

Lockup	Date	City or Ku (Tokyo)	Prefecture
Asakusa	11 Apr	Asakusa-ku	Tokyo City
Takagawa	15 "	Harano-cho	Tokyo
Hachioji	18 "	Hachioji City	" "
Kagacho	18 "	Yokohama	Kanagawa
Kawagoe	19 "	Kawagoe	Saitama
Kyobashi	17 "	Kyobashi-ku	Tokyo City
Mikawashima	16 "	Arakawa-ku	Tokyo
Nogata	17 "	Tokyo City	"
Odawara	17 "	Odawara-shi	Kanagawa
Oiso	18 "	Oiso	"
Omori	11 "	Tokyo City	"
Water Police	4 inspections	"	"
Totsuka	12 Apr.	Totsuka-machi	Kanagawa
Tsukishima	19 Apr.	Tokyo City	"
Tsukiji	17 Apr.	Kyobashi-ku	Tokyo City
Tsurumi	12 "	Yokohama	Kanagawa
Weno	16 "	Tokyo City	"
Seiju	15 "	"	"



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 20 April 1946

FROM:  
 Acting Administrator,  
 Prison Section

TO:  
 Chief,  
 Public Safety Division

WEEKLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES  
 Period: 13-19 April 1946

1. DEVELOPMENT OF QUESTIONNAIRES--Questionnaire on lockups again revised, and investigators inspected two lockups using revised form. Further revisions to be made until questionnaire fully suitable. Questionnaire form submitted to Chief, Public Safety Division, 18 April for comment.

2. LOCKUP INSPECTIONS, TOKYO AND VICINITY--Section investigators inspected and reported on following lockups during period: Fukagowa, Mikawashima, Ueno, Kyobashi, Senju, Tsukiji, Nogata, Hachioji, Tsukishima, all in Tokyo or Tokyo-TO; Kawagoe, in Saitama Prefecture; Oiso, Odawara, Kagacho, in Kanagawa Prefecture.

3. LOCKUPS, CONTINUEING INVESTIGATION OF VIOLATIONS OF SCAPIN 93, 4 OCTOBER 1945 (CIVIL LIBERTIES)--Conference with committee of Bureau of Public Safety, Ministry of Home Affairs, this office, 16 April, for purpose of receiving reports listed in Incl. 1, Weekly Report of Activities, Period: 6-12 April 1946. Results: (1) Received reports of Japanese inspections of Ueno, Matsudo (Chiba Prefecture), and Tokyo Water Police lockups; (2) Received first draft of form for daily and monthly reports of lockups and suggested revisions, to be delivered to Prison Section in conference 17 April; (3) Received copy of order from Ministry of Home Affairs to Metropolitan Police Board ordering Water Police lockup improved; (4) received copy of order to be issued by Ministry of Home Affairs to all lockups in Japan for improvement of conditions; suggested revisions of same; (5) Explained the four categories of lockup inmates to Japanese officials.

Conference with same officials, this office, 17 April to discuss information received 16 April. Results: (1) Suggested further revisions of form for daily and monthly reports by lockups; (2) Suggested report be tested by Tokyo Water Police, Ueno, and Marunouchi lockups for period 20-30 April; (3) Suggested further revision of order to be issued to all lockups.

Conference with same officials at Ministry of Home Affairs for further discussion of lockup conditions. Results: (1) Informed Japanese that they are responsible for treatment of prisoners even though prisoners triable by Allied courts; (2) Received final draft of daily and monthly report form to be tested in period 20-30 April in three Tokyo lockups; (3) Suggested that Ministry of Home Affairs lose no time in issuing order



to all lockups.

Fourth conference of period with same Japanese officials, 19 April, at Ministry of Home Affairs to complete discussions concerning the Ministry of Home Affairs order to all lockups in Japan. Results: (1) Following suggestions for incorporation into order were presented to the Japanese:

1. As a measure to promote the health and well-being of inmates, they will be provided at all times with a minimum of 1.5 square meters of floor space per capita and more whenever possible. The height of the cells will be about 3 meters as a standard size.
    - a. Suggestions to prevent overcrowding:
      - (1) Process cases of inmates promptly.
      - (2) Prior planning on using other police stations with available space.
      - (3) Wire inclosure with necessary tents, latrines, guards, etc.
    2. Females will at all time be segregated from males. Juveniles will at all times be segregated from adults.
    3. Sanitary and hygienic conditions will be kept in a high order.
      - a. Cells clean.
      - b. Inmates clean.
      - c. Inmates' clothing and bedclothing clean.
    4. Diet for the inmates will be that established by the Imperial Japanese Government for the Japanese public.
    5. Medical examination for each person apprehended will be given as soon as possible after person placed in lockup. Examination will be made and recorded within five days after person is detained. Examination will be for malnutrition, contagious diseases, weight, etc. The medical record will be signed by medical examiner and initialled by Chief of Police Station, and will follow inmate to prison when applicable.
- (2) Copy of order in final form to be presented to Prison Section 26 April pending arrangements between Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Finance for increase of monetary allowance for food of lockup inmates; (3) Mr. Tanikawa, Director of Bureau of Public Safety of Ministry of Home Affairs, stated he had ordered Yamagouchi, Training Section, Metropolitan Police Board, to instruct inspectors of Department of Police to eliminate unsatisfactory conditions at once; this order given to representatives of 20 prefectures morning of 19 April.

4. PERSONNEL, PRISON SECTION--Lieutenant Sayama transferred to Police Section 12 April. Major Alfred L. Oliver, CMP, assigned section 16 April, and familiarized with mission and past work of division and section 16-18 April. Conference with Assistant Chief and Executive Officer, Public Safety Division, 13 April, concerning assignment of a stenographer-typist to Prison Section.

5. PRISONS, INSPECTION OF CHIBA PRISON--Section investigators inspected



Chiba Prison, Chiba City, Chiba Prefecture, 19 April and reported on same.

6. PRISONS AND LOCKUPS, OSAKA-KOBE AREA, PLANNED INSPECTION WEEK OF 20-27 APRIL--Four section investigators and two enlisted translators under Major Oliver on orders to Osaka-Kobe area week of 20-27 April for purpose of inspecting five prisons and various police lockups in that area.

7. PRISONS, INFORMATIONAL REPORT--Informational brief on Japanese prisons received from Bureau of Penal Administration 12 April revised and titled "Japanese Prisons" by Captain Knight 16 April, submitted to Chief, Public Safety Division, 17 April.

8. PRISONS, REQUESTS OF AND REPORTS FROM BUREAU OF PENAL ADMINISTRATION--Conference this office 17 April with Mr. Miyakawa, Liaison Section, Ministry of Justice, for purpose of receiving reports from and making requests of Bureau of Penal Administration. Results: (1) Received report from ex-governor of Fuchu Prison (Kanda) re conditions and shortages at that prison, and requested comment of Director (Kiyohara), Penal Administration Bureau, on this report; (2) Received report "Declaration of Principle Regarding Application of the Prison Law (1946.1.1)", compiled by a committee of Bureau, December 1945, and put into effect 1 January 1946; added this report to file on Prison Law in possession of Legal Officer; (3) Requested a report on National Prison Organization similar to report on National Police Organization received by Public Safety Division from Ministry of Home Affairs; (4) Requested a list of military and naval prisoners in each prison as of 1 April; (5) Requested a blueprint or drawing of physical layout of each prison, branch prison, house of detention, and reformatory (NOTE: Lockups not requested.).

Conference this office 18 April for purpose of discussing projected report on National Prison Organization. Present: Miyakawa, Fuse (Sec. to Dir., Bureau of Penal Administration), Kimmel, Newton. Results: (1) Much data for report already on hand in Bureau; (2) Date for report set as 10 May 1946; (3) Double set of statistics to be presented in report re present 3rd Section, Bureau of Penal Administration, and future Section of Offenders' Protection, a projected independent section of the Ministry of Justice to be formed during May from the present 3rd Section of the Bureau.

Conference this office 20 April with Miyakawa, Fuse, and Otsu, Health Technician of Bureau of Penal Administration, concerning report of ex-governor of Fuchu Prison and comments by Director of Bureau. Results: (1) Comments of Director (Kiyohara) received.

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13 April 1946

FROM: Acting Administrator TO: Chief,  
Prison Section Public Safety Division

WEEKLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES ON PERIOD: 6 April 1946 to 12 April 1946.

1. DEVELOPMENT OF QUESTIONNAIRES--Investigators completed questionnaire on Police Lockups on 8 April and Section met in night session to discuss same, and to outline immediate objectives for week.

RESULTS OF DISCUSSION: (1) Lockup questionnaire to be further revised during week, (2) statistical (investigator's) questionnaires for lockups and prisons to be devised during week, (3) difference between statistical questionnaires for investigators and statistical reports by lockups and prisons made clear, (4) monthly statistical report forms to be used by lockups and prisons to be devised during week, per suggestions by Colonel Pulliam.

Investigators completed and submitted questionnaires / (1) and (2) above/ 10 April, and planned field trips for 11-13 April to lockup in Tokyo-  
To and Kanagawa Prefecture to test questionnaires. Lockups inspected included Asakusa (11 April) Omeri (11 April) Totsuka (Kanagawa Pref. 12 April), Tsunwai (Yokohama, 12 April) and Kagache and branches Isezaki and Yamashita (Yokohama, 12 April). Reports submitted on each lockup.

Monthly statistical report form for lockups / (4) in first Par. above/ completed.

2. LOCKUPS, ALL JAPAN--Answers to questions asked of Metropolitan Police Board 26 March received 8 April. These answers included a list of all police lockups in Japan, giving names, addresses, capacity of lockups, and total no. of inmates during Feb., 1946.

3. LOCKUPS, CONTINUING INVESTIGATION OF VIOLATIONS OF SCAP DIRECTIVES OF 4 OCTOBER 1945. (Civil Liberties)--Investigators report of conference 11 April with Lt. Simms, JAG 1st Cav. Div, concerned activities of Tokyo Area Provest Courts. Information gained: four courts now operating in Tokyo with field grade officers assigned as full time primary duty; 300 to 400 cases a week being tried.

Report of conference with officials of Ministry of Home Affairs  
inclosed. (Incl. 1) Conference concerned violations of SCAP Directive of



4 Oct. 1945; on Classification of Prisoners according to four categories of sentenced, accused, suspected, and protective custody, physical inspection of prisoners to check on malnutrition, contagious diseases, etc.

Investigator's report of conference with Lt. Paul Wolf, Yokohama Prevest Court No. 1, opposite British Embassy, Yokohama, 13 April, detailed activities of U.S. Prevest Courts in Yokohama Area. Information included: (1) Court opened 1 April 1946 and disposed of 313 cases by 13 April; (2) Only one court operating in Yokohama 13 April; a second court in same building to open next week to try "Not guilty" pleas, but not expected to try over four cases a day; (3) Lt. Wolf knew of no prevest courts in Japan south of Yokohama; (4) Sample daily calendar of court attached (Incl. 2).

Report of 2nd re-investigation of Tokyo Water Police Detention Cell, 13 April, is inclosed. (Incl. 3)

Section investigators interviewed Mr. Sakamoto, Inspector of Detention Sub-section, Metropolitan Police Board, to determine how capacity of a lockup is determined; results: (1) individual police chiefs determine own capacity, (2) capacities amount to No. of people police chief believes can be crowded into the cells and still sleep.

4. PRISONS, MILITARY AND NAVAL--Answers to questions asked of Ministry of Justice 26 March, were delivered to Prison Section 13 April. Information indicates number of prisoners now in former military and naval prisons, which were taken over by Ministry of Justice from 1st and 2nd Demobilization Ministries 1 April 1946. Delivered to Prison Section at same time was a revised list of prisons, now including the military and naval prisons as part of the regular prison system of Japan.

5. BOOKS AND STATISTICAL FORMS, PENOLOGY--Contacted Imperial and Meiji Universities in an effort to locate books on criminology and Penology. This reference list was prepared by Dr. Frank, Federal Bureau of Prisons, U.S. None of the books were available. Recommend this section prepare letter to the Adjutant General, Attention: A.C. of S. G-2, War Department requesting these books for our use.

Prepared radios to Federal Bureau of Prisons and Governor of New York requesting materials they use in compiling prison statistics.

6. WEEKLY REPORT, STANDARDIZATION--Conference with Executive Officer concerning standardization of weekly report.

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3 Incls:

1. Rept. of Conf. --Kimmel.
2. Daily Calendar--Yoko. Prevest Court No. 1.
3. Inspection of Tokyo Water Police Lockup, 13 April.

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REPORT ON CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE: Mr. Tanikawa, Director Bureau of Public Safety; Mr. Shibata Tatsue and Mr. Egeta Geuja, Criminal Prevention Section, Minister of Home Affairs. The latter is responsible to the director for checking police stations or detention cells and keeping the director informed of their condition.

PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE: (1) Determine categories of prisoners for which records were maintained. (2) Apprise Director of Procedure Chief of Police Stations may follow in obtaining DDT for Detention Cells.

3. Presented the suggestion to Director of his establishing a system whereby a person when apprehended would be physically examined for malnutrition, contagious diseases, weight etc.

4. Apprised director that par. g. SCAP Directive No. 93, dated 4 October 45, was being violated for the following reasons:

- a. Insufficient quantity and quality of food.
- b. Unsatisfactory hygienic measures being taken relative to sanitation, water for bathing, washing inmates clothing, bed clothing, and cleanliness of cells.
- c. Insufficient bed clothing.
- d. Unsatisfactory ventilation.
- e. Insufficient exercise for inmates.
- f. Unsatisfactory segregation--age and type of prisoner.
- g. Medical attention unsatisfactory.

RESULTS: 1. Committee of 3 appointed by Mr. Tanikawa to work with prison section.

2. Committee to contact concerned officials and at least officials of detention cells with view of obtaining their ideas on feasibility of maintaining records showing inmates under these classifications:

- a. Protective custody.
- b. Suspects.
- c. Awaiting trial.
- d. Sentenced.

Committee to submit findings 16 April 1946.

3. Director stated that he would inform chiefs of Police Stations, "Contact Japanese Health Department in each prefecture for DDT. If unavailable there have Health Department Officers contact commanding Officer, Military Government Company in the Prefecture.



4. Committee to submit plan 16 April 1946 on Health Examination of apprehended individuals.

5. Relative to unsatisfactory conditions in the detention cells, Director stated that measures would be taken to have them corrected.

REMARKS: There is a separate report on this conference.

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13 April 1946

FROM: Member, Prison Section TO: Acting Administrator  
Prison Section

INSPECTION OF TOKYO WATER POLICE LOCK-UP

Investigators: Lt. Bunke & Lt. Marshlow.

1. The present population of the lock-up is 193 including one woman and two boys fourteen years old. This number may be broken down as follows:

- 104 awaiting trial by American Court.
- 77 awaiting trial by Japanese Court.
- 9 Tried and serving two week sentence in lock-up.
- 2 boys fourteen years old, held as witness by order of 23rd CID in a pistol case.
- 1 woman, held by order of 23rd CID for black-market operations and as accomplice in murder case.

2. Of the 104 persons being held for trial by American provost courts, 60 are to be processed through the procurator's office and Japanese courts first, having been incarcerated before 1 April. Of these 60, five have been in the lock-up for a month, and the others have been there a shorter time.

3. Of all prisoners, 20 are from 15 to 18 years of age.

4. The woman is kept in the passage-way in front of the cell and sleeps at night in a separate room.

5. Construction of six additional cells according to the Police Chief is to begin today. Otherwise, the general conditions as compared to previous investigation remain unchanged. The same cells are still used, food is distributed in the same manner, latrine facilities are unchanged, the cells are still over-crowded. The Chief stated that the main waterfront station is still unused for the custody of prisoners.

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APO 500  
8 April 1946

FROM : TO  
Prison Section : Chief, Public Safety Division.

WEEKLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES  
Period: 30 March to 5 April 1946.

30 March 1946

Capt. Knight completed sample questionnaire on Fuchu Prison, visited by Prison Section, 27 March. (Incl. 1)

Lt. Marshlow completed reports on interviews with individual prisoners at Kosuge Prison, visited by the Prison Section, 28 March, and turned these over to Capt. Maniscalco for revisions, deletions, or additions to the questions asked in connection with Memo For Work Ahead Folder, Subj: Prisons, dated 8 March 1946, from Col. Pulliam. This memorandum suggested close cooperation between the Prison and Legal Sections in the matter of surveying individual case histories of prisoners beginning with arrest and following through to date of inspection.

Answers to questions asked of the Penal Administration Bureau 20 March were delivered by Mr. Mizakawa and Mr. Fuse of the Ministry of Justice; these answers consisted of (1) lists of all reports received by the Bureau of Penal Administration relating to prisons; (2) a summary of inspections of the prisons by inspectors appointed from the Bureau of Penal Administration; and (3) a summary of prison inspections carried out by officials of an individual prison. Lt. Marshlow and Lt. Newton discussed this information with the above Japanese officials.

Lt. Marshlow worked an outline to be followed in interrogation of prisoners and conferred with Lt. Thomas of CIC concerning same.

1 April 1946

Capt. Knight and Lt. Marshlow investigated Tokyo Water Police Detention Cell as planned last week in continuing investigation concerning that house of custody, and began report on their findings.

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## Weekly Reports of Activities (cont'd)

Capt. Knight also obtained information from Lt. Allison, Legal and Public Safety Section, 32nd Military Government Hq. & Hq. Co., concerning the establishment of provost courts in Tokyo area, a matter related to the above investigation.

Lt. Newton received from Mr. Ohkawa, Liaison Sec., Metropolitan Police Board, a report listing Tokyo police stations, number of detention cells at each, and capacities of those cells. (See Incl. 2). Report also lists police stations damaged in air raids and not in use, but omits Water Police cells which are subject of continuing investigation. Report on latter to be delivered to Prison Section 4 April. Earlier report by same office to Lt. Marshlow (Incl. 3) listed average daily population of the Tokyo police detentions cells for period 1-20 March 1946.

Information required by Legal Section for proposed revision of the Prison Law of Japan was turned over to Captain Maniscalco for action. Simultaneously a list of individual persons who have been awaiting trial for over a year was submitted to Capt. Maniscalco with check sheet requesting advice as to legal way in which such long periods can be eliminated promptly.

2 April 1946

Capt. Knight's report on investigation Tokyo Water Police Detention Cell completed. (Report was circulated to all secs. 4 April). Capt. Knight and Lt. Marshlow interviewed Lt. Allison, 32nd Military Gov't. Co., Major Tilton, Military Gov't Sec., SCAP, and Lt. Simms, 1st Cav. Div. Hq., in connection with provost courts being established in Tokyo area to try certain Japanese now being held in police lock-ups and Tokyo House of Detention. Capt. Knight obtained a copy of Weekly Report Legal and Public Safety Section, 32nd Military Gov't Co., dtd 2 March 1946 (Incl. 4), which outlines the situation in Tokyo relative to prisoners held for trial for offenses against occupation forces.

3 April 1946

Lt. Marshlow searched files Statistics and Reports Section, GHQ, for information concerning penal system which Japanese Government was ordered to deliver to SCAP per SCAPIN No. 93, 4 Oct. 1945. Lt. Marshlow also visited AG office and later interviewed Col. Marcum, OCCIO, in this same matter, and searched OCCIO files for the information. Subject information not located.



## Weekly Report of Activities (con'd)

4 April 1946

Lt. Bunke joined section and was partially briefed concerning mission, objectives, and past work of the section.

Capt. Knight continued work on the questionnaire to be used in inspecting prisons, and completed his report on Kosuge Prison, visited 28 March.

Lt. Marshlow conferred with various officials of the Home Ministry and Metropolitan Police Board in an attempt to determine whether any central records are kept of the numbers of persons held in police lock-ups according to the four categories of sentenced prisoners, persons awaiting trial, suspects, and "protective custody" prisoners. These agencies stated that only the individual lock-ups have any records of the numbers in each category. Individual lock-ups will be checked to ascertain whether they actually maintain such records.

Lt. Marshlow also interviewed Col. Marcum and Col. Davis, CIS, and Mr. Nakaoka, Central Liaison Section, in a continuing search for the information on prisons called for by SCAPIN No. 93, 4 Oct. 1945. (See account of 3 April). He also checked CIS message center log for record of same, but did not locate information.

Lt. Newton received "Report Concerning the Capacity of the Stockades of Water Police Station", dated 2 April 1946, from Mr. Ohkawa, as promised on 1 April. (Incl. 5)

Lt. Sayama joined section, and was advised to spend day seeing to his personal affairs in getting adjusted in GHQ.

Maj. Kimmel visited Staff Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters 8th Army, Yokohama 4 April 1946 for the purpose of informing staff Judge Advocates of the overcrowded conditions in the police lock-ups in Tokyo and Yokohama and that inmates were awaiting trial by provost courts.

The following personnel were contacted: Colonel J.J. O'Brien, Staff Judge Advocate and Lt. Col. R.R. Richmond. Col. Richmond read the inspection reports, this office, dated 22 March and 3 April 1946 on Tokyo Water Police Station, 1 chome, Shibaura, Shibu Ward, Tokyo-TO. It was further pointed out similar conditions were observed in other detention cells in Tokyo City and Yokohama and may exist in other portions of Japan.

The information was well received and was given a copy of operational Directive Number 29, dated 11 March 1946 prepared by Staff Judge Advocates Section, a portion of which reads ".....will establish and maintain such provost courts as may be required".

Same date I contacted Lt. Col. Crawford, Legal Section, Government Section, 8th Army and informed him of above visit. While there I picked up a small scale map of Japan with prefectures overprinted on it.



## Weekly Report of Activities (cont'd)

5 April 1946

Capt. Knight, Lt. Marshlow and Lt. Sayama spot-checked the four police houses of custody (literally translated as "detention centers" from the Japanese) to compare actual capacities and numbers of prisoners with the figures given Prison Section in attached reports (Incls. 3 & 5). The detention centers checked were: Nihonbashi, Kanda, Marunouchi, and Koji Machi. Capt. Knight's report on these detention centers is inclosed. (incl 6).

Lt. Bunke and Lt. Sayama went to Metropolitan Police Board to determine how much cell space a prisoner in a detention center is supposed to be allotted. Their finding was that the individual police chief decides this space allotment, and that it is supposed to be 2 tatami for 3 prisoners, although this figure is rarely adhered to as a strict rule.

Major Kimmel conferred with officials of the Metropolitan Police Board concerning correction of conditions on Tokyo Water Police Detention Cell, and other conditions brought out by continuing investigation of past two weeks. Report of conference attached. (incl. 7)

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## 7 Incls:

- 1 - Report on Fuchu Prison.
- 2 - Locations of Police Stations, No. of Detention Rooms, and Fixed No. of Persons To Be Detained.
- 3 - List of a Brief Survey About Present Condition of Lock-ups, etc.
- 4 - Weekly Rept. of Legal and Public Safety Sec., 32nd Mil. Govt. Co., dtd 2 Mar. 1946.
- 5 - Rept. Concerning the Capacity of Stockades of Water Police Sta.
- 6 - Spot-check of Tokyo Detention Centers.
- 7 - Results of Conference with Japanese Officials, Met. Police Board, 5 April 1946.

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30 March 1946

From: Prisen Section  
To: Chief, Public Safety Division

WEEKLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES  
Period: 23 March to 30 March 1946

1. Chief activities during period in developing Phase I were:
  - ✓ a. Working on questionnaire to be used by investigators in surveying prisons and obtaining case histories of inmates.
  - ✓ b. Instructed to survey houses of custody and Detention cells; Tokyo Water Police is now under investigation. Instructed to inform minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Justice of crowded conditions at this Detention cell and warn them that this is a violation of SCAP Directive.
  - ✓ c. Prepared report on number of foreigners in Japanese prisons.
  - ✓ d. Conferences with various members of Penal Administration Bureau and received reports on prisoners awaiting trial, Copy of Administrative Orders, Mr. Nakae's Proposed Revisions of Prison Law, Administrative Execution Law, and Names and Addresses of Army and Navy Prisons.
  - ✓ e. Prepared maps showing prisons in Japan.
  - ✓ f. Compiling information on prisons from CIC reports and Civil Affairs Handbook.
  - ✓ g. Conference with Prison Section members, Metropolitan Police Bureau.
  - ✓ h. Interviewed Mr. Reese, Technical Research Division, who was a prisoner at Yokohama Prison during last 6 Months of War.
  - ✓ i. Visited Fuchu and Kogane Prisons.

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 30 March 1946

FROM                      TO  
 Prison Section            Chief, Public  
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Report of Activities  
 Period: 23 March to 30 March 1946.

23 March 1946:

The report of conference with Mr. Nakao, Chief 1st Section Penal Administration Bureau is attached. The report was prepared by Lt. Newton. Investigative status reports of Temporary Administration Building, Tokyo Water Police are attached. Results of investigation to date:

1. Investigation continuing.
2. Instructed to include houses of custody in prison section survey program.
3. Instructed to inform Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Justice of crowded conditions at this detention cell and warn them that this is a violation of SCAP Directive.

Capt. Knight and Lt. Marshlow, during period, worked on questionnaire to be used by investigators in surveying prisons and obtaining case histories of inmates.

Lt. Marshlow completed copy of wall map showing location and types of Japanese prisons for Mr. Valentine's office.

25 March 1946:

Capt. Knight and Lt. Marshlow contacted Minister of Home Affairs and obtained a copy of Administrative Execution Law. Lt. Newton obtained copy of Administrative Orders, Mr. Nakao's Proposed Revisions of Prison Law, and names, addresses, and status of army and navy prisons in Japan from conference with Mr. Nakao, Chief 1st Section. Prepared and submitted report on number of foreigners in Japanese prisons.

26 March 1946:

Capt. Knight appeared before board of Regular Army in Yokohama. Conference with Mr. Kyohara, Chief Penal Administration Bureau and Mr. Nakao, Chief 1st Section, obtained reports on prisoners awaiting trial and completed arrangements for visit to Fuchu and Kosuge Prisons. Lt. Marshlow in a conference with Mr. Uyehara, Liaison Section, Metropolitan Police Bureau and members of prison section of said bureau requested the following information: Name, location, capacity, population on a specific date (if specific date is not obtainable-average population for a 30 day period) in each of these classes-sentenced, accused or awaiting trial, suspect, protective custody of houses of custody or



police lockups in Tokyo City, Tokyo prefecture, Japan prefectures. Result of conference, information will be brought to prison section when compiled.

27 - 28 March 1946:

The section visited Fuchu and Kosuge Prisons respectively. Mr. Kiyohara, Mr. Fuse, and Mr. Miyakawa were in the party at Fuchu while Mr. Nakao and Mr. Miyakawa went with prison section to Kosuge Prison.

The purpose of the visit was:

1. To check practicability of questionnaire
2. To determine the immediate problems of the wardens in the operation of their prisons and what the prison section considered them to be by observation.

Discussion- We discovered our questionnaire was incomplete and that a separate one would have to be devised for use in surveying houses of custody.

The wardens named their two main problems:

1. More Chaplains for religious education
2. The need for more books, motion picture films, and equipment for sports for recreational use.

Other problems named were food, clothing, medical care, fuel, materials for houses of work, shortage of water. The latter applied only to Kosuge Prison as it had its own individual water supply.

Observations- The immediate problems as observed by prison section were poor hygiene (health, sanitation, ventilation, and overcrowding) food, and fuel. There was evidence that an abundance of water was used on prison floors and equipment but that it had been used sparingly for inmates and laundering of clothing and bed clothing.

It was pointed out to the Director, Penal Administration Bureau, that immediate steps be taken to improve hygienic conditions. It was further pointed out that an individual should be weighed and examined for malnutrition when apprehended, weighed when he left the house of custody, and weighed and examined again for malnutrition when he was received into a prison. In this manner it could be determined when malnutrition appeared in any prisoner suffering from this condition. In connection with this subject, it was learned that 23 of the 35 deaths occurring in Kosuge Prison between 1 January and 28 March 1946 were listed by the prison physician as due to malnutrition.

29 March 1946:

Major Kimmel and Lt. Newton appeared before board for Regular Army in Yokohama.

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- Encl: 1. Results of Conference with Japanese  
2. Investigation Report, Detention Cell,  
Tokyo Water Police

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- e. 22 March (Fri.) Checked with Provost Marshall to determine exact location of certain local prisons to be visited in near future. Completed wall map on location and classification of Japanese prisons. A discussion was held on recommendations re Investigator Fritz's report on conditions in Tokyo Water Police Honor of Custody. Continued work on check sheet to be used by investigators in checking prisons in Japan. A conference was held with Mr. Makao of the Penal Administration Bureau re police lock-ups and jurisdiction therein.

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APO 500  
 22 March 1946

WEEKLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES, PERIOD 1-17 MARCH 1946

- 1 - 4 March: This period was devoted in becoming acquainted with the objective of the various branches of the division.
- 5 March: Assignment of Maj. George C. Kimmel, Lt. Allan D. Newton, and Mr. S.H. Brenner to the prison section was received.
- 6 - 7 March: The period was spent in becoming acquainted with what information had been obtained prior to assignment to the prison section. A general reconnaissance for additional source material was made. This will be a continuing process.
- 8 - 9 March: A new member, Lt. Robert W. Marshlow, was assigned to the section. Members of the section prepared and submitted a guide which will be used in the collection of information on Japanese prisons. The system will also include the type of information to be collected.
- 11 March: One member of the section, Mr. S.H. Brenner, was re-assigned. A prison map of Japan showing locations and classification of prisons was begun. Office Memorandum No. 7 concerning the missions and objectives of the Public Safety Division was studied. Members of the section began a revision of the original plan for the development of Phase I.
- 12-14 March: A general study of the material at hand in our own files was continued and questions for a conference with members of the Penal Administration Bureau were drafted. Charts on location of the Japanese Min: of Justice, population, and types of Japanese prisons were completed.
- 15 March: Morning and afternoon conferences between the members of the Prison Branch and the following members of the Penal Administration Bureau were held:
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| Mr. B. Nakao    | - Secretary, | 1st Sect.       |
| Mr. Takizawa    | "            | 2nd Sect.       |
| Mr. Y. Watanabe | "            | 3rd Sect.       |
| Mr. T. Migakawa | Jr. Sec,     | Liaison Sect.   |
|                 |              | Min. of Justice |

Points developed at this conference concerned the following items:

1. General clarification of certain terms used in the Prison Law of Japan.



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2. The organization and classification of prisons and branch prisons.
3. The length of detention of prisoners awaiting trial and reasons for delays.
4. History of Japanese prisons and penal administration.

Requests for additional charts and information concerning the above subjects to be used as source material, were requested from the Bureau, and deadline dates for delivery of the information were set.

16 March: A second conference was held in this office with Mr. Miyakawa and Mr. Otsu, the Health Official of the Penal Administration. Questions concerning information received on the previous day were clarified at this conference. Lt. Newton, of this branch, was assigned part time duty as acting administrative officer.

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