

No. 22

Period Covered: 1 November 1947 to 15 November 1947

III. Political Section:

(6) Terrorism

On 16 October 1947, it was reported that about thirty members of the Cheju Daidong Youth Corps set out to tour the island for the purpose of political rallies and recruiting new members. With the assistance of local police, the young men assembled the villagers together and forced them to listen to speeches. Whenever a villager appeared to disapprove of the propaganda, he was soundly beaten by the Daidong. Five terroristic acts were reported.

▪ 제주 경찰에 조치 없으면 유혈사태 발생경고(1947. 12. 15)

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Period Covered: 1 December 1947 to 15 December 1947

I. Sabotage and Espionage:

(3) Cheju-do Leftist Distributing Leftist Propaganda:

Information was given to Cheju-do CIC by a high ranking member of the Cheju-up Presbyterian Church of Kumnyong, Kujwa Kyon, Cheju-do (975-1157), to the effect that one LEE, Su Han, reporter for the Min Chung Ilbo, a Seoul Paper, was a leftist agitator and a possible espionage agent. LEE is reportedly an important leftist at Keumnyong, having spoken several times against rice collection, had distributed handbills, and had advocated Korea's becoming subjected to the Soviet Union. LEE was apprehended by Cheju-do CIC, interrogated, and incarcerated for further interrogation. There are indications that he is working in an espionage capacity for the South Korea Labor Party and/or for the Seoul People's Daily.

(S/I dtd 22 Nov 47, Subj: LEE, Su Han, reporter for Min Chung Ilbo)

III. Political Section:

(2) Left Wing

In Cheju-Do the leftists have received orders to infiltrate the United Young Men's Party, the Saw Book and Korean National Youth Association.

(S/I dtd 19 Nov 47.)

VI. Miscellaneous:

(2) Terrorism

Cheju reports that trouble is brewing on the island and bloodshed will take place if the authorities in the National Police do not take action against the Cheju Police. Public tension has reached such a point that attacks on the police are imminent, if nothing is done to alleviate the situation. (S/I dtd 7 Dec 47, subj: Police, Cheju, public tension caused by acts of.)

On the island of Cheju, information was received from a Confidential Informant that on 26 November 1947, 20 members of the Dai Dong Student's Corps (Dai Dong Nak Saing Ihn) apprehended and beat two members of the Korean National Youth (Chosun Lin Jok Chang Kyun Dang), a rightist organization.

(S/I dtd 27 Nov 47, Subj: Daidong Students Corps, terroristic acts of.)

• 서북청년단의 기부금 강요와 테러(1947. 12. 31)

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SUBJECT: Counter Intelligence Corps Semi-Monthly Report
No. 25

Period Covered: 16 December 1947 to 31 December 1947

I. Sabotage and Espionage:

(5) CIO Interpreter Selling Information:

The Cheju CIO Detachment received information from LEE, Heung Sik, Ex-Vice Chief of Cheju Do Inspection Command, to the effect that KIM, Chong Ahn, the interpreter of the Cheju Det was disloyal to CIO.

An investigation revealed that KIM, Chong Ahn, was working for the Cheju Police for approximately 1 year and a salary of about 2000 yen per month while he was working as an interpreter for CIO. KIM supplied information to the staff of the Cheju Do Inspection Command. KIM was relieved of his duties with CIO.

(M/R dtd 3 Dec 47, Subj: CIO Interpreter, KIM, Chong Ahn)

(3) Terrorism:

Terrorism, beatings, and knifings seem to be, to the Koreans, the only and the logical way to achieve any desired end they are striving for. As before, the various youthmen's organizations (mostly rightist) have been responsible for most of the acts of terrorism. These acts are continually growing more frequent with the approach of the UN commission and with the various youth groups attempting to 'out-do' each other on membership and financial drives.

The North-West Young Men's Association has been carrying out a rather extensive financial drive, and on many occasions when a particular person or group of persons has failed to contribute with their wishes, he is threatened; if this threat is not met, he is then beaten. During the month of November, 1947, HAN, Kung Lee (1900-1950) repeatedly demanded contributions from HAN, Kung Lee of Kwangju. HAN refused to contribute. On 27 Nov 47, two members of the NYMA, KIM, Sang Ahn and KIM, Yung entered HAN's home and attacked him with knives. In the fight that ensued, HAN managed to arm himself with a knife and, although he was killed in the struggle, he was able to kill KIM, Yung.