

If they understand, they will become very loyal, faithful and strong friends of the people, because they are enthusiastic, disciplined, militarily skilful and have weapons.

L.M. The sharpshooter Sergeant

3/ Garden of literature: A poem in response to journalists who raise lemons. Written by Xuân Lan.

4/ Viet Minh is active throughout Bắc Kỳ.

Recently the French fascists have sent to their inferiors in the localities a secret report on the activities of the Viet Minh and urged the latter to try to prevent them.

The report says that so far the Viet Minh has been very active. Throughout Bắc Kỳ, there are everyday leaflets and slogans calling the people to unite to save the country.

The report complains that: the places which were previously quiet, now have the presence of the Viet Minh's activities, and it fears that the Viet Minh has influenced deeply and broadly the sharpshooters and militia-men, schools and village mandarines. Dangerous! Dangerous!

5/ World News

The Short Enemy were shocked

The short enemy are entering a critically precarious period. In the battlefields they have been seriously defeated and have suffered great losses. Therefore chaos have appeared in their own country.

1. In Burma, The Allied forces have continuously been gaining victories and have occupied half of Burma's territory. At present the Allied forces are moving to attack Mandalay in four directions. Mandalay is the second major city of Burma after the ^{capital} city Rangoon.

2. In the Philippines, After landing on Luzon, the American forces have expanded their attacks and moved more deeply towards the capital Manila. The landing and progressive

developments of the American forces were facilitated by the assistance of the guerrillas there. Before, the landing and occupation of the American forces of the islands Leyte, Samar, Mindoro ~~took place~~ ^{had} succeeded quickly and easily also because of the local guerrillas' assistance. The American forces have just landed another island between Leyte and Samar.

3. At the same time the Allied air forces and navies were attacking the Japanese vessels in the South China Sea to interrupt the communication and transport line from Japan to its southern colonies. So on one side the Japanese people will lack rice and the Japanese industry will be in shortage of materials to produce weapons. On the other side supplies of weapons and other equipments to the Japanese military installations in the south will be cut.

4. Having controlled the air and the sea, the Allied air forces have managed to launch heavy attacks on the industrial cities and military bases in Japan, China and along the Indochina's Coastal line.

Red Army achieves great victories

The Red Army has begun its ^{offensives} on the south winter of Poland. In 5 days, the Red Army broke through the Germany's defence line and occupied the city of Cracow and crossed the German border at Silesia. In the meantime the Red Army occupied the capital Warsaw and moved fastly ~~westwards~~ ^{westwards}, covering one third of the road from Warsaw to Berlin.

67 Brief News Items on National Salvation

1. On the night of Nov. 30 lunar calendar in the Commune of Thach Dong, district Hoa An (Cao-Bang)

Finally the conferences listened to the report on the assistance from the Inter-province Committee and cadres and members everywhere to the Propaganda Unit. Everybody was moved, excited and realized that the only way to respond to that assistance is to make every possible effort to carry out armed struggle and propaganda, to fight and lead the national salvation movement towards the course of liberating our country.

2/ The Vietnamese Soldiers (this article was written by comrade L. M, a sharpshooter sergeant, and it should be reprinted in leaflets to be disseminated to other soldiers)

The soldiers are children of Hông and grandchildren of Lạc (an expression indicating that the soldiers are children of the Vietnamese ancestors), with red blood and yellow skin, also a generation of the Vietnamese people. Therefore they also love their country and people, and hate the invaders. They were merely obliged by situation to become soldiers. They never want to live far away from their families, their wives and children and go to others' homeland. They have to patrol in arduous conditions, even have to die for ~~others~~ ^{the enemy's} lives: as in the previous world war, over 80,000 soldiers fell forever in Europe. In this war, more than 50,000 soldiers have lost their lives.

So why do the soldiers still repress the revolution?
 1) because they have been cheated by the enemy who told them that the revolutionaries were bandits and harmful to the people.

2) because the soldiers have not known that: the revolutionaries can sacrifice their families and properties not in order to be promoted or become rich, but to bring independence to the motherland and happiness to the people. Their purposes are to make everyone happy and no one will have to pay taxes or work without

remuneration - If the soldiers clearly know that reality, they will not repress the revolution, but also help the revolution.

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I dare to confirm that because the Vietnamese soldiers have traditional revolutionary character. They have their own glorious history :

- In 1910 - soldiers' insurrection in Hanoi.

- 1917 - Soldiers' uprising in Thai Nguyen.

- 1930 - the majority of soldiers took part in the insurrection in Yên Bái.

In 1940 - the majority of soldier in Nam Kỳ took part in the insurrection. In Lang Sơn they took side with the people with arms. In Đờ Liông (Nghệ An) the entire soldiers took part in the insurrection.

Only big insurrections have been mentioned. There were occasions when the enemy moved to set fire on the villages. The soldiers had informed the villagers in advance, or when the soldiers met the revolutionaries, they only shot into the sky. Similar events are uncountable, ^{how could}

If the soldiers had not been patriotic, ~~they could not~~ have done those heroic deeds. ?

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The enemy are very cunning ! They send the soldiers from the plains to the mountainous regions and vice versa. The soldiers are not allowed to station for a long time in one place. Therefore the soldiers and the people can not understand each other's languages, can not cherish favourable attitudes towards each other and then will become suspicious of each other.

Accordingly, the members and cadres should spare no efforts to make the soldiers understand the revolution.

in a funeral, a number of members of the organization "protecting the innocent, killing the brutal", coming from nowhere suddenly, called the people to keep quiet and declared that they had come there to kill secret inspectors. At the same time gunshots were heard, ~~and~~ killing the capable inspector named Toai.

2. In the morning of Dec. 3, a great number of leaflets and slogans were seen in Miéc-hai (Cao Bàng), calling the soldiers to turn their guns, to follow the revolution and the French to take hands with the Viet Mine to fight Japan.

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