

task will not be completed until Korea achieves unification and it is to complete that task that we have been sent to Korea by the General Assembly of the United Nations.

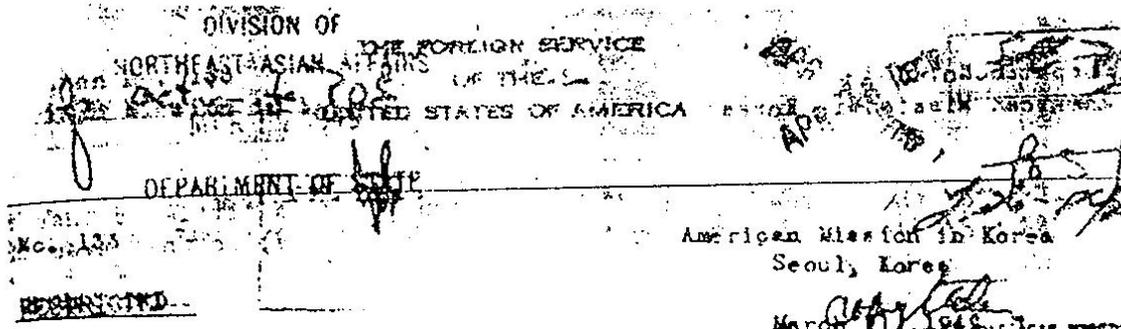
"We believe that the welfare of your country and the peace of the world require the unity of Korea and an end to the unhappy differences which divide Korean from Korean. To the accomplishment of that purpose, democracy, as represented in the deliberations of the National Assembly, has much to contribute. It is our task to help you, if you so desire, to make that democratic contribution to the unity of your country more effective.

"The support of your infant Republic by democratic nations throughout the world rests largely on the knowledge that you have made a beginning in the development of representative institutions in Korea. It is a democratic belief that differences of opinion are best solved by open discussion between freely elected representatives. We are glad to hear that in your short history you have shown such healthy signs of developing into a free forum for the interchange of ideas and opinions. To our mind, along those paths lie the way to a state founded firmly on the freely expressed will of the people.

"The older democracies have all had their difficulties. Democracy evolves by a process of trial and error with the mistakes and accomplishments on record before the bar of public opinion. You have accomplishments to your credit and we know that you will add to these in growing measure as time goes by. You have your problems, too, as do the other democracies of the world, and in the solution of these problems, the experience of the older democracies may serve as a guide or aid.

"Representative government is a keystone for any country that hopes to enjoy prosperity and peace. In your efforts in this direction you have the sincere goodwill of this Commission whose earnest desire is to see you join with all Koreans in the achievement of Korean unification. Every one of us hopes that the time is not far distant when all Koreans will be represented in one responsible legislature. I thank you."

• 한국의 일간지 목록과 논평(1949. 3. 11)



SUBJECT: Listing and comments on Korean Daily Newspapers.

All papers are served by the Associated Press, United Press, International News Service, Reuters and Agence France Press, serviced through the local agencies - Korean Pacific Press and Chosun Press. The Korean agencies deliver their news file in approximately five "takes" a day to every paper in Seoul and then try to collect later on the basis of their estimate of the circulation of each paper. This causes recurring arguments and the agencies consistently have large unpaid sums on their books. Payments by the agencies to the American news agencies member are reasonably prompt.

Enclosure: ✓✓

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Daily newspapers.

Provincial Dailies

Che juo

29. Che juo Sinbo

Publisher and nominal owner: KIM Suk Oo. Address: 1377 1st Ga, Che juo City. Formerly extreme leftist. Now rightist. Extremely influential on Che juo Do. Circulation: 5,000.

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Subject: Political Summary for February 1949

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

In continuation of Despatch No. 92, February 11, 1949, reporting on political developments in Korea for the month of January 1949, I have the honor to submit herein a review of political events for the month of February 1949.

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