WORKERS IN CANTON SET UP REVOLUTIONARY GREAT ALLIANCE Canton, NCNA, 14 November 1967

Full text.

A committee for the revolutionary great alliance of the working class in Kwangchow has been set up in the splendid situation of the great

proletarian cultural revolution in China, guided by the great call to "fight self, repudiate revisionism" put forth by Chairman Mao.

A mammoth rally of some 100,000 revolutionary workers, peasants, students and cadres and commanders and fighters of the air, naval and ground forces of the People's Liberation Army in Kwangchow was held on the morning of the 9th to celebrate the establishment of the preparatory committee.

The cultural revolution group under the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and the State Council sent a message of greeting to the meeting. The cable was read out amidst thunderous applause and deafening shouts of "Long live Chairman Mao!"

The huge field where the meeting was held was virtually a sea of red flags, portraits of Chairman Mao and placards of quotations from Chairman Mao. A festive atmosphere pervaded, and the air was filled with the singing of revolutionary songs, the beating of drums and gongs and the sound of firecrackers. The meeting began amidst the heroic tune of "The East Is Red."

The working class of Kwangchow has fought bravely in the great proletarian cultural revolution in the past year and more. They broke through the bourgeois reactionary line, launched fierce attacks at the handful of Party persons in authority taking the capitalist road and valiantly defended Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Recently Chairman Mao put forth the great call to "fight self, repudiate revisionism" and declared that "there is no conflict of fundamental interests within the working class. Under the dictatorship of the proletariat, there is no reason whatsoever for the working class to split into two big irreconciliable groupings." The three big workers' organizations in the city studied the wise instructions of Chairman Mao and recognized the serious responsibilities that the working class has in the cultural revolution. After some negotiation, the three organizations united on the basis of Mao Tse-tung's thought.

The chairman of the meeting declared that the setting up of the preparatory committee for the revolutionary great alliance of the working class in Kwangchow was an indication of the matchless power of Chairman Mao's latest instructions. A great victory for Mao Tse-tung's thought and his proletarian revolutionary line.

He said that this was inseparable from the support and help given by the PLA units. He urged that the great proletarian cultural revolution be carried through to the end, revolution grasped and production promoted and revolutionary vigilance be kept high against sabotage by foreign and domestic class enemies.

Kung Shih-chuan and Chen Te, leading members of the PLA units, spoke highly of the revolutionary spirit of the working class of Kwangchow. They

said that the working class in the city had set an example for all proletarian revolutionaries in the Kwangchow area by bringing about a revolutionary great alliance.

Representatives of revolutionary workers, peasants and students pledged to promote the revolutionary great alliance of all the proletarian revolutionaries. Quoting Chairman Mao as saying "The entire history of revolution proves that without the leadership of the working class revolution fails and that with the leadership of the working class revolution triumphs," they said that the realization of great alliance of the workers would help overcome petty bourgeois factionist thinking and thus enhance the victorious advance of the cultural revolution.

A cable of respect to Chairman Mao and a declaration were adopted by the rally. It concluded with the song "Sailing the Seas Depends on the Man at the Helm."

A parade followed the meeting.