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(FOR KEY SEE REVERSE)

1. Educational institutions in Pyongyang as of July 1954 were organized as follows:¹

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| <u>Type of School</u> | <u>Cost per month or pay received²</u> | <u>Age of Students</u> | <u>Number of Years</u> |
|--|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Primary School (People's School) | 10 won per month | | 5 |
| b. Junior Middle School | 10 won per month | 12-16 | 3 |
| c. Senior Middle School | 10 won per month | 16-22 | 3 |
| d. Professional School (on the same level as the Senior Middle School) | 450 won per month and food allowance of 700 grams per day. ³ | | 3 or 4 |
| e. College or University | 800 won per month and food allowance of 700 grams per day. ⁴ | 20-28 | |

2. The number and duration of semesters were:

- a. First semester (1 September to 20 October)
- b. Second semester (early November to end of December)
- c. Third semester (1 February to end of April)
- d. Fourth semester (early May to 15 July)

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- 3. There were 3 senior middle schools for boys, 2 senior middle schools for girls, 14 junior middle schools, and 39 primary schools in P'yongyang.⁵
- 4. Examinations for promotion to the next higher school were usually given about 15 August for admission to the first semester in September. The higher school sent examinations and applications to the lower school, which returned the completed papers.
- 5. Usually about 90 percent of the students attended classes. If a student were absent from classes for more than three days consecutively without an excuse for his absence, theoretically he might be expelled from the school. In practice, however, students absented themselves from classes for longer periods without being dropped.
- 6. All students were issued school certificates by the school they attended. It was not necessary for the students to fill out applications before receiving these certificates. At the time the certificate was issued, the student signed his name in a register to indicate receipt.
- 7. During the period from 1950 to July 1954, students were not drafted into the army.

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2. [Redacted] Comment. Reference is probably to government allowance received by the students. 25X1

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3. These students do group work at vacation time.

4. These students have 500 wŏn left after payment of school fees.

5. [Redacted] Comment. According to the 22 October 1954 FBIS, P'yŏngyang Radio reported 43 people's schools, 36 high schools, and 9 others (sic) newly constructed, rehabilitated, or expanded. 25X1

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