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9. UCHIYAMA Kasuya was a graduate of Army Officers' School in the 42nd graduating class, a former Major in the Army; he did not graduate from the Army War College, but he is indeed a very logical and capable officer. From the time that he was commander of his district unit and then a company commander respectively at Army Officer's School, UCHIYAMA gained a popularity and trust among his subordinates that was well deserved. (Sub-source supervised him there.) He is now living in Nagano Prefecture. He provides HATTORI Takushiro with information on the Japan Communist Party. UCHIYAMA is greatly revered by a JCP member in Nagano who is a former subordinate of his. Also, a former Thought Policeman (TOKKO KEI) who had previously served with that branch of the Nagano Prefectural Police is now operating as UCHIYAMA's right-hand man. Former members of the Retired Soldiers Association (ZAIGO GUNJIN KAI) are also assisting him. His information from these sources concerning the Communists is really authoritative since it is procured from within the JCP. Approximately eighty per cent of HATTORI's information on the JCP is provided to him by UCHIYAMA. The condition and progress of the communisation of the All-Japan Seamen's Union was uncovered by penetration agents of UCHIYAMA's network. Information concerning progress and plans of the Communist movement and operations in Toyama, Niigata, and Ishikawa Prefectures also is being reported to HATTORI via the Nagano Prefectural JCP agents of UCHIYAMA Kasuya.
10. HATTORI may have intelligence networks in Hokkaido as well, but that is not known (to Sub-source). He does definitely maintain intelligence operations units in Fukushima and Miyagi Prefectures in the "choku" area, but (sub-source has) no detailed knowledge of those nets. (Source Comment: It is probable that former Wakamatsu Infantry Regiment men are being utilized by HATTORI for intelligence work in those areas. HATTORI once commanded the Wakamatsu City regiment and is very well liked there.)
11. *TANAKA Tatsuo (田中 雄夫), governor at present of Yamaguchi Prefecture, is the son of the late General TANAKA Giichi (田中 義一), one-time president of the pre-war political party "SEIYUKAI" and Prime Minister from 1927-1929. TANAKA Tatsuo has an extremely avid interest in the investigation of Communist activity. He has two former Army officers working for him in his collection of information concerning the JCP. They are former Colonel KOTANI (or KOYA; 戸谷), a former section chief in the wartime Imperial General Staff office, a classmate of TSUJI Masanobu's, who has also been on duty in both Germany and Russia, and a former Lt. Colonel KUMBARA (久原). The information KOTANI (or KOYA) is gathering mainly concerns the JCP, while KUMBARA has been collecting information on Communist China

is closely connected with the KUMBARA (久原) (Retired Soldiers Association); the information he procures is accurate. Neither KOTANI (KOYA) nor KUMBARA have intelligence connections with the JCP or its organizations. Inasmuch as they are making merely casual contacts from outside of the JCP, their information is usually far less reliable as that of UCHIYAMA. KOTANI or KOYA was at one time in contact with HATTORI, submitting information regularly to HATTORI, probably including information on his colleague, but it is not known whether he is now used by HATTORI.