TABLE VII

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN ALL ELECTIONS

LOCAL ELECTIONS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1949

Type of Elections	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	0	0	50.0	0	0	50.0
Prefectural Assembly	0	14.3	47.6	1.6	3.2	33.3
Mayor	0	0	35.7	0	7.1	57.2
City Assembly	5.9	2.6	11.9	3.3	4.6	71.7
Town Headman	2.3	2.3	4.6	0	0	90.8
Town Assembly	1.8	.6	4.9	2.9	.6	89.2
Village Headman	.4	1.3	5.3	.7	.9	91.4
Village Assembly	.7	.6	1.5	1.5	.5	95.2
Total	1.2	1.0	4.1	1.7	.8	91.2

TABLE VIII

VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 573 VOTING ELECTIONS

LOCAL ELECTIONS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	168,789	0	386,361	31,179	48,830	481,365	1,116,524
Prefectural Assembly	163,545	189,275	742,959	212,206	88,667	590,538	1,987,190
Mayor	7,213	0	100,750	37,784	14,053	163,971	323,771
City Assembly	13,384	21,580	43,155	25,803	9,773	~~151,801~~ 151,873	~~265,496~~ 265,568
Town Headman	10,167	6,880	20,316	17,600	0	237,859	292,822
Town Assembly	6,892	1,331	7,146	12,079	2,718	193,653	223,819
Village Headman	7,199	6,011	~~42,902~~ 31,302	7,261	5,294	279,664	~~348,331~~ 326,731
Village Assembly	~~2,149~~ 2,147	3,423	8,477	5,851	3,098	237,292	260,288
Total	~~379,338~~ 379,336	~~228,498~~ 228,590	~~1,352,066~~ 1,330,467	349,763	172,433	~~2,336,133~~ 2,336,215	4,818,231 4,796,714

TABLE IX

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN ALL ELECTIONS

LOCAL ELECTIONS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	15.1	0	34.6	2.8	4.4	43.1
Prefectural Assembly	8.2	9.5	37.4	10.7	4.5	29.7
Mayor	2.2	0	31.1	11.7	4.3	50.7
City Assembly	5.0	8.1	16.3	9.7	3.7	57.2
Town Headman	3.5	2.4	6.9	6.0	0	81.2
Town Assembly	3.1	.6	3.2	5.4	1.2	86.5
Village Headman	2.1	1.7	12.3	2.1	1.5	80.3
Village Assembly	.8	1.3	3.3	2.2	1.2	91.2
Total	7.9	4.7	28.1	7.2	3.6	48.5

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10 June 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR NAPIER

SUBJECT: Results of Local Elections, Period 1 January - 31 May 1949

1. Submitted herewith are the results of Japanese local elections for the period 1 January - 31 May 1949. This report supplements the one submitted 9 June 1949, subject: Results of Local Elections, May 1949. The previous report was designed as Part B of this present report.

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TABLE a

SUMMARY OF LOCAL ELECTION RESULTS - MAY 1949

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Number of Candidates	34	19	62	48	22	1,333	1,518
Seats Won (total)	14	12	44	15	12	1,070	1,167
Seats Won (voting elections)	(13)	(7)	(30)	(8)	(11)	(626)	(695)
Seats Won (no poll elections)	(1)	(5)	(14)	(7)	(1)	(444)	(472)
Percentage of Seats Won	1.2	1.0	3.8	1.3	1.0	91.7	
Votes garnered	186,776	22,353	231,042	32,393	70,013	602,678	1,145,255
Percentage of Votes Garnered	16.3	1.95	20.2	2.83	6.12	52.6	

TABLE b

SUMMARY OF COMPARISON OF MAY 1949 RESULTS WITH AVERAGE RESULTS FOR PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Percentage of Votes Garnered by Parties:

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
May 1949	16.3	1.95	20.2	2.83	6.12	52.6
Average 1949	8.1	4.9	29.1	7.4	3.7	46.8

Variation from Average: Percentage of Votes Garnered by Political Parties

+8.2	-2.95	-8.9	-4.57	+2.42	+5.8

Percentage of Seats Won by Parties:

May 1949	1.2	1.0	3.8	1.3	1.0	91.7
Average 1949	1.2	1.1	4.3	1.5	.6	91.3

Variation from Average: Percentage of Seats Won by Parties

0	-.1	-.5	-.2	+.4	+.4

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9 June 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR HAPIER

SUBJECT: Results of Local Elections, May 1949

1. Local elections held in Japan during May 1949 numbered 280. One million, one hundred and forty-five thousand, two hundred and fifty-five (1,145,255) ballots were cast for an average participation rate of 65.4 percent. Independent candidates won 1,070 of the 1,167 contested seats.

2. Detailed results are summarized in the inclosed tables as listed below.

CAPT. J. D. McWHORTER, JR.

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LOCAL ELECTIONS SCHEDULED DURING MAY 1949

Type of Election	Number of Seats Contested	Number of Voting Elections	Number of No Poll Elections	Total Number of Elections
Governor	1	1	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	2	2	0	2
Mayor	3	3	0	3
City Assembly	67	4	0	4
Town Headman	35	21	14	35
Town Assembly	226	7	12	19
Village Headman	111	53	58	111
Village Assembly	722	50	55	105
Total	1,167	141	139	280

TABLE 2

Percentage of Participation

Type of Election	Percentage of Participation
Governor	60.0
Prefectural Assembly	65.6
Mayor	72.9
City Assembly	63.3
Town Headman	76.5
Town Assembly	83.9
Village Headman	82.2
Village Assembly	81.5
Average	65.4

TABLE 3

CANDIDATES BY PARTIES, LOCAL ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	2	0	1	0	3	3	9
Prefectural Assembly	2	1	1	2	1	1	8
Mayor	0	0	1	1	1	4	7
City Assembly	17	7	17	7	12	68	128
Town Headman	4	0	2	5	0	58	69
Town Assembly	4	0	12	4	1	232	253
Village Headman	2	5	10	7	1	161	186
Village Assembly	3	6	18	22	3	806	858
Total	34	19	62	48	22	1,333	1,518

TABLE 4

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN ALL LOCAL ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Mayor	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
City Assembly	8	3	7	3	7	39	67
Town Headman	1	0	1	0	0	33	35
Town Assembly	2	0	12	1	0	211	226
Village Headman	0	3	8	1	1	98	111
Village Assembly	3	5	16	10	3	685	722
Total	14	12	44	15	12	1,070	1,167

TABLE 5

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 141 VOTING ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Mayor	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
City Assembly	8	3	7	3	7	39	67
Town Headman	1	0	0	0	0	20	21
Town Assembly	2	0	10	0	0	104	116
Village Headman	0	1	1	1	1	49	53
Village Assembly	2	2	12	4	2	410	432
Total	13	7	30	8	11	626	695

TABLE 6

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 139 NO POLL ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Town Headman	0	0	1	0	0	13	14
Town Assembly	0	0	2	1	0	107	110
Village Headman	0	2	7	0	0	49	58
Village Assembly	1	3	4	6	1	275	290
Total	1	5	14	7	1	444	472

TABLE 7

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES (ALL ELECTIONS), MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	0	0	0	0	0	100.0	
Prefectural Assembly	0	50.0	0	0	0	50.0	
Mayor	0	0	0	0	33.3	66.6	
City Assembly	11.9	4.4	10.4	4.4	10.4	58.5	
Town Headman	3.0	0	3.0	0	0	94.0	
Town Assembly	1.0	0	5.4	.5	0	93.1	
Village Headman	0	2.6	7.2	.9	.9	88.4	
Village Assembly	.4	.7	2.2	1.4	.4	94.9	
Total	1.2	1.0	3.8	1.3	1.0	91.7	

TABLE 8

VOTES GARNERED BY PARTIES IN VOTING ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	168,789	0	161,195	0	48,830	253,932	632,746
Prefectural Assembly	4,891	15,792	15,324	6,163	162	23,006	65,338
Mayor	0	0	7,366	1,618	11,667	23,856	44,507
City Assembly	5,756	3,445	18,075	13,664	6,874	30,782	78,596
Town Headman	5,356	0	290	5,412	0	78,682	89,740
Town Assembly	1,052	0	2,710	1,566	84	27,877	33,289
Village Headman	601	2,879	24,000	2,265	2,184	84,800	116,729
Village Assembly	331	237	2,082	1,705	212	79,743	84,310
Total	186,776	22,353	231,042	32,393	70,013	602,678	1,145,255

TABLE 9

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GAINERED BY PARTIES IN VOTING ELECTIONS, MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	27.0	0	25.4	0	7.6	40.0
Prefectural Assembly	6.4	24.1	23.1	9.3	2.1	35.0
Mayor	0	0	18.75	2.75	25.8	52.7
City Assembly	7.4	4.5	23.1	17.6	8.0	39.4
Town Headman	5.98	0	.32	6.0	0	87.7
Town Assembly	3.1	0	8.1	4.7	.26	83.84
Village Headman	.5	2.5	20.5	2.0	1.9	72.6
Village Assembly	.4	.29	2.49	2.06	.26	94.5
Total	16.3	1.95	20.2	2.83	6.12	52.6

TABLE I

SCHEDULE OF LOCAL ELECTIONS, PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Number of Seats Contested	Number of Voting Elections	Number of No Poll Elections	Total Number of Elections
Governor	2	2	0	2
Prefectural Assembly	61	59	0	59
Mayor	14	14	0	14
City Assembly	152	13	0	13
Town Headman	112	68	44	112
Town Assembly	689	42	19	61
Village Headman	384	156	228	384
Village Assembly	1,808	123	140	263
Total	3,222	477	431	908

TABLE II

PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION LOCAL ELECTIONS

PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Percentage of Participation
Governor	61.2
Prefectural Assembly	56.8
Mayor	72.6
City Assembly	80.4
Town Headman	72.0
Town Assembly	78.0
Village Headman	79.9
Village Assembly	79.8
Average	70.8

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TABLE III

CANDIDATES BY PARTIES LOCAL ELECTIONS, PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	2	0	2	1	3	6	14
Prefectural Assembly	33	25	72	50	15	85	280
Mayor	2	0	7	7	2	23	41
City Assembly	20	13	33	18	14	221	319
Town Headman	5	2	14	18	0	152	191
Town Assembly	23	9	35	32	5	742	846
Village Headman	11	8	35	16	5	521	596
Village Assembly	17	13	31	47	8	2,008	2,124
Total	113	70	229	189	52	3,758	4,411

TABLE IV

SEATS WON BY PARTIES IN ALL ELECTIONS, PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Prefectural Assembly	0	9	28	1	2	21	61
Mayor	0	0	5	0	1	8	14
City Assembly	9	4	18	5	7	109	152
Town Headman	2	2	5	0	0	103	112
Town Assembly	14	5	30	16	0	624	689
Village Headman	1	5	21	2	4	351	384
Village Assembly	11	10	27	25	7	1,728	1,808
Total	37	35	135	49	21	2,945	3,222

TABLE V

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 477 VOTING ELECTIONS

PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Prefectural Assembly	0	9	28	1	2	21	61
Mayor	0	0	5	0	1	8	14
City Assembly	9	4	18	5	7	109	152
Town Headman	1	2	4	0	0	61	68
Town Assembly	12	2	25	13	0	470	522
Village Headman	0	3	11	1	3	138	156
Village Assembly	9	5	19	14	4	1,011	1,062
Total	31	25	111	34	17	1,819	2,037

TABLE VI

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES 431 NO POLL ELECTIONS

PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Town Headman	1	0	1	0	0	42	44
Town Assembly	2	3	5	3	0	154	167
Village Headman	1	2	10	1	1	213	228
Village Assembly	2	5	8	11	3	717	746
Total	6	10	24	15	4	1,126	1,185

TABLE VII

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES (IN ALL ELECTIONS)

PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Governor	0	0	50.0	0	0	50.0
Prefectural Assembly	0	14.6	47.3	.5	3.2	34.4
Mayor	0	0	35.7	0	7.1	57.2
City Assembly	5.9	2.7	11.8	3.3	4.7	71.6
Town Headman	1.8	1.8	4.4	0	0	92.0
Town Assembly	2.0	.7	4.3	2.3	0	90.7
Village Headman	.2	1.3	5.4	.5	1.1	91.5
Village Assembly	.7	.5	1.5	1.4	.4	95.5
Total	1.2	1.1	4.3	1.5	.6	91.3

TABLE VIII

VOTES GARNERED BY PARTIES IN 477 VOTING ELECTIONS

LOCAL ELECTIONS, PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	168,789	0	386,361	31,179	48,830	481,365	1,116,524
Prefectural Assembly	163,545	189,275	724,991	209,532	88,667	569,152	1,945,162
Mayor	7,213	0	100,750	37,784	14,053	163,971	323,771
City Assembly	13,384	21,580	43,155	25,803	9,773	~~151,801~~ 131,873	265,496
Town Headman	6,373	5,143	19,531	15,033	0	200,470	246,550
Town Assembly	5,872	1,023	6,897	8,928	1,614	154,259	178,593
Village Headman	5,196	5,048	41,045	5,743	5,294	227,547	289,873
Village Assembly	1,549	2,890	4,386	4,444	2,053	188,251	203,573
Total	371,921	224,959	1,327,116	338,446	170,284	2,136,816	4,568,542

TABLE IX

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GARNERED BY PARTIES IN VOTING ELECTIONS

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	15.1	0	34.6	2.8	4.4	43.1
Prefectural Assembly	8.41	9.73	37.3	10.72	4.54	29.3
Mayor	2.3	0	31.2	11.7	4.5	50.3
City Assembly	5.4	8.1	16.2	9.4	3.7	57.2
Town Headman	2.5	2.1	7.7	6.4	0	81.3
Town Assembly	3.3	.58	3.88	5.0	.84	86.4
Village Headman	1.79	1.74	14.16	1.98	1.83	78.5
Village Assembly	.7	1.3	2.0	2.0	1.0	93.0
Total	8.1	4.9	29.1	7.4	3.7	46.8

TABLE A

COMPARISON OF PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949:

PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION

Type of Election	May 1949	Average for Period 1 Jan - 31 May 49	Variation from Average for Period 1 Jan - 31 May 49
Governor	60.0	61.2	- 1.2
Prefectural Assembly	65.6	56.8	+ 8.8
Mayor	72.9	72.6	+ .3
City Assembly	63.3	80.4	-17.1
Town Headman	76.5	72.0	+ 4.5
Town Assembly	83.9	78.0	+ 5.9
Village Headman	82.2	79.9	+ 2.3
Village Assembly	81.5	79.8	+ 1.7
Average	65.4	70.8	- 5.4

TABLE B

DIFFERENCE IN PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY PARTIES BETWEEN MAY 1949 LOCAL ELECTIONS AND AVERAGE OF ALL LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor			+50.0			-50.0
Prefectural Assembly		-14.6	+ 2.7	- .5	- 3.2	+15.6
Mayor			-35.7		+26.2	+ 9.5
City Assembly	+6.0	+1.7	- 1.4	+ 1.1	+ 5.7	-13.1
Town Headman	+1.2	-1.8	- 1.4			+ 2.0
Town Assembly	-1.0	- .7	+ 1.1	-1.8		+ 2.4
Village Headman	- .2	+1.3	+ 1.8	+ .4	- .2	- 3.1
Village Assembly	- .3	+ .2	+ .7	0	0	- .6
Total	0	- .1	- .5	- .2	+ .4	+ .4

TABLE C

DIFFERENCE IN PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES BETWEEN MAY 1949 LOCAL ELECTIONS AND AVERAGE OF ALL LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	+11.9	0	- 9.2	- 2.8	+ 3.2	- 3.1
Prefectural Assembly	- 2.01	+14.37	-14.2	- 1.42	- 2.44	+ 5.7
Mayor	- 2.3	0	-12.45	- 8.95	+21.3	+ 2.4
City Assembly	+ 2.0	- 3.6	+ 6.9	+ 8.2	+ 4.3	-17.8
Town Headman	+ 3.48	- 2.1	- 7.38	- .4	0	+ 6.4
Town Assembly	- .2	- .58	+ 4.22	- .3	- .58	- 2.56
Village Headman	- 1.29	+ .76	+ 6.34	+ .02	+ .07	- 5.9
Village Assembly	- .3	- 1.01	+ .49	+ .06	- .74	+ 1.5
Total	+ 8.2	- 2.95	- 8.9	- 4.57	+ 2.42	+ 5.8

Supplementary Report

LOCAL ELECTIONS - MAY 1949

(Includes only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

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TABLE 1

LOCAL ELECTIONS IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

MAY 1949

Type of Election	Number of Seats Contested	Number of Voting Elections	Number of No Poll Elections	Total Number of Elections
Prefectural Assembly	2	2	0	2
Mayor	1	1	0	1
City Assembly	67	4	0	4
Town Headman	5	5	0	5
Town Assembly	62	3	1	4
Village Headman	7	7	0	7
Village Assembly	135	12	2	14
Total	279	34	3	37

TABLE 11

PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION MAY 1949 LOCAL ELECTIONS

IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Percentage of Participation
Prefectural Assembly	65.55
Mayor	74.42
City Assembly	63.29
Town Headman	70.54
Town Assembly	90.07
Village Headman	84.70
Village Assembly	81.75
Average	68.78

TABLE 111

CANDIDATES BY PARTIES MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE ELECTIONS IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	2	1	1	2	1	1	8
Mayor	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
City Assembly	17	7	17	7	12	68	128
Town Headman	1	0	0	5	0	9	15
Town Assembly	2	0	0	4	0	69	75
Village Headman	1	1	0	7	0	11	20
Village Assembly	2	2	8	22	1	133	168
Total	25	11	26	48	14	293	417

TABLE 1v

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES MAY 1949 LOCAL ELECTIONS INCLUDING ONLY THOSE POLLS IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
City Assembly	8	3	7	3	7	39	67
Town Headman	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Town Assembly	2	0	0	1	0	59	62
Village Headman	0	0	0	1	0	6	7
Village Assembly	2	1	7	10	1	114	135
Total	12	5	14	15	8	225	279

TABLE v

SEATS WON BY PARTIES IN 34 VOTING ELECTIONS MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE POLLS IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
City Assembly	8	3	7	3	7	39	67
Town Headman	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Town Assembly	2	0	0	0	0	41	43
Village Headman	0	0	0	1	0	6	7
Village Assembly	2	1	7	4	1	100	115
Total	12	5	14	8	8	193	240

TABLE vi

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 3 NO POLL ELECTIONS MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Communist	Independent	Total
Town Assembly	1	18	19
Village Assembly	6	14	20
Total	7	32	39

TABLE vii

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES LOCAL ELECTIONS MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Prefectural Assembly	0	50.0	0	0	0	50.0
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
City Assembly	11.9	4.5	10.4	4.5	10.5	58.2
Town Headman	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
Town Assembly	3.2	0	0	1.6	0	95.2
Village Headman	0	0	0	14.3	0	85.7
Village Assembly	1.3	.6	6.1	7.2	.6	84.2
Total	4.3	1.8	5.0	5.4	2.8	80.7

TABLE viii

VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES 34 VOTING ELECTIONS MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Prefectural Assembly	4,891	15,792	15,324	6,163	162	23,006	65,338
Mayor	0	0	0	1,618	0	10,658	12,276
City Assembly	5,756	3,445	18,175	13,764	6,874	30,782	78,796
Town Headman	880	0	0	5,412	0	21,217	27,509
Town Assembly	375	0	0	1,566	0	14,822	16,763
Village Headman	107	862	0	2,265	0	9,949	13,183
Village Assembly	331	112	1,042	1,705	121	17,968	21,279
Total	12,340	20,211	34,541	32,493	7,157	128,402	235,144

TABLE ix

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 34 VOTING ELECTIONS MAY 1949 INCLUDING ONLY THOSE IN WHICH JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Prefectural Assembly	7.5	24.2	23.5	9.4	.2	35.2
Mayor	0	0	0	13.2	0	86.8
City Assembly	7.3	4.4	23.1	17.5	8.7	39.0
Town Headman	3.2	0	0	19.7	0	77.1
Town Assembly	2.2	0	0	9.4	0	88.4
Village Headman	.8	6.5	0	17.2	0	75.5
Village Assembly	1.6	.5	4.9	8.0	.6	84.4
Total	5.2	8.6	14.7	13.8	3.1	54.6

TABLE ONE

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

SCHEDULE OF ELECTIONS

Type of Election	Number of Seats Contested	Number of Voting Elections	Number of No Poll Elections	Total Number of Elections
Governor	1	1	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	52	50	0	50
Mayor	7	7	0	7
City Assembly	152	13	0	13
Town Headman	18	18	0	18
Town Assembly	323	21	3	24
Village Headman	16	15	1	16
Village Assembly	294	27	6	33
Total	863	152	9	161

TABLE TWO

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION

Type of Election	Percentage of Participation
Governor	62.4
Prefectural Assembly	55.4
Mayor	63.1
City Assembly	61.9
Town Headman	68.8
Town Assembly	78.0
Village Headman	82.7
Village Assembly	79.3
Average	60.4

TABLE THREE

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

CANDIDATES BY PARTIES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Governor	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
Prefectural Assembly	29	25	65	50	10	70	249
Mayor	0	0	3	7	10	2	22
City Assembly	20	13	33	18	14	221	319
Town Headman	1	1	0	18	0	30	50
Town Assembly	13	4	14	33	1	378	443
Village Headman	2	1	2	16	2	20	43
Village Assembly	6	3	9	47	1	301	367
Total	71	47	127	190	28	1,036	1,498

TABLE FOUR

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	9	26	1	0	16	52
Mayor	0	0	3	0	0	4	7
City Assembly	9	4	18	5	7	109	152
Town Headman	0	1	0	0	0	17	18
Town Assembly	8	2	11	16	0	286	323
Village Headman	0	0	1	2	1	12	16
Village Assembly	4	2	8	25	1	254	294
Total	21	18	68	49	9	698	863

TABLE FIVE

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

SEATS WON BY PARTIES IN 152 VOTING ELECTIONS

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	9	26	1	0	16	52
Mayor	0	0	3	0	0	4	7
City Assembly	9	4	18	5	7	109	152
Town Headman	0	1	0	0	0	17	18
Town Assembly	8	2	9	13	0	240	272
Village Headman	0	0	1	1	1	12	15
Village Assembly	4	2	8	14	1	206	235
Total	21	18	66	34	9	604	752

TABLE SIX

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES IN 9 NO POLL ELECTIONS

Type of Election	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Independent	Total
Town Assembly	2	3	46	51
Village Headman	0	1	0	1
Village Assembly	0	11	48	59
Total	2	15	94	111

TABLE SEVEN

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON BY POLITICAL PARTIES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	0	0	100.0	0	0	0
Prefectural Assembly	0	17.3	50.0	1.9	0	30.8
Mayor	0	0	43.0	0	0	57.0
City Assembly	5.9	2.6	11.8	3.3	4.7	71.7
Town Headman	0	5.5	0	0	0	94.5
Town Assembly	2.5	.6	3.5	4.9	0	88.5
Village Headman	0	0	6.3	12.4	6.3	75.0
Village Assembly	1.3	.6	2.7	8.6	.3	86.5
Total	2.4	2.1	7.9	5.7	1.0	80.9

TABLE EIGHT

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Governor	0	0	225,166	31,179	0	227,430	483,775
Prefectural Assembly	133,625	189,275	635,038	209,532	43,945	470,116	1,681,531
Mayor	0	0	73,717	37,784	0	98,731	210,232
City Assembly	13,384	21,580	43,155	25,803	9,773	151,873	265,568
Town Headman	880	2,238	0	15,033	0	56,393	74,544
Town Assembly	3,915	842	2,666	8,928	284	95,178	111,813
Village Headman	389	862	1,190	5,743	2,485	16,693	27,362
Village Assembly	989	361	1,340	4,444	121	38,673	45,928
Total	153,182	215,158	982,272	338,446	56,608	1,155,087	2,900,753

TABLE NINE

LOCAL ELECTIONS HELD DURING PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 MAY 1949

(Including only those polls in which Japan Communist Party entered candidates)

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES GARNERED BY POLITICAL PARTIES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent
Governor	0	0	46.7	6.1	0	47.2
Prefectural Assembly	7.7	11.3	37.9	12.4	2.8	27.9
Mayor	0	0	35.4	17.9	0	46.7
City Assembly	5.0	8.2	16.3	9.6	3.7	57.2
Town Headman	1.3	3.1	0	20.3	0	75.3
Town Assembly	3.4	.8	2.4	8.1	.2	85.1
Village Headman	1.3	3.0	4.2	20.7	9.0	61.8
Village Assembly	2.2	.8	2.9	9.7	.3	84.1
Total	5.4	7.5	33.9	11.6	2.0	39.6

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VOTES RECEIVED BY PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS 1 JANUARY - 30 APRIL 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	225,166	31,179	0	227,433	483,778
Prefectural Assembly	158,654	173,483	709,667	202,369	88,505	546,146	1,879,834
Mayor	7,213	0	93,384	36,166	2,386	140,115	279,264
City Assembly	7,628	18,135	25,080	12,139	2,899	121,091	186,972
Town Headman	1,017	5,143	19,241	9,621	0	121,788	156,810
Town Assembly	4,820	1,023	4,187	7,362	1,530	126,382	145,304
Village Headman	4,595	2,169	17,045	3,478	3,110	142,747	173,144
Village Assembly	1,218	2,653	2,304	2,739	1,841	108,508	119,263
Total	185,145	202,606	1,096,074	306,053	100,271	1,534,220	3,424,369

PERCENTAGE OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES BY PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

1 January - 30 April 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	100.0	0	0	0	20.0
Prefectural Assembly	0	33.3	39.5	2.1	14.2	27.0	21.6
Mayor	0	0	83.5	0	0	31.5	32.4
City Assembly	33.3	16.0	68.7	18.2	0	45.7	44.5
Town Headman	0	100.0	33.3	0	0	43.6	38.5
Town Assembly	52.5	22.2	45.4	46.2	0	71.9	68.8
Village Headman	0	66.6	40.0	0	50.0	24.7	25.1
Village Assembly	50.0	42.8	53.8	40.0	40.0	50.0	48.5
Total	22.7	35.3	48.5	20.3	20.0	48.9	46.1

PERCENT OF VOTES ACCORDED TO POLITICAL PARTIES

1 January - 30 April 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Governor	0	0	46.9	6.4	0	47.0
Prefectural Assembly	8.6	9.4	37.9	11.0	4.9	28.2
Mayor	2.8	0	32.9	12.8	.9	50.5
City Assembly	4.3	9.9	13.7	6.7	.7	64.8
Town Headman	.7	3.4	12.5	6.5	0	76.9
Town Assembly	3.2	.6	2.8	4.8	1.0	87.8
Village Headman	2.5	1.2	9.7	2.0	1.7	82.9
Village Assembly	1.0	2.1	2.0	2.2	1.5	91.2
Average	5.4	5.9	31.9	9.0	2.9	44.9

SEATS ACCORDED TO POLITICAL PARTIES

JAPANESE LOCAL ELECTIONS

1 January - 30 April 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	8	28	1	2	20	59
Mayor	0	0	5	0	0	6	11
City Assembly	1	1	11	2	0	70	85
Town Headman	1	2	4	0	0	70	77
Town Assembly	12	5	18	15	0	413	463
Village Headman	1	2	13	1	3	253	273
Village Assembly	8	5	11	15	4	1,043	1,086
Total	23	23	91	34	9	1,875	2,055

LOCAL ELECTIONS IN WHICH COMMUNIST CANDIDATES WERE ENTERED

1 January - 30 April 1949

Type of Election	Voting Elections	No Poll Elections	Total
Governor	1	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	48	0	48
Mayor	6	0	6
City Assembly	9	0	9
Town Headman	13	0	13
Town Assembly	18	2	20
Village Headman	8	1	9
Village Assembly	15	4	19
Total	118	6	124

PERCENTAGE OF VOTERS' PARTICIPATION LOCAL ELECTIONS

1 January - 30 April 1949

Type of Election	Percentage of Registered Voters who Participated (All Elections)	Percentage of Registered Voters who Participated (Elections in which Communists Entered Candidates)
Governor	62.4	62.4
Prefectural Assembly	57.2	55.0
Mayor	64.6	61.2
City Assembly	88.3	61.4
Town Headman	72.4	68.1
Town Assembly	77.4	76.0
Village Headman	79.3	81.0
Village Assembly	77.2	78.0
Total	72.7	58.0

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VOTES ACCORDED TO POLITICAL PARTIES LOCAL ELECTIONS 1 JANUARY - 30 APRIL 1949

IN WHICH COMMUNIST CANDIDATES WERE ENTERED

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	225,166	31,179	0	227,430	483,775
Prefectural Assembly	128,734	173,483	619,714	203,369	43,783	47,110	1,616,193
Mayor	0	0	73,717	36,166	0	88,073	197,956
City Assembly	7,628	18,135	25,080	12,139	2,899	121,091	187,072
Town Headman	0	2,238	0	9,621	0	35,176	47,035
Town Assembly	3,540	842	2,646	7,362	284	80,356	95,050
Village Headman	282	0	1,190	3,478	2,485	6,744	14,179
Village Assembly	658	249	298	2,739	0	20,705	24,649
Total	140,842	194,947	947,831	308,053	49,451	1,026,685	2,665,809

PERCENT OF VOTES ACCORDED TO POLITICAL PARTIES IN 118 VOTING

ELECTIONS IN WHICH COMMUNISTS ENTERED CANDIDATES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Governor	0	0	46.7	6.1	0	47.2
Prefectural Assembly	8.0	10.7	38.3	12.6	2.7	27.7
Mayor	0	0	37.2	18.3	0	44.5
City Assembly	4.1	10.0	14.0	6.5	1.6	63.9
Town Headman	0	4.8	0	20.4	0	74.8
Town Assembly	4.1	1.0	2.3	8.6	.3	89.4
Village Headman	2.0	0	8.4	24.5	17.5	47.6
Village Assembly	2.7	1.0	1.3	11.3	0	83.7
Total	5.3	7.3	35.6	11.5	1.8	38.5

SEATS WON BY PARTIES IN 124 LOCAL ELECTIONS 1 JANUARY - 30 APRIL 1949 IN WHICH COMMUNIST CANDIDATES WERE ENTERED

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	8	26	1	0	15	50
Mayor	0	0	3	0	0	3	6
City Assembly	1	1	11	2	0	70	85
Town Headman	0	1	0	0	0	12	13
Town Assembly	6	2	11	15	0	227	261
Village Headman	0	0	1	1	1	6	9
Village Assembly	2	1	1	15	0	140	159
Total	9	13	54	34	1	473	584

GOVERNMENT SECTION
Public Administration Division

11 May 1949

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Japanese Local Elections of April 1949

1. One hundred and seventy-six (176) local elections were held during the period 1 April to 30 April 1949 according to reports of the National Election Management Commission. Eighty-eight (88) were "voting" elections; eighty-eight (88) were "no poll."

2. Four hundred five thousand and fifty-seven (405,057) persons voted or 75.6 percent of the qualified voters concerned.

3. Seven hundred and eighty (780) candidates filed. Independent candidates won 558 of the 606 contested seats. Seats won by political parties were:

Social Democrat	8
Democrat	7
Democratic Liberal	25
Communist	5
Minor	3
Independent	558

4. Minor parties and Independents showed an increase in the percentage of votes garnered as compared with the results of the March local elections; all others showed a decrease.

Party	Percentage of Votes Accorded Parties in March 1949	Percentage of Votes Accorded Parties in April 1949	Difference in Percentage March - April
Social Democrat	7.3	6.7	- .6
Democrat	5.5	3.1	- 2.4
Democratic Liberal	33.0	19.1	-13.9
Communist	11.4	9.9	- 1.5
Minor	.2	.9	+ .7
Independent	42.6	60.3	+17.7

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Number of Local Elections held during April 1949 2

Number of Candidates by Political Parties 2

Percentage of Voter Participation 2

Seats accorded to Political Parties (total) 3

Seats accorded to Political Parties
(SS "Voting" Elections) 3

Seats accorded to Political Parties
(SS "no poll" Elections) 3

Votes received by Political Parties
(SS "Voting" Elections) 4

Percentage of Seats accorded to Political Parties (total) 5

Percentage of Votes received by Political Parties
(SS Voting Elections) 6

NUMBER OF LOCAL ELECTIONS

Type of Election	Number of Seats Contested	Number of Voting Elections	Number of No Poll Elections	Total Number of Elections
Prefectural Assembly	7	7	0	7
Mayor	1	1	0	1
City Assembly	5	1	0	1
Town Headman	24	16	8	24
Town Assembly	158	10	3	13
Village Headman	79	28	51	79
Village Assembly	332	25	26	51
Total	606	88	88	176

CANDIDATES BY PARTIES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	4	1	6	6	0	11	28
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
City Assembly	0	0	0	1	0	6	7
Town Headman	0	0	4	5	0	36	45
Town Assembly	6	5	7	5	2	157	182
Village Headman	5	1	10	4	2	92	114
Village Assembly	5	1	7	6	2	381	402
Total	20	8	34	27	6	685	780

PERCENTAGE OF VOTERS PARTICIPATING

Type of Elections	Percentage of Voters Participating
Prefectural Assembly	74.0
Mayor	77.6
City Assembly	82.5
Town Headman	73.0
Town Assembly	77.6
Village Headman	81.1
Village Assembly	76.5
Average	75.6

TOTAL SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	0	0	3	0	0	4	7
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
City Assembly	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Town Headman	0	0	2	0	0	22	24
Town Assembly	5	5	7	3	0	138	158
Village Headman	1	1	7	0	1	69	79
Village Assembly	2	1	6	2	2	319	332
Total	8	7	25	5	3	558	606

SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES IN "VOTING" ELECTIONS

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Prefectural Assembly	0	0	3	0	0	4	7
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
City Assembly	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Town Headman	0	0	2	0	0	14	16
Town Assembly	4	2	7	2	0	127	142
Village Headman	0	1	6	0	1	20	28
Village Assembly	2	1	4	1	2	188	198
Total	6	4	22	3	3	359	397

SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES IN "NO POLL" ELECTIONS

Type of Election	SD	D	DL	C	MIN	IND	Total
Town Headman	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
Town Assembly	1	3	0	1	0	11	16
Village Headman	1	0	1	0	0	49	51
Village Assembly	0	0	2	1	0	131	134
Total	2	3	3	2	0	199	209

VOTES ACCORDED TO PARTIES

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Prefectural Assembly	23,553	11,207	59,170	31,875	0	81,409	207,214
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	14,713	14,713
City Assembly	0	0	0	1,230	0	17,075	18,305
Town Headman	0	0	6,934	4,561	0	36,133	47,628
Town Assembly	969	344	1,446	450	229	26,059	29,497
Village Headman	2,380	1,016	8,143	1,709	2,485	28,864	44,597
Village Assembly	195	107	1,670	368	1,038	39,725	43,103
Total	27,097	12,674	77,363	40,193	3,752	243,978	405,057

PERCENTAGE OF SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES

(All Elections)

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Prefectural Assembly	0	0	42.8	0	0	57.2
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
City Assembly	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
Town Headman	0	0	8.3	0	0	91.7
Town Assembly	3.2	3.2	4.4	1.9	0	87.3
Village Headman	1.3	1.3	8.8	0	1.3	87.3
Village Assembly	.6	.3	1.8	.6	.6	96.1
Average	1.3	1.2	4.1	.8	.5	92.1

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES ACCORDED TO PARTIES IN "VOTING" ELECTIONS

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Prefectural Assembly	11.4	5.4	28.5	15.4	0	39.3
Mayor	0	0	0	0	0	100.0
City Assembly	0	0	0	6.7	0	93.3
Town Headman	0	0	14.5	9.6	0	75.9
Town Assembly	3.3	1.2	4.9	1.5	.7	88.3
Village Headman	5.4	2.4	18.3	3.8	5.6	64.5
Village Assembly	.4	.2	3.9	.9	2.4	92.2
Average	6.7	3.1	19.1	9.9	.9	60.3

GOVERNMENT SECTION
Public Administration Division

18 April 1949

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Local Elections Summary

1. Four hundred and fifty-two (452) local elections were held during the period 1 January - 31 March 1949, as reported by the National Election Management Commission.

2. Three million, nineteen thousand, three hundred and twelve persons (3,019,312) voted, or 72.2 percent of the registered voters concerned.

3. One thousand four hundred and forty-nine (1,449) seats were contested. Seats won by political parties were:

Social Democrat	15
Democrat	16
Democratic Liberal	66
Communist	29
Minor	6
Independents	1,317

4. The percentage of votes accorded to each party was:

Social Democrat	5.2
Democrat	6.3
Democratic Liberal	33.8
Communist	8.8
Minor	3.2
Independents	42.7

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TABLE A

SCHEDULE OF LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	By-Elections	General Elections	Total Elections
Governor	0	1	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	50	50
Mayor	0	10	10
City Assembly	6	2	8
Town Headman	0	53	53
Town Assembly	19	10	29
Village Headman	0	194	194
Village Assembly	78	29	107
Total	103	349	452

TABLE B

NO POLL ELECTIONS*

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	No Poll By-Elections**	No Poll General Elections**	Total Elections**
Governor	0	0	0
Prefectural Assembly	0	0	0
Mayor	0	0	0
City Assembly	0	0	0
Town Headman	0	22	22
Town Assembly	2	2	4
Village Headman	0	119	119
Village Assembly	51	8	59
Total	53	151	204

*"No Poll" Election: One in which there was no actual balloting. Only as many candidates filed their intention to run as there were seats to be filled.

**These 204 elections are included in the figures of Table A.

TABLE C

PERCENTAGE OF PARTICIPATION

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	By-Elections	General Elections	Average
Governor	0	62.4	62.4
Prefectural Assembly	0	54.2	54.2
Mayor	0	63.3	63.3
City Assembly	50.3	89.1	89.1
Town Headman	0	69.4	69.4
Town Assembly	73.0	85.1	77.0
Village Headman	0	77.5	77.5
Village Assembly	75.4	88.8	78.0
Total	72.4	72.1	72.2

TABLE D

CANDIDATES ACCORDING TO POLITICAL PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
Prefectural Assembly	27	23	65	42	14	73	244
Mayor	2	0	6	6	1	17	32
City Assembly	3	6	16	10	2	147	184
Town Headman	1	2	8	8	0	58	77
Town Assembly	13	4	16	23	2	353	411
Village Headman	4	2	15	5	2	268	296
Village Assembly	9	6	6	19	3	821	864
Total	59	43	133	114	24	1,740	2,113

TABLE E

SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberals	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	8	25	1	2	16	52
Mayor	0	0	5	0	0	5	10
City Assembly	1	1	11	2	0	65	80
Town Headman	1	2	2	0	0	48	53
Town Assembly	7	0	11	12	0	275	305
Village Headman	0	1	6	1	2	184	194
Village Assembly	6	4	5	13	2	724	754
Total	15	16	66	29	6	1,317 453 834	1,449

TABLE F

SEATS ACCORDED TO PARTIES

NO POLL ELECTIONS*

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Town Headman	1	0	0	0	0	21	22
Town Assembly	1	0	3	1	0	36	41
Village Headman	0	0	2	1	1	115	119
Village Assembly	1	2	2	4	2	311	322
Total	3	2	7	6	3	483	504

*These figures are included in the figures of Table E.

TABLE G

LOCAL ELECTIONS - APRIL 1947

For Comparison Purposes

Type of Election	Seats Attained							
	Liberal	Democrat	Social Democrat	People's Cooperative	Communist	Minor Parties	Independents	Total
Governor	4	4	4	1	0	3	30	46
Mayor	19	23	11	1	0	9	146	209
Town & Village Headman	360	316	253	63	11	96	9,111	10,210
Prefectural Assembly	491	488	411	116	4	177	803	2,490
City Assembly	656	647	672	32	36	312	4,917	7,272
Ward Assembly	245	132	140	3	15	5	355	895
Town and Village Assembly	3,956	4,124	4,701	577	365	1,577	167,924	183,224
Total	5,731	5,734	6,192	793	431	2,179	183,286	204,346

TABLE II

VOTES RECEIVED BY POLITICAL PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Governor	0	0	225,166	31,179	0	227,433	483,778
Prefectural Assembly	135,101	162,276	650,497	171,494	88,505	464,747	1,672,620
Mayor	7,213	0	93,384	36,166	2,386	125,402	264,551
City Assembly	7,628	18,135	25,080	10,909	2,899	104,016	168,667
Town Headman	1,017	5,143	12,307	5,060	0	85,655	109,182
Town Assembly	3,851	679	2,741	6,912	1,301	100,323	115,807
Village Headman	2,215	1,153	8,902	1,769	625	113,883	128,547
Village Assembly	1,023	2,546	634	2,371	803	68,783	76,160
Total	158,048	189,932	1,018,711	265,860	96,519	1,290,242	3,019,312

TABLE I

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES RECEIVED BY POLITICAL PARTIES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Period: 1 January - 31 March 1949

Type of Election	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents
Governor	0	0	46.7	6.1	0	47.2
Prefectural Assembly	8.1	9.7	38.9	10.2	5.3	27.8
Mayor	2.7	0	35.2	13.6	1.0	47.5
City Assembly	4.5	10.7	14.9	6.5	1.7	61.7
Town Headman	1.0	4.7	11.2	4.6	0	78.5
Town Assembly	3.1	0.5	2.4	6.0	1.0	87.0
Village Headman	1.7	0.9	6.9	1.4	0.5	88.6
Village Assembly	1.4	3.4	1.0	3.1	1.1	90.0
Total	5.2	6.3	33.8	8.8	3.2	42.7

TABLE J

GOVERNOR

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
*Party Candidates	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
Votes Accorded to each Party	0	0	225,166	31,179	0	227,433	483,778
Percentage of votes accorded to each Party	0	0	46.7	6.1	0.0	47.2	100.0
Seats accorded to each Party	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
**For Comparison:							
Votes accorded to each party (1947)	86,463	0	0	0	0	448,544	535,017
Percentage of votes accorded to each party (1947)	16.0	0	0	0	0	84.0	100.0
Seats accorded to each Party (1947)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
***Governors of other Prefectures according to Party	4	3	4	0	3	30	44

*Table prepared from the results of one local election.
**Figures prepared from results of election in same prefecture in 1947.
***Source: Report of National Election Management Commission. 45 Prefectures shown. One vacancy on date of report.

TABLE K

PREFECTURAL ASSEMBLEMEN

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
*Party Candidates	27	23	65	42	14	73	224
Seats accorded to parties	0	8	25	1	2	16	52
Votes accorded to parties	135,101	162,176	650,497	171,494	88,505	464,747	1,672,610
Percent of votes accorded to parties	8.1	9.7	38.9	10.2	5.3	27.8	100.0
**For Comparison:							
Seats accorded parties in 1947	20	35	26	0	2	25	108
Votes accorded parties in 1947	324,876	409,578	382,717	32,854	129,925	436,284	1,716,234
Percent of votes accorded parties	18.9	23.9	22.3	1.9	7.6	25.4	100.0
Number of seats each party held in all 46 prefectural assemblies 1947	429	535	668	3	401	442	2,478

*Chart prepared from results of 50 elections.
**Comparative figures based on results of 38 elections for which reports were available both in 1947 and 1949.

TABLE I

MAYOR

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
*Party Candidates	2	0	6	6	1	17	32
Votes accorded parties	7,213	0	93,384	36,166	2,386	125,402	264,551
Percentage of votes accorded Parties	2.7	0	35.2	13.6	1.0	47.5	100.0
Seats accorded parties	0	0	5	0	0	5	10
For Comparison:							
Number of seats each party held in all the 224 cities - 1947	10	19	20	0	8	167	224

*Table prepared from results of 10 local elections.

TABLE M

CITY ASSEMBLY

	Social Democrats	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Party Candidates 6 by-elections	3	6	5	6	2	25	47
Party Candidates 2 general elections	0	0	11	4	0	122	137
Total	3	6	16	10	2	147	184
Votes accorded parties:							
By-elections	7,628	18,135	20,682	10,309	2,899	62,267	121,920
General elections	0	0	4,398	600	0	41,749	46,747
Total	7,628	18,135	25,080	10,909	2,899	104,016	168,667
Percent of Votes accorded parties:							
By-elections	6.2	14.9	17.0	8.5	2.3	51.1	100.0
General elections	0.0	0.0	9.4	1.2	0.0	89.4	100.0
Average	4.5	10.7	14.9	6.5	1.7	61.7	100.0
Seats accorded parties:							
By-elections	1	1	4	1	0	7	14
General elections	0	0	7	1	0	58	66
Total	1	1	11	2	0	65	80

TABLE N

TOWN HEADMAN

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
*Party Candidates	2	2	8	8	0	79	99
Votes accorded to parties	1,017	5,143	12,307	5,060	0	85,655	109,182
Percentage of votes accorded to parties	1.0	4.7	11.2	4.6	0	78.5	100.0
Seats won in 31 voting elections	0	2	2	0	0	27	31
Seats won in 22 "no poll" elections	1	0	0	0	0	21	22
Total seats accorded each party	1	2	2	0	0	48	53

*Table prepared from results of 38 local elections.

TABLE O

TOWN ASSEMBLY

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
Party Candidates:							
19 By elections	9	1	3	8	2	71	90
10 General elections	4	2	2	8	0	158	172
Total	13	3	5	16	2	229	262
Votes accorded parties:							
17 By elections	2,961	449	1,392	5,631	1,301	62,658	74,392
8 General elections	890	230	1,349	1,281	0	37,665	41,415
Total	3,851	679	2,741	6,912	1,301	100,373	115,807
Percentage of votes accorded parties:							
By elections	4.0	0.6	1.9	7.5	1.7	84.3	100.0
General elections	2.1	0.7	3.2	3.1	0.0	90.9	100.0
Average	3.1	0.5	2.4	6.0	1.0	87.0	100.0
Seats accorded parties:							
By-elections	3	0	2	5	0	66	76
General elections	3	0	6	6	0	173	188
Total seats won by elections	6	0	8	11	0	239	264
No poll elections:							
1 By election	1	0	1	0	0	5	7
2 General elections	0	0	2	1	0	31	34
Total seats won by no poll elections	1	0	3	1	0	36	41
Total seats each party	7	0	11	12	0	275	305

TABLE P

VILLAGE HEADMAN

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independent	Total
*Party candidates	4	2	15	5	2	168	296
Votes accorded to parties	2,215	1,153	8,902	1,769	625	113,883	128,547
Percentage of votes accorded each party	1.7	0.9	6.9	1.4	0.5	88.6	100.0
Seats won in 75 elections	0	1	4	0	1	69	75
Seats won in 119 no poll elections	0	0	2	1	1	115	119
Total seats	0	1	6	1	2	184	194

*Table prepared from results of 164 local elections.

TABLE 9

VILLAGE ASSEMBLY

	Social Democrat	Democrat	Democratic Liberal	Communist	Minor	Independents	Total
Party candidates:							
78 By elections	4	6	3	9	1	295	318
29 General elections	5	0	3	10	2	526	546
Total	9	6	6	19	3	821	864
Votes accorded parties:							
By elections	607	2,546	476	1,732	803	33,734	39,898
General elections	416	0	158	639	0	35,049	36,262
Total	1,023	2,546	634	2,371	803	68,783	76,160
Percentage of votes accorded parties:							
By elections	1.5	6.4	1.2	4.3	2.0	84.6	100.0
General elections	1.2	0	0.4	1.8	0	96.6	100.0
Average	1.4	3.4	1.0	3.1	1.1	90.0	100.0
Seats accorded parties:							
By elections	1	2	1	3	0	67	74
General elections	4	0	2	6	0	346	358
Total seats won by votes	5	2	3	9	0	413	432
No poll elections:							
By elections	0	2	1	2	0	190	195
General elections	1	0	1	2	2	121	127
Total seats won no poll elections	1	2	2	4	2	311	322
Total seats each party	6	4	5	13	2	724	754

GOVERNMENT SECTION
Public Administration Division

31 March 1949

INFORMAL MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Local Elections

1. Three hundred and seventy-five local elections were scheduled to be held during the first three months of 1949. (see table A).

2. Six hundred and seventy seats were contested in the 264 elections for which results have been received to date. Independent candidates won 589. Political parties won seats as follows: (see table B)

Social Democrat	10
Democrat	13
Democratic Liberal	49
Communists	7
Minors	2

3. The number of votes accorded to each party was reported only for 64 of the above local elections. The relative average for each was: (see table C)

Social Democrat	5.6
Democrat	10.5
Democratic Liberal	32.9
Minors	2.7
Communists	9.0
Independents	47.0

4. Fifty-four local elections are scheduled for April 1949. (see table D)

5. Source of local election reports: National Election Management Commission.

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TABLE A: Number of Local Elections scheduled to be held during the first three months of 1949.

Type of Election	JAN	FEB	MAR	Total
Governor	0	1	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	0	42	8	50
Mayor	1	9	0	10
City Assembly	0	6	2	8
Town Headman	0	24	9	33
Town Assembly	0	13	11	24
Village Headman	3	91	62	156
Village Assembly	0	53	43	96
Total	4	239	135	375

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TABLE B: Seats won by political parties in 264 local elections, January, February, March 1949.

Type of Election	Percent of Voters Participating	No. of Elections Reported	SD	D	DL	MIN	C	IND	Total
Governor	62.4	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Prefectural Assembly	59.1	49	0	7	26	2	1	18	54
Mayor	67.6	8	0	0	4	0	0	4	8
City Assembly	61.6	7	1	1	11	0	2	61	76
Town Headman	74.4	25	1	0	1	0	0	23	25
Town Assembly	78.5	13	1	0	0	0	3	90	94
Village Headman	81.4	105	1	1	4	0	0	99	105
Village Assembly	79.1	56	6	4	2	0	1	294	307
Total	70.5	264	10	13	49	2	*7	589	670

*See Table B-1

TABLE B-1: Polls in which Communists were successful include:

Location	Type of Election	Total Votes Cast	Communist Votes Polled	Communist Seats Gained	Number of Seats Contested	Percent of Partici-pation
Kyoto City, Ukyo Ku, Kyoto Prefecture	Prefectural Assemblyman	19,214	3,702	1	1	34.6
Kurashiki City, Okayama Prefecture	City Assembly	15,114	1,582	1	5	60.6
Kamo Town, Tomata District, Okayama	Town Assembly	1,274	104	1	22	92.6
Kusukawa Village, Shiusou District, Ehime Prefecture	Village Assembly	2,183	108	1	16	95.2
Takahashi Town, Johbou District, Okayama Prefecture	Town Assembly	3,878	762	1	5	60.4
Yoshiwara City, Shizuoka Prefecture	City Assembly	14,538	178	1	30	89.1
Kami Sunakawa Town, Sorachi District, Hokkaido	Town Assembly	10,914	462	1	30	81.0

TABLE C: Votes accorded to political parties in 64 local elections, January, February, March 1949.

1. Type of Election: Governor
Number of Elections Reported: 1

Party	Votes Rec'd	Percent of Total
Democratic Liberal	225,166	46.7
Communist	31,179	6.1
Independents	227,433	47.2
Total	483,778	100.0

2. Type of Election: Prefectural Assembly
Number of Elections Reported: 49

Party	Votes Rec'd	Percent of Total
Social Democrat	145,950	9.1
Democrat	173,107	9.6
Democratic Liberal	638,886	39.0
Minors	77,143	4.5
Communist	185,096	11.1
Independents	443,468	26.7
Total	1,663,650	100.0

3. Type of Election: Mayor
Number of Elections Reported: 7

Party	Votes Rec'd	Percent of Total
Social Democrat	5,371	2.7
Democratic Liberal	57,425	30.0
Communist	26,259	13.6
Independents	102,403	53.7
Total	191,458	100.2

4. Type of Election: City Assembly
Number of Elections Reported: 7

Party	Votes Rec'd	Percent of Total
Social Democrat	7,628	5.1
Democrat	17,239	11.3
Democratic Liberal	25,180	16.6
Minors	1,378	.9
Communist	9,683	6.4
Independents	90,034	59.7
Total	151,142	100.0

5. Percentage of votes accorded each party (average of above percentage figures):

Social Democrat	5.6
Democrat	10.5
Democratic Liberal	32.9
Minor	2.7
Communist	9.0
Independents	47.0

Note: This average represents a general comparative figure. It was compiled from results of 64 out of 375 elections. However, it accounts only for those areas where the particular party actually had candidates and representation. It does not represent the relative strength of the parties throughout Japan. For comparative purposes, the percentage of votes accorded the political parties in the House of Representatives election of 23 January 1949 follows:

Social Democrat	13.5
Democrat	15.8
Democratic Liberal	43.8
Minor	10.7
Communist	9.6
Independents	6.6

TABLE D: Local elections scheduled for April 1949.

Prefectural Assemblymen	- 6 elections
Mayors	- 1 election
Town Headmen	- 8 elections
Town Assemblymen	- 3 elections
Village Headmen	- 23 elections
Village Assemblymen	- 13 elections
Total	- 54 elections