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① What kind of Russia is? (In reply to women sisters)

Russia is the biggest country in the world. It is 80 times bigger than our country. Its population is 20 times larger than our population.

1. 20 years ago the Russian people also had to do forced labor, to pay taxes, were oppressed and exploited, were <sup>as</sup> miserable and ignorant as our people now.

During those 20 years, the revolutionaries tried to make propaganda and formed their organization. Thousands of them were imprisoned, were killed but the people were not afraid. The more they were killed, the more secret and united they became.

2. Thanks to the people's ardour and unanimity, in 1917, the revolution overthrew the king, the mandarins and the rulers and the people came to power. From then on the people are equal, free and happy.

- Workers work 7 hours a day. have one day off after working for 5 days. Each year have one month off. Salaries are generous.

- Peasants have a lot of land to plough. The state lend them tractors and harvestors. A tractor can plough 1,000 ha a day. Each person has 5 kg of rice a day. So the people have more than enough rice and clothes.

- Women: many of them have become high ranking officials, physicians, pilots etc. They enjoy all rights as men do.

- The Youth: boy or girl must go to school from 8 to 16. They can have higher education if they want. They go to school free of charge, and the government even gives some subsidies.

- Children, the old people are taken care by the government. people who fall ill are treated by physicians provided by the state.

The people have the right to select from villages notables to the head of state who can also be impeached by the people if they are not good. Citizens who are 18 years old have the right to select and to be selected by the people to become leaders. So no one is oppressed, unlike our country.

In sum: the Russian people are very happy now. We should bear in mind that: they have such happiness because they have had to struggle for so many years. If we want to have that happiness, we must be united to struggle.

B. V.  
② What is the "scorched earth" policy?

It is a way to resist the enemy.

Any army must have something to eat, to drink, must carry belongings, have roads to go on.

Except the revolutionary army, any army who comes here, especially the French, Japanese armies, is harmful to the people. If the people want to avoid such a disaster, they must hide all their food, animals, cover all wells, mines, destroy all roads and highways and escape to safe heavens. Then the enemy will be hungry, thirsty, tired, has no road to go on, no one to help and they will die.

In order to carry out the "scorched earth policy", we must have an organization.

H. Q. (a self-defence unit head)

③ Domestic News: Heroic Women

Miss T. K. Hong, 18, ~~is~~ very good at school, comes from a rich family in Kien An province. She is very enthusiastic about thinking for the country. When her parents wanted her to get married, she said: "Now that our country is invaded by Japan and France, the people are slaves, if I'm only concerned with my own happiness, I will not deserve to be a citizen of my fatherland!" Recently she has been

arrested and brutally tortured by the inspectors, but she did not inform them anything. Before the court, she told the judges that: "you want to know who is my comrade? The entire Vietnamese people are my comrade! If you want, shoot me at once, I don't need to talk much!"

④ World News

Russia: Recently the Russian minister, Mr. Molotov flew to Britain and America to sign an agreement with them:

- (1) Britain and America will open the 2nd front this year.
  - (2) Britain and America try to assist Russia in weapons.
  - (3) The 3 countries will cooperate to destroy the German army.
  - (4) The 3 countries will cooperate with each other for 20 years.
- This agreement is very important, making Germany shiver.

⑤ Garden of literature: to Gerallissimo Petain

The poem condemns Petain of capitulating to Germany and betraying Britain. His notorious reputation will remain as a shame in history.

(Xung Phong)

⑥ Members should:

- Try to keep secret.
- try to accomplish the organization's duties.
- try to make propaganda.
- try to search for new members.
- emulate to support the newspaper.
- try to develop the newspaper.
- try to go forward.

⑦ Supports to the Newspaper

⑧ Thanks to Supporters