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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APO 500
23 December 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Fire Administrator.

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for period
15 December - 20 December 1947.

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. Angell attended Section Chiefs conference on PSD security measures.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Brooks made fire prevention inspection of four (4) Tokyo theatres.

3. Active projects:

a. Mr. Starr and Mr. Ankrom continued work on revision of city grading schedule for application to Japanese communities.

b. Mr. Martin continued fire department training program at five (5) Tokyo fire stations.

c. Mr. Telford continued work on triangulation system for Tokyo fire department.

d. Mr. Matthews continued study of arson investigation training course. Mr. Angell prepared list of hazardous materials frequently used by arsonists, for inclusion in training course.

e. Mr. McKibbin continued study of reorganization plans for Tokyo fire department.

f. Mr. McKibbin continued study and revision of hours of work for Tokyo fire department.

g. Mr. Brooks continued study of fire and building codes.

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h. Mr. Brooks continued investigation of fire department reports and records system.

i. Mr. McKibbin started preparation of proposed rules and regulations for Tokyo fire department.

j. Mr. Matthews on TDY to seven (7) Japanese cities.

4. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell discussed recommendations for improvement of American Embassy hydrant system with Hqs & Sv Grp.

b. Mr. Angell discussed address given to Kan-setsu and prefectural fire officials with Lt. Col. Battey, PSD. Address given on 15 - 16 December to a total of about 115 officials, including representatives from Tokyo fire department and Home Ministry.

c. Mr. Brooks discussed equipment to be used by fire research institute with Mr. Edmonds of CPC, and visited Technical Intelligence Co. to inspect the equipment. Plans for using the material were reviewed with Dr. Kobayishi, temporary director of the institute.

d. Mr. Telford prepared factors to be included in grading of Japanese fire alarm systems.

e. Mr. Angell ^{discussed} ~~prepared~~ material for publication in Fire Times.

f. Mr. Telford prepared daily and weekly progress reports.

g. Mr. McKibbin, Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks discussed reorganization of Tokyo fire department with Chief Tamura and Mr. Okawa of MPB.

h. Mr. Angell reviewed results of fire prevention inspections of GHQ buildings by Tokyo fire department with representative from the department. Since inspections were started in April 1947, the number of fires has been greatly reduced.

i. All members of Fire Branch, except Mr. Starr, attended lecture by Mr. Courtenay at Dai Ichi Auditorium.

j. Mr. Starr inspected new type of shut-off nozzles at Nippon Kakai Co.

k. Mr. Starr and Mr. Brooks attended a demonstration of 33 fire companies at Mukojima.

l. Mr. Matthews worked on preparation of report on fire defenses of seven (7) Japanese cities visited on TDY.

m. Mr. Angell made arrangements with Mr. Okawa, MPB, for large scale fire demonstration at Ebara-ku on 21 December 1947. Mr. Angell, Mr. Martin and Mr. Brooks attended the demonstration.

5. Proposed projects:

a. Establishment of a fire research institute and related activities.

George W. Angell

GEORGE W. ANGELL
Chief Fire Administrator.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APO 500
4 December 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress report of Fire Branch for period
November 24 to November 29, 1947

1. Conferences:

- a. Mr. Angell conferred with Captain Kelly and Mr. Johnson of Headquarters and Service Group regarding operation of Army fire equipment by Tokyo fire department.
- b. Mr. McKibbin attended conference with 6 chiefs of Tokyo fire department regarding reorganization of Tokyo fire department.
- c. Mr. Angell conferred with members of Nippon Fire Alarm Company regarding manufacture of sprinkler heads.
- d. Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Itoh of Fire and Marine Insurance Company regarding methods of inspecting sprinklered buildings and approval of sprinkler protection.

2. Inspections:

- a. Mr. Starr inspected R & U motor pool fire fighting equipment.
- b. Mr. Brooks made fire prevention inspection of Taisho Building.

3. Miscellaneous:

- a. Mr. Angell discussed manufacturing of fire extinguishers for Eighth Army with Chief Shigeno, MPB.
- b. Mr. Martin and Mr. Starr directed training course for Japanese firemen re operation of Army fire apparatus and equipment.
- c. Mr. Angell spoke to 70 prison guards in Kojimachi Ward on subject of fire protection in prisons.
- d. Mr. Angell spoke to about 300 at dedication of new fire station in Shibuya Ward. Mr. Ankrom accompanied Mr. Angell.
- e. Mr. Brooks discussed telephone communication requirements of Okada Ext. Co. with Mr. Hash of Civil Communications Section.

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- f. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin reviewed fire department training film at C I & E.
 - g. Mr. Brooks conducted fire drill at Taisho Building.
 - h. All members of Fire Branch attended a security lecture at the Dai Ichi Building.
 - i. Mr. Angell discussed Japanese fire losses with Mr. Okawa of MPB.
 - j. Mr. Angell spoke to about 400 people attending dedication ceremonies at new Tachikawa fire station. Mr. Matthews accompanied Mr. Angell.
 - k. Mr. McKibbin discussed production of fire hose with Mr. Ito and Mr. Okada of Ohmi Textile Co.
 - l. Mr. Angell visited scene of recent fire near Memorial Hall in connection with production of documentary film on Japanese fire losses. Mr. Telford accompanied Mr. Angell.
 - m. Mr. Angell addressed about 300 people attending the dedication ceremonies at new Ushigome fire station.
 - n. Mr. Matthews discussed placing of fire stations off limits with Major Jackson, PMO.
 - o. Mr. Brooks discussed organization of Shobodan with Mr. Nagano, H/M.
4. Active projects:
- a. Mr. Telford on TDY for study of fire defenses of 5 Japanese cities.
 - b. Mr. Ankrom continued with orientation procedures.
 - c. Mr. McKibbin continued the study of reorganization for the Tokyo fire department.
 - d. Mr. Martin continued instruction of Japanese firemen at 4 Tokyo fire stations.
 - e. Mr. Angell continued preparation of new fire prevention code.
 - f. Mr. Brooks continued investigation of fire department reports and records.
 - g. Study of fire department promotion system - Mr. Telford.
 - h. Triangulation system for Tokyo fire department - Mr. Telford.
 - i. Documentary film of Japanese fire losses - Mr. Telford.

- j. Study and revision of hours of work for Tokyo fire department - Mr. McKibbin.
 - k. Reorganization of Japanese fire departments - Mr. Angell and other members of Fire Branch.
5. Proposed projects:
- a. Establishment of a fire research institute and related activities.
 - b. Legislation regulating separation of fire and police departments.

G. W. Angell
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Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

APO 500
28 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for period
17 November to 22 November 1947

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin attended several conferences with Mr. Nagano and others from the Home Ministry in reference to the final draft of national fire legislation affecting decentralization of Japanese fire departments.

b. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin conferred with Lt. Colonel Battey, members of Government Section, Mr. Nagano and Mr. Muriyama, in reference to some revisions in the final draft of the above legislation.

c. Mr. Angell, Mr. Matthews conferred at ESS with Mr. Class on the building of experimental concrete housing.

d. Mr. McKibbin conferred with six (6) inspectors of Tokyo Fire Department in reference to working conditions and reorganization of the department.

e. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks conferred with Mr. Itoh and others from Japanese Marine and Fire Insurance Association on acceptance tests for sprinkler equipment.

f. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks conferred with Mr. Nagano and others on present status of Fire Research Institute.

g. Mr. Angell met with representatives from six (6) prefectures to discuss formation of a Japanese Volunteer Firemen's Association.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. Angell, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Martin inspected scene of ammunition dump fire near Yokosuka.

b. Mr. Brooks inspected proposed locations for

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additional fire alarm boxes in Asakusa Ward with Mr. Kiyose of Tokyo Fire Alarm Co.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell discussed operations of GI fire apparatus by Japanese personnel with Captain Kelly, Hdqt & Sv Group.

b. Mr. Angell oriented Mr. Ankrom, new Fire Administrator.

c. Mr. Angell discussed arson fires with Mr. Okawa, Chief Shigeno and members of MPB.

d. Mr. McKibbin contacted Operations Officer, ComNavFE, regarding order given by the CO of APL 46 closing Japanese fireboat station. Condition was corrected.

e. Mr. McKibbin continued work on reorganization plans for Tokyo Fire Department.

f. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks supervised the moving of equipment at the Fire Research Institute.

g. Mr. Angell spoke with Major Smith in reference to overcrowding and fire hazards in theatres in Tokyo.

h. Mr. Angell received and discussed several fire reports with members of Tokyo Fire Department.

i. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks discussed electric power difficulties with Mr. S. Mudumi and others from Showa Motor Manufacturing Co.

j. Mr. Starr and Mr. Martin continued training of Japanese firemen on GI fire apparatus.

k. Mr. Starr ran tests on shut off valves for Japanese playpipes. Tests O.K.

l. Mr. Brooks worked on daily and weekly progress reports.

m. Mr. Telford was on TDY.

4. Active Projects

a. Drafting legislation for reorganization of Japanese Fire Departments. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin.

b. Instruction program at Tokyo Fire Stations - Mr. Martin.

c. Study of Tokyo fire department reports and records - Mr. Brooks.

d. Organization of Fire Research Institute - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks.

e. Documentary film on fire on fire prevention and fire causes - Mr. Telford.

f. Study of working conditions, hours and re-organization of Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

g. Reorganization of Japanese Fire Departments - Mr. Angell and members of Fire Branch.

h. Investigation of Shobo-dan organization in Japan.- Mr. Angell and members of Fire Branch.

5. Proposed Projects

a. Decentralization of Japanese fire departments and related activities.

b. Establishment of Fire Research Institute.

c. Drafting of a pilot training manual for Japanese fire departments.

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for GEORGE W. ANGELL
Chief, Fire Branch

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APC 500
20 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for period
10 November to 15 November 1947.

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin conferred several times with Commissioner Numata, Chiefs Tamura, Suzuki and Mr. Okawa of MPB about the reorganization of the Tokyo Fire Department.

b. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Nagano and committee from Home Ministry in reference to national fire legislation, affecting decentralization of fire departments. (Several conferences)

c. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin conferred with Lt. Colonel Battey, Mr. Tilton and Mr. Swope of Government Section, in reference to legislation effecting reorganization of Japanese Fire departments.

d. Mr. Angell, Mr. McKibbin conferred with Lt. Colonel Battey and prepared outline of proposed legislation.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. Telford made two inspections of proposed fire alarm box installations, in Asukasa Ward with Mr. Kiyose, of Tokyo Fire Alarm Company.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell discussed electric power priority with three (3) representatives of Teikoku Seini Co. Ltd. Priority granted by Electric Power Bureau of Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

b. Mr. Angell made arrangements with Mr. Reid of CI&E for story on transfer of Army fire equipment to Tokyo Fire Department.

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c. Mr. Angell discussed censorship of article for publication on fire prevention speech given in Koishikawa Ward with Mr. Okawa of MPB.

d. Mr. Angell made speech at Japanese Firemen's Interpreters School.

e. Mr. Angell was requested to help in getting electric power allocation for alarm systems by Chief Kanata and others of Tokyo Fire Department.

f. Mr. Angell discussed operation of Shobo-dan (volunteer fire departments) with Mr. Nagano and assistants from Home Ministry.

g. Mr. Nagasaki, Okada Extinguisher Co., requested Mr. Angell's assistance in procuring a building permit, to finish construction of new factory.

h. Mr. Carrigan and three (3) others from Sankyo Co. Ltd. discussed possibility of importing sprinkler heads from United States with Mr. Angell.

i. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks continued with inventory of equipment and plans for Fire Research Institute.

j. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks visited CPC in reference to patent rights on Japanese copies of American fire fighting equipment.

k. Mr. Starr spoke to Major Schonk on patent infringements, also.

l. Mr. Starr discussed with Captain Kelley of Hdqrs & Sv Gr on training of Japanese firemen in use of American equipment. (Mr. Starr and Mr. Martin began this training the following day).

m. Mr. Brooks visited Tokyo Reconstruction Bureau in reference to building permit for Okada Extinguisher Co.

n. Mr. Brooks worked on Weekly Progress Report.

o. Mr. Brooks visited Mr. Itok, Marine and Fire Insurance Association, re acceptance tests for sprinkler heads.

p. Mr. Telford on TDY.

4. Active Projects

- a. Drafting legislation for reorganization of Japanese Fire Departments - Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin.
- b. Instruction program at Tokyo fire stations - Mr. Martin.
- c. Study of Tokyo fire department reports and records - Mr. Brooks.
- d. Organization of Fire Research Institute - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks.
- e. Documentary film on fire prevention and fire causes - Mr. Telford.
- f. Study of working conditions, hours and the redistricting of Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.
- g. Reorganization of Japanese Fire departments - Mr. Angell and members of Fire Branch.

5. Proposed Projects

- a. Legislation regulating separation of fire and police departments.
- b. Decentralization of Japanese fire departments.

G. W. Angell
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Chief Fire Administrator

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

APO 500
13 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for Period,
November 3 to November 8, 1947.

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin conferred with Captain Kelly, Hdgt. & Sv. Gp., in reference to turning over army fire equipment to Tokyo Fire Department.

b. Conference by all members of Fire Branch and six inspectors from Tokyo Fire Department in reference to working conditions, hours and wages.

c. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Colonel Battey on status of fire legislation.

d. All members discussed changes in Grading Schedule for use in Japan.

e. Mr. Telford conferred with Mr. Taguchi, Chief Shigeno and others at MPB, in reference to shooting schedule for documentary film on Fire Prevention.

f. Mr. Angell, Mr. McKibbin and Mr. Telford conferred with Mr. Negano and others from Fire Section of Home Ministry on the re-organization of Japanese fire departments.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. Angell, Mr. Brooks and Mr. Matthews inspected proposed site of Fire Research Institute at the Aeronautical Research Laboratories, Chofu.

b. Mr. Angell and Mr. Starr inspected scene of fire near Memorial Hall. 36 buildings destroyed.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell discussed fire protection problems for PX Warehouse at Yokosuka with Mr. Houde, Operations Division, Engineers Office.

Contents of Warehouse valued at \$7,000,000. (Automatic sprinkler systems recommended in addition to other measures).

b. Mr. Angell discussed recently installed three platoon system in Tokyo Fire Department with Commissioner Numata. Also plans for training Japanese firemen in the operation of American fire equipment. (Fire Dept. to revert to 2 platoon system in near future, as previously recommended.)

c. Mr. Angell met with two representatives of Okada Fire Extinguisher Company in reference to manufacture of extinguishers for the Armed Forces.

d. Mr. McKibbin visited Honjo, Fukugawa and Asakusabashi fire stations and Army station in reference to fire near Memorial Hall.

e. Mr. McKibbin discussed Honjo fire and fire at U.S. House 379 with 2 inspectors for MPB.

f. Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks began inventory of equipment for Fire Research Institute and made arrangements for moving the equipment to the proper buildings.

g. Mr. Starr attended demonstration of Japanese made shut-off nozzles at M.P.B.

h. Mr. Starr visited Denyosha Prime Mover Works Ltd. in reference to manufacture of fire pumps. Also visited Hatori Pump Co. on same mission.

i. Mr. Telford visited Tokyo Eiga Film Co. for final revision of movie scenario.

j. Mr. Telford prepared request for General MacArthur's appearance in documentary film.

k. Mr. Telford visited Tokyo Fire Alarm Company in reference to new installations in Asakusa Ward.

l. Mr. Martin continued daily training classes at nine (9) Tokyo fire stations.

4. Active Projects

a. Drafting of new fire prevention code - Mr. Angell.

b. Instruction program at Tokyo fire stations - Mr. Martin.

c. Study of Tokyo Fire Dept. reports and records - Mr. Brooks.

- d. Organization of Fire Research Instituted - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Brooks.
- e. Documentary film on fire prevention and fire causes - Mr. Telford.
- f. Study of working conditions, hours and the re-districting of Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.
- g. Reorganization of Japanese Fire departments - Mr. Angell and other members of Fire Branch.

5. Proposed Projects

- a. Legislation regulating separation of fire and police departments.
- b. De-centralization of Japanese fire departments.

G. W. Angell
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Chief Fire Administrator

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APD 500
10 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division.

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for Period
27 October to 1 November 1947.

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. Angell attended conference with eight (8) members of the Diet regarding drafting of new fire prevention laws.

b. Mr. McKibbin, Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks conferred with twelve (12) assistant inspectors of Tokyo Fire Department regarding working conditions, etc.

2. Inspections:

a. None.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell attended a demonstration of CO₂ extinguishing equipment conducted by Tokyo Fire & Marine Insurance Co. at the Kyobashi School. About 350 people present.

b. Mr. Angell studied plans for obtaining priorities for electric power for operating of Teikoku Seini Kaisho hose company.

c. Mr. Angell, and Mr. McKibbin met Chief Shigeno of MPB regarding operation of new 3-platoon system in Tokyo Fire Department.

d. Mr. Angell discussed details of reorganization of Japanese Fire Departments with Mr. Nagano and three others from H/M.

e. Mr. McKibbin discussed details of new Fire Department legislation with Mr. Nagano and others from H/M.

- f. Mr. McKibbin worked on recommendations for reorganization of Tokyo Fire Department.
- g. Mr. Starr made several visits to the Morita Pump Co. regarding manufacture of heavy pumpers.
- h. Mr. Brooks attended several meetings at ESS regarding the drafting of safety standard codes for the operation of steam boilers, welding apparatus, hoisting machinery, etc.
- i. Mr. Brooks completed preparation of graph of grading results for six (6) major cities in Japan.
- j. Mr. Brooks discussed power priority request with Mr. Mori, Commerce and Industry Section.
- k. Mr. Starr visited Inutake Co. regarding manufacture of 20 pumpers for BCOF.
- l. Mr. Starr received sample hose nozzles from the Nippon Bosai Kogyo Co. and made arrangements for tests by Tokyo Fire Department.
- m. Mr. McKibbin completed recommendations for reorganization of Tokyo Fire Department.
- n. Mr. McKibbin discussed possible changes in working hours of fire department with Chief Shigeno, MPB.
- o. Mr. Matthews made study of fire marshal activities for Mr. Nagano, H/M.
- p. Mr. Angell discussed article for Fire Times with Mr. Okawa, MPB.
- q. Mr. Matthews discussed organization of fire research institute with Capt. Clicquennoi of Tokyo Military Government.
- r. All members of Fire Branch participated in series of discussions regarding revision of grading schedule as applied to Japanese cities.
- s. Mr. Angell met with Mr. Carrigan, representative of U.S. sprinkler company, and Mr. Shimoda, from Sankyo Co., regarding importation of sprinkler equipment from U.S.
- t. Mr. Angell attended graduation exercises at Fire Department Training School. About 90 persons present.

u. Mr. McKibbin worked on standard regulations for Fire Department.

v. Mr. Martin continued daily training classes at six (6) Tokyo Fire Stations.

w. Mr. Telford attended several meetings with representatives of Tokyo-Eiga Film company and MPB regarding production of documentary film on fire.

x. Mr. Matthews prepared requirements for arson investigation training course.

y. Mr. Telford made several visits to MPB regarding study of Tokyo fire department promotion system.

z. Mr. Telford prepared daily and weekly progress reports.

4. Active Projects:

a. Drafting of new fire prevention code - Mr. Angell.

b. Instruction program at Tokyo Fire Stations - Mr. Martin.

c. Study of Tokyo Fire Department reports and records system - Mr. Brooks.

d. Study of fire department promotion system - Mr. Telford.

e. Triangulation system for Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. Telford.

f. Documentary film of Japanese fire losses - Mr. Telford.

g. Study and revision of hours of work for Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

h. Reorganization of Japanese fire departments - Mr. Angell and other members of Fire Branch.

5. Proposed projects:

a. Establishment of a fire research institute and related activities.

b. Legislation regulating separation of fire and police departments.

G. W. Angell
G. W. ANGELL,
Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

APD 500
30 October 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress report of Fire Branch for period
20 October - 25 October 1947.

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Nagano, H/M, regarding a draft of new reorganization and fire prevention laws for fire department.

b. All members of the Fire Branch participated in a conference with Chief Tamura, MPB, regarding the introduction of 3 platoon system in Tokyo fire department.

c. Mr. Angell attended conference at the Labor Division of ESS, Wages & Working Conditions Branch, regarding the draft of industrial safety laws.

d. Mr. McKibbin and Mr. Telford conferred with 12 sergeants of the Tokyo Fire Department regarding working conditions, etc.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. McKibbin and Mr. Brooks inspected 3 fire stations and observed operation of 3 platoon system.

b. Mr. Brooks made fire inspection of Taisho Building.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell studied report of fire at Tachikawa Air Base from MPB.

b. Discussed plans for procuring uniforms for Shobodan members with Mr. Nagano, H/M.

c. Mr. Matthews prepared correspondence to Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C., regarding reports of presidential fire prevention committee reports.

d. Mr. Telford made arrangements for construction of models to be used in documentary film on Japan's fire losses.

e. Mr. Angell reviewed results of fire prevention week and present fire prevention laws with Mr. Itoh, Insurance Association.

f. Mr. Angell discussed recommendations for safeguarding new commissary gasoline station with Major Felter, G-4.

g. Mr. Telford discussed scenario for documentary film with Mr. Taguchi, of film company.

h. Mr. Telford discussed communication deficiencies of Tokyo Fire Department with Chief Ida of MPB. Report to be submitted later.

i. Mr. Telford reviewed triangulation progress with Chief Ida, MPB.

j. Mr. Angell received request from MPB to address graduating class of Firemen's School on 1 November 1947.

k. Mr. Angell made arrangements with Mr. Akawa, MPB, for conference with members of Diet regarding new fire prevention laws.

l. Mr. Angell discussed production of fire hose with Mr. Ito, of Teikoku Seine Kaisha Company.

m. Mr. Matthews made investigation of improper use of Tokyo Fire Department fire equipment by 7th Cavalry.

n. Mr. Brooks conducted a fire drill at the Taisho Building.

o. Mr. Matthews worked on preparation of arson texts material for instruction course.

p. Mr. Brooks prepared inventory of all fire equipment in the Taisho Building.

q. Mr. Telford prepared daily and weekly progress reports.

4. Completed Projects

a. Mr. Starr completed the grading of the Yokohama fire department.

b. Mr. McKibbin completed the redistricting of 167 stations in the Tokyo fire department.

c. Mr. Matthews completed the preparation of an arson course for Tokyo fire department.

5. Active projects

a. Preparation of new fire prevention code - Mr. Angell.

b. Instruction program at Tokyo fire stations - Mr. Martin.

c. Study of Tokyo fire department reports and records system - Mr. Brooks.

d. Study of Tokyo fire department promotion system - Mr. Telford.

e. Triangulation system for Tokyo fire department - Mr. Telford.

f. Documentary film on Japanese fire losses - Mr. Telford.

g. Study and revision of hours of work schedule for Tokyo fire department - Mr. McKibbin.

6. Proposed projects

a. Establishment of a Fire Research Institute and related activities.

b. Legislation regulating the separation of fire and police departments.

G. W. Angell
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Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

APO 500
23 October 1947

FROM: Chief Administrator, Prison Branch

TO : Chief, Public Safety Division

Weekly Report of Activities
Period: 11-17 October 1947

1. Personnel

a. 15 Oct 47 Mr. Dowd left on 7 days TDY for Yamanashi Prefecture to inspect Japanese penal institutions in that area.

b. 16 Oct 47 Capt. Lewis from sick in hospital to duty.

2. Staff Visits

a. Dr. Lewis, with Col. Howe, PH&W Section, and Mr. Dowd, visited Fuchu Prison 11 October 47. Col. Howe explained the system of food reports and charts which were promulgated by the new Medical & Scientific Group's chairman, Dr. Otsu, to officials of the Prison.

b. 13 Oct 47, Dr. Lewis and Warden Dowd, with Mr. Hayasaki, Chief of Social Work, M/W, inspected the Japanese School of Social Work near Shinjuku, Tokyo. It has 15 graduates of middle school and 20 college graduates in the current class.

c. 16 Oct 47, Maj. Kimmel accompanied Rev. Lang and party, of British Delegation, to Fuchu Prison. Rev. Lang inspected the prison and was impressed with the improvement since his last visit over a year ago.

d. Maj. Kimmel accompanied Rev. Lang to Tama Reformatory and Kawagoe Juvenile Prison. Mr. Ogawa and Hanagawa, M/J were in the party.

Maj. Kimmel learned that SCAP had personally asked Rev. Lang to check correctional institutions and give SCAP a report of what he observed and what he thought concerning them.

Learned that Rev. Lang received a report from a newspaper editor that Japanese prisons were in poor condition, full of irregularities, and asked that he check Shizuoka.

Rev. Lang is pleased with what he has observed to date in the correctional institutions.

Complaints made:

- (1) Solitary confinement excessive. Poor practice of placing juveniles in single cells for a 7-10 day quarantine period with little or no scheduled activity for the period.
- (2) No scheduled religious education at Tawa Reformatory.
- (3) Confinement and parole procedures for Provost Court sentenced prisoners.

A number of juveniles are given a sentence plus a fine. If parents cannot pay fine, they are required to work fine out at the rate of ¥10 per day with 2 year maximum.

3. Prison Branch

a. Maj. Kimmel downgraded copies of Shizuoka investigation report and suggested to Capt. Nealon that the original copy be downgraded when it is returned from G-2.

b. Maj. Kimmel completed routine investigation of security violation which occurred 7 October 1947 during his tour as Duty Officer. Same submitted to Administrative Officer, PSD.

c. Capt. Fomenko spent most of week covered by this report in writing reports on institutions visited during last survey trip.

d. Capt. Lewis completed and turned in to Administrative Section weekly report for period 4-10 October 1947.

e. Dr. Lewis held conference with members Prison Branch for reorientation of work of Prison Branch in working with the Japanese officials B/PA, M/J. A review of all work in the section was made.

4. Contacts with B/PA, M/J

a. Dr. Lewis spoke on the Resurrection of the Japanese Progressive Prison System at the opening session for 60 guards at the Tokyo Guards Training School.

b. Maj. Kimmel, in conference with Mr. Kato, Rehabilitation Section M/J, learned that the co-offenders in the Jinsenjuku Reformatory case had been tried 13 October 1947. Mr. Kato will keep Prison

Branch advised as to outcome.

NOTE: Learned later that one offender received 10 years and the other 5 years.

c. Dr. Lewis in conference with V. Minister, Chief Okada, and Chief Yanagawa of B/PA and Rehabilitation, respectively, also chiefs of sections Ogawa, Otsu, Takashima and Ikeda. Dr. Lewis gave them oral statement and then copy of joint report of Messrs Kimmel and Dowd which had been downgraded from confidential to make presentation possible. Vice Minister said that they would make careful study of our report as compared with their own, would get the Cabinet Level Commission and the District organizations in operation. Said they would give good consideration to Youth Probation and Parole Commission organization. Major Kimmel emphasized the personal experiences in investigations which made deep impressions on him which orally were explained to the M/J group in attendance.

d. Dr. Lewis and Major Kimmel delivered addresses at the Wardens of Japan meeting held 16 October 1947.

e. Mr. Kuzomoto, governor of Hokkai Prison District called on Mr. Cranor and made the following report:

- (1) Medicine for treatment of VD cases at Naebo has been secured thru Prefectural Health and Welfare.
- (2) Warden at Asahigawa is being replaced November.1.
- (3) Kuzomoto's Assistant, Morikawa, will take over as Warden at Asahigawa. A very good choice.

f. During the period covered by this report, daily contact was maintained with L/O's, B/PA, M/J, and miscellaneous reports and information given and received.

5. Miscellaneous

a. Dr. Lewis attended orientation meeting with Colonel Pulliam and Colonel Bratton to familiarize Rev. Lang and Mr. Paton of the British Delegation with the situation and work of Public Safety Division.

b. Dr. Lewis in conference with Mr. Myers, Government Section, discussed the desirability of having the Rehabilitation Section and B/PA, M/J, closely affiliated in new law of M/J in order to promote better administration.

Dr. Lewis reported results of conference to Colonel Pulliam.

c. Dr. Lewis and Capt. Nealon appeared before Colonel Bratton concerning the Prison Branch Staff Study.

Colonel Bratton approved the Study and forwarded it to General Willoughby.

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Chief Prison Administrator

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

AP0 500
23 October 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for
period 13 October - 18 October 1947

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Itoh and Mr. Okahdo of Marine Fire and Insurance Company regarding recent Shimbashi market fires and loss adjustment policy for same.

b. Mr. Angell had conference with Mr. Nagano of Home Ministry regarding the reorganization of Japanese fire departments and separation from the police departments.

c. Conferred with Mr. Numata, MPB, regarding meeting of Kansetsu chiefs at Osaka.

d. Mr. Angell attended conference of PSD for orientation of members of British government delegation.

e. Mr. McKibbin, Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks had conference with 25 members of Tokyo fire department regarding working conditons, suggestions for improvement, etc.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin inspected site of new commissary gasoline station and submitted recommendations for eliminating fire hazards. Inspection was made at request of Colonel Barr, G-4.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell discussed the selection of a fire protection engineer for handling fire problems in this theatre with Colonel Staiger of Eng. R. & U.

b. Mr. Angell discussed underwriting of fire insurance in Japan with Mr. Carr of North American Insurance Company.

c. Mr. Angell discussed proposed new fire prevention laws to be submitted to Diet with Mr. Okawa of MPB and Mr. Nagano of Home Ministry.

d. Mr. Angell met several times with Mr. Nagano of Home Ministry regarding the proposed reorganization of the Japanese fire system.

e. Mr. Brooks discussed the organization of fire prevention associations with Mr. Okawa of MPB.

f. Mr. Angell received and investigated a request from the Home Ministry regarding the procurement of 2 pumpers for Yokota Air Base.

g. Mr. Angell reviewed material for next issue of Fire Times with representative from MPB.

h. Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks had several meetings with Chief Shigeno and Chief Ida of MPB regarding arrangements for the filming of a documentary motion picture on Japanese fire losses and triangulation system for reporting fires.

i. Mr. Brooks had several discussions with Mr. Takata, mayor of Iida, regarding appropriations for city planning. This matter is scheduled for action by the Diet on 25 October 1947.

j. Mr. Angell addressed about 400 people on fire prevention at a public meeting in Suginami Ward. (Night meeting).

k. Mr. Telford met with Mr. Taguchi, of Tokyo Eiga film company, regarding the scenario for fire film.

l. Mr. Telford prepared daily and weekly progress reports of Fire Branch.

4. Completed Projects

a. Mr. Matthews closed the case on the incendiary fire at Eta Jima. The evidence gathered by Mr. Matthews and the CID laboratory report of their analysis resulted in the confession of an Australian suspect.

5. Active Projects

a. Preparation of new fire prevention code -
Mr. Angell.

b. Fire department instruction course - Mr. Martin.

c. Redistricting of Tokyo fire stations - Mr. McKibbin.

d. Triangulation system for reporting fires - Mr. Telford.

e. Scenario for documentary film on Japanese fire losses - Mr. Telford.

f. Grading of Yokohama fire department - Mr. Starr.

6. Proposed Projects

a. Establishment of a Fire Research institute and related activities.

b. Legislation regulating the separation of fire and police departments.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APD 500
14 October 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of Fire Branch for Period
6 October - 11 October, 1947.

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Nagano and 2 others from Home Ministry concerning reorganization plan for Japanese fire departments, and the proposed fire laws to be introduced to the Diet.

b. Mr. Angell attended meeting with several members of the Diet regarding proposed fire service laws.

c. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss of CI&E, Mr. Kamikawa of Home Ministry, Mr. Uyei and Mr. Sato of Ministry of Education, and Inspector Okiwara of MPB regarding materials needed for fire department instruction school.

d. Mr. Angell attended conference with 7 members of the Diet concerning the drafting of fire prevention laws.

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2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Angell investigated a series of false alarms at YMCA. Tokyo Fire Alarm Co. was requested to check the circuits.

b. Mr. Angell inspected fire prevention displays at the Mitsukoshi Department Store, Nihonbashi fire station and Kyobashi fire station.

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a. Mr. Angell discussed plans for fire prevention week with Mr. Itoh, of the Insurance Association, Miss Jose, of CI&E, and Mr. Okawa, of MPB.

b. Mr. Angell talked to Mr. Tanaka of MPB regarding materials needed for fire prevention demonstrations.

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s. Mr. Matthews left on TDY for Eta Jima.

4. Completed projects:

a. Mr. Angell completed the draft of fire prevention laws and disaster preparedness plan requested by a Diet committee.

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5. Active projects:

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G. W. ANGELL
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Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APD 500
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Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APO 500
8 October 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of Fire Branch for the period
27 September - 4 October 1947

1. Conferences:

a. All members of the Fire Branch participated in a discussion surrounding the reorganization of Japanese fire departments. A number of controversial details were worked out, and Mr. Matthews and Mr. McKibbin started the preparation of necessary outlines and charts for later presentation to the Government Section.

b. Mr. Angell, Mr. Matthews and Mr. McKibbin were present at a conference held by Government Section regarding the proposed new organizational set-up of Japanese fire departments. This meeting also was attended by Lt. Col. Battey and Mr. Moeller of Public Safety Division, and Major Beiber and Mr. Kent of Government Section.

c. Mr. Angell attended conference with Mr. Nagano of Home Ministry regarding the reorganization of Japanese fire departments and the proposed fire prevention laws to be enacted by the Diet.

d. Mr. McKibbin and Mr. Matthews conferred with Lt. Col. Battey and Major Smith of Public Safety Division concerning national and municipal fire legislation.

e. Mr. Angell discussed final arrangements for fire prevention week with representatives from CI&E, Home Ministry and MPB.

f. Mr. Angell discussed arrangements for the preparation of a two-reel, 20 minute documentary film on fire losses in Japan with Mr. Toguchi of the Tokyo Eiga Company, film producers.

g. Mr. Angell attended a conference attended by Red Cross representatives regarding publicity plans for fire prevention week.

h. Mr. Angell conferred with Chief Shigeno and Mr. Okawa of MPB regarding methods of inspecting GHQ buildings.

i. Mr. Angell attended a press conference at Radio Tokyo and discussed the objectives of fire prevention week with about 70 Japanese press representatives.

j. Mr. Brooks completed the preparation of fire prevention publicity material and conferred with the WVTR staff regarding its presentation over the radio.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin visited MPB and inspected prize winning fire prevention posters made by Tokyo school children.

b. Mr. Angell attended the opening ceremonies of a new fire station at Tamagawa, Setagaya Ward.

c. Mr. Matthews participated in water flow tests in the American Embassy area, in company with Col. Mahoney and other Army representatives. Recommendations for the improvement of the water supply in this area were submitted.

d. Mr. Brooks was on TDY in Iida gathering information on the fire defenses of the city.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell prepared publicity material for the Fire Times magazine and delivered a fire prevention speech at the Musashino station.

b. Mr. Matthews worked on the preparation of the Yokohama fire department report.

c. Mr. McKibbin continued with the redistricting of the Tokyo fire department.

d. Mr. Starr completed the grading of structural conditions in Yokohama.

e. Mr. Martin continued the instruction training course for members of the Tokyo fire department.

f. Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks had several discussions regarding sprinkler production and patent infringement with Manufacturing Branch of ESS, and the Sangko Company, former distributors of sprinkler appliances in Tokyo.

George W. Angell
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Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APC 500
2 October 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division
SUBJECT : Progress Report of Fire Branch
for the Period 22-27 Sept. 1947

1. Conferences:

a. All Fire Branch members present participated in a conference on the proposed reorganization of the Japanese police system with Major Smith. PSD and Fire Branch tasks were outlined.

b. Mr. Angell, Mr. Matthews, and Mr. McKibbin participated in a conference on proposed fire legislation with Mr. Swope and Maj. Beiber, GS, Lt. Col. Battey, and Mr. Moeller, PSD. Proposed legislation was discussed informally.

c. All Fire Branch members conferred on proposed fire legislation. The requirements of the fire service and the recommendations of the Fire Branch were discussed in detail.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Telford made a fire prevention inspection of the Moncoco Factory, owned and operated by the president of the Suginami Fire Prevention Association.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell discussed fire protection facilities at the American Embassy with Col. Staiger, EO. The area was inspected, in company with representatives of Hq. & Ser. Gp. and R & U, EO. Installations proposed were accepted.

b. Mr. Angell attended a memorial service for deceased firemen, in Kyobashi Ward, and spoke to approximately 200 members of families present.

c. Mr. Angell talked with Miss Jose, C.I.&E. about plans for Fire Prevention Week.

d. Mr. Telford worked on study of fire alarm box distribution for Tokyo.

e. Mr. Brooks arranged for use of smoke bombs during Fire Prevention Week demonstrations and also for the participation of 1225th Eng. Fire Fighting Platoon.

f. Mr. McKibbin discussed personnel in organized fire departments with Mr. Masaki, Fire Section, Home Ministry.

g. Mr. Angell met with Mr. Kawagaki, member of the Diet, and Chief Shigeno, MPB, to discuss proposed fire prevention legislation.

h. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Yotsuya Fire Prevention Association and spoke to approximately 120 persons present.

4. Completed Projects - None.

5. Active Projects:

a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

c. Development of company areas, battalions, and fire districts in Tokyo metropolitan area - Mr. McKibbin.

d. Preparation of plans and programs for Fire Prevention Week - Mr. Angell.

6. Proposed Projects:

a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related activities.

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Chief Fire Administrator

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APD 500
23 September 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the Period
15 - 20 September 1947

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Chief of General Affairs Section Tamura, Chief of Fire Fighting Section Kobayashi, and Chief of Planning Sub-Section Okawara relative to proposed closing of 51 fire stations in the metropolitan area. Stations will be closed on 1 October 1947 and several stations will be relocated to provide better fire protection for the city.

b. Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of C.I. & E., the Reconstruction Board, the Home Ministry, Metropolitan Fire Department and Major Oliver, PSD Publicity Coordinator regarding plans for Fire Prevention Week, 6 - 11 October 1947.

c. Mr. McKibbin conferred with representatives of the Construction Bureau, Tokyo Metropolitan Office, the MPB, the Tokyo Prosecutor's Office, the Industrial Division, ESS, and the TKMGD relative to violations of building regulations. Efforts will be made to utilize services of the police as an information channel for reporting violations and a letter requesting such assistance was submitted to the Chief of Police Affairs Division, MPB.

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b. Mr. Starr made a fire prevention inspection of the third floor of the Teikoku Building, at the request of Capt. C. V. Hughes, Casualty Section, Personnel Division, AGO.

c. Mr. Angell inspected fire protection facilities at the American Embassy, at the request of Colonel Staiger, EO. Recommendations for improvements in the system were later discussed with Mr. Black, R. & U., EO. Mr. Brooks made water flow tests of hydrants in the vicinity of the Embassy in connection with this project.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. Matthews talked with Mr. Kojima, Fire Section, Home Ministry, about the need for obtaining Diet approval of the Cabinet Order establishing the Fire Research Institute. Mr. Matthews later discussed this with representatives of the Legislative Branch, Home Ministry.

b. Mr. Martin completed a fifteen-week series of classes in fire department drill evolutions at the Marunouchi Station. During this period 310 sergeants and firemen were instructed in improved fire fighting techniques. The evolutions used will become a part of the course to be given for fire department instructors at the Fire Research Institute. Mr. Martin will continue conducting drills at fire stations in the Tokyo area.

c. Mr. McKibbin talked with Mr. Moss, Education Division, C.I. & E., about the lectures prepared by the Education Ministry for use in the Fire Department Instructors' Course.

d. Mr. Angell was interviewed by Mr. Reed, Press and Publications Unit, Information Division, C.I. & E. Material presented will be used in connection with Fire Prevention Week, 6 - 11 October 1947.

e. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, about draft of a Fire Service Law which will be presented to the Diet. Also discussed matters pertaining to the Fire Research Institute and proposed fire prevention laws.

f. Mr. Starr discussed improvements to be made in the Fukushima water system with representatives of the local city government.

g. Mr. Angell discussed Fire Prevention Week programs with Mr. Okawa, MPB. Also discussed were flood conditions in Tokyo and the need for a disaster control plan.

h. Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks checked installation of fire alarm boxes in the Asakusa area.

4. Completed Projects:

- a. Grading of Tokyo - Mr. Brooks and Mr. Telford.

5. Active Projects:

- a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
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APD 500
20 September 1947

MEMO FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the period
8 - 13 September 1947

1. Conference:
None

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Matthews made a fire prevention inspection of the Joshi Kai Kan Annex at the request of Colonel Staiger, R. & U. Branch, Operations Division, EO.

b. Mr. Matthews inspected a new pumper of the type being built by the Nissan Company for the Tokyo fire Department.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. Matthews discussed difficulties being encountered in establishment of the Fire Research Institute with representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry. Mr. Matthews later visited Government Section where he discussed the problem with Mr. Tilton, Local Government Division, Mr. Hussey, Governmental Powers Division, Mr. Rizzo, Special Assistant to Deputy Chief of Section and Mr. Swope, National Government Division. This meeting resulted in complete withdrawal of objections entered by Government Section and approval of continuance of the program.

b. Mr. Angell talked with representatives of Fire Times who requested assistance in procurement of additional paper to cover needs of anticipated increase in circulation.

c. Mr. Angell attended ceremonies incident to the opening of a new main fire station, Nishiarai, in Adachi Ward, and spoke to approximately three hundred fifty (350) persons present.

d. Mr. McKibbin discussed with Mr. Okawa, MPB, the report of the Planning Sub-section, Tokyo Fire Department, which listed fifty-two fire stations to be closed.

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g. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Engle and Mr. Kimberling, Police Branch, PSD, about organization of police and fire departments under a Public Safety Bureau.

4. Completed Projects:

- a. Grading (fire department) of Yokohama--Mr. Starr.
- b. Report on survey of Nagasaki--Mr. Starr.

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AFS 500
10 September 1947

MEMO FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress report of the Fire Branch for the Period
2 - 7 September 1947.

1. Conferences:

✓ a. Mr. Angell and Mr. Matthews attended a conference of U. S., British, Japanese insurance officials and representatives of the ESS Insurance Group. Mr Angell spoke on public fire protection, fires in blackmarket areas and various insurance problems.

b. Mr. McKibbin conferred with fire department officials regarding the distribution of equipment and personnel in the Tokyo department. Participating in the conference were Commissioner Numata, Chiefs of the General Affairs and Fire Fighting Sections and Planning Sub-Section, and Chiefs of nineteen fire districts. The action to be taken (closing or opening) in the cases of twenty-six stations was discussed.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Starr made fire prevention inspections of the Japanese theatres, Orion, Subarn, Nichi Geki and Hibiya. Results of these inspections were discussed with chiefs Shigeno and Ikada, M.F.D., who promised prompt action to correct deficiencies.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Matthews obtained from the CID Laboratories (Mr. Baty) a report of tests made in connection with his investigation of the Eta Jima fires. The report of this investigation was completed, forwarded to Colonel F. W. Staiger, R. and U. Branch, Operations Division, Engineer Officer and was discussed in detail with him.

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b. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Okada, Fire Extinguisher Manufacturing Company, who requested assistance in (1) getting a loan and (2) getting telephone installed at their factory. The company has a contract for manufacture of extinguishers for 8th Army.

c. Mr. Angell discussed the amounts of insurance carried, and the loss sustained in each case, by occupancies involved in the Yurakucho market fire with representatives of the Non-Life Insurance Association. Also discussed were the methods of grading cities and the possibility of an increase in insurance rates.

d. Mr. Matthews contacted Mr. Bsty, CID Laboratories, regarding certain phases of his investigation of the Shimbashi market fire.

e. Mr. McKibbin talked with Mr. Appel, SOCAP Legal Section, about the application of the Standard Labor Law to fire department personnel. Mr. Appel stated that he would forward copies of the implementing ordinances, in which fire departments are excepted from certain provisions of the Standard Labor Law.

f. Mr. Angell discussed with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, the Cabinet Ordinance which established the Fire Research Institute. Government Section apparently has entered an objection to the ordinance.

g. Mr. Angell talked with Commissioner Numata, MFD, who said that insurance companies are preparing to cancel policies on blackmarket occupancies as of 15 October. Several market operators had asked his (Numata's) advice regarding fire protection. It was suggested that automatic alarm systems be installed and the employment of competent night watchmen might be helpful.

h. Mr. Brooks prepared a report on reconstruction in the burned-out areas of the Shimbashi market.

i. Mr. Angell discussed the proposed program for Fire Prevention Week with Mr. Okawa, MPB.

4. Completed Projects:

a. Report on survey of requirements of apparatus and personnel in Ayoto fire department -- Mr. Brooks.

b. Survey of fire stations (distribution of equipment and personnel) as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department -- Mr. McKibbin.

c. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama -- Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

5. Active Projects:

a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course -- Mr. McKibbin.

b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System -- Mr. Telford.

c. Conferences on distribution of equipment and personnel (MPD) and development of company areas, battalions and fire districts -- Mr. McKibbin.

d. Grading of Yokohama -- Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

e. Grading of Tokyo -- Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks.

f. Preparation of plans and programs for fire prevention week -- Mr. Angell.

6. Proposed Projects:

a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related activities.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APO 500
6 September 1947

MEMO FOR: Chief of PSD

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the Period
25 - 30 August 1947

1. Conferences

(a) Mr. Angell conferred with Miss Jose, Policy & Programs Unit, Information Division, ESS, and fire department officials regarding plans for Fire Prevention Week.

2. Inspections

(a) Messrs. Angell, Matthews and McKibbin inspected scene of an early morning (25 August) fire in the Shimbashi market area. The fire, believed to be of incendiary origin, is currently under investigation by Mr. Matthews.

(b) Messrs. McKibbin and Telford inspected the scene of a fire near Oi Station, Shinagawa Ward. Investigation of this fire, which was discovered in its incipiency and caused little damage, is being conducted by the Japanese police. The fire was definitely of incendiary origin. Certain phases of the fire pertaining to insurance coverages are being checked by Mr. Telford.

3. Miscellaneous

(a) Mr. Telford talked with Mr. Arita, Liaison official of Japanese Economic Stabilization Board, about possibility of raising priority classification of fire equipment manufacturers.

(b) Mr. Brooks discussed insurance coverage in Shimbashi market area with Mr. Itoh, of the Insurance Association, and representatives of Chiyoda Marine and Fire Insurance Company.

(c) Mr. Telford talked with Mr. Melyan, Manufacturing Branch, 2nd Division, ESS, regarding procurement of sprinkler equipment for Japanese manufacturers.

(d) Messrs. Angell and Telford discussed insurance procedures, incendiary fires and investigation methods with Mr. Itoh, of the Insurance Association.

(e) Mr. Brooks discussed the procurement of fire apparatus for Kyoto with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

(f) Mr. Brooks talked with Capt. Rathofer, Textile Division, ESS, about former problems encountered by the Ohmi Textile Company at Otsu, manufacturers of fire hose.

(g) Mr. Angell talked with Commissioner Numata and two fire department chiefs about proposed plan to reduce number of fire stations, the 48 hour week, and the need for new trucks.

(h) Mr. Angell attended a meeting commemorating the 5th anniversary of the Tokyo fire-boat service at the Suijo fire station.

(i) Mr. Matthews visited the CID laboratories and discussed certain phases of the Eta Jima fire, believed to be of incendiary origin.

4. Completed Projects

(a) Survey of requirements of apparatus and personnel in Nagasaki Fire Department - Mr. Starr.

(b) Survey of requirements of apparatus and personnel in Kyoto Fire Department - Mr. Brooks.

5. Active Projects

(a) Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

(b) Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

(c) Survey of fire stations (distribution of equipment and personnel) as basic for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

(d) Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

(e) Completion of Tokyo grading - Mr. Telford

(f) Preparation of plans and programs for Fire Prevention Week - Mr. Angell.

6. Proposed Projects - (a) Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related activities.

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AFC 500
29 August 1947

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the Period
18 - 23 August 1947.

MEMO FOR: Chief of PSD

1. Conference:

a. Mr Angell conferred with Miss Jose, Policy and Program Unit, Information Division, CIAE, and Major Oliver, Publicity Coordinator for PSD, regarding plans for Fire Prevention Week.

b. Mr. Angell conferred with Miss Jose, Major Oliver, two representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry, and three representatives of the Tokyo Fire Department regarding program for Fire Prevention Week. A tentative program was formulated and further discussions will be held.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Angell and Mr. McKibbin inspected scene of recent fires in the Nihonbashi and Marunouchi areas to check on reconstruction and possible unauthorized building.

b. Mr. Matthews inspected various reservoir installations of the type for which assistance of the Fire Branch has been requested to obtain materials to build.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr Matthews visited CID laboratories to discuss protection against fires of incendiary origin. This matter was also discussed with Mr. Royston, Money and Banking Branch (insurance), Finance Division, ESS, and Mr. Hashimoto of the Marine Insurance Association.

b. Mr. McKibbin discussed building permits with Mr. Okawara and Mr. Mase, of the Tokyo Metropolitan Office. Also discussed enforcement of building laws and investigations of incendiary fires with Mr. Fujita, First CID Section, MPB.

c. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Mori, Non-Life Insurance Association, about reducing amounts of insurance carried in various market districts.

d. Mr. Angell talked with Major Stratton, IG of Nagano, who requested that we draft an ordinance pertaining to construction of chimneys which may be issued as a Prefectural ordinance. The suggested ordinance was prepared and will be forwarded to Major Stratton.

e. Mr. Angell discussed fire reports and statistics with representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

f. Mr. Angell attended ceremonies incident to opening of a new main fire station in Suginami Ward. Spoke to approximately three hundred persons present.

g. Mr. Telford discussed sprinkler requirements of Japanese mills with Mr. Itoh, of Marine Fire and Insurance Company.

4. Completed Projects:

a. Grading of Hishitabe and Tsunami districts of Yokohama, Mr. Starr.

5. Active Projects:

a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course, Mr. McKibbin.

b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System, Mr. Telford.

c. Survey of fire stations (distribution of equipment and personnel) as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department, Mr. McKibbin.

d. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

- e. Completion of Tokyo grading, Mr. Telford.
- f. Survey of requirements of apparatus and personnel in Nagasaki Fire Department, Mr. Starr.
- g. Survey of requirements of apparatus and personnel in Kyoto Fire Department, Mr. Brooks.
- h. Preparation of plans and programs for Fire Prevention Week, Mr. Angell.

6. Proposed Projects:

- a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related activities.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
Public Safety Division

AFD 500
5 August 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the
Period 28 July-2 August 1947.

1. Conferences

a. Mr. Buck conferred with Colonel M. M. Class, CE, Construction Branch, Industrial Division, ESS, and Mr. Abe, President of Reconstruction Board, regarding Building Code and building construction.

b. Messrs. Angell, Raeder and McKibbin conferred with Dr. Kobayashi and Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding the proposed regulations for the Training School for Fire Department Instructors.

2. Inspections. None.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Angell discussed the design of fire prevention posters to be distributed to textile mills with Mr. Nakata and representatives of the Textile Manufacturers Association.

b. Mr. Telford discussed the use of an electrical device (a direction finder repeater) in the triangulation fire reporting system with Chiefs Shigeno and Ida of the Metropolitan Fire Department.

c. Mr. McKibbin prepared proposed regulations for the Training School for Fire Department instructors.

d. Mr. Angell talked with four teachers from the Interpreter School for firemen and made several suggestions regarding teaching of English -- chemical terms, names of devices, etc.

e. Mr. Buck gave instruction to three members of the fire department inspection division regarding inspection of electrical equipment.

f. Mr. Buck discussed the Fire Hazard Ordinance with Mr. Mariyama, of the Home Ministry.

g. Mr. Matthews contacted Captain Clicquennoi, Tokyo Kanagawa MG; Mr. P. S. Kemske, Chief of Economic Section, TRMG; and Colonels Pafer and Dilloway, Eighth Army MG; regarding requests for buildings and equipment for the Fire Research Institute.

h. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of fire insurance officials at the Chiyoda Fire and Marine Insurance Company building and spoke to approximately 65 persons present.

i. Mr. Raeder worked on a plan for proposed Japanese fire organization under a Board of Public Safety.

j. Mr. Buck attended a meeting of the Yodobashi Fire Prevention Association and spoke to approximately 200 persons present.

k. Mr. Angell attended a public meeting in the new fire station in Tachikawa and spoke to approximately 300 persons present.

l. Mr. Buck talked with the Mayor of Iida and a delegation from that city about the allocation of funds by ESB for city restoration.

m. Mr. Angell spoke to approximately 60 students and members of the faculty at the Interpreters School for firemen. Also talked with one of the instructors, a Mr. Lang, about instruction in electrical inspection work.

4. Completed Projects. None.

5. Active Projects

a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

c. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

d. Surevy of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

- e. Preparation of a Fire Hazard Ordinance - Mr. Buck.
- f. Survey of fire apparatus requirements in several nearby cities to establish a relationship between population and number of fire stations needed - Messrs. Raeder, Brooks and Telford.

6. Proposed Projects

- a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related laboratories.

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APD 500
29 July 1947

MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Public Safety Division.

Subject : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for
the Period 21 - 26 July 1947.

1. Conferences:

a. Messrs. Angell, Raeder and McKibbin conferred with Mr. Kamikawa and Mr. Kojima, Fire Section, Home Ministry, and Dr. Kobayashi, tentative Director of Fire Research Institute, regarding proposed regulations for the Training School for Fire Department Instructors.

b. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss, Education Division, CI&E, Mr. Sato, Ministry of Education, Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section of Home Ministry, and Mr. Oshima, Chief of the Tokyo Fire School, regarding the course to be given at the Training School for Fire Department Instructors.

c. Messrs. Angell, Raeder and McKibbin conferred with Dr. Kobayashi and Mr. Kamikawa regarding courses to be taught in the Training School for Fire Department Instructors.

d. Messrs. Angell and Buck conferred with the Mayor of Iida and a delegation from that city regarding city planning problems in Iida.

e. Mr. Buck conferred with Mr. Stanek, Construction Branch, Industrial Division, ESS, Mr. Uchida of the Japanese Economic Stabilization Board, and the delegation from Iida relative to the allocation of city planning funds by Home Ministry for the restoration of Iida. The Economic Stabilization Board subsequently refused to approve the allocation of funds.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Telford inspected the sites of proposed new fire alarm box installations in Asakusa ward.

b. Mr. Telford inspected surplus Navy direction

finder repeater equipment which Fire Department officials are considering using in the triangulation fire reporting system.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Matthews discussed request for allocation of equipment for use in the Fire Research Institute with Colonel Tapen, 8th Army Headquarters, Yokohama. This matter was also discussed with Major ~~Steele~~^{Drake}, Executive Group, G-2, Mr. N. J. Meiklejohn and Brig. General W. K. Harrison, Jr. Reparations Section.

b. Mr. Raeder discussed the Cabinet Ordinance establishing the Fire Research Institute with Dr. Kobayashi, tentative Director of the Institute.

c. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Meguro Fire Protection Association and spoke to approximately one hundred (100) persons present.

d. Mr. Buck met with Dr. Iazawa, Fire Research Division of Tokyo Imperial University to discuss experiments to be conducted with American brands of cigarettes.

e. Mr. Brooks discussed national and local fire department budgets with Mr. Middleton and Mr. Mossler, Public Finance Branch, Finance Division, ESS.

f. Mr. Martin continued conducting drill classes for firemen at the Marunouchi Station.

g. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Sugita and Mr. Okitsu of Chiyoda Fire and Marine Insurance Company and made arrangements to speak to representatives of their company on 29 July 1947.

h. Mr. Buck discussed the organization of a Construction Ministry within the Japanese Government with Mr. Stanek, Construction Branch, Industrial Division, ESS.

i. Mr. Starr and Mr. Brooks made friction loss tests of linen hose at MPB.

j. Mr. Raeder studied the proposed "Fire Service Law" which was drafted by the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

k. Mr. Angell and Mr. Raeder discussed the personnel requirements of the Fire Research Institute with Mr. Na-

gano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

1. Mr. Angell spoke to approximately two hundred (200) students, faculty and friends, at the graduation exercises of the Interpreters School.

m. Mr. Starr discussed the manufacture of shut-off valves for fire department nozzles with Mr. Nomi and Mr. Tamwa of Nippon Fire Alarm Company and Mr. Mori of Marine Insurance Company.

n. Mr. Buck continued work on Building Codes.

4. Completed Projects: None.

5. Active Projects:

a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

c. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department. - Mr. McKibbin.

d. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city. - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

e. Preparation of a Fire Hazard Ordinance. - Mr. Buck.

f. Survey of fire apparatus requirements in several nearby cities to establish a relationship between population and number of fire stations needed. - Messrs. Raeder, Brooks and Telford.

6. Proposed Projects:

a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related laboratories.

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APO 500
23 July 1947

MEMO FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the
Period 14-19 July 1947

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. Matthews conferred with Lt. Col. Harding and Maj. Entwhistle, REP, regarding procurement demand for material and equipment for the Fire Research Institute.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. McKibbin made a fire prevention inspection of the Teikoku Sogo Building.

3. Miscellaneous:

a. Mr. Raeder worked on preparation of an organization chart of the proposed Fire Bureau and job descriptions for personnel of the Bureau.

b. Mr. Telford discussed report of the inspection of GHQ Supply warehouse area and recommendations for installation of a fire alarm system with Mr. Sharpe, R&J Branch, Operations Division, EO.

c. Mr. Angell discussed the manufacture of sprinkler heads and sprinkler equipment with Mr. Nomi and Mr. Tamura of the Nippon Fire Alarm Company.

d. Mr. Angell discussed the drafting of electrical requirements for GHQ buildings with representatives of the Metropolitan Fire Department.

e. Mr. Telford investigated the circumstances of a fire which partially destroyed the plant of the Tokyo Fire Alarm Company. Details of the fire were discussed with Mr. Angell and Mr. Kiyose, President of the company.

f. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Toshima Ward Fire Protection Association and spoke to approximately 75 persons present.

g. Mr. Martin continued his drill classes for Japanese firemen at the Marunouchi fire station.

h. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Itoh, of Fire and Marine Insurance Association, about proposed grading of Tokyo by student engineers employed by the Association.

i. Mr. Angell discussed a Fire Service Law which was prepared for adoption by the Diet with Mr. Nagano, Chief of the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

j. Mr. Angell discussed the request for buildings for the Fire Research Institute with representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

4. Completed Projects:

- a. Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- b. Report of city planning and fire losses in cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.
- c. Survey of city planning in Iida - Mr. Buck and Mr. Brooks.

5. Active Projects:

- a. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- b. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.
- c. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.
- d. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.
- e. Preparation of a Fire Hazard Ordinance - Mr. Buck.

6. Proposed Projects:

- a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related laboratories.

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APO 500

15 July 47

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the
period 7-12 July 1947.

1. Conferences.

a. Messrs. Angell and Raeder conferred with Mr. G. Swope, Chief of National Government Division, Government Section, regarding separation of Fire Department from Police Department.

b. Mr. Buck conferred with Col. Close and Mr. Stanek, Construction Branch, Industrial Division, ESS, regarding organization of a committee for drafting a Japanese building code.

c. Messrs. Angell and Buck conferred with Professor Iazawa, Assistant Chief of Fire Protection, Architectural Department, 1st Faculty of Engineering, Tokyo Imperial University, regarding fire hazards of cigarettes. Tests will be conducted at Imperial University, using American cigarettes.

d. Mr. Angell participated in a conference of Branch Chiefs with Major Smith.

e. Messrs. Angell, Raeder, McKibbin and Brooks, participated in a conference with Major Smith regarding organization of and personnel for the Fire Research Institute.

2. Inspections.

a. Mr. Telford, accompanied by Mr. Sharpe, Repairs and Utilities Branch, Operations Division, Engineer Office, inspected GHQ Supply warehouse area in Shiba ward to determine fire alarm box requirements. Later Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks conducted water flow tests of fire hydrants in the area.

b. Mr. Angell inspected the facilities of the Tokyo Auto Engineering Company, Omiya, and observed tests of new 500 GPM front-mounted pumps.

3. Miscellaneous.

a. Mr. Raeder worked on a plan for subsidized municipal

control of fire departments.

b. Mr. Buck discussed the scope and title of Fire and Explosion Hazard Ordinance for Japanese cities with Mr. Mariyama, Fire Section, Home Ministry.

c. Mr. Telford visited the Tokyo Water Department regarding status of fire hydrant repair schedule. It was stated that hydrant repair is now approximately 80% completed.

d. Mr. McKibbin discussed the Fire Department Instructor Training Course with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry, and arranged for a committee meeting on 25 July.

e. Mr. Buck attended a meeting of the Sub-committee of Control Conference Committee to discuss establishment of a Construction Ministry. Representatives of ESS, GS and ESB attended the meeting.

f. Mr. Martin continued his drill classes at the Marunouchi Station.

g. Mr. Brooks discussed the status of sprinkler business in Japan with Mr. Nishimura, former agent of the Star Sprinkler Company.

h. Mr. Raeder worked on preparation of a chart illustrating proposed position in Japanese Government of the new Fire Bureau and its two components, the Operations Section and the Fire Research Institute.

i. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Fire Prevention Association in Shibuya Ward and spoke to approximately 130 persons present.

j. Mr. Brooks investigated the circumstances of a fire in Nihonbashi on the site of a serious fire on 1 May.

k. Mr. Angell talked with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding establishment of new Public Safety Bureau under the Prime Minister.

4. Completed Projects: None.

5. Active Projects.

a. Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

b. Fire Department Instruction Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

d. Report on city planning and fire losses in cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.

e. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

f. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

g. Preparation of a Fire Hazard Ordinance - Mr. Buck.

6. Proposed Projects.

a. Establishment of the Fire Research Institute and related laboratories.

b. Survey of city planning in Iida.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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APO 500
8 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the
Period 30 June - 5 July 1947

1. Conferences:

- a. Messrs. Angell, Buck, Raeder and McKibbin participated in a conference with Major Smith regarding the proper position of the Fire ~~Prevention~~ Research Institute in the national fire organization.
- b. Messrs. Angell and Buck conferred with Major Stratton, Nagano Military Government Team, regarding city planning in Iida.
- c. Mr. Buck conferred with Colonel Close and Mr. Stanek, Construction Branch, Industrial Division, Ess, and Miss Hadley, Governmental Powers Division, Government Section, regarding establishment of a Construction Ministry.
- d. Mr. Angell conferred with Commissioner Numata, Chief Tamura and Chief Shigeno, Tokyo Fire Department, regarding the proposed 48 hour work week schedule.
- e. Mr. Angell conferred with Commissioner Numata and Chief Shigeno, Tokyo Fire Department, regarding transfer of Fire Section from Home Ministry to the Prime Minister. This matter was also discussed with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

2. Inspections:

- a. Mr. Brooks inspected facilities at the school for fire sergeants, conducted by the Tokyo Fire Department, in Shiba Ku.
- b. Messrs. Angell and Starr inspected a plant of the Meidensha Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Tokyo, where pumps of the same type as the Barton (U.S.) pump are being manufactured by direction of Eighth Army.

3. Miscellaneous:

- a. Mr. Raeder worked on preparation of a tentative plan for municipal control of fire departments.

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b. Mr. Telford discussed results of the night tests of triangulation fire reporting system with Chief Ida, Tokyo Fire Department, and began work on correcting deficiencies disclosed by the tests.

c. Mr. Brooks prepared graphs showing the comparative deficiency points in each category assigned to Japanese cities graded by the National Board of Fire Underwriters standards.

d. Mr. Angell discussed the organization of the proposed Bureau of Fire in new governmental set up (proposed abolition of the Home Ministry) with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

e. Mr. Angell talked with representatives of a fire extinguisher manufacturing company about types and designs of carbon tetrochloride fire extinguishers.

4. Completed Projects: None

5. Active Projects:

a. Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

b. Fire Department Instructor Training Course.- Mr. McKibbin.

c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

d. Report on city planning and fire losses in cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.

e. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

f. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

g. Preparation of a Fire Hazard Ordinance - Mr. Buck.

6. Proposed Projects:

a. Establishment of the Fire-~~Prevention~~ Research Institute and related laboratories .

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b. Survey of city planning in Iida.

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APO 500
1 July 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch for the
Period 23-28 June 1947

1. Conferences:

a. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss, Education Division, C.I.&E.; Mr. Suzuki, Ministry of Education; Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry; and Chief Oshima, Tokyo Fire School, regarding preparation of the Fire Department Instructor Training Course. Fire service material, prepared by Fire Branch, PSD, will be translated and coordinated with teacher's training material furnished the Ministry of Education by C.I.&E.

b. Messrs. Angell, Raeder and McKibbin conferred with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section Home Ministry; Commissioner Numata and Chief Tamura of Tokyo Fire Department regarding application of the Standard Labor Law to fire department personnel. We suggested a continuation of the two-platoon system, with certain changes which will improve working conditions for firemen.

c. Mr. Buck conferred with Colonel Chase and Mr. Stanek, Construction Branch, ~~Industrial~~ ^{CONSTRUCTION} Division, ESS, regarding establishment of a codification committee under SCAP to draft a Building Code for the Japanese government.

d. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Appel of Legal Division, ESS, and Mr. Teramoto of Welfare Ministry, regarding application of the Standard Labor Law to fire department personnel. This conference was the result of a previous discussion with Mr. Appel. He and Mr. Teramoto requested suggestions from the Fire Branch, PSD, regarding satisfactory application of the law to fire departments.

e. Mr. Buck conferred with members of Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding drafting of Fire Prevention Code for Japanese.

2. Inspections:

a. Mr. Telford inspected several of the triangulation fire reporting installations at Tokyo fire stations.

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3. Miscellaneous:

- a. Mr. Telford discussed the procurement of automatic sprinkler equipment for Japanese installations with Mr. Gillespie and Mr. Melyan, Manufacturing Branch, Industrial Division, ESS.
- b. Mr. Raeder went to 7th Cavalry Headquarters to discuss complaint of Japanese fire officials that equipment was being damaged during washing operations of Army trucks.
- c. Mr. Angell discussed the design of pump tank and one-quart size CTC fire extinguishers with Mr. Yani of Taishin Seisakusho. Information on both types was furnished.
- d. Mr. Telford conducted night tests of triangulation fire report system, using vertical beam from searchlights as a focal point for spotting by all watch towers.
- e. Mr. Angell attended a first aid demonstration by firemen in Hachioji.
- f. Mr. Raeder discussed reduction in number and kinds of fire department reports with Chief Tamura, General Affairs Section, MPB.
- g. Mr. Angell talked with representatives of "Fire Times" and "Fire" who requested additional fire protection material for publication in their papers.
- h. Mr. Brooks compiled a list of mobile apparatus in the Tokyo Fire Department.
- i. Mr. Brooks prepared a graph showing monthly fire losses in Japan over a period of several years.
- j. Mr. Raeder discussed procurement demand for additional fire equipment for dependent housing areas with Mr. Itoh, Fire Section, Home Ministry. Demand was made by Eighth Army.
- k. Mr. Martin completed instruction of the third class of fire sergeants in fire department evaluation at the Marunouchi station.
- l. Mr. Raeder studied plans for fire department organization under municipal control.

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4. Completed Projects:

- a. Complete report on survey of fire protection facilities in Osaka - Mr. Buck.
- b. Compilation of data on fire losses in Japan - Mr. Brooks.

5. Active Projects:

- a. Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- b. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.
- d. Report on city planning and fire losses in cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.
- e. Survey of fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.
- f. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

6. Proposed Projects:

- a. Establishment of the Fire Prevention Research Institute and related laboratories.
- b. Survey of city planning in Iida.

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APD 500
24 June 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 16-21 June 1947

1. Conferences

a. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry, Chiefs Oshima and Yamazaki, Tokyo Fire School, regarding Fire Department Instructor Training Course. Course given by U.S. Coast Guard at Fort McHenry was explained and submitted for translation.

b. Messrs. Angell and McKibbin conferred with Chief Tamura, General Affairs Section, and Chief Shigeno, Fire Prevention Section, regarding personnel needed for fire department to meet requirements of the Labor Standard Law. System proposed by fire department officials necessitates employment of an excessive number of firemen.

2. Inspections

a. Mr. Angell inspected fire protection facilities at Narimasu (proposed dependent housing project), Nerima warehouse area and Yoyogi area with Colonel F. W. Staiger and Major P. M. Long, EO Operations.

b. Mr. McKibbin made a fire prevention inspection of the Teikoku-Sogo building.

3. Miscellaneous

a. Mr. Raeder discussed the tentative draft of regulations for the Fire Prevention Research Institute with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and Dr. Kobayashi, potential Director of the Institute.

b. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of PSD Section Chiefs with Major W. H. Smith.

c. Mr. Raeder made several trips to the Fukagawa Fire Station, to the Tokyo Area Engineers office and to the

7th Cavalry Headquarters regarding alleged damage of Japanese fire fighting equipment by U.S. Army truck drivers.

d. Mr. Raeder discussed matters pertaining to the Fire Prevention Research Institute with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry; also discussed application for buildings with Captain Clicquennoi, Tokyo-Kanagawa MG.

e. Mr. Telford and Mr. Brooks worked on triangulation fire reporting tests and arranged for use of army searchlight equipment in the tests.

f. Mr. Angell discussed the revised regulations for fire protection in textile mills with Captain A. A. Rathafer, Textile Division, ESS.

g. Mr. McKibbin, assisted by other members of the Fire Branch, conducted a fire drill in the Teikobu Sogo building.

h. Mr. Angell discussed May fire losses with representatives of the Home Ministry Fire Section.

4. Completed Projects

a. Study of city planning and fire losses in the city of Kanazawa - Mr. Brooks.

b. Report on survey of structural conditions in Osaka - Mr. Buck.

5. Active Projects

a. Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

b. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

d. Report on city planning and fire losses in the cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.

e. Survey of Tokyo fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

f. Survey of fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that

city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

6. Proposed Projects

a. Establishment of the Fire Prevention Research Institute and related laboratories.

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APO 500
17 June 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 9-14 June 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

a. Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and other Home Ministry representatives, regarding personnel for the Fire Prevention Research Institute. Another subject of discussion was the Home Ministry instruction to Prefectural Governors to notify fire departments whenever humidity and wind velocity are conducive to fire spread.

b. Mr. Raeder conferred with Mr. Nagano and other representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding the law to be promulgated establishing the Fire Prevention Research Institute.

c. Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss, Education Division, C.I. & E., Mr. Suzuki, Ministry of Education, Mr. Kamikawa and Mr. Kojima, Fire Section, Home Ministry, and representatives of the Tokyo Fire School regarding the Fire Department Instructor Training Course.

d. Messrs. Angell and Buck conferred with Mr. Griffen and Lt. Col. Kreiser, of FEC Ordnance, regarding fire protection and prevention in ammunition dumps.

2. INSPECTIONS:

a. Mr. Angell inspected the Marunouchi station, now the scene of fire department drill classes conducted by Mr. Martin, Fire Branch, PSD.

b. Messrs. Angell and Telford observed night tests of the recently installed triangulation fire reporting equipment and inspected several of the installations.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Oji Fire Prevention Association and spoke to approximately 150 persons.

b. Mr. Buck discussed enforcement of the electrical code with Mr. Hirata of the Architect's Association. It is believed that enforcement powers should be given the Reconstruction Board.

c. Mr. Buck completed report on investigation of fire protection facilities in the Nerima warehouse area in connection with demand made by Tokyo Area Engineer for fire apparatus and personnel for the area.

d. Mr. McKibbin prepared a paper showing the method of working a three platoon system (48-hour week) in the Tokyo fire department.

e. Mr. Angell discussed the design of a pump tank type fire extinguisher with manufacturers of first aid fire fighting equipment.

f. Mr. Raeder discussed the elimination of needless reports in the fire department with Commissioner Numata.

g. Mr. Angell discussed the procurement of additional fire apparatus for Yokohama and the design of suitable fire trucks using Army equipment with Major Thomas, 8th Army Fire Marshal.

h. Mr. Raeder discussed the application for buildings and equipment for the Fire Prevention Research Institute with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry. This matter was also discussed with Capt. Clicquenoi, of MG.

i. Mr. Buck discussed an industrial poster campaign with Mrs. Baker, C.I. & E. Posters will be prepared by C.I. & E. and will be distributed to Japanese industries through the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

4. COMPLETED PROJECTS:

a. Study of city planning and fire losses in the city of Morioka - Mr. Starr.

b. Study of city planning and fire losses in the city of Toyama - Mr. Brooks.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

a. Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

b. Fire Department Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

d. Report on city planning and fire losses in the cities of Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.

e. Report on city planning and fire losses in the city of Kanazawa - Mr. Brooks.

f. Report on survey of structural conditions in Osaka - Mr. Buck

g. Survey of Tokyo fire stations as basis for recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

a. Establishment of the Fire Prevention Research Institute and related laboratories.

b. Survey of the fire protection facilities, city planning and fire losses in Yokohama and grading of that city - Mr. Matthews and Mr. Starr.

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APO 500
10 June 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the period 2-7 June 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

a. Messrs. Angell and McKibbin conferred with Chief of General Affairs Section, Tokyo Fire Department, Mr. Tamura, and Mr. Okawa, MPB, regarding fire department organization, shorter work-week for firemen, apparatus response schemes, and personnel requirements of the Tokyo Fire Department.

b. Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding buildings and equipment for the Fire Prevention Research Institute.

2. INSPECTIONS:

a. Messrs. Angell and Raeder visited the former Central Aeronautics Research Institute in Kitatama Gun, proposed site of the Fire Prevention Research Institute, to inspect equipment and reparations materials which will be requested by the Home Ministry for use in the F.P.R.I.

b. Mr. Buck inspected the Nerima warehouse area in connection with a demand made by the Tokyo Area Engineers for fire protection in the area.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Mr. Matthews attended a meeting of the Kyobashi Ku Fire Prevention Association, held at the Imperial Fisheries, and spoke to approximately 200 persons present.

b. Mr. Angell discussed fire prevention plans involving the use of humidity and wind warnings issued through Prefectural governors with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

c. Mr. Angell attended the inaugural meeting of the Tokyo United Fire Protection Association and spoke to approximately 300 persons present. This meeting was attended by the Governor of Tokyo, the Inspector General of Police, officials of insurance companies, ward and fire department officials.

d. Mr. Buck discussed the proposed fire hazard ordinance with representatives of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and prepared emergency fire prevention regulations for installation and maintenance of electric wiring and apparatus for all buildings and structures used by Occupation forces.

e. Mr. McKibbin prepared recommendations for organizational changes in the Tokyo Fire Department, including the establishment of a three-platoon system. These recommendations will be translated and submitted to Fire Department officials for consideration.

f. Mr. Angell attended a meeting at the Police Training School for Interpreters in Nihonbashi and spoke to the 150 men being trained for work as interpreters in the Police and Fire departments.

g. Mr. Raeder prepared a catalog of reparations materials and equipment which will be requested for use in the Fire Prevention Research Institute. This list was discussed with Mr. Kamikawa and Mr. Soramoto, Fire Section, Home Ministry.

h. Mr. Matthews studied a draft of the Fire Service Law which the Fire Section, Home Ministry, proposes to submit to the Diet. Numerous suggestions for revisions were made and the second draft will be studied before submission to the Diet.

i. Mr. Buck contacted various 8th Army and Tokyo Engineers representatives regarding a directive issued to the Reconstruction Board to provide fire protection in the Nerima warehouse area.

j. Mr. Angell discussed the use of asbestos roof covering material with Mr. Otami, of the Nippon Mortar Co.

k. Mr. Matthews discussed the organization of the Japanese Civil Service with Mr. Hoover, Government Section.

l. Mr. Angell discussed regulations for fire protection in textile mills with Mr. Toyshima, Textile Bureau, Mr. Honda, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and Mr. Suza, Federation of Textile Associations. Suggestions made as result of recent inspections of textile mills by Fire Branch members were incorporated in their list of requirements.

m. Mr. Matthews visited the reservoirs of Tokyo's water supply and obtained information on possible water shortages during the coming summer.

n. Mr. Martin conducted drill classes of Japanese firemen at the Marunouchi main fire station.

o. Mr. Telford completed reports on study of city planning and fire losses in Aomori and Sapporo.

p. Mr. Brooks completed report on study of city planning and fire losses in Niigata.

q. Mr. Starr worked on report of city planning and fire losses in Morioka.

r. Mr. Telford made preparations for night tests of the recently installed triangulation fire reporting equipment.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED:

a. Study of city planning and fire losses in the cities of Aomori and Sapporo, and report on same - Mr. Telford.

b. Study of city planning and fire losses in the city of Niigata, and report on same - Mr. Brooks.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

a. Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

b. Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

c. Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

d. Report on city planning and fire losses in the cities of Morioka, Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.

e. Report on city planning and fire losses in the cities of Toyama and Kanazawa - Mr. Brooks.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

a. Establishment of the Fire Prevention Research Institute and related laboratories.

b. Organizational changes within the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin. (Translated recommendations for changes will be submitted to Commissioner of Fire Department).

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APD 500
3 June 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT: Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 26-31 May 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Buck conferred with Mr. Shigeru, Mayor of Iida, and other city officials regarding city planning.

(2) All Fire Administrators participated in a conference with Major Smith on activities and plans for the future of the Fire Branch.

2. INSPECTIONS: None.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Mr. Angell made two talks in connection with the three day fire prevention program sponsored by the Fire Section, Home Ministry. The first talk, at the Hongo Middle School, was given to approximately 1350 people; the second talk, given at a celebration in Toshima Ku, was heard by approximately 3500.

(2) Messrs. Angell and Matthews attended a demonstration of life saving, rescue work and evacuation in the Nihonbashi district.

What result. (3) Mr. Raeder discussed the status of the application made by Home Ministry for buildings of the Central Aeronautical Research Institute with Mr. Kamikawa, of Fire Section, Home Ministry. This matter was also discussed with Capt. Clicquenois, of the Tokyo-Kanagawa MG Team.

(4) Messrs. Angell and Matthews attended a meeting of school teachers in Koishikawa Ku. Both made short talks to the 50 persons present.

(5) Mr. Buck worked on preparation and study of new building codes.

(6) Mr. McKibbin studied personnel and apparatus requirements of the Tokyo Fire Department in connection with proposed establishment of a three platoon system.

(7) Mr. Buck discussed the allocation of increased amounts of cement for use in fireproof construction with Mr. Staneck, of Construction Division, ESS.

(8) Mr. Raeder discussed the procurement of personnel for the National Fire Defense Board with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry. Also discussed the progress of installation of stop-gap fire alarm system with Commissioner Numata.

(9) Mr. Buck discussed inspections to be made by M.P.B. under proposed fire hazard ordinance with Col. Mahoney, Tokyo Deputy Fire Marshal.

(10) Mr. Angell discussed a directive to provide men and equipment for protection of Nerima warehouse area with Mr. Ito, Fire Section, Home Ministry, and advised that no transfers be made except on approved procurement demand.

(11) Mr. Angell attended a fire prevention meeting in Setagaya Ku and spoke to approximately 250 members of the Setagaya Fire Prevention Association who were present.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED:

(1) Report on Osaka (water) survey - Mr. Buck.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (2) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- (3) Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.
- (4) Study of city planning and fire losses in Morioka, Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.
- (5) Study of city planning and fire losses in Niigata, Toyama and Kanazawa - Mr. Brooks.
- (6) Study of city planning and fire losses in Aomori and Sapporo - Mr. Telford.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- (1) Establishment of National Fire Defense Board and related research laboratories.
- (2) Organizational changes within the Tokyo Fire Department - Mr. McKibbin.
(This project is being revived and will now include proposed three platoon system).

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APO 500
27 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 19-24 May 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and other Home Ministry representatives, regarding proposed fire prevention laws to be presented to the Diet.

(2) Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss, Education Division, C.I. & E., Mr. Suzuki and Mr. Sato, Ministry of Education, and Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry, regarding preparation of curriculum for Fire Department Instructor Training Course.

(3) Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of the Textile Division, ESS, and members of the Japanese Textile Association, regarding fire protection in textile mills.

(4) Mr. McKibbin conferred with Commissioner Numata, Chiefs Tamura and Shigeno, Tokyo Fire Department, regarding selection of personnel from present Fire Department School to assist in preparation of curriculum for Fire Department Instructor Training Course.

(5) Messrs. Angell and McKibbin conferred with Chiefs Tamura and Shigeno, Tokyo Fire Department, regarding proposed plan for change in working hours of firemen.

2. INSPECTIONS:

(1) Mr. Martin inspected facilities at the Maronouchi Fire Station in connection with the establishment of a drill school at that station.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

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experts?* (1) Mr. Angell discussed insurance rates and fire losses with Mr. Itoh, of No-Life Insurance Association. Discussion covered: (a) Select risks; (b) Assessment system; (c) proposed cooperation between insurance companies and Fire Prevention Associations.

(2) Mr. Matthews discussed Japanese natural resources with representatives of various divisions of the Economic and Scientific Section and compiled statistical data to be used in connection with study of fire losses.

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(3) Mr. Raeder visited the MG Team in Urawa, Saitama Prefecture, to check on the transfer of Japanese fire apparatus and personnel for protection of dependent housing.

(4) Mr. Angell discussed fire losses and proposed plans for a three day fire prevention program, 26-28 May, with representatives of the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

(5) Messrs. Buck and Matthews discussed the proposed city planning of Iida with Home Ministry representatives.

(6) Mr. Angell discussed life insurance policies for firemen with Mrs. Sakai, of Shin-Nippon Life Insurance Co., Ltd.

(7) Messrs. Angell, Buck, Matthews and Raeder prepared articles on fire protection for publication in "Fire Times" and also material for use in radio programs during the three day fire prevention program, 26-28 May.

(8) Mr. Raeder discussed the possible installation of stop-gap fire alarm systems with Mr. Shigano, Chief of Fire Prevention Section, Tokyo Fire Department.

(9) Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Asakasa Ku Fire Prevention Association and spoke to approximately 300 persons present.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED: None.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report on Osaka (water) survey - Mr. Buck.
- (2) Report on Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (3) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- (4) Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.
- (5) Study of city planning and fire losses in Morioka, Sendai and Fukushima - Mr. Starr.
- (6) Study of city planning and fire losses in Niigata, Toyama and Kanazawa - Mr. Brooks.
- (7) Study of city planning and fire losses in Aomori and Sapporo - Mr. Telford.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- (1) Establishment of National Fire Defense Board and related research laboratories.

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AFPO 500
20 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 12-17 May 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of 8th Army Military Government, in Yokohama, regarding the use of Japanese firemen and equipment for protection of military installations.

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(2) Messrs. Matthews and Raeder conferred with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and other representatives of Home Ministry on: (1) Fire losses; (2) Proposed plans for halting sharp rise in fire losses; (3) Plans for a fire prevention program; and, (4) Temporary improvements in fire reporting systems.

(3) Mr. Raeder conferred with Commissioner Numata and several chiefs of the Fire Section, M.P.B., regarding installation of stop-gap fire alarm systems in Tokyo and environs.

(4) Mr. Angell, Mr. Buck and Mr. Matthews conferred with Mr. Shigiru Takada, Mayor of Iida, and representatives of the City Planning Section, Home Ministry, regarding the increased street widths on proposed plan for Iida.

2. INSPECTIONS:

(1) Mr. McKibbin made a fire prevention inspection of the Teikoku Sogo Building.

(2) Mr. Telford inspected several of the fire stations which have been oriented for use of the triangulation fire reporting system. He also inspected the installation of seven new fire alarm boxes in Akusaka Ward.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Mr. Raeder contacted Mr. Pesek, Engineering Section, 8th Army Headquarters, Yokohama, relative to the procurement of cement for use at the Tokyo Fire Department Training School. He later visited the Ceramics Section of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, with Chief Shigeno, Fire Prevention Section, M.P.B., and succeeded in obtaining an allocation of fifty tons of cement.

(2) Mr. Angell attended the inaugural meeting of the Kanda Fire Protection Association and gave a short talk to approximately 100 persons present.

(3) Mr. Matthews discussed Japanese budgets for fire protection with Mr. J.R. Mossler, Public Finance Branch, Finance Division, ESS.

(4) Messrs. Angell and Matthews discussed details of closer cooperation between fire departments and insurance companies with Mr. Itoh, of No-Life Insurance Association. Mr. Itoh visited this office several times this week to obtain pictures for use as slides in movie houses and other material related to fire protection.

(5) Mr. Starr discussed the damage which has been done to Japanese fire department hose by careless operation of some Allied vehicles with Col. C.A. Mahoney, Tokyo Deputy Fire Marshal. Col. Mahoney subsequently issued an order on the subject and Mr. Starr later discussed the matter with Commissioner Numata who promised full cooperation in enforcement of the order.

(6) Mr. Angell discussed plans for radio broadcasts with Mr. Yamazawa and Mr. Maruyama, representatives of the Home Ministry. Plans are in effect for an extensive publicity campaign on fire prevention and protection during three-day period, 26-28 May 1947.

(7) Mr. McKibbin conducted a fire drill for all floors of the Teikoku Sogo Building. All Fire Section members assisted in this drill by acting as observers on various floors.

(8) Messrs. Brooks and Martin held several discussions with representative of the Metropolitan Fire Department regarding the drill evolutions to be used in instruction of Japanese firemen. A site for the holding of drills was tentatively selected and drills will begin at an early date.

Need this - pilot models must be trained sometime.

(9) Mr. Buck discussed city planning and building codes with Mr. Hirata, of the Nippon Architects Association.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED:

- (1) Preparation of Drill Evolutions - Messrs. Brooks and Martin.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report of Osaka (water) survey - Mr. Buck.
- (2) Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (3) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- (4) Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

(1) Survey of the cities of Morioka, Sendai and Fukushima for the purpose of conducting a study of city planning and fire losses - Mr. Starr.

(2) Survey of the cities of Niigata, Toyama and Kanazawa for the purpose of conducting a study of city planning and fire losses - Mr. Brooks.

(3) Survey of the cities of Amori and Sapporo for the purpose of conducting a study of city planning and fire losses - Mr. Telford.

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AFPO 500
12 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 5-10 May 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Buck conferred with Mr. Asano, Technical Advisor, City Planning Section, Home Ministry, and Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, relative to city planning in the city of Iida. *What result?*

(2) Messrs. Angell and Matthews conferred with Mr. J.P. Royston, Insurance Branch, Finance Division, ESS, relative to fire losses as related to insurance rates in Japan.

(3) Messrs. Angell and Matthews conferred with Mr. Tate, Mr. Eaton, Mr. Dippy and Capt. Rathofer, all of the Textile Division, ESS, regarding fire prevention and protection in Japanese textile mills processing American fibers.

(4) Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of the publication "FIRE" relative to impressions on the Iida fire.

(5) Messrs. Angell and Matthews conferred with Mr. J.P. Royston (Insurance) Money and Banking Branch, Finance Division, ESS, and several representatives of Japanese insurance companies regarding fire losses and insurance rates in Japan.

(6) Mr. Angell held a press conference with representatives of several local newspapers.

2. INSPECTIONS:

(1) Messrs. Buck and Brooks inspected the Omori Hotel, tentatively selected as a dependent billet, at the request of Col. F.W. Staiger, Chief of Repairs and Utilities Branch, EO. A complete report of the inspection was submitted.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Mr. Angell attended the inaugural meeting of a Fire Prevention and Protection Association in Hachioji and spoke to approximately 300 persons, members of the fire department and interested civilians.

(2) Mr. Matthews discussed reports of investigation of Iida conflagration with MPB representatives who had been sent to investigate the fire.

(3) Mr. McKibbin discussed the formation of a committee to assist in preparation of the Fire Department Instructor Training Course with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry. Mr. Nagano named two men from his Section, Mr. Kamikawa and Mr. Soramoto to serve on the committee, which will also include representatives of the Ministry of Education and C.I. & E.

(4) Mr. Starr discussed the procurement of U.S. trucks for use in Japanese fire departments with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry, and Mr. Reifsnider, Chief of Traffic Branch, Civil Transportation Section, GHQ, SCAP. This matter was also discussed with Mr. Kamikawa, Fire Section, Home Ministry, and the transfer of 187 trucks for fire service was begun.

(5) Mr. Telford discussed the formation of a Forest Service and measures necessary to combat forest fires with representatives of the Home Ministry and the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

(6) Mr. Angell discussed the manufacture of improved types of fire extinguishers with representatives of the Taishin Seisakusho company.

(7) Messrs. Angell and Matthews prepared an instruction sheet covering general fire protection in textile mills for distribution by the Textile Division, ESS.

(8) Mr. McKibbin discussed the procurement of steel drums for the storage and shipment of carbon tetrachloride for the Taishan Seisakusho company with Lt. P. Fujii, Manufacturing Branch, Industrial Division, ESS. Drums are to be made available.

(9) Mr. Angell attended a meeting of the Fire Equipment Manufacturers Association and spoke on fire protection to approximately 125 people present.

(10) Mr. Matthews discussed plans for the prevention of fire in Japan, activities of the Fire Defense Corps and fire brigades with Mr. Nagano, Chief of Fire Section, Home Ministry.

(11) Mr. McKibbin discussed the procurement of coal for the Ohmi Weaving Company, Ltd., with Mr. S.C. Weson, Chief of the Programs and Liaison Branch, Textile Division, ESS. Coal, used in processing materials for the manufacture of linen fire hose, will be supplied from Ministry of Commerce allotments in the amount of fifty (50) tons per month.

(12) Mr. McKibbin discussed the procurement of soda ash and caustic soda for the Ohmi Weaving Company, Ltd., with Mr. G.B. Bready, Chemical Branch, Industrial Division, ESS. These chemicals, used in processing materials for the manufacture of linen fire hose, will be supplied from Ministry of Commerce allotments in the amount of four (4) tons each per month.

(13) Mr. Starr discussed the request for equipment for the Tokyo Fire Department with Chief Hokata, MPB. The request, submitted through the office of the Tokyo Fire Marshal in the form of a procurement demand, included trucks, jeeps and sedans.

(14) Mr. Matthews discussed fire department budgets with Mr. E.M. Reed, Chief of Public Finance Branch, Finance Division, ESS.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED:

- (1) Report of Kyoto survey and grading - Mr. Raeder.
- (2) Report of Osaka (fire department) survey and grading - Mr. Starr.
- (3) Inspection and report on Omori Hotel * Messrs. Buck and Brooks.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report of Osaka (water) survey - Mr. Buck.
- (2) Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (3) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- (4) Triangulation Fire Reporting System - Mr. Telford.
- (5) Preparation of Drill Evolutions - Messrs. Brooks and Martin.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS: None.

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APO 500
5 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch for
the period 28 April - 3 May 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Angell and other members of the Fire Section participated in a conference on the Iida conflagration with Chief Shigano, Fire Prevention Section, MPB, and representatives of MPB who investigated the fire.

(2) Mr. Angell conferred with representatives of the Home Ministry relative to application to Military Government for equipment and machines to be used in the Fire Research Institute laboratories.

(3) Mr. McKibbin conferred with Mr. Moss and Mr. Nelson, Education Division, C.I. & E., relative to obtaining C.I. & E. and Ministry of Education assistance in establishing an Instructor Training Course.

2. INSPECTIONS:

(1) Messrs. Matthews and Brooks inspected the scene of a conflagration in Iida, Nagano Prefecture.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Mr. Angell spoke at a meeting of Fire Department officials, past and present, about 200 in number.

(2) Mr. Angell discussed relative fire hazards in the United States and Japan with representatives of "FIRE", a new magazine being published.

(3) Mr. Buck discussed a procurement demand made on the Japanese government for additional apparatus and firemen for Yokota Air Base with Mr. Penery, 8th Army M.G., Yokohama.

(4) Mr. Starr discussed the budget for new fire apparatus with Mr. Aono of the Home Ministry.

(5) Mr. Angell discussed reports of 34 recent major fires, in each of which the loss exceeded one million yen, with representatives of the Home Ministry.

(6) All members of the Fire Section attended a serious fire in Nihonbashi Ku. Mr. Telford later made an investigation of this fire.

(7) Mr. Martin discussed fire losses with members of the Fire Section, Home Ministry.

(8) Mr. Angell discussed the procurement of U.S. trucks for use in Japanese fire departments with G.H.Q. Deputy Fire Marshal, Col. Mahoney.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED:

(1) Inspection of scene of Iida conflagration.
(Messrs. Matthews and Brooks)

(2) Kobe survey report - Messrs. Brooks & Telford.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

(1) Report of Osaka survey (water) - Mr. Buck.

(2) Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.

(3) Report of Kyoto survey - Mr. Raeder.

(4) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS: None.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION

APD 500
28 April 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the period 21-26 April 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

(1) Mr. Angell conferred with Commissioner Fujita, Chiefs Shigano, Tamura and Hokata, all of the Metropolitan Fire Department, relative to: (a) Shobodan organization; (b) Procurement demand for apparatus and Japanese firemen for protection of Yokota Air Base; and (c) Advanced school for Sergeants in MFD.

(2) Mr. Angell conferred with Mr. Nagano and other representatives of the Home Ministry relative to: (a) The proposed Imperial Ordinance establishing the Shobodan; (b) Personnel for the Fire Research Institute and Training School; and (c) List of equipment needed for the Fire Research Institute.

(3) Mr. Matthews conferred with Col. E.H. Underhill, CO of Yokota Air Base, Capt. L.S. Sours, Adjutant, Chief Naijo of Tachikawa Police and Chief Yasoku, in charge of Yokota Fire Detachment, relative to: (a) Fire in Officers' Club; (b) Fire protection facilities of the Base; and (c) Quarters for Japanese firemen serving on the Base.

(4) Mr. Buck conferred with Col. E.H. Underhill, CO of Yokota Air Base, and other officials relative to procurement demand on Japanese government for additional Japanese firemen and equipment to protect the Base.

2. INSPECTIONS:

(1) Mr. Matthews inspected the fire protection facilities at Yokota Air Base.

(2) Mr. Starr inspected fire protection facilities in Osaka, compiling further data for city grading.

(3) Mr. Telford inspected fire protection facilities in Kobe, compiling further data for city grading.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Mr. Angell discussed the March fire losses, the Iida

conflagration and the proposed organization of a Forest Fire Service with representatives of the Home Ministry.

(2) Messrs. Angell and Matthews observed one of two series of tests of new linen hose manufactured by the Ohmi Textile Co., Ltd.

(3) Messrs. Martin and Brooks observed the second of the series of hose tests of new linen hose manufactured by the Ohmi Textile Co., Ltd.

(4) Mr. Raeder continued work on a report of the survey of Kyoto.

(5) Mr. Matthews attended a fire prevention meeting at Hibita, Kanegawa Prefecture, and spoke to approximately 300 persons.

(6) Mr. McKibbin observed units of the Metropolitan Fire Department in action fighting a 3-alarm fire in Kanda Ku.

(7) Mr. Angell discussed life insurance policies for firemen with Mrs. Sakai of the Shin Nippon Life Insurance Co.

(8) Mr. Angell discussed fire prevention in Japan and the U.S. with Mr. Wakabayashi and Mr. Koboyashi, representatives of a new magazine, "Cultural Fire Prevention".

(9) Mr. Buck discussed a procurement demand for six pumpers and thirty-three firemen for protection of Yokota Air Base with Commissioner Fujita, Chiefs Shigano and Tamura, of the Metropolitan Fire Department.

(10) Mr. Matthews discussed insurance rates, past and present, with Mr. Royston, Insurance Section, ESS.

(11) Mr. McKibbin discussed instructor training with Mr. Moss, Education Division, C.I. & E.

(12) Mr. Angell participated in a conference of Division Chiefs and Section Chiefs with Monsg. Flanagan.

(13) Mr. Buck discussed the use of Dr. Hande's services as liaison representative in fire protection matters between the Home Ministry and Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto.

(14) Mr. Matthews discussed inflation of the yen relative to building costs in period from 1939-1946 inclusive with Mr. Staneck, Ind. ESS, Mr. Hepner, Sub-Acct. & Pro Mngr., NCB, and Mr. Hazard, CPC, Gov't. Prop. Div.

(15) Messrs. Brooks and Martin discussed drill evolutions and the use of G.I. equipment with Lt. Waters, 1225th Eng. FFU.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED: None.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report of Osaka survey (water system) - Mr. Buck.
- (2) Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (3) Report of Kyoto survey - Mr. Raeder.
- (4) Instructor Training Course - Mr. McKibbin.
- (5) Report of Kobe survey - Messrs. Telford & Brooks.

6. PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- (1) Inspection and study of Iida conflagration - Messrs. Matthews and Brooks.

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Civil Intelligence Section, G-2
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APO 500
21 April 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Public Safety Division

SUBJECT : Progress Report of the Fire Branch
for the Period 14-19 April 1947

1. CONFERENCES:

✓ (1) Mr. Angell held two conferences with the War Manpower Board.

✓ (2) Mr. Angell conferred with General Peabody, Chief of PSD, and Section Chiefs of PSD.

✓ (3) Messrs. Angell, Buck, Raeder, McKibbin and Brooks conferred with Mr. Nagano, Mr. Aikawa and other Home Ministry representatives relative to a proposed Imperial Ordinance which will establish the Shobodan organization.

2. INSPECTIONS:

✓ (1) Mr. Matthews inspected the fire protection facilities of the Dai Nippon Cotton Weaving Plant, accompanied by Capt. A.A. Rathofer, Textile Division, ESS.

✓ (2) Messrs. McKibbin and Brooks made a fire prevention inspection of the Teikoku Sogo Building.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

✓ (1) Mr. Angell discussed Japan's fire losses with representatives of the Home Ministry.

✓ (2) Messrs. Angell and Buck discussed the preparation of a model, showing city planning and housing projects, for exhibition in war torn areas with Mr. Dekle, C.I. & E.

✓ (3) Messrs. Angell and Buck discussed city planning of Hiroshima with Mr. Watanabe, Consultant to City Planning Commission of that city.

✓ (4) Mr. Angell discussed the proposed formation of the Shobodan with Chiefs Shigano and Hikato, Metropolitan Fire Department.

- ✓ (5) Mr. McKibbin discussed instructor training with Lt. Col. Jimerson and Major Taylor, I. & E. Section.
- ✓ (6) Mr. Starr discussed the prices of U.S. trucks being turned over to the Japanese for use in fire departments with Messrs. Reifsnider and Wood, Transportation Section.
- ✓ (7) Mr. Starr discussed, and obtained, the release of hard rubber hose for fire trucks in Osaka (25th Division), with Mr. Osborne, ESS.
- ✓ (8) Mr. Angell discussed the allocation of U.S. trucks to Japanese fire departments with representatives of the Home Ministry.
- ✓ (9) Messrs. Angell and Buck discussed articles for publication regarding city planning and reconstruction. Articles will high light fire defense in relation to city planning.
- ✓ (10) Messrs. McKibbin and Starr conducted a fire drill for all floors of the Teikoku Sogo Building.
- ✓ (11) Mr. Angell discussed the formation of the Tokyo Federation of Fire Protection Associations with Chiefs Shigano and Tamura, Metropolitan Fire Department.
- ✓ (12) Mr. McKibbin discussed the installation of a transformer vault in the new PhotoLab, seventh floor of the Teikoku Sogo Building, with Lt. Col. Buchanan and Major Berard of the Photo Division.
- ✓ (13) Mr. Telford discussed speeches, articles and press conferences concerning lumber supplies needed for new home construction in Japan with Mr. Staneck, Industrial Branch, and Mr. Alber, Chief of Producers' Goods Branch, ESS.
- ✓ (14) Messrs. Telford and Brooks discussed the installation of triangulation equipment with representatives of the Metropolitan Fire Department and inspected two completed installations.
- ✓ (15) Mr. Martin studied ordinances relative to formation of new Shobodan.

4. PROJECTS COMPLETED: None.

5. ACTIVE PROJECTS:

- (1) Report of Osaka survey (water system) - Mr. Buck.
- (2) Report of Nagoya survey - Mr. Matthews.
- (3) Report of Kyoto survey - Mr. Raeder.
- (4) Instructor training course - Mr. McKibbin.