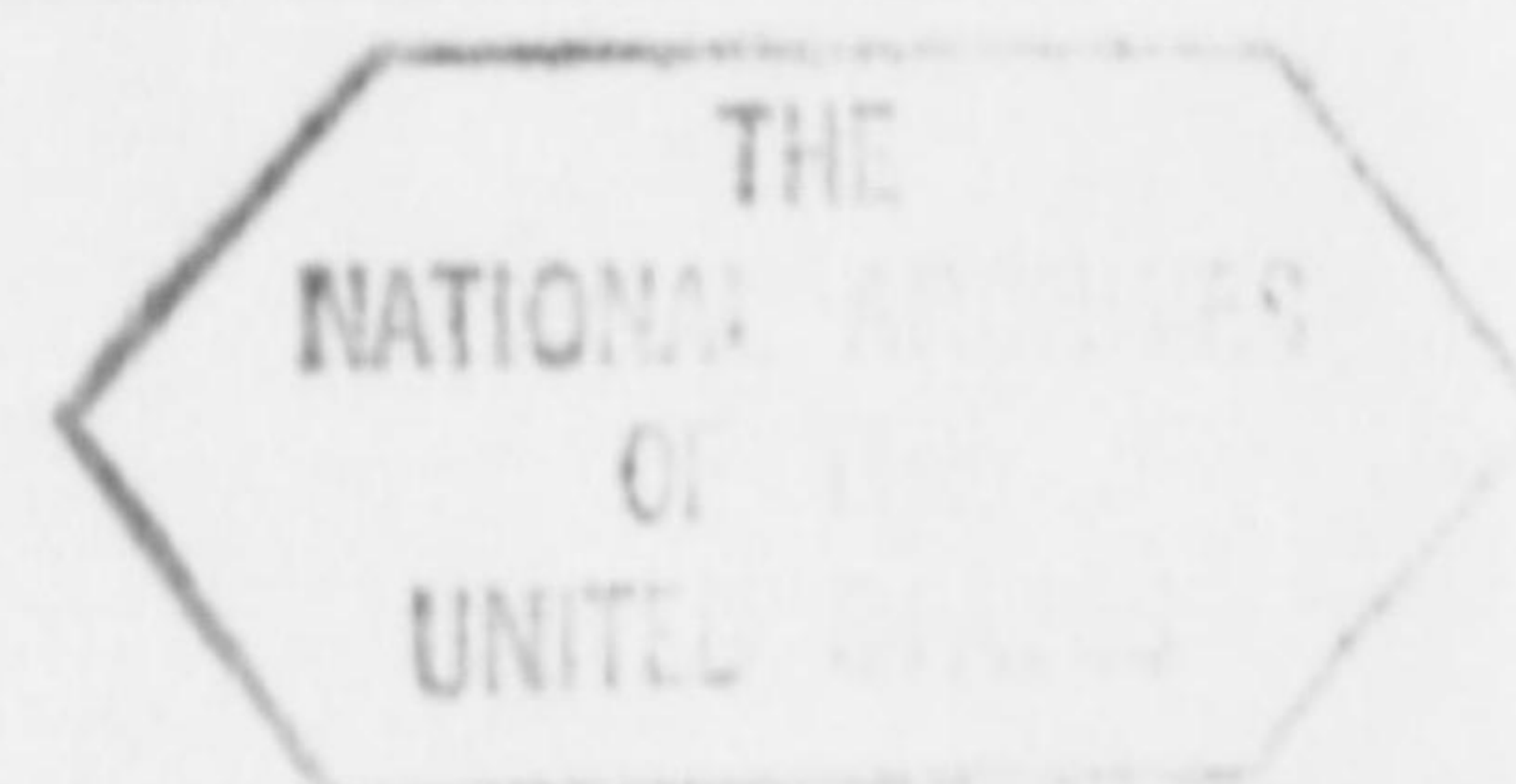


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Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

PSD, SCAP

Mr. F. L. Sabel, GS-12

Nagoya

8 December

1306 9 December

Nagoya coastal region.

Inspection of navigations aids Osaka-

X

X

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
Civil Affairs Section  
APO 500

18 November 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Chief, Civil Affairs Section

SUBJECT: Report of field Trip to Tokai-Hokuriku and Kinki Regions

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The prefecture and city levels complain that the new allocation of tax sources leaves them in a worse off position than before the passage of the law. The prefecture claims to be even worse off than the cities. Only the town and village level representative claims that the law has materially improved their financial position. All three levels stressed the importance of getting the average taxpayer to understand that his large increase in local taxes was to be offset by a reduction in national income taxes otherwise the present local officials would be sure to suffer in the spring elections. The prefecture claims it will have ¥676 million less than originally planned in the budget under the new procedure. In addition, the prefecture will require an additional ¥340 million to meet year end allowances if it is to follow the national government example. They feel they will be compelled by the unions and custom to make these payments.

The estimated total tax revenue for the eleven cities in the prefecture for the 49-50 fiscal year was ¥3,044,023,000 and that ¥2,159,151,000 or 70.9 percent has been collected. They doubt that any more can actually be realized. In the 48-49 fiscal year the cities received ¥911,100,000 as their share of the distribution tax and in addition received ¥175,710,000 in contributions. Under the new system they will net ¥196,799,000 less assuming they collect local taxes 100 percent. To complicate the picture the cities are expected to meet year end allowance demands to the tune of ¥204,279,000 plus ¥116,778,000 to meet increases in wages which will be forced upon them because the national employees are being raised. A shortage of ¥627,433,000 is indicated as the books now stand and it presents a serious problem to local officials facing reelection in the spring. The mayor of Nagoya states that if they have to return ¥300,000,000 of the grant already received and spent plus the reduction they are suffering it means bankruptcy or revolution.

The town and village representative claims that 94 towns and villages received a provisional grant and now are asked to return it 100%. On the

other hand 102 towns and villages received twice as much in equalization grant this year than they received in distribution grants last year notwithstanding the increase in local taxes. Many reasons are advanced for these inconsistencies but the underlying fault is due to the central government's attempting to blue print local affairs over which they have no intimate knowledge. It results in making the Dr. Shoup effort look very unrealistic to the Japanese.

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Legal & Gov't Div.

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Legal & Gov't Div.

P.S. On 17 Nov 50 Mr. Conwell, G.S.  
asked for information on how  
the Equalization Law was working.  
Above data and extracts  
from monthly reports were  
presented to him.



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
Civil Affairs Section  
APO 500

2 September 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Civil Affairs Section

SUBJECT: Report on Inspection Visit to Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region

1. The Chief, Legal and Government Division, this section, made a routine inspection visit to the Legal and Government Section, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, on 31 August 1950.

2. The principal topics discussed were as follows:

a. Monthly Activities Report: It was suggested that Annex A Monthly Activities Reports show more of the activities of the Legal and Government Officer. It should disclose important conferences, meetings, field trips, and other significant events in which he participated, setting forth all problems presented by the Japanese and action taken, if any, by him. In Annex A it should be certain that there is an evaluation by the Legal and Government Officer of the events which have taken place within the region, also it should show the progress made in various programs, together with evaluations. Annex A should disclose, for the purpose of evaluation by this section, the source of the information contained therein.

b. Provost Courts and Detention of United Nations Nationals: The Legal and Government Officer stated that the nearest military Occupation Court was located in Osaka and that the Airforce, who have military police jurisdiction in Nagoya, delay transporting United Nations prisoners to Osaka because of shortage of man-power. The United Nations nationals are kept in cells in a Japanese jail which has been set aside for such prisoners but they are under guard of Japanese police. This is contrary to the regulations of the Far Eastern Commission which states that United Nations nationals who have violated the law should be under the control and jurisdiction of the Occupation police forces. It was suggested that the Legal and Government Officer look into this situation and if the matter cannot be corrected in the region to notify this headquarters.

c. Parades and Demonstrations: The Legal and Government Officer stated that there had been no abuse by the police of the ban on parades and demonstrations which might be inflammatory in nature. Very few demonstrations have been prohibited and all that had been prohibited were of the type that would come under the purviews of this directive. The National Rural Police were of the opinion that the Nagoya Municipal Police were too liberal in their construction of the principles and were allowing some meetings that they feel should be prohibited. The police officials were planning a conference so as to coordinate this matter. The National Rural Police realize, though, that they have no authority over the Nagoya Municipal Police.

3. A conference was held with Mr. George, Chief of Economics Section and Mr. Ward, Chief of Civil Information Section together with the Legal and Government Officer in connection with the dismissal of Communist employees of various newspapers. Mr. George and Mr. Ward both felt that the region had a moral responsibility to assist in any wrongs that might have been caused by this discharge. They felt that they had this moral responsibility because Mr. Tsuda, executive secretary of the Japan Newspaper Publishers Association, when he spoke to the publishers in regard to the discharge of Communists, hinted strongly that the discharges were being made at the suggestion of SCAP. They were advised that as far as the Legal and Government division was concerned the Legal and Government Officer would not make any suggestions in connection with the discharge, either to sustain them or to correct any alleged injustices, and it was strongly suggested that it would be advisable that before either Mr. George or Mr. Ward took any action that they confer with this headquarters. Both Mr. George and Mr. Ward were of the opinion that one, or perhaps two, of the persons discharged were not Communists and that an injustice was being done to them. The Legal and Government Officer stated that Col. Coulter had instructed everyone at the staff meeting not to interfere in these discharges.

4. Conference was held by the Legal and Government Officer, attended by Mr. Hattori, Chief of the Ward Administrative Section, Nagoya city, Judges Narita and Takahashi of the District Court, and Mr. James of Public Welfare. The matters discussed were the large number of associations in Nagoya city authorized to solicit funds for various purposes such as crime prevention, public welfare and schools. It was stated that there were approximately 2,300 such associations and there is no check made of their activities. Many people have reported to Tokai-Hokuriku Region that they are compelled to make this contribution. Mr. Hattori stated that as far as he knew all contributions were voluntary. The Japanese officials stated that they would make every effort to cut down the number of such associations to check more carefully their activities and, if there was sufficient evidence of extortion, the violators would be punished.

5. Lt. Col. Stephenson, Deputy Chief of Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region in the absence of the Chief, was conferred with both at the beginning of the visit and at the conclusion. All matters taken up with the Legal and Government Officer were discussed with him.

HOWARD D. PORTER  
Chief  
Legal & Government Div.

File 6 -  
29 Aug 50 Tohrai

Contribution association

Sety

Kojima - Ordinance - Socialist not banned

Desired ~~that~~ (as PSD) have same policies as NRP

Speech translated

Just given to

as in

Judge NARITA

Jud. Judge TAKAHASHI

Chief of Ward Administration Sec.

Nagoya City Govt.

Mr. HATTORI

Monthly Activities

Personnel

Ward, George - Purge - Moral responsibility -

advertisement - news

Recalls

Plan

Courts as summer

assembly -

Chinese National - Detention House  
Not -

Instructions given to Atty Gen by SCAP that the courts  
would not handle it - Iwada - July 26

Publisher - Editor - Shimizu -  
Sugiyama

Toga - Asahi

Toku Shin - Gacuratu

Chubu Nippon - Dis 31  
Shimizu - Editor - Some mistake

Pres. Shin Tokai } eshi newspapers + Hasagawa - Dis  
Chu Kyo } No one fired NOMA - Dis  
Told Ward about Atty Gen

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Representing Mr. Arthur -

Signed order - in suppression

Secret orders 1 re Shimizu - Kaba - Pen

- Ohashi -

*Legal*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

AUG 29 1950

29 August 1950  
Hq CAff, SCAP

Mr. Howard D. Porter, GS-13

Nagoya

0645 31 August PM 31 August

To confer with Legal and Government Officials.

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*Legal*

OCT 3 1950

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 15

3 October 1950  
Government Sec, SCAP

Mr. Maynard Shirven, GS-15

|          |      |            |      |            |
|----------|------|------------|------|------------|
| Kanasawa | 0838 | 7 October  | 1639 | 8 October  |
| Daishoji | 1801 | 8 October  | 0959 | 9 October  |
| Osaka    | 1555 | 9 October  | 0900 | 11 October |
| Nagoya   | 1200 | 11 October | 2344 | 11 October |

In connection with National Personnel Authority.

X X  
Facilities requested at Osaka only.

*Legal*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region SEP 28 A.M.  
APO 710

Hq CAff, SCAP

Mr. Michael E. Nolan, GS-13

Nagoya 0222 31 October 2 November  
Note: Would like to be picked up at 0730.

Confer with Civil Affairs Officers and  
Local Japanese Government Officials.

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*Legal*

NOV 1 1950

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 15  
Chief, Chugoku Civil Affairs Region, APO 182

31 October 1950  
ESD, SCAP

Mr. George W. Angall - GS-13 DAG

and Mr. Ralph M. Mori, GS-6 DAG

|           |      |    |          |      |    |          |
|-----------|------|----|----------|------|----|----------|
| Nagoya    | 1535 | 3  | November | 1547 | 8  | November |
| Himeji    | 2139 | 8  | November | 0907 | 10 | November |
| Okayama   | 1036 | 10 | November | 1051 | 11 | November |
| Hiroshima | 1459 | 11 | November | 1509 | 13 | November |
| Yamaguchi | 1913 | 13 | November | 2041 | 15 | November |

To attend district conferences of all  
fire chiefs to discuss public fire protection and equipment need for  
protection of national treasures.

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*Loyal*

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25-1

AUG 3 1950

3 August 1950  
PSD, SCAP

Mr. William G. Fritz, GS-12

|           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Nagoya    | 7 August  | 9 August  |
| Tsu       | 9 August  | 10 August |
| Toba      | 10 August | 11 August |
| Owase     | 11 August | 12 August |
| Shingu    | 12 August | 14 August |
| Shirahama | 14 August | 15 August |
| Wakayama  | 15 August | 17 August |
| Osaka     | 17 August | 18 August |

To observe, supervise, and coordinate operation of Municipal and National Rural Police in implementation of new Police Law.

X X  
No facilities required at Mie Prefecture.

*Leggett*

AUG 1 1950

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25-1

1 August 1950  
Diplomatic Sec, SCAP

Mr. James B. Pilcher, GS-15

Will leave Tokyo at 1100 9 Aug 50 on Japanese Express Train.

|        |               |                |
|--------|---------------|----------------|
| Nagoya | 1800 9 August | 2400 12 August |
|--------|---------------|----------------|

Will also visit Kobe.

Note: Mr. Leggett of Nagoya is making billeting and rations arrangements.  
Will notify Kinki prior to Mr. Pilcher's arrival at Kobe.

To make survey of diplomatic activities at Nagoya and Kobe.

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*Legal*

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25-1

JUL 24 1950

Hq CAff, SCAP

Miss Alice R. Burke, GS-12

Hagoya  
Osaka

0222 1 August AM 3 August  
AM 3 August 1930 4 August

Confer with Civil Affairs Officers and local  
Japanese Government Officials.

X X X

*Legal*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

JUN 21 1950

21 June 1950  
PSD, SCAP

Mr. F. L. Sabel, GS-12

Nagoya

1630 23 June

2400 27 June

district.

Inspection of navigational aids in Nagoya

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*Legal*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

JUN 6 1950

PSD, SCAP

Mr. George Kinoshita, GS-6, and

1st Lt George W. Cornelius

Nagoya

1617 12 June

1136 16 June

To supervise, advise, observe, coordinate  
administration and operation of Japanese correction and rehabilitation institu-  
tions in accordance with democratic reforms.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

*Legal*

JUN 8 1950

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25

8 June 1950  
RMG, SCAP

Mr. William K. Sakayama, GS-12

|                            |             |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Nagoya -Pick up at 0700    | 0220 8 June | 1417 8 June |
| Kobe-to stay in Jap. Hotel | PM 8 June   | PM 9 June   |
| Osaka                      | EM 9 June   | 10 June     |

Inspection in connection with RMG

activities:

|   |   |   |
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| X | X | X |
|---|---|---|

Chief  
Tokai-Hokurika Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

Gov't Sec. SCAP

Mr Sata GS-11

Mr. Speicher GS-13 and

None

|        |      |        |      |        |
|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| Nagoya | 1607 | 1 June | 1617 | 3 June |
| Gifu   | 1651 | 3 June | 2256 | 6 June |

To assist nat'l personnel authority in  
administration of government examinations

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*Legal*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
ABO 710

APR 12 1950

GOV'T SEC, SCAP

Mr. Hidekazu Hayashi, GS-11

Nagoya

1126 23 April

2332 25 April

authority.

In connection with national personnel

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*Legal*

APR 8 1950

Chief, Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region, APO 710  
Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25

8 April 1950  
PSD, SCAP

Mr. Byron Engle, GS-12

|        |      |          |      |          |
|--------|------|----------|------|----------|
| Nagoya | 1600 | 12 April | 1600 | 13 April |
| Osaka  | 2000 | 13 April | 0800 | 16 April |
| Kyoto  | 0900 | 16 April | 1600 | 16 April |
| Osaka  | 1700 | 16 April | 0800 | 17 April |

In connection with Public Safety activities.

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Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

MAR 3 1950

PSD, SCAP

Mr. W. B. Van Buskirk, GS-12

Mr. Leslie A. White, GS-12 and

Nagoya

1617 13 March

02342 21 March

To supervise, advise, observe, and coordinate  
administration and operation of Japanese Correction and Rehabilitation  
Institutions and Agencies in accordance with implementation of Democratic  
Reforms.

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*Yess*

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

FEB 23 1950

PSD, SCAP

Mr. Ralph M. Mori, GS-6

Mr. George W. Angell, GS-13 and

Nagoya  
Gifu

1617 2 March  
0703 6 March

0615 6 March  
1052 7 March

Discuss various Articles of the "Fire Service Law" and proposed specifications for motorized apparatus at the Fire Chief Association's Conference, and to advise public officials regarding the needs for fire protection.

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*Jegal*

JAN 26 1950

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

PSD, SQAP

Mr. Robert B. Janus, GS-12 and

Mr. Orville L. Driver, GS-12

Nagoya

1607 6 February

2342 8 February

To inspect new 650 B/t Maritime Safety  
Agency Patrol Vessel and coordinate Merchant Marine Inspection activities  
in above area.

X

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*Legal*

JAN 14 1950

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

12 January 1950  
Govt Section, SCAP

Mr. J. Shively, GS-13

Kanazawa

0720 19 January

2059 22 January

Authority

In connection with National Personnel

**X** **X** **X**  
and added assistance due to the carrying of special papers.

*Legal*

JAN 14 1950

Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

13 January 1950  
Govt Section, SCAP

Mr. MacDonald Salter, GS-14

Nagoya

0222 20 January

2332 22 January

Authority. In connection with National Personnel

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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY  
United States Army  
Office of the Commanding General  
APO 343

*Legal*

AGMGA 333

DEC 16 1949

SUBJECT: Notice of Visit

TO : Chief  
Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region  
APO 710

1. The following named officials from Govt Section, SCAP,  
will visit your zone of responsibility as indicated below.

a. Names and Rank (Mil, D.C): **Miss Pierson, GS-12**

Accompanied by \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese Nationals.

b. To visit:

| <u>Names of Cities, Prefectures</u> | <u>Arr - Date &amp; Time</u> | <u>Lv - Date &amp; Time</u> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Nagoya</b>                       | <b>0222 23 December</b>      | <b>24 December</b>          |

c. Purpose of Visit: **In connection with National Personnel Authority.**

d. Request: Billets  Rations \_\_\_ Local Transportation \_\_\_  
Interpreter \_\_\_.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL WALKER:

Info Copy To:

J. A. O'BRIEN  
CWO, USA  
Asst Adj Gen