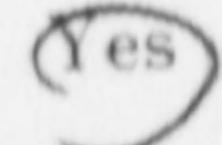
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Extracts from Monthly activities Report

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Civil Affairs

The following extracts from the March Monthly Activities Report received from Kyushu Civil Affairs Region are forwarded for your information.

a. Local Offices of National Government Agencies are contributing to the financial plight of the prefectures by their failure to reimburse the prefectures for the prefectural facilities used by the agencies. A partial survey of Miyazaki Prefecture indicated that the Economic Investigation Board, Labor Standards Bureau and Labor Supervision Bureau were occupying prefectural owned land without paying rental. The Food Stuffs Office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the Electric Power Office of the International Trade and Industry Bureau, and the Crops Reporting Office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Prefecture Headquarters of the National Rural Police de occupying 16 prefectural owned buildings transferred to the police without compensation.

b. Conservative trends are evident throughout the Region. The Liberal Party is maintaining its lead, but the Socialist Party is making every effort to challenge it. High ranking officials from the Tokyo Headquarters of both parties have made numerous trips to this Region during the past month. Slates of candidates for the parties cannot accurately be predicted prior to the filing date of candidates as local branches frequently refuse to accept the candidate dictated by the National Party Headquarters. Frequently 3 or 4 candidates are found for one office, each claiming that he is the party candidate. The Communist Party will be an impotent force in the coming elections. In many cases the Communists will support Socialist candidates.

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Reports from many procurators and courts indicate encouraging progress being made to eliminate backlogs of pending cases. In the less populous areas they report working on current cases only. It is noted that courts are reluctant to decree findings on matters of constitutional law or controversial issues. A typical example is noted at Omnta District Court where a suit is pending under Law 176 Special Mine Damage Rehabilitation Temporary Measures law dated 11 May 1950. Landlords and temant farmers have brought action against coal mine owners for damages done, but the court is reluctant to determine any findings as to the proportionate share of compensation due to the landlords or tenants, and is continually delaying action, savising the conflicting parties to arbitrate the matter.

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municipal police have been conducting intensive courses of study of the Election Laws, and have expressed firm determination to prevent violations during the coming campaign. Throughout the month a series of successful raids have been conducted upon the publishers of banned communist publications with a high degree of success in apprehensions.

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TO:

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Kyushu Civil Affairs Region

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ATTN: Legal and Government Officer

The inclosed program for the conference of Legal and Government officers to be held at this headquarters on 8-9-10 March is forwarded for your information.

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