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The Kwangju
Massacre –
South Korea's
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**Kwangju Diary: Beyond Death,
Beyond the Darkness of the Age**

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Key Names

- **Syngman Rhee**, ROK's first president, held office 12 years, 1948 - 1960
- **Park Chung Hee**, former general, gained power through a military coup, held office 18 years, 1961 to 1979, when he was assassinated by his own security chief.

Key Names

- **Chun Doo Hwan**, former general, president from 1980 – 1987, subsequently convicted of treason.
- **Kim Dae Jung**, repeated opposition presidential contender from the Kwangju region. Finally elected in 1997.
- **5.18 Resistance** or **5.18 Uprising**. The name is based on the date it began: May 18, 1980.











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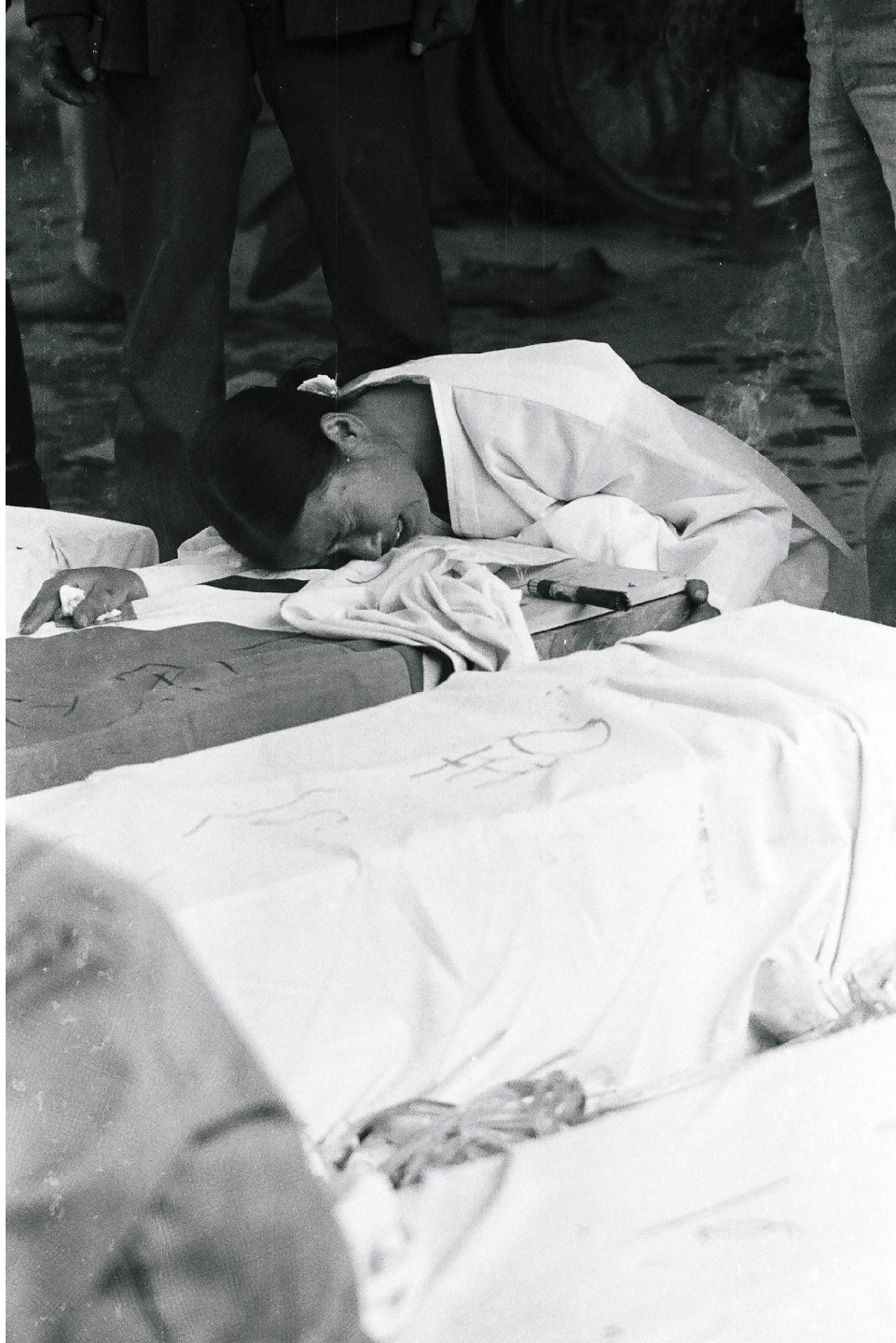


















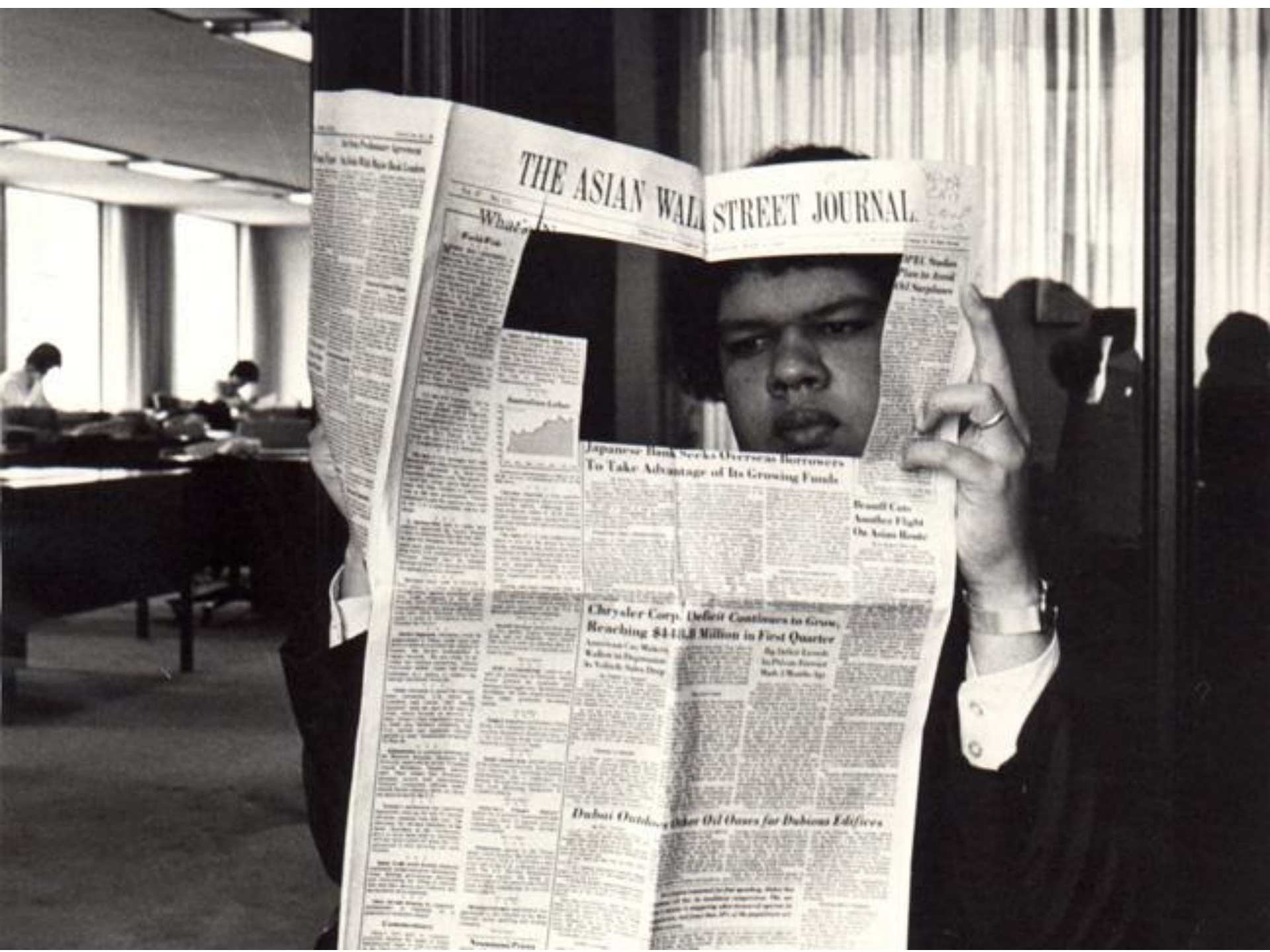
Kwangju Victims

Killed	166
Died from injuries	83
Total dead	249

Missing	47
Total dead and missing	296

Wounded	2,710
Arrested and detained	508
Total victims	3,514

Source: May 18 Memorial Foundation, as of Dec. 31,1997



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