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DPRK DAILY SCORES U.S. MILITARY AID TO ROK

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2254 GMT 17 Jun 78 SK

[NODONG SINMUN 18 June commentary: "Dangerous Acts Encouraging War"]

[Text] To increase the war potential of the South Korean puppets, the U.S. imperialists are using this or that excuse to expand military assistance on a grand scale. According to reports, a bill calling for selling the South Korean puppets various military aircraft including F-4's and tow missiles worth \$67 million, which had been referred to Congress by the U.S. Defense Department, was recently approved.

A congressional report says that the U.S. Defense Department, in a bid to strengthen the South Korean puppet air force, plans to provide some \$18 million in military assistance during fiscal 1978 to build various military facilities such as runways and barracks at Osan and Kunsan air bases. The U.S. Defense Department has already decided to spend some \$14 million during fiscal 1979 to set up fuel and ammunition depots at Osan and Kunsan.

Such moves as concentrating various offensive weapons, ammunition and fuel and building military facilities on a grand scale are acts seen only on the eve of war.

This is a reckless U.S. maneuver to convert South Korea into a dangerous powder keg and to instigate the South Korean puppets to light the fuse of war in Korea whenever desired. This behavior by the U.S. imperialists shows that they are interested not in peace and the peaceful reunification of Korea, but in national division and war.

The United States is expanding military assistance to the South Korean puppets as part of their scheme to prop up the shaky colonial rule in South Korea and accelerate the "two Koreas" plot and war preparations. By transferring more lethal weapons to South Korea, the U.S. imperialists attempt to give a shot in the arm to the puppets, who are rejected by the people and staggering in a crisis of survival, and to continuously drive them to the road of national division and war.

The Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, which is trying to find a way to survive through war and fascist oppressive rule, works frantically to take advantage of the weapons supplied by its U.S. master to strengthen its savage oppression of the people and accelerate war preparations.

Since the provocative "joint South Korea-U.S. military exercise" last March, the South Korean puppets and the U.S. imperialists have carried out war exercises almost every day in the skies and on the land and sea, such as naval exercises on the east, west and south seas and firing, landing and infiltration exercises carried out on a massive scale along the military demarcation line, simulating an attack against the northern half of the republic.

The stern reality eloquently proves that in Korea the "threat of invasion from the north" does not exist; rather, the danger of a war of aggression against the north is growing daily.

The United States is accelerating arms buildup and war preparations in South Korea and, to conceal this, uses the signboard of "troop withdrawal" as a smokescreen. Not only does the United States openly try to reduce to nothing even the formal troop withdrawal plans by amending them again and again, it is also increasing U.S. forces occupying South Korea.

According to a U.S. State Department announcement, the number of U.S. troops occupying South Korea as of the end of March showed an increase of about 900 over the number at the end of last year. The United States also plans to beef up its air force in South Korea by 20 percent. This clearly shows that the so-called troop withdrawal plans formulated by the U.S. imperialists are nothing but a crafty ruse to deceive world public opinion.

All the facts show that the U.S. imperialists are not inclined to withdraw from South Korea, but intend to freeze Korea's division by force of arms, holding on to South Korea indefinitely as their colony and military base and cherishing the ambition to invade the northern half with South Korea as a foothold.

Because of the schemes of the U.S. imperialists and the South Korean puppets for national division and war, tension in Korea is on the rise. This is a grave obstacle to Korea's peace and independent and peaceful reunification and a threat to peace in Asia.

That the U.S. imperialists are amassing lethal weapons and military equipment and accelerating war preparations in South Korea is an intolerable challenge to the Korean and world people who seek peace in Korea and Korea's peaceful reunification. The United States should stop assisting and propping up the South Korean puppets with the force of arms and should completely withdraw all means of war including U.S. troops and nuclear weapons from South Korea as soon as possible. If the United States continues to cling to schemes for interference and war in Korea, no good results will await it.

DPRK RADIO SCORES VANCE STATEMENT ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0725 GMT 14 Jun 78 SK

[Unattributed commentary: "The Nuclear War Maniacs' Wickedness Under the Veil of Peace"]

[Text] U.S. Secretary of State Vance recently announced a so-called statement of policy on use of nuclear weapons. In this connection the U.S. authorities said that Vance's statement includes the U.S. intention to permit the use of nuclear weapons against the DPRK. This means that the U.S. imperialists will not hesitate to use nuclear weapons against us on the pretext of a non-existent "threat of aggression against the south."

Such remarks by the U.S. authorities, when all the world people are actively struggling against nuclear weapons, reveal the U.S. imperialists' dirty nature as nuclear war maniacs. This is an outrageous threat and blackmail and a vicious provocation against the Korean people. The U.S. imperialists' raving about using nuclear weapons against us shows the wicked nature of their Korea policy and reveals that the preparations for another Korean war which they are frenziedly expediting are, by nature, preparations for a nuclear war.

In reality, the U.S. imperialists have long been pushing ahead with preparations in South Korea for a nuclear war. They declared South Korea a "potential war area," and so deployed massive nuclear weapons. They have continuously threatened and blackmailed us with nuclear weapons.

Furthermore, former U.S. Secretary of Defense, Schlesinger, commenting on nuclear war, outrageously raved about dealing a blow into somebody's "heart." That the U.S. authorities have now uncovered their intention to use nuclear weapons against us shows that the U.S. imperialists' military policy against the Korean people has not changed, but follows the same wicked course.

In the "U.S.-South Korea joint military exercise" conducted in March, the U.S. war maniacs dragged into South Korea and around it such nuclear capability weapons as lance missiles, B-52 strategic bombers and nuclear carriers and,

furthermore, conducted nuclear weapons launching exercises. They have said that they will have more such military exercises in the future. There is no doubt that such military exercises, which are conducted continuously in South Korea, where massive nuclear weapons are deployed, are aimed at strengthening preparations for nuclear war.

The United States has deployed nuclear weapons at such bases surrounding South Korea as Japan and Okinawa in preparation for a Korean war, and has mounted nuclear weapons on the warships of the U.S. 7th Fleet, which is on stand-by status to be mobilized to Korea. Seen in this light, the U.S. authorities' raving can be construed as disclosing the U.S. imperialists' dark intention to accelerate preparations for nuclear war against the Korean people.

The U.S. war maniacs use nuclear weapons to try to achieve something by threatening us on one hand, and on the other hand scheme to encourage the South Korean puppet clique and further drive it along the road of military provocations and adventures against the northern half of the republic--along the road of division and war.

The U.S. imperialists' maneuvers for nuclear war preparations do not correspond at all to their frequent talk that they want peace in Korea. This clearly shows that the U.S. imperialists, by resorting to a cunning, two-faced strategy, wickedly attempt to cover up with the veil of peace their frenzied maneuvers for arms reinforcement and new war preparations--particularly nuclear war preparations.

The U.S. war maniacs are nuclear war maniacs holding the signboard of peace. The U.S. imperialists' preparation for nuclear war and their aggressive outburst that they will use nuclear weapons against us make us further question the U.S. plan to withdraw troops from South Korea.

The United States is now constantly retreating from its troop withdrawal pledge. It is talking about troop withdrawal, but in reality is increasing its aggressive strength--particularly its air force strength--in South Korea, and transferring huge quantities of weapons of mass destructions to the South Korean puppet clique. On 12 June, the United States announced that it would usher into South Korea the nuclear-capable F-111 fighter-bombers. Furthermore, the attempt to hush up the matter of withdrawing troops from South Korea emerges among the U.S. imperialists.

The U.S. imperialists' frenzied arms reinforcement under the signboard of "troop withdrawal" is aimed at maintaining their military occupation of South Korea and keeping South Korea as their colony and military base. Thus they intend to obstruct Korea's reunification, fabricate "two Koreas" and, using South Korea as a stepping stone, realize their ambitions toward our republic. The U.S. war maniacs' provocative outburst about using nuclear weapons against us more clearly reveals the wicked purpose which they are pursuing under the signboard of the troop withdrawal.

Only the threat of aggression against the north, not that of aggression against the south, exists in Korea today. The U.S. imperialists' maneuvers for arms reinforcement in South Korea and for nuclear war preparations against the Korean people are extremely straining the situation in Korea and threatening the peace, and constitute formidable obstacles to the peaceful reunification of our fatherland.

The U.S. imperialists can never scare anybody nor achieve anything with nuclear threats and blackmail. Those who brandish nuclear weapons only precipitate their own self-destruction. The U.S. imperialists should stop their absurd threats and blackmail with nuclear weapons and their war preparation maneuvers and immediately withdraw all U.S. troops and all murderous weapons from South Korea, including nuclear weapons. This is the solemn demand of the times.

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VOICE OF RPR HITS ARREST OF UNIFICATION PARTY FIGURE

Voice of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification [Clandestine] in Korean
to South Korea 1100 GMT 18 Jun 78 SK

[Unattributed talk]

[Text] The Pak Chong-hui clique on 15 June committed the violent act of arresting Kim Kum-tong, chief secretary of the Human Rights Protection Committee of the Democratic Unification Party.

Kim Kum-tong, who was arrested by the Pak Chong-hui clique, printed and distributed the statement on detainees issued by the Association for the Restoration of Democracy. He also disclosed the harsh treatment of a student held in Seoul detention house for his protest against the handing out of stale food.

Thus offended, the Pak Chong-hui clique, resorting to the emergency measures, arrested Kim Kum-tong. This barbarous, fascist tyranny constitutes an unpardonable crime and an arbitrary violation of human rights. As is widely known, Kim Kum-tong, who has been arrested by the Pak Chong-hui clique, is not guilty at all. Unable to sit idly by and overlook the wicked, barbarous tyranny committed under Pak Chong-hui's yusin dictatorship, he printed and distributed the statement to let our people know about the ruthless persecution and torture suffered by detained figures of various circles and the tyrannical violation of human rights. He also disclosed and denounced these facts by means of leaflets.

It is very obvious that this cannot be a crime of any sort. However, rather than commending his righteous act, the Pak Chong-hui clique arrested him on charges of violating the murderous emergency decree. This clearly shows that the rascals are just atrocious fascist hangmen who butcher human beings.

As the world already knows, the Pak Chong-hui clique detained So Chun-sik, a Japan-resident Korean student who had come to South Korea to study, on the very day his 7-year prison term expired. It is also arbitrarily rounding up and imprisoning the patriotic students and personages who have risen up against fascism and for democracy.

Such acts by the Pak Chong-hui clique are not just accidental. Broad circles, including workers and students, are strenuously struggling to realize the Pak Chong-hui clique's stepping-down from power and abolition of the yusin constitution, thus driving the clique further into the corner. Greatly fearful and restless, in an effort to put an end to the current crisis and to realize its dirty ambition and for retaining power for a long time, the Pak Chong-hui clique is resorting to merciless oppression of the masses who have risen up in a righteous struggle.

The Pak Chong-hui clique's arrest of Kim Kum-tong, who exposed and denounced its vicious violations of human rights is part of the clique's schemes for oppressing the masses.

Though the Pak Chong-hui clique tries to realize its dirty purposes, this is useless. The more the clique strengthens its schemes for oppressing the masses, the greater will be the masses' resistance. Our people will more vigorously struggle to overthrow the Pak Chong-hui clique which is a fascist hangman and butcher and realize the democraticization of society.

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JAPAN TRADE UNION COUNCIL BACKS REUNIFICATION

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2305 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK

[Text] On 12 June, the General Council of Japanese Trade Unions announced an action program in support of the second world conference backing Korea's independent and peaceful reunification, which is to be held this coming November in Tokyo.

The action program is as follows:

1. The period from 25 June through 27 July is set as one for intensifying the movement for supporting Korea's reunification. (?Unified rallies across the country on 4 July) and other activities will be undertaken.

In particular, on 4 July which is the anniversary of the announcement of the 4 July north-south joint statement, rallies will be held across the country supporting Korea's reunification and opposing the military collaboration between Japan, the United States and South Korea, under the slogans: The United States must immediately and completely withdraw U.S. forces from South Korea; let us express solidarity with the democratization movement in South Korea and deeply probe Japan-South Korea collusion and the Kim Tae-chung incident; the Japanese Government must halt assistance to the Pak regime and basically change the policy toward Korea; and, let us make the second world conference supporting Korea's independent and peaceful reunification a successful one.

2. A struggle opposing regular Japan-South Korea ministerial meetings will be conducted.
3. On 21 October, antiwar international day, a struggle placing emphasis on the Korean question will be waged.

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DPRK RALLY PLEDGES LABOR EXPLOITS TO MARK FOUNDING DATE

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2200 GMT 2 Jun 78 SK

[Excerpts] Upholding the party's militant appeal, working people throughout the country are unanimously launching the 100-day battle to brighten the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic. On 1 and 2 June, many plants, enterprises, cooperative farms and organs throughout the country--including the Pyongyang Thermal Power Plant, the Hochon Youth Mine, the 8 February Vinalon Enterprises Complex, the 26 February Plant, the Pyongyang Textile Plant, the Mangyongdae Cooperative Farm, the Munhwa Cooperative farm and the Kumsong Senior Middle School--held rallies to greet the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic with high political zeal and brilliant labor exploits by vigorously launching the 100-day battle.

Respectfully placed at the front of the rally sites was a portrait of Comrade Kim Il-song, the great leader of our party and people. Also placed at the site where the slogans "long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song," "long live the Democratic People's Republic of Korea," and "We sincerely wish the great leader long life." Also on display were the slogans "Let us all launch the 100-day battle;" "Let us expedite and complete the first year tasks of the Second Seven-Year Plan by vigorously waging the 100-day battle;" "let us concentrate all efforts on occupying the height of the 100-day battle ahead of schedule;" and "Let us properly manage all farm fields."

Reports were made at the rallies, referring to the significant 30th anniversary of the founding of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea--our glorious fatherland--which we will greet this year when the majestic struggle for expediting the first year's tasks of the Second Seven-Year Plan unfolded by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song are being vigorously carried out. Those delivering reports said that the historic founding day of the republic will indeed be a significant national holiday.

Those giving reports extended the utmost respect and deepest thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, who embarked on the road of revolution, successfully brought about the country's independence--the basic factor for the revolution--under the brilliant banner of the chuche idea, wisely led the

republic which he founded in surmounting all sorts of arduous trials, and thus provided us with a prosperous country shining with independence, self-reliance and self-defense.

The speakers said that the current 100-day battle, which began in accordance with the party's militant appeal, will be a sacred struggle for more firmly defending the valuable revolutionary gains attained by our people under the wise leadership of the great leader and for constantly brightening the proud history of the republic. They also said that this battle will be an epochal milestone in expediting the Second Seven-Year Plan's tasks.

At the rallies, the working class of the Pyongyang Thermal Power plant, the Hochon Youth Mine, the 8 February Vinalon Plant [called Enterprises Complex above], the 28 February Plant and the Pyongyang Textile Plant firmly resolved to fulfill their production quotas for this year a month ahead of schedule by demonstrating the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance under the banner of the three revolutions of ideology, technology and culture.

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DPRK RADIO URGES FUNCTIONARIES TO LEAD IN '100-DAY BATTLE'

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0632 GMT 18 Jun 78 SK

[Unattributed commentary: "Let All Functionaries Skillfully Take Command of the 100-Day Battle in Order to Greet the 30th Anniversary of the Founding of the Republic as a Grand Festival of Victors"]

[Excerpts] All party members and working people, upholding the party Central Committee's letter and the party's militant appeal, are vigorously waging the 100-day battle to glorify the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic as a grand celebration. Thus in every front post of socialist construction, new revolutionary upsurges are being brought about, and miracles and innovation are continuously being created.

The 100-day battle being waged with the approach of the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic is very significant in our people's revolutionary struggle to realize the grand program for socialist construction. The 100-day battle is a grand blueprint for the prosperity and welfare of our fatherland and people and provides significant momentum in carrying out the first year task of the Second Seven-Year Plan ahead of schedule. All results and victories to be scored in the 100-day battle will encourage the South Korean people in their sacred struggle against fascism and for democratization and deal a hard blow to the domestic and foreign splittists.

With lofty political awakening and revolutionary zeal, we should vigorously wage the labor struggle to carry out the 100-day battle brilliantly and victoriously. To this end, all leading functionaries, above all, should fulfill their roles and responsibilities as the commanders of the revolution to push ahead with today's battle efficiently and undauntedly. The revolutionary zeal and morale of all the working people--who have launched into the 100-day battle following the call of the party--is high, and our economy's production potential is very great. Therefore, the failure or success of the 100-day battle depends on the determination and dedication with which the leading functionaries work. Functionaries are the central forces of our party and the commanding members in revolution. The party's line and policy are passed on among the people through the functionaries, and the struggle to implement them is also organized and guided by the functionaries.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows: "Whether the leading functionaries successfully carry out the revolutionary task depends on whether they give priority to the political work or not. Hence, the leading functionaries should deeply realize this and decisively intensify the political work among the masses of broad strata." So taught the great leader.

To give priority to political work--the work dealing with people--is the revolutionary work method based on the basic requirement of the chuche ideology. As the chuche ideology clarifies, the masters in revolution and construction are the masses, and the force leading revolution and construction is the masses.

All functionaries should mix with people at the production sites seething with the 100-day battle and efficiently proceed with political work--the work dealing with people. Thus they should make the working people overfulfill the daily battle quota assigned to them by utilizing their patriotism toward the socialist fatherland and endless loyalty to the great leader.

All functionaries should perfectly organize the economic organizational work according to the Tae'an work system, while giving priority to political work. The high revolutionary zeal of the working people--when supported by scientific economic organizational work--can prove highly efficient as a decisive factor for production increase.

All leading economic functionaries should formulate an active battle plan, based on their understanding of the realities of the people's economy, link all production factors with this plan and organize the work to support the production technically and economically. Economic functionaries should carefully organize the measures and assignments to carry out the 100-day battle task, grasp the entire process of production daily, determine the result of implementation by day, 10 day and month, and thereby reorganize and ceaselessly deepen the work.

To conduct the work to guarantee the materials according to the requirement of the Tae'an work system efficiently is very important in the economic organizational work. Material is an important factor for production, and, to normalize production, materials should be supplied properly and timely. The leading functionaries of state and economic organs, plants, enterprises and particularly those in charge of materials production should guarantee, with responsibility, the supply of the materials to the production sites seething with the 100-day battle. They should vigorously conduct the work to mobilize and utilize all potentials while economizing on electricity, fuel, raw materials and materials.

To carry out the 100-day battle victoriously, the leading functionaries should go into the seething battle sites.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught as follows: "To go among the masses and into the realities must be the primary principle in all of our works. This is the most important attitude for those who conduct work through the revolutionary method." So taught the great leader.

Without going into the seething realities, the functionaries cannot successfully carry out the work to thoroughly equip the working people with the great leader's instruction and its embodiment--the party policy, nor the work to provide the correct assistance and measures. They cannot fully conduct the work to organize and mobilize the masses into the struggle to carry out the task of the revolution, which has been launched again, by enhancing the infinite strength and wisdom of the masses. Only when the functionaries go to the production sites can they conduct the economic organizational work scientifically and militantly. Once they go to the production sites, they can better grasp the realities of the production sites, can be well acquainted with the work to guarantee the supply of materials--as well as the conditions of facilities and the workers' ideological preparedness--and thereby organize the economic organizational work in an orderly manner.

To set an example to others in all works is an important attitude which our functionaries should bear. Only when the functionaries fully demonstrate this revolutionary attitude to the masses, instead of merely talking, can they correctly indoctrinate the masses and vigorously organize and mobilize them to carry out the revolutionary tasks. The masses will further respect and follow such functionaries in setting examples for others in the practical struggle and in working more devotedly and arduously than others.

In the past, the commanders of the anti-Japanese guerrillas always lead the van of the ranks in the "do-or-die" assaults and waded through the stream of blood. They courageously overcame the arduous situations, standing in front of others. All our functionaries should follow the example of the commanders of the anti-Japanese guerrillas in setting an example for others and standing at the head of today's 100-day battle. Thus always standing at the fore front of the assault, they should lead the masses to innovations and upsurges.

The 100-day battle is now vigorously being waged and new upsurges are being created in our revolution and construction in order to glorify the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic as a grand festival of victors. Now is the significant time when all our functionaries should fulfill their honorable roles and responsibilities as commanders of the revolution with endless loyalty to the great leader.

All our functionaries should adopt the work methods put forth by the great leader and achieve new victory by taking command at the forefront of the grand assault for the 100-day battle with militant and revolutionary spirit. Thus let the national holiday in September be the grand festival of honor and that of chollima Korea.

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DPRK RADIO CALLS FOR VICTORY IN '100-DAY BATTLE'

Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 2312 GMT 10 Jun 78 SK

[Unattributed talk: "Let Us Win Brilliant Victory in the 100-Day Battle by More Highly Displaying the Revolutionary Spirit of Mount Paektu, of chollima and of the Speed Battle"]

[Excerpts] Today the flames of the 100-day battle to more gloriously observe the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic as a great festival of victors are vigorously raging among all the workers throughout the nation. The 100-day battle being waged amidst the lofty revolutionary zeal of the entire people is a glorious struggle to expedite the realization of the magnificent programs of the Second Seven-Year Plan elucidated by the great leader, and to accelerate the historic advance toward socialism and communism.

Indeed, for functionaries and workers to more highly display the revolutionary spirit of Mount Paektu, of Chollima and of the speed-battle is the key to their victory in revolutionary struggle and construction. Therefore, we should display this militant spirit more highly than ever before to effectively carry out the unprecedentedly large-scale plan of the 100-day battle.

To extraordinarily increase our marching speed, we should vigorously accelerate production by putting all machinery and facilities in full operation and at full capacity, and should break through all difficulties and barriers by our own efforts. If we rely upon others for help instead of striving to solve problems through our own endeavors, we cannot expect to advance production and construction at high speed although we have the material, manpower, facilities and other productive potential.

All functionaries and workers should more highly demonstrate the revolutionary spirit of Mount Paektu, of chollima and of the speed battle on all fronts of socialist construction so as to mark the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic with a great festival of victors.

The most important thing to all functionaries and workers in displaying the revolutionary spirit of Mount Paektu, of chollima and of the speed battle is

to arm themselves with the great chuche ideology of the respected and beloved leader and to firmly assume the view and standpoint of carrying out the 100-day battle with their own strength. Self-reliance is a struggle spirit based on the revolutionary view point of chuche. We should firmly arm ourselves with the chuche ideology to demonstrate the spirit of self-reliance, and should think and act in accordance with the chuche ideology.

It is important for the functionaries and workers, in arming themselves with the chuche ideology and in displaying the lofty revolutionary spirit of self-reliance, to arouse the revolutionary spirit of striving to deal with everything through their own efforts, wherever and whatever they may undertake.

We should effect constant innovations in production and construction in all sectors and all units, surmounting all difficulties and hardships with the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance. It is not a communistic attitude to shy away, rely on others and complain about difficulties and hardships.

All functionaries and workers should thoroughly and brilliantly fulfill the 100-day battle tasks without fail, more highly displaying the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and hard fighting.

It is also important in displaying the revolutionary spirit of Mount Paektu, of chollima and of the speed-battle to have a spirit of courageously breaking through all hardships and difficulties we may encounter in our advance, and to demonstrate creativity by making anything required by the party.

The spirit of self-reliance displayed by the workers of the Tanchon Ship-building Plant, who have overfulfilled the state plan every year by improving their technology and equipment, properly maintaining (?drawing machines) for rolled steel and effectively utilizing available material, established a small thermal power plant through their own efforts and developed small collieries; the brilliant example shown by the farmers of Unha cooperative farm in Unjon County, who succeeded in producing 8 tons per (chong) on all their rice paddies by resolutely struggling for mechanization of farming, applying the chuche farming method with their own strength; the spirit of being masters shown by the people of Koun county, who contributed to local agricultural development by carefully utilizing wild (?vegetables) growing in mountains and provided various processed foods for the people--all these show that we can create miracles anywhere if we use our wisdom creatively and struggle.

Nothing can block the vigorous advance of our people who are marching in accordance with the party's guidance; holding in high esteem the great leader, only victory and glory await us.

We should vigorously advance to win victory in the 100-day battle with the chollima spirit, doubled with that of the speed-battle so as to greet the 30th anniversary of the founding of the republic as a great festival of victors.

YOUTH LEAGUE ORGAN OBSERVES ARMY ANNIVERSARY

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[Editorial: "46th Anniversary of the Korean People's Army Born in the Flames of the Anti-Japanese Struggle"]

[Text] Today, we are observing the significant birthday of the glorious Korean People's Army in a solemn environment in which we are energetically unfolding an all-out march campaign to accomplish the new outlook plan, holding high the New Year address by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song and the Party Central Committee's letter addressed to all the party members.

All the hearts of the entire people and youths who are greeting the birthday of the Korean People's Army are filled with a burning and overflowing sentiment of respect and boundless loyalty toward the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, who raised high long ago the torch of anti-Japanese struggle on the summit of the Paektu Mountain, founded a chuch'e type of revolutionary armed forces that brought about an epochal turn in our national liberation struggle against Japan and the development of communist movements in our country, and has strengthened and developed it into the mighty armed force that we have today.

It was an historic event when the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song founded the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, the predecessor of the present Korean People's Army, on 25 April 1932, the darkest age of Japanese rule.

The great leader Marshal Kim Il-song taught as follows:

"With the founding of the Anti-Japanese People's Guerrilla Unit, we now have a driving force which will take charge of and assume the leadership of armed struggles, the backbone of the anti-Japanese national liberation movement in our country, which came to strike a decisive blow at the Japanese imperialist aggressors and develop our country's anti-Japanese liberation struggle into a higher stage." ("On the Occasion of the Founding of an Anti-Japanese People's Guerrilla Unit," p 6)

The founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army was an historic proclamation announcing a new era of our revolutionary struggle by a regular armed force and a war declaration against the Japanese imperialist aggressors.

The founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army gratified our people's and youths' long cherished desire for having a true revolutionary armed force which would oppose the imperialist aggressor forces and defend the national self-determination right of the Korean people. It was the time when our people's revolutionary struggle was elevated to a new higher stage in which it opposed counter-revolutionary force with revolutionary force. It was also the time when our people and youths who had languished in a state of colonial slavery of Japanese imperialism came to have strength and courage to launch more powerfully into the struggle against imperialism and when, in our country, the organizational and ideological preparations for the founding of a political party were promoted and a large number of communistic cores started to grow.

While organizing and directing the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song firmly established the ideological system of *chuche* in the revolutionary army, perfected the political and ideological unity of the revolutionary ranks and created the shining revolutionary tradition of our party.

After the national liberation, based on this glorious revolutionary tradition, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song shinningly accomplished the historic work both to build our party and a revolutionary political power and to strengthen and develop the Korean People's Revolutionary Army into the Korean People's Army, a mighty regular revolutionary armed force.

The Korean People's Army is the army of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, a genuine revolutionary army and the glorious party's army that struggles to safeguard and successfully accomplish the revolutionary cause put forth by the great leader with his everlasting and immortal ideology of *chuche* as its leading guideline.

The Korean Revolutionary Army having been strengthened and developed into the Korean People's Army, a regular revolutionary armed force, our people became able to firmly safeguard with their own armed force their fatherland and the gains of the revolution from being infringed by imperialism and various class enemies, to energetically accelerate the construction of an independent state and to firmly guarantee the construction of socialism and communism by military means.

During the past period, under the wise leadership of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, our revolutionary armed force walked along the militant road of victory and glory and brought out its ever-shining merits before the fatherland and the people.

Our revolutionary armed force fully manifested its invincible spirit and dauntlessness as a revolutionary army organized, educated and fostered by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song when it gained historic victories in the two fierce revolutionary wars, smashing both Japanese and U.S. imperialisms over a period of almost half a century and firmly guaranteed the revolutionary cause of chuche by a military means, overcoming repeated difficulties and tests.

Holding high the banner of chuche and firmly standing fast to the principles of independence and originality, the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song led the Korean revolution to the straight road of victory by solving in time and in a creative manner the lines and methods of struggle, strategies and tactics and all other difficult and complicated problems arising in an armed struggle throughout the anti-Japanese revolutionary war that crushed the Japanese imperialists, the burglars.

In the iron-firm confidence that the Korean revolution will necessarily succeed as long as it is wisely led by the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, the members of the Korean Revolutionary Army firmly united with one and the same ideological purpose around the leader and fought day after day throughout the period of the anti-Japanese war, overcoming repeated difficulties and tests; and thereby they finally won the shining victory, the liberation of the fatherland.

After the national liberation, the brave members of the Korean People's Army firmly safeguarded the gains of the revolution by smashing in time the ceaselessly repeated, provocative maneuvers by the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys. During the stringent period of war, the same members, holding high the strategical and tactical lines of the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song, the commander-in-chief, savagely struck at the aggressors to put the impertinent U.S. imperialists to shame and win an historic victory.

Even after the war, our People's Army firmly safeguarded with armed force our people's struggle for the socialist revolution and socialist construction by striking down enemies' provocations of war one by one.

Under the refined leadership and deep concerns of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, our People's Army has been brought up and strengthened into a one-a-match-for-100 revolutionary armed force, more firmly tempered politically, ideologically, militarily and technically.

Among the members of our People's Army, the party's unitary system of ideology is established firmly more than ever and a traditional, beautiful trait of comradely love and spontaneous discipline among the officers and men and unity between soldiers and people is prevailing predominantly. All the officers and men in the People's Army are firmly armed with the latest military sciences and technology and acquainted with an ever-victorious, chuche type of tactics.

All the proud merits and victories which our People's Army have brought out before the party, the revolution and their fatherland and people, weathering out a heavy storm of revolution, owe to the wise leadership of the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song.

A half century has already passed since the Korean People's Army, a glorious revolutionary armed force, was born. Yet, the march of the Korean revolution that had started in the forest of Paektu Mountain did not come to an end.

Our country is presently facing a growing danger of the perpetuation of the national division and is falling into a further tense situation due to the U.S. imperialist aggressors and traitors to the country, Pak Chong-hui and his clique who are sitting in South Korea, watching an opportunity.

Instigating the Pak Chong-hui puppet clique, the U.S. imperialists are madly maneuvering to divide our national land and nation into two forever. Behind the scenario of "withdrawing of armed forces," the U.S. imperialists are strengthening South Korea's aggressive forces and are busy preparing a new war.

Shouting about "concurrent admissions to the United Nations," "recognition in turn," etc., the Pak Chong-hui clique madly rushes about to perpetuate the national division and cowardly create "two Koreas" with the use of foreign forces. While, under the slogans of "security by full strength" and "winning a war at its initial stage," the clique is accelerating the militarization of its economy, it is now busy with large-scale war maneuvers such as the "joint U.S.-Korea military operations exercise."

Today, marking the birthday of the glorious Korean People's Army, our people and youths are facing an important task to accelerate the complete victory of socialism and a peaceful independent unification of the fatherland by watching keenly each movement of their enemies and occupying without fail the high height of the new outlook plan, energetically running in a spirit of chollima and speed campaign.

The respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song taught in his New Year address as follows:

"Due to the fact that we are still on the way to the revolution, we must not be self-satisfied regarding what we have achieved. All the party members and the working people must oppose idleness and remissness and must work, learn and live in a revolutionary manner at any time in any place; and thereby must continuously advance and renovate."

All the members of the Socialist Working Youth's League and youths must more deeply master the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il-song's revolutionary ideology, chuche ideology and their embodiments, the party lines and policies, and must thoroughly establish a life style of the revolutionary who absolutely and unconditionally carries out the leader's instructions.

Stoutheartedly defending and successfully inheriting and developing our party's glorious traditions formed in the flames of the arduous anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle by the great leader is a firm guarantee for a victory of our revolution.

By studying in depth the glorious and brilliant history of revolutionary activities by the great leader, who has led our revolution along the road of victory and glory, and learning the leader's great revolutionary ideology, wise leadership, immortal revolutionary achievements and lofty communistic virtue, all the SWYL members and youths must prepare themselves firmly to be a chuche type of communistic revolutionaries who are boundlessly faithful to the great leader.

Loving to revolutionize and work is a revolutionary trait unique to our youths who have inherited the revolutionary traditions of anti-Japanese struggle.

Continuously holding high the revolutionary slogan: "Let's Produce, Study and Live as the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas Did!" and following the patterns of the work style and life style of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army members who fought in the forest of Paektu Mountain, we must work and live in a revolutionary way and continue to bring about renovations in all fields.

All the SWYL members and youths, holding high the Party Central Committee's letter and displaying further highly their revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and staunch struggle, must continuously strengthen the power of the country by overcoming in time obstacles and difficulties they confront and by accelerating at an extremely rapid speed the revolution and construction under the banner of the Three Revolutions.

The SWYL members and youths in the People's Army and the People's Constabulary must carry out thoroughly the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song's policies of converting the entire army into a cadre army and modernizing the entire army, and energetically conduct combat and political trainings to solidify their units' combat readiness and capabilities in all aspects.

What is most important at this stage is to make all the youth soldiers firmly prepare themselves politically and ideologically.

The SWYL members and youths in the People's Army and the People's Constabulary must arm themselves firmly with the immortal chuche ideology and bear a lofty sense of self-sacrifice in which they devote themselves for the great leader and for the party and the revolution, courage and invincible revolutionary fighting spirit. They must also carry a revolutionary spirit of endlessly hating the class enemies and enthusiastically loving their socialist fatherland and the people.

Youth soldiers must bring about continued renovations in military and political studies and military trainings while maintaining their alert and mobilized postures, and must make all efforts to develop war tactics and military and scientific techniques which are most suitable to the realities of our country.

Displaying highly the beautiful revolutionary trait of unity between soldiers and the people, all the SWYL members and youths must love other soldiers in the People's Army and the People's Constabulary as their own brothers and sisters and help them in sincerity so that they may concentrate without any worry on defending the fatherland as iron walls.

Our revolution still has a long future in which to strive, and is arduous. Only victory and glory, however, lie before our people and People's Army, who move forward under the wise leadership of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song, ever victorious commander of steel.

Let all of us firmly unite around the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song and brighten our party's glorious revolutionary traditions! Let's energetically keep fighting for a successful accomplishment of the new grand outlook plan and for an accelerated complete victory of socialism and independent unification of the fatherland!

Long live the 46th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Army, our party's glorious revolutionary armed force!

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DEPARTMENT STORE WORKERS STUDY KIM'S 1967 SPEECH

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[Article by reporter Ho Pyong-Hak: "The Pyongyang Department Store Primary Level Party Committee Carefully Studies the Great Leader's Classic: 'On Improving and Strengthening Work in the Commercial Sector'"]

[Text] Having overfulfilled the first quarter's goal by 130 percent in the first year of the new prospective plan and celebrated in a meaningful manner the 11th anniversary of the on-the-spot guidance of the great leader, Comrade Kim Il-song, on 8 April 1967 the party members and merchandise warriors of the Pyongyang Department Store are now profoundly studying the speech entitled, "On Improving and Strengthening Work in the Commercial Sector," which the respected and beloved leader gave at the conference of provincial people's committee chairmen on 8 April 1962, and are incorporating it into their work.

As soon as they received the newspaper which carried the speech entitled, "On Improving and Strengthening Work in the Commercial Sector" which the great leader gave at the conference of provincial people's committee chairmen on 8 April 1962, the primary level party committee here immediately had the party cell units post the entire text on billboards. Along with this, after all the party members and workers carefully read the text of the work several times themselves, they saw to it that they were completely familiarized with its contents.

Basking in the honor they received by the great leader's visit to the Pyongyang Department Store and the on-the-spot instructions he gave, the primary level party committee here prepared the leaders of the No. 4 and No. 5 work teams, Comrades Yi Ok-hui and Ko Pok-sop, respectively, and the decorated salesperson Comrade Chong Pu-sil, and salesperson Comrade Chong Hye-sop, who are magnificently fulfilling the work assigned to them, and had them incorporate the contents of the on-the-spot guidance and the contents of the speech and explain them. Thus, they enabled all the party members and sales personnel to engrave deep in their hearts the lofty wishes of the respected and beloved leader, who wants to strengthen and develop our commerce into a true socialist commerce which renders thorough service to the people.

The primary level party committee organized and had the party committees in the sector concerned as well as the party cell units hold concentrated study programs on the great leader's work in "Comrade Kim Il-song Revolutionary Ideology Study Halls." As a result, through the concentrated study programs, the party members and sales personnel were not only able to gain a profound mastery of the work, but were also able to closely correlate this with actual practice, and they gained a deep appreciation of the ways to accomplish it through lively discussions.

A short while ago, the warehouse chief, Comrade Pak Yong-kwon, stated during the concentrated study session held in the No. 3 Work Team (commercial) sector party committee that the classic of the great leader, Comrade Kim Il-song, "On Improving and Strengthening Work in the Commercial Sector" was a programmatic guideline which our party and people must always firmly adopt in developing socialist commerce, and he made the following points for discussion.

--On this meaningful day which is the 11th anniversary of the on-the-spot guidance which the great leader gave to our department store, the promulgation of the respected and beloved leader's classic masterpiece is truly a profoundly meaningful occasion which further improved and strengthened work in the commercial sector in accordance with the requirements of actual development and ceaselessly enhanced the people's livelihood and vigorously accelerated the construction of socialism.

In his classic, "On Improving and Strengthening Work in the Commercial Sector," the great leader presented a lucid over-all clarification of all the questions arising in building a socialist commerce based on the immortal *chuche* idea. He emphasized that herein are collected the ample experience and accomplishments which the respected and beloved leader achieved through the great plan and practical struggle which he fructified himself over a long period to build up a work of service to the toiling popular masses, and that the noble virtues of the leader who is endlessly bestowing his tremendous paternal love and concern for the people are contained there as well.

The great leader, Comrade Kim Il-song, taught as follows in his work:

"Commerce in a socialist society is the work of distribution to the people, and the basic responsibility of commercial organs and commercial functionaries is the proper care of the people's livelihood."

In the concentrated study session held in the No. 4 work team (commercial) sector party committee, the work team chief, Comrade Yi Ok-hui, respectfully quoted these instructions of the great leader and presented the following points for discussion.

--As the great leader has taught, socialist commerce is, fundamentally, a work of distribution to the people. Accordingly, the basic duty of commercial organs and commercial functionaries is to take responsibility and

care for the livelihood of the people. Whether merchandise produced in the nation is supplied to the people through commercial organs and the people live well or poorly largely depends on the role of our commercial functionaries. Consequently, our commercial functionaries must take to heart and cherish the high realization that they are the rightful masters of the country and truly faithful servants of the people and stand firmly on the position of taking responsibility and caring for the lives of the people so as to go on brilliantly realizing the high wishes of the great leader, who has devoted his whole lifetime solely for the people.

The speaker went on to mention the fact that, in the past, they had held consolidated sessions with factory and wholesale organs in order to more attractively rearrange and neatly display even one suit of clothes or traditional Korean clothing, and that they had exuberantly engaged in research on the demands of the people and investigated merchandise ordering so as to supply greater quantities of various good quality clothing by age, color and material, and he spoke with great pride about the successes achieved in this process.

Comrade Yi Chung-nyo, the chief of the work team which held a discussion in the concentrated study session at the No. 1 (commercial) sector party committee, stated that the great leader's work was the guideline and norm of action on which our commercial organs and commercial functionaries must steadfastly rely in working like truly faithful servants of the people. At the same time, he emphatically stated that in thoroughly implementing the prestigious tasks presented in this work it is important above all to decisively increase the sense of responsibility and role of the functionaries and party members in the commercial sector.

The great leader, Comrade Kim Il-song, taught as follows in his work:

"If the commercial functionaries work with a high awareness and sense of responsibility of rendering service to the people, they will be able to furnish a great deal of merchandise by themselves, more attractively decorate the stores and further heighten their sense of service to the workers."

After respectfully quoting from the great leader's instructions, Comrade Yi Chung-nyo emphasized that the high awareness and sense of responsibility in commercial workers who render service to the people can only be highly displayed when we ourselves embrace the firm conviction that the work that we do ourselves is the revolutionary work of implementing the instructions of the beloved and respected leader, and that this is indeed an unparalleled prestigious and worthwhile work which gives joy to the leader, and only when we make ourselves into true communists endowed with a party spirit, working class nature and populist nature which is higher than anyone else.

Along with this, he spoke about the situation in the work team, which

handles hundreds of kinds of merchandise. He said that they would always and everywhere perform the work entrusted to them frugally and conscientiously with an endless sense of loyalty to the party and the revolution and with a masterful realization of their revolutionary responsibilities. He spoke concretely about making an effort to provide a greater quantity of merchandise under close coordination with the producers, to attractively decorate the department store, properly wrap and store the merchandise, increase their sense of service, widely introduce advanced sales methodology and practices so as to properly supply merchandise in accordance with the demand by district, season and level.

On this day, the sector party secretary, Comrade Yu Hwa-pong, presented a concrete method for more vigorously carrying out ideological indoctrination among the party members and sales personnel, clothed it with practicality and brought it up for discussion.

The primary level party committee continues to bring about tremendous innovations in socialist commerce following the bright path which the great leader has clarified, by substantially holding such concentrated study sessions on the great leader's work and drawing up political organizational work to enable the innovative proposals and resolutions presented in the study and discussion process to be correctly embodied in practical action.

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'NODONG SINMUN' OBSERVES 'RAILROAD DAY'

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[Article by NODONG SINMUN reported So Kwan-yol: "Transportation Fighters Stoutly Keep the Country's Arteries"]

[Text] Our transportation fighters, who ceaselessly knit the branches of the fatherland, the railroads, are vigorously carrying out the "Transportation Revolution 200-Day Battle" with great pride and self-confidence on the occasion of the important 'Railroad Day'.

The transportation fighters and Three Revolutions Team members of the Railroad Department are upholding that three transportation guidelines of concentrated transportation, cargo container transportation and joint transportation set forth originally by the great leader, and are vigorously carrying out a struggle to carry more freight to overfulfill greatly the freight transportation plan every month and every period.

Youthful spirit overflows, and new miracles and innovations arise wherever there are railroads and locomotives.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has taught:

"Relieving the transportation strain is a very urgent problem for furthering the country's current overall economic construction. We must place major emphasis on the development of transportation in order to smoothly insure the rapidly growing transportation demand."

Under the wise leadership of the great leader the railway transport sector is enjoying great successes.

In particular, an important success achieved in the railway transport sector during the Six-Year Plan period was the transforming of our country's railroads into a more powerful and more chuche socialist railway transport by further solidly setting up the material and technological foundations of railway transport and establishing a more rational transportation system.

During this period, the transportation fighters carried out vigorously the struggle to realize the great leader's far-sighted vision of railroad electrification and newly electrified many sections including the steep, material-requiring lines between Chongjin and Musan, Chongjin and Najin, and Pyongyang and Madong, as well as completing the railroad electrification work between Tanchon and Komdok last year; they also vigorously push forth with the work of changing many sections to heavy-duty rails to lend even greater radiance to railroad electrification.

Today our railroads have been electrified from Pyongyang to Najin in the northern extremity and from Sinuiju in the northwestern extremity through Pyongyang to Madong in the south on trunk lines as well as various interior branch lines, so that nearly 70 percent of our railway freight is carried by electric locomotives.

The railroad sector has based itself on chuche industry to arrange solidly its carriage bases, and has many various kinds of freight cars, including modern electric locomotives, internal combustion locomotives and heavy-duty freight cars and oil tank cars; it has put great emphasis on the automation of railway transport to automate and semi-automate many sections and station areas so as to greatly increase its train organization capacity.

By upholding the three transportation guidelines set forth by the great leader and vigorously carrying out the "Transportation Revolution 200-Day Battle" last year, our transportation fighters constructed some 80 concentrated freight stations, such as the Sopo Concentrated Freight Station, while increasing the freight yards and loading and unloading facilities of exclusive use lines and improving transportation organization and command to greatly increase the proportion of concentrated transportation.

The transportation fighters produced large and small freight containers and built many kinds of warehouses which could handle freight containers in every location to actively accept freight container transportation; they greatly increased the level of mechanization in the work of loading and unloading freight.

All the successes achieved in the railway transport sector during the last period were the shining fruits of the wise leadership of the great leader and form a great victory for the transportation revolution guideline, the chuche socialist railway transport construction guideline revealed by the respected and beloved leader.

At the transportation sector model functionary meeting of 11 May 1954 the great leader, who early set forth his wise guideline for first developing railway transport, the artery of the country and the pacesetter of the people's economy, who gave his heart and soul for the realization of that guideline, brilliantly lighted up the forward path of our transportation, including the railroads.

The great leader repeatedly took epoch-making measures for strengthening and developing railway transport at important meetings of the party and the state, such as the Political Committee of the Party Central Committee, and at the 13th plenary session of the 5th Party Central Committee he taught the concrete means for bringing about the fundamental transformation in transportation work by thoroughly realizing more fully the three transportation guidelines of concentrated transportation, freight container transportation and joint transportation so as to cause an unprecedented upsurge in railroad transportation.

The great leader, who sat down with our transportation fighters at the beginning of the year to discuss transportation problems, fanned the flames of the "Transportation Revolution 200-Day Battle" and himself resolved one by one the knotty problems, while vigorously leading the transportation fighters on to new victories.

It is with this wise leadership from the great leader that our railway transport has jumped to a new high level of development and has been able to provide reliable insurance for the rapid development of the people's economy.

The transportation fighters, who hold deeply in their hearts the great leadership and warm love of the respected and beloved leader on this 'Railroad Day', uphold as in the old days the three transportation guidelines of concentrated transportation, freight container transportation and joint transportation set forth by the great leader, and fan even more strongly the flames of the "Transportation Revolution 200-Day Battle" with the loyalty and zeal to bring about a new great transformation in the transportation revolution.

The transportation fighters of the Pyongyang Railroad Bureau have widely adopted specialized concentrated transportation, revolving concentrated transportation and direct transportation to carry anthracite produced in the Tokchon and Sunchon districts to the Pyongyang Thermal Power Plant and the Pukchang Thermal Power Plant without a moment's delay.

The transportation fighters of the Chongjin Railroad Bureau, the Hamburg Railroad Bureau and the Kaechon Railroad Bureau, who deeply realize that the railroads must carry freight on time if all the sectors of the people's economy are to actively bring about continuous upsurges in production and construction, and who look for work to do without direction and have resolved to fulfill completely the duties entrusted to them, have established a command system in accordance with the requirements of reality and are vigorously carrying out a movement to carry more freight.

Many factories and enterprises of the Railroad Department, such as the 4 June Carriage Factory, the 6 July Railroad Factory, the Pyongyang Carriage Repair Shop and the Chongjin Railroad Factory, are bringing our miraculous successes daily.

If there is any instant when the freight cars that are racing loaded with much freight, as fits the requirements of the growing people's economy transportation demand, many stations and passenger and freight platforms such as the Sinsongchon Station, which rushed in with concentrated inspections, concentrated repair and concentrated renovation to send the freight cars on their way on time, are creating astounding miracles.

It is precisely due to the keeping of the country's arteries, the pace-setters of the people's economy by these trustworthy transportation fighters that our railway transport continues to progress strongly on the one path of innovation.

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'NODONG SINMUN' EDITORIAL URGES ALL-OUT WATER CONSERVATION

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[NODONG SINMUN 8 June editorial: "Let Us Effectively Utilize and Fully Economize on Every Drop of Water by Properly Carrying Out Water Conservation Work"]

[Text] In today's circumstances in which the entire country is seething with a mass struggle to greet the 30th anniversary of the republic with lofty political zeal and brilliant labor achievements, and in which proud achievements have been attained in rice and corn transplantation, effectively utilizing and fully economizing on every drop of water by properly carrying out water conservation work is one of the most important tasks assigned the agricultural sector.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song taught: In order to prevent damage from drought caused by the cold front, it is important to locate and utilize new water sources and to economize on available water to the maximum. Fully and effectively utilizing and economizing on available water by properly carrying out water conservation work is an important factor guaranteeing the prevention of drought damage from the cold front so as to reap another bumper harvest this year.

Today many world countries are [experiencing] unusual weather conditions caused by the cold front. The cold front has affected the weather in our country. As a result, drought has continued in our country. Under these circumstances, proper conservation, effective utilization and economization of available water is a very important matter which should never be neglected in preventing drought damage.

Although we can farm paddyfields and other farm fields in a guaranteed manner and without worry about water--thanks to the completion of irrigation work in the rural economic sector--continuous drought will greatly affect farming. We cannot tell when the drought will end. We also cannot tell what unexpected consequences this drought might bring about. Therefore, effectively utilizing and fully economizing on every drop of water through

proper conservation of water under circumstances in which a constant supply of water is needed for the completion of rice transplanting is an important factor guaranteeing the prevention of drought damage in a positive manner and the successful occupation of the height of 8.8 million tons of grain this year.

With the proper utilization and economization of water, we can properly apply fertilizer to crops in accordance with the chuche farming method, adequately irrigate them in the initial stage of growth--when they require much more water--and increase the effectiveness of fertilizer and (?agricultural aids) per chongbo.

With deep insight into experiences gained in recent years in the agricultural sector and into the situation in which drought has continued due to the cold front, the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song has given considerate instructions on further improving water conservation work. Upholding the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's instruction and the party Central Committee's letter to all party members, all party members and workers of the rural economic sector should properly carry out water conservation work in a fierce 100-day battle, so that they can reduce water consumption per chongbo of paddyfield. They should increase grain production by effectively utilizing water.

The most important thing in vigorously struggling to effectively utilize and fully economize on water by properly carrying out water conservation work is for agricultural sector guidance functionaries to directly control and guide this work by having a correct view of water conservation and utilization. In circumstances in which unusual weather conditions continue, water conservation work is an important farm task. We should properly irrigate crops and economize on even a drop of water. Properly conserving and effectively utilizing water is an important revolutionary task guidance functionaries should duly carry out with a lofty sense of responsibility.

This year all guidance functionaries should correctly view the cold front and take practical measures to overcome it. All agricultural sector guidance functionaries and all rural economic sector functionaries should always think of the cold front as far as agricultural matters are concerned, should hold deep in their hearts the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's instruction on waging a vigorous struggle to prevent the influence of the cold front and should directly control and guide water conservation work and the water economization struggle.

Guidance functionaries should strengthen political and organizational work among those people who handle and utilize water, so that these people, as well as themselves, can have a correct understanding and view of water, by letting them understand that conserving and effectively utilizing water directly constitutes the work of excellently serving the fatherland and the people. They should encourage these people to struggle for the utilization of underground and available water.

It is important to establish a water supply control system in order to effectively utilize and economize on available water through the proper carrying out of water conservation work. The supply control system established by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song is a most superior water utilization and conservation system which will realize the planned supply and effective utilization of available water.

Rural economic sector guidance functionaries should establish a rigid system and order in supplying water by grasping the status concerning water stored in the existing reservoirs and ponds and growing conditions of crops and by formulating practical and scientific water supply plans with consideration given to soil conditions. Thus they should make the scientific water supply method developed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song a reality in a thoroughgoing manner in the struggle against drought.

In order to effectively utilize and economize on water by properly conserving water, we should increase the role, as well as a sense of responsibility, of those who handle water. Fully realizing the importance of their revolutionary mission, managers of waterways at irrigation stations and cooperative farms, water pump operators and others who are in charge of water supply, should handle water in a responsible manner worthy of masters. They should also formulate detailed daily water supply plans for individual paddyfields. By supplying water in accordance with these plans, they should economize on and effectively utilize even a drop of water.

All agricultural workers, including managers of waterways and others who supply water, should continuously and vigorously carry out the work of clay coating and cementing if required, so as to prevent even a drop of water from leaking.

Rural economic sector guidance functionaries should strengthen control over water supply and consumption, should take thoroughgoing measures to prevent the waste of water and should utilize even a drop of water in farming. Vigorously waging struggles to secure much more water is one of the important works on which we should concentrate our efforts to prevent drought damage through the improvement of water conservation work.

All agricultural workers and volunteers for assistance to rural areas should drive more piles by vigorously waging the 100-day battle. Plants and enterprises concerned, including the machine industry sector, should produce and supply the rural areas with more water pumps, electric motors, transformers and hoses. At the same time, the rural economic sector should vigorously carry out the work of continuously drawing and storing flowing water, especially used water, in reservoirs and ponds.

Let us all prevent drought damage caused by the cold front and hoist the flag of victory on the height of 8.8 million tons of grain by thoroughly implementing the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song's instruction on improving water conservation work and on economizing on even a drop of water and the party Central Committee's letter to all party members.

BRIEFS

PYONGYANG CONSTRUCTION--Hasin Street, another new and modern street, is being constructed in Pyongyang. Modern buildings of 10 to 12 stories will be built along this new street, which will have a central heating system. These buildings, once completed, will include various kinds of cultural and public welfare facilities and commercial stores. Construction workers are rushing to complete the street by 13 July and the buildings along the street by 5 September. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0900 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

HYESAN CITY CONSTRUCTION--Construction workers in Hyesan City are rushing to make the city a more modern and beautiful one by building new and modern houses, local industrial plants, school buildings, kindergartens and various other buildings. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0900 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

POWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION--The first hydraulic power plant construction unit is accelerating construction work at the Taedonggang Power Plant. The test drilling workshop of the unit has been overfulfilling its daily quotas by 150 to 200 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 19 Jun 78 SK]

YONGGAL CHEMICAL PLANT--Workers and technicians of the Yonggal Chemical Plant are marking innovations, setting the goal of raising the chemical products production rate by 1.3 times during the 100-day battle period. The phenol workshop of this plant has raised the production rate by 1.4 times. The formalin workshop is stabilizing the daily production rate at a 1.2-fold level, and the power workshop has raised electric output by 1.4 times. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0600 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

WEST SEA FISHING--Fishery workers under the West Sea Fishery General Bureau are marking innovation in summer fishing. North Pyongan Province fishing workers are scoring gains in catching summer fishes such as anchovy and cuttlefish. Fishing workers of South Pyongan Province are overfulfilling daily fishing quotas by 1.5 times. Fishing workers of fishery stations in Cholsan, Kwaksan, Chongju, Yongampo and Mundok are catching tens of tons of fish every day. In particular, fishery workers of the Monggumpo and Haeju fishery stations have caught over 2,000 tons of fish more than in the same period last year. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0600 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

KWAKSAN OIL REFINERY--Workers of the Kwaksan Oil Refinery are marking innovations by producing an average 13 to 14 tons of laundry soap per month. (Chae Po-hwa), Kim Pyong-yo, (Yang Sung-Chong) and Yi To-yong--who are in charge of laundry soap production--are producing 1,800 pieces of good quality laundry soap every day. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

21 AUGUST MINE--Workers of the 21 August Mine are scoring tunneling gains. The Kim Hwa-sik, Yi Hi-chong and Yi Chung-sik units of the youth pit of this mine have already overfulfilled their half-year tunneling goals and are continuously marking innovations. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 20 Jun 78 SK]

PHOSPHATE PRODUCTION--Flames of the 100-day battle have spread in the Pungnyon Mine. Miners are marking an unprecedented innovation in the production of concentrated phosphate ore. Functionaries of the party organization, the production staff headquarters at the mine and three-revolutions team members have encouraged the miners to score greater successes by vigorously carrying out political propaganda and economic agitation work and by setting examples. Miners of the ore dressing site have greatly increased ore dressing results by maintaining mining equipment in accordance with technical regulations and by operating crushers and grinding equipment at full capacity. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 19 Jun 78 SK]

ORE PRODUCTION--The Kapsan Mine has recently increased daily tunneling speed by 1.4 times and daily ore production by 120 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0300 GMT 19 Jun 78 SK]

MINING MACHINERY PRODUCTION--The Sunchon Mining Machinery Plant has scored a success in the production of mining facilities, spare parts and materials, including mine cars. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0300 GMT 19 Jun 78 SK]

MINERAL PRODUCTION--The 8 November Mine has recently fulfilled its mineral production quota for the first half of this year. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 18 Jun 78 SK]

KANGSON STEEL MILL--The Kangson Steel Mill Complex has recently increased the daily production of steel by 1.2 times, steel bloom by 2 times, polled steel materials by 2.3 times and drawn steel pipe by 2 times, as compared with that in the previous month. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 18 Jun 78 SK]

TRACTOR PRODUCTION--The Kumsong Tractor Plant has recently increased tractor production by overfulfilling the daily production quota at the casting workshop by 130 percent and at the pipe and engine workshop by 180 percent. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 18 Jun 78 SK]

8 AUGUST PLANT--Workers of the 8 August Plant are scoring great achievements in the production of diesel engines, cranes, refrigerators and other marine facilities. The machinery production fighters of this plant have doubled monthly production speed so as to attain this year's target 2 months ahead of schedule. Workers of other workshops, including the electricity and casting shops, have also created miracles everyday in processing and assembling work by applying scientific methods, and fighters of the refrigerator workshop have scored outstanding achievements in parts processing. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 13 Jun 78 SK]

MANDOK MINE--Workers of Mandok Mine of the Hungnam Fertilizer Complex, who have launched the 100-day battle, are increasing ore production. Workers of the tunneling work team are overfulfilling the daily tunneling quota by 200 percent by mechanizing the face work and fully operating the facilities. Workers of the cutting work team are scoring innovations through continuous blasting and drilling. Workers of the ore-separation work team have increased ore-dressing production through efficiency management of facilities. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 0800 GMT 16 Jun 78 SK]

13 APRIL STEEL MILL--The working class and three-revolution team members of the 13 April Steel Mill have marked innovations in the production of blister steel from the outset of the 100-day battle. Workers in the No 2 blister steel furnace have daily overfulfilled the goal for the production of blister steel by operating the furnace at full capacity. [Pyongyang Domestic Service in Korean 1300 GMT 12 Jun 78 SK]

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