

* Nguyen Van Cu (b. 1912, Ha Bac province), early Party hero, one of its first organizers in the Tonkin region and a pioneer figure in the development of the Party's kiem thao (self criticism) institution. Cu was expelled from school for revolutionary activities, joined the Thanh Nien and did organizational work in the Mao Khe coal mines. He was arrested in 1930, released in 1936, became a Central Committee member in 1937 and Party secretary general in 1938, operating out of Saigon. Cu reportedly recruited Le Duan into the Party. He wrote Kiem Thao in 1939 and it became a Party handbook. Arrested by the French in June 1940, Cu was executed in May 1941.