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2. Monasteries near Lhasa
3. Travel Controls, Tibet

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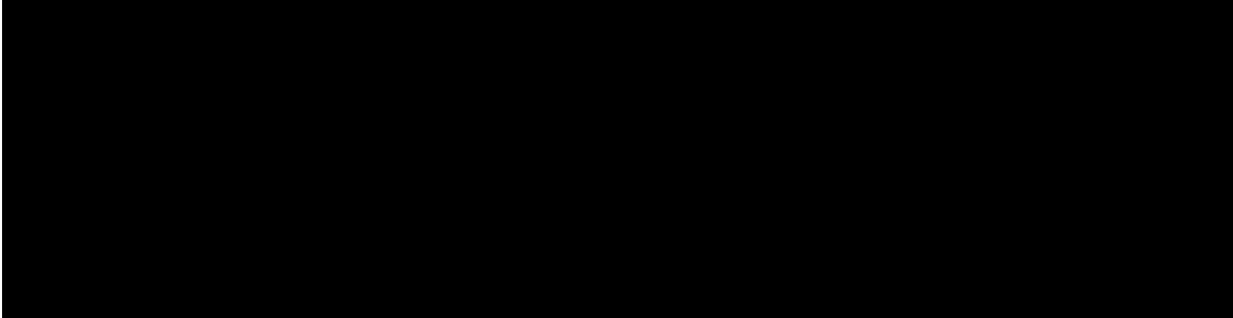
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1. When the Chinese Communists took Nangchen, near the Tsinghai-Sikang-Tibet border*, they did not interfere with the local ruler, but told the people: "We decree that there will be no taxes for three years. At the end of this time we will get together and see what further reforms are necessary."
2. There are some Chinese in the Drepung monastery, about six and a half miles from Lhasa, and a section of the population of this monastery (about 10,000 monks) is reportedly pro-Chinese, although not necessarily in favor of the Communist government of China. Another possible trouble-spot is the Sera Monastery, with about 7,000 monks, about three and one half miles from Lhasa. Last year there was trouble in this monastery over a former Regent of Tibet, who died somewhat mysteriously.**
3. The Lhasa authorities are exceedingly strict with regard to the movement of Tibetan men inside Tibet and especially in and out of Lhasa. Women are relatively free to travel, but men cannot leave Lhasa without permission from official sources. These restrictions do not apply to landowners and farmers who have land or business in the Lhasa area.

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* Comment. Available maps show Lantsien (Nangchen) in Tsinghai Province near the Sikang border (approximately 96-20, 32-15), and at some distance from Tibet. Another map shows Nangchen as an area (approximately 97- , 32-) just inside the border of Tibet as it existed under the Manchu Dynasty. Paragraph 1 of indicates that the modern political boundaries in that general area mean very little to the local population.

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** Comment. The informant may be referring to the April 1947 revolt in Lhasa, which was followed by the arrest of ex-Regent Beting, who died in prison.

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