

Tankaran oil fields in Netherlands Borneo will produce the estimated amount of 200,000 tons within December. Sangasanga produces 400 tons daily, that is, 12,000 tons a month. 310,000 tons will be produced by December.

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Adjustment of small and medium scale industry.
Smooth distribution and the adequateness of those engaged in the industry.

consumers.

a lack of 600,000 workers due to labour plan.

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March 10th

Our national policies shall be announced at home and abroad at this time of this victory.

The day after tomorrow, on the 12th, a Cabinet meeting will be held.

Cabinet instructions on the reorganization of the medium- and small-sized commerce and industries

Re the distribution of petroleum
Urgent fishing boats
Special Delivery vessels, semi-diesel vessels,
factories, small transportation agencies.

Control of the newspapers

4 offices /in/ Tokyo 3/in/ Osaka 3 /in/ North
Kyushu 2 or 1 /in/ Nagoya

Newspapers by communication agencies will be considered separately.

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Prospect of the World War

U.S. and Britain will strengthen cooperation, and when their preparations are completed, will at once begin to attack Japan.

At first U.S. and Britian will ally with Russia and will put pressure upon Germany and Italy in Europe.

U.S.S.R. desires that the World War shall be a long period war, but will participate in the war against Japan if she finds us weaker in our counter-attacks because of the war.

Having obtained better military results than expected and thus being in an advantageous situation, we are now in a position to take an offensive attitude.

Very good results have been obtained / in the fighting/ against Chiang and on the Burma Road.

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April 4th: Notification

April 30th: General Election

Captured vessels 690 Two /will be handed over/ to

Philippines 3 vessels 710 civilians in Japan

1900 in the middle of April. One

/will be handed over/ on the spot in May.

British vessels? 7100 will load South Area goods and be 1021 handed over to civilians in Japan.

Dutch 1579 as above-mentioned

980 to civilians at Makassar

2600 handed over to Hongkong

Total 1 x,000 tons

Gross total 51 vessels 113,493 tons

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Ores from Hainan, Sekiroku: 1st vessel will enter port on April 1st.

Family allowance: As to those for officials who have been transferred, each Ministry will negotiate with the Finance Ministry.

will be given up to the amount of ¥ 4,300.

March 24th

The provisional treaty on fishery with USSR shall be effective till the end of December; during this time a definite treaty will be concluded. 335 fishing grounds

28th a meeting of the Privy Council

Perpetual lease will be abolished and / perpetual/ ownership will be established instead.

December 25

Whether the current session of the Diet might be dissolved or not, it will be necessary to hold an extraordinary session of the Diet before June next year and discuss the constructive policy.

The relationship between the Laborers' pension Insurance and the Seamen's Life Insurance. In the law concerning the manufacturing of important machineries, electric measuring instrument and industrial measuring and calculating instruments--- Decision for the bill will be voted down unless its principal points be submitted before the 7th of January and the bill before the 15th of the same month.

December 4 .

The school ordinance. In connection with the revising of the Communications and vocational school ordinance to the Middle School ordinance.

The reasons for shortening the term of study, and the winding up of the case. The matter of revising the education in the higher schools to the preparatory education for the university (retained) the restriction on the establishment of private schools (Only schools in the form of foundations to be permitted). Is it not necessary to make a plan in connection with the University hall?

The general finance budget for 1943 fiscal year.

Iron production reduced to three million fifty or sixty hundred thousand tons; general ~~of-fifty-percent~~ reduction of fifty percent against twenty percent which we had expected. Cement production was also reduced to fifty seven percent 1943 fiscal year. Timber is also lacking.

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December 19th

Radio broadcasting to the world is carried on through oversea wireless lines and in 16 languages.

Communications Health Experts and assistants in Formosa. An outline of the Regulations for the Control of Marine Products Fluid Fuel: 125,000 kiloliters, including the estimate of the special allocation.

A good use of the allocated fuel. The exploitation of resources in southern areas.

War Ministry -

About 110,000 tons of Army vessels have been sunk or stranded, and /we/ desire to replenish 70,000 tons.

Second Reserve -

More than 20,000 yen - extraordinary for postal control.
5,163 yen - extraordinary expenditure for Maritime Transport Control.

It is desired that contraband of war be placed under control as strict as that of Great Britain or U.S.A. (Japanese has been too loose in her control).

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The Compilation of Supplementary Budget

In consideration of important funds and labor.

1. Article 1 only of each supplementary /Budget/ for 1941 and for 1942 (fiscal year) to the Finance Ministry before the after 20th inst.

2. Items shall be confined to those which pertain to business, and which are urgent and practicable.

3. Items extending over 3 years shall be omitted.

4. Items closely related with military affairs.

5. Expenditures indispensable to national life.

6. Necessary reserve funds shall be freely approved.

7. Increased Taxation Bill.

Necessity of a Revised Budget (Maritime Affairs Board)

(Special account for alcohol enterprise) The suspension of overseas agencies is considered to be necessary.

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"Timor" problem.

A partial revision of the Ports & Bays Control Law.

27th in the afternoon

The first meeting of the Greater East Asia Establishment Council. The Premier's address and one or two questions. Each Ministry : questions and answers.

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The system for collecting resources: In 1943, we will not collect from ordinary homes. The rumor of Pibun's resignation: (Due to the complaints in the country)

The counter plan for prices.

/T.N. on the back/ The special post office clerk: the security of living.

2. The design for the postage stamp: the Yasukuni shrine.

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The unsatisfied expansion of production might be due to the defect in the system or in the application of the system.

War Supplies Ministry:

The fundamental industry and the heavy industry.

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In production to raise the spirit and improve technique. Invention might not be expected but device is important. Beside Showa Electric Industry Company, 30 per cent increase in production is attainable after a long time.

Power station at MIYANOSHITA should be speedily....

Aluminum: 110,000 tons in Japan proper.

35,000 tons in Korea and Formosa.

Electrode Problem.

Transport of salt from North China to Korea.

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May 28th, 1943.

To ensure coal for 1943.

Re Convocation of an extraordinary session of the Diet.

Re Election for the Regional Congress.

It is desirable that the members of the Preparatory Committee for Patriotic Labor be selected from all circles of the government and the people.

Taking warning by "blowing up of a dam" in Germany, a careful precaution is necessary.

Crank-shaft:

150 HP 27% good, 73% scrap

150 HP 36%, 64% scrap

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Women under twenty five years of age (unmarried) work for the national defence troops or in factories while even married women engage in air defense observation and vigilance.

This has become the object of resentment and complaint.

GUMBA /Prefecture/

Five thousand of requisitioned factory men will be sent out of the prefecture while six thousand will come into the

prefecture. It is necessary to adjust this. It is desired that empty ships from YAWATA and WAKAMATSU shall be loaded with steel materials of YAWATA.

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Ship building yards?

Mechanical workshops?

Repair-shops Timber yards

Planning - MATSUSHITA

Quantity of allocated timber. Machinery. Synthetic /allocation of machines.

Branch offices and prefectures

Bigger ones preferable to smaller ones Army and Navy

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Improvement has to be carried out boldly so as to meet the actual situation, free from personal considerations or without sticking to prestige. Such administration must be avoided as the inhabitants cannot understand.

For instance, Chinese merchants were ordered to contribute 50,000,000 yen; but 21,000,000 yen out of the sum was borrowed from the Specie Bank and was advanced through there is an opinion that this shall be continued hereafter, but it is necessary to reconsider the matter. It is not good that each province has its own method of taxation in the Netherlands Indies. The manufacture of sugar and of butyl alcohol out of sugar has made the inhabitants have a very good feeling toward our army.

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Problems of surplus commodities and of advisers to technical administration. KODAMA: /We/ have entered upon the second stage of the military government now, The administration with JAVA as a center; /We T.N./ acknowledge that high degree self-government is most suitable in the East Indies. (This does not mean independence.

SUNADA: The inflation of currency was checked in Malay. In Sumatra, the governors of the provinces showed tendencies like those of our prefectural blocks. Therefore, three leading governors were charged with the control of the interchange of goods.

SAKURAI: Large resources and railroads in Burma.

OKADA: /We must/ win the hearts of the intellectual classes. Hollanders loved the inhabitants of Ambon; those Japanese who behave less handsomely will be looked down in contempt by the inhabitants.

In Makassar, big ships of 20,000 tons may come alongside the quay; /T.N. we/ can make tour round the sphere of our influence on board a wooden ship.

In Celebes, sailing vessels of 200 tons have been concentrated.

The principle of making Java a centre must be changed to the principle of making Japan a centre, after obtaining external possessions.

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The Philippine Military Government has four departments, i.e., the Industry, Traffic, Finance and Administration Departments, each having three sub-departments.

Barguas has been ordered to establish a central administrative organization and 20 governors (for 20 out of 49 provinces) and 3 mayors have been appointed from the natives. Malay is governed directly by the Military Government.

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In Java there were 20,000 Dutch officials who surrendered separately. As arms and prisoners of war are out of order, two division-chiefs are supervising military administration respectively in the East and West. By a military administration order, Dutch officials are left in office for the time being as they are.

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Burma: Three local committees for the maintenance of public peace have been organized. The military administration has not been well established yet. Clever and smart natives have all been taken away by Englishmen.

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February 10th

A meeting of the Greater East Asia Council.
The Governor's Conference.

If Singapore falls, the Diet will be convened and reported /thereon/ and at the same time the Burma Road to aid Chiang will be cut off; the loss of British and American influence being taken advantage of.

Policies toward India, Dutch Indies, Australia and New Zealand.

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31st Oct

427,078 yen: expenses of Communication Ministry.

Permissions and approvals are delayed but it is desired that such things be dealt with /more/ smoothly. It is desired to establish a separate law providing that matters coming under the control Regulations based upon Total Mobilization Law, etc. shall have a limit of time, and that those matters whose limit of time has expired are deemed as permitted or approved. How about giving 3 or 4 months before the enforcement /of the said law/? If it is passed in the next meeting of Vice-Ministers it is desired that it be decided on at the next Cabinet meeting and be brought into force before the next Extraordinary session of the Diet.

To be decided According to Kinds Wage Control

One matter of the Welfare Ministry

This is being enforced under the Law for the Control of the Expenses of companies by the Finance Ministry, and so the law is to be partially revised.

Important Industries and Regulations for the Control of Regulations for Organizations shall be Cabinet orders.

Cabinet meeting at 2 p.m., 31st. As the Athletic meeting is held in the morning, Prince TAKAMATSU.

Talking in a train - It is prohibited to talk on important State affairs in the form of "talks in a train."

February 13th-

Reports on the War situation.

Reports on the Diet.

Immigrants.

The Greater East Asia Establishment Council.

Problem of Rice (as food) (large families)

Relief money (of villages and towns).

Warships	6		Our side	
Craft carrier	1		Destroyers	4
Heavy cruisers	3		Submarines	3
Medium cruisers	2		<u>Mine Sweepers</u>	<u>4</u>
Destroyers	8			11 vessels
Submarines	22		Heavy damage	
Special duty ships	2		Mine sweeper	1
Gun boats	2		Small damages	
	1		Heavy cruiser	1
	49 vessels		<u>Light cruiser</u>	<u>1</u>
				3

Heavy and medium damages

Warships	4	Submarines	7
Heavy cruisers	1	Craft carriers	1
Medium "	1	<u>Unclear</u>	<u>3</u>
Light "	3		24 - 5
Destroyers	4		

January 19th

The Foreign Minister: an address

The Prime Minister: The Tripartite - Military Pact

In order to crush the enemies quickly in cooperation with each other, we should carry out decisive fighting simultaneously in our respective areas.

The Minister of Finance: an address.

The Railway / Minister/: The Government's attitude toward Japanese people abroad.

The House of Representatives: OKADA Dadahiko /made/ inquiries on behalf of all; besides him, one or two of a small party /made inquiries/

The House of Peers: KODAMA Hideo/ made/ inquiries on behalf of all.

January 12th

Tarakan, Borneo and Menade, Celebes were attacked.

We have not declared war on Holland yet. Let these attacks it is desired, be the government's announcement.

Supplementary Budget.

2.7 billion yen for all the ministries for 1941 has become 36 billion yen for 1942. The greatest increase /is seen in the budget for/ the Commerce & Industry Ministry. 105 million yen out of the increased revenue /is appropriated/ for the extraordinary military expenditure of the railways and the remainder, 75 million yen for balancing funds.

Premier: Even if the budget is increased, personnel shall not be increased. The family allowance for employees shall be 3 which / shall, however, come into effect; after the approval of a Cabinet meeting.

The Imperial Rule Supporters' Association (Tai Sei Yoku San Kai) will begin removing on the 17th.

The Information Bureau /is also moving/ to the former General Staff Headquarters building. Both houses will hold meetings to investigate the bills on the 16th.

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Those related with the Budget shall be submitted; first to the House of Representatives; all others shall be submitted first to the House of Peers (Army, Navy, Justice and others). Questions shall be asked as prearranged with the Government. Representatives shall ask questions in Committee meetings.

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January 8th

Increased taxation So as not to disturb increased production
So as not to disturb the accumulation
of funds
So as to afford the minimum cost of living
/ The income shall be ~~present~~ more than
600 yen a year.

In the case of an annual income of 21,000 yen

Bachelor

A married person 74 82

A child 68 65

Two children 53 48

In case a man has a wife and five children, he shall pay nothing.
If a man has a wife and six children, he shall pay no taxes,
even when his annual income is 3,000 yen.

We have no intention to lower the interest of postal savings
at present, but shall consider it in future.

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To define the interpretation of "War time". it shall be defined
to mean "before peace is restored."

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January 6th

An outline of a Bill for the Special Account of the Labourers
Annuity Insurance, etc. An outline of Bills submitted by the
Finance Ministry. Sums of bonds for the rewards of civilians
shall be demanded by each Ministry as soon as possible.

The plan to develop the Southern Areas. In the occupied areas military administration shall be established. The objective: the maintenance of peace/ the development of; important resources and the self-support of the troops in operations. In future those under military administration shall be united to the organs which the Government will decide.

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January 9th

The Revised bill for the Pension Law has been changes in decided Prefectural Governors. Seven will resign: Four of them are old and three young. The Governor of Tokyo Prefecture shall become the chief director of Women's Association. His successor shall be Governor MATSUI. KONDO, Governor of Shiga Prefecture shall succeed MATSUI, and OIKAWA, Chief of the Economic Department of Tokyo /Prefecture/ shall succeed KONDO. (Appointed in the 11th year). The Governor of Saitama Prefecture shall retire voluntarily. The successor shall be OTSU, former Kanto (appointed in the 10th year). /The Governor of/ Tochigi Prefecture shall retire voluntarily. His successor shall be SAKURAI of Welfare Ministry (appointed in the 11th year), and his successor shall be OTSU /of/ Shimane /Prefecture/ (appointed in the 12th year), and his successor shall be KOIZUMI, Goro of YOKU-SAN-KAI (11th year). KOHAMA /Governor of/ Shizuoka /Prefecture/ shall retire voluntarily (He will engage in work related with the Agriculture and Forestry /Ministry). His successor shall be FUJIOKA of the Ministry of Home Affairs (the 9th year); his successor shall be UEDA, Governor of AOMORI Prefecture; and his successor shall be YAMADA of AICHI Police (the 13th year). The Governor of Nagano Prefecture shall retire voluntarily (the 6th year) and shall become the mayor of KURE. His successor shall be NAGAYASU, /Governor of/ KAGAWA /Prefecture/ and his successor shall be KOSUGE, Tokyo General /Affairs Department/ (the 12th year). /The Governor of /Fukui/ Prefecture; shall retire voluntarily, (the 10th year); and his successor shall be MIYOSHI, of the Ministry of Home Affairs (the 14th year).

The Governor of /Tottori/ Préfecture/ HATTA shall retire voluntarily; and his successor shall be DOI of Osaka to General Affairs Department of Osaka /Préfecture/.

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Among the chiefs of Departments Hokkaido has 2 Chokunin (officials appointed by the Emperor), and the Metropolitan Police Board. /The Chiefs of/ the General Affairs Departments of Tokyo, Aichi, Kyoto, Osaka, Kobe, and Fukui Préfectures and the /chief of/ the Police Department of Osaka /Préfecture/ shall be Chokunin officials. Less than two-fifths of the Foreign Ministry Building were burnt down and they are working in a part of the Finance Ministry Building. Arrangements have been made all through the country against any rumours on this.

Delay of reports:

The reports of the Metropolitan Police Board were delayed because of a fire in Tamura-cho. Kojimachi Police Station. Out of 4,500,000 tons of copper to be smelted, 1,100,000 tons to the Navy; 910,000 tons to the Army (780,000 tons); and 2,710,000 tons to the people.

Draft of an Imperial Ordinance to transfer part of the authority on ship-building to the Navy Minister.

The South-Colonization School; a study. We want to settle the supplementary budget tomorrow at latest.

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Treatment of the lower employees and officials. Employees: 3 yen a month per head and there shall be no number-limit. Junior (kannin) official: 4 yen a month per head/ There shall be no number-limit. Senior (koto) officials: 4 yen in the same way. ¥35,000,000 including primary school teachers and a considerable amount of special account. This shall also be applied to city,- town,- and village - /employees and officials/. An extraordinary cabinet meeting is to be held next Monday.

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13 January

Yearly number-limit of chokunin officials to be appointed.

Administrative Examination. To be carried out in the right way.

The Premier: -

We must carry out the establishment of the Greater East Asia Sphere as more than a month has passed since the War. I have ordered the 6th Commission to take sole charge of economy, etc. for the time being, but the whole power of the country must, in my opinion, be concentrated in future to accomplish this. I deem it necessary, therefore, to establish a great consultative body.

The 6th Commission shall be, so to speak, the secretary thereof.

Foreign Minister: -

It is necessary to include learned civilians in the said body.

Planning /Board/: -

Our idea is that this shall be like the Price Council.

The Finance/Minister/:

This must have smaller bodies belonging to it.

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The Premier:

Please let me hear your opinions, if you have any, on the system of state councillorship.

(Various opinions or proposals are made to those persons by some of the people).

Generals' Society.

A revised bill of the Postal Law.

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Legislature:

When personnel /expenses/ are cut down, it is desired that business expenses shall not be cut down.

Finance:

There are no such intentions; this may be misunderstanding, we shall caution the authorities against this.

Railways:

/We/ want to send to the south areas civilians who are not labourers and who have technical knowledge.

Planning:

/We/ request each ministry to submit a list of persons whom it recommends.

On 20th of December, after /our troops/ landed on DAVAO, there was a strong resistance. Several thousand have not concentrated yet.

Yesterday morning /our/ main forces landed on LINGUAYEN. This will bring about the development of the situation.

Landing on MILLE BORNEO; oil fields were occupied; the enemy employed natives to destroy important implements.

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Protection was made against fire. 8 tanks containing more than 60,000 tons) have remained.

Oil fields in SERIVA (?) are most promising, there are 150 wells, of which 50 were destroyed; but after one month of repairing 70 or 80 well will produce oil. In the 1st year about 500,000 tons will be produced; the tubes between SERIVA and LUTON are slightly damaged. Electric power plants were destroyed but necessary machines have been sent already.

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It will take a few days /to defeat/ those who are remaining in a strong fortress in the western part of Hongkong Island.

In KOWLOON 290,000 drum cans were seized: this fills 21 tanks about 60 per cent; besides there were 9,000 cans, and 10,000 cans of gasoline.

Rice 170,000 bags; Leather 10,000; Beer 100,000 bottles. Besides, 12,000 bags. There was coal, too.

Dock was not destroyed. It will take about 2 months and a half to operate railway traffic.

In the area of MALAY, things are going on favorably. The cash obtained in TIENTSIN and PEIPIN is as follows:

PEIPIN

Dollars 1,440,000 yuan
Chinese currency 860,000 yuan
Foreign money 17,000,000 dollars
Silver ingot 16,608,000 yuan

TIENTSIN

14,000,000 yuan
11,000,000 yuan
20,000 dollars
36,000,000 yuan

CENTRAL CHINA

government 400,620,000 yuan
general Chinese currency 737,330,000 yuan
American \$ 137,600,000 dollars
Gold about 3,210,000 yuan
Silver about 96,000,000 yuan
Silver ingot 2,347 cases
Copper coins 2,000,000 (12,900,000 ounces)
yuan

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CANTON

4,500,000 yuan
Chinese currency some.

FOREIGN /MINISTRY/

In MINDANAO, 30 Japanese residents were killed, and 40 wounded. If reprisal measures are taken, they may affect Japanese residents in America; therefore/ we/ will negotiate with America through Switzerland. Discipline is desired through the press and police. What appeared in the newspapers was not a foreign telegram, not from the Foreign Ministry or the Intelligence Bureau.

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Navy

Land combat unit landed on WAKE Island this morning. Sub-marines collided and one of them sank. 2 destroyers were (by enemy bombs) sunk/ Distinguished Service Reward, as of 28 April 1940.

/Rewards for/ Officers shall be completed by March or April, next year.

Whether there shall be rewards or no rewards for civilians will be decided on the 25th.

¥ 36,980 expenses for speedy construction of navigational aids.

¥ 319,582 expenses for expanding marine administrative organization.

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February 18th

General Election shall be officially announced between the 1st and the 4th of April and shall be held on the 30th of the same month.

"YOKUSAN" Diet /shall/ decide upon opposing resistance.

The election of the Okada Cabinet in 1936 was held fairly without tending to any one party; there was a clean-up committee. But in the election of the HAYASHI Cabinet in 1937 they attempted to organize a Government party, and failed.

This time, owing to the inconvenience of the campaign, seventy or eighty per cent of the present members will be re-elected. /Election/centers or organizations are coming into existence everywhere. We shall come to wonder why we have held this general election. The government intends to get 160,000 votes that suitable persons may be elected. It is necessary to show who those suitable men are.

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Practical Plans: -

An Election-Center (or Organization) shall be established in Tokyo. If we recommend none but new candidates, we shall have bad results; we have to recommend old-timers, too. It is desired that the Center (or Organization) shall consist of about 25 persons, such as politicians, critics, industrialists, agriculturists and ex-soldiers so that it may include the representatives of all classes and old suitable men. It is advisable to select/the candidates/ about a week

before the announcement, and recommend them after the announcement.

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General directors: 2 or 3 from the Cabinet members.

ABE, and one more from the Army.

Two from the Navy.

The YOKUSAN/KAI/ /the Imperial Rule Supporters' Association/:

ANDO, YOKOYAMA, GOTO.

INDUSTRIALISTS: GODO, FUJIYAMA, FUJIWARA, OHARA and HIRAU.

Agriculturists: ISHIGURO, SAKAI and SENGOKU.

The press: TANAKA, TOKUTOMI, SHIMOMURA, TATSUNO, OTA Kozo,

IDA Iwao, KODAMA, OKOCHI Masatoshi, NAGAI, YAMAZAKI, OKADA,

OYASU (?), OTA Masataka, MAEDA Masaru.

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Branch offices shall be established in districts. Governors of the prefectures shall be selected and requested by the Center to organize the Branch offices.

Candidates: More than 400, but less than 466.

Our aim: In that 356 shall be elected. (Half the number shall be those who are newly elected.)

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WAKABAYASHI Yoshio

February 27th

The Minister of Foreign Affairs: a special envoy to Manchoukuo. TATEKAWA/ambassador to/ U.S.S.R. wishes to return home; SATO, Hisatake, shall succeed him; MORIJIMA, Goro, shall be appointed a minister to accompany him.

Economical negotiations between Japan and Germany:

At present, the exchange rate has become Yen 1.66 per mark. Though it was inevitable at that time, but the circumstances are now different.

Collection of iron/ shall begin/ on the 20th of March?

Rice problem:

Rice for this summer shall temporarily be distributed in advance. 43,000 bags of rice, one day's ration for TOKYO shall be increased to 46,000 bags. This treatment shall be extended

to Osaka (1,300 bags a day) and Nagoya. If the ration to laborers (5,400,000) and school-children (12,458,000) is increased by 5 shaku per head 2,190,000 GOKU (340,000 tons) of rice will be needed.

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As much rice as possible will be brought from French-Indo-China and Thailand, and the rest from Burma. 66,000 tons will be brought monthly from June to October. From Korea; 7,000,000 goku, instead of 6,200,000 goku.

Total: 558,000 tons

Translator's note: SHAKU = about 14 gram
KOKU = about 140 kilogram

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Feb. 24th

The expenditure of Yen 5,000,000 for the installation, expansion, improvement and replenishment of the telegraph and telephone services was restored. On and after the 1st of April, all railway fares will be raised. An increase of ¥ 190,000,000 in passenger fares. More than 28 per cent to be raised. No increase is expected from freight fares.

Increased deposits of yen 17,000,000,000:

Yen 2,000,000,000 must be saved and deposited monthly.

The sale of bonds: ¥ 16,000,000,000. ¥ 7,000,000,000:

increased production.

Total: ¥ 23,000,000,000.

The actual crop of rice: 55,000,000 goku (420,000 goku less than expected).

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Transit-duty

kilo meters	3rd class	2nd class	1st class
Under 40	-	15 sen	30 sen
" 80	5 sen	25 "	50 "
" 120	15 "	75 "	1.50 Yen
" 100 (?)			
" 200 (?)	30 "	1.50 Yen	3.00 "
" 300	50 "	2.50 "	5.00 "
" 500	70 "	3.50 "	7.00 "
Over 500	1.00 Yen	5.00 "	10.00 "

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January 20th

Prime Minister got ill.

The Diet will adjourn for a week.

Preliminary investigations will be made during the adjournment.

Reference documents, documents of demands, to be submitted to a general meeting on the Budget shall be presented as soon as possible.

The law providing that legal persons, etc., as prescribed in Article 18 of the National Mobilization Law shall execute the authority of administrative offices shall come into force on the 1st of February, 1943.

A/ Kō/ shipbuilding: direct purchase 30 per cent; indirect purchase 70 per cent.

The new system reverses /the above mentioned ratio/. Therefore, if /the ratio/ makes any variation, a severe change will happen.

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2nd class war supplies shall be carried out in accordance with the plan for the mobilization of material resources.

The conditions of transfers shall be given in detail. There will be more scraps, which must be re-collected.

Wooden vessels: Experts shall be included in the committee in addition to government officials.

/We/ consider the payment of the taxes for felling timber.

Supplementary budget:

Home 131/983; Finance 703/2977/; Justice 163/ ; no increase
Education 75/269; Agriculture 6/14; Commerce 95/422/

Communications 25/100; Greater East Asia 90/485/; Correspondence
110/850; Special /account/ Total 1,436/7,269.

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On the fishery treaty with the Soviet Union:

Payment of some four million yen per annum for the fishery rights; which has heretofore been paid through U.S.A. It was

arranged that we shall pay this through Sweden, but we have arranged to pay it in gold bullion at Manchuli. /T.N. They/ refused the presence of Japanese superintendents in this matter, and said that unless this matter was settled, said that they would not negotiate on the fishery treaty. Therefore, we want to refrain from having any Japanese Government officials present /at the place/. (U.S.A. and Germany, etc., have had no example of making /their officials/ present).

Chile: Since the Home Minister came back from U.S.A., /Chile/ has been inclining to the rupture of diplomatic relations with /us/ (the President and YAMAGATA). In case of rupture, the safety of the life and property and the business of the Japanese /there/ shall be protected.

(p. 303) The effect of the announcement of the increased taxation bill: the 17th

/Little/ fossicking for goods, an attitude of co-operation with the Government, etc.; /things/ are going on favorably. However, the cloth-ration-ticket was announced on the 18th; though it led to some disturbance, public peace remained undisturbed. General stores except department stores were crowded with people; we shall have the effect of this later on. With regard to the announcement: no quantities of ship-building shall be given.

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January 22nd

The General meeting on the Budget: 8 days

Section /meetings/: 6 days; namely the section/meetings/ will end on 7th of February. Held on the 29th; during the morning, a secret meeting /on/the mobilization of goods. Held on the 30th: during the morning, diplomacy and reports on the war situation in the Greater East Asia. Opened to the public from the 31st. In OGAWA's mansion, etc., by turns. Afterwards, secret meetings on public peace, the discipline of officials, and air defense. An outline of the handling of materials for shipbuilding. A research institute for ultra-short waves.

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A Committee to increase production.

For the purpose of developing all-round fighting power, data for the expansion and complete equipment of the production of commodities shall be submitted to the Cabinet before the end of February. Collection of scrap iron: 500,000 tons

Steel: 4,300,000 tons

Aluminum: (high-class quality) 130,000 tons

Ships: A foundation shall be laid for increasing from 850,000 tons to 1,300,000 tons.

In collecting scrap iron, scrap iron to be stored for future use must be separated from scrap iron to be cast away. Imported iron was three millions and several hundred thousand tons, including 2,300,000 tons of imported scrap iron, and others.

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September 18th

¥ 56,000,000 - Kagoshima. Destroyed houses 12,000. Half-destroyed, 18,000.

¥ 600,000,000 - Yamaguchi. Houses under water - 45,000.

¥ 50,000,000 - Hiroshima " " " - 43,000.

¥ 43,000,000 - Fukuoka " " " - 15,000.

¥ 30,000,000[?] - Hiroshima Prefecture. Half of 8,000 steam and sailing vessels were damaged.

¥ 78,000,000 - Kumamoto

100 kilometers of the embankment was broken in Yamaguchi Prefecture, therefore, a constructional work to check the tide is difficult.

Damages to the Oshima Mercantile Marine School.

(p. 307) January 26th

Improvement in the treatment of seamen.

To insert /remarks.

For steamers plying by Army orders from place to place in the South.

The supplementary budget shall be submitted on the 29th.

29th) Mobilization of goods
30th) Secret meetings Diplomacy
31st) The war situation

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The Director of the Bureau of Legislation.

For the sake of preparatory discussion of an Administrative Special Order, some printed matter was distributed to the Ministers and Vice-Ministers.

Question: Give examples of "a person or a legal person" in this special order?

Answer: Though it may sound ridiculous to say that the matter is under investigation, matters other than laws are being carried out at present.

They are only those which can not be dealt with, except through the application of laws.

Examples: "Girls less than 18 years of age" in the Factory Law; "cannot enter any port except open ports" in the Customs Law; "pilots over 23 years of age and under 60."

Places in the City Factory Law

Question: Are any concrete preparations already made for the matters to be dealt with by the Imperial Ordinance?

Answer: Yes, they are made.

He answered that it could work (sic) /be effective/ in future legislation.

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Question: What is the relation between this Law and the Total Mobilization Law? In case a single Imperial Ordinance is applied, will the Total Mobilization Council be held?

Answer: All matters provided in the Total Mobilization Law can be dealt with by Imperial orders.

/Question:/ The relation between the Imperial Ordinance on war-time administration and the administrative law: Are matters entrusted included?

Question: Isn't "receiving an order" unnecessary? Does it not mean to do it under cover of sovereignty?

The supreme authority of establishing the Government organization depends on an order of the Emperor.

(p. 310) Extraordinary Military Special Account:

Question: The responsibility of assisting the Emperor rests upon the War Minister and the Naval Minister; "though it is administrative responsibility."

No Answer:

Question: Although you say it is confined to administration, is it not the same things as the responsibility of assisting the Emperor?

Question: How about the responsibility of assisting the Emperor and the administrative responsibility after the authority has been transferred from one minister to another?

Question: It is considered necessary for the Premier to have a direct organ under him.

Answer: We have no intention now to establish such an organ as "the production Bureau" in the Cabinet. We shall make use of the existing organs and the Production Committees, and shall also listen to the opinions of the people.

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In case one official works in some other office, does his official status belong to one official in charge and do his duties belong to another?

Answer: Yes; for example, status of a prefectural governor falls under the jurisdiction of the Home Minister, but his official duties under those of all the Ministers.

Adopting the principle of "Most Important Things First," we shall choose 5 big items; we may add copper to these in case of need.

What is the reason that "transportation" is excluded?

/It/ is different in character and shall be dealt with in instructions. If necessary, a separate law shall be established.

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	HAKO	ISHI	TSURU	ASA	YOKO	URA	MIHO	NAGO	NIKKAI	SAKU- RAJIMA	FUJI
2	0	0	0	0	2750	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	1800	2750	0	0	4500	0	0	0	4850	600
4	0	2060	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	5750	2750	0	0	0	0	0	0	6550	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	2650	689	0	0	0	75
7	0	0	0	230	5600	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	2900	0	0	0	5900	4500	0	2750	0	5100	0
9	0	5750	5800	0	5200	0	0	0	0	0	120
10	0	0	5800	0	0	0	0	2750	0	0	0
11	2900	0	5800	0	5200	0	0	0	1920	520	0
12		5890	0	0	2200	0	0	2950	1920	0	850
1		0	5800	0	0	2880	0	0	0	5100	0
2		0		1100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3		5750		0	0	4500	0	2750	1920	0	1990

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	NANI	NAMURA	SANO	OSAKA	URABE	AMAGA-SAKI	AMA (OSAKA)	NAKATA	ABURA-TARI
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	1990	0	0	0	0	0	1770	0
4	0	0	0	1900	0	0	0	0	0
5	2750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	shun
6	0	980	2260	1900	0	0	0	870	"
7	3755	0	0	0	950	0	850	420	"
8	0	0	0	1450	0	0	0	490	"
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	970	0	"
10	0	1990	830	0	0	0	0		
11	0	0	1660	0	0	0	0		
12	0	0	0	5500	950	0	490		
1	3700	0	0	0	0	1990	0		
2	0	0	160	2750	1700	0	830		
3	0	0	0	0	500	0	0		

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	KOBE	KAWA- SAKI	KAWA- KAMI	HARI	MII	INTO	MUKO- JIMA	URABE	TAKA- UMA	NAKA- MURA
2	3900	0	0	0	0	0				
3	2750	0	0	4400	0	0				
4	0	0	0	1100	0	2750				
5	0	0	500	6300	0	0				
6	5300	4500	500	3180	0	0		850		
7	0	0	0	0	0	1990				
8	5300	0	490	1100	0	0	1990			
9	0	0	0	140	10800	0				
10	0	0	0	4440	13800	0				
11	0	0	0	2890	0	5700				
12	11350	8000	0	0	0	0				
1	4250	0	0	9000	0	2750		850		
2	0	0	1000	0	170	10700		850		
3	0	2700	0	0	0	0	1990	0		

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	KASADO	HIKOJIMA	WAKAMATSU	NAGASAKI	KAWANAMI	KAWANAMI URASAKI
2						0
3	1990					0
4						0
5					6200	0
6			4600		6200	0
7					6200	1920
8				13000	0	0
9				0	6200	1920
10		560		11400	6200	0
11			2750	0	6200	1920
12	1990			16800	6200	0
1				0	6200	1920
2				4500	6200	0
3			1900	0	13400	1920

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Hako	5,800
Ishi	27,000
Tsuru	28,700
Asa	1,330
Yoko	27,100
URA	19,030
Miho	689
Na	11,000
Nikkai	5,160
Sakurajima	22,220
Fuji	3,490
Nami	9,200
Namura	4,730
Osaka	13,500
Ura	3,100
Ama	1,900
" (Osaka)	3,140
Nakata	3,275

189,364
162,830

351,194
58,350

409,544

Ko	32,550
Kawakami	2,500
Mitsui	15,470
In	23,890
Mukou	3,980
Urabeda	2,550
Kasa	3,980
Hiko	560
Wakamatsu	9,150
Kawanami	68,200

455

162,830

Kawasaki	16,200
Hari	32,550

48,750

MONTHS

2	6,650
3	29,870
4	11,260
5	38,200
6	30,824
7	21,885
8	42,980
9	36,600
10	47,770
11	37,260
12	69,920
1	44,440
2	29,960
3	39,260

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December 10th

A Cabinet meeting moved up.

An increase in personnel shall be considered separately from the budget, and the Premier shall reserve all increases in personnel except those very necessary to carry on the war.

Expenses for the YOKUSANKAI (Imperial Rule Supporters' Association) shall be ¥ 24,000,000 (twice the expenses for last year). /Expenses/ for the consolidation of industrial corporation about 6 million yen.

ANDO, Minister of State:

I want to make about 20 per cent increase for each corporation, and about 3 million yen will be necessary for the expenses. I request you to acknowledge that the said expenses shall be paid from the reserved fund.

Oil for December:

(Up to now from 1,600,000 to 1,800,000 ton base)

For airplanes: on the base of 1,600,000, ordinary 990,000
light 1,180,000. Machine oil 1,050,000. Half solid 990,000,
B: 1,360,000 C 1,360,000

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December 9th

On the 11th, the Emperor will make a visit; the Premier attending upon him; the extraordinary controlling of the YODOGAWA river water.

Investment of the Government in the KOKUSAIDENKI TSUSHIN KABUSHIKI KAISHA (International Electric Communication Co. Ltd).

The position for TAIWAN electric communication.

Planning, etc., of airplanes of Greater East Asia /belongs to/ the Technical Board? The budget is 20 odd thousand yen.

Scores of melting furnaces of small size remain idle. 5 to be sent to HOKKAIDO. Those to be sent to Korea will be decided shortly. Those to be sent to the Greater East Asia Ministry /blank/. ISHIWARA gets one million tons of thermite from iron sand.

Revision of the Regulations for the Marine Bureau (because of WAKAMATSU), and a seamen's training school.

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In northern China, the capacity of loading and unloading shall be strengthened; working day and night.

SHINNOTO; 20 %

TIENTSIN and TAIREN (DALNEY): 50 %

Necessary financial measures shall be taken.

The plan to carry out the purchase of the local railways:

Finance /Minister/: It is necessary to take such measures as to freeze the bonds in order to avoid inflation due to the bonds to be delivered.

Accordingly, the private railway companies shall keep the bond without delivering them to the shareholders and the companies shall pay dividends to the shareholders with the interest of the bonds.

Railways /Minister/:

I agree to the spirit of this proposal but want to study and discuss the matter in carrying it out.

The expenses for compulsory education in primary schools to be paid by the State Treasury:

Expenses other than those provided for in the Special Order shall be paid by cities, towns, or villages; the greater part of the expenses shall be paid by prefectures; the half of which shall be paid by the state treasury. (expenses pertaining to the personnel)

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December 16th

Meeting of Scientific Technical Council.

Nippon Stock Exchange:

AMANO, Taneda: personal affairs.

Expenses for the emergency equipment of oversea communication (secret service expenses) 1,948,122.

49,260 yen: Expenses for consolidation - WAKAMATSU Harbor.

378,000 yen: expenses for navigational aid and for nautical

marks and other damages from the storm and
flood.

An imperial Ordinance shall be issued for the medium festival
in which each shrine shall pray for victory in the war.

(The said festival shall be observed /by each shrine/ at
any time in the course of this month.)

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December 6th

In Tientsin Area there were some indications of disturbance
due to food shortage.

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May 3rd

Labor mobilization

Electric Power Mobilization

Plan for Increased Production

In using women, we must see that the Japanese family
system shall not be destroyed, and pay attention to an increase in
our population.

/We/ want to make more use of natives in the Southern Areas.

Allotment and requisition prizes.

The profits of Government and private companies.

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December 2nd

A full Minister of Communications shall be appointed;
HATTA /shall be transferred/ to the Ministry of/ Railways;

The Minister of Agriculture and Forestry shall be concurrently
appointed the Minister of Overseas Affairs. A Cabinet meeting/
will be held/ next Friday (the fifth day) at 2. p.m.

Problem of the Technical Board: the budget up to the end
of January shall be paid out of the 2nd Reserve and the rest out of
the supplementary Budget.

Communications /Ministry/

¥ 19,300 expenses for /illegible/ transportation in ports and bays.

¥ 791,674 expenses for the expansion of the Maritime Administration system.

Matter of election; matter of the Imperial Rule Supporters' Association; to include expenses for election in the budget.

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May 8th

Foreign Minister: It is desired that Chang, Minister of Foreign Affairs, shall be sent to Japan from Nanking as an envoy of congratulation (as Wang's deputy) and he shall be an honored guest of the Government. To the proposal of Ambassador SATO, following the Russian announcement by radio of the 24th that an American aeroplane made a forced landing on the Russian territory, Russia answered that she would make efforts in future to maintain the relations between Japan and Russia.

With regard to the attitude towards the Indian and Arabian problems, Germany and Italy answered that they were rather against making a joint announcement on this occasion; Italy is of opinion that the Arabian problem is very difficult. This problem shall be put off because it is much connected with Turkey.

Commodities Mobilization Plan.

The efficiency of requisitioned workmen has lowered again.

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Transportation during April is 500,000 tons less than planned; out of which, 400,000 tons because of no ships returning from A and B, and 100,000 tons because of dangerous conditions at sea; this had had a great influence on the transportation of coal and iron ores. The YAWATA /Iron-Foundry/ has a store of iron-ores for only ten-days.

Out of eight ships which were to return from B, two have already returned, one will soon return, one was sunk and another was aground. A and B were scheduled to carry 160,000 tons during April; B actually carried 190,000 tons.

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Rice at the end of April Kammon 600,000 goku

On the sea 140,000 goku

During May the "C" ships will carry 130,000 goku

30000 goku to North Kyushu; 60,000 goku to the mines, and 70,000 goku to /those/ at sea, etc; the total being 180,000 goku.

160,000 goku of soya beans are in stock, which will be distributed during May.

KOBE: rice: 550,000 goku; sugar, 140,000 tons, 400,000 goku will be brought by ship in May; by train: 140,000 goku; 230,000 goku will arrive to be used in sake-brewing, etc.

OSAKA: rice: 90,000 goku

In May 350,000 goku will be brought by ship. This will be transported by train, and by semi-dieser vessels, and be distributed in the local area.

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Scrap iron from homes 60,000 tons last year.

from factories 100,000 tons

60,000) An estimated
or) amount
70,000) for this year
tons

200,000 tons

Fundamental policies for the establishment of the economy of Greater East Asia.

Preparations for a conscription system in Korea (to be carried out in 1944)

Maritime (Affairs) /Bureau/

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May 15th

The fundamental principles of the establishment of North China Iron-Manufacturing Joint-stock Co.

The counter-plan for the demand and supply of seamen in the war-time.

KOMATSU , Shigeru, Major-General TOKUNO, 1st grade

Major-general SENDA, KUMABE KOHA,

KODAMA Ro (?) etc. shall be appointed Army Civil Affairs Chiefs.

Army, Navy, Justice /Ministries/: the Vice-Ministers shall be raised to shin-in officials

Unstipulated regulations for rewards for civil officials.

/Illegible/

The budget bill to be introduced to the extraordinary session of the Diet shall be of the smallest possible amount (since /we shall/ hold the extra ordinary session, and so, necessary expenditures shall be paid out of the reserve funds after the session of the Diet is over.

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May 19th

YOKUSAN SEIJI KAI (The Imperial Rule Supporters' Political Association)

OZAKI, INUKAI, HEIICHI, MATSUOKA, REIKICHI, KITA AND FUKUICHI MORITA, to be excluded. (Jiro HOSHIJIMA AND OTHERS ARE INVITED.)

S.S. "Taiyo Maru"

Government officials shall be treated as the war dead and civilians as those who died in official duties.

Premier: Military enlisted men, military service men and seamen shall be treated as the war dead. Their enshrinement in the Yasukuni Shrine will be considered separately.

How about the announcement of the prohibition of the manufacture and possession of shot-wave receivers.

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May 22nd

A bill to revise the Industrial Establishment Corporation Law.

A bill for the partial revision of the Ship-building Finance and Indemnity Law.

The Budget to be submitted to the Diet.

The Committee to rename the places names in the occupied Southern Areas shall be established.

Premier's Speech.

Finance Minister's speech.

Price of milk was raised to 10.5 sen (10%).

Price of butter was also raised by 40%.

Training of Koreans.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the House of Representatives will be determined on the 25th (at a white-paper /clean-slate/ Cabinet meeting).

The Imperial Rule Supporters' Political Association. 446 persons.

Ishitaki and Narahara (?) have made no answer. Toho party 6

Rejected Shotaro YANO, Kagawa Prefecture has declined.

14 persons are not invited.

8 persons /illegible/

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House of Peers: 17 persons have declined:

Iwata, Inoue (Seihichi), Okochi, Yoneyama, Yamauchi, Matsumura, Arishima, Anezaki, Satake, Shidehara, Saionji, Eguchi and Murata (illegible) Hasegawa, Tawaragawa, Futamata, Nagata, Ariga, Aoki, etc.

Among various circles:

Ryozo NAKAMURA, Rokuichi OHARA and Shinjiro ICHIOKA have declined.

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May 26th

Till 4 o'clock House of Peers

From 4 o'clock House of Representatives

National Mobilization Plan:

Government offices make a new demand for 2,500,000 persons. Although the number can be cut to some extent, in the present situation the maximum to be obtainable is 1,960,000 including even those to replenish a decrease in the personnel.

A 20 per cent increase in efficiency is under consideration and Koreans and Chinese will be made use of. Number of men required to carry out the war and defense.

Number of men required to increase munitions, production, traffic, farming, etc.

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May 29th

Personnel affairs:

Korean Governor-General /shall be transferred to/ the Privy Council.

His successor: KOSU.

ONŌ, Political Inspector-General shall be relieved at his own request and appointed a member of House of Peers; his successor: (illegible).

MOTOJI shall be (newly) appointed the Governor-General of South Sea Islands.

NINO /shall be appointed/ the Chief of the Bureau of Commercial Affairs. Each Ministry shall have a Political Committee (which shall consist of members of the Diet.)

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June 2nd

The Atsuta-maru (escorted by the Kuretake) with over 600 persons returning to Java, Sumatra /was sunk/ on her way from Ujima to Takao on the 25th of May. It seems that they are attacking vessels bound for the South. Nothing more shall be given than gathering places and dates.

Dispatches sent from transports. (Conditions of communication)

A plan of Capital control for the year of 1942.

The people shall be guided in the same way as before and shall not be misled.

The Government policy and its execution shall be based upon this plan.

A plan for exports to the South for the year of 1942.

Temporary measures concerning areas of industrial control and establishment. An outline of the land plan, the air defense /plan/ of the land, and the plan for population have already been made.

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They are temporary measures based on the cabinet decision of September 1939. Cultivated land increased 3,800 chobu (9,310 acres) a year during the 5 years from 1936 to 1940. But on the other hand cultivated land had been destroyed and decreasing since 1938. A yearly average decrease of 6,800 chobu (16,660 acres).

The house rents of the Housing Corporation are higher than those of others.

Cabinet Each Ministry Committee

The number of the committee-members shall be consulted with each Ministry, which will be requested not to be redundant.

Expenses shall also be fixed later on. The Kammon Tunnel (T.N. between Moji and Shimonoseki).

80 per cent of barges are still used for warehouses in Kobe.

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The distribution of the rations of rice and sugar to the households is far from satisfactory.

Rubber, etc., imported by the Army is still left in the open air; it shall at once be distributed.

War-time measures shall be taken.

Large machines brought from the South have been left to rust since January.

Lead and tin are piled in heaps at the Army wharf in Osaka.
Some are keeping iron materials in warehouses and waiting for a rise in the price.

The Director of the Maritime Bureau, etc., had better put warehouses under stricter control. Higher officials are ignorant of this state of things.

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June 5th

The Regulations for the Cabinet Committee and Ministry Committees
Secret: To publish documents which are unpublished or which are marked with "Secret."

Investigation of drafts of laws and Imperial Ordinances:

Opinions other than those of the Government offices will be introduced and prevent bureaucratic self-conceit.

Petitions and representations:

Officials in the Bureau of Public Works have been in charge of petitions on public works and those petitions which give them much trouble have been paid no attention to. This matter has to be dealt with more earnestly.

Examination shall differ from the preceding examination; if we accept the view that control shall also undergo examination, examination shall be more effective. Negotiations between the 17 ministries may be /more/ successful.

Adopting experts out of the people, the Government shall co-operate with the people.

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Home Minister:

Local Executive Organs (because of the abolition of the
T.N.
country /gun / system in 1923):

At present, there are branch-offices for industry and public works (they are using the former country offices).

Out of more than 400 (427) clerks (junior officials) who are required all over the country, 80 shall be taken from the local offices and more than 300 shall be appointed (the gross total makes an increase of about 1,200).

This is about 10 per cent of the number of the existing officials.
Can the present officials not carry on this business?

Though /T.N. we? shall increase more than three hundred officials (to be taken from junior officials), we shall decrease as many junior officials. In consequence, on this occasion, we shall have no increase in the total number.

The business of conscription has been managed by the police stations since the county offices were abolished, but will hereafter be managed by the new organs. The chief object is guidance and supervision, but prefectural governors shall have them execute a part /of their authority/.

Prime Minister: The full strenght of each Ministry shall be decreased by 30 per cent, and better treatment shall be given.

^{T.N.}
/They / shall be sent to the South as officials.

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The machines in KŪBE came from HAMBURG in January, and those machines left alone there belong to the NITTETSU (the Japan Iron-Manufacturing Co./ and are to be sent to MURORAN.

Committee-members:

160 members of the House of Representatives have not been offered positions, while there are some who have positions in 8 or 9 Ministries. ^{TN} /we / were obliged to make the Chief Secretary /of the Cabinet/ confer with each Ministry to assign/positions/ to them.

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June 12th

Electricity

Every year, in or about July there is the greatest supply of it when there is the least work to be done, and in winter each factory consumes a large quantity of it. By the control of /the distribution of/ electricity (illegible) economically and charges therefor shall not be raised.

Personnel of Ships. Meals, as on the European route are to be better thought of.

Premier:

1) Cabinet decisions shall be carried out without fail, so only such decisions shall be made as can be carried out. Matters we are not sure of carrying out shall remain undecided.

2) The decisions for this year were made in early June, but I desire that decisions be made in April.

Harbor tons to be used immediately.

1,100 nautical miles

Niigata 300 nautical miles

North YOKO 200 nautical miles

Tokyo harbor 5 nautical miles

Shonan 5 or 6 hundred nautical miles

Don't take a near-sighted view of such superfluous material as rubber.

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In disposing of enemy properties, approximate prices shall be set on them thereof and they shall be used in accordance with the national policy. Precaution shall be taken against their disappearance.

Re the controlling of timber:

City, town and village assembly-members: June 10th

Town assembly: recommended /candidates/ 90 per cent
non-recommended 10 per cent

Of cities: recommended 80 per cent
non-recommended 20 per cent

Kobe 20th

Tokyo 15th

Cities: Kyōto .78

Yokohama .73

Nagoya .94

Osaka .81

Tokyo about 70 per cent ?

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Salt:

Monopoly Bureau:

In view of military use of bean paste, pickles and soy.

There are 10 offices in the central and 123 offices in the local areas.

For family use, 200 g. a month per head: This shall be sent in a lump to local towns and villages. Besides, additional ration.

For business use: In case there is a union, the union shall get /the distribution for it/.

About 1,040,000 tons 15 k.g. for one barrel of plums

For military use 7th of May

For others 20 of May

Business use: 810,000 barrels: Salt 12,000 tons

Family use: 900,000 barrels: " 14,000 tons

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June 23rd

Allowances shall be given to the dead or wounded students of the Training School for the Aviators of Communications planes.

Second reserved fund:

Korea, semi-diesel vessels, ¥ 1,748,000

Formosa " ¥ 1,500,000

Family allowances to teachers and officials of local cities, towns and villages: There are many cases where family-allowance is not yet given; it shall be given immediately.

At noon of 25th the Premier will invite the Tokyo Municipal Assembly-members.

Transportation of foreign rice:

(A) Ship: 18,000 tons, but only 5,900 tons, as on the 20th. As there is some anxiety in Korea because of the exportation of rice, one million tons shall be postponed for the time being.

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June 26th.

Political offenders: are making hostile activities in all circles.

50 Japanese in Moscow.

80 " in Chungking.

540 " in Manchoukuo and China.

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Any boys or servants (committee members, too), if they are political offenders, shall be reported.

Premier: Special attention must be paid to educators and part-time teachers. We must not depend only upon laws for the eradication of Bolshevism; Justice officials shall have a firm attitude towards it, while measures against it shall be taken, lest it should do any real harm to society.

Measures against it to be taken towards the press.

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An Organ to train personnel for Greater East Asia:

Oversea Affairs Minister: How about establishing a commission in the Cabinet and making the Planning Board carry it out? Isn't it proper that the competent Ministry shall take charge of the matter? But if the Cabinet makes a political decision on the matter, I shall agree to it on the understanding that it is provisional. Plan for the mobilization of daily necessities.

(A basic plan).

Personnel affairs of the Communications and Finance Ministries.

Industrial Equipment Corporation

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June 30th

Political offenders.

An Audience with the Emperor.

The simplification of administration shall be executed politically but not in an office-like manner by the Ministers themselves. Pilfering from railway and post parcels must be eradicated. This affects the prestige of the Government offices.

War Minister:

Administration in connection with the Southern Areas shall be carried out by sufficient personnel.

Number of personnel required to adjust the military administration.

Personnel required:

7652 persons.

Higher civil service officials - 2044 persons (out of which 240 persons may be junior officials)

Senior Government engineers - 757 persons (out of which 74 persons may be junior government engineers)

Junior officials - 3006 persons

Junior engineers - 880 persons

Interpreters - 90 persons

Junior interpreters - 825 persons

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Personnel required for government enterprises:

Higher civil service officials - 635 persons

(Railway - 435 persons

(Shipping - 61 persons

(Communications - 139 persons

Junior Government officials - 1800 persons

(Railway - 1103 persons

(Shipping - 78 persons

(Communication - 619 persons

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Including Malay, Sumatra and Java

In each Province (Higher - 5 - 6 persons

(Junior - 1 - 20 persons

Those who have been replenished up to now - 527 persons.

Those who will soon be appointed - 1000 persons.

They shall be sent mainly to Java.

More personnel to be required in the Philippine Islands and others (Burma, Borneo)

High civil service officials 700

Out of which 10

Furthermore, the men who are needed to work at the places, south of the Philippines (Burma, Borneo, etc)

Senior Officials: 700

From Home Ministry: 41

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From Education Ministry	-60
From Agriculture and Forestry	- 48 8
From Communications Ministry	- 22
From Railways Ministry	- 10
From Over-sea Affairs Ministry	- 89
From the Welfare Ministry	- 35

Technicians: 275

From Home Ministry	- 27
From Finance Ministry	- 19
From Education Ministry	- 8
From Agriculture and Forestry	- 49
From Commerce and Industry Ministry	-
From Communications Ministry	- 13
From Railways Ministry	- 8
From Over-sea Affairs Ministry	- 49
From the Welfare Ministry	- 49

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Junior officials: 865

From Home Affairs Ministry	- 200	Assistant Technicians 43
From Foreign Ministry	- 2	
From Finance Ministry	- 185	28

From Justice Ministry	48	
From Education Ministry	95	14
From Agriculture and Forestry Ministry	41	42
From Commerce and Industry Ministry	41	47
From Communications Ministry	42	18
From Railways Ministry	23	13
From the Over-sea Affairs Ministry	123	40
From the Welfare Ministry	23	37

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These men shall be despatched before the end of August. At the same time, it is desired, 600 men who engage in investigations and studies be sent.

In the course of this year, 2,400 men more shall be despatched from the Ministries. The allotment of these men to each Ministry shall be discussed later on.

It is desired that these men shall be selected not only from the officials of each Ministry but also from civilians.

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Personnel from each Ministry must be treated in the same way. Personnel sent to the occupied areas shall be promoted in proportion to those at home.

The standard shall be determined.

Transportation examination.

inance Minister:

With regard to the depreciation of fixed assets, depreciation was formerly too strict, but it has gradually been revised since 1937.

This time the period shall be shortened by two years and a different period shall be for each kind of enterprise. /The depreciation of/ legal persons shall be revised in 1943. Measures for (P. 354) this shall be taken in the Account Control Ordinance.

The character of net profit shall be made clear.

Some make depreciation small, leaving the dividend as it is. It must also be considered that the average profit be assigned to each fiscal year and the average dividend be paid by adjusting the depreciation.

It shall be confined to companies with a capital of more than ¥ 5,000,000 (1000 companies)

By this measure, 70 or 80 per cent of the companies can be well organized.

Depreciation shall aim at 70 per cent.

As for military products and other special items, it shall aim at 100 per cent.

Depreciations already made will gradually be adjusted.

Depreciation shall be based on the cost of the equipment.

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The local offices of each prefecture shall be open on July 1st.

35 chiefs of offices shall be appointed from mayors and town and village headmen.

About one third of the personnel of General Affairs, Education and Economic Departments of each prefectural government shall be assigned to the local offices.

Timber control necessitates mass lumbering at a time.
Measures for planting have to be taken.

Control of Drugs:

On hundred and some tens of million yen. (There are
400,000 kinds /of drugs/.)

For instance:

In Toyama Prefecture there are more than 10,000 kinds of
drugs which shall be cut down to some 200 kinds. 1200 druggists
shall be ordered to form 20 guilds.

Other druggists in the whole country shall be authorized to
do business as before. The prices of drugs shall not be raised.
It shall also be permitted the Chinese medicines and proprietary
medicines be sold.