

was made in earthquake forecasting, measuring and hydrology.

Educational reform and development was pushed on steadily. The reform of university management system got new progress, nine universities were reconstructed through combination and adjustment. There were 51 universities, 77.2 thousand freshmen and 193.6 thousand students in all, having increased 8.5%, 52.9% and 23.6% respectively. There were 20 units receiving postgraduates, having increased 17.7%; there were 5,585 postgraduates at study, having increased 22.7%. There were 157 middle professional schools whose students amounted to 272.6 thousands and 4,502 ordinary middle schools whose students amounted to 3,560.5 thousands, and 37,143 primary schools whose students amounted to 7,214 thousands, having decreased 5.6% and 6.2% respectively. 98.8% of the school-age children went to school, having increased 0.1%; 95.2% of the primary school graduates went to middle schools.

IX. Culture, Hygiene and Sports

The publishing cause got healthy development. In the province there were 88 artistic performance troupes, 124 cultural centers, 15 arts centers, 116 public libraries, 68 museums and 202 archive establishments. 2,032.3 volumes of archives were opened to the public. Two national medals for artistic and acrobatic performance were won. In 1999, 825,960 pieces of newspapers were published, having increased 8.9%; 122,720 volumes of magazines were published, having increased 37.6%; and 307 million volumes of books were published.

The cause of broadcasting, film and television developed quickly. By the end of 1999, there were 16 TV stations and 11 radio broadcasting stations. The project of "Making TV and radio broadcasting available in every village" was carried out, 81.1% of the population was covered by the radio broadcasting, having increased 2% and 90.4% of the population was covered by television, having increased 2.2%. The film National Anthem won three highest national awards, and the film That Mountain, That Man and That Dog won the award of "highest public popularity" in Montreal Film Festival and two highest national awards. The teledrama Princess Huanzhu enjoyed high popularity in the whole country.

Hygiene cause developed steadily and the medical conditions was improved. In the whole province