

Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee Founded

GUIDED by the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung, the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee was set up on February 3 at a time when the revolutionary people throughout China are striving for all-round victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution. This is an outstanding result of carrying out Chairman Mao's latest instructions and represents a brilliant victory for his proletarian revolutionary line.

The 43 million people of Hopei, dwelling close by the side of Chairman Mao, have been nurtured on the great thought of Mao Tse-tung and have drawn inexhaustible wisdom and strength from the great solicitude and teachings of Chairman Mao.

Since the very beginning of the great proletarian cultural revolution which has no parallel in history, the mighty cultural revolutionary movement in Hopei has enjoyed the great leader Chairman Mao's care and close attention. He personally inspected that province.

In the past year and more, the people of Hopei have closely followed Chairman Mao's great strategic plan. With firm support and assistance from the Chinese People's Liberation Army, they have fought heroically against the handful of Party persons in authority taking the capitalist road, smashed the class enemy's schemes to undermine the great proletarian cultural revolution from the Right and the ultra "Left," and won a decisive victory in the cultural revolution. Through the test of struggle in the cultural revolution over the past year and more, the dictatorship of the proletariat in Hopei Province has been further consolidated and strengthened.

The inauguration of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee is a most happy event not only for the people of Hopei but also for those of all north China and the whole country. To date, revolutionary committees have been set up in both of two provinces (Hopei and Shansi) and major cities (Peking and Tientsin) and the Inner Mongolian Autonomous Region which make up north China. This not only proclaims the total bankruptcy of the intrigues of China's Khrushchov and his agents in Hopei to restore capitalism, but deals a shattering blow to China's Khrushchov and his agents in north China as a whole.

On February 3, some 400,000 proletarian revolutionaries, revolutionary people and P.L.A. commanders and fighters from all parts of the province celebrated the establishment of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee at a rally in Shihchiachuang, a rising industrial city which is the new provincial capital of Hopei.

They carried giant portraits of Chairman Mao, the great leader, and the red-covered *Quotations From Chairman Mao Tse-tung*, sang the song *Sailing the Seas Depends on the Helmsman* and burst into repeated cheers of "Long live the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung!" "Long live the victory of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line!" "Long live the great Chinese Communist Party!" and "Long live Chairman Mao, the great leader, a long, long life to him!"

Comrade Li Hsueh-feng, Chairman of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee, spoke at the rally. "The present situation in Hopei Province is excellent," he said. "There is an upsurge throughout the province in the movement for the creative study and application of Chairman Mao's works and his latest instructions. Many Mao Tse-tung's thought study classes have been set up, and all of the revolutionary people are acting together to fight self and repudiate revisionism. Revolutionary mass criticism is spreading and deepening on all fronts and so is struggle-criticism-transformation in each unit. By and large, revolutionary great alliances have been brought about throughout the province and revolutionary "three-in-one" combinations are rapidly coming into being."

Comrade Li Hsueh-feng said that reports of success had been pouring in from the industrial and transport fronts in the province and that an all-round bumper harvest had been reaped in 1967. The province now had become self-sufficient in grain, he added. "We owe all our achievements and successes to the wise leadership of the great helmsman Chairman Mao. They are the results of carrying out Chairman Mao's latest instructions. They are victories for the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung," he said.

"After the founding of the revolutionary committee," Comrade Li Hsueh-feng stressed, "our most fundamental task is to hold high the great red banner

of Mao Tse-tung's thought, put proletarian politics to the fore, promote the revolutionization of people's thinking, broaden and deepen the great mass movement for the creative study and application of Chairman Mao's works, make Mao Tse-tung's thought command, transform, and move everything forward, and turn the whole province into a great red school of Mao Tse-tung's thought.

"All-round implementation of Chairman Mao's latest instructions means all-round victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution. Every proletarian revolutionary fighter should set an example in the study, implementation, propagation and defence of Chairman Mao's latest instructions. Revolutionary committees at all levels and all revolutionary mass organizations should continue on a big scale to run various types of Mao Tse-tung's thought study classes. We should take Chairman Mao's latest instructions as our weapon and **"fight self, repudiate revisionism"** as the key link, continuously develop and deepen revolutionary mass criticism and repudiation, and wipe out every vestige of the pernicious influence of revisionism spread by China's Khrushchov and his agents.

"We should boldly arouse the masses to make a success of struggle-criticism-transformation in each unit, transform education, literature and art, office work and administrative work, and all those parts of the superstructure not in conformity with the socialist economic base. We should vigorously destroy the ideology of the bourgeoisie and promote the ideology of the proletariat, resolutely get rid of bourgeois and petty-bourgeois factionalism, strengthen proletarian Party spirit, consolidate and develop the revolutionary great alliance and revolutionary "three-in-one" combination. We should conscientiously study and penetratingly propagate Chairman Mao's proletarian line on Party building and thoroughly criticize and repudiate the revisionist line pushed by China's Khrushchov in this connection, rectify Party organizations and strengthen Party building. We should carry out still better Chairman Mao's great instructions to **"grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparations against war"** to usher in a new upsurge of production in industry and agriculture."

Present at the rally were Comrade Cheng Wei-shan, leading member of the P.L.A. units under the Peking Command; leading members of the Hopei Provincial Military Area Command and of the Chinese People's Liberation Army units stationed in Hopei; Comrade Liu Tzu-hou, the first vice-chairman, and Ma Hui, Tseng Mei, Chang Ying-hui, Liu Tien-chen and Keng Chang-so, vice-chairmen of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee, and members of the committee.

On behalf of the Party committee and all the commanders and fighters of the P.L.A. Peking Command forces, Comrade Cheng Wei-shan paid very high tribute and extended the extremely warm congratulations to the revolutionary people of Hopei. He pointed out

that the founding of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee was a great encouragement to the revolutionary people, a crushing blow to China's Khrushchov and his agents in north China and a heavy blow to the U.S. imperialists, Soviet modern revisionists and all reactionaries. This great victory fully testifies to the brilliant prediction made by the great leader Chairman Mao during his recent inspection tour: **"In a few more months, the whole situation will become better still."**

Ma Hui, commander of the Hopei Provincial Military Area and vice-chairman of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee, and Chen Jen-hung, leading member of a P.L.A. unit stationed in Hopei, addressed the rally on behalf of the Hopei Provincial Military Area Command and all the commanders and fighters of the three services of the P.L.A. stationed in Hopei respectively. They extended the warmest congratulations on the establishment of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee.

Other speakers included representatives of revolutionary committees of a number of Hopei's special administrative regions and representatives of the revolutionary workers, peasants and Red Guards. They expressed their determination to hold the great red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought still higher and win all-round victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution.

Amidst stormy applause and cheers, the rally adopted a message of salute to the most respected and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

The message says: "Every step forward we have taken, every achievement we have made and every victory we have won is a great victory for your brilliant thought! We shall always study your works, follow your teachings, act in accordance with your instructions, be your good soldiers and closely follow you in building socialism and advancing towards the bright future of communism!"

"The world has entered a new era with your brilliant thought as the great banner. Your thought has opened up a bright future for the revolution of the oppressed people and nations of the world and for mankind! On this grand occasion, we, 43 million heroic sons and daughters of Hopei, give you this solemn pledge: We are not afraid to give our lives or shed our blood in defence of your great thought; our red hearts will remain for ever loyal to you though seas may dry and rocks may crumble! Together with the people of the whole country and the revolutionary people of the world, we will always follow the road you have pointed out! May the brilliance of the great thought of Mao Tse-tung illumine the globe!"

The rally ended with a grand celebration parade.

Renmin Ribao and *Jiefangjun Bao* carried a joint editorial hailing the establishment of the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee.