Freely Mobilize the Masses; Completely Defeat The Sinister Counter-Revolutionary Gangs

THE revolutionary students and staff and faculty members of Nanking University have dragged out the anti-Party, anti-socialist counter-revolutionary Kuang Ya-ming [former First Secretary of the Communist Party Committee and President of Nanking University]. This is most gratifying.

The reorganization of the Peking Municipal Committee of the Communist Youth League and the dismissal from their official posts of those anti-Party, anti-socialist elements and the seizure of their power, is another most gratifying event.

Recently, the broad masses of workers, peasants and soldiers, and the masses of the revolutionary cadres and revolutionary intellectuals, holding high the great red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought and carrying forward the proletarian cultural revolution in a big way, have charged against all stubborn strongholds of the bourgeoisie and won victory after victory.

What does the counter-revolutionary incident of Kuang Ya-ming suppressing the revolutionary mass movement tell us?

It tells us that monsters like Kuang Ya-ming, those sinister counter-revolutionary gangs which oppose the Party and socialism, will never voluntarily step down from the stage of history; they will never be reconciled to their defeat. They will certainly put up a desperate resistance and make a death-bed struggle. They will certainly take all sorts of treacherous and deadly measures to suppress the revolutionary mass movement and to maintain their tottering counter-revolutionary rule.

Representatives of the bourgeoisie who oppose the Party and socialism usurp the name of the Party and use the many departments under their control as their positions from which to carry out anti-Party activities. They use a complete set of tools of dictatorship against the revolutionary masses and the proletarian Left. In an organized and planned way and under leadership, they oppose the great socialist cultural revolution launched by the Party's Central Committee and Chairman Mao. When the movement just begins and the masses are not yet mobilized, they try to stir up an ill wind, spreading rumours and creating confusion in order to sidetrack the masses, and set up one obstacle after another to bind the masses hand and foot. As soon as the proletarian Left speaks up and posts a few dazibao

[posters written in big characters hung up for everybody to see], they rant and rave and go into hysterics. They organize encircling attacks against the Left and curse and threaten it, accusing it of all sorts of crimes in order to persecute the Left politically. Fellows like these use the strange logic that whoever exposes them, whoever stands opposed to their sinister gang are "opposing the Party" and "opposing the Central Committee." The result of their doing this is exactly contrary to what they seek; it completely unmasks the real faces of these royalists and counter-revolutionaries and sounds the death knell announcing their utter failure.

In those departments and units where the bourgeoisie's representatives have usurped the leadership, the present great cultural revolution is a struggle for taking back the power of leadership, a struggle for transforming the bourgeois dictatorship into the proletarian dictatorship. This struggle must never be carried out in a reformist way. There must be no "peaceful transition," no "two combining into one": a thoroughgoing revolutionary method must be employed; all monsters must be dragged out and struggle be waged against them till they stink, till they are down and till they collapse once and for all.

Winning victory in this struggle calls for freely mobilizing the masses. One's attitude towards the mass movement, to support it or to stand against it, is an extremely important criterion for determining who is a revolutionary and who is a counter-revolutionary. We must warmly and wholeheartedly support the revolutionary mass movement, enthusiastically plunge ourselves into it, and guide it correctly. We must steadfastly depend on the proletarian Left, regard the workers, peasants and soldiers as the main force of the revolution, unite with the more than 95 per cent of the masses and the cadres to concentrate our firepower on the target, to open fire on the anti-Party and antisocialist sinister gangs, on the stubborn bourgeois strongholds and on all monsters.

Revolutionary dazibao are magic mirrors which reveal all monsters for what they are; they are the most effective means of freely mobilizing the masses to launch fierce attacks against the enemies. All anti-Party, anti-socialist counter-revolutionaries fear dazibao the most, while all revolutionary masses like them the best and consider them the most powerful new-type

weapon to expose and vanquish the enemies. You put up one; I put up another. Every anti-Party, anti-socialist crime can thus be exposed and every anti-Party, anti-socialist sinister gang will be dragged out so that they find no place to hide, nor anywhere to escape. What we need is to put up dazibao on an extensive scale, engage in great debates, fully air our views, greatly boost the spirit of the proletarian Left and the revolutionary masses and sweep away the arrogance of the representatives of the bourgeoisie, the bourgeois "academic authorities" and all monsters.

We must launch a massive attack on the strongholds of the bourgeois diehards. If the representatives of the bourgeoisie who are opposed to the Party, socialism and Mao Tse-tung's thought continue to lord it over the people, we must make their names public in the newspapers, dismiss them from their posts, remove them from their offices, seize the authority given them and resolutely carry out reorganization. In the case of organizations like the former Peking Municipal Party Committee, which persisted in its opposition to the Party,

socialism and Mao Tse-tung's thought, it is unthinkable that we would not reorganize it! As for the former Peking Communist Youth League Committee, which served as an accomplice of the former Peking Municipal Party Committee and madly poisoned the youth and children, it is unthinkable that we would not reorganize it! And what should we have done if not dismiss men like the chieftains of these counter-revolutionary strongholds!

We must freely mobilize the masses, overthrow all counter-revolutionary sinister gangs which are opposed to the Party, socialism and Mao Tse-tung's thought, and capture all the positions they have entrenched themselves in and place these firmly under the control of the proletariat.

We must raise high the great red banner of Mao Tse-tung's thought and carry the great proletarian cultural revolution through to the end. We will definitely not call off the struggle until complete victory is won.

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