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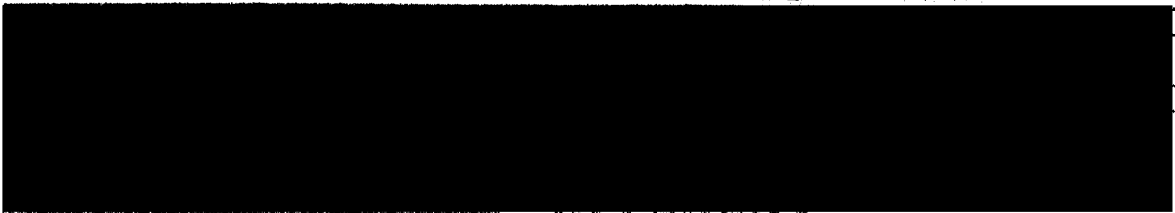
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1. YEH Tsung-wen (葉宗文), 26, a native of T'ung An (Li8-10; 24-44) Fukien Province, who landed in the Philippines early in 1951, presumably on an assignment for the Chinese Communist Party, is now being detained by the Philippine Government in Manila on charges of violating the immigration regulations.
2. YEH, who spent his youth in Amoy, entered the Amoy University in 1947, where he majored in English. When the Communists occupied Amoy in 1950, he joined the Chinese Communist Party and was sent to Peiping for training in the Revolutionary University (革命大学). He made two trips to Amoy and Canton from Peiping between October 1950 and January 1951 on Chinese Communist Party business.
3. Between 29 January and 5 February 1951, YEH was en route to the Philippines. He landed at a small port near Iloilo with several companions. His entry was reported to local authorities, and he was jailed subsequently. When arrested, YEH stated that he was 16, and that he had entered the Philippines to see his girl friend, TS'AI Li-ch'ing (蔡麗卿). TS'AI, a Manila Chinese, had met YEH in Amoy but she was not his girl friend.
4. When TS'AI received a letter from YEH stating that he had been arrested, she flew to Iloilo with a female friend, YEH Li-hua (葉麗華) and attempted unsuccessfully to arrange his release.
5. In February 1951, YEH was transferred from Iloilo to the Engineers Island prison at Manila, where he is still being held. He is permitted to visit Manila once or twice each week in the company of an immigration officer. During these visits, YEH sees TS'AI in her home and conducts a correspondence with persons in Amoy, Macao, and Hong Kong who are known to be affiliated with the Chinese Communist Party.
6. Although TS'AI is still attempting to arrange YEH's release, there are indications that he may be deported. YEH plans to attempt to reenter the Philippines if he is deported.

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7. It is not known if YEH has recruited TS'AI for the Chinese Communist Party or if he is merely taking advantage of her friendship.
8. TS'AI resides at 310 Santo Cristo Street, where her telephone number is 2-90-47, which is also the number of the Chua Luan and Company umbrella factory owned by her father. TS'AI also has used 2-94-55, which is the telephone number of Benjamin Chua and Company, importer and exporter at 154 Soler Street, who is a relative. TS'AI also has stayed at 321 Muelle de Binondo.

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