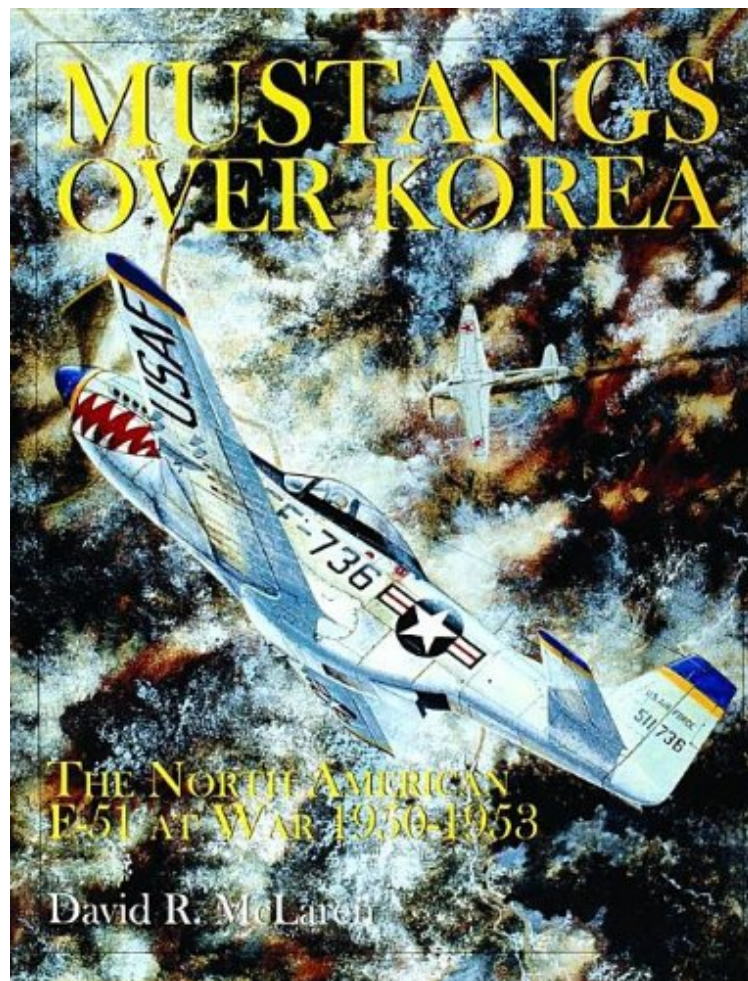


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obsolescent, prop-driven Mustang fighters to provide the initial air combat support to resist the communist invasion of South Korea. The dire need for pilots was largely met by calling up reservists-veterans of WWII who were asked to interrupt career and family pursuits back in the states. Gruesome combat conditions ensured that separation from home for many of these young men would be permanent. The primary audience for this book will be veterans of the Korean War who were in some way involved in F-51 Mustang operations. "Mustangs Over Korea" is usually anecdotal in approach, since so much of the text depends on recollections of the aging combatants. Military unit records, which seem to excel in documenting casualties, are also a key source for this book. Accordingly, much of the text chronicles pilot losses. The reader can gain a great deal of gritty insight from the anecdotes and the appendices, but additional analysis is sometimes wanted. A notable exception is McLaren's intriguing analysis of the apparent strategies of the (opposing) North Korean Air Force. The book's second printing would benefit from professional editing to remove the text's frequent lapses in grammar and punctuation. 5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. A fine account of the Mustang in the forgotten war .By A Customer This is one of the best historical books I have come across . The Korean war is at best only little known , but the author went to all ends to make this a top class reference work . Also included are some photographs that you will not find anywhere else and a fine appendix that covers pilots and aircraft from all the countries involved in the conflict .

Mustangs Over Korea is a documentary history of one of the most famous fighters ever built during a historically almost unrecognized war. Flown by four air forces in support of the United Nations, the F-51 Mustang dropped more napalm and fired more rockets than any other aircraft during that conflict and in the process suffered the highest number of losses. Told is the story of the bravery of the fighter-bomber pilots in the serious air-to-air war against horrendous anti-aircraft fire, and also the first swirling air battles against the vaunted MiG-15.