



The
Center for the
STUDY OF THE **KOREAN WAR**

RECENT ACQUISITIONS

E. Wayne and Mary Chandler donated a news flyer from 15 April 1865 announcing the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln. It also includes an account of the murder of Secretary Seward. This is an impressive document. Thanks again to the Chandlers for all their support. ☞

Frank Griep, who many will remember as a well-known Army chaplain with the Seventh Cavalry Regiment in Korea, donated a copy of his memoirs *The Circuit-Riding Combat Chaplain* to the Center's collections. Chaplain Griep has been a continuous donor to the Center throughout the years. ☞

Doug Bidwell, a career NCO in the Air Force, sent the Center two copies of a rare Canadian government pamphlet, which notes Canada's participation in the Korean War, and a Commemoration Committee map with the dates of celebrations on the border. ☞

The Center acknowledges the gift of several maps from **John Rado** of Arnold, Missouri. The maps, "Headquarters Eighth Army: Enemy Situation as of 2400 hours 30 August 1953," show the placement of the enemy and UN troops along the DMZ. These maps are an excellent resource for those writing about the armistice period. ☞

NEWS

The Center for the Study of the Korean War hits the highway! The Center now has an **Adopt-a-Highway** clean-up site on Missouri Interstate 470. If you are from the Kansas City, Missouri, area, or will be traveling through, look for the Center's Adopt-a-Highway sign just north of Lakewood Boulevard on I-470. ☞



The date of **30 July 2005** has been set for the **dedication of new flagpoles** at the Center for the Study of the Korean War's Independence, Missouri, campus. There will be a brief dedication ceremony and the raising of the flags in the afternoon. Please attend if you will be in Independence, Missouri, on that date. Contact the Center for details. ☞

MORE CONTRIBUTIONS

While attending the Kansas History Teachers Association meetings in Overland Park, Kansas, in April 2005, members of the Center staff picked up two CDs: **The National Archives Central Great Plains Region** production, *Who We Are*, and the **National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution** *America's Heritage: An Adventure in Liberty*. ❧

The Center has accessioned another thirty items from the **Paul M. Edwards Military History Collection**, a private collection that has now been transferred to the Center. There are about 300 items in all. ❧

Thanks to our volunteers for their untiring commitment. Once again, our dependable volunteer **Jack Eller** has brought in some more items for the Center's collection. This time it's some pamphlets, published by Moody Press, directed toward the GI in the training camps. Jack was with a Marine tank unit during the Korean War. ❧

IS IT YOUR TURN TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION?

We are close to meeting the requirements of the **Courtney S. Turner Charitable Trust** matching grant! These funds will be used for much needed updating and cataloging of the collection at the Center. Anything you give will be doubled, so this is a great time to make a financial contribution to the Center. We have until the 31 June 2005 deadline. Thanks! ❧

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Volume 5 of the Center's *Proceedings* will be printed in June 2005. It contains much of the material presented at the 6th Annual Conference in February 2005, including **Dr. Michael J. Devine's** paper "A Missionary in the Military: The Korean War Experience of Horace G. Underwood." Contact the Center for more information.

Volumes 1–5 of the *Proceedings* were recently requested by the **University of North Carolina** and **Harvard University** libraries. ❧



CALL FOR PAPERS

The Center's seventh **Annual Conference on War and Media will focus on War and Propaganda**. The conference dates are 23–25 February 2006. Contact Gregg Edwards or Paul M. Edwards at the Center for the Study of the Korean War with any questions or if you are interested in presenting: Gregg—gedwards@graceland.edu
Paul—pedwards@graceland.edu
Phone—816-833-0524, ext. 4304 or ext. 4303. ❧

LOOKING FOR HELP

Does anyone living in the Kansas City, Missouri, area remember the building at the corner of Hardesty and Independence Avenue (24 Highway)? During the Korean War, it was a **center for the collection and distribution of personnel effects from WIA and KIA.** However, that is all we can find out; can you help? Contact pedwards@graceland.edu. ☺

Still looking for veterans who spent time in the **31st Field Artillery, 7th DivArty. Know anyone?** Contact Paul M. Edwards, Senior Fellow, pedwards@graceland.edu. ☺



25 JUNE 2000 COMMEMORATION FLAG

The 50th anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Flag is symbolic of the unified effort of the United States, the Republic of Korea, and U.S. allies to stop communist aggression on the Korean peninsula 50 years ago. The light blue and white streamer that runs through the center of the flag is the U.N. battle streamer. The stars represent the 22 allied nations that fought to save South Korea. The words “Freedom is not Free” were added by veterans who know the price of liberty. The flag is in both the English and Korean (Hangul) languages. In the center is the “Tae Guk” symbol from the South Korean flag, familiar as the symbol for the philosophy of Yin and Yang. This flag honors and thanks the veterans of the Korean War, their families, and those who were lost. ☺

We Will Not Forget!

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL

The University of Kansas, located in Lawrence, recently held a series of lectures and discussions titled “Korea: A Divided Nation on the World Stage.” A week of events led up to the dedication of the University of Kansas **Korean War Memorial** on 16 April 2005.

Forty-four KU alumni, students, faculty, and staff died in the Korean War. Staff of the Center for the Study of the Korean War attended the events, which included a panel discussion with James Matray, Allan Millett, and Kathryn Weathersby. ☺

KANSAS HISTORY TEACHERS

Staff of the Center for the Study of the Korean War participated in the **Kansas History Teachers Association’s 79th Annual Meeting**, held 21–23 April 2005 and sponsored by the Central Plains Region of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Mark Corriston of NARA served as committee chair. The Center for the Study of the Korean War’s Senior Fellow, Paul M. Edwards, provided commentary to a presentation on an effective procedure for oral history interviewing. ☺



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