I. The forgotten war - Korea

i. Korea had been occupied by Japanese

for 35 years

ii. Post WWII divided into two countries

at 38 parallel

\* North Korea a socialist dictatorship

\*South Korea a military dictatorship

dependent on US

iii. June 28, 1950 N. Korea invaded the south

iv. US intervened on behalf of dictatorship of

south under auspices of the UN

v. US prosecuted war to point of its UN

mandate 'to repel the armed attack and to restore peace and

security in the area

vi. this brought Communist China

vi. Truman threatened and the US conceived

of a plan to use nuclear weapons

vii. 2 million North and South Koreans were

killed and 40,000 Americans

viii. war ended where it began

ix. SDUnion 10/14/99 US war crime at

No Gun Rin and Tuksong Dong - hundreds of

civilians massacre