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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BIC Bureau of Investigation Collection

CC Central Committee

CCP Chinese Communist Party

CCPCC Chinese Communist Party Central Committee

CPSU Communist Party of the Soviet Union

CYL Communist Youth League

KMT Kuomintang

#### INTRODUCTION

During the long years of civil strife in China the Nationalist authorities amassed extensive materials on their Communist adversaries. Now stored in government institutions on Taiwan these materials are an excellent source for the study of the Chinese Communist movement. Two collections open for research are especially important. One is the Bureau of Intelligence, Ministry of Defense, in Shih-lin, Taipei City, which provides good documentation on military history and, more generally, on all Chinese Communist affairs after 1949. The other is the Bureau of Investigation Collection (BIC), Ministry of Justice, Hsin-tien, Taipei County. 2

The BIC holds over 300,000 volumes of primary documents on the Chinese Communist movement. The most valuable materials in this collection date from before 1949. Some were supplied by Nationalist agents or Communist defectors. Others were seized in the arrest of Communist cadres and the exposure of their political organi-Still others were captured during periods of great turmoil, such as the destruction of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) organization in China's cities from 1927 to 1933 and the fall of Kalgan to the Nationalist armies in 1947. These documents, many of them originally secret, and generally unavailable in libraries and archives outside the People's Republic of China, constitute the core of the Bureau's collection. Materials from after 1949 are far fewer in number and reflect the Bureau's limited access to mainland sources. Of course, many of the documents in the BIC are also available else-For example, writings by Mao Tse-tung and most of the materials published on the mainland after 1949 are not unique to this In addition, a set of microfilms marketed in Japan under the title Materials on the Chinese Communist Party appears to have been copied directly--and surreptitiously--from the BIC. ments in this set date mainly from the War of Resistance (1937-1945) but also include Central Committee documents from 1932-1933. 5

While the Bureau admits outside scholars, it uses these materials on the Communist movement primarily for its own research and publications. Visitors may gain access to the archives by presenting letters of introduction from Chinese or foreign institutions, preferably through the Institute of International Relations. The Bureau's wealth of materials has already attracted many scholars studying the Chinese Communist movement, and a number of important works have drawn

substantially on the BIC. Among them are: Hsiao Tso-liang, Power Relations Within the Chinese Communist Movement, 1931-1934; Ts'ao Po-i, The Rise and Fall of the Kiangsi Soviet (Chiang-hsi Su-wei-ai chih chien-li chi ch'i peng-k'uei); Mark Selden, The Yenan Way in Revolutionary China; John Israel, Student Nationalism in China: 1927-1937; Tetsuya Kataoka, Resistance and Revolution in China; Roy Hofheinz, "Peasant Movements and Rural Revolution: Chinese Communism in the Countryside, 1923-1927"; and Lyman Van Slyke, Enemies and Friends: The United Front in Chinese Communist History. 8

Certain aspects of the Chinese Communist movement are particularly well documented in BIC materials, and these are stressed in this survey of the collection. Almost every level of the Chinese Communist Party and affiliated organizations as well as every kind of document are represented in the BIC; included are internal communications as well as published books, periodicals, posters, letters, and handbills from the Central Committee and from provincial, county, and city and district committees, from local branches, and from many special units of the CCP. 10

By period, the BIC's greatest strength lies in documents from 1927 to 1949. There are some earlier materials, but the 1921-1927 period of CCP history is better documented in the Kuomintang archives in Ch'ing-t'an, Taipei County. <sup>11</sup> The late 1920s and early 1930s are very well documented in the BIC. However, much of the material from the Kiangsi Soviet (1931-1934) is not catalogued by the Bureau and consequently difficult to obtain. Moreover, we do not know the extent of overlap between the BIC's material on the Kiangsi Soviet and the independent Ch'en Ch'eng Collection, which is widely available on microfilm. <sup>12</sup> The War of Resistance (1937-1945) is probably the best documented period in the collection. The Civil War (1946-1949) is also well covered.

Geographically, the majority of BIC documents come from the Party's major base areas at any time: Shanghai in the late 1920s and early 1930s, the Kiangsi Soviet from 1931 to 1934, and the North China base areas after 1937. Also represented are secondary areas of operation such as those in Manchuria, Hopeh, Anhwei, Chekiang, and the O-Yü-Wan Soviet during the early 1930s; Central China during the War of Resistance and Civil War periods; and Hainan Island during the Civil War and post-Liberation periods. <sup>13</sup> In addition, the BIC has numerous reports and analyses on the CCP made by agencies of the Nationalist government. <sup>14</sup>

There are problems in using the BIC, the most serious of which is the absence of any comprehensive guide to the collection. Norivuki's "Guide to Materials Relating to the History of the Chinese Communist Party" lists many documents in the BIC, organizing them under such headings as "politics" and "the united front." 15 on Taiwan is a union catalogue of materials on the Communist movement, which lists the holdings of nine different libraries there, including the BIC. 16 The Bureau's own card catalogue is roughly organized by a decimal system peculiar to government institutions on Works on the Chinese Communist movement fall mainly under "periodicals," "the Chinese Communist Party," "the Communist International," and "social sciences." But within these categories there is no particular order by title or author, either by phonetic system or stroke order. Cards give title, author, publisher, and place and date of publication where the information can be easily determined from the documents, but most cards are incomplete. addition, the card catalogue fails to list all the BIC's holdings. deed, it does not list many important documents from the Central Committee in the early 1930s and omits all of its newspapers. fortunately, as the user must call for books and may not enter the stacks, he is forced to rely on the card catalogue.

Another serious problem is the condition of the documents. Some are yellowed and crumbling, and on others the characters have faded. Some are printed or mimeographed from handwriting; yet others are original handwritten documents, often in almost indecipherable cursive script. <sup>17</sup> Some documents are damaged. All have been bound.

Our purpose in this survey is, without any attempt at a comprehensive listing of the Bureau's holdings, to give scholars a representative description of the collection. Also, we shall point out its implications for research on some of the important issues in the history of the Chinese Communist movement and suggest new areas for research at the Bureau in the fields of political science and history.

#### FOOTNOTES TO INTRODUCTION

- 1. For a description of materials in the Bureau of Intelligence, see Appendix A.
- 2. Tiao-ch'a-chü, Ssu-fa-pu, Hsin-tien, T'ai-pei hsien (調查局,司法部,新店,臺北縣).
- 3. A Brief Introduction of the Library (Tzu-liao chien-chieh )

  (Hsin-tien, Taipei: The Research Institute and Library, Investigation Bureau, Ministry of Justice, no date).

  According to the staff, all the documents on file are from the Bureau's original central headquarters in Nanking.
- 4. Peter J. Seybolt's brief but useful guide to research on the CCP discusses the BIC. See Peter J. Seybolt, <u>The Chinese Communist Movement 1921-1949</u>; Sources and Perspectives, paper delivered at a meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, 1972.
- Materials on the Chinese Communist Party (Yūkan Chūgoku Kyōsanto shiryō 有關中國共產黨資料), (Tokyo: Yushodo Film Publications, Ltd.). Twenty reels of microfilm, 393 items. Yushodo published a checklist of the documents in this collection, and the Harvard-Yenching Library has compiled another list alphabetized by title (Wade-Giles system) with information on author, date of publication, etc. See Seybolt, p. 6.
- 6. For an example of a publication based on BIC documents, see, Wang Chang-ling (王章陵), History of the Chinese Communist Youth League (Chung-kuo kung-ch'an-chu-i ch'ing-nien-t'uan shih—lun 中國共產主義青年團史論), (Taipei: Institute of East Asian Studies, 1973).
- 7. For a description of materials available at the Institute of International Relations, see Appendix B.
- 8. Hsiao Tso-liang, Power Relations Within the Chinese Communist Movement, 1931-1934 (Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1961); Ts'ao Po-i, The Rise and Fall of the Kiangsi Soviet (Chiang-hsi Su-wei-ai chih chien-li chi ch'i peng-k'uei) (Taipei:

Institute of East Asian Studies, 1972); Mark Selden, The Yenan Way in Revolutionary China (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1971); John Israel, Student Nationalism in China: 1927-1937 (Stanford: Hoover Institution, 1966); Tetsuya Kataoka, Resistance and Revolution in China: The Communists and the Second United Front (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1974); Roy Hofheinz, "Peasant Movements and Rural Revolution: Chinese Communism in the Countryside, 1923-1927" (Ph.D. Dissertation, Harvard, 1966); and Lyman Van Slyke, Enemies and Friends: The United Front in Chinese Communist History (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1967).

- Comparisons of the BIC with the major collections on the Chinese 9. Communist movement in the United States are difficult and are not generally considered in this survey. However, in the case of the Hoover Institution on War, Peace, and Revolution a brief comparison is in order. Generally speaking, the post-1949 period of the People's Republic is best represented in the Hoover collection, although there are some valuable documents in the Bureau which we cite in this survey. On the other hand, the Bureau's documentation from the period of the late 1920s and the 1930s is superior to Hoover's, particularly those materials from the provincial and county levels of the CCP. Finally, coverage of the 1940s in the two collections is largely the same. But Hoover is more representative of the Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region and, more particularly, Yenan, while the BIC's strength lies in its documentation from other North China base areas, such as Chin-Ch'a-Chi and Chin-Chi-Lu-Yü.
- 10. For a special unit of the CCP, see <u>Chinese Soviet Republic</u>, Political Security Bureau, Hsiang-O-Kan Provincial Bureau, Proclamation No. 2 (Chung-hua Su-wei-ai kung-ho-kuo cheng-chih pao-wei-chii, Hsiang-O-Kan sheng-fen-chii, pu-kao ti-erh hao 中華蘇維埃共和國政治保育局,相對輸首局佈告第二號), poster, no BIC number.
- 11. Examples of documents in the Kuomintang Party Archives on the CCP in the 1920s include: Yun Tai-ying (輝代英), The Youth Movement in the Past Year (I-nien-lai ti ch'ing-nien yun-tung 年来的青年運動); T'an P'ing-shan (譚平山), An Account of the Chinese Railway Workers' Strike Movement (Chung-kuo t'ieh-lu kung-jen pa-kung yun-tung chi 中國鐵路工人

- 罷工運動記); and Chang T'e-li (張特立), pseudonym of Chang Kuo-t'ao (張國壽), A Brief History of the Trade Unions Movement Before and After the February Seventh Railway Strike (Erh-ch'i ch'ien-hou kung-hui yun-tung lueh-shih ニレ前後工會運動略史).
- 12. Ch'en Ch'eng Collection (Shih-sou tzu-liao shih-pien 石 史 資料室編); an index of the Ch'en Ch'eng collection is available from the Hoover Institution. See An Index to Chinese Communist Materials in the Shih Sou Collection (Shih Sou tzu-liao shih kung-fei tzu-liao mu-lu 石 史 資料室共正資料日錄).

While he was curator of the East Asian Collection of the Hoover Institution, Mr. Eugene Wu acquired this collection for in-house research. The Hoover Institution began the distribution of this set of 21 reels of microfilm after Mr. Wu's move to Harvard University.

- 13. For abbreviated place names used by the CCP, see, <u>Geographical</u> <u>Terms</u>, Glossary C.
- 14. The issuing authority of investigative reports by the Nationalist government are listed in the BIC card catalogue as "Central Investigation and Statistical Bureau [Office]" (Chung-yang tiao-ch'a t'ung chi-chü [shih] 中央調查統計局[室]), or Internal Security Investigation Bureau (Nei-cheng-pu-tiao-ch'a-chü) 政部調查局), or Unity Publishing House (T'ung-i-ch'u-pan-she 統一出版社).
- 16. Communist Affairs Research Coordinating Center. Union Catalog of Chinese Language Materials on Communist Affairs (Fei-ch'ing

yen-chiu hsieh-t'iao chung-hsin chung-wen fei-ch'ing t'u-shu lien-ho mu-lu 庫情 研 完 協 調 中 心 中文 庫情 園 書 聯 合 貞 録 ) (Mu-cha, Taipei: Institute of International Relations, 1962), 2 volumes; supplementary volume added in 1966 and again in 1971. A copy is available at the Institute of International Relations.

17. See, Reproduction Techniques, Glossary E.

#### I. PARTY AFFAIRS

Perhaps the major attraction of the BIC is the collection of documents on the structure and functioning of the Chinese Communist Party. These include unpublished reports, decisions, and communications from various levels of the Party's hierarchy in the periods 1928-1934 and 1937-1950. CCP materials are also available from the years of the First United Front (1922-1927) and from the interim period of the Long March and the establishment of the Resistance Base Areas (1934-1937), but only a scattered and limited selection.

#### A. The Period of the Soviets, 1927-1934

In the years after Chiang Kai-shek's destruction of the CCP in Shanghai and Canton in 1927, the Chinese Communists confronted a critical challenge to their ideological legitimacy and political survival. Following decisions from the Sixth Party Congress held in the Soviet Union (1928), a succession of Party leaders attempted to rebuild the shattered CCP apparatus in the cities. 1 Yet, as the prospects of an urban revolution in China diminished, the focus of Communist activities shifted to the rural Soviets established in Kiangsi and several other provinces.

Scholars interested in the last months of the First United Front and the subsequent effort of the leadership to rebuild the CCP, will find interesting, though limited, materials in the BIC. The Bureau holds two issues of a Shanghai District Party Magazine, published just before the Nationalist armies seized the city; a Central Committee report on the Canton Commune; and a CC resolution regarding propaganda and factionalism in the Party. 2 Other materials from this period-including a report of the Second Plenum of the Sixth Party Congress (1929), 3 minutes of an enlarged Politburo meeting in March 1930, 4 and the newspaper Red Flag Daily, 5--document the attacks on Ch'en Tu-hsiu and Ch'ü Ch'iu-pai and trace the rise of Li Li-san. particular interest are a periodical, Shanghai Tide (Hu-ch'ao), issued under the auspices of Li's newly installed Party Secretariat (mi-shuch'u) in Shanghai and a letter from Ho Tzu-shu, a member of the Russian Returned Student faction assigned to the Shanghai Party Committee and one of the earliest opponents of Li. 6 Especially important are the Bureau's collections of the Central Correspondence (Chung-yang

t'ung-hsin);<sup>7</sup> Central Circular (Chung-yang t'ung-kao);<sup>8</sup> and the Organization Bulletin (Tsu-chih t'ung-hsun).<sup>9</sup> These document the development of organization and of revolutionary strategies, and the policy conflicts that grew out of the Party's final attempts to seize control of China's cities in the late 1920s and early 1930s.<sup>10</sup>

Materials from the Party's center give an accurate account of its internal politics before 1937. Among Central Committee materials, \$^{11}\$ there is a particularly rich collection from 1932-1933.\$^{12}\$ This collection covers major policy decisions by the new leaders from the Russian Returned Students faction, as well as Central directives on such topics as branch work, internal security, and cadre work style. Other documents demonstrate the commitment of the Russian Returned Students to the eradication of the "Li Li-san Line" and to the further "Bolshevization" of the Party.\$^{13}\$ Finally, there is valuable material in the BIC bearing on purges of important Party leaders.\$^{14}\$

Major publications of the CCP's Central Propaganda Bureau include Red Flag Weekly (Hung-ch'i chou-pao),  $^{15}$  Party Construction (Tang ti chien-she),  $^{16}$  and Struggle (Tou-cheng).  $^{17}$  Struggle was devoted primarily to the Shanghai Party organization and details such little-known aspects of the CCP in the 1930s as factory branch organization and the occupational composition of the Shanghai Party membership.  $^{18}$  Numerous issues of these periodicals can be acquired elsewhere, but the Bureau's collection appears to be more complete.

Many documents in the BIC cover the provincial level of the CCP's organization. The majority are from the Kiangsu Party Committee, which was located in Shanghai, and the remainder are from Party committees in Anhwei, Chekiang, Fukien, Hopei, Shensi, Shantung, and Manchuria. 19 Numbering over one hundred catalog entries, they treat in depth the involvement of provincial committees in disputes that affected the entire CCP during this volatile period of its Among the most interesting are a complete set of the journal Lenin Life (Lieh-ning sheng-huo) published by the Kiangsu Provincial Committee during the CCP's underground struggle in Shanghai;<sup>20</sup> scattered issues of Struggle and Study (Tou-cheng yü hsueh-hsi) from Shensi, 21 and the newspaper Fukien Red Flag (Fu-chien hung-ch'i). 22 In addition, special provincial reports, minutes of provincial Party meetings, and letters from provincial committees to cadres in the field and other CCP units are numerous and offer excellent sources for analyzing the diversity of CCP organization and practices below the central level.  $^{23}$  The minutes of an Enlarged Executive Committee of the Fukien Party organization  $^{24}$  and a document on criticism and self-criticism in the Shensi Provincial Committee  $^{25}$  are particularly revealing in this respect.

At lower levels of the Party--county, city and district, and branch--there are similar but far fewer documents in the BIC. <sup>26</sup> There are some, though not many, documents from Party organizations in Shanghai, Tientsin, and Amoy, <sup>27</sup> and some--still fewer-from CCP district organizations. <sup>28</sup> The most plentiful collection of materials from lower levels consist of documents from approximately fifty counties. <sup>29</sup> These include counties in Anhwei, Kiangsu, Fukien, Hupeh, and Kiangsi. <sup>30</sup> A particularly noteworthy document is Draft Resolutions of the First Enlarged Meeting of the Liu-an County Committee from Anhwei. <sup>31</sup>

The Bureau's holdings could also supplement research on the ideological struggle against various splinter groups within the CCP during the late 1920s and early 1930s. Some documents treat the Party's conflict in the early 1930s with the Trotskyites 32 and the Third Party. In addition, it would be interesting to look at the CCP from the vantage point of the KMT Left, as it appears in such publications as the Democratic Weekly (Min-chu chou-k'an). 33 Materials on these subjects, however, are widely available in the U.S. and Japan.

Documents from the CCP Soviets in the 1930s are not fully catalogued by the Bureau (as above) and are, consequently, difficult to But discussions with the Bureau's staff and scholars familiar with the collection indicate that the BIC holds valuable material from the Central Kiangsi Soviet and from smaller rural soviets such as O-Yü-Wan, <sup>34</sup> Hsiang-O-hsi, <sup>35</sup> and O-hsi, <sup>36</sup> Some documents trace the establishment of the soviets in the early 1930s and treat the general problems of building a Communist Party organization in the countryside. 37 Others deal with specific policy decisions on land redistribution<sup>38</sup>--matters which are covered thoroughly in Hsiao Tsoliang's The Land Revolution in China. 39 There is valuable documentation from both local units of the Soviets<sup>40</sup> and the Central Soviet Organization, 41 including a detailed chart of Party and government institutions in the Central Soviet. Finally, decisions of the Party "Central" in Shanghai which express their policy views on the Soviets are available. 42

## B. The War of Resistance and the Civil War, 1937-1949

During the first two years of the war with Japan, the Chinese Communist Party grew to tremendous size, but its development under wartime conditions was uneven and the new membership included landlords and other "undesirables." In August 1939, the Central Committee issued an important directive on Party consolidation and initiated a major internal reform and study drive. In conjunction with this Party reform, the Central Committee began publication of the Communist (Kung-ch'an-tang jen) in September, which became the official Party organ during the war. 43 Contributors included prominent Central Party leaders such as Liu Shao-ch'i, Wang Chia-hsiang, Li Fu-ch'un, Yang Sung, Li Wei-han, and Ai Ssu-ch'i. The Communist reprinted all the major Central Committee directives and occasionally offered local case studies of Party work. In the first issue the editors published the directive "On Party Consolidation" and devoted the remainder of the edition to articles on various problems of internal In the same issue, Chang Wen-t'ien wrote on the rights and responsibilities of Party members, 44 and an essay by Ch'en Yun discussed Party consolidation and mass work in the war zones. 45 The third issue examined the problems of recruiting intellectuals and included an investigation report on Party branches in three villages of Yen-ch'uan, Shensi.46

The <u>Communist</u> was the model for numerous other Party periodicals published at various regional and district committee levels. The Shen-Kan-Ning Party Committee produced <u>Unity</u> (<u>T'uan-chieh</u>) from 1938 to 1943. 47 In North China there were a variety of internal Party publications, among them the North China Bureau's <u>Party Life</u> (<u>Tang ti sheng-huo</u>), the South Hopeh Committee's <u>Plains</u> (<u>P'ing-yuan</u>), and the Chin-Chi-Yü Committee's <u>War</u> (<u>Chan-tou</u>). Unfortunately, the Bureau has only single issues of two such periodicals, the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Military District's <u>New Great Wall</u> (<u>Hsin ch'ang-ch'eng</u>) and the Chi-Lu-Yü Committee's version of the <u>Plains</u> (<u>P'ing-yuan</u>). 48

In wartime Party periodicals the BIC's strength is its holdings from Central China. It has twenty-seven issues of <u>Dawn</u> (Fo-hsiao), dating from April 1943 to July 1946.<sup>49</sup> The Huai-pei Su-Wan-Yü Committee edited <u>Dawn</u> and published a variety of local studies, reports from other border area committees, and directives from the Central China Bureau. The inaugural issue, for instance, reprinted Jen Pishih's important report of January 1943 from the Northwest Bureau's

Senior Cadre Conference. Contributors in other issues were local Party leaders such as Teng Tzu-hui, Liu Tzu-chiu, Feng Ting, and P'eng Hsueh-feng. Dawn also has several excellent accounts of the Rectification Drive (1942-1944) at the local level.

The BIC holds ten issues of Party Life (Tang ti sheng-huo), the secret internal publication of the New Fourth Army's Chiang-pei Unit Party Committee, which was located in the old O-Yü-Wan Soviet. 50 The committee's first edition is dated January 1941 and includes a preface by the vice-commander of the New Fourth Army, Chang Yun-i. Often, the editors of Party Life published directives from the Central Committee and Central China Bureau as well as a number of local Chiang-pei and O-Yü-Wan Committee circulars. These include articles on the experiences and lessons of local Party work and essays promoting the study of Marxism-Leninism. Most of these concern the Party's internal reform drive and study movement of 1939-1941, and the Rectification Drive of 1942 to 1944, with emphasis on strengthening Party branch work and encouraging exemplary behavior by Party members.

Party Bulletin (Tang-nei t'ung-hsun), published by the Huai-pei District Committee, concentrates on local affairs in Huai-pei from 1944 to 1945. The BIC has fifteen issues, with many articles written by local cadres on village inspection work, the Great Production Drive (1943-1946), rent and interest reduction, and branch reform. <sup>51</sup> There are also scattered issues of several district committee magazines from Central China such as Branch Bulletin (Chih-pu t'ung-hsun), Mass Bulletin (Ch'ün-chung t'ung-hsun), and War Life (Chan-tou sheng-huo). <sup>52</sup> Although there are only one or two issues of each, nonetheless, they offer a variety of materials on local and community Party affairs.

The BIC has several issues of two of Central China's more important internal Party magazines, the Central China Bureau's Central China Bulletin (Hua-chung t'ung-hsun) and the New Fourth Army Seventh Division's Truth (Chen-li). Two of the issues of Truth deal with special topics. The August 1943 edition treats the experiences of cadres as they built base area in North China and includes an important speech by P'eng Teh-huai. The February 1944 issue is on village investigation work in the Huai-pei region. In addition, there are also several journals from the Huai-hai and Huai-nan Districts, the most important of which is the Huai-nan Party Magazine (Huai-nan tang-k'an). 55

These journals constitute the BIC's richest source on Party affairs during the War of Resistance (1937-1945) and the Civil War (1946-1949). They discuss mass mobilization and the problems of internal Party reform at the time of the land reform movement of the late 1940s. Moreover, the articles emphasize the Rectification Drive and its impact on local party work and economic construction at the community level.

## C. The Rectification Drive, 1942-1944

Students of Chinese Communist affairs have viewed the Rectification Drive from several perspectives. Some see it as essentially an educational movement aimed at indoctrinating cadres and Party members with a more distinctly Chinese version of Marxism-Leninism. Others suggest that it was a power struggle between Mao Tse-tung and the Russian Returned Students over crucial policy questions. Yet others argue that it was primarily a crystallization of wartime experiences into the mass line. The BIC materials on rectification provide some new sources from which to reevaluate these interpretations.

Perhaps the most valuable documents come from the Northwest Bureau Senior Cadre Conference (October 1942 to January 1943). Following the six-month Rectification Study Movement in Yenan, this conference instituted a shift from study to internal Party reform and it redefined leadership style and economic goals. The BIC holds six of the major speeches given at the conference and the Northwest Bureau's summary of Conference activities. Among them are reports by Lin Po-ch'ü, Ho Lung, Kao Kang, and Jen Pi-shih, as well as the complete text of Mao Tse-tung's Economic Problems and Financial Problems—a summary of economic construction activities in the Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region, which first appeared in the 1947 version of Mao's Selected Works, published by the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Committee. <sup>59</sup>

A second group of documents includes various rectification and study materials from Communist base areas. For example, the Bureau has three volumes of a ten-volume set of rectification documents published by the Central Kiangsu Committee. This committee compiled a number of essays and reports from regional leaders such as Jao Shu-shih. Also available in the BIC is the Chi-Lu-Yü Administrative Office's similar two-volume set, which published a wide variety of speeches and reports of second-line Party leaders whose

works had not been included in the well-known twenty-two study documents used in the Rectification Study Movement and authorized by the Central Committee Propaganda Bureau.  $^{61}$  Among them is an unusual collection of documents with three essays by Chang Wen-t'ien, who studied in the Soviet Union and is identified with the Russian Returned Students faction.  $^{62}$ 

A third group of rectification materials includes a number of district and county committee documents. For example, the Sixth District Committee Propaganda Bureau in the Chi-Lu-Yü Border Region printed a mimeographed volume for the study movement with local directives on how to initiate a study drive and issue an official study plan. <sup>63</sup> The Sixth District Committee also offered as reference materials a summary of the Shen-Kan-Ning experience and two excerpts from speeches by Chu Jui and Huang Ching on developing study and the nature of study itself. <sup>64</sup> There are also materials from the county level and notes made by individual Party members on their own experiences in the Rectification Drive. <sup>65</sup>

Finally, the BIC has the standard sources on rectification<sup>66</sup> as well as several studies of the movement by Nationalist intelligence analysts.<sup>67</sup> As for the rectification of Communist literature and propaganda, the BIC has only those documents commonly available in the West, such as Mao Tse-tung's speech at the Yenan Forum on Literature and Art<sup>68</sup> and a re-publication of Wang Shih-wei's The Wild Lily (Yeh pai-ho hua).<sup>69</sup> In addition, there are two little known Communist critiques of Wang, one by Chou Yang and another a collection of articles by Fan Wen-lan, Ai Ch'ing, and others.<sup>70</sup> There are also Nationalist intelligence reports on the literary "purge" carried out by the CCP following Mao's speech, but these add little to the detailed information on the Wang Shih-wei case found in issues of the Liberation Daily (Chieh-fang jih-pao).<sup>71</sup>

## D. The Period of the People's Republic, 1949-1973

The BIC's holdings of post-1949 materials are understandably scarce, though there are some interesting exceptions. The collection of documents from the period immediately following the victory of the Communist Army includes original materials on cadre training and political study used by central, provincial, and local Party organs. From the Central Committee's Southern Bureau, for example, the BIC has several Communist Party Member Textbooks, 72 and from the Liao-

yang City Party Committee there are numerous Political Study Reference Materials. 73 In some materials, such as Theoretical Study from Shanghai 74 and Lectures on Basic Knowledge for Chinese Communist Party Members from the Wuhan Marxism-Leninism School, 75 the importance of the cadre's theoretical education emerges, while in others there is considerable discussion of "study" (hsueh-hsi) during both the Civil War and post-Liberation periods. 76 From provincial, county, and city Party committees there are handbooks and texts which describe propaganda work beginning in the late 1930s and extending through the early 1950s. 77 How to be a Propaganda Worker and several Propaganda Handbooks from Shanghai are particularly interesting and voluminous collections. 78

In addition to the documentation covering the Party's actions on the mainland in the early 1950s, there are also limited materials regarding CCP activity on Chinese islands. For example, a publication from Canton treats CCP operations on Hainan island  $^{79}$  and an investigation report conducted by the Bureau evaluates Communist organization on Taiwan up to 1950.  $^{80}$ 

Finally, the BIC holds other documents collected from the mainland by the Nationalist authorities since the early 1950s. These include public newspapers and internal Party materials, but their exclusion from the Bureau's card catalogue makes the scope of these materials difficult to assess. The newspapers are local, coming from cities and provinces, among them:

The Shanghai Evening News (1966), Yin-ch'uan Daily (Szechwan, 1958), Ch'engtu Daily (1958), Pao-t'ou Daily (Inner Mongolia, 1957), Sian Daily (1958), Nanking Daily (1956-1957), Harbin Daily (1957), Yunnan Daily (1958), and even some Mongolian-language newspapers. Although we do not know the number of issues of each newspaper now available at the Bureau, these holdings appear limited, and only marginally important to research, especially for the period after 1953.

Classified CCP documents come from the Party's highest levels and seem to be of considerable importance. These include Mao Tsetung's Highest-level Directives on the "rural rustification" (hsia-fang) of the Red Guards, 82 a cadre newspaper entitled Reference News, 83 and the "absolutely secret" Documents of the Chinese Communist Party Central Committee (1972), 84 one of which treats the Lin Piao affair. There is also the Political Work Bulletin from the 1970s which focuses on local problems, such as agricultural mechanization in a Kwangsi district and cultural works in a Pao-shan, Yunnan production team. 85

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#### II. MASS MOVEMENTS

An attractive aspect of the BIC is its documentation of the CCP's programs of social and political action generally and, more particularly, of mass mobilization. Documents such as policy statements from the Central Committee and other Party units, work outlines distributed to cadres, reports from the field, as well as biographies and memoirs combine to give a full picture of the conception and implementation of Communist programs designed to win the support of the Chinese people. In addition, the documentation provides new perspectives on the evolution of the mass line as the CCP's primary technique for building a mass base during the War of Resistance.

### A. The Labor Movement

The commitment of the CCP leaders to Marxist-Leninist ideology is reflected in their consistent effort to mobilize China's relatively small working class. Before Mao's rise to the Party's leadership in 1935, the Central Committee and the CCP-affiliated All China General Labor Union formulated policies which treated the proletariat as the Party's main constituency in the revolutionary movement. 1 Of special interest in the BIC are several reports on the organization of labor unions--particularly in Shanghai<sup>2</sup>--which could be used to evaluate the leadership's understanding of Marxist-Leninist theory in developing a Other documents could help scholars determine the labor policy. extent of the Communist International's influence on the ideology of the CCP during the period. For instance, there are the Profinternsponsored Bulletin of the Pacific Workers (T'ai-p'ing-yang kung-pao),<sup>3</sup> and the Far Eastern Worker (Yuan-tung kung-jen).4 The latter was a publication of the Secretariat of the Pan-Pacific Labor Conference (T'ai-p'ing-yang lao-tung ta-hui mi-shu-ch'u), first established in Hankow in May 1927.

On a more practical level, accounts of the day-to-day problems confronting local Party units in rebuilding the labor movement from 1927 to 1930 can be found in Worker Bulletin (Kung-jen t'ung-hsun). <sup>5</sup> Even more important in this regard are several handwritten reports on the labor movement in Shanghai<sup>6</sup> and union organization among China's maritime workers. <sup>7</sup> These include open discussions of the CCP's policies and organization vis-à-vis the urban proletariat and

frank evaluations of cadre work style and the effectiveness of Communist propaganda. In addition, many of the periodicals described in the section on Party Affairs, such as Red Flag Weekly, Lenin Life, and Struggle, treat the labor movement during the last few years of the CCP's urban operations, from 1930 to 1933. Lenin Life, for instance, offers numerous articles and policy statements on the Kiangsu Provincial Committee's efforts at promoting strikes among Shanghai workers during the height of the Kuomintang's "white terror,"

Following the CCP's shift to the rural bases and Soviets in the early 1930s, the Communist labor movement lost much of its proletarian flavor. Unions enrolled not only production workers, but also handicraft workers, hired hands in agriculture, shop clerks, and craft The war with Japan in 1937 and the expansion of rural resistance bases further accelerated this change. In 1939, for instance, statistics showed that in the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Border Region labor union, only twelve percent of the membership were classified as production This twelve percent, moreover, was not the urban proletariat which Marx envisioned as leading the socialist revolution; instead it comprised peasants who worked in the mines or government factories during the winter and tended their fields the rest of the year, 10 Regarding the labor movement during the War of Resistance, the BIC has scattered reports and conference records from the North China bases and Shen-Kan-Ning, 11 and a particularly interesting discussion of the labor movement in the Chin-Chi-Yü Border Region. 12 An important source is the periodical, China Worker (Chung-kuo kung-jen) published in Yenan. 13 It includes a variety of articles from all of the North China base areas and some interesting local case studies of the working class.

One such study concerns the Ling-shan mines in Ch'ü-yang, Hopeh. These coal mines were originally part of a Sung dynasty porcelain complex in West Hopeh, which flourished until the region was depopulated during rebellion at the time of the establishment of the Ming dynasty. By 1939, only four mines were still operating, and they were all small operations financed through local capital. One mine had about 400 share holders, including some miners and the deity of a local temple, but only 5,000 yuan in capital. Tung Hsin, the survey's author, observed that only ten percent of the miners relied solely on the mines for a living, and of the remainder some owned as much as  $20 \ \text{mou}$  of land and were independent farmers. Tung described the labor conditions, the system of contract and payment, and child labor

and health problems, and also included statistics on local price fluctuations of food crops and goods over the past decade (1930-1939). The central discussion of the study concerned the development of the labor union movement after June 1937 and discussed union membership, programs and organizational activities. The depth of the article and the author's knowledge of local conditions bear out the importance which Party leaders attached to local information for the formulation of a labor policy.

In late 1945, the Communists captured Kalgan in southern Chahar Province and reactivated urban labor activities there. <sup>14</sup> By 1949-1950, the CCP was rebuilding the labor movement in much of North and Central China. The BIC has a number of interesting material produced by the old centers of labor radicalism, such as union handbooks, <sup>15</sup> critiques of cadre work style, <sup>16</sup> and discussions of the economic and cultural state of the workers. <sup>17</sup>

## B. The Peasant Movement

By 1933, the Nationalists had driven the CCP from the cities, but then the Communists turned to develop a power base among the peasantry. This was not an entirely new direction, as advocates of peasant radicalism, such as P'eng P'ai and Mao Tse-tung, had maintained that the peasants were a potent revolutionary force in the 1920s. The BIC has only a scattering of documents on the land reforms and the peasant movement of the Kiangsi period (1931-1934). 18 The most important sources come from the War of Resistance and the Civil War, such as documents on the wartime peasant associations, the rent and reduction drives—especially from 1942 to 1945—and the land reform programs of the Civil War.

Materials on the peasant associations come from a number of base areas and include work outlines, 19 cadre lectures, 20 reports from the field, 21 reference materials, 22 and peasant association manuals. 23 Some, particularly association member handbooks and the "social education" texts for adult studies, 24 may be useful sources in separating the social impact of the Communist programs from their appeal to national mobilization against Japan. According to P'eng Teh-huai, during the War of Resistance the Communists retained their commitment to eradicate powerful "feudal" influences like superstition and filial piety by raising the peasants' political awareness. 25 As one

peasant association handbook put it, "The Communist Party and the peasant association are not open to every poor, oppressed farmer, but only to those who understand that fate and bad luck are not the causes of social inequities." The peasant associations' educational materials, used in conjunction with existing studies of peasant life before the revolution, are good sources for evaluating this new, popularized political ideology in terms of the traditional beliefs of Chinese peasants. 27

Regarding agrarian policy, the Communists, in 1937, modified previous programs calling for a radical redistribution of land and adopted more moderate proposals for rent and interest reductions. The BIC lacks materials from the earlier work in rent and interest reduction, but has a number of interesting documents published following the Politburo's directive on land policy in the base areas of January 1942.<sup>28</sup> These sources include an important report on the Party's agrarian movement from the T'ai-hang District (southeast Shansi),<sup>29</sup> an unusual discussion from the Tung-chiang (Kwangtung) base area<sup>30</sup>--unusual, because of the rarity of extant materials from this region--and several collections of laws and regulations on rent and interest reduction.<sup>31</sup>

In April 1945, as victory over Japan seemed assured, the CCP returned to the more radical policy of "land to the tillers." The new program was uniform throughout China but was applied in accordance with the length of time a particular region had been under Communist control. In areas that had recently come under Communist rule, the Party introduced only the moderate rent reduction programs; but in the old base areas such as Chin-Ch'a-Chi the Party forced the gentry to sell a good portion of their land to the landless tenants and called for income redistribution through a "settling of accounts" (ch'ing-suan). The diversity in local situations led to a classification of different areas and the creation of models to serve as case studies and guides for cadres in other districts. According to Mao Tse-tung's preface to a discussion of the experiences of Kuo County (hsien), Shansi there were three basic models for land reform in this period. 32

Materials in the BIC on land reform after 1945 include a 200-page report from the T'ai-hang District on organizing the land reform movement and a 42-page account from a South Hopeh District on variations in the practice of land reform between recently liberated regions (after 1945) and the old, wartime base areas. 33 The Central Shantung

Committee issued an instruction to cadres on how to lead the masses "to turn the tables on the upper classes and achieve a new life" (fanshen) through land reform; <sup>34</sup> and there is a lengthy description on "settling of accounts" with landlords in Chi-Lu-Yü. <sup>35</sup> One rather unusual document is a Land Reform Guide from Hainan Island. <sup>36</sup> In addition, there are several documents on land redistribution programs from the 1947-1948 period, <sup>37</sup> and a few on land reform in the first days of the People's Republic. <sup>38</sup> Material in the BIC on agrarian policy is sufficient to support a detailed study of Communist work in this area from 1942 to 1949, and includes many documents that are not available elsewhere.

A number of documents on the CCP's policies toward the peasantry discuss mass work and the principles of mass line leadership. The debate among scholars over the nature of the Communist appeal during the War of Resistance has been going on for over ten years;<sup>39</sup> but not until recently have scholars pointed to the mass line as a major factor in Communist successes during the war with Japan. 40 The Bureau's materials detail the origins and development of the mass line from both an organizational and theoretical perspective. Local party directives, 41 cadre study materials, 42 lecture outlines from Resistance University (K'ang-ta), 43 and regional reports 44 are some of the more valuable documents which touch on this subject. Used in conjunction with internal Party study materials, publications of mass organizations, and military manuals on mass mobilization, 45 they reveal the Communist approach to the organization and political mobilization of the Chinese peasantry at the most practical level of work. demonstrate the consistent, long-term development and application of techniques which the CCP canonized in the phrase 'From the masses, to the masses" in the June 1943 Central Committee directive, "Some Questions Concerning Methods of Leadership, "46

### C. Women and Youth

In addition to the economic classes of the workers and peasants, the CCP sought to draw on the revolutionary aspirations of other groups. The vigor of youth and the particularly oppressed position of women in Chinese society prompted special attention by the Party. On their role in the revolutionary struggle, there are from the 1930s and 1940s numerous Central Committee directives, provincial committee communiques, and special conference decisions which outline CCP policy. 47

Most valuable are the specialized journals dealing with various social, economic, and political aspects of these two movements. For instance, in the early 1930s, Women's Life (Fu-nü sheng-huo) published articles dealing with the special problems of organizing women workers, and served as a forum for criticizing tendencies toward discrimination by their male counterparts in the CCP. 48 In the same period, the CCP's Youth League published journals at the central and provincial levels, with titles such as Lenin Youth (Lieh-ning ch'ing-nien) 49 and Vanguard (Hsien-feng), 50 dealing with the recruitment and training of potential Party members. The latter includes a series of articles critical of Communist Youth League (CYL) branch work and of the members' inability to plan their operations in line with "mass psychology." 51

From the War of Resistance there is a particularly rich collection of periodicals available at the BIC. China Women (Chung-kuo fu-nii) was the major publication of the period and includes articles by leading figures in the women's movement such as K'ang K'o-ch'ing, Ch'en Ch'ang-hao, and Liu Ying. 52 For instance, problems in mobilizing China's 'broken shoes' (p'o-hsieh), that is, prostitutes, for patriotic action is confronted in one series of articles and offers a unique perspective on the CCP's appeal to eléments déclassés in Chinese society. 53 In China Youth (Chung-kuo ch'ing-nien) there are equally important articles published by veterans of the December Ninth Movement (1935–1936), such as Huang Hua and Li Ch'ang; 54 and there is considerable material on the training of Party cadres for work among youth. 55

Most of the BIC's documentation on the youth movement comes from the Communist Youth League. But for the years 1936 to 1945 there is considerable material issued by various youth national salvation groups, which were organized separately in areas of Communist activity following the abolition of the CYL in 1936. The earliest of these was the National Liberation Vanguards of China (Chung-kuo mintsu chieh-fang hsien-feng-tui). 56 It was formed in February 1936 in response to the anti-Japanese demonstrations by student activists in Peiping, Tientsin, and other major Chinese cities during the previous The Vanguards remained the leading CCP youth group until late 1939, when various youth associations became the Communists' principal organizations for wartime mobilization of youth. 57 There are over twenty documents in the BIC on the Vanguards. are only broadsheets, work outlines, or propaganda manifestos, but there are also several tracts of considerable length. 58

After 1949, as the CCP built up its organizational base throughout the country, Chinese youth and women became an even more important base for recruiting Party members. How to Be a Youth League Member, for example, describes the educational and political training of youth in Hankow designed to prepare them for full Party membership. And, for a look into the special problems of women workers in the new China of the 1950s, the Handbook on Work Among Women Workers includes a number of volumes.

## D. The Sacrifice League

Although not officially tied to the Chinese Communist Party, the Shansi Sacrifice League (Shan-hsi hsi-sheng t'ung-meng-hui) was an important organization for the mobilization of Shansi youth and peasants in united front activities during the early days of the war with Japan. 1936, in coordination with local Communist leaders such as Po I-po, Sung Shao-wen, and others, to mobilize anti-Japanese sentiments and oppose Japanese advances against the province of Suiyuan, then under Shansi's domination through Yen's subordinate, Fu Tso-i. After war began in July 1937, the League became an important resistance force in Shansi through its military arm, the Dare-to-Die Corps (Chueh-ssu-tui).

The Sacrifice League leaders were young and generally inclined toward the Communist wartime programs; thus the League gradually gravitated towards the Communist cause. Alarmed by the growing Communist sympathies, Yen Hsi-shan attempted to gain control of the Dare-to-Die Corps, but this led to a rupture between Yen and the League in the Shansi New Army Incident in November 1939. The Sacrifice League and its army comprised an independent force after the incident, but its senior cadres were Communists, and they served as leading figures in the Communist sponsored Chin-Sui and Chin-Chi-Yü Border Regions.

The BIC holds a number of documents from the Sacrifice League not available in the West. Most of these originate from Hsia County, Shansi, a major Sacrifice League center. There are political handbooks,  $^{62}$  manuals on mass work,  $^{63}$  propaganda tracts,  $^{64}$  and branch work outlines.  $^{65}$  One of the more important sources is a brief history of the League by Po I-po.  $^{66}$  The Bureau also has several tracts on

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#### III. CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

One of the most enduring themes in Chinese Communist thought and practice is the commitment to the transformation of China's traditional culture. Whereas Lenin postponed the "Cultural Revolution" in Russian society until after the seizure of political power, 1 the Chinese elite confronted the difficult task of cultural change in the process of the revolutionary struggle. Indeed, following the May Fourth Movement of 1919 and, more generally, under the influence of the New Culture Movement of 1917-1922, the CCP from its establishment in 1921 has been intimately involved with the revolution in China's literature and art and the reformation of the educational system. 2 This is reflected in the Bureau's impressive collection of novels and plays, and of CCP decisions regarding the arts and education from the late 1920s to the early 1950s.

## A. Literature and Art

The modern Chinese literary tradition is marked by the movement for colloquial literature in the 1920s, and by the polemics among leftist writers over the nature of revolutionary literature and national defense literature in the 1930s. The journals of the Romantic-turned-Marxist Creation Society (1921-1929), Sun Society (1927-1929), and the League of Left Wing Writers (1930-1936) were major publications for leftist and Communist statements on the nature of the literary movement. 4 As part of the struggle to develop a genuine literature of and for the masses, some attempts were made within the Communist underground cells of Shanghai and the Red Army in the Soviets to utilize the arts for purposes of mass mobilization and political indoctrination. The BIC has some materials from these early experiments with socialist realism and mass art. These include, for example, a 1932 play entitled A Brothers' Quarrel (Jan chi chu-tou), used by the Red Army in the Kiangsi Soviet, 5 and a collection of revolutionary songs published by the East Hupeh Action Committee.6 There is also a Party periodical, Youth Life (Ch'ing-nien sheng-huo), printed in Shanghai which included short stories and poems laden with Marxist themes. 7

When the war with Japan broke out in 1937, polemics on national defense literature ended abruptly. Prominent leftist artists gathered in

Hankow in 1938 and united to form the All China Anti-Aggression Federation of Writers and Artists (Chung-hua ch'üan-kuo wen-i-chieh k'ang-ti hsieh-hui) to undertake wartime propaganda work at the front lines. 8 Indeed, before the Federation was created, many students and writers had traveled to Yenan or had gone to the front and joined the Communist Eighth Route Army. In the early war years cultural work in conjunction with mass mobilization was neither systematic nor uniform. The leading literary critics continued to polemicize standards for mass literature and the question of a "national form" (min-tsu hsing-shih), while the cultural workers in the Communist base areas experimented with plays and traditional folk art in their efforts to enlist mass support for the resistance. The best general survey of Communist cultural activities and work in this period is an article by Ho Lo. 9 In this survey he discusses the principal plays, short stories, and novels of those years as well as the village arts drive in the Shen-Nan-King and Chin-Ch'a-Chi Border Region.

Ho's essay appears in the <u>Cultural Brigade</u> (Wen-hua tsung-tui), an important theoretical journal and the voice of North China Unified University (<u>Hua-pei Lien-ta</u>), which was a cadre training school formed from the merger of four Yenan schools and which moved to the front in 1939. 10 <u>Cultural Brigade</u> was a forerunner of the academic journals prominent in the People's Republic after 1949, such as the Chinese People's University's <u>Education and Research (Chiao-yū yū yen-chiu)</u>; it includes articles on educational methodology, the workers' and women's movements, and cadre work style. Each edition contains art work, songs, and poetry.

There were several other important Communist literary journals published at this time in Yenan, of which the BIC has partial runs.

Mass Literature and Art (Ta-chung wen-i), the namesake of an earlier publication from the League of Left Wing Writers era, was an influential forum in which Mao Tun, Chou Wen, Ting Ling, and other writers expressed their views on a number of literary problems. 11 A typical issue contains two or three topical articles, plus short stories and poetry dealing with patriotic themes. There are also essays of the tsa-wen genre in which, for example, Chou Wen discusses differences between creative and collective life and Ting Ling comments on the relationship between the writer and the masses. 12 Certain editions deal with special topics such as the Bolshevik Revolution and the drama movement.

China Culture (Chung-kuo wen-hua) and Literature and Art Battle-line (Wen-i chan-hsien) were two of the most significant literary magazines printed in Yenan. <sup>13</sup> Their articles on "national form" shaped what became the orthodox Communist viewpoint on the subject. <sup>14</sup> In addition, the inaugural issue of China Culture includes Mao Tse-tung's important essay on New Democracy, which appears to have been written specifically for this edition. <sup>15</sup> In comparison to Mass Literature and Art, however, these journals have less to do with actual literature and more with literary theory.

Theatrical presentations were a major form of propaganda and mass mobilization during the war. The Bureau holds several plays from this period, including a few performed by Ting Ling's Front Service Group. <sup>16</sup> In addition, there are also plays used by the New Fourth Army in Central China, <sup>17</sup> plus several novels, <sup>18</sup> and an important discussion of the drama movement led by the CCP. <sup>19</sup>

The general direction of CCP cultural policy during the war was towards the creation of mass cultural forms, although there often was a reliance on traditional modes such as folk opera or harvest dances. This movement not only provided, in the words of Mao Tun, "new wine for old bottles," but also was a serious attempt to state the resistance motif in a form easily recognizable by the peasantry. Many of the ideas from the old controversy on "national form" were revived in the search for a basis of the new mass literature. Indeed, much of this experience was reflected in Mao Tse-tung's speech on literature and art in May 1942, which enunciated the policy of a literature for the workers, peasants, and soldiers and set the standards for future mass cultural activities.

Mao's speech also initiated the village arts movement in which the CCP encouraged the production of village plays and drama. Plays in the BIC present many of the resistance themes used in this movement, such as joining the army, 21 fighting the Japanese, 22 self-defense forces, 23 examining road passes, 24 character study, 25 reclaiming waste lands and production, 26 and cowherds. 27 Among the plays is The White-haired Girl, a perennially popular play which was rewritten in the Cultural Revolution. 28 The BIC also holds Yuan Ching's Rent Reduction (Chien-tsu), a harvest song play and part of the Pao-an Drama Troupe's repertoire which was based on the rent reduction drive in the Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region in the early 1940s. 29 The villain of the story is a recalcitrant landlord, "Two-

Road" Mao-tzu, who feared public censure yet secretly pressed his tenants to continue paying old rent rates while he publicly proclaimed reductions. Another central character is one of his tenants, Pai Kuei. Far from an ideal hero, he is quite spineless. Indeed, Pai stands up to the landlord only because of the prodding of his wife, Pai Ch'i, an activist in the local women's movement. Other characters include a local activist tenant and a border government official who both push for rent reduction in the village.

Another significant play from the War of Resistance and one recently revived in the post-Cultural Revolution period is Yao Chungming's, Comrade, You've Taken the Wrong Path! (T'ung-chih, nitsou ts'o-le lu!). The author, a diplomat in later years, based the play on his experience with the Eighth Route Army in Shantung. The plot is not so important as the author's introduction in which he describes how mass criticism aided his writing. The war provided Yao his first contact with the world of the common people and, to make the play believeable to the peasantry, he solicited the opinions of older cadres, villagers, and soldiers on the proper language, dialogue, and plot, making significant changes through mutual criticism and self-criticism. Chou Yang's preface to the play is also an important source on Chinese Communist theories of mass literature and art.

The most significant play from the war period held by the BIC is the Song of the Poor (Ch'iung-jen lo), the model play of the village art and literature movement in 1944.31 In original form, it had no script but was a series of improvisations on the life of the peasants of High Street Village in Fu-p'ing, Hopeh. The actors were the villagers themselves, reenacting the drama of the war. scene was set in 1928, the year a great flood wracked Fu-p'ing, and it was used to set up a contrast between the old life under the Nationalists and the warlords with the new life which began with the arrival of the Eighth Route Army in 1937. Subsequent scenes concerned combat with the Japanese, production work, mutual aid, and other activities typical of the Communist wartime programs. Local cadres eventually wrote a script and added a song by one of the border region's leading cultural workers. But the significance of the play remained its depiction of social change and the villagers' vicarious participation in a type of dramatic catharsis which freed them from the bonds of traditional society.

Another major art form of the War of Resistance was the harvest song (yang-ko), which was part of the traditional music lore of North

China. <sup>32</sup> In 1941 students at the North China Unified University debated the use of such harvest songs in the village arts movement, but the propagandistic utility of this traditional art form remained undecided. Plays such as Rent Reduction often incorporated the harvest song into the presentation but some drama troupes used the songs only in dances. <sup>33</sup> Other cadres specialized in collecting and preserving popular melodies and adapting for wartime propaganda. One such collection available at the BIC, edited by the Popular Music Study Group, includes some ninety-one tunes, primarily from the Sui-teh and Michih Districts in Shensi. <sup>34</sup> Most of the melodies in the collection are in the traditional five tone arrangement, and for some, editors have added new lyrics to the score.

The Civil War in China brought little change in Communist cul-Plays such as Earthquake (Ti-chen) written in 1946 continued to emphasize the transformation of the peasants' lives--in this case the changing of land relationships between 1933 and 1943 in southern Shantung. 35 Many of the Bureau's materials from this period come from Shantung, and the BIC has several issues of the Shantung Federation of Cultural Workers publication, Cultural Transformation (Wen-hua fan-shen).  $^{36}$  There also are other interesting literary publications from the Civil War in the BIC, such as the Literature and Art Magazine (Wen-i tsa-chih), a journal devoted primarily to cultural activities related to land reform, 37 plus several issues of North China Culture (Pei-fang wen-hua), a bi-weekly published in Kalgan. 38 The latter was under the direction of Ch'eng Fang-wu and the dramatist Sha K'o-fu, and had an impressive editorial board of Chou Yang, Teng T'o, Ai Ch'ing, and others. The content of the magazine was varied. Hsiao Chün, the noted Manchurian novelist, for instance, contributed an article on Northeast China in a March issue, while the following edition had a play by Ting Ling entitled Looking Homeward (Wang-hsiang-t'ai). Finally, there are handbooks and other documents used by cadres in cultural work from this period. 39

The BIC's materials on literature and art after the Communist victory in the Civil War are limited. The new regime's continued emphasis on revolutionary literature, portraying heroic workers and the bitter experiences of the masses in China before 1949 is reflected in the archive's holdings. <sup>40</sup> There are also a few novels from after 1949, though generally the Bureau's collection in this area is not so good as those in many Western libraries with holdings on contemporary China. There are some items, such as Thought Magazine (Ssu-hsiang

tsa-chih), which would provide information on cultural activities and Communist programs of thought reform in the intellectual community. 41

## B. Education

Party educational activities were directly related to cultural In the War of Resistance, for example, the Communists linked the village art movement with political education work. BIC has an unusual collection of social education primers, school texts, and periodicals dating from 1937 to around 1958. Adult education programs were widely promoted in the Communist base areas, and the BIC has a number of character study primers  $^{42}$  and "winterstudy movement" texts<sup>43</sup> from Shen-Kan-Ning, Shantung, Huai-pei and There is also an almost complete collection of primary other areas. school materials used in Yenan. These include a series of history and geography texts edited by Hsin An-t'ing for both the primary and middle school levels. 44 In addition, there are mathematics texts, 45 natural science books, 46 and a seven-volume language primer complied by Tung Ch'un-ts'ai.47 Finally, there are texts from other base areas such as five volumes of an eight-volume language set from Chin-Ch'a-Chi. 48

These materials are valuable references on the Communist viewpoint towards Chinese history, science, and the general world order. Furthermore, at the beginning of the war the Communists called for a general reform of educational curricula, and textbooks in the BIC-particularly the Chinese (kuo-yü) primers--reflect this reform, as well as present some of the social and political themes of the New Democracy.

The Bureau also has a number of post-1949 school texts. These include kindergarten primers as well as history, science, and foreign language books for middle schools. 49 The BIC holds several education journals from the mid-1940s. 50 The most important of these is Education Frontline (Chiao-yü chen-ti), a publication of the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Border Region Education Office. 51 Several issues of this periodical are available in the United States, but the Bureau holds some unavailable outside of mainland China. This is the only journal we know of in which the Communists discuss the theory and practice of the popular education movement (1943-1945). Many of the articles are by leading educational figures in Yenan and Chin-Ch'a-Chi, such as Liu K'ai-feng and Tung Ch'un-ts'ai.

Finally, there are materials in the BIC on the New Enlightenment Movement (1936-1937) initiated by Ch'en Po-ta. The central theme of this united front type philosophical movement was the search for the unity of the 'new philosophy' (i.e., Marxism-Leninism) with the concrete reality of China. Documents, such as Ai Ssu-ch'i's  $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$  History of the Modern Chinese Enlightenment Movement, detail Ch'en's role in this movement which was terminated prematurely by the Japanese invasion.  $^{52}$ 

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CCP district organizations in the Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region were often named after a prominent county (hsien) located in the district. Thus, there are documents in the BIC from both the Sui-teh and Mi-chih county and district organizations of the CCP. Other districts were often given a name which was a combination of two characters, each taken from a separate county in the district. Still other districts, particularly in the Chin-Chi-Lu-Yü and Chin-Chia-Chi Border Regions were referred to by numbers, although this practice was often used in addition to given names.

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### IV. MILITARY AFFAIRS

The BIC has an impressive collection of materials on Communist military affairs. The heaviest concentration is from the War of Resistance (1937-1945), but apparently there are also a number of uncatalogued documents from the Kiangsi Soviet (1931-1934). Included are reports on strategy and tactics and on political work in the army along with the circulars and military journals of individual units. The most important single source is the BIC's run of thirty-three issues of the Eighth Route Army's Military and Political Journal (Chün-cheng tsa-chih). In addition, scattered materials are available on the People's Liberation Army after 1949, along with a number of Nationalist intelligence reports on Communist military affairs compiled by the Bureau.

Numerous articles and manuals on military strategy and tactics from the War of Resistance provide materials for a comparison between Mao Tse-tung's theories on guerrilla warfare and those of the Soviet-trained high command. According to William Whitson, the high command supported more conventional warfare, 3 and it appears that some top generals disagreed with Mao on the speed of the regularization of militia units and the scope of mobile warfare. 4 Several manuals on guerrilla strategy and tactics written at the beginning of the war with Japan by Communist leaders such as P'eng Hsueh-feng, Chang Tso-hua, and Fan Wen-lan treat these issues. 5

The BIC also has many tracts on political work in the army during the War of Resistance. These include a collection of articles edited by Li Fu-ch'un and a volume written by Chang Tso-hua. The emphasis in the military was on mass mobilization, unit consolidation, political indoctrination, and enemy troop work. The Bureau holds several documents on mass mobilization by the army and an even larger collection of materials on unit consolidation, which emphasize company level political work and improved relations between officers and enlisted men. There are also many directives, manuals, work plans, and circulars which touch on political operations within the Army's ranks. Researchers interested in military work may also consult the Bureau of Intelligence Library, which has a great number of documents and periodicals on military affairs—especially company political work—dating from 1942 to 1947 from Shantung. The Soldiers Monthly (Chan-shih yueh-k'an), for example, includes a number of

significant articles by Hsiao Hua, Lo Jung-huan, and Li Yu on the problems of company political work before and after the Rectification Drive (1942-1944). 10

The Rectification Drive had a significant impact on the military, particularly after the Northwest Bureau Senior Cadre Conference in January 1943. There are several documents from that conference relating to military affairs which are in the BIC, including Ho Lung's report on the rectification of the military and Jen Pi-shih's speech which called for the elimination of tendencies toward warlordism within the army. <sup>11</sup> After the conference T'an Cheng gave two important speeches at a military cadre conference in Yenan in January 1943 and April 1944 on the rectification campaign in the military, both of which are in the BIC. <sup>12</sup> In the army, moreover, the Rectification Drive spawned several other drives such as the "Cherish the People, Support the Government" movement, a military production drive, and a renewed emphasis on unit solidarity; certain aspects of these drives are documented in the Bureau. <sup>13</sup>

The BIC holdings of the Military and Political Journal are the most extensive we know of outside mainland China. The Eighteenth Group Army Political Department published this periodical monthly from January 1939 to sometime in 1942. It includes articles by all the major military figures of that time, including many who have been active in Chinese politics since 1949. 14 A typical issue has around one hundred pages and includes from six to ten articles on a variety of major subjects, such as cadre education and the development of In addition, there are translations from Russian on base areas. Marxist theory and from Japanese on military tactics, obituaries of fallen heroes, and war reports. As an example of an ordinary issue's content, the June 1940 edition includes articles by P'eng Teh-huai on China's national crisis, Ch'en Man-yuan on repelling the Japanese offensive in West Hopeh that year, Chang Ch'ih-min on the Army's initial activities in the Chi-Lu-Yü Base Area, Chou Shih-ti on the 120th Division's campaign in Central Hopeh, and T'ien Fu on political and military education for "cadres in service" (tsai-chih kan-pu). also a special collection of five articles on "enemy work" which consisted of instruction in Japanese language and the interrogation of Japanese prisoners. Not all of the articles in the Military and Political Journal concern North China, and there are a good number of accounts of the New Fourth Army's activities in Central China.

The Bureau has a number of intelligence reports from Nationalist agencies on the Communist military. Some are available in Western and Japanese libraries, but others are classified "secret." They range from battlefield accounts with maps and charts to analyses of internal power struggles in the Red Army. 15 These reports naturally reflect an adversary's viewpoint, but are valuable in giving another perspective on Communist military operations. For example, Personal Relations and Factional Struggle Among the Communist Bandits, although undocumented and based in part on rumor, is suggestive of factional divisions within the army and demonstrates one approach to understanding Chinese Communist military activities. 16

Finally, the BIC has scattered materials from the People's Liberation Army after 1949. These include such recent documents as the newspaper, National Defense Fighters (Kuo-fang chan-shih), published in 1972 by the Kunming Military District Political Department with articles concerning political work at the company level and problems of work style. 17 Unfortunately, military materials from the period after 1949 are generally not listed in the card catalogue and it is difficult to assess the range and scope of the Bureau holdings for this period.

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- William Whitson and Huang Chen-hsia in The Chinese High Command, argue that there was a major confrontation between Mao and many of the Communist generals over tactics and strategy during the War of Resistance. Many of Mao's military writings are available at the BIC, but these are just as readily available in the Selected Military Writings of Mao Tse-tung (Peking: Foreign Language Press, 1963). The Eighth Route Army Military and Political Journal often discusses tactical problems and might be used to contrast opposing viewpoints on these questions. See specifically, Liu Po-ch'eng, "On Guerrilla Warfare and Mobile Warfare" ("Lun yu-chi chan yü yun-tung chan" 新文學 人名 ("Lun yu-chi chan yu yu yun-tung chan"
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### V. RESISTANCE BASE AREAS

When the Eighth Route Army arrived at the Wu-t'ai Mountains in East Shansi in September 1937, political workers began mobilizing peasants and reorganizing the local government to create a guerrilla By early January 1938, the Communists had founded a resistance base area along the Shansi-Hopeh border, known as the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Border Region. It was one of over nineteen Communist areas created in the war and scattered behind Japanese lines from Jehol in the north to Hainan Island in the south. The existing research by scholars on the War of Resistance has centered on Mao Tse-tung's base of operations in Yenan and the Shen-Kan-Ning Border The BIC has extensive materials on many of the other resistance bases, particularly the Huai-pei, and Chi-Lu-Y $\ddot{ ext{u}}$  Border Regions.  $^{1}$ The sources fall into three broad categories--government and administrative orders, government gazettes, and materials on economic construction.

In its intelligence gathering, the Bureau collected a variety of administrative documents from the many border area governments. For the most part the information is incomplete, providing only a few pieces to the jigsaw puzzle of local politics. Although these documents are scattered and few in numbers they cover a number of interesting topics such as transportation problems, <sup>2</sup> information on government and military supply, <sup>3</sup> export-import regulations, <sup>4</sup> and border area conference reports. <sup>5</sup> A more informative source is the accounts of the creation and development of specific base areas. <sup>6</sup> The archive has a large number of these, such as a 400-page report of early mobilization activities in the region that eventually became the Chin-Sui Border Region. <sup>7</sup>

As a supplement to Communist materials, the BIC has a large number of intelligence reports compiled by the Bureau's own agents in the base areas. Typically, these are detailed studies of personnel and policies, which include leadership lists extending from the border area executive committee to the county magistrate level. A comparison with Japanese intelligence reports and Communist statements from after 1949 on the war in such collections as the Red Flag Waves (Hung-ch'i p'iao-p'iao) shows that Nationalist information on personnel in the border area-at least as to the identities of office holders--was

highly accurate. Biographical information is interesting but frequently lacks credibility.

A second major source on the base areas is the Bureau's collection of various government gazettes and newspapers from the period. Although incomplete, the Bureau does have government gazettes from a number of bases including Chin-Ch'a-Chi, Central Hopeh, Chi-Lu-Yü, Huai-pei and Shantung. There are a number of base area newspapers such as the New Fourth Army's Resistance (K'ang-ti pao) and the Chin-Ch'a-Chi Military District's Resistance Weekly (K'ang-ti choupao), but because newspapers are not catalogued it is impossible to make a knowledgeable appraisal of these holdings. A researcher must have some prior knowledge of the names of the principal newspapers from a specific region in order to request this type of material. 10

The BIC has important holdings of two major Communist newspapers of this period. First, with the exception of volume six, the Bureau has a nearly complete set of the Masses (Ch'ün-chung) for the war years. 11 This paper was edited by P'an Tzu-nien and was the major Communist weekly in the Nationalist wartime capitals of Hankow and Chungking. Second, Liberation (Chieh-fang) was the Communists' weekly in their own capital at Yenan from 1937 to 1941. (The microfilm of Liberation available in the United States lacks thirty-four issues; twenty-one of these issues are in the Bureau. 12)

The BIC's richest sources on the resistance base areas deal with the economy, particularly the Great Production Drive (1943-1946). mass movement to increase production stressed collectives, mutual aid, household planning, model heroes, and military participation in produc-A good source on mutual labor in the BIC is a 300-page collection of essays edited by Chang Ching-fu on the development, organization, and use of the various mutual labor forms in Shen-Kan-Ning. 13 Another 300-page volume edited by the Chin-Sui Party Bureau includes all the major pronouncements on the economy by Mao Tse-tung and Kao Kang, the resolutions of the various economic conferences of the period, summations of experiences during the Great Production Drive in the two border regions, and sections on cooperatives and draft animals. 14 There are also a number of smaller studies on local economic situations in Shen-Kan-Ning and Chin-Sui. Yang Ssu-i, for example, wrote a detailed account on family and community economic planning, 15 and the Chin-Sui Administrative Office issued a report on that region's mutual aid problems. 16 In addition, materials are available on the

economy from other border regions, such as Central Hopeh, the T'aiyueh District, Central Kiangsu, Shantung, and the Honan-Hopeh regions. <sup>17</sup> In this same genre, the BIC has an interesting and detailed study from the Chi-Lu-Yü area on one local community's experience with cooperatives and mutual labor. <sup>18</sup> The author incorporated a number of statistical surveys and tables into the study and provided concrete examples of local experiences. A researcher in this area should also check the Bureau of Intelligence Library for local studies from Shantung and Chi-Lu-Yü.

For the economic historian there are a number of more specialized studies on specific aspects of the economy from all of the various base areas. Among them are accounts of the textile industry in Shen-Kan-Ning;  $^{19}$  and a number of case studies on cooperative management and organization, such as a detailed analysis of the Nan-ch'ü Cooperative in Shen-Kan-Ning, which was perhaps the Communists' most successful operation in cooperative work.  $^{20}$  There is also a discussion of medicine cooperatives in Central Hopeh,  $^{21}$  particularly in An-kuo, Hopeh, which prior to the war had been a center for medicine trade for the whole nation with a tradition dating back over 1000 years.

The BIC has also some documents on banking, marketing, and finance in the base areas, which are not plentiful, but include some accounts of value and considerable length. For example, there are two descriptions of credit and banking activities in the Chin-Chi-Lu-Yü area from the T'ai-hang District Bank. <sup>22</sup> The Bureau also has a publication of the Central China Military District which discusses trade, banking practices, and the regulation of currency. <sup>23</sup> A number of these documents on finance are work directives, regulations, or circulars issued by specific economic or trade agencies. <sup>24</sup> The BIC also has an occasional government plan on financial and economic work. <sup>25</sup>

The material in the Bureau archives on the economy generally reflects the diversity of local experiences and independence in operations that were a part of the wartime economic development program. At the same time, although the Communists allowed a wide margin for local initiative in this area, documents in the BIC provide material for a thorough study of the leadership's thinking on this subject before the Soviet model for modernization was adopted in the early 1950s.

### FOOTNOTES TO CHAPTER V

- After 1939, the Chinese Communists effectively eliminated 1. Nationalist military forces and their intelligence operations from North China. Not until the Civil War began in 1946 did Nationalist agents reenter these regions, and then only Shantung was thoroughly penetrated. In Central China, however, particularly in the Kiangsu-Anhwei region, there was an extensive intelligence operation under the command of Major General Tai ), who was the Deputy Chief and de facto head of the Military Investigation and Statistical Office until his death in 1946. Many BIC documents from this region are marked with Shen-Kan-Ning and, more the chop of a single intelligence office. particularly, Yenan, appear to have been open to Nationalist intelligence agents up to 1942-1943. Thereafter, materials in the BIC from these regions drastically decrease, reflecting the success of the Rectification Drive's cadre screening program in ferreting out Nationalist agents.
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  Report at the Administrative Officers' Conference (Hsu chu-jen
  tsai chuan-yuan lien-hsi-hui shang ti tsung-chieh pao-kao 徐
  主任在事員聯席會上的總括報告),
  1945, 575.2907/726/7105.

- 6. The Northwest Shantung Anti-Japanese Base Area (K'ang-Jih kenchü-ti Lu-hsi-pei-ch'ü 抗日根據地魯西北區), 1939, 575.29/231/7171; Chi-Lu-Yü Border Region, Second Middle School, editor, The Establishment of a Base Area (Ken-chü-ti ti chien-she 根據地的建設), no date, 575.2917/876.
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- chien-t'ao 中國共產黨宣傳工作總 檢討 ), Victory Press, 1941, available at the Hoover Library.
- 11. <u>Masses (Ch'ün-chung</u> ), Hankow, 1937-1938, Chungking, 1938-1946, and Shanghai, 1946-1949, 1:3, 4, 6-8, 12, 13, 15, 18-25; 2:1-25; 3:1-25; 4:1-18; 5:1-14; 6:1-12; 7:1-4, 7-12, 14-23; 8:1-24; 9:1-24, 052.19/813. Hoover has only scattered issues in Volumes 1 through 9.
- 12. <u>Liberation</u> (Chieh-fang 角子 文), Yenan, 1937-1941; the issues found in the BIC include numbers 24-26, 62, 65, 104, 108-112, 115, and 118-126. Many of these are in bad condition and bookworms have caused extensive damage. However, <u>Liberation</u>, has survived much better than <u>Liberation</u> Daily, which has been mutilated by researchers as well as eaten by insects.
- 13. Chang Ching-fu ( 美 奶 夫 ), Mutual Labor in the Border Regions (Pien-ch'ü ti lao-tung hu-chu 邊 區 的 勞 動 3 助 ), no date, 554.18/369/6743.
- 14. \*CCPCC, Chin-Sui Bureau, Get Organized! Documents of the Shen-Kan-Ning and Chin-Sui Border Regions Concerning the Production Movement (Tsu-chih ch'i-lai! Shan-Kan-Ning Chin-Sui pien-ch'ü kuan-yü sheng-ch'an yun-tung ti wen-chien 組織支票: 陕甘寧晉級邊區關於生產運動的文件), 1944, 553.59/43/6767.
- 15. Yang Ssu-i (楊思乾), An Introduction to Village Work Experiences (Hsia-hsiang kung-tso ching-yen chieh-shao 工作 經驗介紹), 1943, 553.59/470/6894.
- 16. Chin-Sui Border Region, Administrative Committee, Several Concrete Problems of Mutual Labor (Pien-kung hu-chu ti chi-ko chu-t'i wen-t'i 蒙 工 互助的 幾個 具體 問題), no date, 554.18/810/6958.

assistance for manual labor; <u>pao-kung</u> involved labor pools in secret society arrangements and was highly commercialized; and, <u>po-kung</u>, the most comprehensive of the three forms, included the sharing of labor, tools, and draft animals among several households.

- 17. Central Hopeh Gazette Office, Production Experiences and Production Tasks (Sheng-ch'an ching-yen yü sheng-ch'an jen-wu ), 194<del>6</del>, 553.59/816/6904; 生產經驗與生產任務), 1946, 553.59/816/6904 T'ai-yueh Military District, Political Department, <u>Collection on</u> Production Experiences (Sheng-ch'an ching-yen hui-chi / 達 產 經 L 章 生 ), 1945, 553.59/734/7997; Unite Labor Strength with Military Might (Lao-li yü wu-li chieh-ho ch'i-lai 券 カ 結合起來), Central Kiangsu Press, 1945, 553.59/850/6824; Honan-Hopeh Border Region, Directives on Winter Plowing (Kuan-yü tung-keng ti chih-shih 肯 元 ), 1943, 554.18/726/6844; Central Shantung Government Office, Introduction to Mutual Labor Experiences (Pien-kung hu-chu ching-yen chieh-shao 🥵 馬 介 紅 ), 1946, New China Bookstore, 554.1807/725/ 6773.
- 18. Li Ch'un-lan (李春蘭), Shining Examples of Cooperatives and Mutual Labor Production (Ho-tso hu-chu sheng-ch'an ti huo yang-tzu 合作 互助生产的活樣子), Chi-Lu-Yü Bookstore, no date, 553.59/144/6854.
- 19. Lung-tung District Committee ( 庹 史 地 委 ), <u>Investigation of the Textile Industry in Hsi-hua-chih and Pan-ma-chih (Hsi-hua-ch'ih Pan-ma-ch'ih ch'eng fang-chih tiao-ch'a 声 地 盤 馬 赤 城 紡織調查), 1944, 555.282/820/6907.</u>
- 20. Northwest Bureau, Research Office, The Organization, Transit, and Cooperative Experiences of the Southern District Cooperative (Nan-ch'ü ho-tso-she tsu-chih yun-shu ho-tso ti ching-yen 南區合作社組織運輸合作的經驗), 1944, 559.8/806/7995.
- 21. Central Hopeh Committee, <u>Decision on the Development of the Past Year's Cooperative Enterprises in Central Hopeh, and Present and Future Work (Chi-chung i-nien lai ho-tso shih-yeh ti fachan chi chin-hou kung-tso chueh-ting 董中一年来合作</u>

- 事業的發展及今後工作決定 ), June 1946, 539.8/726/7996.
- 22. South Hopeh Bank and T'ai-hang Bank, Materials on Credit Work Models (Hsin-huo kung-tso tien-hsing ts'ai-liao 信貸工作要型材料), 1947, 559.35/884/8023; Tai-hang Bank, Work Reference Materials Committee, Reference Materials on Bank, Labor, and Commerce Work (Yin-hang kung shang kung-tso ts'an-k'ao tzu-liao 银行工商工作参考资料), 1945, 562.82/814/7910.
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### VI. BIOGRAPHIES

Also to be noted in the Bureau archives are many biographies and commemorative volumes on Communist leaders, model workers, and heroes. They offer anecdotes and details of the everyday life of Communist cadres and, more generally, of Chinese people in the revolutionary upheavals since the 1920s. For example, there are a number of accounts of model production heroes from the Great Production Drive (1943-1946). One of the most informative sources is an eleven-volume series published by the Northwest Bureau on the work of model heroes in Shen-Kan-Ning. It includes the biographies of all of the major production heroes and provides good examples of the standards that the Communist Party sought in its production work. There are also several books and statements by former Communists in the BIC with intimate, if biased, accounts of the Communist movement.

In addition, documents dispersed throughout the collection offer information for political biographies of leading figures in the CCP. These include P'eng Teh-huai and Liu Po-ch'eng from the Army; Party leaders such as Ch'in Pang-hsien and P'eng Chen; activists in the women's movement like Chang Ch'in-ch'iu and Meng Ch'ing-shu; the Communist Youth League organizer Li Ch'ang; participants in the literary movement, such as Ting Ling; plus Communist intellectuals such as Ai Ssu-ch'i<sup>3</sup> and Fan Wen-lan. Scholars can also trace the association of certain prominent Communists with the evolution of particular themes in Chinese Communist ideology. There is sufficient material, for example, to analyze Ch'en Po-ta's evolving views on traditional Chinese philosophy in the late 1930s.<sup>4</sup>

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- 2. Northwest Bureau, Propaganda Bureau, Model Party Member and Laborer, Comrade Shen Chang-lin (Mo-fan tang-yuan ho lao-tung ying-hsiung Shen Chang-lin t'ung-chih 模範章 第一章 動英雄中長林高夫。), 1944, 299.32/806/6782. All eleven in the series are under the call number 299.32/806.
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### VII. CONCLUSION

The archives of the Bureau of Investigation offer rich source material on the Chinese Communist movement from 1927 to 1953. Indeed, the major attraction of the BIC is its great variety of documents, which reflects the diversity of ideas and practices in the CCP and suggests new approaches to scholarship. In this conclusion, we will discuss some of the potential contributions of research in the BIC to the fields of political science and history.

First, many of the documents cited above provide substantial data relevant to important questions previously addressed in studies of the Chinese Communist movement For instance, Jean Chesneaux in The Chinese Labor Movement, 1919-1927 explored the causes of the collapse of the communist-led labor movement during the period of the First United Front. He concluded that it lay primarily in the failure of "political strategy," particularly the "appeasement policy" of the CCP in its alliance with the Kuomintang. 2 However. data available in the BIC, such as the reports issued after April 1927 by the All-China General Labor Union on grass-roots labor organization, indicate that the failure was also of a more fundamental, organizational character. Although the Chinese Communists were supporters of European and Soviet-styled industrial unions, which were highly centralized to maximize the political influence of the proletariat, in reality, many of the CCP-affiliated unions in the late 1920s were fragmented along regional (t'ung-hsiang) lines and still dominated by patron-client relationships characteristic of the traditional labor pang and guilds. In short, the destruction of the communist labor movement was also a function of the inability of the CCP leadership to overcome "feudal" influences among the working class as a basis for creating radical new forms of labor organi-Though this argument does not necessarily contradict Chesneaux's thesis, it demonstrates that research, based on secret materials from the grass-roots level, as opposed to Chesneaux's almost exclusive reliance on published documents issued by Party elites, provides a different perspective on the roots of the communists' failure to build a powerful labor movement in the 1920s.

A second potential contribution of the BIC regards the on-going debate over the appeal of nationalism versus class struggle in the period of the War of Resistance. Chalmers Johnson argues that the

CCP harnessed the peasants' anti-Japanese sentiment as its primary basis of mass support, while Mark Selden cites the communists' appeal to programs of economic and social revolution to explain their rise to power. 4 In each case, however, the vastly different interpretations of these authors reflect the biases of their particular doc-Johnson's data, drawn from Japanese intelligence umentary sources. reports, came from Central China in a period preceding the implementation of rent and interest reduction campaigns and provide little evidence of the use of class struggle in stimulating peasant support. On the other hand, because Selden focuses on Yenan, which had a long revolutionary tradition based on land reform and which also remained outside the war zone, his sources generally obscure the vital role of patriotism in the Chinese Communist movement. uments in the BIC from the North China bases, particularly from consolidated areas such as the T'ai-hang District in Chin-Chi-Lu-Yü, demonstrate that as early as 1939 struggles over rent and interest reduction had played a crucial role in stimulating peasant activism and, thus, challenge Johnson's assertion there was little socialeconomic significance to the Chinese Communist revolution. ever, these same materials also indicate the crucial importance of nationalist themes in communist ideology. Indeed, the base areas offer an ideal laboratory for understanding the relationship between the development of a people's war and the policies of the New Democracy.

Thirdly, BIC documents lend themselves to a reinterpretation of the role of particular elites in shaping the course of the Chinese Communist revolution. Materials issued in Shanghai and the Kiangsi Soviet in the early 1930s and under the authority of the Russian Returned Students, for instance, demonstrate the early contributions of this elite to basic elements of communist strategy, such as the "mass line," and internal Party rectification (cheng-feng). Conversely, the Bureau's holdings of documents from the Northern China base areas and the Eighth Route Army suggest a less Mao-centered interpretation regarding the origins of the Chinese Communist approach to a people's war. Mao emerges in these years less an innovator than a synthesizer of CCP policies and practices.

Finally, the Bureau's archives provide new perspectives on the historical antecedents of many policy disputes which have shaped the PRC since 1949. In light of the Cultural Revolution and, more particularly, the revelations contained in the document Long Live the

Thought of Mao Tse-tung (1969), it appears that important members of the Chinese leadership adhered to a concept of economic development which was at odds with the Soviet model in ascendency during the early 1950s. <sup>5</sup> On the basis of Mao's post-1949 critiques of the Soviet model, the BIC offers valuable data from which to judge the uniqueness of the Maoist model of economic development as it was formulated and implemented in the resistance and civil war years.

These are only some of the many questions and areas of controversy which are important in the fields of political science and history. Further research in the Bureau of Investigation, as well as other libraries and archives, will begin to provide some of the complex answers.

### FOOTNOTES TO CONCLUSION

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- 3. This is the conclusion, for example, of the Report on Kiangsu by the All-China General Labor Union, 1929, cited above.
- 4. Chalmers Johnson, <u>Peasant Nationalism and Communist Power</u>; and Mark Selden, The Yenan Way in Revolutionary China.
- 5. For a discussion of this document, see Appendix B.

### VIII. APPENDICES

## A. Bureau of Intelligence, Ministry of Defense

The Research Library, Bureau of Intelligence, Ministry of Defense ( 河 方 许 東 方 ), is an important reference and research library which most scholars would find convenient to use in conjunction with the Bureau of Investigation. The library is located near Tse-shan-yen in Shih-lin, Taipei City, Taiwan, and the same procedures for admittance to the Bureau of Investigation apply to this institution. The library has over 40,000 volumes of which 30,000 are Chinese Communist publications since 1949. In addition there are 900 volumes in Japanese, 300 volumes in Russian, and 1800 volumes in English on International and Chinese Communism. Many of the documents listed below are available in the United States.

The library has the largest collection of post-1949 Chinese Communist newspapers available to the researcher on the island. include the People's Daily (Peking: Jen-min jih-pao 1951-1974), Kuang-ming Daily (Peking: Kuang-ming jih-pao jih-pao 工人日報 , 1953-1966), Ta-kung-pao (Hong Kong: 1949-1974; Tientsin: 1953-1959 大公報), China Youth (Peking: Chung-kuo ch'ing-nien-pao 中國青年報 ), Mongol News (Meng-蒙 ku hsiao-hsi pao, 1966-1968, 1970-1972, 古消息報), Wenhui-pao (Shanghai: Wen-hui-pao 文 蓮 報 , 1956-1959), Yangtze Daily (Wuhan: Chang-chiang jih-pao 長江 日報, partial 195 日 報, partial 1951-1957), South China Daily (Canton: Nan-fang jih-pao 南方日報 1950-1958, 1972-1974), and the Yunnan Daily (Kun-ming: Yun-nan jih-, 1971-1973). 南 pao E) 報

The library also holds a collection of 245 different Red Guard newspapers. They are primarily from the Kwangtung region, and for most papers there are only from one to three issues. However, there are several with longer runs, including The East is Red (Tung-fang-hung 来方紅 , 1967-1968, 15 issues), Sun Yat-sen University Red Flag (Canton: Chung-ta hung-ch'i 中大紅道, 1968, 11 issues), New Peking University (Peking: Hsin Pei-ta 新北大, 1967, 7 issues), Canton Peasant Union (Canton: Kuang-chou nung-tai-hui 廣州 東京 1970-1971, 13 issues), and the Canton Red Guard (Canton: Kuang-chou hung-tai-hui 廣州 東京 1970-1971, 14 issues).

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The Bureau of Intelligence Library is designed for research and is not an archive like the Bureau of Investigation, where retrieval is a comparatively difficult task. Moreover, it has a broader base of secondary and reference material, than does the Institute of International Relations.

### B. Institute of International Relations

The Republic of China, Institute of International Relations (Chunghua min-kuo kuo-chi kuan-hsi yen-chiu so 中華民國國際 際 解 第一条 所 ) is the largest research institution on Taiwan engaged in the collection of materials on mainland China. In addition, it is the liaison office for foreign scholars in Taiwan involved in research on Chinese Communist affairs. The Institute is located in Mucha, Taipei City, and offers assistance to scholars in gaining access to the Bureau of Intelligence Library and the Bureau of Investigation Archives.

The Institute has a collection of secondary works on international politics and the Chinese Communist movement, and a number of standard reference materials and microfilm collections, such as the Ch'en Ch'eng collection. Primary research materials held by the Institute vary in scope and accessibility. There is, for instance, a large number of Chinese Communist Local Radio Reports (Chung-kung ti-fang

kuang-po) published in Chinese, which are made readily available to foreign scholars. There is also the Institute's collection of daily, weekly, and monthly reports on internal Chinese Communist affairs acquired from various intelligence organizations of the Nationalist government. These are serialized and cover matters related to the Cultural Revolution (1965-1969) and the recent campaign to criticize Confucius and Lin Piao. However, the majority of these reports are classified and are not made widely accessible to researchers.

In recent years, the Institute has issued reprints of primary documents acquired from Nationalist sources on the Mainland and in Hong Kong and Thailand, which bear upon political and military affairs in China, particularly since the end of the Cultural Revolution. include, for instance, Long Live the Thought of Mao Tse-tung (Mao Tse-tung ssu-hsiang wan-sui) [two sets of two volumes each, 1967 and 1969], Comrade Chiang Ch'ing on Literature and Art (Chiang Ch'ing t'ung-chih lun wen-i), Reference Materials Concerning Education on Situation (Hsing-shih chiao-yü ts'an-k'ao ts'ai-liao) [issued by the Kunming Military Region and more accurately translated as Reference Materials on Current Events Education], A Record of Speeches by Lin Piao (Lin Piao yü-lu), and Directives by Chairman Mao in Regard to Educational Work (Mao chu-hsi kuan-yü chiao-yü chih kung-tso ti chih-shih). These and other documents made available by the Institute are on microfilm at the Asia Library, University of Michigan.

### GLOSSARIES

## A. Communist Publication Houses

23. Communis	t i uditeation mouses
Chi-Lu-Yü shu-tien	冀魯豫書店
Ch'i-ch'i pao-she	火火報社
Chieh-fang	解放
Fo-hsiao	拂晓
Ho-chung	合家
Hsiang-tao (Sacrifice League)	鹞 導
Hsin-hua	新華
Hua-pei	華北
Huang-ho (Sacrifice League)	黄河
K'ang-ti she	抗敵社
Kung-jen (post-1949)	工人
Kung-lun (Chungking)	公論
Nan-fang	南方
Sheng-huo	生 活
Shih-tai (post-1949)	時代
Su-pei	蘇北
Ta-chung	大家
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T'ung-i (Nationalist)

## B. Names and Official Titles

艾青 Ai Ch'ing 艾思奇 Secretary General, CCPCC, Cultur-Ai Ssu-ch'i al Committee. 張赤民 Chang Ch'ih-min Chang Ch'in-ch'iu 張琴秋 Editor, China Women, 1939-1941. 張勁夫 Chang Ching-fu Deputy Chief, Political Department, North Yangtze Command, New Fourth Army. 張佐華 Chang Tso-hua 張聞天 Chang Wen-t'ien Secretary General, CCPCC, 1937-1942. 張雲逸 Chang Yun-i Vice-commander, New Fourth Army, 1941-1945. 陳昌浩 Ch'en Ch'ang-hao Secretary, O-Yü-Wan Youth League. 陳漫遠 Ch'en Man-yuan District Commander, 115th Division, Eighth Route Army, 1938-1945. 陳伯達 Ch'en Po-ta Deputy Director, CCPCC, Propaganda Department. 陳獨秀 Ch'en Tu-hsiu Founder, CCP 陳雲 Ch'en Yun Director, CCPCC, Finance and Economics Department. 秦邦憲 Ch'in Pang-hsien Head, Provisional Central Political Bureau in Shanghai, 1932-1933. 周世弟 Chou Shih-ti Director, Political Department, 120th Regiment, Eighth Route Army, 1934.

Secretary General, Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region Government, 1945.

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Chou Yang	周 楊	Director, Education Department, Shen-Kan-Ning Border Region, 1937- 1940.
Chu Jui	朱 瑞	Secretary, Organization Bureau, North China Bureau, 1938.
Fan Wen-lan	范文瀾	Vice-President, Central Research Academy (Yenan), 1942.
Feng Ting	馮定	Editor, Resistance Weekly and Director of the Political Department of the Central China branch of Resistance University, 1941.
Fu Tso-i	傅作義	
Ho Lo	何洛	Instructor, North China Unified University, 1940.
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Huang Hua	黄華	Member, National Liberation Vanguards of China, 1937.
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K'ang K'o-ch'ing 康克清	Women's Movement Leader and wife of Chu Teh.
Kao Kang 高岡	Secretary, CCPCC, Northwest Bureau, 1942.
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Liu Ying 劉英	Women's Movement Leader and wife of Chang Wen-t'ien.

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Mao Tse-tung	毛澤東	
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Tung Hsin 董 昕

Wang Shih-wei 王實味

Yang Ssu-i 楊思毅

Yang Sung 楊松 Editor, <u>Liberation Daily</u>, 1941.

Yao Chung-ming 如 中明

Yuan Ching 束静

## C. Geographical Terms

### I. Provinces

Jeho 热河

Suiyuan & i

# II. Border Regions, Base Areas, Soviets, and Districts

Chi-Chin 蓝 플 Hopeh-Shansi Border Region

Chi-chung Central Hopeh Base Area

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Chin-Chi-Yü 音 堂 永 Shansi-Hopeh-Honan Border Region

Chin-Sui Shansi-Suiyuan Border Region

Hai-nan Hainan Island Base Area

Hsiang-Kan 相論 Hunan-Kiangsi Base Area

Hsiang-O-Kan 湘 鄂 贛 Hunan-Hupeh-Kiangsi Soviet

Huai-hai -往海 Border Region

Huai-nan - 淮 (幸) Border Region

Huai-pei - 注 比 Border Region

Kan-hsi-nan 章 西 南 Southwest Kiangsi Soviet

Chiang-huai 二二位 District

Chiang-pei	江北	Military District
Lu-Sui-T'ung	祁 雕 銅	3rd District, Huai-pei Border Region
O-hsi	鄂西	West Hupeh Soviet
O-Yü-Wan	鄂豫皖	Hupeh-Honan-Anhwei Soviet
Pin-hai	濱海	District, Shantung
Po-hai	渤海	District, Shantung
Shen-Kan-Ning	陕甘寧	Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia Border Region
Su-Wan-Yü	蘇皖豫	Kiangsu-Anhwei-Honan Border Region
T'ai-hang	太行	District, Southeast Shansi
T'ai-yüeh	太岳	District, Shansi-Honan
Tung-chiang	東江	Kwangtung Base Area
III. Counties		
An-kuo	安國	Hopeh
Ch'ü-yang	曲陽	Hopeh
Fu-p'ing	拿 平	Hopeh
I-t'eng	墠滕	Shantung
Kuo	山亭	Shansi
Liu-an	六安	Anhwei
Ta-yeh	大冶	Hupeh
Yen-ch'uan	延川	Shensi

# IV. Cities

Amoy /复門 Fukien

Kalgan 提家口 Hopeh

Liao-yang 凌 묂 Liaoning

Wuhu 益湖 Anhwei

Yenan Ji Z Shensi

# D. Counties\*

Anhwei:		Kiangsi:	
Fu-yang	阜陽	Hsia-chiang	峡 江
Ho-fei		Wan-tai	萬戴
	合肥	wan-tar	南縣
Liu-an	六安宿	T7*	
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T'ien-chang	天長	Feng	豐
		Feng-hsing	豐樂
Chekiang:	4	Huai-an	淮安
Yung-chia	永嘉	Ssu-yang	泗陽
	,	T'ai	泰
Fukien:		Tung-hai	東海
Fu-an	福安		1
		Kwangsi:	
Hopeh:		Meng-shan	蒙山
An-kuo	安國	-	<i>y</i>
Ch'ü-yang	曲陽	Shansi:	
Fu-p'ing	卓平	Fu-shan	淫山
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P'ing-en'uar	1平泉	Ch'i-ho	野河
Ping-snan	半山	I-t'eng	嶧滕
Shang-i	尚義		•
		Shensi:	
Hunan:		Lung-tung	雕束
Chang-sha	長沙	Mi-chih	米脂
Heng-yang	衡陽	San-pien	三海
	. , ,	Sui-te	经德
Hupeh:		Yen-an	延安
Huang-an	黄安	Yen-ch'uan	延月
Shih-shou	石首	Ten en dan	×2 //
Ta-yeh	大治	Yunnan:	
T'ung-shan	通山	Ho-k'ou	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Yang-hsin		no-k'ou	河口
•	陽新		
Ying-shan	英山		

<sup>\*</sup>This is a list of <u>hsien</u> from which materials are available in the BIC. Given the vast collection of BIC materials from local areas of CCP activity, however, this list is not exhaustive.

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Litho 石 即

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ch'ing-suan 清算

Ch'üan-kuo tsüng-kung hui 全國總工會

Chueh-ssu-tui 决死隊

Chung-hua ch'uan-kuo wen-i-chieh 中華全國文藝界抗敵k'ang-ti hsieh-hui

Chung-kuo min-tsu chieh-fang 中國民族解放先鋒隊 hsien-feng-tui

fan-shen 翻身

Hsien

hsueh-hsi 學習

Hua-pei Lien-ta 華北 聯大

K'ang-ta 抗大

kuo-yü 國 語

mi-shu-ch'u 秘書處

min-tsu hsing-shih 民族形式

Pai Ch'i 白妻

Pai Kuei 白貴

p'o-hsieh 破鞋

Shan-hsi hsi-sheng t'ung-meng-hui 山西 犠牲 同盟會

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