

106TH DIVISION CASUALTIES ARE FIXED AT 8,663

Supreme Allied Headquarters, Jan. 18 (AP)—American losses on the Western front totaled 74,788 killed, wounded and missing in action in December, the bloodiest month of all for U. S. armies, it was disclosed today.

The December figure included 10,419 killed, 43,554 wounded and 20,815 missing.

Most of the missing in December, War Secretary Stimson said in Washington, are probably German prisoners.

Stimson said enemy losses on the western front in the month were estimated between 110,000 and 130,000, including 50,000 taken prisoner.

Losses of the American 106th Infantry division, partly overrun in the initial stages of the German counteroffensive were placed at 8,663, including 416 killed, 1,246 wounded and 7,001 missing. Stimson said the division had made "a gallant stand" in the Ardennes at the center of the German drive. The 106th was trained at Camp Atterbury in Indiana.

Stimson said many of those listed missing from the division are presumed to be prisoners of war.

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