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HEADQUARTERS  
WAKAYAMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25

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8 December 1947

SUBJECT: Special Report on Labor Disputes

TO : Commanding General, I Corps  
APO 301  
ATTN: Military Government Section

1. In compliance with letter, your headquarters, subject as above, file AG 004.07 - BA, dated 18 September 1947, it is advised that action has been taken as follows:

a. This headquarters has required Prefectural Labor Bureau and the local Labor Relations Committee to submit reports concerning unusual labor activity as required by Paragraph 2a of above reference letter. These reports have revealed no conspicuous activity.

b. In addition personal contacts with labor leaders over the past month have revealed nothing of any particular significance concerning labor relations.

2. It would seem from the foregoing that no unusual action such as a "Labor Offensive" has been undertaken in this prefecture. If such develops, special report will be made.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25 Unit 3 (Otsu, Honshu)

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319.1

17 November 1947

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SUBJECT: Special Report on Labor Dispute

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301.

1. The workers of the Nippon Denki Kabushikaishi, Otsu Factory, one of the seven factories of the All Japan Electric Company withdrew production control at 0800 15 November 1947 in compliance with the decision handed down from the head office of the All Japan Electric Industry Worker's Union. The agreement on wages, bonuses, working conditions and overtime accepted by the National Union is satisfactory to the workers of the Nippon Denki Kabushikaishi.

2. Upon settlement of the strike an inventory was started of the factory and warehouse by a representative of both the union and company. This inventory has not been completed and production cannot be started until such time as it is. It is hoped that production can be started by 18 November 1947. Former production level cannot be reached nor is it sure maintained until the stock pile of raw materials are replenished. Under the union's management very little raw material was shipped into the factory.

3. The Court action against the Union for infringement of Company property has been presented to the procurator of the Otsu District Court. No word has been received as to whether or not this case is triable.

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HEADQUARTERS  
WAKAYAMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25

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5 November 1947

SUBJECT: Special Report on Labor Disputes

TO : Commanding General, I Corps  
APO 301  
ATTN: Military Government Section

1. In compliance with letter, your headquarters, subject as above, file AG 004.07 - BA, dated 18 September 1947, it is advised that action has been taken as follows:

a. This headquarters has required Prefectural Labor Bureau and the local Labor Relations Committee to submit reports concerning unusual labor activity as required by Paragraph 2a of above reference letter. These reports have revealed no conspicuous activity.

b. In addition personal contacts with labor leaders over the past month have revealed nothing of any particular significance concerning labor relations.

2. It would seem from the foregoing that no unusual action such as an "October Offensive" has been undertaken as yet in this prefecture. If such develops, special report will be made.

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KYOTO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 713 (Kyoto, Honshu)

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11 October 1947

SUBJECT: Special Report on Labor Disputes

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301  
Attn: Military Government Labor Section

1. In compliance with letter your Headquarters, AG 004.07-BA subject as above, dated 18 September 1947, the following report is submitted. For the first 15 day period, number of disputes totaled 13.

a. Pending .....	8
b. New disputes .....	5
c. Disputes referred to the Labor Relations Committee .....	6
d. Disputes settled by Labor Relations Committee .....	2

2. Important disputes are as follows:

Kyoto Red Cross Hospital;

Negotiations are being carried on with the Tokyo Head Office of the Japan Red Cross Society and the Kyoto branch for the return of the 3 members suspended to their former duties. The central office decision will be final.

Rissai Electric Industry.

3. The walk out of 22 August by employees of the Kyoto-shi Branch of Rissai Electric Industry was caused by the misunderstanding on the part of the laborers concerning political issues. At a conference held at the Kyoto Military Government Team the labor officer explained to the labor party that infringement on the prerogatives of management cannot be condoned within the sphere of democratic trade union practices and that show of good faith to the public by utilizing the prefectural labor relation committee would stimulate public opinion on their side. The case was settled by arbitration on 12 Sept. 1947.

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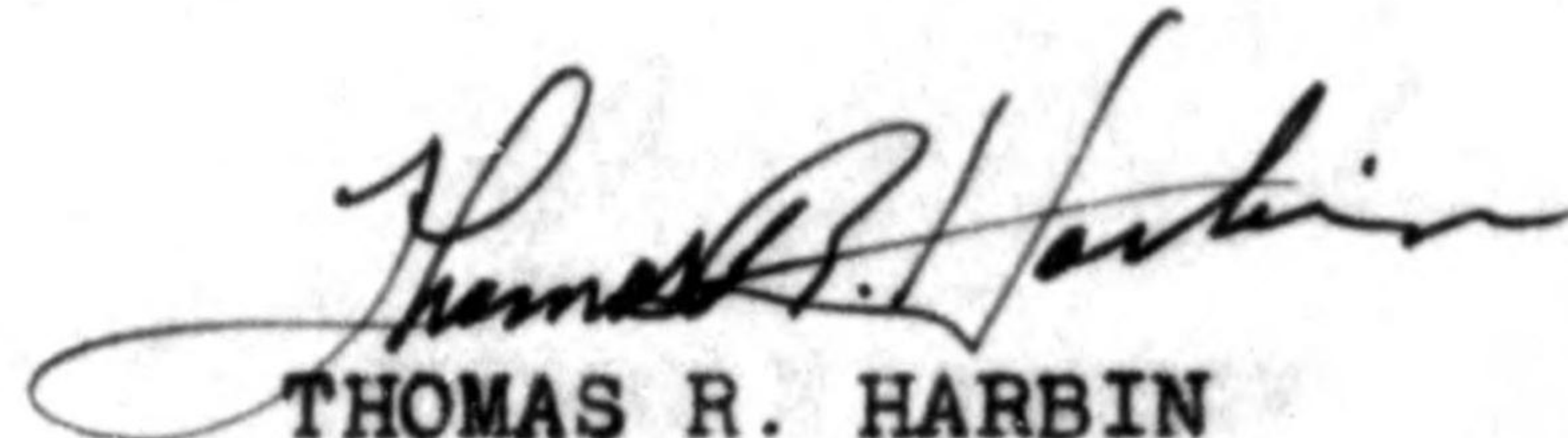
4. The following is submitted for 15 - 30 September.  
Number of disputes is 11.

- a. Pending disputes ..... 9
- b. New disputes ..... 2
- c. Six cases presented to the Labor  
Relation Committee.
- d. 1 settled.

5. No significant development for this period. Data for this report was derived from the chief of labor administration section of Kyoto Prefecture and it coincides with the report from the chairman of the Labor Relation Committee.

6. Delays on the part of the Labor Relations Committee have not been noted.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

  
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- #1 - Report, Chief of Labor Administration Section Kyoto Prefectural Office.
- #2 - Labor Relation Committee Kyoto Prefecture



HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25, Unit 3, (Otsu, Honshu)

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9 October 1947

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SUBJECT: Special Report on Labor Dispute

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301.

1. Report of strike of the All Japan Electric Company, Otsu-Kyoto Branch, as verbally reported on 2 October 1947 to the Chief of the Labor Section, Kinki Military Government Region.
2. This branch manufactures the following products: a. Vacuum tubes for radio receivers b. Microphones c. Commutators and d. Sea-route safety buoys.
3. The average monthly output value of these items is ¥11,600,000.00.
4. This branch factory is NOT supplying any products or repairs for the Occupation Forces under Job Orders.
5. Employees totaling 2,814 are 1,873 male and 941 female.
6. The employee's demands which were first presented to company officials on 8 September 1947 include:
  - a. Base salary to remain unchanged, except where unreasonably low. No minimum established.
  - b. Living allowance to be set at ¥900.00 for employees sixteen (16) years of age and older and to be raised ¥95.00 per year up to the age of forty six (46) years and to remain at that rate thereafter.
  - c. The special allowance to be 250% of the basic salary for factory workers and 130% of the basic salary for staff employees.
  - d. A continual service allowance of ¥30.00 per year.
  - e. Family allowance to remain the same.
  - f. Extraordinary allowance to be appropriate to one's tax.

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g. All changes to be effected from 1 August 1947.

7.a. Instead the company offered a ¥5,000,000.00 net wage increase which in turn would effect each individual employee's basic wage as follows:

- (1) Increase basic wage by approximately ¥400.00.
- (2) Increase bonuses on the basis of net production equal to 20% on all production valued above ¥95,000.00 and equal to 25% on all production valued above ¥1,000,000.00.

b. The union refused the above (par 7a) offer; whereupon the company offered a net wage increase of ¥5,000,000.00 in addition to the original offer of ¥5,000,000.00. Still no agreement was reached.

8. On 28 September two sections of the branch producing vacuum barrels and vacuum tubes went on strike without prior direction from either the national or the local branch union chief. Cause for such action was given as emergency action following the suicide of one of the workers.

9. All negotiations for wage demands are being handled on a national basis since strike actions orders were issued from the national union of the All Japan Electric Industry Workers' Union (Zen Nippon Denki Kogyo Rodo Kumiai) office at 0800 1 October 1947.

10. Two labor union officials have been dispatched to Tokyo to act as liaison between the central union office and the local branch union office.

11. The chief of the Otsu-Kyoto branch labor union is Kazuharu Ezaki, a registered member of the Communist Party.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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