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KOREA: "SO-CALLED AMERICAN AID TO SOUTH KOREA"

There has been no comment from Moscow as yet on the recent letters from Hoffman and Acheson to the South Korean Government directed against inflation and the election postponement respectively, nor has any mention been seen of Rhee's suggestion of the last week in May for the election date.

Although Moscow asserts that a delegation from South Korea stayed in Washington for several days during the deliberations on the "Truman bill for aid to South Korea," the only discussion of the bill itself is seen in the report of its previous rejection by the Senate. No mention is seen of the 100-milliondollar grant which successfully passed the House, although the familiar attacks continue against general "American aid."

Reminiscent of the extensive comments on the first anniversary of the Korean-Soviet Cultural and Economic Agreement discussed three weeks ago, a TASS report this week describes the successful meeting of the Third Enlarged Plenum of the Central Board of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with the USSR which took place in Pyongyarg; the USSR was praised, as were the achievements and growth of the Society. (TASS, in English Morse to North America, 7 April 1950)

