

Documents of the 1st session of the 1st Nat. Peoples Congress of the People's Republic of China, For. Language Press, Peking, 1955.

Opening Address: MAO TSE TUNG (9/15/54)  
LIU SHAO-CHI - Report on the Draft Constitution of the People's Rep. of China, 9/15/54: "The Comm. for Drafting the Constitution of the People's Rep. of China, headed by Com. Mao Tse-tung, was formed in the Central People's Gov. Council on 1/13/53. In Mar/54 this Com. accepted the 1st draft of the Constitution submitted by the CC of the CPC....."

p. 21: "In 1949, the Ch. People's Pol. Consultative Conf. adopted a Common Programme, which has served as a provisional constitution...."

p. 31: "The Preamble to the Draft Constitution point out: 'This people's dem. united front will continue to play its part in mobilizing & rallying the whole people in common struggle to fulfill the fundamental task of the state during the transition & to oppose enemies within & without. Our country in the transition period still has its national bourgeoisie...'

p. 43: "The transitional form on the socialist transformation of cap. ind. & commerce is state-capitalism. In the cis. circumstances of China we can carry out the gradual transformation of cap. ind. & commerce through various forms of state capitalism. State capitalism under the control of a state led by the wkg. class is different in nature from state capitalism under bourgeois rule. As Lenin said: 'S-c is cap. which we shall be able to restrict, the limits of which we shall be able to fix.'...."

149 = Provisional  
154 = Draft accepted by Central People's Council

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8th Nat. Congress of the CPC-Vol. I - Documents  
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Opening Address at the 8th Congress--Mao Tse-tung (8/15/56): "Comrades...  
During the 11 yrs. since the 7th Nat. Congress of our  
Party, many coms. & friends both here & in our country & throughout the  
world have given their lives fighting heroically & wkg. tirelessly for the  
cause of communism & the emancipation of mankind. Let us for ever  
honor their memory. (All rose to their feet in silent tribute) (p.7-1 e.1st  
p.)

Liu Shao-Chi: The Pol. Report of the CC of the CPC-9/11/56- Sept '56

p.15 "Comrades! 11 yrs have passed since the 7th Nat. Congress  
of our Party. In these 11 yrs. great his. changes of world-wide signifi-  
cance have taken place in our motherland. In 1949, our Party led the  
people in overthrowing the reactionary rule of imp. feudalism & bur-cap.,  
& est'ing the People's Rep. of China. In the 2nd 1/2 of last yr. & the 1st  
of this, our Party led the people on to win a total & decisive victory  
in the soc. transf. of agric., handicrafts & cap. ind. & commerce....

"Except in Taiwan, which is still occupied by the US  
aggressors.... Except in a few localities, the feudal landlords have  
also been eliminated as a class. The national bourgeois elements are  
in the process of being transformed from exploiters into wkg. people..

p.19 "...in our country the allies of the wkg. class consist not only  
of the peasantry & the urban p.t. but also of the nat. bourgeoisie..

p.40 "3 yrs. & mos. have elapsed since we embarked on our 1st 5 yr. plan  
for dev. of our nat. eco. By next yr. we shall have fulfilled this pl  
& drawn up the 2nd 5 yr. plan covering the per. from '58-'62....

p.85 "Our country has also est. diplomatic relations & developed friendly  
intercourse with the Federal People's Rep. of Yugoslavia..

p.95 "The Party org. has grown; it has a membership of 10,730,000 of whom  
14% come from the ranks of the wkg. from the peasantry & 12% from  
the intellectuals.... Particularly during the yrs. 1931-1934 when the  
'Leftist' opportunists headed by Wang Ming & Po Kun & other coms. held  
sway in the party, they failed to learn lessons from their mistaken lines  
followed on several occasions in the past.... But things have been  
different since 1935. This change which the Party underwent in '35 comes  
about chiefly from the fact that the maj. of the high-ranking Party  
cadres had raised their level of pol. understanding by learning from the  
experience of their failure. After that, instead of meting out severe  
punishment to coms. who had made mistakes, the CC of the Party still  
assigned them to suitable leading posts. The Party patiently waited for  
& helped these coms. to recognize their mistakes ideologically... to under-  
stand the principle that our subj. knowledge must conform to obj. reality.

"The China New Dem. Youth League with a membership of 20 mln  
will soon be renamed the Ch. Communist Youth League.

Resolution of the 8th etc. Adopted Sept. 27, 1956

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