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① New Taste, New Force.

Now that the Tet has passed, our brothers and sisters should work, make much more progress by trying our best.

- Before speaking about the new taste and new force, we tell brothers and sisters an old story: One upon a time there was a very poor man. He always wishes to have some money. One day he went to the forest to cut the wood, he suddenly saw a very big block of gold. He was overjoyed and was sure that he would be very rich. Unfortunately he was not strong enough to carry that block of gold, so he was still as poor as ever before!

- Our country is invaded by France and Japan. Our people are oppressed by them. We often wish to expel France and Japan, to have freedom and independence. We will have that opportunity sooner or later. In this world war Russia and the democratic countries will win, Germany, Italy and Japan will lose. The day Japan, France are defeated will be the good opportunity for us to stand up.

- But if we do not immediately prepare for our force to take advantage of the opportunity, when Japan and France leave here another country will come! So our country will be still lost as before, like the poor man in the above story!

- Where does our force come from? It comes from 2 words: Unanimity, Unity! Long time before our country had been invaded several times by ~~other~~ ^{other} countries, especially under the Trai dynasty. But the soldiers of Tran Hung Dao smashed the powerful Yuan aggressors who had been invincible in China, Korea and half of Europe. That originated from the unity and unanimity of our people.

- We should follow that glorious example. In order to form a new force, everybody should join Association for N.S

V.M. everywhere - self-defence units everywhere

to form the V.M everywhere, the self-defence units everywhere. Each member or cadre should try more, emulating with each other in propagandizing and organizing to build our new force.

We expect all cadres, members try their best!

The day of liberation is coming soon!

(2) Thanks to brothers and sisters who have supported children
wine, meat, pork, glutinous rice, fish sauce, square cakes
sugar cane, oranges.

(3) Domestic News: Japanese are very brutal.

1. Recently a person when passing the Gia Lam airport was arrested and beaten by Japanese soldiers without any reason. Then they cut that person's tongue and put the person near the tree and shot dead.

2. In Saigon Japanese soldiers drove our people from their homes and occupied them. ^{planned to bomb}

3. Early Feb. Chinese planes ~~bomb~~ bombed Gia Lam, but they bombed Phu Lang Thuy by mistake. More than 20 people lost their lives. So it was because of Japan that our people died.

(4) World News: Russia Gains Big Victory.

1. In all fronts Germany has been losing and retreating. In last Nov. Russia drove back Germany ~~from~~ 600 km from Moscow. By now Russia must have driven Germany near the border. Now they are fighting in Smolensk. In Donest a region rich in coal and very much wanted by Germany, the Germans is being driven back by the Red Army.

2. For more than a month Japan has not managed to occupy Singapore and Lucon, two small islands of Britain and America. So Japan is weakening!

(5) Garden of Literature: Russia - Germany War.