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Table of traffic accident in April

Descriptions	Cases	Warned	Admonished	Fined	Detention	Mulct	Undecided
Carrying no registration (automobile)	21		16			2	3
Step riding	16	12	4				
No light automobile							
No licence driving(auto)	4		1	1	1	1	
Not carrying licence(auto)	4		1			1	2
Excess-riding & overloading	53	31	20			1	1
Defective rear mirror	4	4					
Defective alarm	1	1					
Twine riding	199	111	46				
Unlighted vehicles	66	32	24				
Offences against signal	21	13	6				
Controlling cart from unfixed seat	202	36	166				
Playing on road	135	120	15				
Walking in line	73	33	6				
Violence of left side walking	2,479	1,834	500				
Leaving obstacles	145	75	70				

Descriptions	Cases	Warned	Admonished	Fined	Detention	Mulct	Undecided
Stopping on road	12	11	1				
Speed-offence	12	9	3				
Otherside crossing							
Not carrying body inspection certificate	3		2			1	
Brake light broken(auto)	3		2			1	
Non registered car driving	1					1	
Not showing body number	4	1	2			1	
Defective tail light (auto)	28	10	16			2	
Violent driving	10	3	5			2	
Using road without licence	7	7					
Pedestrians walking on cart-road	300	300					
Cart-drawing out of left side	50	50					
No indication of direction	4	4					
Not carrying licence bicycle	21	21					
Jumping on & off the electric car	137	137					
Other offences	87	37	54				
Total	4,107	2,893	855		15		7

REPORT.

12 May 1948.

From: National Local Police
Conductor of Tottori Prefectural Police.

To : Commanding Officer Chugoku M.G.

Subject: Condition of the Traffic Training.

The traffic training of tottori-ken, in April, was held during a week from 15 April to 21, in addition to the monthly traffic demonstration.
Concerning to the condition of the training previously had been reported by the letter No.48, dated 30 April 1948.

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昭和三十三年五月十二日

國家地方警察鳥取縣本部警察

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交通訓練實施狀況

本縣の四月の訓練は四月十五日から一週間に亘り展開した交通安全運動に併行實施したが其の狀況は四月三十日鳥交通第四八號にて報告したる通りであります

右報告致します

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NATIONAL RURAL POLICE
OKAYAMA PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS,
Okayama, Japan.

10 May 1948

SUBJECT : Monthly Traffic Control

TO : Chugoku Military Government Region
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And on the other hand, under a close contact with the Educational Department of the Prefectural Office, officers concerned were send to various schools to explain plainly the new traffic regulation before the students and pupils especially those of the "new-comers", which attained considerable results.

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Signal disregard	46	2	44	
Overloading of cargo . .	45	4	41	
Improper lighting . . .	22	0	22	
Overloading of passenger	260	19	235	6
Parking regulation . . .	50	2	48	
Leaving obstacle on the road (including street stall without license)	196	0	196	
Playing on the street . .	876	0	876	
Opposite side traffic . .	2019	0	2019	
Improper construction of vehicle	8	0	8	
Speed violation	9	0	9	
Smoking while driving . .	13	0	13	
Failure in reporting "change of address" . . .	10	1	9	
Turning the corner	6	0	6	
Fail to produce a registration card	2	0	2	
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Jurisdiction : Okayama City East Police Station.

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PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS
HIROSHIMA NATIONAL RURAL POLICE

Office of Chief

May 8, 1948

SUBJECT: STATUS OF TRAFFIC DISCIPLINE.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, HQ. of Chugoku Military Gov't. Team.

We hereby report you on the result of traffic discipline which was enforced during the month of April 1948, as follows.

1. Date and items enforced:

Date: April 3, 1948 (Monday)
April 10, 1948 (")
April 17, 1948 (")
April 24, 1948 (")

Items: (a) Strict enforcement of keeping to the left.
(b) Control of non-license driving.
(c) Control of non-light.
(d) Control of jumping on and off tram-car and bus, and hanging on car-body.

2. General condition:

(1) Keeping to the left.

At the cities, most of the peoples observed this rule, but it was regrattable that some of youngmen and the middle age were still now lacking in the strict observation of it. In future, we will make peoples keep to the left more strictly. Moreover, we are now making effort to guide the general public, who come to cities from the rural district, aiming 100% observation of this subject.

(2) Control of non-license driving of motor-cars.

During the month of April, we carried out the control according to the new law and ordinance. There are a considerable number of drivers who misunderstand they are licensed to drive auto-bicycle and auto-tricycle in the case of possessing a license for ordinary car even if they have not license for small sized car as the

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provision of the old law, and so we put special strong control upon them by laying stress to this point.
In consequence, such violation was scarcely observed at the control on the last discipline day, April 24, Monday. In future, we will control more strictly and more strongly regarding to this matter.

(3) Control of non-light.

The control was carried out by laying stress upon motor-car.
The result was:

Total number of cases controled.....272
Cases reported as crime.....2
Cases reported as violation of
police regulations.....1
Admonition.....269
(Status of control was as shown in the attached papers.)

(4) Control of jumping on and off tramcar and bus, hanging on car-body.

As for these points, we could obtain the aimed object by activities of the moving traffic control squad organized with police officers and through the guidance for business men and operators.

3. Activities carried out by Prefecture:

Efforts were made to fully propagated the new traffic code by asking news presses in the prefecture to advertise the principles of the new code so it can be easily understood by the public by means of the drawings.

4. Activities observed at other Police Stations:

1) Education for police officials:

All stations chiefs or officials in charge of the traffic have explained the current changes made in the code during the traffic control, and have given actual instructions according to the practicing carried out by all policemen in the stations.

2) Education towards business concerns:

At Yamagata and Kake Stations on April 3 which fell on the 1st day of the traffic discipline week, all drivers and concerned businessmen were called to the Station and given instructions on the new code. Other stations have sent out members to concerned circles to give informations of the new code.

3) School children and the general publics:

All stations have asked the principals or concerned teachers of all primary and junior high schools to guide and instruct the children to refrain from playing on streets, observe the left hand traffic and other rules that pedestrians should keep. The publicity of the new code was thus attempted to be propagated among the general homes through their school children. Good effects are supposed to be obtained.

4) Traffic Brightening Squad.

The activities of these squads show rather a low rate of action throughout the prefecture. In the future, we are in the opinion that there is great necessity of traffic-guidance to be carried out especially at the main railway stations, and boat piers by the help of the employees of the railway-stations or boat companies.

5) School traffic squads.

The primary and junior high schools in the jurisdiction of Tokaichi-machi Police Station, the senior pupils of the schools have organized traffic squads and have called the attention of the general publis to observe traffic rules. They have stood at important traffic places for control, especially during the time of coming to and leaving from school. Good effects are being obtained as mirthful scenes such as grown-up people are seen correcting themselves in hesitation, after seeing these innocent children's earnest works. Efforts are made to enhance the traffic discipline of the people in general by encouraging the school squads positive activities.

5. The status of the traffic regulation carried out during this period and the chart showing the number of traffic accidents is as disclosed in the following papers.

Tatsuo. Takesue

T. TAKESUE
Chief of Police
Hiroshima Prefecture.

RESULTS OF REGULATION ON TRAFFIC SAFETY DAY

VIOLATION	NUMBER OF CASES.	ACTIONS TAKEN: CRIMINAL OFFENCES.	MINOR OFFENCES.	REPRIMAND	TOTAL
AUTOMOBILE:					
Signal defiance.	153			153	153
No-license.	12	9		3	12
Excess speed.	20	2	1	18	20
No light.	272	2	1	269	272
Parking	117	4		113	117
BICYCLE:					
Double riding.	463	10	1	452	463
No bells, No brakes.	242	2		240	242
CARTS:					
Walking abrest	41			41	41
No seat	92	1		91	92
PEDESTRIANS:					
Slant crossing	416			416	416
Walking off sidewalks.	426			426	426
Right-hand traffic.	3,255			3,255	3,255

The chart shows results of 4 days of traffic safety days during this month.

	PERSONS			AUTOMOBILE			OTHERS			TOTAL		
	C.	K.	I.	C.	K.	D.	C.	K.	I.	C.	K.	I.
Automobile	51		41	2		15	1		1	81		201
Special type automobile.												
Small type automobile.	2		3				1		2	3		5
Train	3	3					1		1	4	3	1
Carts	1	1								1	1	
TOTAL.. ...	111	4	71	2		15	3		4	151	4	261

NOTE: C. Case K. Killed I. Injured D. Damaged.

O.F. cases in red, others in black.

Jeeps included in automobiles.

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Report.

30 April 1948.

From: Director of Tottori National Police

To : Commanding Officer C.M.G.

Subject: Concerning to the Traffic Safety Demonstration, In Tottori Prefecture, for the purpose of to obey the new traffic law and to obtain the desired results in expectation of trine training, development, guidance, control, the demonstration was held during a week from 15 to 21 inst, in addition 3 days demonstration of monthly traffic training by the indication of Chugoku M.G., under cooperate with the Municipal Police in Tottri Prefecture around. The condition of the demonstration were as follows.

MG Suggestion about 8 months ago

1. The plans carried out by Head of National Police.

According to the new police system the traffic control shall be supervise under the manegement of independence of the Municipal Police.
So the unitary control treatment are most effective method. Inaccordance with the indication of C.M.G. and in addition of Tottori prefectural traffic gist, the schedule was made after the traffic conference of traffic chief staff of National and Municipal both Police, on 9 April inst. Turning to a follows for help:-
(1) Head of every city, town, village and school.
(2) All traffic relation companies.
(3) All movies,
By inserte an advertisment of traffic demonstration in a newspaper and broadcaste a lecture and a traffic staff also dispatched to main point in prefecture to give a lecture. A traffic posters were deliverd too every police station for reference.

2. The enforcement matters for each Local National Police Station and Municipal Police Station.

Notwithstanding the demonstration are the first time after the enforcement of the new police law, the leadership and control was carried out strongly.

A. The conditions of the development and leads for the traffic demonstration.
(1) The diffusion of law and order.
Policeman education was carried out by chief of traffic according to the new traffic law and order.

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(2) The training for the traffics' business-man.
Before the demonstration the lecture and commentary of the law and order was held by the traffic staff and lecturer gathering the traffics business-man and workers.

(3) Education for the students.
Dispaches the chief of police station or traffic staff to schools the symposium and lecture meeting was held to give a knowledges re traffic morality.

(4) Leads for public person.
At the movies and railway station, equipped with a microphone, the education of a purport of traffic demonstrationwas carried out throught a loud speaker to the passangers and spectators.

B. The control condition on the road.
The control on the road was carried out whole matters in new law and order especially attached importance to following matters.

(a) Keep to the left.
(b) Not walk drive-way.
(c) All carriages put in practice a hand shignal.
(d) Curtailment of the loading capacity and passenger.
(e) Control the game and leave alone a things on the road.
(f) Speed restriction.
(g) Control the unlicensed drive and none-light.

As the result of the control an offenders, send to the Procurator's Office, were 49, the traffic accident occured during this term were 1 case.

C. Others.
At the Municipal Police Station repaired the road-marksetc., and other traffic establishment.

3. Others.
In spite of the demonstration was held after reformation of police system and the personnel changes carried into effect at early in March and there was an anxiety concerning to the treatment of the traffic control the demonstration was carried out strongly and could be achieved the desired end, handing understand the importance of the traffic police both National and Municipal Police.

TOTTORI PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS OF NRP

DATE: April 13, 1948

SUBJECT: Traffic control for Month of March, 1948

TO: The Commanding Officer
Chugoku Mil Gov't Reg
Kure Honshu

With the enactment of police law, the traffic code was revised and put into effect in the beginning of the month under review. In addition, the weather returned to normalcy. As it had, therefore, been expected that this month there would be huge crowds and resultant confusion everywhere, all police stations in this prefecture centered their energy upon the control in streets. The control proceeded as follows : -

1. Control:

Municipal Police stations in the cities and towns of Tottori, Yonago, Kurayoshi and Sakae increased their traffic police twice as strong as an usual force and forcussed their attention on "keep to the left", "hand signalling","distinction between side-walk and carriage way" and "restriction of speed", etc. On the other hand, all district stations of N.R.P., in accordance with instruction from their headquarters, increased the number of members for such control as far as the condition of the respective stations permitted, and carried out the control for 3 days mainly over motor vehycles, objects as left in the streets and on roads and etc.

2. Guidance:

In order to make it thoroughly known how the traffic code had been revised which came into effect from March 7, those engaging in businesses relating to traffic were invited to principal police stations where round table talks were held and explanations on points of traffic code revised were given by members of the police headquarters sent from the Section concerned. Apart from the above, other police stations sent members of their executive staff to companies, firms and plants, etc. in the respective areas of their jurisdiction where they had meetings for clarifying the points of revision in the code.

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3. Result:

Since the beginning of this year, as efficient control was prevented during the month of January on account of heavy snow fall, only such control that seemed more or less effective was that carried out for one week beginning on February 10, lunar New Year's day. Such situation had given rise to traffic disorder generally, but it seems that the control effected in the month under review greatly contributed towards straitenning up such traffic disorder.

H. Masutani

for Chief of Police

YAMAGUCHI PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS
NATIONAL RURAL POLICE

Apr.10 , 1948

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER,

SUBJECT : Re Result of Traffic Control in March.

Sir,

I hereby beg to report you on the above subject as follows;

REPORT

General Conditions;

As to traffic training days in March,each police station planned and carried into effect according to its own actual condition without designation by this headquarters. Some successful police stations held lecture meetings or training courses with positive joint efforts by the students and pupils.

But,seen from the viewpoint on numerous numbers of violations in March throughout Yamaguchi Prefecture, more strict control is needed hereafter.

1.Scope of enforcement;

Throughout Yamaguchi Prefecture.

2.Perild of enforcement;

In March,each police station formed scheme and enforced according to its real circumstances.

3.Salient events carried out;

(1).Hagi Police Station gave all the police officers training class on the revised regulations,held conference jointly with transportation workers demanding them to co-operate positovely for spread of regulations on traffic and prevention of accidents,and sent letters of request & gave lectures to all the elementary and middle schools in Hagi City. Some 70 students of Hagi Technical School were sent to 10 main points in the city and led the passers-by for better one-way-traffic with considerable success.

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(2) . Shimonoseki Higashi Police Station gave the transportation workers repeated warmings to put up posters written "Traffic Training Days" at the side of autoes and plants besides making economic control by increasing the numbers of controlling officers.

(3). Oshima Police Station gave the police officers repeated lecture meeting on regulation of traffic and sent the leading members to every schools to hold lecture and consultation meeting.

(4). Kuga Kita Police also gave lectures ~~to~~ to the pupils of newly-established junior high schools.

(5). Mine Higashi Police delivered written elements selected from newly-revised regulations to the general public, put up posters, and gave lectures making use of schools and other meeting places.

(6). In the jurisdiction of Toyoura Police, transportation workers and private car-owners organized Branch of Traffic Safety Cooperation besides holding lecture meetings on revised regulation of traffic.

(7). The Prefectural Headquarters offered to the general public to see various sorts of mottoes, posters, regarding traffic, and photographs taking the actual spots of traffic accidents, which are partly corrected materials given to the exhibition in last December with considerable success.

4. Traffic violations in March are given in the attached sheet.

4. Violation hunted up during March.

Kind of violation.	No. of cases controlled.	Warned.	Admonished.	No. of cases to be sent to procurators' Office.
Not carrying registration certificate at hand(motor-car)	18	-	16	2
Boarding outside the car(motor-car)	4	1	3	
Unlighted(motor-car)	45	25	20	
Operating without licence(motor-car)	1		1	
Not carrying licence(motor-car)	11		8	3
Overloading & exceeding the authorized No. of passengers. (motor-car)	53	22	31	
Motor-car's rear mirror unsatisfactory.	9	1	8	
Motor-car's & bicycle's alarm unsatisfactory.	15	12	3	
2 persons boarding 1 bicycle.	51	18	33	
Unlighted(various vehicles)	35	14	21	
Riding on the ex-cart, signal(various vehicles)	19	13	6	
Playing on the street.	189	77	112	
Walking in a line.	152	121	31	
Failing to keep to the left.	2547	558	1989	
Leaving things on the way.	80	33	47	

list 11.

Stopping on the road.	2	1	1	
Failing of speed limit.	156	147	9	
Crossing without crossing-passage.	55	40	15	
Others	931	115	811	5
Total.	4,373	1,198	3,165	10

Yours respectfully,

Akira Harada

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Director,
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PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTERS
HIROSHIMA NATIONAL RURAL POLICE

Office of Chief

April 7, 1948

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT OF TRAFFIC SAFETY ACTIVITY DURING MARCH.

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, HQ. of Chugoku Military Gov't. Team

We report you the situation of above subject as shown on the appended papers.

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Chief of Police
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1. Date of the enforcement:

March 8, 1948 (Monday)
March 15, 1948 (")
March 22, 1948 (")
March 29, 1948 (")

2. Articles of the enforcement:

(1) Strict enforcement on keeping to the left.
(2) Strict enforcement of obeying traffic signals.
(3) Obedience of traffic law on sidewalks, roadways and cross-roads.
(4) Regulation on traffic violation by carts.
(5) Regulation on non-lisence driveing and no lights.
(6) Regulation on speed violation.
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(8) Regulation on the limit of acting on roads.
(9) Regulation on the road integrity.
(10) Regulation on non-registered automobiles.

3. Articles enforced in this prefecture:

There was a revision on police system on 4th of March according to the whole enforcement of police law. Thereafter the traffic police activity except the jurisdiction area of each P.S. was enforced mostly under the independant management by each communal P.S. But as a original rule, the instruction and regulation on general traffic on its enforcement was based on the principal enforcement articles of traffic safety settled and being carried on according to the request by Chugoku M.G.T. Moreover, we wanted the positive cooperation with each organization and union on traffic and each show business association, while relied on each press and broadcasting bureau to insert paragraphs or broadcast about traffic safety, in order to heighten up traffic morality of general public and promote their positive cooperation.

4. Articles enforced by each district P.S. and Communal P.S.:

1) Thoroughness of law:

(A) Instruction to policeman:

The chief of P.S. and the chiefs of traffic and cultural section tried hard to lead or to instruct policemen in the new traffic regulation law on the previous day or the day of traffic safety activity enforcement.

(B) Instruction to men of traffic business:

Each P.S. dispatched their men to men of traffic business and

unions, or invited them to try earnestly to spread the new traffic law thoroughly.

(C) Instructions to pupils and general persons:

Connecting with school authorities within jurisdiction cooperatively, each P.S. got school masters or teachers in charge to instruct pupils in the new traffic law, and through pupils tried to spread it thoroughly to their homes.

(D) Activity of "clear traffic" instruction squads:

Each P.S., according to the actual condition in its jurisdiction stimulated activity of the "clear traffic" instruction squads organized independently with employees of people-crowded stations, factories, working places and food distributing unions and let them enforce the orderly traffic in both time of their entrance and exit.

(E) Activity of members of "pupils traffic parties":

Each P.S. stationed members of "pupils traffic parties" organized with pupils of middle schools (including newly enacted ones) and upper class pupils of preimary schools on streets with frequent traffic for the purpose of traffic instruction. The effect was remarkable.

5. Others:

Because of the whole revision of police system as mentioned above and of the change of the staff in a large scale,we were anxious of would-be slump on the traffic police, but the purpose has been performed as well as we expected at the first. It is due to police stations in each district and communal P.S., recognizing the vitality of traffic police and promoting strong instruction and regulation. But we can't dare to say everything was to satisfy concerning actual instruction and regulation. There are many to be improved or strengthened, for instance education by advertisement or improvement of institution etc. About these we are now in deep consideration by collecting various opinions from traffic businessmen, unions, and government offices.

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STATISTIC LIST OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(For the month of March 1948)

VICTIM / ASSAILANT	PERSON			AUTOMOBILE			BICYCLE			OTHERS			TOTAL		
	C.	D.	I.	C.	D.	I.	C.	D.	I.	C.	D.	I.	C.	D.	I.
General automobiles	5	3	3	2	1					1		1	8	4	4
Special automobiles										1			1		
Small sized automobiles															
Tramcars	1	1											1	1	
Trains	2	2		1	1	6							3	3	6
Bicycles									4						4
Horse & ox carts									3			1			4
Cart															
Others			3												3
TOTAL	8	6	6	3	2	6			7	2		2	13	8	21

Ref.: C.....No. of cases.
D.....Death
I.....Injury

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RESULT TABLE OF THE REGULATION DURING THE TRAFFIC SAFETY WEEK

CLASSIFICATION OF VIOLATION	VIOLATION NUMBER	RESULT OF PUNISHMENT: REPORTED OFFENCE	REPORTED POLICE OFFENCE	ADMONITION	TOTAL
Automobiles:					
Negligence of signals.	478			478	478
Non-license driving.	17	12		5	17
Over-speed.	79	1		78	79
Non-lights.	474	3		471	474
Violation on parking prohibition.	96			96	96
Bicycles:					
Riding by two.	506	4		502	506
Non-brakes or non-alarm-whistles.	425			425	425
Horse-carts:					
Going in parallel with others.	74			74	74
Riding despite of driving-seat not provided	179			179	179
Passers-by:					
Sideways crossing.	1655			1655	1655
Carriage-way walking.	343		1	343	343
Right-side walking.	7289			7289	7289

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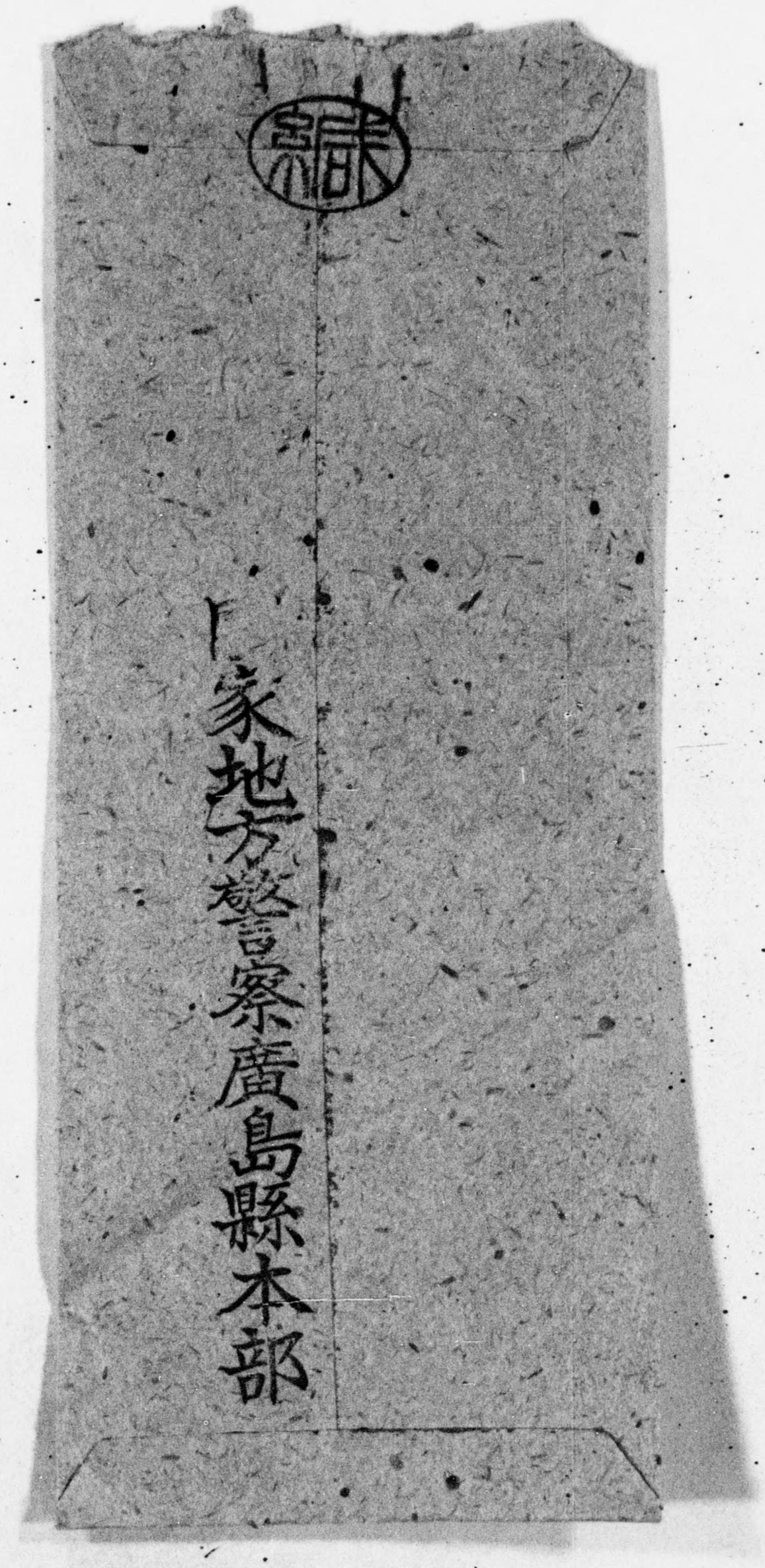

NATIONAL RURAL POLICE
Okayama prefectural H.Q.
Okayama,Japan

April 2 1948

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Okayama military government team
Military police/Okayama

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One traffic accident in the period.

Tokujiro,KUMANO
Director of
Okayama prefectural H.Q.

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Result of street traffic control:

Kind of violation.	No, investigated.	Disposition. To p.O	Reproof	Will be turned to the prosecutor's office.
Unlicenced driver	9	6	0	3
Unregistered car	I		I	
Incomplete structure	I3		I3	
Carrying no licence	42	I4	0	28
Violation of speed limit	6	0	6	0
Overloading	64	9	54	I
Overpassenger	232	I4	210	8
Signal disregarding	73	4	69	
Drunk driver	2	0	I	I
Violation of no parking	63	0	6I	2
Priority traffic	5	0	4	I
Change of address	I0	3	7	
Taking roundabout to the right, short cut to the left.	527	0	522	5
Unregistered car	I	0	0	I
Keep to the right	4482	0	4482	0
Playing on road.	665	0	665	
Leaving things alone on road	260	0	252	8
Violation of other rules	459	4	455	0
Having no examination ticket	5	3	I	I
Smoking	I5	0	I5	0
Passing through prohibited area, disregarding of sign.	52	2	50	0
Total:-	6,986	59	6,868	59

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Traffic accident:-

I. Date: March I6, at II a.m.

2. C.I.C.'s motor, No. I544

3. Damage: I man was injured, want I5 day medical treatment.

4. State of the accident: When the motor was going to south from north the victim tried to cross a road and was injured. due to the victim's fault,

5. Name of the police station concerned:- Okayama east.

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Incomplete structure	13		13	
Carrying no licence	42	14	0	28
Violation of speed limit	6	0	6	0
Over loading	64	9	54	1
Over passenger	232	14	210	8
Signal disregarding	73	4	69	
Drunk driver	2	0	[illegible]	1
Violation of no parking	63	0	61	2
Priority traffic	5	0	4	1
Change of address	10	3	7	
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Keep to the right	4482	0	4482	0
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Leaving things alone on road	260	0	252	8
Violation of other rules	459	4	455	0
Having no examination ticket	5	3	1	1
Smoking	15	0	15	0
Passing through prohibited area, disregarding of sign.	52	2	50	0
Total:-	6,986	59	6,868	59

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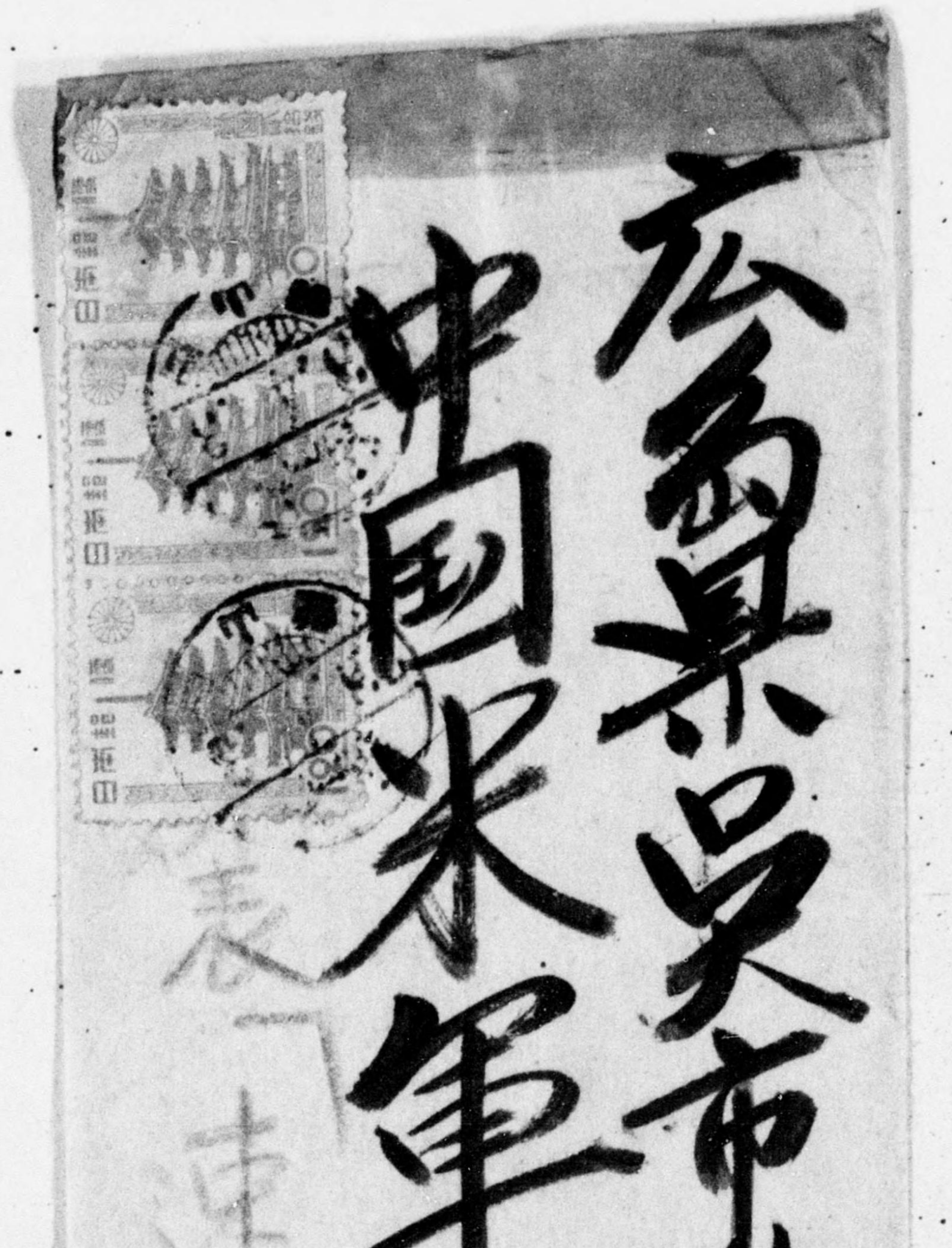
Traffic accident:-

1. Date: March 16, at 11 a.m.
2. C.I.C.'s motor, No. 1544
3. Damage: 1 man was injured, want 15 day medical treatment.
4. State of the accident: When the motor was going to south from north the victim tried to cross a road and was injured, due to the victim's fault,
5. Name of the police station concerned:- Okayama east.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YAMAGUCHI PREFECTURAL HEAD-QUARTERS
NATIONAL RURAL POLICE

File 100

March 29, 1948.

SUBJECT: Re Results of Enforcement of Traffic Training Days for February.

TO : Commanding Officer,
YAMAGUCHI MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
(Attention: Legal Section)

Sir:-

I have the honor to report on the above subject as follows:

REPORT

General conditions--

Although there were some points imperfect in carrying out the control on traffic during the period of the said Traffic Training Days owing to the change of competent officials following the revision of the police system, it can be said that the Traffic Training Days of February have produced some good results, each program of the said events being drawn up according to the real condition of each police station.

Viewed from the number of cases of violation against the traffic rules hunted up during the period, however, more effective steps and more strict control are required to be made in the future.

And, although lacking some positive steps due to the reduction of personnel caused by the said revision of the police system, this government offerd a support to the "Drive to Offer Good Service" by bus-men carried out under the auspices of the Bocho Press Office throughout this prefecture, thus giving an incentive to the improvement of those bus-men in quality.

1. Scope of enforcement:

Throughout Yamaguchi Prefecture.

2. Period of enforcement:

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As a simultaneous enforcement of the said Traffic Training Days throughout this prefecture became impossible due to the Government's announcement of a number of official changes along with the revision of the police system made immediately before the enforcement of them, the events of the said Traffic Training Days for February were separately carried out on days fixed by each police station at its own discretion.

3. Salient events carried out:

a. In concert with various means of communications, the Shimonoseki Higashi P.S. put up placards, posters, & mottoes regarding traffic on all vehicles, and also sent additional members in charge of controlling traffic to each strategic points, thus making the control more strict.

b. The Toyoura Higashi District P.S. held a short course in laws & ordinances regarding the traffic regulation attended by those engaged in traffic businesses, in an attempt to permeate the purport of the Traffic Training Days among them as well as to prevent traffic accidents.

C. Placing emphasis on close connection with various schools, the Oshima District P.S. endeavoured to contribute to the enlightenment of the general households through school children, in addition to the holding of a short course regarding the new laws & ordinances on traffic, making advantage of regular summon days when all policemen under the jurisdiction of the said police station were to meet at the station , and the making & distributing of lists of Penal Regulations of the said laws & ordinances.

4. Events enforced by the Prefecture--

Though wanting in positiveness due to the reduction of personnel in charge of the said affairs from 10 to 4 caused by the reorganization of the former Welfare Police Section into the Traffic Section, this government gave support to the "Drive to Offer Good Service" by bus-men, held from Feb. 10 to 29 under the auspices of the Pocho, holding a ceremony of commending 15 superior bus-men with the purpose of elevating those bus-men in quality.

5. Violations hunted up during February:

Kind of violation.	No. of cases controlled.	Warned.	Admonished.	No. of cases sent to procurator's office	Fined.
Not carrying registration certificate at hand(motor-car)	-	-	-		-
Boarding outside the car(motor-car)	7	-	7		-
Unlighted(motor-car)	6	-	6		-
2 persons boarding 1 bicycle.	57	19	38		-
Unlighted(various vehicles)	136	15	121		-
Operating without licence(motor-car)	1		1		-
Overloading & exceeding the authorized no. of passengers(motor-car)	33	9	24		-
Violation concerning signal(various vehicles)	10	-	9		1
Riding on the ox-cart, horse-cart, or vehicles without driver's seat.	35	12	23		-
Head-light and rear-light unsatisfactory (motor-car)	-	-	-		-
Address & name not indicated on the motor-car's body.	7	4	3		-
Motor car's rear mirror unsatisfactory.	4		4		-
Playing on the streets	101	29	72		-
Walking in a line.	45	2	43		-
Failing to keep to the left.		421	441		
Leaving things on the way.	53	19	34		-

Stopping on the road.	8	3	5	-
Doing trade without due licence.	5	1	4	-
Disregarding signal	10	-	10	-
Not carrying licence (motor-car)	6		5	1

Yours respectfully,

Akira Harada

HARADA Akira,
Director,
Yamaguchi Prefectural
Headquarters,
National Rural Police.

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TOTTORI PREFECTURAL HEADQUARTER OF N R P

DATE: March 13, 1948

SUBJECT: Traffic Control.

TO: The Commanding Officer,
Chugoku Mil Gov't Region
Kure Honshu

Traffic control in the month of February was carried out for one week beginning from Feb. 11, as it was expected that traffic in towns would congest and be thrown into confusion on account of a number of country people swarming in town areas for holiday making on lunar New Years days.

The following shows how the control was carried out : -

1. Control in streets:

As this control was for the first time after thaw, all police station increased the number of traffic-police and paid special attention to the following points: -

A. Observance of "keep to the left" rule.

B. Signalling by hand should be observed by all vehicles riders.

C. Distinction between carriage way and side-walk.

D. Restriction of speed of vehicles.

E. Prohibition of leaving anything in the streets and on roads.

2. How traffic was led:

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In order to make the purpose of the new traffic law in force since January this year thoroughly understood, staff members of all companies, firms and factories, etc. were requested to assemble and explanations on the new law given them for the same purpose.

3. Result of control:

As this control was carried out for the first time since snow melted, it greatly contributed towards elevating the traffic moral of general public.

H. Masutani
for Chief of Police

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HIROSHIMA PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of Director

4 March 1948.

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT OF TRAFFIC TRAINING.
COMMA

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, HQ. of CHUGOKU MIL. GOV'T REGION.

We hereby report you on the condition of traffic trainings which had been enforced during the month of Feb. 1948.

1. Date and items of enforcement:

Date	Item
Feb. 2, 1948 Monday	Left side walking.
Feb. 9, 1948 "	Driving without license.
Feb. 16, 1948 "	Regulation on the non-lighted cars.
Feb. 23, 1948 "	Regulation on the jump-off or on for tram-cars and automobiles.

2. General condition on the regulation:

(1). The left-side walkings are in the good condition at a degree of 85% of observances. But we are planning to make effort more and more on the absolute observances of this regulation.

(2). Driving without licences.
25 cases in total were arrested by the regulation to the drivers without licences. Among them, 5 cases were prosecuted and 20 others were admonished.
The conditions on the regulation are shown in the attached papers.

(3). Regulation on the non-lighted cars.
To those of non-lighted cars, excluding automobiles, the prefectural ordinance in line with the Road Traffic

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Regulation is not enacted yet. Therefore we had enforced this regulation only and mainly for automobiles and trucks. And 152 cases in total were regulated and admonished. The conditions on the regulation are shown in the attached paper.

(4) Regulation to those who hung, jump-off or on the tram-cars, and automobiles.
The results of the regulation are in good condition by the positive activity of employees and by the instructions to the businessmen.

3. Enforced matters by the Prefectural Office,
Inspection Squads for the Traffic Training were organized at 5 cities in the prefecture by the members of Traffic Section to manage the training. And Hiroshima Central Broad-casting Station and every Press Co. in the city of Hiroshima had engaged in the propaganda on the traffic training.

4. Enforced matters by the each police station:
(1) Instructions for the policemen:
Police members of each police station within the prefecture had been given the instructions concerning the related laws and acts to know thoroughly the idea of the trainings and regulations on the traffics.

(2) Instructions to the businessmen:
Printed leaflets were delivered to every ass'n. and parties of the businessmen to pervade the idea of the regulation.

(3) Leading on the pupils and the general citizens,
Each police station had connected with every schools to pervade the complete idea of the regulation.

(4) Activity of Bright Traffic Leading Squad (Kotsu Meeiro Shido Han):
General conditions of the activity of the Bright Traffic Leading Squad were in a low tone in this month.

(5) Activity of Pupill Traffic Squad:
Primary schools' pupils in the jurisdictional area of Tojo-machi M.R.P. and Matsunaga-machi M.R.P. had engaged in the leading of traffics at each town as the assistants of police officials and the pupils of the training school in Tokaichi-machi M.R.P. area,

had engaged in the propaganda of the left side walking to the general citizens to lèlvate the traffic morals.

5. Others:
The condition of the traffic regulation and the traffic accidents during the period were as shown in the attached paper for your reference.

of A. Okada

Y. TANIGUCHI
Director of Police Dept.
Hiroshima Prefecture.

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VICTIM / INFLICTOR	PERSON			OTHERS			TOTAL		
	CASE	KILLED	INJURED	CASE	KILLED	INJURED	CASE	KILLED	INJ.
Cars	(2) 2	(1)	(1) 1			1	(2) 2	(1)	(1) 2
Trams									
Train	2	2					2	2	
Bicycles									
Horse Carts									
Carts									
Others									
TOTAL	(2) 4	(1) 2	(1) 1			1	(2) 4	(1) 2	(1) 2

(Reference: The figure in the blacket denotes those of O.F.)

RESULTS OF REGULATION ON
TRAFFIC DISCIPLINE DAYS

FEBRUARY 1948

	CLASSIFICATION OF VIOLATION	NO. OF CASE	SENT TO PUBLIC PROSECUTORS' OFFICE	ADMONISHED	TOTAL
MOTOR CAR	Negligence of signal	3		3	3
	Non-license	12	5	7	12
	Over speed	12		12	12
	Non-light	152		152	152
	Stopping on prohibited place	13		13	13
	Construction equipment	2		2	2
	Non-registered	2	1	1	2
BICYCLE	Double riding	181		181	181
	Non-warning bell	132		132	132
	Non-brake	64		64	64
	Non-light	129		129	129
	Uninscribing of name and address	34		34	34
HORSE CART	Parallel passing	11		11	11
	Non-driver's stand	47		47	47
PEDISTRIAN	Slant crossing	89		89	89
	Crossing of driveway	135		135	135
	Right side passing	3,779		3,779	3,779
OTHERS	Hanging on tram car	89		89	89
	Illegal use of road v	6		6	6
	Playing on road	20		20	20
TOTAL		4,912	6	4,906	4,912

Okayama prefectural police H.Q.
Okayama, Japan

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2) Car--
Laid a special care on Reckless driving,
Leading a dissolute,
Driver having no licence,
Parking,
& Load limit.
In towns it seemed good, but in villages persuived many violations. So want future control more. In the north part of the prefecture, getting the public cooperation, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ operated snow removal work to restore traffic.

3) Result-
~~1)~~ As attached table.

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Director of
Okayama Prefectural police H.Q.

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Result of the control:

Name of violation.	Examined No.	Punishment. Turned over to the prosecutors' office.	Reprimanded strictly.
Unlicenced driver	5	5	0
Unregistered car	I2	0	I
Incomplete structure.	26	0	26
Carrying no licence.	24	5	I9
Speed limit.	22		22
Overloading	56	6	50
Over the regular staff.	I50	5	I45
Signal disregarding.	58	4	54
Drunk driver	I5		I5
Violation of no parking.	37	7	30
Priority traffic.	I	(administrative punishment)	I
Removal of address	2	0	2
Violation of control measure against leading dissolute.	I4		I4
Driving of unregistered car.	3	3	
Violation of other laws.	I49		I49
Keep to the left.	6557		6557
Playing on road.	473		473
Leaving things alone on road	I95		I95
Total:	7788	35	7753

2 traffic accidents in the period:

(a)

Offender.....HiroOchi,YOKOYAMA 28
Driver,Agriculture association
Hongoson,Etetsugun,
Date.....I000 hours,Feb.I5
State of damage.Broke rear part of the truck.
Loss..¥5000
No casualities.
Cause.....As the driver neglected to stop beforeacrossing the car touched a train.
Police station concerned..Jobo district police.

(b)

Offender: Tomomi,ISHII(36), 941I88 Kurasiki city.
Date: 800 hours,FebI7.
State of damage: Broke a door at the driver's platform.
Loss-¥2,000 No casualities.
Cause: Neglected the priority traffic of the allied forces car.
Police station concerned:Kurashiki police.

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Parking,
& Load limit.

In towns it seemed good, but in villages persevived many violations. So want future control more. In the north part of the prefecture, getting the public cooperation, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ operated snow removal work to restore traffic.

3)Result-

~~xx~~ As attached table.

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Director of
Okayama prefectural police H.Q.

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Result of the control:

Name of violation.	Examined No.	Punishment. Turned over to the prosecutors' office.	Reprimanded strictly.
Unlicenced driver	5	5	0
Unregistered car	I2	0	I
Incomplete structure.	26	0	26
Carrying no licence.	24	5	I9
Speed limit.	22		22
Overloading	56	6	50
Over the regular staff.	I50	5	I45
Signal disregarding.	58	4	54
Drunk driver	I5		I5
Violation of no parking.	37	7	30
Priority traffic.	I	(administrative punishment)	I
Removal of address	2	0	2
Violation of control measure against leading dissolute.	I4		I4
Driving of unregistered car.	3	3	
Violation of other laws.	I49		I49
Keep to the left.	6557		6557
Playing on road.	473		473
Leaving things alone on road	I95		I95
Total:	7788	35	7753

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2 traffic accidents in the period:

(a)

Offender.....Hirochi,YOKOYAMA 28
Driver,Agriculture association
Hongoson,Ttetsugun,
Date.....I0oo hours,Feb.I5
State of damage.Broke rear part of the truck.
Loss..¥500
No casualities.
Cause.....As the driver neglected to stop beforeacrossing the car touched a train.
Police station concerned..Jobo district police.

(b)

Offender: Tomomi,ISHII(36), 94II88 Kurasiki city.
Date: 8oo hours,FebI7.
State of damage: Broke a door at the driver's platform.
Loss-¥2,ooo No casualities.
Cause: Neglected the priority traffic of the allied forces car.
Police station concerned:Kurashiki police.

HIROSHIMA PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

16 Feb. 1948.

SUBJECT: RESULTS OF TRAFFIC DICIPLINE

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, HQ. HIROSHIMA CHUGOKU REGION.

We hereby submit a report on the above subject as follows.

1. Period and objects regulated:

Jan.12	Mon.	1.	Left hand traffic.
" 19	"	2.	Jumping on or hopping off running vehicles.
" 26	"	3.	Lining up while waiting for transport.

2. Regulation in general.

Generally speaking, we did not expect much more than we had planned, for in this prefecture we were busily engaged in the prepartory start of the police reorganization though the traffic of this month was expected to be much confused due to the New Year's day and the schools' holidays.

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1) The status of left hand traffic shows it is fairly observed but there are still walking abreast, jay-bird walking spotted. More efforts are planned for future regulation.

2) Regulation on hopping off and jumping on moving vehicles have obtained its aims owing much to the positive guidance of the Occupation and the full regulations conducted by the concerned workers and their education. Future efforts are made to maintain the present effects obtained.

3) Lining up while waiting for vehicles.
Considerable results were reached to the effect of lining up to wait for vehicles by the good support extended from the workers.

3. Methods taken up by the prefecture.
Traffic guidance and inspectors were dispatched to five cities in the prefecture for consultation and all press offices including the Hiroshima Central Broadcasting Station were asked to propagate the principles of the drive.

4. Methods taken up by respective stations.

1) Understanding of Code.

a. Education of policemen.
All stations gave instruction lessons on the New Road Code and Traffic Regulation Laws.

b. Education against concerned workers.

Phamplets were distributed to the concerned workers union and organizations to popularize the new laws and regulations by dispatching members from the station.

c. Guidance of school children and general public.

All stations in the prefecture kept contact with schools and made efforts to have the new code understood by them and by doing so spread it among their families.

2) Activities of the traffic brightening squad.

Their activities were in general low on account of new year's feasts.

3) Activities of school traffic committee.

1. Sera N. R. P.

Caligraphy and mottoes were displayed in primary schools of Kozan and Ogumi-mura.

2. The knowledge towards traffic have in general been promoted as traffic instructions were given to the middle schools pupils in Ogata-mura of Saiki N.R.P., primary school children in Tokaichi and Kisa towns in Futami N.R.P. and the Saijo Agricultural School in Kamo N.R.P.

4. Others.

The traffic accidents during this period is as shown in the attached list:

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Y. TANIGUCHI

Director of Police Department

Hiroshima Prefecture.

RESULTS OF REGULATION ON TRAFFIC DISCIPLINE DAYS

	CLASSIFICATION OF VIOLATION	NO. OF CASE	SENT TO PUBLIC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE	CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF POLICE REGs.	ADMONISHED	TOTAL
MOTOR-CAR	Negligence of signal.	203	2		201	203
	Non-license.	6	2		4	6
	Over speed.	42	1		41	42
	Non-light.	232	8		224	232
	Stopping on prohibited place.	62	4		58	62
	Defect of head-light.	3			3	3
	Not carrying registration-card.	3			3	3
BICYCLE	Double riding.	544	1		544	544
	Non-warning bell.	228			228	228
	Non-brake	131			131	131
	Uninscribing of name and address.	162			162	162
HORSE-CART.	Parallel passing.	50			50	50
	Non-driver's stand.	151			151	151
PEDESTRIAN	Slant-crossing.	892			892	892
	Crossing of drive-way.	368			368	368
	Right-side passing.	4,341			4,341	4,341
OTHERS	Hanging on Tram-car.	5			5	5
	Illegal use of road.	8			8	8
	Playing on road	52			52	52
TOTAL		7,483	18		7,465	7,483

STATICS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS JAN. 1948

Victim / Inflictor	PERSONS			MOTOR VEHICLES			BICYCLES			OTHERS			TOTAL		
	NO.OF CASE	KILLED	INJURED	NO OF CASE.	KILLED.	INJURED.	NO.OF CASE.	KILLED.	INJURED.	NO.OF CASE.	KILLED	INJURED	NO.OF CASE	KILLED	INJURED.
Cars	1		1										1		1
Trams															
Train	2	2											2	2	
Bicycles															
Horse Carts	1	1											1	1	1
Carts															
Others															
TOTAL	4	3	1										4	3	1

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(3) Enforcement of severe punishment against violators of traffic regulation

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In this training they put stress on strict observance of keeping to the left and putting lights on driving cars etc.

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Subject: Enfringement of Traffic Regulations by US Vehicles

34 Aust Inf Bde
2 NZEF (JAPAN)
Brit Com Base

Copy to: CHUGOKU Military Government Region

1. In the past, BCOF Provost have greatly assisted US units in the BCOF area by reporting infreingements of traffic regulations by drivers of US vehicles.

2. US Army regulations for the running of MT do however differ in some respects from those of BCOF. The following suggestions are therefore made for guidance of BCOF provost personnel dealing with US vehicles suspected of traffic offences:-

(a) US vehicles are required to conform to local BCOF traffic regulations governing speed limits, traffic circulation, parking, and similar matters relating to road discipline.

(b) A US Army vehicle will be considered to be on an authorised journey if the name on the Trip Ticket corresponds with the name on the Drivers' Licence. The former need NOT necessarily be signed by an officer.

(c) Japanese nationals may only be carried in US Army vehicles when the Trip Ticket is specially endorsed for this purpose.

(d) Subparas (b) and (c) above do NOT apply to CIC vehicles however, which may operate without Trip Tickets and may carry Japanese Nationals without special endorsement. These vehicles bear JAPOC licence plates.

3. In cases where infringements of traffic regulations by US Army vehicles is suspected by BCOF Provost personnel, reports should be made to HQ BCOF Mil Gov Liaison Sec, KURE, for onward transmission to the US unit concerned, specifying full particulars of the incident.

4. Privately owned US vehicles which bear a JAPOC Registration should be dealt with in accordance with Eighth Army Circular 158 dated 25 Dec 47, as amended by Circular 189 dated 3 Dec 47.

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Lt. Col
2 Brigadier
General Staff

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DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO.

Okayama prefectural police dept.
Okayama, Japan
Feb.2 1948

Subject: Resubt of supervision of all traffics.
To :U.S.A.Military government team/Chugoku area.
Okayama military government team
Military police/Okayama

Supervision of all traffics carried on Jan.15 to 17 was the Ist traffic supervision basing on the new epoch-making traffic rules after its promulgation.
Attained fair result by the training laying emphasis on the rule.
The detail is as follows:

I. ~~Iex~~ Steps taken into effect by the police dept:

I) To let the public know the rule printed 3,000 copies of the rule to ditribute for all police men, planned not only to contribute to the policeman culture but also to let the public know the rule through the policemen.

2) Okayama prefectural motor school made copies of the new rule for sale to let the public know.

3) Inserted in newspapers and broadcasted it at before and after the period to ~~lat~~ educate the public.

4) Received participation ~~in~~ the traffic control from Allied Forces, I M.P. and a policeman riding in a motor carried it on in the city followed by attaining of fair effect.

5) Distributed 100 sets of stamps to be used for violation of the rule to all police stations in the prefecture, it caused a big tension against drivers, then obeying idea to the rule has been upraised furtherly.

2. Steps carried out by policestations:

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I) Under cooperation of M.P. Okayama east & west police stations exerted the supervision patroling (usually in the city on a jeep. (Now going on it even after the period)

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3) During the period held a table-talk at an upstair room of the Okayama higasi police station by special traffic workers& relative representatives to let the public know the new rulex throughly.

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3. The result:
I) As attached table.
2) Traffic accident in the period:
I case.
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Niimi branch of the prefectural truck Co.
Date:---IOoo hours Jan.16 I948
State of damage--No casualties, the car-body loss ¥5,ooo,
When the truck backed out to avoid a coming motor, owing to frozen snowfall of one sun on inclined road, it slipped sideways and fell down on a field below 6 feet.
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Tokujiro, KUMANO
Director of
Okayama prefectural polize dept.

(a) Turned over to the prosecutors' office.
(b) Reprimanded.

Name of violation.		Total
Unlicenced driver......	(a)	I6
	(b)	o
Unregistered car.......	(a)	I
	(b)	o
Incomplete structure....	(a)	5
	(b)	I8
Carrying no licence....	(a)	8
	(b)	6
Carrying no registry....	(a)	I
	(b)	4
Speed limit............	(a)	o
	(b)	o
Overloading............	(a)	3
	(b)	32
Overriding.............	(a)	I4
	(b)	I38
Signal disregarding.....	(a)	4
	(b)	47
Drinking-..............	(a)	o
	(b)	o
Violation of no parking	(a)	2o
	(b)	35
Priority traffic........	(a)	o
	(b)	o
Change of position......	(a)	o
	(b)	2
Driving of unregistered car.........	(a)	2
	(b)	2
Playing on road.........	(a)	o
	(b)	72I
Keeping to the right....	(a)	o
	(b)	I87I
Leaving things alone on road..........	(a)	o
	(b)	26I
Smoking................	(a)	o
	(b)	I4
Violation of other relative rules.........	(a)	I0
	(b)	I26
Total..................	(a)	84
	(b)	3278

	(b)	(a)
Ibara.	25	o
Hayasino	49	o
Katsumada	I42	o
Kami	II8	o
Katsuyama	I88	o
Tsuyama	4II	3
Kurasiki	I69	6
Nariwa	9	o
Takahasi	I3I	I
Niimi.	2I4	I
Soja	258	2
Yakage	I8	2
Kasaoka	3o6	o
Tamasima	I9	o
Katagami	I8	I
Seto	I9o	I
Usimado	I04	I
Saidaiji	2o	I
Uno	488	6
Ajino	2I4	3
Kanagawa	5	o
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Name of violation.		Total	Ibara	Hayasino	Matsumoto	Kami	Matsuyama	Kuyama	Furaichi	Nariwa	Sakahami	Niimi.	Soja	Yokage	Hasaoka	Tamashima	Katagami	Seto.	Usimado	Saidaiji	Uno	Ajino	Kamagawa	Okayama	[illegible]
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THE NIKKAN HIROSHIMA 1 Feb 1948

(1) Onomichi Police Station strengthens the traffic control

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In Onomichi city which occupys an important position as a junction of all private and government railways and ferry steamer for Shikoku Island, the traffic condition is showing considerable confusion in rush hour etc., neglecting the traffic morality, for which Onomichi Police authorities have been controlling strictly, mobilizing all policemen of branch stations & traffic constables once a week.

Especially Mr. Nakatsu, Chief of Onomichi Autonomous Police Station went out in the streets putting the arm-band on his sleeve for the traffic control, whose democratic & gallant action became the centre of citizens' admiration.

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(3) The flying squad of Onomichi Police Station begins to hunt blackmarketeers

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As the result of being much vexed at rampancy of street gamblers and blackmarketeers of fresh fish and vegetables. Onomichi Police Station authorities formed a flying squad named "Shinsen-Gumi" which consists of ten members such as Mr. Umino, Mr. Ibara etc., who were picked among the most able policemen throughout the same Station, and began the brisk movement for elimination of the hateful law-breakers, despatching "the Shinsen-Gumi" to their nests every day. Only for three days after the formation of "the Shinsen-Gumi", the malignant violators disappeared from streets, so all consumers are sighing their relief. 28

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Jan. 21, 1948.

Statisties of traffic accident in Hiroshima Pref.

In spite of enforcement of new traffic regulation since Jan. the traffic accidents cauded by carelessness have not decreased in number.

According to the statisties made by Hiroshima Prefectural authorities the numbers of casualties during last year were as follows,-

90 men and 39 women were killed.
225 men and 111 women were injured.

These numbers of casualties are too many in comparison with 386 cases of traffic accidents.

Truck accidents	----------	202 cases.	
Tram "	----------	59 "	(up to Aug.)
Railway "	----------	32 "	
etc.			

Majority of 205 accidents by drivers' carelessness were occupied by those of trucks.

The figures of 271 accidents which occurred on the plain and st straight courses instead of the curve or crossing, are showing the great carelessness on both sides of drivers and pedestrians.

In Hiroshima Pref. the road toll takes a life every 3 days, and one person a day is injured. Men are more than twice as careless as women.

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Question - What do Japanese police do besides out around the police boxes & drink green tea? I have yet to see a policeman at the scene of an accident or walking a beat.

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Okayama Prefectural Police Department.
Okayama, Japan.

January 16, '48.

Subject : Report on handling newly desided stamps concerning motorist regulation.

TO : Military Government Team, Chugoku Area.
Okayama Military Government Team.
Military Police, BCOF, Okayama.

In accordance with opinions at the conversazation hel-d centuring police officials concerened, deciding to use the under-mentioned stamps concerning the car driver's regulation, we hereby beg to report on the matters to your inspfection.

(1) 1.100 pieces of a triangular rubber stamp showing the head letter-s of each police station name, shall be prepared.

2. In addition to the above, 500 pieces of a stamp showing the name of a case violated shall be prepared: in case of parking regulat-ion violated, the stamp showing "parking car" should be used; one set of the stamp is consist of five kinds of the stamp namely, "Parking car", "not with his license", "over passengers' limit", "disregarded sign", and "drinking driver".

(2) 1. Police officials on inside duty concerned, and those directly posted on the spot always have to take the five stamps with them, and stamp the designated stamp on the remarks colum of the driver's license in case of discoverying any regulations violatorm who is eqquivalent to reprimand.

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(2)2.In case of stamping on the part of the officials,they must to take proceedings for taking over to the prosecutors' office if they find the ~~hhhhhhh~~ violator's license ~~hhh~~ stamped three times.

3.Drivers violated over ten times are subject to administrative punishment,whose surroundings have to be reported by officials concerned.

4.Those whose license stamped several times,infear of being punished ,may apply for another license on the pretext of having lost the orignal one,which matters the officials concerned are required to pay attention to.

5.Those who have not taken with their licenses,after taking the proper step to meet the situation ,shall be brought their ones,and made to submit a detail account to the police station.

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Tokujiro,KUMANO.

Director of Okayama Prefectural

Police Department.

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TOTTORI PREFECTURAL OFFICE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

DATE: January 13, 1948.

SUBJECT: Traffic training.

TO: The Commanding Officer,
Hq. Chugoku Military Government Region,
Kure Honshu.

During December last, training of traffic was carried out as follows : -

1. <u>How training was carried out :</u>

From Dec. 10 to Dec. 16 1947, a year end traffic safety drive was held in this prefecture followed by the above training. The following shows how the training was carried out.

(1) All police stations, as it is the season of snow fall now, led the people to remove snow on the streets and roads more energetically.

(2) In order to let people know more thoroughly of the purpose of Road Traffic Code, which had come into effect from Jan. I this year, all police stations sent their men to schools, companies, firms and factories where they held a meeting and gave the participants an explanation on the act in question.

(3) Mayors of cities and heads of towns and villages were requested to cooperate with the police in the effort of developing traffic ~~the~~ moral among the people.

(4) As Road Traffic Control Code was promulgated, in order to let people know more thoroughly of its purpose, an enlightement movement and propaganda were carried out through press.

(5) For the purpose of elevating traffic moral of the people in the prefecture, an announcement was broad casted from Tottori Radio station.

(6) All police stations had traffic indication boards, etc. in the respective areas of their jurisdiction repaired.

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(7) Tottori, Yonago and Kurayoshi Police Stations sent jeeps with a microphone for traffic safety propaganda parade through the streets during the period of training.

(8) In order to call for people's cooperation in making traffic safe, Tottori, Yonago, Kurayoshi and Sakae police stations carried out propaganda at railway stations and cinema houses through their microphones and lantern-slides.

(9) As regards the guidance and control in the streets, all police stations forcussed their attention on " keep to left " rule, warning against plays in the streets, limitation on speed of motor vehycles, and encouragement and guidance of hand signalling.

(10) During the period of training, this department sent inspection squads to towns for inspection of traffic condition and supervision and encouragement of traffic police while police stations also organized their own inspection squads and sent them to the respective areas of their jurisdiction for the same purpose.

2. <u>Comment :</u>

As the training for the month of December was carried out at the year end, there was more traffic than usual.
The training was, therefore, proportionately more effective than usual.

Signed : [signature]

Director

Okayama Prefectural Police Department.
Okayama, Japan.

January 7, 1948.

Subject : Report on the result of overall controling over trafic.

TO : Chugoku Military Government Team, Chugoku Area.
Okayama Military Government Team.
Military Police, BCOF, Okayama Area.

We hereby beg to report on the subject as bellows:-

In connection with motor-cars, we devoted ourselves to controling over motorists unlicensed, of having no license, of no preference to A.O.F.'s cars, violating the speed limit, with more than the fixed number of passengers, violating parking regulations, disregarding traffic signs, and driving duruhk, while, as to pedestrians, to those who did not keep to the left, jaywalked, played on the street, walked instead of sidewalks, and occupyed roads without a license.

Over the prefecture, severe control was enforced deciding in taking vicious ones over to the prosecutors' office, and, as the result pf this controol together with temporayy one, motorists and pedestrains have much improved in observing regulations; as to detail -ed report on the results, please refer to the following:

1. Period.-------3 days---December 15, 16, and 17, 1947.

2. Instructive control object, and result.

a. Total number investigated.--2,997 cases.

b. Taken over to prosecutors' office.--48 cases (including those who have been designated being taken over).

c. Remainder severely reprimanded.

d. Remarks: There are many driving without a license, with more than the fixed number off passengers; without lights at night, or passing by a.o.f.car, or violating parking regulations, to which we will our special attention hereafter.

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d.Remarks: In this month,owing to the second enforcement of controlling,motorists have ~~ich~~ much improved in observing the traffic regulations from this month.

In connection with the control over pedestrains,we have exhorted them to keep to the left,not to play in the street,to walk,instead of vehicle road,only side walks, and to observe trafficeb signals: as the result,they seem to have much inproved in ~~xxxx~~ observing regulations.

In the northern districts in the perfecture experiencing snow fall,we are endevouring in ~~xxxxb~~ assuring or restoring traffic by ~~hxxh~~ clearing snow away with conbinded efforts of the fire-brigade,school pupils,or civiliains concerned.

3.Result. Under separate sheet is prepeared for your inspection in details.

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Hirokich,NISHIOKA,

Governor of Okayama Prefectural Government.

List for control results investigated on street.

Kind.	To prosecutor's office.	Reprimanded.
Unlicensed driver,	9.	
" " ,		0.
Unregistered Car ,	0.	8.
" " ,		0.
Incomplete " ,	7.	
" " ,		13.(thirteen).
Without a license,	5.	
" " ,		5.
Without a register,	7.	
" "		1.
Over speed limit ,	0.	
" " " ,	2.	7.
" Weight " ,	0.	
" " " ,		22.
" Passengers ,	9.	
" " " ,		124.
Disregar Signal ,	0.	
" " ,		44.
Drunken driver ,	1.	
" "		0.
Going ahead of a.c.f. car, " " "	0.	
"		0.
~~Changed~~ Changed Name of driver,	1.	
"		6.
Possessor undecided,	1.	
" " ,		0.
Other Case for car regulations,	3.	37.
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Playing on street,	0.	
" "		347.
Walking along the right,	0.	
"		2,031.
other for road regulation,	0.	
"		89.
Use of road without a license,	0.	
"		190.
Violating smoking limit,	0.	
"		11.
Total,	48.	2,949.
All cases totaling.....		2,997.

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HEADQUARTERS
CHUGOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION
HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT
APO 317

Kure, Honshu

CMGR 611 (C-Ed)

5 Jan 1948

SUBJECT: Reports on Alleged Removal of Railway Crossing Signs

TO : Hq, BCOF Military Government Liaison Section

1. Reference: Ltr BCOF, GS 9.0.15 MG, dtd 12 Dec 47, Subj:"Alleged Removal of Railway Crossing Signs -- Shimane and Tottori Prefectures."

2. Your attention is invited to inclosures 2 and 3, for investigation reports of subject allegations.

3. No railway crossing signs have been removed by Military Government personnel.

4. This headquarters will bring reports to attention of Japanese Government Railways (Hiroshima Railways Division).

RUSSELL C. SNYDER
Colonel, FA
Commanding

3 Incls:
1. 1st Ind, this hqs, to referenced ltr.
2. 2nd Ind, Hqs SMGT, to referenced ltr.
3. 2nd Ind, Hqs TMGT, to referenced ltr.

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BASIC: Ltr BCOF, GS 9.0.15 MG, dtd 12 Dec 47, Subj: "Alleged Removal of Railway Crossing Signs - SHIMANE and TOTTORI Prefectures".

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HEADQUARTERS, SHIMANE MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM, APO 317, Matsue, Honshu, 27 December 1947

THRU: Commanding Officer, Chugoku Military Government Region, APO 317, Kure, Honshu

TO : Commanding General, BCOF, Kure, Honshu

1. The report concerned in basic communication has been investigated and is erroneous. All railroad crossing signs have been replaced by the Shimane Engineer Department, Highway Section and are in conformity with specification set forth in Appendix B to BCOF General Staff Instruction dated 10 Aug 1946, Drawing No. CE 1101.

2. The Prefectural Liaison Office has been instructed in accordance with Par 3, 1st Ind.

CLAYTON L. MAUSERT
Lt-Col., T.C.
Commanding

CMGR 729.3 3rd Ind C/HE/ltn

Headquarters, Chugoku Military Government Region, APO 317, Kure, Honshu, 29 December 1947

TO: Hq., BCOF Military Government Liaison Section

1. Attention is invited to 2nd indorsement.

2. This headquarters will bring report to the attention of Japanese Government Railways (Hiroshima Railways Division).

RUSSELL C. SNYDER
Colonel, FA
Commanding

BASIC: Ltr BCOFGS 9.0.15 MG dated 12 December 1947, Subject: "Alleged Removal of Railway Crossing Signs Shimane and Tottori prefecture."

File No 136 2nd Ind JWB/mmo

HEADQUARTERS, TOTTORI MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM, APO 317, 26 December 1947.

TO: Commanding Officer, Chugoku Military Government Region, APO 317

1. Investigation of the report in basic letter shows that an order for the removal of Railway Crossing Signs was given by Captain Dixon of the Punjab Regiment on 8th February 1947. The railway authorities explained that the signs were placed there by order of 3MRS and the order was rescinded. No signs were removed in Tottori prefecture.

2. Paragraph 3 of the 1st indorsement has been complied with.

PHILLIP J. VANDER ZWIEP
Lt. Col., F. A.
Commanding