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CCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS -- Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 1 Jul 50

Peiping, 1 July (Hsin-hua) -- At its third plenary session, the CCP Central Committee adopted the following resolutions: (1) to restrict admission of farmers from the villages of the old liberated areas into the CCP, (2) to postpone expansion of Party organizations in the villages of the newly liberated areas until the completion of the land-reform program, (3) to increase the number of urban workers in the CCP, (4) to adopt strict measures to prevent infiltration of undesirable elements into the Party, and (5) to intensify the educational program within the Party to improve the political thinking of Party members.

EXPLAINS RESTRICTING ADMISSION OF FARMERS -- Mukden Tung-pei Jih-pao, 24 Jul 50

Because of the recent decision adopted by the CCP Central Committee to restrict the admission of farmers into the Party, many farmers are now asking if there is any way in which they may join the CCP.

First, it must be explained that the following factors have made it necessary that this restriction be imposed: (1) because of the phenomenal increase in the Party membership during the past few years, the CCP leaders have found it impossible to carry out adequately the training of new Party members; (2) the practice of indiscriminately admitting everyone into the Party has led to the infiltration of many undesirable elements; and (3) because of the present small percentage of urban workers in the Party, the latter have been given priority in joining the Party.

From the above, it may be assumed that for the time being the door will be closed to the great majority of the farmers. Nevertheless, this does not mean that this policy will continue for an indefinite period. In the newly liberated areas, admission of farmers is to be resumed after completion of the land-reform program; in the old liberated areas, the present policy is to admit a very small number of qualified farmers into the Party on an individual basis.

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It is advisable, therefore, for the majority of the farmers now seeking to join the Party to wait patiently until the door is reopened. Meanwhile, they should undertake to study the principles of the CCP, acquaint themselves with the various tasks required of a member, etc., so that when they are able to join the Party, they will be fully prepared to perform their duties.

CCP MEMBERSHIP INCREASES TO 5 MILLION -- Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 1 Jul 50

Peiping, 30 June -- According to the latest data released by the CCP Central Committee, the total membership of the CCP is now more than 5 million, an increase of about 500,000 since December 1949. Of this total, approximately 3.5 million are said to be local Party members; about 1.2 million are in the armed services; and the remainder are connected with the various agencies of the CCP Central Committee and the governmental railroad agencies. It is further reported that approximately 2 million are new members who joined the Party during the past 2 years.

This phenomenal increase in Party membership is creating great problems for the CCP leaders in carrying out proper educational programs to improve the standards of the members, especially those who joined the Party in recent years. Plans are now being made to revise the educational system to meet the present needs.

NORTHEAST CCP MEMBERSHIP INCREASES TO 517,000 -- Mukden Tung-pei Jih-pao, 1 Jul 50

CCP membership in the Northeast now exceeds 517,000. In the rural areas, the greatest increase in Party membership was realized after the completion of the land-reform program.

Since the liberation, CCP leaders of the Northeast have been busily engaged in recruiting members from among the factory workers and the miners. At present, Party members in the various mines and factories of the Northeast total about 96,000, an increase of more than 66,000 since last year. Of this figure, about 15,000 are factory workers.

NORTHEAST ADMITS YOUTHS INTO CCP -- Shanghai Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 27 Jul 50

Mukden, 25 July (Hsin-hua) -- It is reported that excluding those admitted from Dairen, Port Arthur, and Jehol, 16,055 former members of the Northeast New Democratic Youth Corps were admitted into the CCP during this year.

For the most part, they included youths engaged in production activities and those who have displayed outstanding ability. Before being considered for admission, each person was required to complete the political training course offered by the New Democratic Youth Corps.

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