

5. It is believed inadvisable to organize a mountain Police unit. The terrain on Cheju-Do is such that a horse unit would be almost as road-bound as a motor unit and lack the speed and long range mobility of a motor unit. Horse cavalry has proved itself outmoded in such terrain. The same holds true for mountain Police.

6. Relative to recommendations embodied in paragraph 5:

a. Recommendation to elevate Cheju-Do Island from the status of Police Inspection Command to Police Division is not approved.

b. Recommendation that two District Police Stations should be newly set up on Cheju-Do is not approved.

c. Recommendation that the present authorized strength of 500 be permanently increased to 800 is not approved.

W. F. DEAN
Major General, United States Army
Military Governor

• 박진경 대령 암살자 재판(1948. 8. 2)

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES OF DIS

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2 August 1948

3. Money captured from Communists in mountains at Cheju do remains in hands of Civil Affairs Officer there; Major Noel awaiting disposition by MG.

5. Trial of murderers of Colonel Pak (Cheju do) gets under way this week.

W. L. ROBERTS
Brig Gen USA
Advisor to the Director
Department of Internal Security

• 폭행과 고문사례(1948. 8. 3)

Beating and Torture Cases

Advisor to the Director

Uniform Bureau

3 August 1948

1. The following is a record, by Divisions, of alleged beating and torture cases in the Korean National Police:

DIVISION "A"

15 June 1948

hunger strike at the Incheon Jail in protest against brutality and torture. (information appeared in paper and investigation was referred to the Inspector General. No report today.)

18 July 1948

Kim Yong Bai died on 19 July 1948 while in the custody of the Kaesong Police. Autopsy disclosed the fact that the man had been beaten prior to his death, but indicates cause of death as heart failure. (Report from Kaesong Police Inspector.)

DIVISION "C"

Lieutenant Piganot, American Advisor, has two beating and torture cases under investigation. Details are not available.

DIVISION "D"

- 1 June 1948 Su Byong June, official of Poun Gun, was beaten by police and sustained a broken arm and other injuries. Beating took place as a result of an argument that developed when police were attempting to collect money to defray expenses in connection with an election celebration. (Verified)
- 25 June 1948 Pak To Kyu badly beaten by Yong Dong Police while they were questioning him in a bribery case. (Verified)
- 25 June 1948 Youn Su Hyun beaten to death by police at the Ho Dong Kwan Hotel at Yong Dong. Argument took place at a police party, and beating was ordered by a Lieutenant of the Police. (verified)
- 27 June 1948 Nam Ki Myong beaten to death by police of the Sang Chon Station. Argument took place when a policeman and a civilian were collecting money for the Police Supporting Association. (Verified)
- 21 May 1948 Court clerk beaten by Taegu Police over an argument that developed when judges refused to issue a warrant. (verified)

DIVISION "E"

- 22 July 1948 Pfc Lee Sang Yul, Constabulary member, beaten by the police and Dai Dong Members at Hyon Nai Dong, Ki Kai Myun, Yongil Gun. Further argument and snooting between constabulary and police later developed and Pfc Lee Sang Yul was killed and Pfc Han Yong Soo was injured. (Verified)
- 1 June 1948 Kim Yun Dal beaten to death while being questioned by police of the Naju Police Station. (Verified) DIVISION "F"

DIVISION "F"

- 4 July 1948 Kim Sam Sung, suspected murderer, was tortured to death by police of the Kusan Station. Water treatment was used. (Verified)

DIVISION "G"

- 25 May 1948 Cheung Sook Wha, female - aged 52, supposed to have been tortured to death by police of the Chinju Station. (No report from police. Case to be investigated by representatives of Civil Liberties Union.)

DIVISION "H"

- 9 June 1948 Cho Ok Tong beaten to death by police of the Masan Station. (Verified)

This Division leads in torture deaths. Several cases are now under investigation but details are not available.

DIVISION "I"

- 16 June 1948 Petition of Mrs. Suh Sung Sun charges beating and water cure in connection with a housing dispute. (Referred Division "K")

Three police convicted of murder in Provost Court for wanton shooting of prisoners. (verified)

27 May 1948 Two students from the College admit killing two prisoners, who they claim, were attempting to escape. (Chorpening claims that bodies were exhumed and that one had no bullet hole.)

8 June 1948 Two police confessed to the shooting and killing of five prisoners.

30 May 1948 Six prisoners disappeared after railroad Police claim they released them. (Bodies were exhumed and were found to have bullet holes.)

2. It is not contended that this list is complete, but it does cover the cases reported to date.

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POSSIBLE "DANGER AREAS" AS SEEN BY NATIONAL POLICE

Division "A" (Kyunggi Do Province)

City of Incheon — Ongjin Station Area — Border Boxes along 38th
No large concentrations and it would appear that Police can well handle.
No areas reinforced.

Division "B" (Kangwon Do Province)

Kangnung, Ulchin and Chuminjin Area — Border Boxes along 38th
approximately 200 police reinforcements in Kangnung, Ulchin and
Chuminjin Area. Many plain clothes men still working throughout the
area. Opposing force estimated at about 450 men.

Division "C" (Chungchong Nampo Province)

No concentrated trouble areas.

Division "D" (Chungchong Pukto Province)

Yongdong area may give some trouble despite the fact that it was cleaned
up more than a month ago.

Division "E" (Kyongsang Pukto Province)

City of Taegu — Talsung Mine Area — Area from Pohang to Ulchin
No estimate on forces, but all areas are trouble spots.

Division "F" (Cholla Pukto Province)

Mountain area south of Yongdong area is infested, but rioters are being
rounded up constantly. Scattered trouble throughout the province, but
trouble can be taken care of.

Division "G" (Kyongsang Nampo Province)

City of Pusan

Division "H" (Cholla Namdo Province)

City of Kwanju — Wando and other Island Areas — Mountain Areas throughout Province.

Approximately 400 police reinforcements in the area and clean-up is progressing steadily.

Division "M" (City of Seoul)

Area well in hand

Choju Do

1800 Police on Island and are pursuing a plan of occupying all villages in a peaceful manner.

• 1948년 8월의 경찰 특별경계(1948. 8. 7)

7 August 1948

SUBJECT: Special Police Precautions during August, 1948

TO: Chiefs of All Divisions

FROM: Director, Department of Police

1. As was brought out at the conference of the Chiefs of the Intelligence Section of All Divisions on 5 August 1948, it seems certain that the South Korea Labor Party is promoting plans to cause rioting on a large scale. The preservation of continued peaceful conditions during the next several weeks is the responsibility of the National Police and it is an opportunity to sum-up and emphasize the results of our past endeavors. Therefore, you are directed to enforce the following measures in regulating and maintaining "Peace and Order" within your Divisions — tempering them only, when emergency measures are necessary to properly control an unforeseen situation, or are necessary to encourage and spur your men to greater efforts.

ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION

Proclamations should be issued in the name of the Chief of the Division to inform all people of the possible internal and international complexities attendant to the establishment of the new government and to calm their feelings — next to warn subversive elements, previous to any action on their part, that peace and order will be maintained and that unlawful acts will be punished.

REPORTS

During the period from 13 August to 18 August, and again from 23 August to 28 August, a detailed report will be made covering activities of the stations of each Division. Such reports will be made by radio at 12:00, 18:00 and 24:00 hours.