COMRADE CHOU EN-LAI’S LIFE—ONE OF GLORIOUS

Comrade Chou En-lai was a fine member of the Communist Party of China, a great proletarian revolutionary of the Chinese people, a loyal revolutionary fighter of the Chinese people and an eminent, long-tested Party and state leader.

Comrade Chou En-lai was loyal to the Party and the people. Fighting heroically and working with utter devotion, he selflessly dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the implementation of Chairman Mao’s proletarian revolutionary line and to the victory of the liberation of the Chinese people and the cause of communism. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, Comrade Chou En-lai made indelible contributions and performed immortal services in the building and development of the Marxist Communist Party of China; in the building and development of our invincible people’s army; in the bringing of the new-democratic revolution to victory and the founding of the socialist New China; in the consolidation of the great unity of the people of all nationalities led by the working class and based on the worker-peasant alliance and in the development of the revolutionary united front; in the struggle for the victory of the socialist revolution and construction and the victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, and in the consolidation of the proletarian dictatorship in our country; in the strengthening of the unity of the international revolutionary forces and in the carrying out of the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism. The whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country love him and respect him from the bottom of their hearts.

Comrade Chou En-lai’s life was one of glorious struggle for the cause of communism and one of continuing the revolution with perseverance. He is an example that the whole Party, the whole army and the people of the whole country should learn from.

Comrade Chou En-lai, a great revolutionary fighter of the Chinese people, has left us for ever. We should turn our grief into strength. Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee headed by Chairman Mao, we should unite as one, take class struggle as the key link, conscientiously study the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat, keep to the Party’s basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, adhere to Chairman Mao’s revolutionary line and policies in foreign affairs, consolidate and develop the victories of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, combat and prevent revisionism, and strive to build China into a powerful modern socialist country and bring the cause of communism to triumph.

Unite to win still greater victories!

Between 1920 and 1924, Comrade Chou En-lai studied in France and Germany under a work-study programme and spread Marxism among Chinese students and workers living in Europe. He joined the Communist Party of China in 1922, became Secretary of the European General Branch of the Chinese Communist Youth League and worked in the European General Branch of the Communist Party of China.
Chairman Mao and Comrade Chou En-lai in Yenan in 1945.
From 1924 to 1926, Comrade Chou En-lai served successively as Chairman of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee of the Communist Party of China, Director of the Political Department of the Whampoa Military Academy, Director of the Political Department of the First Army of the National Revolutionary Army and Standing Committee Member and concurrently Military Affairs Department Director of the C.P.C. Kwangtung-Kwangsi Regional Committee.

From October 1934 to October 1935, Comrade Chou En-lai took part in organizing and leading the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army in its triumphant 25,000-li Long March. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai in northern Shensi.

During the War of Resistance Against Japan, Comrade Chou En-lai, as the representative of the Party Central Committee, was stationed for a long time in Chungking, then the seat of the Kuomintang government. He was fearless in the face of danger, firmly adhered to Chairman Mao's policies and fought heroically against the Kuomintang's counter-revolutionary policy of being passive in resisting Japan but active in anti-communism. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai in the office of the Delegation of the Communist Party of China in No. 50, Tsengch'ia-yen, Chungking.
When the Sian Incident occurred in December 1936, Comrade Chou En-lai, as the representative of our Party with full powers, held talks with Chiang Kai-shek who was then under arrest. During the negotiations, he firmly carried out Chairman Mao's policy, compelled Chiang Kai-shek to stop the civil war and brought about the peaceful settlement of the Sian Incident, and thus promoted the formation and development of the national united front against Japanese aggression. Photograph shows Comrade Chou En-lai at the airfield upon his return to Yenan from Sian.

When the Chiang Kai-shek forces launched massive attacks on the Shensi-Kansu-Ningsia Border Region in March 1947, Comrade Chou En-lai remained in northern Shensi with Chairman Mao and took part in directing the People's Liberation War.

Comrade Chou En-lai at the Second Plenary Session of the Seventh Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held in March 1949.
Comrade Chou En-lai on the Tien An Men rostrum, attending the grand ceremony in celebration of the founding of the People's Republic of China on October 1, 1949.

Comrade Chou En-lai at the First Plenary Session of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference held in September 1949.

Comrade Chou En-lai delivering the political report to the Tenth National Congress of the Communist Party of China on behalf of the Party Central Committee on August 24, 1973.

Comrade Chou En-lai making a toast at the grand reception on September 30, 1974, celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China.
Comrade Chou En-lai persevered in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and performed immortal services in the struggle for the victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.

Comrade Chou En-lai at the Second Plenary Session of the Ninth Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held in August 1970.

Comrade Chou En-lai at a group meeting during the First Session of the Fourth National People’s Congress of the People’s Republic of China held in January 1975.

Comrade Chou En-lai taking part in physical labour at the construction site of the Ming Tombs Reservoir in Peking in June 1966.
Comrade Chou En-lai warmly shaking hands with Wang Chin-hsi, "Iron Man" of the Taehing Oilfield, when he received representatives of advanced units in China's oil industry in October 1986 in Peking.

Comrade Chou En-lai on a visit to the Tachai Production Brigade in Hsiyang County, Shansi Province, in May 1965.

Comrade Chou En-lai, accompanied by Comrade Chen Yi, visited Albania, ten African countries and three Asian countries from December 1963 to February 1964, thereby further strengthening the friendship and unity between the Chinese people and the people of these countries. Photograph shows Comrades Chou En-lai and Chen Yi receiving a rousing welcome from the masses upon their return to Peking.

Comrade Chou En-lai resolutely rebuffed the vicious attack on our Party by the Soviet revisionist renegade clique and defended Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought when he was in the Soviet Union in November 1964 taking part in the celebrations marking the 47th anniversary of the October Socialist Revolution at the head of the Chinese Party and Government Delegation. He was given a grand and warm welcome by the people in Peking upon his return from Moscow.
Comrade Chou En-lai in the midst of P.L.A. fighters.


Comrade Chou En-lai at work in his office.