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[Text] The 3 January HONAN DAILY carries in the lower part of its front page a news report concerning the establishment of the revolutionary committee of the Chumatien area, and on its second page a message saluting our leader Chairman Mao adopted by the rally to found and celebrate the birth of the revolutionary committee of the Chumatien area. To warmly greet the founding of the new revolutionary committee, the paper publishes an editorial entitled "A New Light Dawns over the Plain North of the Huai River." The text of the editorial follows:

Under the unprecedented excellent situation where the great proletarian cultural revolution has won decisive victories, and amid the paean of triumph ushering in the all-round victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution, good news has been reported from the plain north of the Huai River: The revolutionary committee of Chumatien area has been born. This is a great victory for the invincible and all-illuminating Mao Tse-tung's thought and a great victory for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line.

For a year or more the struggle between the two classes, two roads, and two lines in the Chumatien area has been extremely acute and has gone through repeated reversals and twists and turns. In the course of the fierce struggle, the proletarian revolutionaries of Chumatien area fought valiantly to overcome difficulties and hardships, persisted in forging ahead along the direction indicated by Chairman Mao, and finally beat back the repeated frenzied attacks of the bourgeois reactionary line and non decisive victory.

After the purification of the revolutionary ranks, the class enemies exposed themselves even more fully, the maneuvers of the bourgeois reactionary line became even more naked, and the line of demarcation between the classes became even clearer, thus greatly tempering the revolutionary rebels, educating the broad masses, and enabling the cadres to undergo severe tests.

The revolutionary rebels were fully aware of the fact that in making revolution one can only be invincible by depending on Mao Tse-tung's thought. They therefore showed greater love for Chairman Mao, studied and applied Chairman Mao's works even more conscientiously, and implemented Chairman Mao's latest instructions in an even more conscious manner. As a result, the situation in Chumatien area became better and better and laid a good foundation for the establishment of the revolutionary committee.

However, the enemy will not perish of himself. The day when the masses are overjoyed is a hard one for the counterrevolutionaries. It is not easy to seize power; it is even more difficult to hold and exercise power properly. The handful of renegades and secret agents who have sneaked into our ranke, the handful of diehard capitalist-roaders within the party who have been overthrown, the landlords, rich peasants, counterrevolutionaries, bad elements, and rightists who have not sufficiently remolded themselves, and the lackeys of U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism are bound to continue, in various



forms, the spreading of rumors, sowing of dissension, and carrying out of sabotage activities, while directing their spearhead against revolutionary leading cadres the stand firmly on the side of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, against the stanch proletarian revolutionaries who are infinitely loyal to Chairman Mao, against the Chinese PLA which has resolutely supported the revolutionary left, and against the red political power—the revolutionary committees.

Listen! Have they not tried to vindicate the "February evil wind"? Have they not spread the slander that the present situation is an "adverse current of August"? Toward this, all our proletarian revolutionary comrades in arms and revolutionary comrades must heighten vigilance and by no means slacken in the least their fighting will. Any idea of slackening the fighting will or taking the enemy lightly is wrong.

Revolutionary committees are a new thing coming into existence under the brilliance of Mao Tre-tung's thought. They require a process of development and of becoming perfect. In dealing with revolutionary committees, proletarian revolutionaries and the revolutionary masses should take a correct attitude; voluntarily show concern for, love, and support them; uphold their revolutionary authority; and help them become perfect and make progress, so as to enable them to play their gigantic role in the struggle of leading the broad revolutionary masses to win the all-round victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution.

Chairman Mao's headquarters has issued to us the latest call that in 1968 the whole country should achieve all-round ideological, political, economic, and organizational victory in the great proletarian cultural revolution now confronting us are extremely glorious and arduous. We mu thave the fullest confidence of winning victory, carry out arduous struggle, and make great efforts toward this end. We must make great efforts in creatively studying and applying Mao Tse-tung's thought and, first of all, tudy and apply well the series of extremely important, latest instructions given by Chairman Mao concerning the great proletarian cultural revolution. There must be all-round implementation of each and every one of the instructions. Proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses should carry on a hard struggle to speed up the tempo of the revolutionary great alliance and the revolutionary three-way alliance. properly carry out the revolutionary mass criticism and repudiation and the task of "truggle-criticism-transformation" in each unit, bring about an even greater development of industrial and agricultural production, and achieve all-round victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution with Mao Tse-

Proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses are not only good at destroying the old world, but are absolutely capable of building the new. Proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses in the Chumatien area and all parts of the province, let us, in the brilliant year of 1968, redouble our efforts to carry on a hard struggle and forge ahead amid the paean of triumph.

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