The posters range in size from 1.5 feet square behind glass display cases to 30 feet high and 40 feet in length. Some appear on walls in public places and in residential neighborhoods. The Frederick W. Crook Collection on Rural China contains 40,000+ photos and 45,000 reports spanning 60 years of recent Chinese history (1955–2015). Crook’s collection will soon be housed in L. Tom Perry Special Collections in the Harold B. Lee Library at BYU.

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