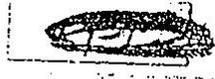


to prevent those areas from fulfilling quotas. Total  
collected slightly over 100,000 metric tons of polished  
grains, or equivalent.

• 반민특위 특별조사위원 구성(1948. 10. 8)

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In this connection, the composition of the Board of Special Investigations becomes all important since only this body can initiate inquiries and pass reports on for prosecution. The ten members, one from each of eight provinces, one from Seoul, and one representing Cheju do and Hwanghae Province, have just been chosen from among assemblymen, and of their number one is openly a member of the Hankook Democratic Party, one is reported to be secretly a member, four are members of the National Society for the Acceleration of Korean Independence (NSAKI), two are members of the Korean independence Party, and two are independent. Two members of the Hankook Democratic Party were defeated during their bid for membership, and replaced by one NSAKI and one independent.

Kyung Bai, NSAKI representing both Cheju and Hwanghae (south of 38th parallel) provinces, is a well-to-do farmer who has been a supporter of the Dai Nong youth corps in his area, and seems now to steer a middle course.

Respectfully yours,

• 최근의 남한 폭력행위(1948. 11. 3)

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Subject is recent violence South Korea.

Following Yosu revolt which focussed American attention  
Korea; current outcrops disturbances may receive undue  
prominence United States press.

A. Cheju Island (transfer to which was spark initiating  
14th Regiment mutiny Yosu) incidents continue daily in  
established pattern raids, sabotage, and assassinations by  
rebels with police, constabulary, and rightist youth group  
retaliation. Continued government pressure keeps Communists  
checked but efforts thus far have not improved situation.

B. Disturbances Seoul connection election fill Rhee-vacated  
Assembly seat East Gate district directed against 3 of 18  
candidates. Grenade thrower injured when bomb exploded  
before reaching victims' house. Gasoline bomb assault  
second house repulsed by candidates' sons. Three house  
members killed during invasion house third candidate. --  
Chosun Christian College professor's family Seoul also  
critically injured by attack dissatisfied students. Seoul  
incidents under investigation; not yet connected with Com-  
munist elements.

C. Constabulary military policemen Taegu yesterday shot by  
Korean sergeant resisting arrest. About 20 friendly ser-  
geant began riot which subdued by arrival 50 Korean military  
policemen and by quieting influence nearby United States  
troops. Investigation starting concerning possible Com-  
munist connection this disturbance.

D. Reports also continue of skirmishes between constabulary  
and mountain hiding rebel remnants Yosu and Sunchon areas.  
Occasional police reports of ordinary incidents also con-  
tinue.

Total trouble (excluding Yosu revolt) probably not above  
disorders previous months and less than pre-election viol-

ence. Tense atmosphere remains in atmosphere, however, over apparent government inability root out Cheju Island Communists; over evidence, revealed by uprising, of still-existing Communist network South Korea; and over prospect further guerrilla disturbances mainland. Persistent rumors indicate a large-scale Communist disturbance planned November 7. Foregoing added to constant barrage Pyongyang radio upsetting Koreans, especially more literate elements, uneasy and doubtful over prospects Seoul government. As in Yosu, substantial elements may be developing attitude of siding with ultimate victor as they see it, and jumping on bandwagon of apparent "wave of future" should subsequent Communist attacks occur.

This supplements background MYTEL 164, October 28, requesting consideration return UNTCOK Seoul. Also connects with Paris proposals Chinese and Korean delegations that American Army remain South Korea. This message reports psychological attitude of Koreans and is distinct from my conclusions (to be subject later communication) concerning nature situation after United States Army withdrawal and plausible chance success Rhee government. Coulter and I doing all possible our contacts Korean officials and individuals, whose confidence shaken by revolt, to instill confidence in themselves and in government. In this connection, we emphasize incident indicates overwhelming majority police and constabulary loyal and dependable. I have attempted convince Rhee need to improve relations constabulary with police, and of both with populace. Coulter today broadcast message ostensibly to American troops but actually for Korean consumption, urging calm and confidence and exposing details Communist schemes.

Pass Jacobs GADEL Paris.

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• 여수반란에 대한 견해와 관측(1948. 11. 4)

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