

## WHAT IS THE RPCC

The RPCC is a convention of all progressive forces in the country to draw up a new constitution that will in practice set up a system that can serve the basic material needs of the masses of the people. It is a "constitutional" convention because our history of the last century has shown us that changing government officials does not really improve the situation of all the people but only a select few, the ruling class. Therefore, the basis for our political system, the Constitution, must be changed. We must go to the heart of the problem!

## WHAT WAS PHILADELPHIA

The plenary session of the RPCC that took place in Philadelphia over Labor Day weekend was a preliminary session to gather information concerning the needs of the people. This 3 day session was revolutionary because people represented themselves; women represented women, workers represented workers, third world peoples represented themselves. There was no "labor leader" there to speak for the workers. There was no Miss or Mrs. America to speak for the women. The first constitution was written by a few economic leaders. That mistake will not be repeated! The Black Panther Party understands this. That is why people, not "leaders" attended the 3 day Philadelphia plenary session.

All oppressed peoples attended the Philadelphia session: women, intellectuals, workers, third world peoples, students, homosexuals, street people. The knowledge and experience gathered and shared in Philly have set the basis for a successful RPCC.

We, the people, must make our position clear. We will hold the RPCC, we will write a new constitution in the interests of all oppressed peoples in the United States.

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