdrawal of some Korean troops from Vietnam.
- 5 On the occasion of the 19th anniversary of its activation, the UNC JSA opens its advance camp near the DMZ to local residents for the first time.
- 6 At the 315th meeting of the MAC, the UNC denies a NK charge that it conducted a reconnaissance flight over NK with a SR71 aircraft.
- 6 PFC Michael L. Kaito, 2/23d Inf, 2d US Div, is killed in an accidental shooting at a GP along the DMZ.

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- 7 The 20th anniversary of the arrival of Ethiopian troops in Korea to fight in the Korean War is commemorated at the Ethiopian monument in Chunchon.
- 9 KNP announce the arrest of a NK Communist agent, KIM Kuk Hwan, in Seoul. His mission was to assassinate ROK political leaders. His arrest followed a tip from a ROK citizen whom he had tried to enlist.
- 12 PFC Ernest D. Marbra and PVT Howard F. Jones, both of 83d Ord Bn, KORSCOM, are found guilty of charges stemming from the rape of a 17-year old Korean girl in December. Both have filed notice of appeal.
- 13 The Paris peace talks enter their fourth year--a record duration exceeding even the lengthy Pammunjom negotiations which ended the Korean War--with no peace in sight. More than 22,000 Americans have died in the Indochina War since the Paris peace talks started. By contrast, almost 12,700 US servicemen died in Korea during the Korean War armistice talks which lasted two years and 17 days.
13. KNP announce the arrest of an 11-man Communist espionage ring operating in Cholla Provinces.
- 14 A 50-ton NK infiltration boat, equipped with radar and heavy weapons, is sunk by combined ROKAF and ROKN forces on the east coast with an estimated 15 agents aboard. The boat, the fastest encountered to date, is believed to be newly developed for Communist intrusions along the coastline.
- 14 Twenty-ninth anniversary of the US Women's Army Corps. At present, there are 26 WAC officers and two EW stationed in Korea.
- 15 US forces in Korea celebrate America's 22d Armed Forces Day with a variety of open-house activities throughout the ROK.
- 16 Tenth anniversary of the bloodless military revolution which brought President (then MG) PARK Chung Hee to power.
- 17 KNP arrest 31 US soldiers for illegal assembly after an anti-Vietnam War march through downtown Seoul. No violence was reported in this first organized public antiwar demonstration by American soldiers in Korea.
- 17 President Nixon announces the selection for promotion to two-star rank of three Eighth Army BGs. They are: Kenneth T. Sawyer, Eighth Army Engineer; Bert A. David, Senior Adviser to CG, FROKA; and Jeffrey G. Smith, Eighth Army ACofS, G3.

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- 18 ROK military authorities tighten flight restrictions over the capital of Seoul for security reasons. Aircraft will not be allowed to fly in a restricted airspace extending in a 3.9 mile radius from the capitol building. Any planes violating the decree will be fired at without warning.
- 19 PVT Raymond Pue, Jr, 2/9th Inf, 2d Inf Div, is convicted by a military court and sentenced to life imprisonment for pre-meditated murder in the 20 Feb killing of 1SG Harvey D. Heap. No motive was given.
- 19 A-511, the Army airfield at Camp Humphreys, is memorialized in honor of CPT Reginald B. Desiderio, CO, Co E, 27th Inf, 25th Div, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his gallantry near Ipsok, Korea, on 27 Nov 50.
- 19 Ceremonies paying homage to the 200 Colombian soldiers killed in the Korean War are held at the UN Memorial Cemetery near Pusan on the 20th anniversary of the arrival of Colombian combat troops in Korea.
- 19 More than 150 black American soldiers demonstrate for five hours against racial discrimination in front of the Eighth Army Command Building at Yongsan, demanding to see GEN J. H. Michaelis, CG, Eighth Army. GEN Michaelis is absent on a field trip today. Army authorities make no attempt to move the protestors, even postponing the retreat ceremony until they leave the area. Vandalism is reported at a mess hall across from the headquarters. No arrests are made.
- 20 B Btry, 7/5th Arty, 38th Arty Bde, wins the USARPAC best small mess award in competition with approximately 250 small dining facilities throughout the USARPAC area.
- 20 More than 2,000 Korean university students, demanding release of those jailed for last April's campus riots, battle police for the second day in street demonstrations.
- 20 LTG LEE Sae Ho, Cmdr of ROKF-V, says the ROK has decided to withdraw some of its 50,000 troops from Vietnam because RVN forces are now strong enough to shoulder more of the burden themselves.
- 21 GEN J. H. Michaelis, Eighth Army CG, meets with a three-man delegation representing those black soldiers who demonstrated at his headquarters two days ago. Their grievances include inadequate promotion opportunities, racial inequality, and the number of black soldiers confined in the stockade. The meeting is termed "amicable and productive."

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- 21 The last military supply ship weighs anchor at the Inchon port facility operated by the 202d Trans Bn. The facility, in operation since the Inchon Landing during the Korean War and for many years handling 70 percent of all surface cargo coming into Korea, will be closed 30 Jun.
- 22 A series of five fragmentation grenade explosions injure one US soldier and two Koreans and badly damage a Chinook helicopter in four separate incidents at Camp Humphreys. The US soldier is injured when he activates a booby-trapped grenade in a helicopter on the flight line. The grenades are believed to be part of a number stolen sometime this month. Camp Humphreys was the scene of three days of racial rioting and firebombing in mid-April.
- 25 ROK voters go to the polls to elect 204 National Assemblymen-- 153 from electoral districts and 51 under the proportional representation system.
- 26 SP4 Doyle P. Matheny, 3/32d Inf, 2d Inf Div, is found guilty of murdering a Korean woman on 4 Nov 70 and sentenced to 10 years in prison by the Seoul District Court. He will appeal to the Seoul High Court.
- 27 President PARK's Democratic Republican Party wins a stable majority in the ROK parliamentary elections, obtaining 113 seats to the opposition party's 89. It is the most well-balanced political lineup in the National Assembly since the system was introduced in Korea in 1948.
- 27 An Eighth Army Drug Amnesty Program goes into effect today. Soldiers who admit they use drugs will not be subject to disciplinary action if they seek rehabilitation.
- 27 Mr. George O'Connell, a noted artist, arrives in Korea for a 23-day visit at the invitation of the Secretary of the Army to portray US Army life in the ROK. He is participating in the Army Artist Program which adds distinctive military art to the US Army Art Collection.
- 28 A special recruiting team from USAREC arrives to canvass Eighth Army commands in search of qualified recruiting personnel.
- 31 A ROK fishing boat with 15 crewmen is abducted by a Soviet Union ship while fishing near Kamchatka Peninsula.

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- 31 Former NK MAJ PARK Sun Buk holds a news conference to describe his defection to the South in a MIG15 aircraft on 3 Dec 70. It is his first public appearance since his flight from the North. He will receive a Major's commission in the ROKAF.
- 31 The 2d Div parade field at Camp Casey is renamed Robertson Field to honor MG Walter M. Robertson who commanded the 2d Div from May 42 until Jun 45, the longest command of the division in any war.
- 31 USFK commemorate Memorial Day with ceremonies throughout the command.

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- 1 A combined ROKAF/ROKN operation sinks a 70-ton NK infiltration speedboat off the west coast 60 miles S of the DMZ. The heavily armed craft normally carries a complement of 17 agents. In the action, a ROKAF C46 with eight crewmen aboard is shot down by the infiltration ship's fire and all hands are lost.
- 2 At the 316th session of the MAC at Panmunjom, NK demands that the air force pilot who defected to the ROK with his MIG15 jet last December be returned without delay. UNC rejects the demand. The Communists threaten they will not free any UNC personnel who may fall into their hands in the future.
- 2 Two American officers are killed when their twin-engine O2 forward air controller plane crashes near Hongsong, 90 miles SW of Seoul.
- 3 President PARK installs a new cabinet headed by KIM Jong Pil as Premier replacing PAIK Too Chin. Kim was formerly deputy leader of the ruling party. Eight ministers are changed including the appointment of KIM Yong Shik, Special Assistant to the President for Foreign Affairs, as Foreign Minister, replacing CHOI Kyu Hah.
- 3 SECDEF Melvin Laird names MG Glen D. Walker, Deputy DCSOPS, DA, as the next CG, I Corps (Gp). He will replace LTG Edward L. Rowny in late July and receive his third star.
- 4 A military spokesman announces that three black US soldiers have been arrested in connection with a series of explosions at Camp Humphreys on 22 May which were linked to racial troubles. The three, all of 23d GSG units, are charged with attempted murder, housebreaking and larceny.

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- 4 In consonance with the five-year program to modernize ROK Armed Forces, the US turns over an unspecified number of arms and equipment, including M107 175mm guns, M110 8" howitzers, Honest John missiles, M48A2C tanks, APCs, and modern communications equipment.
- 5 GEN J. H. Michaelis, CINCUNC/COMUSKOREA/CG, Eighth Army, departs for an 11-day visit to Washington to testify before a House Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs. He is accompanied by William J. Porter, US Ambassador to Korea.
- 5 GEN KINUGASA Hayao, CofS, Ground Staff Office, JSDF, visits Eighth Army during a four-day conference with ROKA officials.
- 6 The ROK people mourn the dead of two wars during ceremonies observing the 16th anniversary of their Memorial Day.
- 6 The 1971 US Army Friendship Mission to Hawaii departs for a 10-day stay which will feature visits with leading US military and civilian officials and tours of Hawaii. This 12th in a series of reciprocal goodwill missions that began in 1961 under USARPAC and Eighth Army sponsorship, is composed of four prominent Korean citizens. A counterpart group of Korean-Americans from Hawaii will visit the ROK in Sep.
- 7 In testimony before the House Armed Services Subcommittee made public today, SECDEF Laird says "the current reduction of US forces in Korea will save up to \$450 million in the next five years, offsetting expenses for the modernization of Korean armed forces."
- 7 A brawl between black and white US soldiers erupts in the entertainment area of Itaewon near Yongsan Military Reservation. Thirteen soldiers are injured, none seriously. The area is temporarily placed off-limits.
- 9 GEN J. H. Michaelis, testifying in Washington before the Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, states that based on a realistic assessment of the NK threat the US must continue to help develop the defense capability of the ROK.
- 10 The Seoul Appellate Court commutes the death penalties handed down by a lower court to SGT John W. Blount and SP4 James E. Walters to life imprisonment. The soldiers, both of the 7th Div, were convicted of the 4 Mar 70 murder and robbery of a Korean couple in Tongduchon.

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- 10 Twenty-seventh anniversary of Eighth US Army. Since its 1944 activation in Memphis, Tenn, the Eighth has served consecutively in the Pacific (during WWII), Japan, and, for the last 21 years, in Korea.
- 11 Two men are hospitalized and 35 others treated for smoke inhalation as fire destroys 50 of 60 offices in the headquarters complex of the 6314th Support Wing at Osan AB. The cause of the blaze and the total loss have not been determined.
- 11 MG Joseph W. Pezdirtz, formerly Chief of the now redesignated KMAG, takes command of KORSCOM. He replaces MG George P. Holm who will retire.
- 12 At the 317th meeting of the MAC, the UNC, in an historic first, proposes to NK that the Korean DMZ be cleared of all fortifications and reclaimed for peaceful civil pursuits. The NKs reject the proposal.
- 13 CHICOM notifies the UNC of its intention to send a Red Chinese Senior Member to the MAC meetings. The CHICOMs have been absent from the conference table for five years.
- 14 The US Army's 196th birthday and Flag Day are celebrated simultaneously throughout Eighth Army.
- 14 Eighth Army CSM Wm A. Craig hosts the annual US Army Dining-In at Yongsan's Frontier Club. Guest speakers are MG Wm Blakefield, Eighth Army Cofs, and MG IM Ji Soon, ROKA DCSPER. Invitees include all US Army Sergeants Major and the top NCOs of ROKA and US and ROK sister services in Korea.
- 14 The ROK activates HDRF anti-aircraft artillery units to tighten air defense around the capital city of Seoul.
- 14 The new 305-bed US Army Hospital, Seoul, Korea (121st Evacuation Hospital) formed by the relocation of the 121st from ASCOM to newly built facilities at the site of the old Seoul Military Hospital on Yongsan's South Post, is dedicated in ceremonies presided over by MG Carl W. Hughes, the USARPAC Surgeon.
- 15 President Nixon names Robert F. Froehlke, an assistant defense secretary, as Secretary of the Army, replacing Stanley R. Resor who resigned recently to return to private business.
- 16 ROKA guards on the western central front kill one NK infiltrator and repel two others who had penetrated the DMZ. There are no friendly casualties.

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- 17 The US signs an historic treaty with Japan restoring the island base of Okinawa to Japanese sovereignty after 27 years of postwar occupation, but retains 88 military facilities. The reversion of Okinawa bases is scheduled for mid-1972.
- 17 A change of command ceremony is held for the outgoing 22d Royal Thai Rotational Company and the incoming 23d at Knight Field in Yongsan. The Thai government has stated that the 23d will be the last Thai unit assigned in Korea. The unit, attached to the 2d US Inf Div, will serve here one year.
- 18 One NK infiltrator is killed and a second wounded and captured on Suk-Mo Island about 40 miles NW of Seoul by a HDRF patrol. A third intruder is being sought by a combined force of ROK Marines and reservists.
- 21 The 65th Medical Group is redesignated United States Army Medical Services Activity-Korea (Prov). All US Army medical units in Korea are reassigned to the new command and control headquarters which is commanded by the Eighth Army Surgeon.
- 21 ADM Bernard A. Clarey, CINCPACFLT, arrives in Seoul for a three-day visit with the ROKN and USFK.
- 21 The UNC declines to respond to the NK proposal to convene the 318th MAC meeting because of the unruly conduct of Communist guests in the JSA in recent weeks which violates security and makes it impossible to conduct serious discussions on important issues.
- 22 ROK MND JUNG Nae Hiuk says that US troop strength in the ROK will not be reduced much below the authorized strength of 47,000 in the foreseeable future. He also says that the number of KATUSAs has been reduced from 11,000 to 7,000 in line with the US troop pullout, and will neither increase nor decrease in the near future.
- 22 The last of three agents infiltrated on Suk-Mo Island near Inchon four days ago is tracked down and killed by ROK Marines in a brief firefight.
- 23 A military spokesman reveals that US Forces Korea manpower spaces currently total 44,300--35,000 Army, 9,000 Air Force and 300 Navy and Marines.
- 25 Anniversary of the start of the Korean War. Twenty-one years ago today the NK Communists drove across the 38th Parallel in their all out attack against the ROK.

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- 25 The Turkish contingent of the UNC Honor Guard is saluted in departure ceremonies. The Turkish soldiers will not be replaced but Turkey will continue to be represented in the UNC by a liaison office.
- 25 The Seoul District Court convicts SP4 Terry A. Mathews, 36th Engr Gp, of the 22 Oct 70 rape and murder of a Korean girl in Uijongbu and sentences him to a 15-year prison term.
- 25 A press release reveals that so far all US soldiers killed in the Vietnam War have been identified. By contrast, the Korean War left 856 unknowns and WWII 8,532.
- 26 Heavy summer rains begin. ROK braces for seasonal flood damage.
- 26 Fire of undetermined origin partially destroys the Hartell House (CG's Mess) on Yongsan South Post. The mess was being renovated at the time of the fire and none of the furnishings were damaged in the blaze.
- 28 The ROKG puts into effect a 11.6 percent deevaluation of its currency bringing the won rate up from 327 to 371 per dollar.
- 28 The Command announces that Korea's APO service does an annual money order and stamp business of \$20 million. An average of 4½ tons of airmail arrive daily and 1½ tons leave the ROK. Each month surface mail comes in at the rate of 300 tons while some 56 tons leave. Figures double around the holiday season. Korea's 25 APOs are part of 345 APOs in 55 countries.
- 29 A US delegation headed by VP Spiro Agnew arrives for a four-day visit to attend the 1 Jul inauguration of President PARK Chung Hee. Official delegations from 43 other nations are also here to view the inauguration ceremony. The US Vice President will hold discussions with President Park and other ROK officials and visit US and ROK military installations.
- 30 US military operations at Inchon Port are discontinued with all normal surface cargo being routed through Pusan. Some containerized cargo, including surface mail, will continue to arrive at Inchon. The port facility relocation to Pusan is expected to save \$5 million a year.
- 30 The VUNC radio station, activated shortly after the start of the Korean War as part of UNC psychological operations, is closed down. VQA will assume part of the VUNC mission and will use some of the existing VUNC facilities to beam programs to NK.

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- 30 President PARK Chung Hee and VP Spiro Agnew hold the first in a round of business talks centered on the security of Korea.
- 30 ROK MND JUNG says his government has notified the RVN of a plan to withdraw one of the two ROK combat divisions stationed in Vietnam sometime between Sep 71 and Jun 72.
- 30 Population of South Korea is announced as 31,469,132 with an almost equal division of males and females. The population, which grows by an estimated one every 52 seconds, represents an increase of about 8% over 1966. The population of Seoul is given at 5.5 million making it one of the world's 13 largest cities.
- 30 Three NK armed infiltrators are killed in the western sector of the DMZ by ROKA guards. Two ROK soldiers are killed in the action. A recapitulation of incidents reported by the press thus far in 1970 shows 38 NK agents killed and one captured in land and sea firefights. ROKF deaths were reported as 11. There were no US casualties as a result of enemy action.
- 30 A new stage in the history of ROK/US military relations and cooperation begins today with the completion of the 20,000-man US troop cutback. The troop withdrawal, which according to DA has saved the Army \$23.7 million in FY 71, involved the inactivation of one US Army division and the pullback from the DMZ of the remaining US division which was relieved by a ROKA division. Elements of 2d US Div will continue to man a 500-meter portion of the DMZ which guards the access road to the Panmunjom truce site. The I US Corps (Gp) begins operations tomorrow as a combined ROK-US command with ROK and US personnel sharing staff duty and command and control. ROKA artillery units have replaced all US units in I Corps Arty. A US Chaparral/Vulcan Arty Bn has been added to the force structure to bolster air defense capabilities. ROKA personnel have begun training with new equipment transferred by US forces. Equipment includes 175mm guns, 8" howitzers, Honest John missiles, and M48A2C tanks. Besides the realignment of Army units, a USAF wing of 54 Phantom jets moved to Kunsan AB from Japan. In addition to the normal MAP of \$140 million, special military assistance in the amount of \$150 million was allotted for FY 71. The US will also give the ROK an estimated \$100 million of surplus equipment now in the hands of US forces in Korea and Vietnam. The construction of an M16 automatic rifle plant in Korea with US financial help and technical assistance from the US firm of Colt Industries, Inc. will enable the ROK to produce the new weapon by 1973.

GLOSSARY OF SELECTED ABBREVIATIONS

ADC(M): Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver)
ANZAC: Australian and New Zealand Army Corps
APC: Armored Personnel Carrier
APO: Army Post Office
CEOH: Counterespionage Operations Headquarters
CHICOM: Chinese Communist
CINCPAC: Commander in Chief, Pacific
CINCUNC: Commander in Chief, United Nations Command
CINCUSARPAC: Commander in Chief, US Army, Pacific
COMUSKORRA: Commander, US Forces, Korea
DMZ: Demilitarized Zone
FOEU: Foreign Organizations Employees' Union
FROKA: First Republic of Korea Army
GP: Guard Post
GSG: General Support Group
HDRF: Homeland Defense Reserve Force
HRE: Han River Estuary
JSA: Joint Security Area
JSDF: Japanese Self Defense Force
JUSMAG-K: Joint US Advisory Group-Korea
KAL: Korean Air Lines
KATUSA: Korean Augmentation to the United States Army
KMAG: US Army Advisory Group, Korea
KN: Korean National
KNP: Korean National Police
KORSCOM: Korea Support Command
MAC: Military Armistice Commission (also Military Airlift Command)
MAP: Military Assistance Program
MND: Minister of National Defense
NK: North Korea
NKA: North Korean Army
OP: Outpost
PACAF: Pacific Air Forces
PROVMAAG-K: US Joint Military Assistance Advisory Group, Korea
RC: Recreation Center
Rep: Representative
ROK: Republic of Korea
ROKA: Republic of Korea Army
ROKAF: Republic of Korea Air Force
ROKF-V: Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam
ROKG: Republic of Korea Government
ROKMC: Republic of Korea Marine Corps
ROKMJ: Republic of Korea Ministry of Justice
ROKN: Republic of Korea Navy
SOFA: Status of Forces Agreement
SROKA: Second Republic of Korea Army
TFW: Tactical Fighter Wing

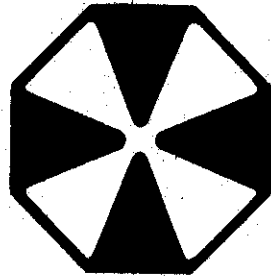
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UNCMAC: United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission
UNCURK: United Nations Commission on the Unification and Rehabilitation
of Korea
USACDC: US Army Combat Developments Command
USAFK: US Air Forces Korea
USAID: United States Agency for International Development
USAREC: US Army Recruiting Command
USFK: United States Forces, Korea
USNAG-K: United States Naval Advisory Group, Korea
USNAVF-K: United States Naval Forces, Korea
USO: United Services Organization
USSTRICOM: United States Strike Command
VA: Veterans' Administration
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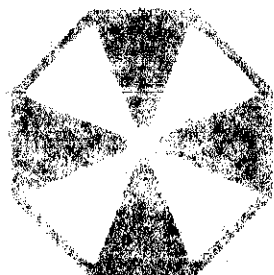
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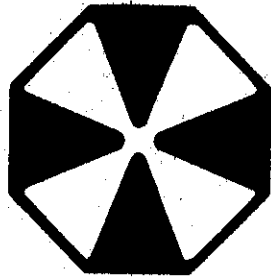
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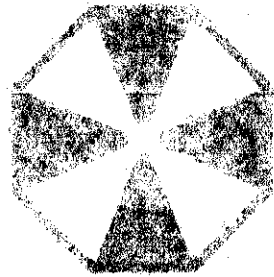
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JULY

- 1 President PARK Chung Hee begins his third consecutive four-year term as chief executive of the ROK by taking the oath of office during inauguration ceremonies at Capitol Plaza before 1,000 Korean and 180 distinguished foreign guests.
- 1 I US Corps (Gp) is reorganized into an integrated ROK/US Corps, with a US LTG as CG and a ROKA MG as Deputy. The new "I Corps (ROK/US) Group" is composed of five ROKA divisions, one ROK Marine brigade and one US infantry division.
- 1 Three Americans--PVT Eugene D. Taylor, PFC Gary Willard, and PFC Stanley M. McDonald--are among the 341 inmates of ROK prisons released by Presidential amnesty to commemorate the inauguration ceremony. Taylor was convicted of murder in 1967 and sentenced to four years in prison. Willard and McDonald were serving three-to-four years for a 1968 rape and attempted robbery.
- 1 ROK soldiers in the central sector of the DMZ kill two NK infiltrators and repel a third. There are no friendly casualties.
- 1 RVN Prime Minister Tran Thien KHIEM, in a meeting with President Park in Seoul, asks postponement of the withdrawal of Korean troops from Vietnam. The ROKG had earlier announced that one division would leave between Dec 71 and Jun 72 and the remainder of the 50,000-man ROKF-V would be withdrawn by the end of 1972.
- 1 ROK MND JUNG Nae Hiuk says the US favors a 15-30 percent reduction of the 600,000-man ROK armed forces after 1975.
- 1 The death toll from seasonal rains which flooded the ROK last week rises to 55.
- 1 USARPAC and PACAF celebrate their 14th anniversary.
- 2 Visiting VP Spiro Agnew is briefed on the military situation in Korea by General J. H. Michaelis, CINCUNC. A planned visit to military units in the field is canceled due to heavy rains.
- 3 A new unit crest, symbolizing I Corps' history, is authorized by the Institute of Heraldry.

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- 4 Independence Day. American personnel serving in the ROK mark the day with traditional 4th of July festivities.
- 4 LTG Edward L. Rowny departs for the US to await reassignment as Dep Chairman, NATO Military Committee. He will be replaced as I Corp (ROK/US) Gp CG by LTG Glen A. Walker on 20 July. Walker was formerly Asst DCSOPS, DA.
- 4 SP4 William J. Sharpe, STRATCOM, is accidentally shot and killed by ROKA guards in a restricted area near Richmond Transmitter Site.
- 5 Departing USAF MG Felix M. Rogers, UNCMAC Senior Member, suggests in a press interview that a ROK officer head the UNCMAC so that South and North Koreans may talk directly at Panmunjom. The UNC makes it clear that Rogers' remarks do not represent or imply any current or contemplated change in the MAC.
- 5 The 150 American soldiers of the 21st Regiment, 24th Inf Div's Task Force Smith, who were killed in a valiant holding action on this date in 1950, are honored in ceremonies at the battle site. A monument in memory of this first US ground force to meet the spearhead of the NK invasion stands on a hilltop at Chukmi-Ryung near Osan.
- 7 COL Grayson D. Tate, Jr, takes over the 4th USA Msl Cmd in ceremonies at Camp Page. He was formerly a Special Assistant for Missiles to Asst Sec of the Army. He replaces COL Roland B. Shriver, Jr, who is being reassigned to DA IG.
- 9 Some 50 black US soldiers from KORSCOM units raid Korean owned bars and businesses in Anjong-ni which they claim discriminated against them. An estimated 700 Korean villagers riot in retaliation, beating some soldiers. Damage to private property is placed at 15,000,000 won (\$67,500) and 10 Americans and 20 Koreans are injured in the violence near Camp Humphreys. The village is placed off-limits to military personnel after American MPs and KNP's disperse the rioters.
- 9 For the first time since 5 Aug 66, a Red Chinese member, HO Chu-jo, sits at the Panmunjom conference table to take part in the 318th meeting of the MAC. The UNC contests his eligibility because his credentials fail to give his rank as called for by the Armistice Agreement.
- 9 State Department proposals for FY72 foreign aid to the ROK are made public. Direct aid and credits total \$254 million plus \$40 million in equipment. The amounts are subject to Congressional approval.

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- 9 CSM William A. Craig is replaced as Eighth Army's senior enlisted man by CSM Farrell G. Graham, formerly 5th Army's CSM. Craig is reassigned to USACDC, Combat Systems Group, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.
- 9 ADM Arleigh A. Burke (Ret) and USAF LTG Laurence C. Craigie (Ret), both wartime UNC delegates to the MAC, visit the ROK at the invitation of the KVA.
- 9 ROKA announces it will use the area just south of the DMZ for cattle farming as the first step in reclaiming land hitherto restricted.
- 10 Operation of the US/UN passenger coach and baggage car between Seoul and Pusan is discontinued as an economy move. In the future military or DOD civilians will be provided transportation on Korean express trains or commercial buses.
- 11 SECDEF Melvin R. Laird arrives for three days to attend the fourth annual ROK/US Defense Ministers' Conference. Laird, in his first visit to Korea, will meet with ROK President Park and MND Jung.
- 12 Citizens of Roanoke, Va., celebrate "Wonju Day" to honor their sister city in Korea.
- 13 SECDEF Laird publicly assures his counterpart JUNG Nae Hiuk of America's determination to render prompt assistance in the event of an armed attack against the ROK. Laird recognizes the need for a substantial MAP for the ROK armed forces, and agrees to expedite the scheduled delivery of some F-5A Freedom Fighters.
- 13 Korean villagers and US soldiers clash in Tongduchon over a name-calling incident. Two Americans and one Korean were slightly injured in the melee.
- 14 US Ambassador to Korea William Porter is named to succeed the ailing David K. E. Bruce as the chief US negotiator at the Paris Peace Talks on Vietnam.
- 14 A NK spy surrenders to ROK authorities. He reveals that his infiltration by agent boat included a fueling stop in Communist China.
- 15 President Nixon announces that he will visit Red China before next May to confer with Premier CHOU En-Lai. The surprise announcement is received with mixed reaction in the ROK.

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- 16 An American MP is slightly injured during a protest by more than 100 Koreans over the murder of a Korean woman in Taejon, near Camp Ames. An unidentified US soldier is being questioned in connection with the killing. It is the third incident to take place in a week involving both US servicemen and Korean villagers.
- 16 ROKG announces plans to establish a defense industry bureau in the Defense Ministry to monitor and promote local production of munitions.
- 17 The worst rainstorm in the ROK in 35 years leaves 45 dead and 3,424 homeless. Eighth Army units provide engineering and evacuation assistance.
- 17 CPT Richard F. Ugden, Jr, and PFC Roderick Hailey, both of the 6/44th Arty Bde, drown when the truck in which they are riding stalls while trying to ford a rain-swollen river.
- 17 ROK Constitution Day. Host nation commemorates acceptance of its constitution this date, 1948.
- 18 Eight black American soldiers are charged with "willful destruction of property" in connection with the 9 Jul riot involving Americans and Koreans near Camp Humphreys.
- 18 The fourteen crewman of a ROK fishing boat, seized by the Soviet Union on 31 May while fishing near Kamchatka Peninsula, return to Pusan via Japan. The captain of the vessel is detained by the Soviets to face charges of violating Russian territorial waters.
- 19 ULCHI 71, a six-day Korea-wide ROKG CPX, begins. It will test mobilization and contingency plans in the event of a NK invasion.
- 20 MND announces that GEN SUH Jyong Chul, ROKA CofS, whose two-year term of office is to expire at the end of August, will remain in his post for one more year.
- 21 RADM Francis D. Foley, formerly Cndt, Third Naval Dist, NY, arrives to replace USAF MG Felix M. Rogers as UNCMAC Senior Member. Rogers, who has served for the past year, will leave on 25 Jul for a staff position at the Air Training Command, Randolph AFB, Texas. The position of Senior Member is normally rotated among the US services every six months.
- 24 Anniversary of UNC. On this date 20 years ago, 22 nations came to South Korea's aid, 16 of which formed the UNC fighting team, first international armed force in history organized to repel Communist aggression.

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- 25 A NKA corporal defects to the ROK after swimming four miles down the Han River. He says he was dissatisfied with life in NK and was influenced by ROKA loud speakers telling of freedom in the South.
- 26 About 50 American soldiers stage a protest at ASCOM against the apprehension of two fellow soldiers who had assaulted an MP. The incident has no racial overtones and no injuries are reported. The group is dispersed by MPs.
- 26 SP6 Bobby J. Jones, 6th Ord Bn, Camp Ames, is in pre-trial confinement in connection with the murder of a Korean woman at a village near Taejon. The ROKG has yet to decide whether it will exercise jurisdiction.
- 27 Signing of Armistice Agreement at Panmunjom 18 years ago this date puts end to the shooting war in Korea.
- 27 Suspected murderer PAK Won Shik, caught in a nation-wide dragnet by HDRF members after allegedly killing a woman in Taegu, confesses to being a NK spy.
- 27 Fifty-seven persons are killed in two days of torrential rains in the Taejon area.
- 28 Philip C. Habib, a representative of the US at the Paris Peace Talks is the next US Ambassador to Korea, according to a ROK Foreign Ministry announcement. He will replace William Porter in late August.
- 28 Eighty-one members of the ROC Armed Forces Staff College visit UNC Hq for a command briefing. Visitors, guests of ROK Armed Forces Staff College, will be in country for about 30 days. Trip is part of annual exchange between these colleges.
- 29 The ROKG welcomes the rapprochement between the US and Red China but states that the US should not discuss with the CHICOMs any matters affecting Korean security and unification without prior consultation with the ROK.
- 29 NK proposes a 17-point "peace plan" at the 319th meeting of the MAC which the UNC flatly rejects as totally unrealistic.
- 31 The Eighth US Army Sig Gp (Prov) is redesignated the 4th Sig Gp by USARPAC GO 377. By the same authority, the Radio and Cable Bn (Prov) is renamed the 307th Sig Bn (Radio and Cable), and the 304th Sig Bn (A) is reorganized, though it retains the same designation.

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- 6 NK's Premier KIM Il Sung states publicly that "We are ready to meet any time with representatives of the government in the South to discuss peaceful reunification."
- 6 Typhoon Olive takes 26 lives and leaves 3,000 homeless along the east coast of the ROK.
- 8 ROK Premier KIM Jong Pil warns in a TV interview that factors still remain that can trigger war on the Korean peninsula despite the apparent thaw between East and West.
- 9 Speaker of the House Carl Albert (D-Okla), along with 24 other Congressmen, begins a five-day visit. This is the third in an annual round of parliamentary exchanges between the US House of Representatives and the single-house Korean National Assembly begun by the Koreans to promote closer ties between the two countries.
- 9 About 400 Korean bar hostesses stage a sit-in in front of Camp Humphreys demanding the village of Anjong-ni be put back "on-limits" to American soldiers. The village has been off-limits since rioting on 9 and 10 Jul.
- 9 ROK Premier KIM Jong Pil says that by 1977 the ROK unaided will be able to resist Communist aggression. A self-reliant defense posture will be realized after completion of the Third Five-Year Economic Development Plan (1972-76), when the nation achieves \$4 billion in exports. He also states that his country would take over the post of the UNC's Senior Member to the MAC if so requested by the UNC. He is replying to an informal comment by AF MG Felix M. Rogers, until recently the Chief, UNCMAC, that "Koreans should talk to Koreans" at Panmunjom truce meetings.
- 10 The second tropical storm to hit the Korean peninsula in a week, Typhoon Polly, slams into the southern and western coasts, leaving one dead.
- 11 ROK MND JUNG Nae Hiuk says in a TV interview that, despite the Washington-Peking thaw, his country will not cut back its armed forces--numbering more than 600,000--at least until 1973.
- 12 Dr. CHOI Doo Sun, KNRC President, makes a dramatic proposal for direct negotiations with the NK Red Cross in Geneva, Switzerland. The purpose of the talks would be to arrange the reunion of Korean families separated by the division of the peninsula.
- 13 The Pentagon announces the reassignment to Korea of LTG William R. Peers, who headed the Army investigation of the My Lai incident and is now Chief of Army Reserve Affairs. He will replace Eighth Army DCG LTG Patrick F. Cassidy who will assume command of the Fifth Army.

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- 14 NK accepts the KNRC proposal for talks between Red Cross representatives of the two sides to discuss the fate of Korean families separated by the war and politics. The North suggests Panmunjom as the site of the meetings.
- 15 ROK Independence Day. Host nation celebrates the 26th anniversary of liberation from Japanese colonial rule and the 23d anniversary of the Republic's birth.
- 15 In a Liberation Day speech, President Park rejects the idea of the major world powers bargaining over Korea and proposes a "forum for the peaceful unification of Korea, on condition that NK renounces its policy of force and violence."
- 15 Talks on Leadership for Professionals opens in Korea and will last until 12 Sep. A DA team will give eight-hour seminars to 1,480 soldiers of all grades throughout Eighth Army. The program was directed by the Army Chief of Staff earlier this year to accumulate and disseminate data on the behavioral science of leadership.
- 15 President Nixon's nation-wide wage and salary freeze goes into effect today. Scheduled military and DOD civilian pay raises are shelved for the next few months.
- 16 ROK troops guarding the eastern sector of the DMZ kill five NK infiltrators in a series of firefights. Two ROKA men are KIA and two others wounded.
- 16 Eighth Army's Drug Abuse Counteroffensive is initiated today. Effective 1 Sep, all Army personnel departing or extending in Korea must provide a urine sample for analysis. Those identified as drug users will be held over for treatment prior to medical evacuation to CONUS.
- 17 An American Marine adviser and two ROK Marines, all officers, are killed in a helicopter crash near Kanghwa Island off the west coast.
- 18 LTG Donn J. Robertson, 3d Marine Div Cmdr, arrives in Seoul for a three-day visit to ROK Marine units at the invitation of the ROK MC Commandant.
- 18 US Ambassador to Korea William J. Porter departs for a new position as Chief Delegate to the Paris Peace Talks.
- 18 The 2d US Div CG places the village of Togo-ri near Camp Hovey off-limits after a series of incidents involving American soldiers and villagers. Two MPs and two Koreans were injured in a rock-throwing clash.

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- 20 Red Cross officials from the North and South hold an historic four-minute meeting at the Panmunjom truce village. It is the first bilateral meeting of its kind since 1950 and the first in a series intended to arrange the details of reuniting separated families.
- 20 ROK Marines kill two NK infiltrators on Kangwha Island near the HRE in a fierce firefight. No friendly casualties are reported.
- 21 Mayor Sam Yorty of Los Angeles arrives in Pusan for a three-day goodwill visit. Pusan and LA are sister cities.
- 23 Twenty-four men, described by the ROK MND as "special prisoners," mutiny and escape from a ROKAF facility on Silmi Island off Inchon. They kill 12 AF guards, two policemen, two HDRF members and five civilians in an Inchon-to-Seoul rampage which causes officials to mistake them for NK infiltrators. Their commandeered bus is stopped and destroyed by their own handgrenades in Yongdongpo on the southern outskirts of Seoul. Seven are captured and the remainder die in the explosions.
- 23 LTG KIM Chae Myung, head of the CEOH, tells the press that NK is intensifying its infiltration operations against the ROK. He says ROK troops have intercepted five different groups of armed NK agents between 16 and 20 Aug, killing ten of them in three encounters along the DMZ. On two other occasions, the NKs were chased back across the line.
- 24 President Park accepts the resignations of MND JUNG Nae Hiuk and ROKAF CofS GEN KIM Too Man in the wake of the prison revolt which left more than 30 dead and 38 wounded. Both men tendered their resignations to assume responsibility for the incident, since the prisoners were under Air Force guard on the island. YU Chae Heung, the President's national security aide replaces JUNG as MND and LTG OK Man Ho, ROKAF VCofS, is named to replace KIM.
- 25 At the 320th meeting of the MAC, the UNC renews its proposal for clearing the DMZ of armed personnel and military installations and reopening it to peaceful civilian pursuits. The Communist side again rejects the proposal and repeats their demand for the withdrawal of US forces from Korea.
- 25 The Army VCofS GEN Bruce Palmer Jr, arrives for a three-day visit with ROK and US military leaders and a tour of selected units.
- 26 The village of Anjong-ni outside of Camp Humphreys, 65 miles south of Seoul, is put back on-limits to US personnel. The village was closed to Americans for 48 days because of alleged racial discrimination in some of its 12 cabarets.

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- 26 Representatives of the North and South Red Cross societies meet for the second time at Pammunjom, laying the groundwork for negotiations between the two sides to set up visits and exchanges of letters between 10 million Korean families separated by the DMZ.
- 26 The US has promised to provide the ROK with the new model F5-E aircraft (International fighter) as part of the five-year modernization program of the ROK military forces, according to Congressional testimony released today.
- 26 Premier KIM Jong Pil stresses that the ROKs self-reliant defense posture should be strengthened despite trends toward dialogue and compromise.
- 27 Three NK infiltrators are killed in the western sector of the DMZ in a two-hour firefight. One ROK soldier is killed and another wounded.
- 28 A NK machine gun position north of the DMZ fires some 60,000 rounds at a ROKA guardpost in the South. Two children in a village near the GP are seriously wounded.
- 29 Dedication ceremonies are held for the new MAC passenger terminal at Osan AB--now the US Military Gateway to Korea. The terminal will be operated by the 611th Military Airlift Spt Sqdn which just relocated from the former passenger terminal at Kimpo AB. The squadron moves more than 200,000 passengers and 20,000 tons of cargo annually.
- 30 A ROK fishing boat with 30 crew members is hijacked by a NK patrol boat off the east coast.

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- 3 The ROKG announces that it will begin withdrawing the Marine Blue Dragon Bde and the Southern Cross Logistics unit in December. The pullout date of the two ROKA combat divisions will be determined after June of next year.
- 3 SECSTATE William P. Rogers reaffirms that the US is "not going to have any discussions which might adversely affect the relationship between Korea and the US" at next year's Peking summit conference between President Nixon and CHICOM leaders.
- 4 A SROKA mobilization exercise, involving a full-strength rear area division and the HDRF in North Kyongsang province, is climaxed with the transfer of the division to a frontline area.

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- 5 Premier KIM Jong Pil says the ROK will do everything possible to pursue its peaceful contacts with NK, but that it may take 10 years to reach a political settlement with the North. He also notes that NK has doubled its infiltration of the ROK by armed agents since the Red Cross contacts started three weeks ago, and cautions against "premature optimism for territorial unification" because of the Red Cross dialogue.
- 6 Four prominent Hawaiian citizens of Korean ancestry begin a 10-day visit to Korea in one phase of the 1971 Friendship Mission program. This eighth in a series of joint Eighth Army - USARPAC exchange programs which began in 1961 has the purpose of annually affording leading Korean citizens an opportunity to meet with civic and professional leaders of Hawaii. Reciprocally, it provides an opportunity for Korean Americans living in Hawaii to visit Korea.
- 7 The ROK-US SOFA Joint Committee announces it has established an "ad hoc sub-committee on civil-military relations" to study recently surfaced problems involving the US military and Koreans living near or working in US bases.
- 7 For first time since they were Korean War allies, Communist China signs an agreement with NK to provide free military aid. The act is interpreted by the press as a significant Chinese move to show that it is abandoning neither its friends nor its revolutionary principles despite its invitation to President Nixon to visit mainland China.
- 8 Twenty-sixth anniversary of arrival of first US troops in Korea. On this date in 1945, elements of the Okinawa-based 7th Inf Div (XXIV Corps) reach Korea to accept Japanese surrender south of the 38th Parallel.
- 9 The ROKN conducts Operation MANPO, a counterespionage exercise off Inchon involving Navy vessels, ROKAF planes and combat policemen. It tests how swiftly and effectively friendly forces can counter seaborne infiltrations.
- 8 According to congressional testimony made public today, the US has proposed \$105 million in total economic aid for the ROK during the current fiscal year.
- 8 In other congressional hearings, SECDEF Melvin R. Laird testified that the US has no current plans to further reduce US troop strength in Korea, but will continuously evaluate the requirement for US force deployments in terms of the ability of ROK forces to assume more of its defense responsibility.

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- 8 SECSTATE William P. Rogers says today that the US could create "a great deal of trouble in the area" if it moved too quickly out of Korea.
- 9 MND YU Jae Heung announces that a combined ROK armed forces command, under a supreme commander, will be activated in the near future. The new joint command is aimed at unifying the command channels and economizing on military expenditures.
- 9 ROKG reacts strongly against Communist China's agreement to provide free military aid to NK (7 Sep) as "it intensifies tension on the Korean peninsula and poses a great threat to security."
- 10 It is learned today that the US has informed the ROK that its air defense will be bolstered by a squadron of F5 International fighters rather than by a squadron of F4 Phantom fighter-bombers.
- 10 LTG Joseph M. Heiser, DCSLOG, DA, arrives for a four-day visit to HQ, Eighth Army and its logistical support units.
- 14 LTG Patrick F. Cassidy, Eighth Army DCG since June 1970, departs for assignment as CG, Fifth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.
- 14 The ROKG will oppose any movement to have both South and North Korea admitted to the UN, according to HAN Pyo Wook, the ROK's permanent observer at the UN.
- 15 BG Ernest E. Roberts, who formerly commanded the 94th Arty Gp in Europe, assumes command of 38th Arty Bde, replacing BG C. R. Bushong. Bushong was transferred to the Inter-American Defense Board, Wash, D.C.
- 15 The USO begins the second annual two-day "Six Star Salute to Servicemen" with a dinner at Seoul's Chosun Hotel for 150 outstanding US, ROK and UN servicemen. The banquet is hosted by MND YU Chae Heung; Chairman of the JCS, GEN SHIM Hung Son; and GEN J. H. Michaelis, CINCUNC. Tomorrow the servicemen will meet President PARK Chung Hee at the Blue House before attending a number of parties and tours.
- 16 Fifth and last Red Cross "messenger meeting" is held at Panmunjom. Henceforth, two five-member delegations will meet at a newly constructed advance office in the JSA to discuss details of reuniting war-separated Korean families.
- 16 Fire ravages a 20th GSG POL Depot in Bupyong, destroying an oil tanker truck and burning some 20,000 gallons of gasoline. A KATUSA on duty at the ASCOM POL Depot suffered slight burns during the fire.

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- 17 Two NK infiltrators are killed in a fight which began yesterday and saw four Communist agents take civilian hostages on the Kimpo peninsula. Two other agents escape. Five ROK Marines and three villagers are killed in the operation.
- 17 Apprehended for suspicious behavior, a NK espionage agent kills himself with a poison device in a Seoul police station. The man was carrying a pistol, code books, a radio transmitter, and a large amount of cash.
- 17 First US Peace Corps Volunteers arrived in Korea five years ago today. About 700 have since helped the ROK in English, science, physical education, and health services.
- 18 ROK Marines combing the Kimpo peninsula, kill one of the two NK infiltrators who had escaped yesterday's search operation. The hunt continues for the remaining agent. There are no friendly casualties.
- 22 In ceremonies hosted by GEN J. H. Michaelis, Eighth Army CG, Army Airfield A511 located at Camp Humphreys, Pyongtaek, Korea, is dedicated Desiderio Army Airfield in honor of CPT Reginald B. Desiderio, 27th Inf Regt, who was posthumously awarded the MOH for heroism at Ipsok, North Korea, on 27 Nov 50. Among those attending are the Captain's widow, two sons, mother and sister, invited by GEN Michaelis, CPT Desiderio's commander during the Korean War.
- 22 VADM William P. Mack, US 7th Fleet Cmdr, begins a two-day visit to confer with US and ROK military officials.
- 22 UNCURK, in its report to the UN released today, states that, although there has been increased interest on the question of Korean unification, no progress has been made because of continued refusal by NK to accept UN authority to deal with the matter.
- 23 The ROKA Security Command announces that it has arrested seven NK espionage agents and 10 accomplices in the Seoul and Pusan areas. Five of the ROK-recruited agents had been to NK, via Japan, for espionage training.
- 23 The UN Steering Committee votes 13-9 with two abstentions to recommend shelving the annual debate on the Korean question because of new contacts between the Red Cross organizations of both sides. The vote means an initial victory for the West and the ROK which strongly favor postponement of the Korea debate this year.

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- 24 BG Norman J. Salisbury, formerly assigned to Project MASSTER, Fort Hood, Tex, arrives to become I Corps (ROK/US) Gp CofS replacing BG Ronald J. Fairfield. Fairfield will be reassigned to the Institute of Land Warfare, Alexandria, Va.
- 24 The bodies of two NK infiltrators are found by ROK Marine and Coast Guard personnel south of Pohang. The armed agents are believed to have been killed by ROK Marines during an earlier firefight.
- 25 The UN General Assembly votes 68-28 with 22 abstentions to defer the annual debate on the Korean question until next year. The US successfully argued that the discussions may hinder North/South Red Cross talks now underway. The debates normally include Communist demands for US withdrawal from the ROK and dissolution of UNCURK.
- 25 The 50,000-man ROKF-V begin their seventh year in Vietnam. A ROK non-combatant medical team arrived in the RVN on 13 Sep 64. It was followed by the Dove construction unit on 15 Feb 65. The subsequent arrival of combatants--the 2d Marine (Blue Dragon) Brigade and the ROKA Capital (Tiger) Division--led to the establishment of the ROKF-V on this date in 1965. A year later, the ROKA 9th (White Horse) Division augmented the original force. The two ROKA infantry divisions and Marine brigade boast a 12-1 kill ratio in operations against the Communists. ROK military authorities say that ROKF-V has killed 37,000 Communists and captured 4,000 since 1965.
- 26 A NK agent is captured in Seoul after an eight-hour gun battle in which a ROK policeman is killed. The agent barricaded himself in an inn after being reported to police by the inn keeper.
- 28 GEN William B. Rosson, CINCUSARPAC, arrives to begin a week-long visit to US and ROK Army units and attend ROK Armed Forces Day observances.
- 28 The host nation commemorates the dislodging of NK Communist invaders from Seoul 21 years ago during the Korean War by joint US/ROK Army and Marine forces. The capital, after bitter fighting, was recaptured 13 days after the Inchon landing.
- 28 In the first student demonstration since May against increased military training on campuses, some 1,000 students are held in check by riot police.

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- 30 The new Yongsan Community Services Center is opened by visiting CINCUSARPAC, GEN William B. Rosson. Operated by USAG-Y, and assisted by volunteers, the Center will welcome and help newly arrived families, be the local AER chapter, give non-combatant briefings, conduct a brides' school, and perform counseling services.

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- 1 The ROK's 600,000-man armed forces mark their 23d anniversary with ceremonies at the newly constructed Yoi Island Plaza in the Han River. A military review and flyby is held annually on this date to commemorate the historic day in 1950 when UNC forces crossed the 38th Parallel in the course of pursuing the retreating NK Army following the Inchon landing and the recapture of Seoul.
- 1 A ROKA marksman shoots and kills a Communist agent who was holding 10 hostages at pistol point in a Pusan home.
- 1 The ROKG permits two musicians to visit Moscow to attend an International Musicians' Council. They are the first ROK citizens authorized to visit Russia.
- 1 Duty hours for HQ, Eighth Army personnel revert to the normal 0800-1700 schedule. Summertime hours were 0730-1630.
- 3 Pacific Stars and Stripes marks its 26th anniversary. First published on 3 Oct 45, the four-page edition was distributed to troops in occupied Japan, liberated Korea and other points in the Far East. Today the S&S produces a 24-page newspaper that is distributed to readership scattered over 3½ million square miles of the Western Pacific. At present the ROK receives 15,800 copies daily.
- 3 Korean Thanksgiving Day (Chusok). Rejoicing for the harvest and ancestral tribute are the main activities on this national holiday.
- 3 The ROK celebrates National Foundation Day. According to legend, King Tangun founded the Land of the Morning Calm 4,304 years ago today.
- 4 LTG William R. Peers, formerly Chief of US Army Reserve Affairs, arrives to assume duties as Deputy CG, Eighth Army.
- 4 The first five-man contingent of Philippine Armed Forces, which arrived 25 Sep, is formally incorporated into the UNC Honor Guard in ceremonies held on Yongsan's Knight Field. This new contingent is symbolic of the adherence of the Philippines to the belief in the principles of the UN and continued support for the ROK against Communist aggression.

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- 4 State Department figures made public by a Senate Appropriations Committee today, disclose that the withdrawal of 20,000 US troops from Korea last fiscal year represented an estimated annual savings of \$70 to \$90 million.
- 5 KNP HQ announces the arrest of two NK spies. The first was subdued by private citizens and his apprehension led to the capture of his contact.
- 6 Red Cross officials of both sides agree to hold future full-scale talks on the reunion of separated families alternately in Seoul and Pyongyang, the capitals of South and North Korea.
- 9 Hangul Day. The 525th anniversary of the promulgation of Korea's alphabet is celebrated throughout the ROK. The 24-letter alphabet is perhaps the only system in the world to have resulted from deliberate planning by scholars.
- 9 The Yongsan Library moves to a new building (the former PX) and combines with the Command Reference Library on Yongsan Main Post. With more than 70,000 volumes, it is the largest Special Services Library in the Far East.
- 11 UNC initiates CPX FOCUS LENS FY 72, an annual testing of defensive plans featuring participation by US/UN/and ROK tactical forces and command staff personnel. In this six-day field exercise, elements of major headquarters in Korea coordinate efforts to counter a simulated attack.
- 11 Philip C. Habib, new US Ambassador to Korea, arrives to assume his post. The former Deputy of the US delegation to the Paris Peace talks replaces William J. Porter who will be the US senior delegate in Paris. Habib served in Korea in 1962-63 as the Am/Embassy's counselor for political affairs.
- 11 A NK soldier defects to the South after hearing a ROKA broadcast which declares defectors are welcomed and rewarded.
- 11 Fire destroys 52 quonsets and causes \$1.5 million worth of damage in the 20th GSG area at ASCOM. There are no injuries in the blaze which was caused by leaking fuel from a storage tank.
- 12 SP4 Michael Greenwood, 306th Trans Co, Camp Humphreys, is convicted of illegal possession of 25 fragmentation grenades and sentenced to 18 months' confinement at hard labor, reduction to E1 and dishonorable discharge. Sentence ends a courts-martial trial that grew out of a series of grenade explosions last May related to racial disturbances at Camp Humphreys. An attempted murder charge was dropped. PFC Michael Gipson, 516th Maint Co, was acquitted of the same charges on 24 Aug and SP4 Allen Green, HHC, 23d DSG, is in confinement awaiting trial.

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- 12 Student protests against alleged government corruption and compulsory military training on campus spread to two provincial cities despite a ROKG threat to draft demonstrators into the armed forces.
- 12 The ROK CIA announces it has broken up three Communist spy rings allegedly engaged in anti-government agitations and building subversive underground organizations. Involved were 10 men led by Pyongyang-trained agents.
- 14 Army Secretary Robert F. Froehlke announces the release of about 65,000 officers and EM from active duty by 30 Jun. Action is part of a phasedown which will cut the Army from 1,120,000 to 892,000 by end of current fiscal year.
- 15 PACFLT announces that one of the USN's high-speed gunboats, capable of firing anti-ship missiles, will be leased to the ROKN today.
- 15 California Governor Ronald Reagan, touring Asia as President Nixon's personal emissary, arrives for a three-day visit to the ROK.
- 15 The ROKG sends troops and police into seven Seoul universities to quell riotous demonstrations which have been raging for more than two weeks. They arrest 1,865 but release all but 92 ringleaders. The Education Ministry closes nine universities. President Park issues orders to expel all students who are playing a leading role in destroying campus order.
- 18 US servicemen stationed in the Seoul area and residing off-post with their dependents will face a 10 percent reduction in SHA by month's end. The reduction is a result of a recent Won devaluation and the greater purchasing power of the US dollar in the Korean economy.
- 19 A joint ROKN/ROKMC exercise, Operation JUPITER, reaches its climax with the amphibious assault of a regimental landing team on the East Coast. The exercise is aimed at increasing the capability of small units to respond quickly to counter-guerrilla warfare situations.
- 20 Two 2d Div soldiers, SP5 John Temple and PFC David P. Brooks, are arrested by ROK authorities on charges of violating the narcotics control law by allegedly trafficking in LSD.
- 20 The fifth annual Wonju, Korea/Roanoke, Va. day is held in Wonju. The sister city observance features a free luncheon and tour for US military personnel whose home is in Roanoke.

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- 21 Local ROKA troops withdraw from one university in Seoul which they have occupied since 15 Oct following anti-government demonstrations.
- 22 The USN's Blue Angels conduct the first of three aerial acrobatic demonstrations in Korea, at Taegu. Flying Four F4 Phantom jets, the team will display their precision, low-altitude techniques in Seoul and Pusan in the next three days.
- 22 The Seoul District Court convicts 12 of 17 defendants on charges of violating the Anti-Communist Law. Those convicted were involved in a campus spy ring uncovered last April. Two are sentenced to death and the others receive prison terms ranging from one to 15 years.
- 23 MG Jeffrey G. Smith, formerly Eighth Army's G3, assumes command of 2d Inf Div and receives his second star. He replaces MG Gilbert H. Woodward who is reassigned to the Army Element, JCS. Smith is replaced in Eighth Army by BG Orville I. Tobiason who was CofS for MASSTER, Fort Hood, Tex.
- 24 UN Day. Commemorative ceremonies are held jointly in Seoul and the UN Memorial Cemetery near Pusan as local citizens and representatives of UN member nations in the ROK join to observe the 26th anniversary of the founding of the UN.
- 25 US Forces in Korea commemorate Veteran's Day with Garrison Flag ceremonies at Knight Field, Yongsan Military Reservation.
- 25 ROK troops kill two NK infiltrators in the western sector of the DMZ. No friendly casualties are reported.
- 25 Mandatory change to the Army's winter uniform goes into effect in Eighth Army. Wear of the winter uniform had been optional since 1 Oct.
- 25 A ROK fishing boat with 20 crewmen is seized by a Communist patrol boat near the MDL in the East Sea.
- 26 On this date, 54 years ago, the 2d US Inf Div was activated in Bourmont, France. The 2d Div has been in Korea continuously since 1 Jul 65.
- 27 PFC Marty B. Dixon, 19th Avn Co, is convicted by a general courts-martial in Seoul of willful destruction of property, conspiracy, disorderly conduct, unlawful possession of a hand grenade, and assault on an MP. Dixon is one of eight soldiers charged in connection with an incident 9 Jul at Anjong-ni outside Camp Humphreys in which the soldiers reportedly smashed several Korean-owned bars in protest of alleged racial discrimination. He is sentenced to four years' confinement at hard labor, dishonorable discharge and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.

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- 27 South/North Red Cross officials run into another deadlock in their effort to set the stage for full-scale talks on separated Korean families. Preliminary talks have failed to establish an initial date and agenda for projected plenary conferences.
- 27 In a message marking the 22d anniversary of the Korean National Red Cross, President Park accuses the North of endangering current Red Cross talks by continued provocations against the South and political propaganda at Panmunjom MAC meetings.
- 29 MG George S. Prugh, JAG, begins a five-day visit to Eighth Army.
- 29 The US Senate votes to delete the foreign aid program for the current year. If Congress fails to revive the program early next year, it would be two-to-three years before effects are felt because actual deliveries lag behind the authorizations. The ROKG, a major recipient of US economic and military aid, declines comment on the Senate vote.
- 29 BG Charles D. Daniel, Jr, former I Corps Arty Cmdr, becomes the new Deputy CG, KORSCOM. He replaces BG John C. McWhorter, Jr, who will become CG, Logistics Cmd Det, Army Section, JUSMAG-K.
- 30 The ROKG reopens eight universities following President Park's statement that schools should have responsibility for settling their own problems in the future. The schools were closed on 15 Oct following protracted student demonstrations.
- 30 Four NK infiltrators are killed by ROK troops and police on Sohosa Island, 215 miles south of Seoul. The joint operation was begun immediately after a fisherman reported an empty boat on the shore. No friendly casualties are reported.
- 31 SROKA marks the 17th anniversary of its founding. SROKA is responsible for security and training in the rear areas of the ROK.

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- 1 MG Bert A. David, Chief, Army Section, JUSMAG-K, is promoted to his present rank in ceremonies today.
- 1 Eighth Army Rifle and Pistol Matches begin at 2d Div's Camp Casey to select the team which will represent Eighth Army in USARPAC matches to be held in April at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.
- 2 ROK police announce the arrest of a NK woman espionage agent and her two contacts in Taejon and Seoul. The female spy was arrested two days after she infiltrated by boat near Inchon.

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- 4 A 26-man observation team from the US Defense Orientation Conference Association, composed of academic, business and press representatives, begins a six-day visit to look at Korea's new defense industries.
- 5 Courts-martial proceedings find SP4 Walter Malburn, Jr, Co C, STRATCOM Long Lines Bn-South, guilty on charges connected with a 9 Jul racial disturbance in the village of Anjong-ni near Camp Humphreys last July. He is sentenced to three years at hard labor, a bad conduct discharge, and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.
- 9 The ROKG recalls troops who had occupied colleges and universities for past 25 days. The campuses have been quiet since the schools reopened on 30 Oct.
- 9 The NYT reports that President Nixon will not withdraw the remaining American division from the ROK as purportedly proposed by DOD to reduce the number of US standing divisions.
- 10 According to a ROKG announcement, agreement has been reached to complete the MAP transfer by the end of 1972. The ROK will assume some \$50 million in annual costs for defense munitions from its own budget. The MAP transfer was suspended in 1966 by the Brown Memorandum which spelled out terms for dispatch of ROK troops to the RVN. It resumed last year in conjunction with the modernization of ROK armed forces and the US troop cutback.
- 10 The ROK and US have agreed in principle that all equipment supplied to ROKF-V by the US will be retained by them upon their return to Korea. Ownership of US equipment being used by the ROK Marine Blue Dragon unit has already been transferred. The Marines are scheduled to return early next month.
- 10 Seven black soldiers are arrested at Camp Humphreys following a protest against what they claimed was discriminatory enforcement of Army regulations. The seven were among 30 who barricaded themselves in a mess hall and refused to comply with an order from the CO to disband.
- 11 The ROKN marks its 26th anniversary in ceremonies at ROK Flt Hqs in Chinhae.
- 13 The ROK CIA arrests four former Seoul National University students on charges of plotting to overthrow the government. They had played leading roles in recent campus rallies and demonstrations which led to the closure of eight universities on 15 Oct.

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- 14 ROK JCS GEN SHIM Hung Son says his government is studying a plan to domestically produce such heavy firearms as anti-aircraft guns and mortars to meet gradual reductions in US military support.
- 17 MND YU Chae Heung discloses that the ROKG has consulted the UNC about replacing the UNCMAC Senior Member with a Korean, but has ruled out such a possibility in the near future.
- 17 Twelve NK spies are arrested by the ASC in seven different locations. Their missions were to contact highly placed officials in government, military and educational circles.
- 23 GEN J. H. Michaelis departs for Washington to attend the annual US Army Commanders' Conference. The Eighth Army CG is accompanied on the two-week trip by MG W. H. Blakefield, Eighth Army CofS.
- 25 US military and civilian personnel in Korea pause to observe Thanksgiving Day.
- 26 Premier KIM Jong Pil says that the concept of national defense has changed in such a way that "defense of Seoul virtually means defense of Korea."
- 30 According to MND YU Chae Heung, NK is prepared to fight a 20-day war to take over the South, a blitzkrieg reminiscent of the Israeli seven-day victory over the Arabs.

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- 2 The ROK National Assembly passes a national budget for 1972 of 647 million won (\$1,748.6 million), an increase of 16.5 percent (\$248.6 million) over the current year. The Assembly slashed government proposed amounts for every item except defense costs. The approved \$489.4 million defense budget accounts for 26.4 percent of the total budget. The 1971 ratio was 24.4 percent. NK reportedly spent the equivalent of \$840 million for military expenses in 1971.
- 2 AF Secretary Robert C. Seamans, Jr, arrives for a two-day visit of US/ROK Air Force installations. He assures the ROK MND that the 314th Air Division will remain in Korea.
- 2 The Defense Ministry is currently organizing HDRF units into divisions to be located in Seoul and the nine provinces to defend rear areas in case of emergency. The first to be organized will be for defense of the capital.

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- 3 FTX VICTORY 71, the largest military exercise conducted by ROKA since the end of the Korean War, climaxes today with a counter-offensive on simulated enemy positions. The eight-day maneuver was conceived as a means of testing the capabilities of ground and airborne troops to defend the Seoul area.
- 5 About 100 black soldiers of the 2d Inf Div riot following fights with white soldiers in the Posan-ri area. MPs quell the disturbance.
- 5 The 30,000-member FOEU calls a general strike for 15 Dec to protest an 18 percent pay increase offered by US military authorities to begin 1 Jan. The union had asked for a 30 percent hike to offset rises in the cost of living.
- 6 President Park proclaims a state of national emergency because of "the urgent necessity to meet rapid international changes and NK Communist invasion preparations." The people are told that their constitutional freedoms may be restricted if necessary.
- 7 A 1,000-man HDRF unit, made up of members of the Seoul City government, conducts a Han River-crossing maneuver to strengthen civil defenses. Additional river-crossing drills by Seoul citizens are planned.
- 8 In reaction to President Park's national emergency declaration, NK says it does not want war. The Communists accuse Park of "trying to reinstate military rule in the face of economic difficulties and public unrest." They dismiss the ROK's claim of mounting danger from the North as "nonexistent."
- 9 State Dept officials say the US "does not altogether share the views of the ROKG on NK" and add that the "US has no evidence that an attack from the North is imminent." President Park states that to the world powers "seeking to maintain the status quo, the localized tension on the Korean Peninsula may seem insignificant; however, to the Korean people, it is a matter of paramount importance affecting our survival."
- 9 Members of a ROK Marine Brigade (Blue Dragon) and a ROKA logistical unit (Southern Cross) arrive at Pusan. They are the first elements of the 10,000 ROK troops scheduled to return from Vietnam within the next seven months. The Blue Dragons were part of the first ROK combat troops sent to the RVN in Oct 65.
- 10 A DA Personnel Management for Executives Seminar ends here after a 10-day curriculum. A total of 60 executives from Eighth Army, USFK, ROK MND, and Korean private industry attended.

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- 10 A new Seoul to Panmunjom highway (Unification Road) is dedicated today prior to the opening of the 12th meeting between South and North Red Cross officials.
- 10 A coordinated civil air defense exercise is conducted in the Seoul, Inchon and Chunchon areas. A total of 334,764 citizens attached to 643 air defense units take part in the drill overseen by the Home Ministry. It is first exercise of its kind since the Korean War.
- 11 At the 325th MAC meeting in Panmunjom, NK accuses the US of instigating the state of national emergency proclaimed recently by President Park. The UNC rejects the charge as being an internal political issue not related to violations of the Armistice Agreement.
- 13 According to the ROK Economic Planning Board, US aid to Korea in 1972 is expected to exceed \$200 million, \$41 million more than the current year, due mainly to increased agricultural loans.
- 14 The FOEU cancels its plan for a strike that was to begin tomorrow to protest the USFK's offer of an 18 percent pay raise which they deemed to be inadequate.
- 15 Eighth Army clarifies the DA early release policy as it applies in Korea. First term enlisted men with an ETS before 31 Dec 72 will receive a mandatory 179-day early release. Those first termers whose ETS is before 30 Jun 72 will be separated as soon as possible, but not later than 31 Jan 72.
- 16 The 38th Arty Bde presents awards to the top scoring units of the 1st ROK ADA Bde which participated in the ASP at Eighth Army's Sea Range on the west coast. This year, for the first time, the ROK AD units planned and conducted their own four-week ASP.
- 16 The ROKA, HDRF, and KNP conduct a two-hour defense exercise on the Kimpo peninsula near Seoul. It is designed to test quick reaction plans in the event of an attack on the capital.
- 16 A three-day meeting of UNCURK concludes in Tokyo. Representatives of Australia, the Netherlands, Philippines, Thailand and Turkey discussed the current situation in Korea, including the ROK's state of national emergency.
- 20 The ROK MND announces that ROK security forces have killed or captured 103 NK agents this year. Those neutralized were among 177 agents known to have infiltrated into the South on 59 occasions. Of the 103 Communists, 28 were captured, 68 killed and seven surrendered. ROK casualties from firefights with NK agents were 39 soldiers, policemen, militiamen and civilians killed and 76 wounded. As in 1970, there were no US casualties as a result of enemy action.

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- 20 The Seoul Board of Education announces that girls in middle and high school grades will receive "light" military training, thus far limited to boys.
- 21 A bill to implement the national emergency proclamation of 6 Dec is submitted to the National Assembly. The new bill is designed to empower the President to declare martial law, freeze wages and prices, issue mobilization and military requisition orders, control and ban assembly and demonstration, and curb freedom of the press.
- 22 ROK Foreign Minister KIM Yong Shik says that President Nixon has personally assured his government that the US will not seek any compromise with Communist China which may prejudice the interests of the ROK.
- 22 President Park visits ROK and US troops in the forward areas to offer his personal Christmas greetings. He is met at I Corps (ROK/US) Group by GEN J. H. Michaelis, CINCUNC, and LTG W. R. Peers, DCG, Eighth Army.
- 23 Senator Stuart Symington (D-Mo.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Security Agreements and Overseas Commitments, arrives for a three-day visit. Korea is one of the stops on his Asian and European tour.
- 23 In a year-end press conference, SECSTATE William Rogers lists the 20,000-man reduction in US troop strength in Korea as one of the positive achievements of 1971. He adds that there are no plans for further US reductions in the ROK in 1972.
- 25 Eighth Army celebrates its 21st Christmas in Korea.
- 25 The worst hotel fire in history guts the 22-story Tae Yun Kak Hotel in downtown Seoul. The death toll is estimated at 161 dead and 68 injured. One American, a DAFC stationed at Osan AFB, is among the 13 foreigners confirmed dead in the disaster. Eighth Army rushes all of its firefighting equipment to the scene and provides several helicopters for rescue and medevac work.
- 25 Senator Symington, in Korea on a fact-finding tour, sustains minor injuries in an auto accident just outside of Yongsan Military Reservation in Seoul.
- 26 In a press release, NK accuses the ROK of dispatching more than 330 spies and saboteurs into the North this year. The ROK labels the charges fictitious.

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- 27 The ROK National Assembly passes a 12-article "special national defense" law which gives President Park emergency powers. The President can now freeze wages, prices and rents; control labor disputes; order general or partial mobilization; and curb freedom of the press without prior approval by the National Assembly.
- 27 The Bank of Korea estimates that the 1971 GNP has increased 10.2 percent as compared to the 8.9 percent increase last year. The per capita income is 97,732 won (\$263).
- 30 The Rev Oswald C. J. Hoffmann, known throughout the world as the Lutheran Hour Preacher, arrives for a four-day visit with Christian servicemen.
- 31 The first government decree, enacted in accordance with the special law passed on the 27th, is proclaimed. It authorizes the Defense Minister to expropriate land when necessary for military operations.
- 31 The Eighth Army Whole Blood Program for Vietnam completes the year with a collection of 6,971 units. A mobile collection team from the US Army Hospital, Seoul (121st Evac), through scheduled visits to all troop areas, averaged 581 units per month to meet quotas established by USARJ-based laboratories and local authorities.
- 31 A year-end review of criminal cases allegedly involving Korea-based US personnel reveals following data: Under the ROK/US SOFA, the Ministry of Justice exercised jurisdiction over 57 Americans--28 military and 29 civilians. Of this number, 14 are pending trial and 11 are pending appeal. There was one acquittal.
- 31 The ROK Joint Staff announces that during 1971 operations in Vietnam, ROKF-V killed 4,623 of the enemy; captured 216 enemy personnel including 51 defectors; and confiscated 2,059 individual and 185 crew-served weapons. ROKF-V combat deaths were 393. Figures released show ROK military personnel continued their civic action programs, completing construction and maintenance of 81 houses; 43 classrooms; 11 bridges; and 83 public facilities; and opening 6.6 km of roads. (Cummulative figures from same source indicate that, since their mid-1965 involvement, ROKF-V have killed 38,149 enemy; captured 4,593; taken 2,422 defectors; and suffered 3,418 losses. They have captured 18,117 small arms and 1,573 crew-served weapons. Their civic action programs include the construction and maintenance of 142 bridges; 340 classrooms; 1,531 houses, 743 public facilities; and the opening of 480.05 km of public roads).

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- 31 Eighth Army's Cost Reduction Program (formerly known as Resources Conservation Program) produced reported savings during the past six months of \$7,100,400 for the present fiscal year. Projected reported savings for the three year period (FY 72 thru 74) resulting from measures approved thus far will amount to \$18,463,100.

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GLOSSARY OF SELECTED ABBREVIATIONS

ADA: Air Defense Artillery
ADC(M): Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver)
AER: Army Emergency Relief
ASC: Army Security Command
ASCOM: Army Support Command
ASP: Annual Service Practice
CEOH: Counterespionage Operations Headquarters
CHICOM: Chinese Communist
CINCPAC: Commander in Chief, Pacific
CINCPACAF: Commander in Chief, Pacific Air Forces
CINCUNC: Commander in Chief, United Nations Command
CINCUSARPAC: Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific
COMUSKOREA: Commander, US Forces, Korea
DAFC: Department of Air Force Civilian
DMZ: Demilitarized Zone
DSG: Direct Support Group
FOEU: Foreign Organizations Employees' Union
FROKA: First Republic of Korea Army
FTX: Field Training Exercise
GNP: Gross National Product
GP: Guard Post
GSG: General Support Group
HDRF: Homeland Defense Reserve Force
HRE: Han River Estuary
JSA: Joint Security Area
JUSMAG-K: Joint US Military Advisory Group-Korea
KATUSA: Korean Augmentation to the United States Army
KN: Korean National
KNP: Korean National Police
KNRC: Korean National Red Cross
KORSCOM: Korea Support Command
KVA: Korean Veterans' Association
MAC: Military Armistice Commission (also Military Airlift Command)
MAP: Military Assistance Program
MASSTER: Mobile Army Sensor Systems Test and Evaluation Resources
MDL: Military Demarcation Line
MND: Minister of National Defense
NK: North Korea
NKA: North Korean Army
NYT: New York Times
PACAF: Pacific Air Forces
PACFLT: Pacific Fleet
ROK: Republic of Korea
ROKA: Republic of Korea Army
ROKAF: Republic of Korea Air Force
ROKF-V: Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam
ROKG: Republic of Korea Government
ROKMC: Republic of Korea Marine Corps
ROKMJ: Republic of Korea Ministry of Justice
ROKN: Republic of Korea Navy
SHA: Station Housing Allowance

SOFA: Status of Forces Agreement
SROKA: Second Republic of Korea Army
STRATCOM: Strategic Communications Command
UNC: United Nations Command
UNCMAC: United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission
UNCURK: United Nations Commission on the Unification and
Rehabilitation of Korea
USAG-Y: United States Army Garrison-Yongsan
USARJ: United States Army, Japan
USARPAC: United States Army, Pacific
USFK: United States Forces, Korea
Won: Korean currency (₩371 = \$1 as of 31 Dec 71)

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