

3. In 4 attacks on villages and 1 attack on a constabulary unit, on Cheju Do raiders lost 20 killed while 46 villagers and 1 police man were killed and 27 constabulary men wounded.

4. The provincial capitol building on Cheju Do (950-1150) was reportedly burned by saboteurs. All provincial records were lost.

Psychological.

1. The Korean Office of Public Info conducted a man-on-the-street opinion poll on current topics. Such matters as belief in UN recognition, legality of the present govt, need for land reform and economic superiority of rural over urban life received almost unanimous endorsement. Conversely, the work of police, school teachers and dilatory students, the existing tax system, contribution of more land to already rich farmers, sanitary facilities, public trans were condemned with equal unanimity. The results of the above poll were published in a Seoul newspaper for public edification.

Comment: The fact that findings were published in Dong A Ilbo, Seoul newspaper, shows an awakening consciousness on the part of governmental officials to responsibilities which are inherent in a democratic form of govt. That they accepted and publicly acknowledged comments which in some instances were less than complimentary of their administration can be recognized as indications of health in the infant Republic of Korea.

2. Chosun Ilbo, influential Seoul newspaper, which at times has been highly critical of governmental personalities and policies, in editorial on 1 Jan swung strong support to current cabinet changes.

3. At the same time the paper set forth a priority and pattern of action in its recommendations to revitalize the govt and to place Korean economy on firmer ground. Among the tenets advocated were unification of present warring factions, revision of the constitution to include a Bi-Cameral Legislative System, land reform and currency stabilization.

Comment: Recognition of the Korean Govt by the UN and the US appear to have awakened a national consciousness among many Korean leaders, and it is believed that Chosun Ilbo will continue to support any program leading toward strengthened political unity and a firmer economy.

경비대, 제주 반란군과 교전(1949. 1. 15)

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3. In an engagement between KA and rebels on Cheju-Do, 11 rebels and 2 KA were killed, and 10 KA were wounded.

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11. Rebels twice attacked villages on Cheju-Do, killing 10 policemen and villagers. Six rebels were killed.

• 여자 어린이 등 총살된 97명의 시체 목격(1949. 2. 6)

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Subversive.

Delayed reports from Cheju-Do covering the period 19th-25th January indicate that activities of rebels are on a decreasing scale. 15 rebels, 6 policemen and 12 civilians were killed in 3 attacks by rebels. American advisors to the KA Second Regiment saw 97 bodies of civilian men, women and children who had been shot, but they were unable to ascertain who was responsible-rebels, police or Korean army.