

Comrade V.G. Wilcox in Peking

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Comrade V.G. Wilcox, General Secretary of the Communist Party of New Zealand, arrived in Peking on March 13 on a visit at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party. He was welcomed at the airport by Comrade Kang Sheng, Member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party. New Zealand friends in Peking were also at the airport to welcome him.

Comrades Chou En-lai and Kang Sheng, Members of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, held talks with Comrade Wilcox on March 17. The talks, which proceeded in an extremely cordial and friendly atmosphere, fully demonstrated the militant proletarian revolutionary friendship between the Communist Parties of China and New Zealand. After the talks, Comrades Chou En-lai and Kang Sheng gave a banquet in warm welcome of Comrade Wilcox.

Visit to Peking General Knitwear Mill

Comrade Wilcox visited the Peking General Knitwear Mill on March 16. He was accompanied by Comrade Hsieh Fu-chih, Chairman of the Peking Municipal Revolutionary Committee. Comrade Wilcox praised the members of the 8341 unit of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, who are helping the Left in the mill, and the revolutionary workers and staff of the mill for the important victories they have won in the great proletarian cultural revolution by closely following the strategic plan of the great leader Chairman Mao. He sincerely urged all the revolutionary workers and staff of the mill to be always loyal to the great leader

Chairman Mao, and to constantly and ceaselessly study and apply Mao Tse-tung's thought in a creative way so as to win still greater victories.

The revolutionary workers and staff held a grand rally to welcome Comrade Wilcox. Shouting "Long live Chairman Mao!" they waved their red-covered copies of *Quotations From Chairman Mao Tse-tung* to salute him.

Comrade Wilcox made a speech full of revolutionary friendship. He said: We warmly greet the great victories won by the great proletarian cultural revolution in China and the splendid victories of the proletarian revolutionary line of Chairman Mao, the great leader of the Chinese people and the leader of the Marxist-Leninist movement of the whole world. The victory of China's great proletarian cultural revolution ensures that there will be no return to capitalism in China, such as has occurred in the Soviet Union. The great proletarian cultural revolution in China is a sharpened dagger which has pierced into the rotten heart of the imperialist camp headed by the United States. Your victory is our victory, because your victory helps our struggle in New Zealand.

Comrade Wilcox paid special tribute in his speech to the Chinese People's Liberation Army for its achievements in the work of helping the Left, helping industry and agriculture, exercising military control and giving military and political training. He said that all these successes were achieved under the guidance of the great leader Chairman Mao and his close comrade-in-arms Comrade Lin Piao. His speech drew round after round of warm applause.

Later, Comrade Wilcox was shown round the various workshops; every-

where there were portraits of Chairman Mao and quotations from him. He praised the workers again and again when he learnt that they made it a rule every day to seek instructions from Chairman Mao's teachings before starting work, to report to Chairman Mao on the day's work by examining it in the light of his teachings after the shifts, and, before leaving, to jot down in the record book the quotations which they had used in solving problems for the next shift's reference. Comrade Wilcox told the leading members of the revolutionary committee and the 8341 unit of the P.L.A. in the mill: "The victory in the mill is a victory for Mao Tse-tung's thought."

On the evening of March 18, accompanied by Comrades Chou En-lai, Kang Sheng, Chiang Ching, Hsieh Fu-chih, Wu Fa-hsien, Wang Tung-hsing and Yeh Chun, Comrade Wilcox saw the revolutionary modern Peking opera *Taking the Bandits' Stronghold* presented by the No. 1 Peking Opera Company of Peking. This was a special performance arranged in his honour.

When Comrade Wilcox entered the hall together with Comrades Chou En-lai, Kang Sheng and Chiang Ching, all rose and warmly applauded to welcome him. Comrade Wilcox waved the red-covered *Quotations From Chairman Mao Tse-tung* and extended his cordial greetings to all.

After the performance, everyone in the hall sang *Sailing the Seas Depends on the Helmsman*. Amidst cheers of "Long live Chairman Mao! A long, long life to Chairman Mao!" Comrade Wilcox and Comrades Chou En-lai, Kang Sheng and Chiang Ching went on stage, cordially shook hands with the performers and congratulated them on their splendid performance.