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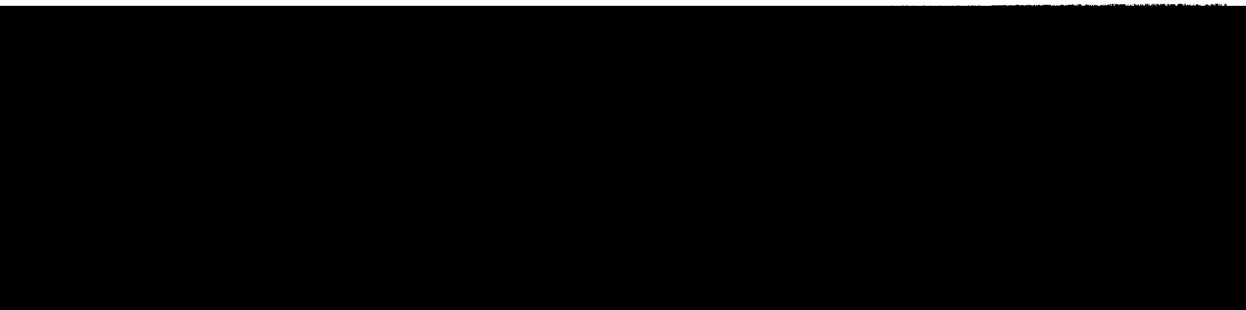
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1. Chinese Communist Government operated farms in China continue to be set up under Soviet technical guidance. By mid-May ten experimental areas for Government operated farms were allocated, eight in North China and two in East China, as follows:

- a. Kao Li (高里) Farm, near Tientsin, operated by the Agriculture Exploitation Control Bureau of the Pohai (River) Area.
- b. Huang I (黄骅) Farm, originally the Hsin Hai (新海) Farm*.
- c. Ching Chiao (京交) Farm, Peiping area.
- d. Chi Heng (冀衡) Farm**.
- e. Yung Nien (永年) Farm***.
- f. Pao Ting (保定) Farm****.
- g. Po Ai (浦安) Farm, Pingyuan (平源) Province.
- h. Cha Pei (察北) Farm, Chahar.
- i. Kuang Pei (广北) Farm, Shantung.
- j. Tung Hsin (东亭) Farm, Kiangsu.

2. All these farms are experimental. Management and methods are to be copied from Soviet Government operated farms. For example, the Kao Li Farm, occupying an area of about 50,000 mou and employing 300 people, is considered the model mechanized farm in North China. Tractors, reapers, sowing machines, electric pumps, etc. are all Soviet manufactured. Three Soviet specialists are quartered there as supervisors. At this farm it is planned to plant cotton, hemp, and miscellaneous crops. The six-year rotation of crops system may be adopted. Wet rice fields and cotton are to be the main crop, and both the wet and dry method of planting will be used for the rice.

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3. Machines and implements used on the two farms in East China are from the China Agricultural Company's surplus stocks. Because of a shortage of technical personnel these two farms are not progressing as well as those in North China. The Communists are planning to establish an Agricultural Machinery School.

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- 25X1A *** [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably this farm is in Yungnien (114-43, 36-42) Hsien.
- 25X1A **** [REDACTED] Comment. Presumably this farm is near Paoting (115-29, 38-52).