

Research on the Establishment and Evolution of Puppet Nanjing Police Department

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Abstract

In the case of not advocating "peace" by violent means, the best and necessary choice for the Japanese puppet regime to control and manage the social grassroots is to use the police system to achieve their goal of colonial rule. In January 1938, puppet Nanjing City Police Department was established. In August of the same year, it was renamed puppet Nanjing Police Department. After Wang Ching-wei puppet government was established, it was changed to puppet Capital Police Department. The military and police's reign of terror shrouded Nanjing in fog, "traitors even more terrible than the Japanese", the Japanese puppet government almost realized the grassroots society impenetrable control.

After occupying Nanjing, Japanese troops established colonial rule over the ruins of the city. Since The Japanese mainland was far away from Nanjing and there were not enough people to control the Chinese, the Japanese colonial rule had to be "governing China by Chinese", which simply meant that the Japanese authorities needed a tool to help them rule Nanjing. Therefore, on December 23, 1937, puppet Nanjing Autonomous Committee was established, but its existence lasted only four months. In March 1938, the puppet Reformist government of the Republic of China was established. In 1940, the Wang Ching-wei puppet government took over the administration of Nanjing instead of the puppet Reformist government.

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1. Establishment of fake Nanjing Police Department

Japanese invaders captured Nanjing in December 1937. In order to consolidate the establishment and implementation of the policy of "governing China by Chinese" and the principle of "cooperation of partition and governance", the Japanese army stepped up the establishment of various colonial institutions in the areas where its military forces could reach. Therefore, after the Nanjing Massacre, in order to stabilize the social situation and consolidate its sphere of influence, on The New Year's Day of 1938, the Japanese army occupying Nanjing established the puppet "Nanjing Autonomous Committee". On January 10, puppet "Nanjing City Police Department" was established under the association. In August 1938, puppet "Nanjing City Police Department" was renamed puppet "Nanjing Police Department", which was subordinate to the puppet Reformist Government of the Republic of China. It was a puppet government established by Japan during the Sino-Japanese War, and was managed by Liang Hongzhi and others.

The puppet "Nanjing Police Department" initially set up five departments of general affairs, security, health, justice and supervision, the first, second, third and fourth bureaus within the city, the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth bureaus outside the city, and the other four teams of direct administration, secret service, fire fighting and cleaning. In June 1938, the health department was cancelled, the Secret Service department was cancelled in July, and the investigation team was set up, changing the direct jurisdiction team to the security police team.

Another 28 police stations have been added. The sergeant training institute was established in December. Its responsibilities mainly include maintaining social order, directing traffic, household registration management, but also cooperate with the Japanese army to hunt down and suppress anti-Japanese elements, as well as spy and other work.

Inside the city, the first bureau of jurisdiction includes: south to the Xishan Bridge outside Zhonghua gate; West to Zhonghua Gate, Zhonghua Road, Fuxing Road, Xinjiekou; North to the south of Zhongshan East Road; East to Zhonghua gate, Guanghua Gate, Gonghe gate to the outside Hedingqiao. Bureau 2: South to the West Zhonghua gate along the city as the boundary; West to outside Shuixi Gate; North to Hanzhong Gate, Hanzhong Road; East to the west of Fuxing Road. Bureau 3: south to East Zhongshan Road; West to Zhongshan Road, North Zhongshan Road; North to Xuanwu Lake, Heping Gate, Zhongfu Gate, Jinchuan Gate, along the city to Xingzhong Gate, Yijiang Gate; East to Zhongshan gate, along the city to Taiping Gate. Bureau 4: East to Zhongshan Road, Zhongshan North Road, Yijiang Gate; South to Hanzhong Road, north of Hanzhong Gate; West to the city wall; North to Yijiang Gate. Outside the city Bureau 5: the Xiaguan for jurisdiction. Bureau 6: Tongji Gate, Xiaolingwei area for jurisdiction. Bureau 7: the above area near the Shangxinhe is the jurisdiction. Bureau 8: the area near the Yanziji as the jurisdiction.

In January 1939, the puppet "Nanjing Police Department" was changed to be subordinate to the Ministry of Interior of the puppet Reformist Government. After the establishment of the puppet Wang Ching-wei Government, it changed the puppet Reform government "Nanjing Police Department" to puppet "Capital Police Department". During the Period of Nanjing National Government, the Capital Police Department was "directly under the ministry of The Interior, under the command and supervision of the Ministry of the Interior, in charge of the capital's public security affairs". Early of puppet Wang Ching-wei government, the puppet Capital police department was supervised by the Ministry of police directly, in charge of the police in the capital, separating police administration from the interior is stirred up by the Japanese, and this related to administrative system of puppet Wang Ching-wei government, easing the contradiction between Wang Ching-wei, Zhou Fohai, Ding Mocun, and Li Shiqun. In this way, on March 30, 1940, the puppet government "returned the capital" and held the first meeting of the Puppet centre political committee, and the Puppet Ministry of Police was formally established. On April 1, 1940, it appointed Shen Zhengang as director of the Puppet Capital Police Department in the first meeting of the Puppet Executive Yuan. On the one hand, the Puppet Ministry of Police manages the national police administration. On the other hand, it is also an independent organization out of the internal affairs and plays an assisting role in the internal affairs of the puppet Nanjing government.

2. Functions and works of the puppet Nanjing Police Department

Puppet Nanjing police department's functions: first of all, it is to strengthen public security management. After occupying Nanjing, Japan took it as an important task to restore public order and eliminate the remaining anti-Japanese elements. And Nanjing, as the political center of Wang Ching-wei puppet government, the Japanese army would also plan to the military center of invading China, and the diplomatic center for contacting Germany and Italy, so the Japanese army increased the importance of efforts for Nanjing. Subsequently, Japan also handed over the right to issue permits to the puppet Nanjing Police Department to facilitate its street patrol, card inventory, household search and other matters. It is not hard to see that Japan delegated power to the puppet Nanjing Police Department to satisfy the satisfaction of Wang Ching-wei puppet government. It is also a means for Japan to rule and enslave the Chinese people. During this period, the loyal national Salvation Army had many actions to obstruct the puppet Nanjing Police department to carry out "puppet work" : Nanjing grand theater and Lido garden grenade bombing, Xiaguan railway station bombing and other activities, had been obstructed, it became a stumbling block to the development of the anti-japanese work. The "public security" of the puppet Nanjing Police Department in Nanjing is the "public security" of Japanese rule of China in essence, which largely stabilized the rear of the Japanese invasion of China, convenient for Japan to further increase the scope of aggression, and became the watchdog of Japan.

The next important function is checking accounts. In order to strengthen social management and control, the Japanese army carried out population inventory and resident registration after occupying Nanjing. As early as in the period of the Puppet Reform government, the "citizen card" system had been implemented, whose purpose was to find out the anti-japanese elements lurking in the area under the Japanese military rule and cooperate with the Japanese colonial rule.

After the establishment of the puppet Nanjing Police Department, the household registration management of residents became stricter. In order to strengthen the control of the public, the puppet Capital police department also carried out "Mutual guarantee". Of course, the strict household registration management system also solved the problem of the shortage of materials in Japan to a certain extent, because the household registration management was linked to the material rule. Once the household registration is changed or not declared in time, the material ration of the household would be canceled, and a large number of detained materials were shipped to the Japanese army. In 1942, the Puppet Capital Police General Supervision Office, together with the Nanjing Special Municipal government and other organs, organized investigation teams to promote material control under the guise of investigating and raising prices, and acted as the granary of Japan. The most important point of household registration management is to identify the anti-japanese forces lurking in the Japanese-occupied areas and cooperate with the Japanese colonial rule. During the "winter defense period" in December 1941, the puppet Capital Police Department stipulated that all bureaus should dispatch police forces and Baojia chief to intensify the spot check of household registration. The spot check should pay attention to six items and compile marks: there are always idle people living or traveling in the household; Strange behavior or different professional status; There are abnormalities in the family of poverty and wealth; Shacks and boat families living together and with unknown origin and suspicious behavior; Those who have bad habits, do not produce and stray soldiers; Misbehaving loitering jobless neighborhood with bad critics. Obviously, the first, second and fourth of the six items are aimed at eliminating the anti-japanese forces in the latent Japanese-occupied areas. What puppet Nanjing Police department had done shows that "I was a knife in the hands of Japan, I would use my own blade to search the last drop of blood and tears of Chinese life".

3. Conclusion

From January 1938 to June 1942, from the puppet Nanjing Police Department to the puppet Capital Police Chief Supervision Office. Puppet Nanjing police institutions continued to grow, whether it is to increase the allocation of personnel, or the concentration of power was extensive, from the other hand also confirmed that, as a team to maintain social order, it did not really maintain their own functions, not based on the people, but as an accomplice of Japan's invasion of China, became the tools used to squeeze the people of the biggest puppet regime in occupied areas. This undoubtedly brought great spiritual and life burden to the people in the occupied areas. Leaving countless of our fellow citizens living in a prison of misery. At the same time, it has become a stumbling block on the road of Chinese War of Resistance against Japan.

There is no doubt that the Nanjing police administration is the best interpretation of "the aggressor's ruling tool" and "governing China by Chinese" during the occupation period. If the Puppet Wang Ching-wei government was floating on the top, then the police administration during the occupation of Nanjing firmly grasped and held the people, and practically brought terror and pain to the people. The puppet government was a puppet of the Japanese invaders, and the police administration was a tool. Its incomplete will and power and incorrect stance were destined to be rejected by history and the public.

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