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[NEW ANHWEI DAILY 27 April editorial: "All-Out Opposition to Right Deviationism; Vigorously Grasp Class Struggle"]

[Text] The spring wind of Mao Tse-tung's thought is blowing through the length and breadth of the fatherland. Proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses of Anhwei Province, guided by the latest instructions of Chairman Mao, are riding the wave of victory to advance with inexorable force and wrest all-round victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution. The situation is excellent and is growing progressively better.

Our great leader Chairman Mao pointed out that the day of happiness for the masses is the day of sorrow for the counterrevolutionaries. The handful of class enemies will become more determined to carry out life-and-death struggle against revolutionary forces as the great proletarian cultural revolution draws closer to an all-round victory. They will aim the spearhead of the struggle against the great PLA, the newborn revolutionary committees, and the proletarian headquarters headed by Chairman Mao and with Vice Chairman Lin as deputy. They will simultaneously attack from the left or from the right, and even from both sides. Currently, they are taking advantage of right-deviationist tendencies of some persons in our ranks to engage in vigorous activities to incite right-deviationist splittism and stir up a violent right-deviationist evil wind of reversing correct decisions and launch new counterattacks against the proletariat.

Comrades, just take a look around you. Li Pao-hua, the top party capitalist-roader in Anhwei Province is still resisting stubbornly. He is exerting strenuous efforts to defend his heinous crimes of opposition against party, against socialism, and against Mao Tse-tung's thought, with the hope of reversing correct decisions. Unrepentent and unrepentable, he seized on the opportunity afforded by his trial to attack by inuendo, shooting off flight after flight of posion arrows aimed viciously at the party Central Committee. Let us take another look around, comrades. We see that so far, Huang Jen, another top party capitalist-roader in Anhwei Province, has not admitted his guilt. He resorted to every means available to evade charges and exonerate himself. Using the counterrevolutionary doubledealing tactics of Hu Feng, he puts on a sham air of abject submission and carries out self-examination to your face; but behind your back he resorts to activities simed at protecting himself. He [words indistinct], distorts orientation of the movement to bide his time, and launches counterattacks when it is opportune.

Another look around, comrades, will make us see that in certain area in the province there are people putting up such slogans as "The general orientation of (?workers' general headquarters) is correct!", which attempts to reverse correct decisions in favor of this notorious conservative organization, to deny the general orientation of the struggle conducted by the proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses of Anhwei Province, and to create favorable conditions for the handful of party capitalist-roaders to stage a comeback.

Comrades, let us, of necessity, take another look around. There are a handful of monsters and demons in a certain area of the province who claimed to be the victims of the bourgeois reactionary line and hoisted the flag of rebellion to seize power from the proletariat. Another glance around will make us see that in these festive days of celebration marking the inauguration of the provincial revolutionary committee, a handful of evil persons hidden away in dark and dingy corners are gnashing their teeth with hatred and planning to carry out sabotage.

All these living facts of class struggle fully underscore the fact that the handful of class enemies will never be reconciled to their defeat. As the clast struggle progresses in depth, they will be even more determined to wage last-dit h struggles and launch fanatical counterattacks against us as their doom closes in on them. This is an objective law of class struggle independent of man's will.

Revolutionary comrades! Do not be overly gentle and scholarly in your attitude and look upon the extremely complicated class struggle as a very simple thing. Our most beloved and great leader Chairman Mao recently taught us that the great proletarian cultural revolution is essentially a great political revolution of the proletariat conducted under the condition of socialism against the bourges sie and all exploiting classes. It is a continuation of the prolonged strugged waged by the Chinese Communist Party and the revolutionary people under its leavership against the KMT reactionaries, and it is a continuation of the class struggle between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie.

But some comrades in our ranks do not see things that way. Some do not understand the essence of the great proletarian cultural revolution at all. They lack profound awareness of the complicated and prolonged nature of class struggle, and make inadequate judgements. They look on capitalist-roaders as "dead tigers," and cannot see how the class enemies are plotting to reverse correct decisions and restore capitalism; they thereby lose their awareness of the enemy situation and slacken their efforts in the struggle against the class enemy.

Because some have not been able to truly establish a proletarian world outlook and a resolute proletarian stand, and lack the proletarian class sentiments of "love" and "hate" and the thorough revolutionary spirit, their fighting will begins to waver, and individualism begins to sprout under the new situation of wresting allround victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution. They become more and more remote from the white-hot class struggle and lose enthusiasm for revolutionary great criticism and repudiation. Furthermore, they do not feel hatred for the various kinds of bourgeois reactionary tendencies and the counterrevolutionary views and activities of the handful of class enemies, and refrain from forceful criticism and resolute counterattack.

Due to the manifestation of self-interest, some succumb to the pressure applied from the right or from the left. Confronted with major issues, they do not view problems from the standpoint of the struggle between the two lines, and are afraid to adhere to the proletarian revolutionary principle, afraid to conduct tit-for-tat struggle against the class enemy, and, even though they knew very well that evil elements are present, they will not attempt to expose these elements.

In brief, concern for class struggle and the struggle between the lines is very weak in these comrades. In the arduous and complex class struggle, they are myopic, weak, and soft toward the class enemy. These are manifestations of right-deviationist tendencies in our ranks.

Although persons seriously afflicted with right-deviationist tendencies are in the very small minority in our ranks, and these tendencies are not dominant, still, such tendencies are extremely dangerous. [words indistinct].

The three right-deviationist tendencies of reversing correct decisions, splittism, and conservatism are the chief dangers in the current movement. The class enemies are engaged in various devious ways in seeking right-deviationist reversal of correct decisions politically, while inciting right-deviationist splittism organizationally. This is an attempt to topple the proletarian headquarters headed by Chairman Mao and with Vice Chairman Lin as the deputy, and reverse decisions for the bourgeois headquarters headed by China's Khrushchev, thereby achieving the objective of negating the great proletarian cultural revolution and realizing capitalist restoration.

The right-deviationist tendencies in our ranks are just the loopholes the class enemy has been looking for. Objectively, these tendencies serve the purpose of protecting and aiding the enemy. We must resolutely repulse the counterrevolutionary evil wind of right-deviationist reversal of correct decisions and splittism fanned up by the class enemy. In order to defend the fruits of victory won in the great proletarian cultural revolution and impel the movement to a new upsurge, we must resolutely oppose and eliminate the right-deviationist thinking in our ranks, and thoroughly overthrow right-deviationist capitulationism.

Right-deviationist thinking is an element of bourgeois factionalism in our ranks. To overcome right-deviationist thinking we must use the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung to arm ourselves, vigorously combat self-interest and repudiate revisionism, energetically establish public-interest, and establish loyalty to Chairman Mao. We must firmly establish the proletarian world outlook. We must diligently study, profoundly understand and resolutely implement Chairman Mao's teachings on class and class struggle, unceasingly elevate our awareness of the struggle between the classes and the lines, go all-out to strengthen proletarian factionalism, resolutely oppose the factionalism of the bourgeoisie, and establish a thorough revolutionary spirit. Only by so doing can we become genuine proletarian fighters who are boundlessly loyal to Chairman Mao, always preserve the vitality of the revolution and a vigorous fighting will to launch unrelenting struggles against the class enemy, and carry through to the end the great proletarian cultural revolution and the world revolution. We must be alert against extreme "left" views while opposing right-deviationist tendencies, and maintain a vigilant guard against the class enemy's attempt to sabotage and stir up trouble from the extreme "left." While we are vigorously grasping class struggle, we must correctly master the plans and policy of the party, and strictly differentiate between the contradictions which are different. Thus, we can do a better job of uniting all the forces that can be united, and deal a telling blow against the handful of class enemies.

"With power and to spare we must pursue the tottering foe, and not ape Hsiang Yu. the conqueror seeking idle fame." Proletarian revolutionary comrades in arms and all revolutionary comrades, let us raise higher the great red flag of Mao Tse-tung's thought, heighten proletarian revolutionary spirit, give full play to the thorough revolutionary spirit of the proletariat, and follow Chairman Mao closely in order to ride the east wind and breast gigantic waves, to vigorously grasp class struggle. unfold a penetrating and protracted campaign of revolutionary great criticism and repudiation, take the initiative to attack the class enemy in unbroken waves, thoroughly smash the criminal conspiracy of the class enemy to carry out right-deviationist reversal of correct decisions and stir up right-deviationist splittism, and sweep into the dustbin of history the handful of diehard capitalist-roaders, renegades, and secret agents, as well as all sorts of monsters and demons.