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 Malay pelitical activity during September has been very slight. The Malay press continues to publish almost routine editorials exhorting the Malays to give their full support to the UMNO, but outside of this the situation is quiescent. One factor partially responsible for the current inactivity of all political parties in the Malayan Union is a shortage of funds. A steady return to the pre-war "old celenial outlook" is apparent among government authorities; the local population appears to be accepting this state of affairs.

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2. An escaped Chinese trader from the Bagan Si Api Api area of Sumatra has appealed to the Chinese Consul in Kuala Lumpur for the protection of the approximately 18,000 Chinese in the area from Indenesian conflicts. Mr. HSU, the Chinese Consul in Kuala Lumpur, relayed the appeal to the Chinese Consul-General in Singapore, Mr. WU, who in turn appealed to Dutch and British officials. The British are "investigating" the contact in the structure but do not appear to have taken any action.

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Crime is rampant on Penang Island and the protection racket is flourishing. Racketeers and black market operators include

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police, military and British government officials.

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5. Former members of the MPAJA who have recently invested money in the lucky World Amusement Park in Kuala Lumpur, including LIU Yau, have forced the original stall holders and employees of this park to resign and are replacing them with ex-MPAJA members.

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