

Three. Observation trips: In general comment of delegates and officers of secretariat on conditions found during past weeks observation trips has been favorable.

Four. Unrest in UNTCOKS: Conversations which our liaison officer and I have had with members UNTCOK reveal that most of them are homesick, very tired of their job, fed up with lack of opportunity for recreation. This is partially responsible for desire to write report away from Seoul and not to make an effort to carry out points (A), (B) and (C) of Paragraph Four of Resolution Two Paragraph Five. Korean attitude: Generally speaking Koreans continue to be interested in forthcoming election but there is certain pall of uncertainty because of Pyongyang conference, especially here Seoul. There is also certain amount of disorder caused by Communist activity, especially on Cheju Island where Communists are most active, but these disorders have not assumed alarming proportions. For that reason and because I have been so preoccupied with other matters I have not attempted report thereon assuming that Department sees or can see CG USAFIK reports to Joint Chiefs of Staff on such matters. I may, however, submit summarization thereof next week especially if Cheju disorders become more serious.

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• 이승만의 전문 내용 / 제주도상황 보고(1948. 4. 27)

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Quoted below is intercepted message dated April 27 (being released for dispatch tomorrow) sent by Rhee to his Washington office. This message as well as similar message quoted in Seoul POLAD 245, April 16, indicates Rhee's shallow thinking and distorted interpretation of facts as well as his stubbornness in maintaining fixed idea, as for instance his continual reference, in spite of denials, to appointment of United States high commissioner to South Korea. These telegrams are also sad commentary on type of man who is likely to be either president or premier of future government in South Korea with which United States and United Nations must deal.

"Patterson election. Opponent told Korea ladies election impossible because people want joint elections being discussed Pyongyang. UNTCOK holding meeting discussing whether or not election should be held. Public tremendously excited demanding Patterson's removal. No one excepting Communists supports joint discussions. South leaders joined Communists in condemning 'American imperialism and colonial design'. Two or three UNTCOK members demanded and AMG released 3,000 criminals condemned for murder, arson and destruction, thus reviving Red terrorism throughout south, threatening and killing election committee men and proposed nominees. Chedjudo civil war destroying many people and property and in Koisan district three candidates were murdered. Yet UNTCOK complains about lack of free atmosphere for leftists.

Rumors persist Jaisohn high commissioner. Governor and police chief Chedjudo are Ahn Chai Hong men. AMG would not replace them. Public tension growing. Japs trying to drive Koreans from Japan thus to deprive them of their property before setting up Korean government."

Other ideas reliably reported to be entertained by Rhee and his wife are: (1) Doctor Jaisohn will renounce his citizenship and be appointed chief of state by General Hodge, and (2) General Hodge does not know that he is to be relieved by General Wedemeyer.

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• 사망자 350명의 개요(1948. 4. 27)

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