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G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

No. 672.

MAPS: KOREA, 1/250,000.

1. Non-Operational Intelligence.

None reported.

2. Counterintelligence.

None reported.

3. Civil Relations.

Civil Disturbances by Province.

a. Kyongsang-South:

- (1) TANGYE-RI (1101 - 1378) - Delayed report: On the night of 15 August 47, a fight started between 500 Leftist, "Farmer's Association" members and a smaller number of Rightists. Three Rightists were injured. No additional data is available at close of period.
- (2) PUSAN - There are two stevedore companies working on pier #4, the "Speed Company" and the "New Korea Company". Each company works one-half of the pier. At approximately 0900, 21 August 47, a U. S. sentry saw a stevedore from the "Speed Company" hanging around a warehouse stored with medical supplies on the "New Korea Company" side of the pier. The sentry told the stevedore to return to his side of the pier. The stevedore did not obey so the sentry put his hand on the laborer's shoulder. The stevedore resisted and yelled that he was being attacked. Another stevedore from the "Speed Company" came up and hit the U. S. sentry. The sentry in return struck this stevedore. A large crowd of stevedores gathered and moved to the "New Korea Company" side of the pier. The crowd armed with poles, and sticks, etc., moved towards the pier office near the gate. The officer in charge of the pier had 30 of his U. S. sentries, armed with rifles, and five Constabulary drive the "Speed Company" stevedores back to their side of the pier. The "Speed Company" stevedores threatened death to the "New Korea Company" workers if they continued to work. The "New Korea Company" laborers claimed they were too frightened to work so the officer sent them off the pier. On the "Speed Company" side of the pier, the stevedores were searched and quietly run off the pier.

The officer in charge of the pier stated that in his opinion the "Speed Company" stevedores employed at lower wages than the "New Korea Company" stevedores seized the incident as an excuse to demand and demonstrate for higher pay. By 1015, 21 August 47 the pier had been cleared of all stevedores and the situation was quiet.

b. Cheju-Do:

(EXTRACT: XXIV Corps G-2 Periodic Report #610, 18 August 47):

"Grain Collection Officials Attacked - Approximately 50 persons made a recent night attack against three provincial government grain collection officials in CHEJU (950 - 1150). At the start of the attack a lighted lantern in the officials quarters was snuffed out by a stone thrown by one of the attackers. The mob then beat the three officials with sticks. Police arrested three suspects the following day."

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4. Summary of Intelligence in Adjacent Areas.

(EXTRACT: XXIV Corps G-2 Periodic Report #610, 18 August 47):

"Communists Use Penicillin In Membership Drive - Black Market penicillin is being used by the Communist party in an effort to recruit members, according to a presumably reputable Korean doctor. The doctor claims that when he went to a local SEOUL druggist to get penicillin, he was told to sign a paper which he at first thought was a receipt. The paper read, however, 'I hereby join the Communist party.' The druggist refused to sell the penicillin when the doctor would not sign the membership pledge."

5. Miscellaneous.

a. Road Conditions.

Kyongsang-south province.

HYOPCHON (1114 - 1402) - The Gun master stated that the provincial government will complete repairing the bridge in HYOPCHON by 1 October 47. The main road from CHIMJU (1108 - 1356) to HADONG (1074 - 1341) is open as the fords at (1102 - 1353) and (1099 - 1352), which have been out, are now passable.

b. Unconfirmed reports circulated in SEOUL, probably by rightists, stated that KIM, Il Sung, head of the "North Korea People's Committee", has been assassinated.

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