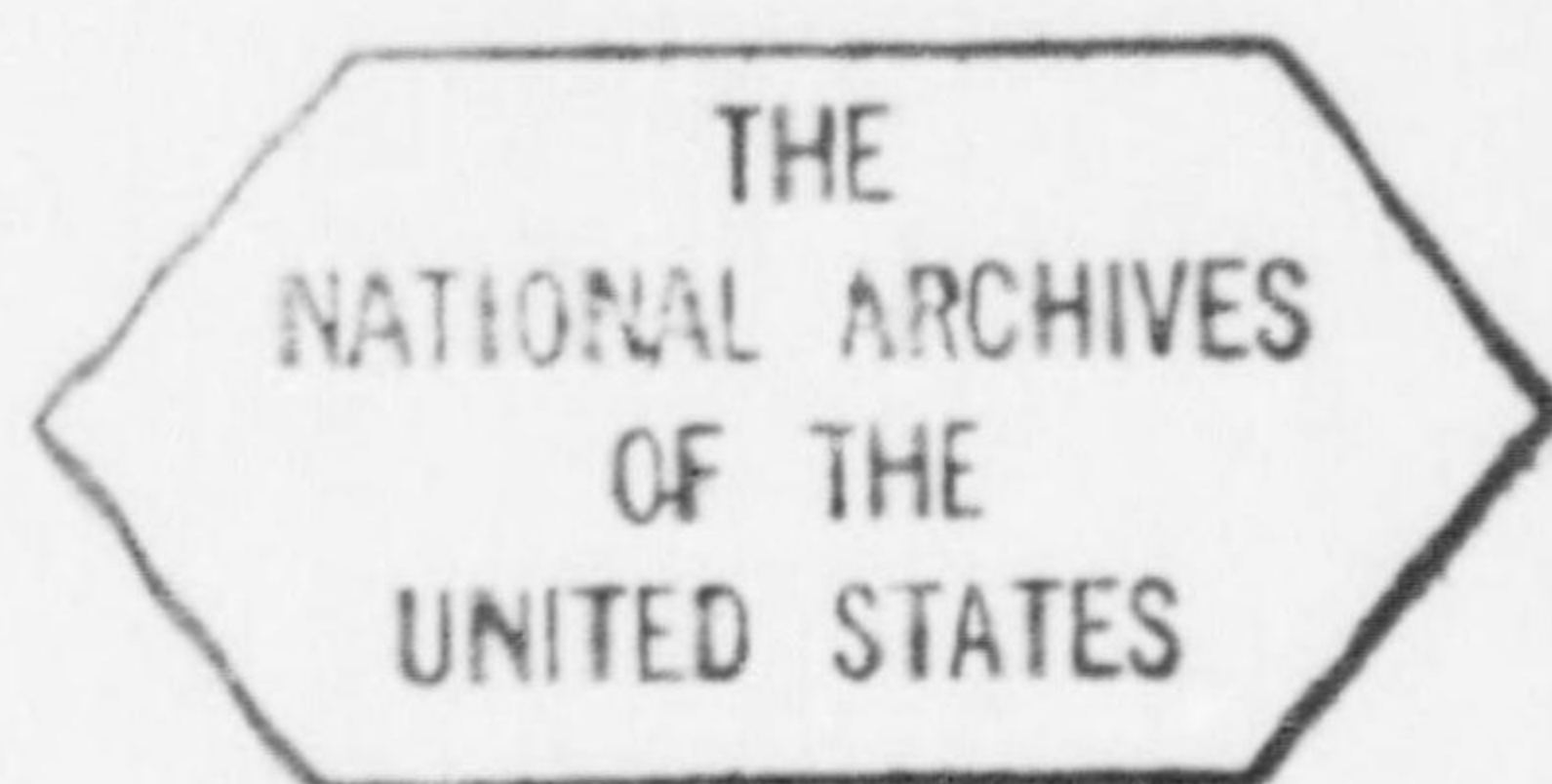


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REPORT FORM ON ELECTION SURVEILLANCE

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(25 April 1947)

House of Representatives

1. Name of Prefecture.....Shimane
2. No. of registered voters .....Men.....235,146  
Women....260,879  
Total....496,025
3. No. actually voting .....Men.....189,656  
Women....191,591  
Total....381,247
4. There were no persons claiming registration who were not actually registered.
5. No. of surveillance teams.....24
6. No. of polling places.....1,431
7. No. of polling places visited.. 518
8. No. of ballot counting station..253
9. No. of ballot counting station visited..... 49
10. Availability of candidates' purge questionnaires at Election Administration Committees Offices and at Screening Committee Offices.....Adequate
11. Publicity given to above      Press      Radio      Political Meeting  
   10                      Adequate      Adequate      Poor
12. No. of people examining candidates questionnaires:  
    At Election Administration Offices...Central Board  
    At Screening Committees Offices.....Tokyo
- 13 - 17. Not applicable.
18. No. of candidates for the House of Representatives by Parties.  
    a) Social Democrat.....4  
    Communist..... 1  
    Japan Democrats..... 2



Liberals..... 2  
 Independents..... 3  
 Peoples Cooperative.....,1

b) No. of candidates actually elected by Parties.

Social Democrats..... 2  
 Japan Democrats..... 2  
 Communist..... 1

19. There were no women candidates.

20. No. of campaign meetings held by each party.

Figures not yet available.

21. No. of polling places was adequate.

22. Four election bulletins are enclosed.

23. Unchanged as of last report.

24. Unchanged as of last report.

25. To date none concerning this election

26. Not applicable.

27. Campaign Expenses.

Toshio Nakazaki.....	Social Democrat.....	¥45,442.11
Junzo Matsumoto.....	" "	48,000.00
Kozaemon Kimura.....	Democrat	41,000.00
Shigenori Sasada.....	Independent	35,000.00
Kazanori Shirakawa...	People Cooperative	40,000.00
Kuzen Undo.....	Liberal	35,000.00
Sakae Kimura.....	Communist	35,000.00
Tatsujiro Hatao.....	Social Democrat	16,000.06
Saburo Ogoshi.....	Democrat	37,027.05
Toraji Tanaka.....	Independent	13,155.30
Toku Namba.....	Liberal	18,069.92
Risaburo Fukuda.....	Social Democrat	14,453.62
Yoshio Nimiya.....	Independent	14,223.00

28. There was no criticism voiced in respect to Occupation, Election Surveillance Participation.







Number of Candidates elected by Parties ..... 0  
 Number of Independents elected..... 2  
 Independents Names.....GENICHIRO DATE,  
 NOBORU UTSUNOMIYA

18. Not applicable.

19. Number of Women Candidates.

20. Number of Campaign meetings held by each Party for this Specific Election.

<u>Party</u>	<u>No. of meeting</u>	<u>Total Attendance</u>
Japan Democrats	35	2,550
Social Democrats	43	2,6000
Communist	50	3,000

21. Polling Places were considered adequate.

22. Four Election Bulletins are enclosed.

23. Unchanged as of last report.

24. Unchanged as of last report except for Press statement made by SMGO stressing importance of this particular Election.

25. Number of violations reported to this Office.....  
 (This is an accumulative total compiled since April 5, 1947)

Soliciting for votes..... one case  
 Interference with secret voting....one case  
 Dishonest Tabulation..... one case  
 Buying of votes..... two cases  
 Improper disqualification  
 of voters..... one case.

26. Two of these cases have already been settled by the Japanese authorities, the rest are as yet under further investigation.

27. Campaign Expenses.....Genichiro Date.....¥18,933  
 Noboru Utsunomiya.....¥36,750  
 Hiroshi Haratake.....¥11,250  
 Yoshinori Higuchi.....¥ 7,535  
 Tetsuichi Takakura.....¥ 8,439

28. Included herewith comments heard by BCOF interpreters at the polls.

a) These elections are a farce for a conquered nation.



- b) Kill the Yankees.
- c) Let us go to the temple and get drunk instead of voting.
- d) There are so many candidates that it is difficult to choose one.
- e) Who are these men? (the candidates)
- f) Ah! It is spring and the cherry blossom is in bloom.

Otherwise no criticism was voiced regarding the Occupation Forces and the actual Election Administration continued to be most satisfactory.