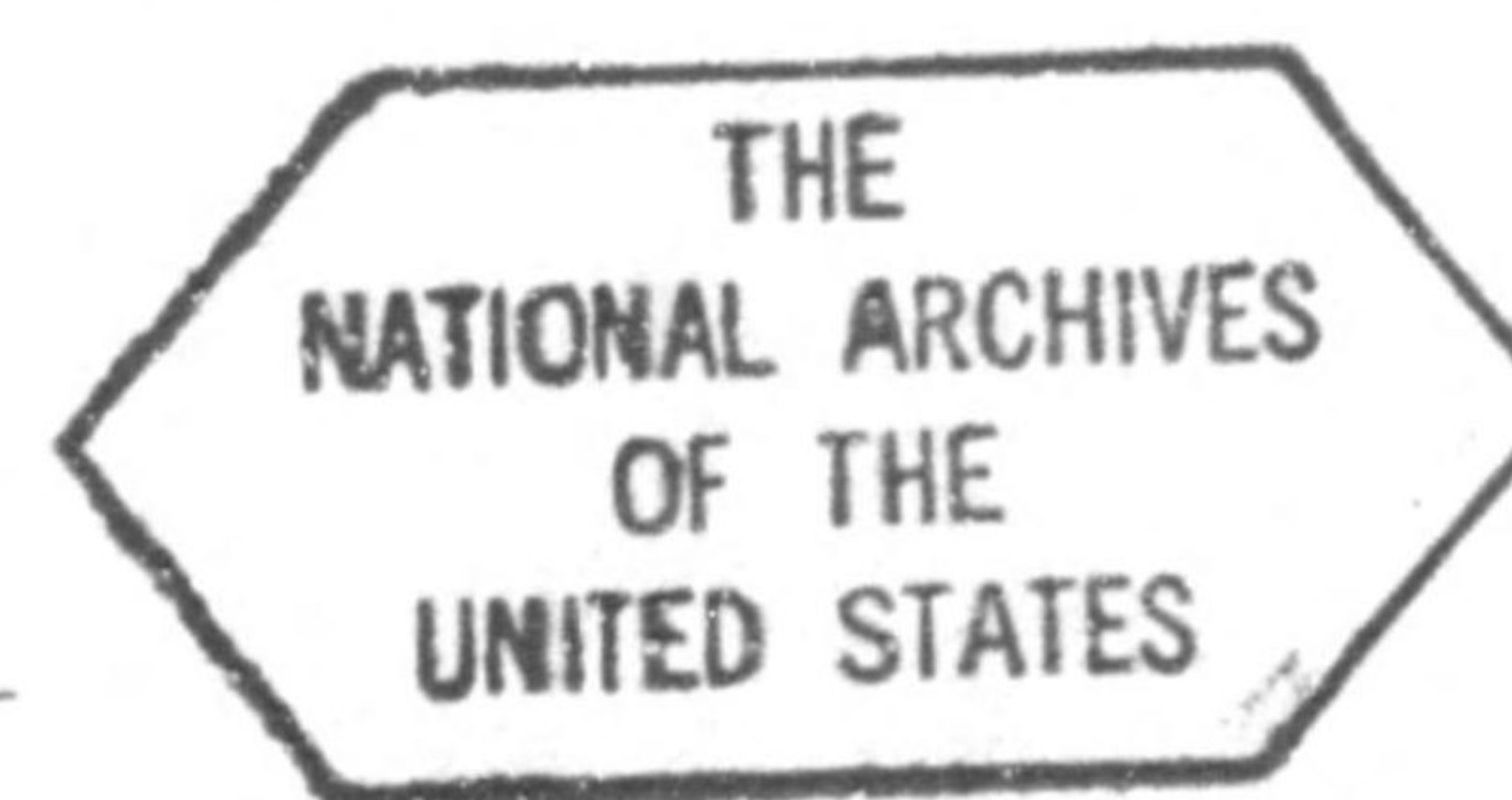


SECRETED BY PARAGRAPH 1(b) AND 3(b) OR (c) UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

7-19-51

GHQ/SCAP Records(RG 331)
Description of contents



- (1) Box no. 2150
- (2) Folder title/number: (2)
Newspaper Clippings

(3) Date: July 1949

(4) Subject:

Classification	Type of record
324	S

(5) Item description and comment:

(6) Reproduction: Yes No

(7) Film no. _____ Sheet no. _____

*Specimen was rechecked
by [unclear] 11/19/51*

... scheduled to begin at 1000 hours, ...
... funeral of the repatriates to answer ...
... with repatriation officials.

RATIO LIBERAL PARTY MEETING POSTPONED:

According to KYODO, Kosen Hirokawa, secretary general of the Democratic Liberal party, yesterday instructed party chapters (1) to report immediately on progress of anti-Communist plans in accordance with headquarters' instructions of July 12, furnishing also details of Communist party activities; (2) to complete by 15 August organization of lower schools, reporting progress without delay; (3) to exert all efforts to elect agricultural committee members in elections scheduled for August and September; (4) to seek the cooperation of local organizations in the projected anti-Communist campaign; and (5) to conduct regular meetings with local businessmen to gain their support. They were advised further that the meeting of chapter chairmen scheduled for 25 July had been postponed until mid-August.

17 ARRESTED FOR CONNECTION WITH TAIRA RIOT:

According to KYODO, 17 persons suspected of being leaders of the Taira police station riot on 30 June yesterday were arrested in police raids on Yago and Kotobuki coal mine areas near Taira city.

PURGE INDICED:

The Special Investigation Bureau of the Attorney General's Office on Tuesday indicted Kanemitsu Kososako, former member of the House of Representatives from Yamaguchi prefecture, on suspicion of violation of the purge ordinance, JIJI PRESS reports. Kososako was purged in 1947.

FORMER NAGOYA UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR ARRESTED:

Takehiko Murase, chairman of the International Peace Institute and a former professor of Nagoya University, on Tuesday was arrested by Nagoya municipal police authorities on suspicion of fraud, KYODO reports. Murase is suspected of disposal of forged cotton fabric allocations coupons amounting to 31,500,000. A Tokyo textile dealer and an office employee were arrested also on charges of violation of the Commodity Price Control Ordinance.

¥3.2 MILLION SURPLUS FOR PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR

Latest figures compiled by the Budget Bureau of Finance Ministry indicate that the surplus from the preceding fiscal year total about ¥38,200,000,000 instead of the original estimate of ¥30,200,000,000. KYODO reports.

NEW LABOR ORGANIZATION BEING FORMED:

The Aichi Prefectural Council for Democratization of Labor Unions has decided to dissolve to organize a new local organization to be affiliated with the anti-Communist National Trade Union Congress in mid-August, JI.

About 50,000 members of the Aichi Prefectural Association of Labor Unions under control of the National Federation of Labor will participate in the new organization, according to the report, along with the Aichi Prefectural Teachers Union, the Democratization League's Aichi faction of the State Railway Workers Union, workers unions of the Nowa Heavy Industry Company, the Toyota Automatic Weaving Machine Company and the Kariya Machine Tool Company. Total membership was expected to reach approximately 750,000.

LABOR-FARMERS DEMAND REINSTATEMENT OF DISMISSED RAIL LEADERS:

The Labor-Farmer party, in a statement submitted to the Cabinet yesterday, demanded that the Government retract immediately its announcement of dismissal of the members of the central struggle policy committee of the National Railway Workers Union, KYODO reports. The statement charged that the dismissals were a violation of Article 5 of the Public Corporation Trade Union Law which provides that employees shall not be discharged for reasons of engagement in legitimate union activities.

The statement also urged the Government to take steps to re-open collective negotiations between the railway corporation and its employee union. The Government was warned against use of "disguised publicity" to justify the railway discharge.

TOKYO UNIVERSITY DISPUTE SETTLED:

KYODO reports that the dispute involving the Tokyo University nurses' training institute yesterday was settled with university authorities agreeing to employ 13 nurse graduates. One graduate nurse entered a higher school.

The dispute began in April when the hospital attached to the university refused to hire 14 graduate nurses. The dispute later developed into a hunger strike by the nurses.

53 PER CENT OF PUBLIC FAVOR INCREASED POLICE FORCE:

YOMIURI today published the results of a public opinion survey conducted in the Tokyo area during the period July 12 to 15 among 1,000 persons in residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural districts. In answer to the question "do you favor an increase in the police force", 53 per cent were said to have answered that they favored such an increase. Thirty-two per cent wanted no change, 4.4 per cent favored a decrease, and 9.8 per cent expressed no opinion.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPERIOR COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
Government Section

JAPANESE PRESS

Governmental News Items

26 July 1949

GEN WHI ENRY

GOVERNMENT PREPARING FOR SPECIAL SESSION IN SEPTEMBER:

Chief Cabinet Secretary Kanesabichi Masuda yesterday told the press that the Government was preparing for convocation of the special Diet session in mid-September or late in the month, about thirty days after receipt of the recommendations of the Shoup Mission, according to KYODO.

A conference of vice-Ministers on Monday agreed to restrict to about fifty the number of bills to be submitted to the special session, JIJI PRESS reports.

ADJUSTMENTS IN BUDGET NECESSARY:

Vice Minister of Finance Koki Haganuma yesterday told the press that adjustments in the 1949 budget were inevitable if the Government is to maintain the "Dodge line", according to JIJI PRESS. While stressing that the Government would "stick by the Dodge line", Haganuma said the current tight money situation (specifically the account for the State railways and firewood and charcoal which show a deficit) was somewhat attributable to advocacy of the Dodge recommendation. Other unexpected factors such as decreased exports helped to bring about the present situation, he said.

Haganuma expressed the opinion that deficits should be covered and any surplus revenue diverted to lessen the burdens of tax-payers. Priority should be accorded to rehabilitation of industry in allocation of funds available from the US Counterpart Fund, he stressed.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH REORGANIZED RAIL COMMITTEE POSSIBLE, MASUDA SAYS:

Chief Cabinet Secretary Kanesabichi Masuda, clarifying the Government's attitude toward the dispute of the National Railway Workers Union following dismissal of 17 leftist members of the Central Strike Policy Committee, yesterday told the press that the railway authorities might re-open "talks" with a newly-organized Committee, KYODO reports. Masuda said that Transportation Minister Shiso Oya and Labor Minister Masabumi Suzuki, who had been entrusted with the problem, had indicated that they were willing that "talks be opened between the railway authorities and the Union after reorganization of the Central Strike Policy Committee."

According to JIJI PRESS, Labor Minister Suzuki yesterday denied that the Government would use its good offices to bring about resumption of negotiations between the National Railway Corporation and the union of its employees.

KYODO, meanwhile, reports that no break is expected during the next few days in the situation concerning the railway union since none of the three factions seem disposed at present to compromise. The meeting of the Central Strike Committee scheduled for yesterday was not held but the Renovators, Democratization League and Communists held separate meetings.

Press, Japanese

FOR THE USE OF THE ALLIED POWERS
Government Section
JAPANESE PRESS

21 July 1949

Governmental News Items

COUNCILLORS DEMAND EARLY CONVOGATION OF DIET:

Sixty-eight members of the House of Councillors belonging to the Social Democratic and opposition Democratic parties and the Shinsei Club yesterday presented a written demand for early convocation of the special Diet session, KYODO reports. They stated that an early session was imperative in order that an export loss guarantee system might be instituted and peace preservation measures adopted.

FARMERS TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL RICE PAYMENT:

The Agriculture and Forestry Ministry yesterday announced that an additional payment of ¥51 per koku (about 5 bushels) would be made to farmers for over-quota deliveries of rice, according to KYODO. The total payment is estimated at about ¥1,800 million, it was said.

TAX ASSOCIATION TO BE FORMED:

An organization known as the Japan Tax Association, patterned after the National Tax Association in the United States, will be organized in the near future to study taxation problems, KYODO reports.

RAILWAY UNION COMMITTEE TO MEET TODAY:

According to JIJI PRESS, "sources close to the union" said that the Central Struggle Committee of the State Railway Workers Union will meet today. Meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday adjourned without action because absence of Democratization League members left the Committee without a quorum. The sources said, however, that Democratization League members were expected to be present today.

INJUNCTION AGAINST DISMISSALS TO BE SOUGHT:

The 17 members of the Central Struggle Policy Committee who were dismissed in the personnel reduction of the National Railway Corporation soon will apply for a court injunction to nullify the dismissal order, JIJI PRESS reports. The injunction will be sought on the ground that the dismissals contravened Article 5 of the Public Enterprise Labor Relations Adjustment Law, Article 3 of the Labor Standards Law, and Article 7 of the Trade Union Law.

REPATRIATES REFUSE TO COOPERATE WITH AUTHORITIES:

In contrast with the attitudes of the first group of repatriates to arrive from Soviet Russia, returnees aboard the Kaikyu Maru and the Mihiko Maru yesterday were reported to be maintaining silence, refusing to cooperate with ship authorities in the maintenance of passenger lists, and in filling out repatriation cards and other records, and with immigration officials at Mairuru. Landing procedures,

SECRET