

CHINA'S DESTINY
(Revised edition)

Chapter One.

The Growth and Development of the
Chinese Race.

There is now a light change of emphasis in this chapter, for whereas the first version stated that the Chinese race was an amalgamation of many stocks, the amended version expands that statement as follows: "These numerous stocks were really branches of one race and one species spread in the basins of the Yellow, Huai, Yangtse, Heilungkiang and Pearl Rivers east of the Pamirs. They had differing civilisations owing to their different geographical environments. Arising from their different civilisations there came dissimilarities in the character of the stocks. But during the past five thousand years, although there were many opportunities for conflict between them and there was much migration to and fro, they fused together constantly and became one race." So there is more emphasis on the unity of the Chinese race. Also, the bald statement in the first version that "Three thousand years ago there were many different stocks in the basins of the Yellow, Yangtse, Heilungkiang and Pearl Rivers" is now omitted.

The first version stated that the fusion of the stocks took place by assimilation or amalgamation and this has now been changed to read "by lending support": the author obviously feared that the word "assimilation" might be open to criticism, and shying away from it he has produced something that hardly makes sense. Other references to "assimilation" in the first version have been changed to read "fusion".

The southern and south-western extent of the domain of China in the Ch'in and Han dynasties according to the first version was to Nan Hai (modern Kwangtung) and Chiao Chih (modern northern Annam) and this has been amended to read "in the south to Nan Hai, in the west to Burma and in the south-west to Chiao Chih".

The first version contained the following statement: "Between the Yellow, Huai, Yangtse and Han Rivers there is no place where firm defences can be made. Therefore Formosa, the Pescadores, the Four North-Eastern Provinces, Inner and Outer Mongolia, Sinkiang and Tibet are all bulworks of the people's existence". The new version adds the Loochoos to this list of "bulworks" to read "the North-East".

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"Four North-Eastern
Provinces"