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GUMMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 201

1 June 1949

2566  
SUBJECT: Summary of Election

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Village headman
2. Date of election: 25 May 1949
3. Location of election: Azuma-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken.

4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election. (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47.</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	1,589	1,389	1,435
(2) Female	1,524	1,544	1,559
(3) Total	3,113	2,233	2,994

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	1,352 85%	1,246 90%	1,336 93%
(2) Female	1,250 83%	1,242 80%	1,430 86%
(3) Total	2,627 84%	2,488 85%	2,676 89%

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
	59 2%	84 3.5%	34 1%



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d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u>		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal	701	805	914
(2) Democratic	1,448	994	1,184
(3) Socialist-Democrat	491	195	544
(4) Peole's Cooperative			
(5) Communist		270	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer		64	
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other Parties			
(11) Independent		76	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

Three

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which Elected</u>
* Masaichiro Hoshino	Democrat	1,184	4 years
Kobayashi Koyata	Dem.-Lib.	914	
Masago Nakazawa	Social-Dem.	544	

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None



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9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

Notices of coming election and with special emphasis on absenteeism was distributed to each household.

10. a.b.d.e. None

c. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties:

Nakazawa, Masago (Social-Democrat) Carry out farm reform and support of the working classes.

Other candidates made no speech.

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24 May 1949

2564  
SUBJECT: Filing of Candidacies

TO: Commanding General,  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Members for village assembly
2. Date of election: 15 May 1949
3. Location of election: Nagao-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken
4. Names of candidates:
  - a. Kunio Goto
    - (1) Sex: Male
    - (2) Age: 42
    - (3) Education: Graduated Higher Primary School
    - (4) Present public position: None
    - (5) Last previous public position: None
    - (6) Occupation: Farmers
    - (7) Political Party affiliation: Democrat
    - (8) Supporting organization: None
  - b. Kyuhachi Sato
    - (1) Sex: Male
    - (2) Age: 45
    - (3) Education: Graduated Higher Primary School
    - (4) Present public position: None
    - (5) Last previous public position: None
    - (6) Occupation: Farmer
    - (7) Political party affiliations: Democrat
    - (8) Supporting organizations: None
  - c. Zenshiro Goto
    - (1) Sex: Male
    - (2) Age: 56



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- (3) Education: Graduated Higher Primary School
- (4) Present public position: None
- (5) Last previous public position: None
- (6) Occupation: Farmer
- (7) Political Party affiliation: Democratic-Liberal
- (8) Supporting organization: None


d. Senzaburo Takahashi

- (1) Sex: Male
- (2) Age: 53
- (3) Education: Graduated Higher Primary School
- (4) Present public position: None
- (5) Last previous public position: None
- (6) Occupation: Farmer
- (7) Political party affiliations: Democrat
- (8) Supporting organizations: None

5. Prominent campaign issues or significant political strategy which may have developed: None

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24 May 1949

SUBJECT: Summary of Election

2557  
TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: To fill vacancies in village assembly
2. Date of election: 15 May 1949
3. Location of election: Nagao-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken.
4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election. (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949. (c) the present election

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>30 April 1947</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	1,389	1,448	1,448
(2) Female	1,631	1,610	1,626
(3) Total	3,020	3,058	3,074

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>30 April 1947</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	No. ballots	1,272 87%	No ballots
(2) Female	cast	1,199 74%	cast
(3) Total		2,471 81%	

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>30 April 1947</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
	None	44 1.78%	None



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d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	Last Previous Election		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>30 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal	No ballots cast	1,347	No ballots cast
(2) Democratic	"	479	"
(3) Socialist-Democrat	"	375	"
(4) People's Cooperative	"		"
(5) Communist	"	184	"
(6) Social Renovation	"		"
(7) Labor Farmer	"	17	"
(8) New Liberal	"		"
(9) Japan Farmer	"	3	"
(10) Other Parties	"		"
(11) Independent	"	22	"

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

None

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates, If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which Elected</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
* Kunio Goto	Democrat	None	1 yr. 11 mo.	
* Shinhachi Satc	"	"	1 yr. 11 mo.	
* Zenshiro Goto	Dem.-Lib.	"	1 yr. 11 mo.	
* Sensaburo Takahashi	Democrat	"	1 yr. 11 mo.	

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None



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9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

Only posting of public notice of coming election.

10. Remarks:

None

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6 May 1949

SUBJECT: Announcement of Election

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of Election: Election for village headman
2. Date of Election: 8 May 1949
3. Date of notification: 18 April 1949
4. Numbers of persons to be elected, by class, if possible: 1
  - a. If election is to fill a vacancy in the Diet or assembly, the full number of Diet members or assembly men in the electoral district concerned:
5. Location of election: Momono-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken.
6. Record of previous incumbent:
  - a. Name: Mitsufusa Ishizaka
  - b. Age: 57
  - c. Occupation: Farmer
  - d. Political party, if independent, political leaning:  
Democratic Party
  - e. Date of resignation or vacancy: 30 April 1949
  - f. Specific reason for resignation or vacancy with details:  
Sickness in family
    - (1) Disease of mother and child.

  
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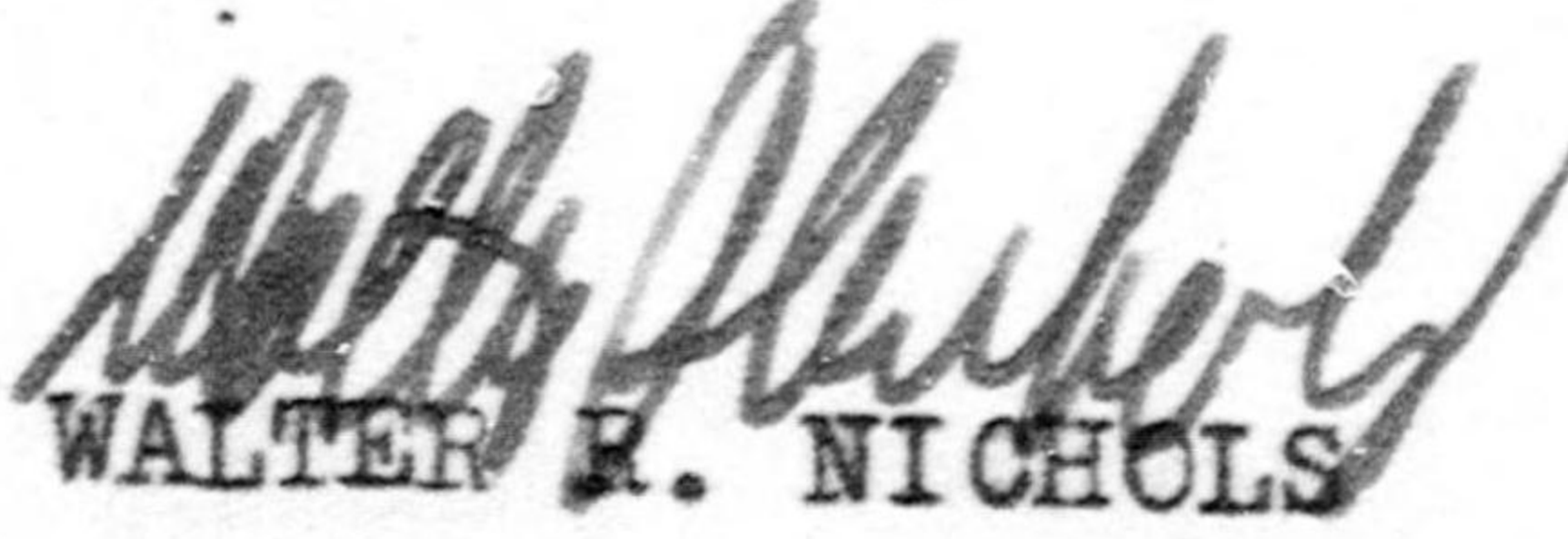
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SUBJECT: Filing of Candidacies

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of election: Election for village headman
2. Date of election: 8 May 1949
3. Location of election: Momono-mura, Tone-gun, Gunma-ken
4. Name of candidates:
  - a. Kamenosuke Yamagishi
  - b. Koichi Sugiki
  - c. Ryosho Tano
  - a. Sex: a, b, c, Male
  - b. Age: a. 62 b. 43 c. 47
  - c. Education: a,b,c, Higher course of primary sch.
  - d. Present public position if any:
    - a. None b. Village assembly member c. None
  - e. Last previous public position held: a,b,c, None
  - f. Occupation: Farmer-a Farmer-b Priest-c
  - g. Political party affiliations, or if independent, political leaning: a,b,c, Democratic Party
  - h. Name and type of prominent supporting organizations:  
a,b,c, None
5. Prominent campaign issues or significant political strategy which may have developed: None

  
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14 May 1949

2561

SUBJECT: Summary of Election

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Village headman
2. Date of election: 8 May 1949
3. Location of election: Momono-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken
4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	1505	1600	1583
(2) Female	1669	1683	1676
(3) Total	3174	3283	3259

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	No	1,460 92%	1,281 87%
(2) Female	Ballots	1,452 86%	1,169 69.7%
(3) Total	Cast	2,912 88%	2,450 75.2%

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
	None	111 3.8%	44 1.7%



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d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents.

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u> <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	<u>Present Election</u>
(1) Democratic-Liberal	No Ballots	323	2,813
(2) Democratic	Cast	1,947	1,933
(3) Socialist-Democrat		297	473
(4) People's Cooperative			
(5) Communist		183	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer		27	
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other Parties (Name)			
(11) Independent		24	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

One

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), Place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which Elected</u>
* Kamenosuke Yamagishi	Democrat	1,933	4 Years
Koichi Sugimoto	Socialist Democrat	430	
Gyosho Takano	Socialist Democrat	43	

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None



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9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign.

None

10. Remarks

None

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20 May 1949

2555

SUBJECT: Summary of Election

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Town Mayor
2. Date of election: 7 May 1949
3. Location of election: Yabuzuka-hon-machi, Nitta-gun, Gumma-ken

4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election, (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	2,052	2,076	2,056
(2) Female	2,192	2,321	2,307
(3) Total	4,244	4,397	4,363

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>		<u>23 January 49</u>		Present Election	
(1) Male	1,707	83%	1,776	86%	1,927	94%
(2) Female	1,852	85%	1,547	66%	2,079	91%
(3) Total	3,559	84%	3,323	76%	4,006	92%

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>		<u>23 January 49</u>		Present Election	
	96	3%	37	1%	43	1%



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d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u>		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal	665	612	
(2) Democratic	1,166	1,024	
(3) Socialist-Democrat		1,252	3,930
(4) People's Cooperative	-	196	
(5) Communist		100	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer			
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other parties			
(11) Independent	1,632	120	33

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

Three

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filling of Candidacies (Report Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which elected</u>
* Fukuji Ito	Socialist	2,039	4 years
Shigeru Ogawa	Socialist	1,891	
Shotaro Imai	Independent	33	

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None



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9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

Extract of election laws have been furnished each village.

10. Remarks:

None

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APO 201


30 April 1949

SUBJECT: Filing of Candidacies

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of election: Election for village headman
2. Date of election: 6 May 1949
3. Location of election: Komayose-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken
4. a. Name of candidate: Tomo Matsuoka  
b. Sex: Male  
c. Age: 55  
d. Education: Higher course of primary school  
e. Present public position if any: Deputy headman  
f. Last previous public position held: None  
g. Occupation: Farmer  
h. Political party affiliations, or if independent,  
political leaning: Democratic-Liberal Party  
i. Name and type of prominent supporting organizations: None
5. Prominent campaign issues or significant political strategy  
which may have developed: None

  
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14 May 1949

SUBJECT: Summary of Election

2556 TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Village headman
2. Date of election: 4 May 1949
3. Location of election: Komayose-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken.

4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election, (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949. (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>		23 January 49		Present Election
(1) Male	1,040		1,050		No
(2) Female	1,183		1,197		Ballots
(3) Total	2,223		2,247		Cast

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>		23 January 49		Present Election
(1) Male	967	92.9%	986	93.9%	No
(2) Female	928	78.4%	1,018	85.0%	Ballots
(3) Total	1,895	85.2%	2,004	89.1%	Cast

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>		23 January 49		Present Election
	39	2.0%	83	4.1%	No
					Ballots
					Cast



SUBJECT: Summary of Election (Reports Control Symbol MG-22)

d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u>		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal		658	No
(2) Democratic		673	Ballots
(3) Socialist-Democrat		371	Cast
(4) People's Cooperative			
(5) Communist		104	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer		2	
(8) New Liberal		10	
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other Parties (Name)			
(11) Independent	1,856	103	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

None

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates, If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which Elected</u>
* Tomoe Matsuoka	Democratic Liberal	None	4 years

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None

9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

None



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10. Remarks:

None


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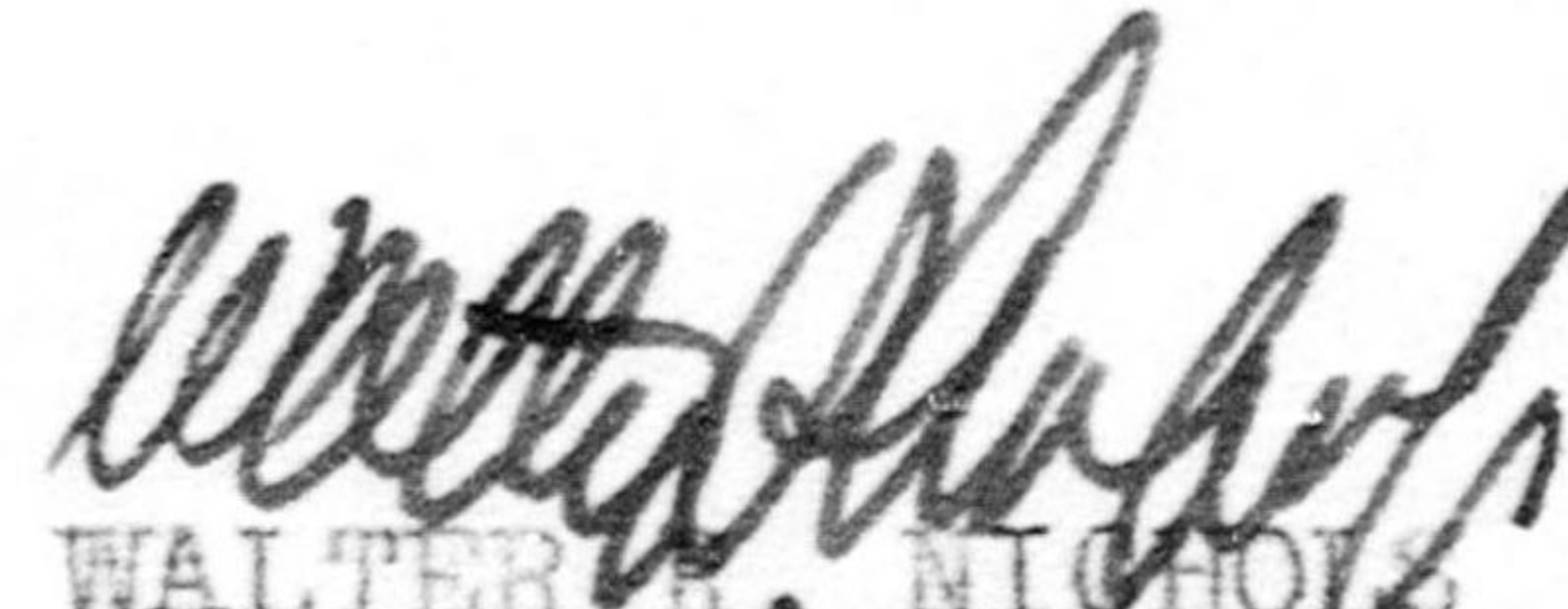
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SUBJECT: Filing of Candidacies

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of election: Election for village headman
2. Date of election: 4 May 1949
3. Location of election: Shirosatori-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken.
4. a. Name of candidates: Gisaku Obuchi  
b. Sex: Male  
c. Age: 53  
d. Education: Middle School  
e. Present public position if any: Deputy headman  
f. Last previous public position held: None  
g. Occupation: Farmer  
h. Political party affiliations, or if independent,  
Political leaning: Democratic Party  
i. Name and type of prominent supporting organizations: None
5. Prominent campaign issues or significant political  
strategy which may have developed: None

  
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18 May 1949

2560  
SUBJECT: Summary of Election

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Village Mayor
2. Date of election: 4 May 1949
3. Location of election: Shirosatoi-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken.
4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election, (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	1,325	1,421	1,457
(2) Female	1,432	1,651	1,690
(3) Total	2,757	3,072	3,147

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
(1) Male	No	1,259 88.60%	No
(2) Female	Ballots	1,074 65.05%	Ballots
(3) Total	Cast	2,333 75.94%	Cast

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last Previous Election <u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	Present Election
	None	23 0.99%	NONE



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d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u>		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal	No	581	No
(2) Democratic	Ballots	644	Ballots
(3) Socialist-Democrat	Cast	477	Cast
(4) People's Cooperative			
(5) Communist		255	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer		13	
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer		8	
(10) Other parties			
(11) Independent		332	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

None

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which elected</u>
* Gisaku Obuchi	Independent	No Votes Cast	4 Years

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None

9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

None



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10. Remarks:

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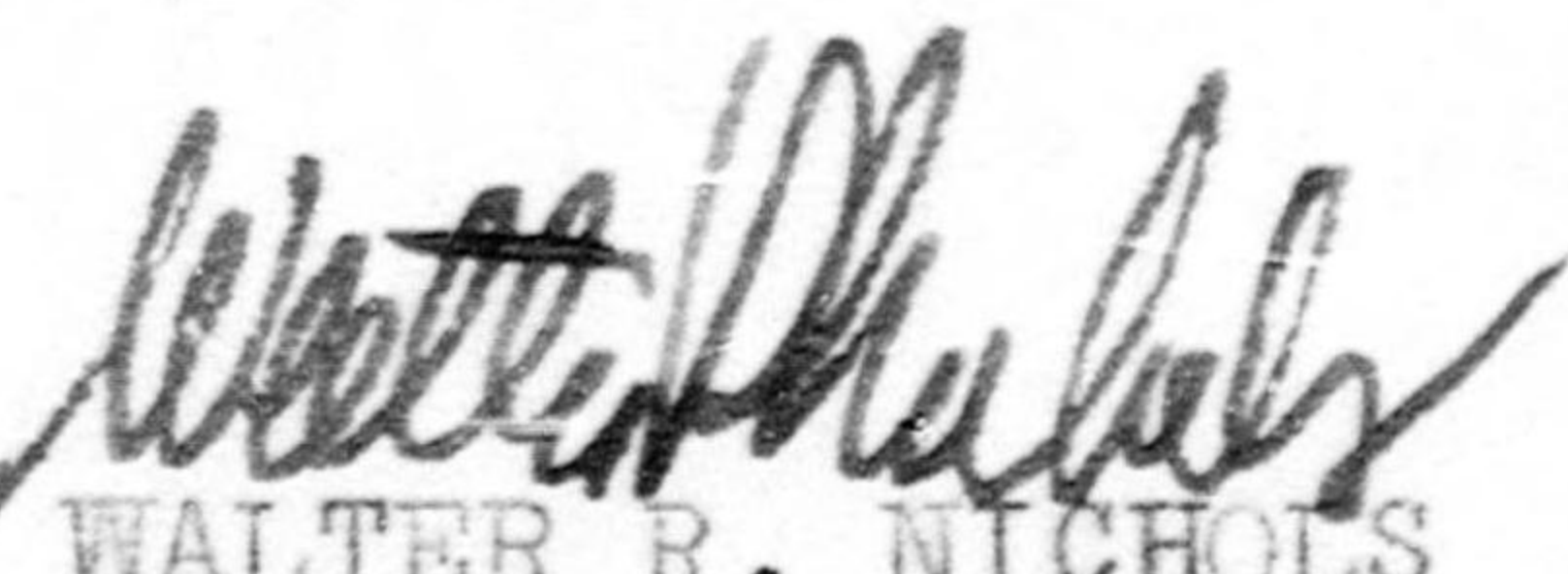
6 May 1949

SUBJECT: Announcement of Election

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of election: Election for village headman
2. Date of election: 3 May 1949
3. Date of Notification: 13 April 1949
4. Numbers of persons to be elected, by class, if possible
  - a. If election is to fill a vacancy in the Diet or assembly, the full number of Diet members of assembly men in the electoral district concerned:
5. Location of election: Shirosawa-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken
6. Record of previous incumbent:
  - a. Name: Yoshiie Ono
  - b. Age: 53
  - c. Occupation: Farmer
  - d. Political party, if independent, political leaning:  
Democratic Party
  - e. Date of resignation or vacancy: 31 May 1949
  - f. Specific reason for resignation or vacancy with details:  
Sickness in the family.
7. Final date for filling of candidates: 26 April 1949

  
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Reports Control  
Symbol MG-20

6 May 1949

SUBJECT: Filing of Candidacies

THRU: Commanding Officer, Kanto Mil Govt Region, APO 201

TO: Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Type of election: Election for village headman
2. Date of election: 3 May, 1949
3. Location of election: Shirosawa-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken
4. a. Name of candidates: a. Toshio Nakamura  
b. Tsunetaro Kanai  
c. Torata Higuchi  
b. Sex: a.b.c. Male  
c. Age: a, 35 b, 47 c, 56  
d. Education: a,b,c, Primary School.  
e. Present public position if any: a,b,c, Village assembly member  
f. Last previous public position held: a,b,c, None  
g. Occupation: a. Lumber mill b. Farmer c. Farmer  
h. Political party affiliations, or if independent, political leanings: a. Democratic Party b. Independent c. Independent.  
i. Name and type of prominent supporting organizations:  
a.b.c. None
5. Prominent campaign issues or significant political strategy which may have developed: None

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20 May 1949

2565  
SUBJECT: Summary of Election

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Village headman
2. Date of election: 3 May 1949
3. Location of election: Shirasawa-mura, Tone-gun, Gumma-ken
4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election, (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election.

a. Number of eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election		23 January 49	Present Election
	5 April 47			
(1) Male	1,073		979	984
(2) Female	1,104		1,082	1,077
(3) Total	2,177		2,061	2,061

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters:

	Last Previous Election		23 January 49		Present Election	
	5 April 47					
(1) Male	876	51%	924	94%	926	94%
(2) Female	707	64%	958	88%	985	91%
(3) Total	1,583	72%	1,882	91%	1,911	93%

c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast:

	Last previous Election		23 January 49		Present Election	
	5 April 47					
	77	4%	82	4%	58	3%



SUBJECT: Summary of Election (Reports Control Symbol MG-22)

d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Last Previous Election</u>		<u>Present Election</u>
	<u>5 April 47</u>	<u>23 January 49</u>	
(1) Democratic-Liberal		167	
(2) Democratic	990	677	862
(3) Socialist-Democrat	516	155	107
(4) People's Cooperative			
(5) Communist		302	884
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer		15	
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other Parties			
(11) Independent		484	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel:

Three persons

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20), place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidate.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for Which Elected</u>
* Tsunerokuro Kanai	Communist	884	4 years
Toshio Nakamura	Democrat	862	
Torata Higuchi	Socialist	107	

8. Number of violations reported or observed:

None

9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign:

None



SUBJECT: Summary of Election (Reports Control Symbol MG-22)

10. Remarks:

a,b,d,e, None

c. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties.


Kanai, Tsunerokuro (Communist) Will endeavor to develop the Communist Party.

Nakamura, Toshio (Democrat) For a more enlighten village administration.

Higuchi, Torata (Socialist) Improved rations for farmers and stabilization of foodstuff.

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Date 9 April 1949

SUBJECT: Summary of Election (Reports Control Symbol MG 22)

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Type of election: Mayor
2. Date of election: 30 March 1949
3. Omama-machi, Yamada-gun, Gumma-ken.

4. These data pertain to the area covered by this election for the following elections: (a) the last previous election held for the position to be filled by this election, (b) the National Election held 23 January 1949, (c) the present election

a. Number of eligible voters

	Last Previous Election Date: 5 Apr.-47	23 January	Present Election
(1) Male	2,873	2,851	2,830
(2) Female	3,260	3,234	3,225
(3) Total	6,135	6,085	6,055

b. Number of actual voters and percentage to eligible voters

	Last Previous Election Date	23 January	Present Election
(1) Male	2,754	2,651 92.7%	1,905 67.3%
(2) Female	3,097	2,904 89.7%	2,086 64.6%
(3) Total	5,851 (No votes cast as only one candidate)	5,555 91.2%	3,991 69.5%

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c. Number of invalid ballots and percentage to total votes cast

	Last Previous Election Date	23 January	Present Election
(1) Male			
(2) Female			
(3) Total	None	83; 1.3%	69; 1.7%

d. Total number of votes obtained by each political party and all independents

Party	Last Previous Election Date	23 January	Present Election
(1) Democratic-Liberal	None	594	
(2) Democratic		4,219	2,905
(3) Socialist-Democrat		375	1,017
(4) Peoples Cooperative		94	
(5) Communist		147	
(6) Social Renovation			
(7) Labor Farmer			
(8) New Liberal			
(9) Japan Farmer			
(10) Other Parties (Name)		32	
(11) Independent		11	

5. Number of surveillance teams and other personnel other than military government personnel.

None

6. Were the candidates' purge questionnaires available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's Offices?

Yes

7. Candidates. If any change from or additional information to Filing of Candidacies (Reports Control Symbol MG-20). place under remarks. Place asterisk before elected candidates.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Political Party</u>	<u>Total Votes Obtained</u>	<u>Period of Time for which Elected</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
* KICHISABURO KITAMURA	Democrat	2,905	4 years	
ISABURO OTSUKA	Socialist	1,017		



8. Number of violations reported or observed:

- a. Coercion
- b. Interference with free and secret voting
- c. Interference with access to polls
- d. Bribery, either by money, gifts or entertainment
- e. Failure to report properly contributions and expenditures
- f. Riots or other disturbances
- g. Improper disqualification of voters
- h. Violation of purge directives
- i. Excessive or improper use of writings and posters
- j. Use of violence, threat of violence, or other intimidation
- k. Violations of SCAPINS
- l. Others (if serious, specify)

None reported

9. Extent of local publicity given to the election and campaign.

Officials of towns and block and members of Youth Assn. made rounds of their respective areas to prevent absenteeism at the election.

10. Remarks

a. Full details of any criticism expressed in regard to the Occupation Forces or policies of the United States.

None

b. Any significant political strategy or trend.  
Democratic Party dominating. Communist making inroad.

c. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties.


Candidates made no speeches or promises. Candidates judged only on their personal qualification.

d. Details of serious violations of election laws or SCAPINS, including all violations directly effecting elected candidates or elective public officials.

None

e. Any unusual incidents or other matters.

None



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APO 201

7 March 1949

SUBJECT: Election Report

DATE OF ELECTION: 23 February 1949

a. Location and name of position to be filled:

1. Location: Yamada-gun, Gumma-ken
2. Position: Prefectural Assemblyman

b. Reason for vacancy:

Previous incumbent resigned to be a candidate in elective office created by Diet election.

c. Candidates: name, age, occupation and sex, their political affiliation, names of prominent organizations supporting and total number of votes obtained by each:

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>PARTY</u>
1.	KONDO, Eiichiro	37	M	Brewery	Democrat
2.	ISHIWARA, Yukio	35	M	Officer of Ag- riculture Coop Assn	Communist
3.	SUNAGA, Noboru	49	M	Veternarian	Independent
4.	SHIMAZAKI, Ototaka	42	M	Farmer	Socialist

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>VOTES OBTAINED</u>
1.	KONDO, Eiichiro	Democratic Party	12,080
2.	SHIMAZAKI, Ototaka	Socialist Party	3,566
3.	SUNAGA, Noboru	Dem. Liberal Party	2,473
4.	ISHIWARA, Yukio	Communist Party	<u>1,074</u>
		TOTAL . . . . .	19,193



d. Name of previous incumbent, his political party and whether or not he was elected to the Diet:

1. Hasegawa, Shiro (Democrat) was elected to the Diet.

e. The total number of registered electorate--male and female.

Male . . . . .	13,697
Female . . . . .	15,233
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>28,930</u>

f. The total number and percentage of persons voting--male and female:

Male . . . . .	10,036
Female . . . . .	9,468
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>19,504</u>

Percentage of persons voting: 67.5%

g. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the election of the previous incumbent:

Socialist . . . . .	4,897
Democrat . . . . .	12,478
Communist . . . . .	457
Independent . . . . .	6,946
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>24,778</u>

h. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the election for the Diet in the area covered by the by-election:

Democrat . . . . .	11,604
Democrat Lib . . . . .	5,849
Socialist . . . . .	2,675
Peoples Coop . . . . .	1,397
Communist . . . . .	997
Independent . . . . .	355
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>22,877</u>

i. The cost to the local entity:  
¥ 37,270

j. Any unusual incident or serious violation of election laws:  
None reported.

k. Statement of change in political trend between previous election for position to be filled and the Diet election and from the Diet election to the by-election, and your evaluation:



1. The Democratic party candidates still remain strong and unchanged
  2. The Democratic Liberals gained support from the Independent in the recent Diet election so they in turn supported the Independent in this election.
  3. Socialist party strength remains unchanged. The Communist party support shows small gains in each election.
  4. The trend in this area remains conservative.
1. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties.

Eiichiro Kondo (Democrat)

1. Rehabilitation
2. Promotion of social education
3. Increase foodstuff
4. Reduction of taxes
5. Democratization of education

Noboru Sunaga (Independent)

1. Repair of flood damages
2. Nationalization of agricultural enterprises

Yukio Ishihara (Communist)

1. Rehabilitation
2. Expose of tax evaders
3. Elimination of transaction taxes

Ototaka Shimazaki (Socialist)

1. Promotion of education
2. Revision of local tax system
3. Settlement of mine pollution problem.



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7 March 1949

SUBJECT: Election Report

DATE OF ELECTION: 23 February 1949

- a. Location and name of position to be filled:  
1. Location: Ora-gun, Gumma-ken  
2. Position: Prefectural Assemblyman
- b. Reason for vacancy:  
Previous incumbent resigned to be candidate in elective office created by Diet election.
- c. Candidates; name, age, occupation and sex, their political affiliation, names of prominent organizations supporting and total number of votes obtained by each:

(Name)	(Age)	(Sex)	(Occupation)	(Party)
1. SHOJI TSUKUHIJI	40	M	Farmer	Communist
2. SHIGERO TAKASE	50	M	Farmer	Independent
3. TOMOSABURO HORIGOSHI	53	M	Farmer	Democratic Lib.
4. HACHIRO KANEKO	32	M	Co. Director	Democrat

(Name)	(Supporting Organization)	(Votes obtained)
1. SHIGERO TAKASE	Democrats & Peoples' Coop.	15,851
2. HACHIRO KANEKO	Democrats	15,846
3. TOMOSABURO HORIGOSHI	Democrat Lib. & Socialist	14,525
4. SHOJI TSUKUHIJI	Communist	2,800
	(Total)	49,022

- d. Name of previous incumbent, his political party and whether or not he was elected to the Diet:  
MASUDA, RENYA (Democrat); elected to the Diet.
- e. Total number of registered electorate--- male and female:  
Male 31,716  
Female 35,384  
(Total) 67,100
- f. Total number and percentage of persons voting -- male and female:  
Male 25,742  
Female 24,427  
(Total) 50,169  
Percentage of persons voting: 74.8%
- g. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the election of the previous incumbent:



Socialist Democrat	47,576
Socialist	7,864
Liberal	1,863
Communist	536
(Total)	<u>57,839</u>

h. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the recent election for the Diet in the area covered by the election:

Democrats	30,653
Democrat Liberal	12,207
Socialist	6,595
Communist	2,200
Peoples' Coop.	2,160
Independent	158
(Total)	<u>53,973</u>

i. The cost to the local entity: ¥ 43,075

j. Unusual incident or serious violation of election laws: None reported.

k. Statement of change in political trend between previous election for position to be filled and the Diet election and from the Diet election to the by-election and your evaluation.

The Democratic Party is the controlling force in this area. In the Diet election, 2/3 of the party gave support to their Democratic candidate and 1/3 to a Democrat Liberal candidate. In the recent election the party split its support three ways; supporting Democrat, Democrat-Liberal and Independent candidates. The Communist Party registered slight gains; hardly noticeable when compared to the overwhelming strength of the conservative elements. Coalition of the conservatives is not anticipated at present. In this election the voters did not attach much importance to voting the party line, placing more emphasis on the personality and qualifications of the individual.

l. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties:

SHIGERO TAKASE (Independent)	1. Flood control
	2. Irrigation for the Ora district
	3. Increase in food production and reasonable food collections
	4. Charges for farmers should be impartial and correct.
TOMOSABURO HORIKOSHI (Democrat)	1. Promotion of small and middle merchants in Tatebayashi
HACHIRO KANEKO (Democrat)	1. Control of the Tone River
	2. Promotion of small and middle enterprises
TSUKUHIJI MASAJI (Communist)	1. Establishment of a brighter prefectural administration with primary consideration for the workers.



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GUMMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 201

28 February 1949

SUBJECT: Election Report

DATE OF ELECTION: 20 February 1949

A. Location and name of position to be filled:

- a. Furumaki-mura, Gumma-gun, Gumma-ken
- b. Mayor

B. Reason for vacancy:

- a. Former mayor owned a construction business in addition to being mayor and neglected his village responsibilities in favor of his private business.

C. The candidates' name, age, occupation, and sex of all, their political affiliation, the names of prominent organizations supporting and the total number of votes obtained by each.

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>PARTY</u>
a.	Genji Kato	40	M	Contractor	Independent
b.	Takeo Higuchi	45	M	Farmer	Independent
c.	Eiji Miyashita	49	M	Farmer	Communist

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>VOTES OBTAINED</u>
a.	Genji Kato	Conservative group	1,688
b.	Takeo Higuchi	Socialist & Communist	578
c.	Eiji Miyashita	Cancelled candidacy and transferred support to Takeo Higuchi	
		TOTAL . . . . .	2,226

D. The name of previous incumbent, his political party and whether or not he was elected to the Diet:

Tokuichi Irichijima (Independent) was not elected to the Diet.

E. The total number of registered electorate--male and female;

Male . . . . .	1,401
Female . . . . .	1,499
TOTAL . . . . .	2,900



F. The total number and percentage of persons voting--male and female:

Male . . . . . 1,182  
Female . . . . . 1,114  
TOTAL . . . . . 2,296  
Percentage of persons voting: 79.1%

G. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the election of the previous incumbent;

Independent (Socialist and Communist clique) . . . 1,367  
Independent (Conservative clique) . . . . . 1,138  
TOTAL . . . . . 2,505

H. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the recent election for the Diet in the area covered by the by-election:

Democratic Liberal . . . . .	674	Labor-Farmers . . . . .	9
Democrat . . . . .	641	Farmers . . . . .	5
Socialist . . . . .	428	Independent . . . . .	264
Communist . . . . .	302	Neutral . . . . .	1

I. The cost to the local entity:

¥ 884.40

J. Any unusual incident or serious violation of election laws:

None reported.

K. Statement of change in political trend between previous election for position to be filled and the Diet election and from the Diet election to the by-election, and your evaluation:

In the previous election for village Mayor, only two Independent candidates ran. One was a conservative and the other, a radical. The latter was elected. He tried to make drastic changes in the village administration, but due to the flood, all his attention was focused on the repair and little attention paid to the village administration so he was asked to resign.

In the Diet election the Democratic Liberal, the Democrat, and the Social Democrat candidates polled the most votes in that order. The Communist candidate made some gains but not so pronounced. There is no noticeable change in the political trend.

In this election, three candidates filed initially but at the last moment the Communist candidate withdrew and added his support to the Independent candidate who leaned more toward the Socialist and Communist group. The final tabulation of the votes showed the conservative candidate walking off with a landslide victory garnering 1,688 votes to 578. The trend indicates that the voters cared more for the qualification of the candidate than they did for party ties.



Taking a general view of the three elections, the influence of the conservatives may be observed but the political enthusiasm is low for this area and the trend is difficult to determine.

L. Statement of principal issues expended by candidates and political parties:

Genju Kato (Independent) conservative supporters

1. Rehabilitation of flood damages
2. Sound finance
3. Village welfare

Takeo Higuchi (Independent) Socialist and Communist support

1. Rehabilitation of flood damages
2. Establishment of a Democratic Village Finance



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APO 201

28 February 1949

SUBJECT: Election Report

DATE OF ELECTION: 15 February 1949

A. Location and name of position to be filled:

- a. Location: Ota-shi, Gumma-ken
- b. Position: Mayor

B. Reason for vacancy: Resigned post.

C. The candidates; name, age, occupation, and sex of all, their political party affiliation, the names of prominent organizations supporting and the total number of votes obtained by each:

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>SEX</u>	<u>OCCUPATION</u>	<u>PARTY</u>
1.	NAKAMURA, Tobei	68	M	Pres. of a Credit Assn.	Independent
2.	MUTO, Denjiro	56	M	Farmer	Independent
3.	OKAWA, Hiromasa	31	M	Communist Com- mitteeman	Communist

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>VOTES OBTAINED</u>
1.	NAKAMURA, Tobei	Democratic Party	9,789
2.	MUTO, Denjiro	Democratic Lib. Party	6,299
3.	OKAWA, Hiromasa	Communist Party	2,001
		TOTAL.....	18,089

D. The name of the previous incumbent, his political party and whether or not he was elected to the Diet;

MARITA, Sakubei (Independent) was not elected to the Diet

E. The total number of registered electorate--male and female:

Male . . . . .	11,459
Female . . . . .	13,088
TOTAL . . . . .	24,547



F. The total number and percentage of persons voting--male and female:

Male . . . . .	8,974
Female . . . . .	9,198
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>18,172</u>

Percentage of persons voting: 74.1%

G. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the election of the previous incumbent:

Independent . . . . .	17,815
Socialist . . . . .	779
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>18,594</u>

H. The number of votes obtained by each political party at the recent election for the Diet in the area covered by the by-election:

Democratic Lib. . . . .	6,274
Democrat . . . . .	5,460
Socialist . . . . .	2,895
Peoples Coop . . . . .	2,479
Communist . . . . .	1,076
Independent . . . . .	120
TOTAL . . . . .	<u>18,304</u>

I. The cost to the local entity:  
¥ 5,000

J. Any unusual incident or serious violation of election laws:  
None reported.

K. Statement of change in political trend between previous election for position to be filled and the Diet election and from the Diet election to the by-election, and your evaluation;

In the previous election for Mayor, the Independent candidate made a clean sweep of the votes cast by taking 17,815 of the total 18,594. In the recent Diet election the voters followed more along party lines in their selection of candidates, the conservative Democratic Liberals and Democrat candidates taking 2/3 of the votes. There are radical elements in this area as shown by the gains in the Socialist party which polled 2,895 votes. The Communists didn't have any candidates in the first Mayor's election but in the Diet election they ran a candidate and polled 1,076 votes. The Peoples' Cooperative, another conservative group, polled a surprising 2,479 votes.

In this election with only three candidates running, the Independent candidate, with Democratic and Democratic Liberal support, again placed first and second with the Communist candidate last. The total votes cast for the Communist shows a gain, but they received partial support from the Socialist group.



The conservatives have shown their power in all three elections, with the radical element showing a slight increase, but not constituting a serious threat.

L. Statement of principal issues expounded by candidates and political parties:

NAKAMURA, Tobei (Independent)

1. Straightening out the affairs of the city reflecting the general will of the citizens.

MUTO, Denjuro (Independent)

1. Adjustment of the administration
2. Reduction of taxes
3. Rehabilitation of small and medium enterprise and of the industrial workers.
4. City planning

OKAWA, Hiromasa (Communist)

1. Dissolution of the municipal assembly
2. Realization of a fair municipal administration



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Report of the Election of Headman of Village Uneda,  
Prefecture: Gumma

Date of Election: June 25, 1947

Table I: number of qualified Electors and voters and percentage voted

	qualified Electors	voters	non-voters	percentage voted
male	1,147	989	158	0.862
Female	1,205	984	221	0.816
Total	2,352	1,973	379	0.838

Table I: valid and Invalid votes

Total votes	valid votes	Invalid votes	percentage Invalid
<del>1,973</del> 1,973	1,961	12	0.6

Table II: Number of votes obtained by political parties

S	D	L	P.C	C	minors	Indipended	total
/	/	/	/	/	/	1,961	1,961

Table IV: Elected candidate

name	party	Sex
MURAKAMI Sadao	Ind.	M.



Report of the Election of Headman of Village Mayan

Prefecture: Gamma

Date of Election: July 20, 1941

Table I: number of qualified Electors and voters and percentage voted

	qualified Electors	voters	non-voters	percentage voted
male	857	659	198	0.768
Female	912	577	335	0.632
Total	1,769	1,236	533	0.698

Table II: valid and Invalid votes

Total votes	valid votes	Invalid votes	percentage Invalid
1,236	1,208	28	2.2

Table III: number of votes obtained by political parties

S	D	L	P.C	C	minors	Indipended	total
/	457	/	/	/	/	751	1,208

Table IV: Elected candidate

name	party	Sex
Koganezawa Tokuzoo	Ind.	m.



HEADQUARTERS  
GUMMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 201

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21 March 1947

SUBJECT: Elections

TO :

a. The Occupation Forces will observe the administration of election laws from the time the campaign opens until the final results are made public.

b. Violations or failure to enforce the election laws, as well as infringements upon individual liberties, should be reported by anyone having knowledge of these abuses to the Military Government at Maebashi or other Occupation Force Personnel, if the Japanese authorities have failed to correct the abuses. Types of violations which may be expected to include:

- (1) Privileges granted to favored candidates.
- (2) Unlawful exclusion from the registration lists.
- (3) Police interference with legal campaign activities.
- (4) Efforts of either established or petty political machines to buy votes by bribes with scarce commodities or cash.
- (5) Excessive campaign expenditures, in cash or kind, or failure to report all campaign expenses. Excessive contributions by individuals.
- (6) Interference with bona-fide election meetings, with access to the polls, or with free or secret voting.
- (7) Denials of rightful candidacy, improper candidates.
- (8) Dishonest tabulation or reporting of results.
- (9) Failure of authorities to prosecute violators.

BLAIR A. FORD  
Colonel, Infantry  
Senior Mil. Govt. Officer

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REPORT ON SURVEILLANCE OF ELECTION  
(30 April 1947)

1. Name of prefecture Gumma
2. Number of registered voters.
 

(Men	385,860
(Women	<u>425,987</u>
(Total	811,847
3. Number actually voting.
 

(Men	343,026
(Women	<u>369,233</u>
(Total	712,259
4. Number of persons claiming registration but not registered.
 

<u>None</u>
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5. Number of surveillance teams.
 

<u>16</u>
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6. Number of polling places.
 

<u>739</u>
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7. Number of polling places visited.
 

<u>323</u>
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8. Number of ballot counting stations.
 

<u>223</u>
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9. Number of ballot counting stations visited.
 

<u>141</u>
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10. Availability of candidates purge questionnaires at Elections Administration Committee's offices and at Screening Committee's offices.
 

All candidates' purge questionnaires were available at the Election Administration Committee's offices and at the Screening Committee's offices.
11. Amount of publicity given to the fact that candidates purge questionnaires are available at Election Administration Committee's offices and at Screening Committee's offices.
 

	Press	Radio	Political Gatherings
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>
12. Number of people examining candidates questionnaires:
 

At Election Administration offices	<u>6</u>
At Screening Committees offices	<u>5</u>
13. Number of seats in prefectural assembly.
 

<u>53</u>
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\* Number of candidates by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>50</u>
Liberal Party	<u>15</u>
Socialist Party	<u>28</u>
Communist Party	<u>12</u>
Cooperative Party	<u>1</u>
Yosei Kai	<u>1</u>
Jichi Renmei	<u>1</u>

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Number independents 22

Number actually elected by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>28</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>13</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>6</u>	
Total		<u>47</u>

Number of independents elected 6

14. Number of seats in city assemblies. 138

Number of candidates by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>103</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>31</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>30</u>	
Communist Party	<u>10</u>	
Yosei Kai	<u>3</u>	
Maebashi Democratic League	<u>1</u>	
Aishi Society	<u>1</u>	
Democratic Society	<u>1</u>	
Total		<u>180</u>

Number of independents 181

Number actually elected by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>58</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>10</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>8</u>	
Total		<u>76</u>

Number of independents elected 62

15. Number of seats in town and village assemblies. 3794

Number of candidates by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>1295</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>552</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>153</u>	
Communist Party	<u>34</u>	
Yosei Kai	<u>1</u>	
Total		<u>2035</u>

Number of independents 2713

Number actually elected by parties:

Democratic Party	<u>1295</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>404</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>129</u>	
Communist Party	<u>12</u>	
Yosei Kai	<u>1</u>	
Total		<u>1661</u>



16. Any women elected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<u>Number</u>
Prefectural Assemblymen	<u>X</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>11</u>
City Assemblymen	<u>X</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2</u>
Town or Village Assemblymen	<u>X</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>27</u>

17. Number of pre-election campaign meetings held throughout prefecture by each party:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
Democratic Party	<u>4881</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>1320</u>	
Liberal Party	<u>936</u>	
Communist Party	<u>117</u>	
Cooperative Party	<u>82</u>	
Jichi Renmei	<u>52</u>	
Yosei Kai	<u>40</u>	
		<u>7428</u>
Independent meetings		<u>226</u>

18. Were there an adequate number of polling places? Yes  No

19. No. of pre-election meeting held by MG team:

With Election Administration Committee	<u>4</u>	<u>Total Att.</u> <u>20</u>
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20. Report generally on extent of local publicity given to election.

Prior to the election, a list containing the names and political affiliations of the candidates were distributed to all homes.

By means of slides, theater patrons were notified of the importance of the elections on the future of Japan. All registered voters were urged to vote.

Besides being distributed to all homes, the list of candidates and political affiliations were posted by each polling booth at each polling place and in various places in each polling district.

How did MG team contribute to publicizing the election?

Inclosure 2, dated 20 March 1947, subject, Election, was translated into Japanese and posted on every town and village bulletin board. It was also posted at every polling places in the prefecture. In addition to the above this notice was published on the front page of the local daily paper, The Jomo Press.

21. Number of violations reported to you: None



REPORT ON SURVEILLANCE OF ELECTIONS

(5 April 1947)

1. Name of Prefecture Gumma.
  2. Number of Registered Voters.
 

(Men	<u>384,211</u>
(Women	<u>424,467</u>
(Total	<u>808,678</u>
  3. Number actually Voting.
 

(Men	<u>321,548</u>
(Women	<u>308,960</u>
(Total	<u>630,508</u>
  4. Number of persons claiming registration but not registered.
 

(Men	<u>0</u>
(Women	<u>0</u>
(Total	<u>0</u>
  5. Number of Surveillance Teams. 16
  6. Number of Polling Places. 739
  7. Number of Polling Places Visited. 394
  8. Number of Ballot Counting Stations. 232
  9. Number of Ballot Counting Stations Visited. 143
  10. Availability of Candidates purge questionnaires at Elections Administration Committee's Offices and at Screening Committee's Offices. 3,544
  11. Amount of publicity given to the fact that candidates purge questionnaires are available at Election Administration Committee's Offices and at Screening Committee's Offices.
 

Press	Radio	political Gatherings
<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
  12. Number of people examining candidates questionnaires:
 

At Election Administration Offices	<u>1,576</u>
At Screening Committee's Offices	<u>20</u>
  13. Number of Candidates for Governor by Parties.
 

Democratic Party	<u>1</u>	
Socialist Party	<u>1</u>	
Total		<u>2</u>
- Number of Independents. 1
- Winning Candidate: Name Shigeo Kitano Party Democratic

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14. Number of Candidates for Mayors of Cities by Parties.

Democratic Party	<u>4</u>	<u>          </u>
Liberal Party	<u>1</u>	<u>          </u>
Socialist Party	<u>3</u>	<u>          </u>
Total		<u>8</u>

Number of Independents.            3

Number Actually Elected by Parties.

Democratic Party	<u>3</u>	<u>          </u>
Socialist Party	<u>1</u>	<u>          </u>
Total		<u>4</u>

Number of Independents Elected.            0

15. Number of Candidates for Chiefs of Towns and Villages by Parties.

Democratic Party	<u>116</u>	<u>          </u>
Liberal Party	<u>17</u>	<u>          </u>
Socialist Party	<u>43</u>	<u>          </u>
Communist Party	<u>6</u>	<u>          </u>
Total		<u>182</u>

Number of Independents.            129

Number actually Elected by Parties.

Democratic Party	<u>67</u>	<u>          </u>
Liberal Party	<u>6</u>	<u>          </u>
Socialist Party	<u>17</u>	<u>          </u>
Total		<u>90</u>

Number of Independents Elected.            100

16. Any Women Elected;

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Number</u>
Governors		<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Mayors of Cities		<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>
Chief of Towns and Villages		<u>X</u>	<u>          </u>

17. Number of pre-election campaign meetings held throughout prefecture by each party:

Democratic Party	<u>347</u>	<u>          </u>
Socialist Party	<u>339</u>	<u>          </u>
Liberal Party	<u>101</u>	<u>787</u>

Independent Meetings            105

18. Were there an adequate number of polling places?

Yes            X  
No



19. Are four election bulletins enclosed? Yes   x    
No           

20. Number of pre-election meetings held by MG Team:

		Total Att.
With Election Administration Committee	<u>  12  </u>	<u> 1,654 </u>
With Officials	<u>    8  </u>	<u>    850 </u>
With Candidates	<u>    7  </u>	<u>  2,275 </u>

21. Report generally on extent of local publicity given to election.

Several newspaper articles on the importance of the election were put out from time to time.  
Radio time were allotted to the three gubernatorial candidates. All broadcasts were made from Tokyo.  
7,168 placards with the names of the candidates for the chief executive posts were placed in all polling places.

How did MG Team contribute to publicizing elections?

Inclosure 2, dated 20 march 1947, subject, Election, was translated into Japanese and posted on every town and village bulletin board. In addition to the above this notice was run on the front page of the "Jomo Press", Maebashi daily, beginning about 23 March. This paper is the leading newspaper of this prefecture and is widely read.

22. Number of violations reported to you

Coercion	<u>    0  </u>
Soliciting for votes	<u>    0  </u>
Interference with free and secret voting	<u>    0  </u>
Interference with access to polls	<u>    0  </u>
Privilege granted favored candidates	<u>    0  </u>
Dishonest tabulation in reporting of votes	<u>    0  </u>
Buying of votes	<u>    0  </u>
Excessive expenditures	<u>    0  </u>
Riots or other disorders	<u>    0  </u>
Improper disqualification of voters	<u>    0  </u>
Violations of purge directives	<u>    0  </u>
Others	<u>    0  </u>