

# China's Revolutionaries Condemn Top Party Person in Authority Taking The Capitalist Road

THE publication of *Hongqi* Commentator's article "The Bourgeois Reactionary Line on the Question of Cadres Must Be Criticized and Repudiated" and Chi Pen-yu's important article "Patriotism or National Betrayal?" has sounded a new clarion call in the great proletarian cultural revolution. It has aroused the greatest indignation of the broad masses of proletarian revolutionaries throughout the country against the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road. In the last few days, rallies, parades and demonstrations were held in China's major and medium-sized cities to condemn him. With soaring militant spirit, the proletarian revolutionaries and revolutionary masses expressed the determination to follow Chairman Mao's teachings to organize a mighty cultural revolutionary army, resolutely overthrow the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road and dig out the main roots of revisionism in our country.

**The People's Liberation Army.** Commanders and fighters pledged that they would stand most determinedly on the side of the proletarian revolutionary line represented by Chairman Mao and, fighting shoulder to shoulder with the proletarian revolutionaries of the whole country, resolutely overthrow and thoroughly criticize and repudiate him. From their personal experience, they criticized his evil book on self-cultivation at meetings and discussions. They pointed out that the book was a poisonous weed which this top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road used to corrode the souls of the revolutionary people; the more one cultivates oneself according to this book, the more revisionist one becomes. It must be completely refuted so as to eradicate its poisonous effect. Some said that the invincible thought of Mao Tse-tung represents the rain and sunshine which nurture us revolutionary fighters and that they have decided to be Chairman Mao's good soldiers who do not fear hardships or death and are wholly dedicated to the service of the people.

A veteran soldier of a P.L.A. unit under the Nanking Command said: The top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road invariably came out into the open at every turning point in the march of history to harp on a tune in opposition to Chairman Mao. When the U.S.-Chiang bandit gang was actively preparing to launch the civil war in China, Chairman Mao issued the militant call "to give them tit for tat and fight for every inch of land." But behind the back of Chairman Mao, that top Party person in authority

taking the capitalist road put forward his absurd reactionary theory of the so-called "new stage of peace and democracy," and pursued the policy of capitulation and compromise towards the traitor Chiang Kai-shek with the result that our Shansi-Chahar-Hopei Border Region suffered unnecessary losses because we were utterly unprepared when Chiang Kai-shek launched the civil war against us. If not for the fact that our great leader Chairman Mao repudiated and corrected this capitulationist line in time, it would have been impossible for us to achieve victory throughout the country.

**Peking.** In the capital, people poured into the streets after working hours to hold parades and demonstrations at Tien An Men, angrily shouting slogans: "Down with the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road!" and "Completely repudiate and discredit that evil book on self-cultivation!"

Poor and lower-middle peasants of the Haitien People's Commune said that this top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road worked energetically for class compromise in the countryside and spread the theory of the dying out of class struggle, clamouring as he did for "long-term protection of the rich peasant economy." This fully exposed him as the spokesman for the landlords and rich peasants and laid bare his big plot for a counter-revolutionary restoration. We poor and lower-middle peasants are dead set against this! An old poor peasant said with emotion: "It is so true that the people of a particular class have their own special way of talking. We have followed Chairman Mao closely and fought against the class enemies for dozens of years, whereas that top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road has all along championed what he called the "four freedoms" [freedom of usury, hiring labour, land sale, and running private enterprise], and advocated the extension of plots for private use and of free markets, the increase of small enterprises with sole responsibility for their own profits or losses, and the fixing of output quotas based on the household. He also advocated the liquidation of struggle in our relations with imperialism, the reactionaries and modern revisionism, and reduction of assistance and support to the revolutionary struggle of other peoples. Doesn't this show his true colours as someone working for a capitalist restoration?"

An order for urgent mobilization was issued by the Committee of the Congress of Red Guards of Peking's

Universities and Colleges which called on its members to launch an all-round and fierce general offensive against this top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road. Interviewed by *Renmin Ribao* reporters, Nieh Yuan-tzu, head of the leading group of the congress and director of the Xinbeida Commune, said: "The current great proletarian cultural revolution is an all-out decisive battle between the two ideologies, two lines and two classes over the last seventeen years, that is, an all-out decisive battle between the thought of Mao Tse-tung and revisionist ideas, between the proletarian revolutionary line and the bourgeois reactionary line and between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie. In a word, it is a great decisive battle to decide who will win, socialism or capitalism. It is a great, deep-going revolution on the political and ideological fronts. To win complete victory in this revolution, it is necessary to launch a general offensive against and settle the final account with this top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road and the bourgeois reactionary line he represents." "Only by carrying out an extensive struggle against and extensive repudiation of this bourgeois reactionary line," she added, "shall we be able to establish the supremacy of the thought of Mao Tse-tung, to ensure the complete victory of the proletarian revolutionary line represented by Chairman Mao, and guard against a capitalist restoration and peaceful evolution."

**Shanghai.** On April 1, Shanghai proletarian revolutionaries held a big demonstration. From early morning, columns of demonstrators streamed into the streets from schools, offices and factories and marched towards the offices of the Shanghai Municipal Revolutionary Committee.

Young Red Guards and revolutionary students and teachers from Tongji and Jiaotong Universities said:

"Chairman Mao, the reddest red sun in our hearts, has always supported revolutionary mass movements and actively encouraged 'unimportant people' to rebel against the 'important people.' Since the liberation, the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road, together with the bourgeoisie, have vainly tried to wrest the fruits of victory from the hands of the people: they are day-dreaming." They also said: "Chairman Mao teaches us: **'He who is not afraid of death by a thousand cuts dares to unhorse the emperor.'** We have long made up our minds to study and apply Chairman Mao's works creatively and to arm ourselves so as to thoroughly refute and discredit the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road."

Revolutionary workers of the Shanghai Glass-making Machinery Works and other factories and plants said indignantly: "The road to success for the capitalists means the road to poverty and misery for us workers, and yet the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road dared to say such preposterous things as 'in China, there is not too much capitalism, but too little' and 'the working people do not oppose exploitation, but welcome it.' This is reactionary through and through. He doesn't smell like a Communist in the slightest."

**Shansi.** Vice-Chairman of the Shansi Provincial Revolutionary Committee Chen Yung-kuei, the Party secretary of the Tachai Production Brigade of Hsiyang County and a national labour model, said: "In the past dozen years or more, our Tachai Production Brigade, following the socialist road pointed out by the great leader Chairman Mao, and by self-reliance and hard work, has turned the old, poverty-stricken Tachai into a prosperous, advanced, socialist new Tachai. We have

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won the highest praise from our most respected and beloved great leader Chairman Mao. But the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road dares to oppose Chairman Mao by actively advocating the development of a capitalist economy in the countryside. Protected by his counter-revolutionary revisionist line, a handful of Party people in authority taking the capitalist road used every means to oppose Tachai, scheming to tear down this red banner personally hoisted up by Chairman Mao and pave the way for the restoration of capitalism in the countryside." "The article in *Hongqi*," continued Chen Yung-kuei, "is really good. It has peeled off the mask of a 'veteran revolutionary' from the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road, and has greatly raised the fighting spirit of us proletarian revolutionaries and punched a hole in the arrogance of the handful of Party people in authority taking the capitalist road."

**Shantung.** The 3rd Plenary Session of the Shantung Provincial Revolutionary Committee which ended on April 2 issued a call to proletarian revolutionaries throughout the province. This call asked them to take emergency action against the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road, thoroughly smash the class enemy's plot for a counter-revolutionary restoration, and consolidate and develop the victory in the struggle to seize power. The Revolutionary Committee called on proletarian revolutionaries never to let their guard down because of victory, but to hold high the revolutionary banner of criticism and repudiation, courageously go into battle, thoroughly criticize and eradicate all poisonous influences of the bourgeois reactionary line represented by the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road in all its aspects, and completely smash the adverse current of a bourgeois counter-revolutionary restoration.

**Kweiyang.** A rally and parade by proletarian revolutionaries in the Kweiyang area, which took place on April 2, angrily denounced the heinous crimes of the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road.

At the rally, Chi Hsiu, a standing committee member of the Kweichow Provincial Revolutionary Committee, stressed the fact that a handful of Party people in authority taking the capitalist road in Kweichow Province has ignored Chairman Mao's instructions for a long time and only followed the reactionary instructions of their "venerable master" — the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road. Closely collaborating with each other, they have actively promoted counter-revolutionary revisionism in Kweichow in a vain attempt to turn it into the rear base for a capitalist restoration. If their schemes are allowed to succeed, our country will change colour.

Over 4,000 representatives of the 15 million revolutionary peasants in the province belonging to various nationalities joined in the rally and demonstration. They were in Kweiyang to take part in the Representative Conference of Poor and Lower-Middle Peasants in Kweichow Province. Young commune peasant Mo Wen-kuang, a member of the Miao nationality, said: "The mountains, however high, cannot hide the sun. The great leader Chairman Mao is the reddest red sun in the hearts of us Miao people. We will steadfastly follow the direction pointed out by Chairman Mao, resolutely take the socialist road and consolidate the collective economy. We will certainly overthrow anyone who dares to oppose Chairman Mao and Mao Tse-tung's thought!"

In the past few days, the *Renmin Ribao* and other papers throughout the country have also carried many articles by workers, peasants, soldiers and revolutionary cadres criticizing and repudiating the top Party person in authority taking the capitalist road.

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