民國初年的沈定一和公民急進黨

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摘要

1912年民國成立後,沈定一在上海發起成立公民急進黨,成為當時政黨 政治熱潮中的一個不大不小的弄潮兒。但迄今為止,學術界對沈定一這段心 路歷程和公民急進黨的基本概況尚無任何研究報告問世。沈定一自幼好與人 異,敢作敢當,富有個性。辛亥革命中,為推翻清朝統治作過一定貢獻。民 國成立後,藉公民急進黨積極從事政黨政治活動。期間,他與革命黨人黃興、 王金發、褚輔成等人多有矛盾和衝突。後雖宣言反袁,支持「二次革命」,卻 又始終與革命黨人存在政治分歧。這或許多少影響到他以後的政治軌跡。

公民急進黨是一個全由男子組成,以長江以南諸省,特別是浙江省為主 要活動基地的在野小黨。既無官廳支持,也無名流捧場,政治影響全靠自我 操作。它發展黨員,強調品學才兼備,以政見為團結基礎。它極為重視革命 後的經濟建設,在政黨政治運作中主張以國家、政見為重,反對無謂的黨爭 和私爭。對當時對立的國民、共和兩黨,它大多持積極調和態度,並在維護 國家、民族權益,保障民權,發展民意方面,表現出極大的熱情和責任心。 至於它與袁世凱的關係,即經歷了一個從事實上相助,到公開討袁的曲折過 程,在當時的歷史條件下,當也不足為奇。

關鍵詞:民國初年、政黨政治、沈定一、公民急進黨、袁 世凱、二次革命。

Shen Dingyi in the Early Period of Republican China and the Citizens' Radical Party

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Abstract

After the establishment of the Republic of China in 1912, Shen Dingyi formed me Citizens' Radical Party in Shanghai, and became a modest mover m me party political fervor at the time. However until now, there have been no academic studies on this endeavor of Shen's and the Citizens' Radical Party in general. From childhood, Shen Dingyi was different from others, bold and decisive in action with a strong personality. In the 1911 Revolution, he contributed to the overthrow of the Qing Dynasty. After the establishment of the Republic of China, he enthusiastically engaged in party political activities through the Citizens' Radical Party. During this period, he clashed with revolutionaries such as Huang Xin, Wang Jinfa, Chu Fucheng, etc. Though he declared himself opposed to Yuan Shikai and later supported me "Second Revolution", there was all along a political division between him and the revolutionaries. This perhaps affected his future political path.

The Citizens' Radical Party was a small opposition party, composed entirely of men, with its main base of operations in the provinces south of me Yangtze River, particularly Zhejiang Province. Without support from any government office or endorsements from any distinguished personages, the party's political influence depended entirely on self-promotion. The Citizens' Radical Party stressed that party members must be men of character, scholarship and ability, united on the basis of their political views. It placed particular emphasis on post-revolution economic development. In party politics, it advocated focusing on the nation and political views, and opposed pointless party and individual disputes. As for the opposing parties-the Nationalist Party and the Republican Party, it often actively mediated between them. The Citizens' Radical Party showed great enthusiasm and sense of responsibility m defending the interests of the country and nation, safeguarding civil rights, and developing popular will. The party's relations with Yuan Shikai followed a torturous course, from mutual aid at first to open denunciation of Yuan in the end. Given the historical conditions of the time, such a course is not at all surprising.

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