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The new leadership



A salute from the party's new office-bearers

CC firmly rooted in the working class

Our party enters 1992 with a brand new Central Committee — one which draws extensively on the experience of comrades in the trade union movement.

Chris Dlamini, John Gomomo, Moss Mayekiso and Sam Shilowa all hold key positions in COSATU and its affiliates. And Sydney Mufamadi, Billy Nair, Stan Nkosi and John Nkadimeng all bring extensive experience in the union movement.

They are joined by several newcomers to the national leadership, in-

cluding comrades Jenny Schreiner, Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi, Nozizwe Madlala and Thenjiwe Mthintso — the only four women to have been elected onto the CC.

There are also several stalwarts

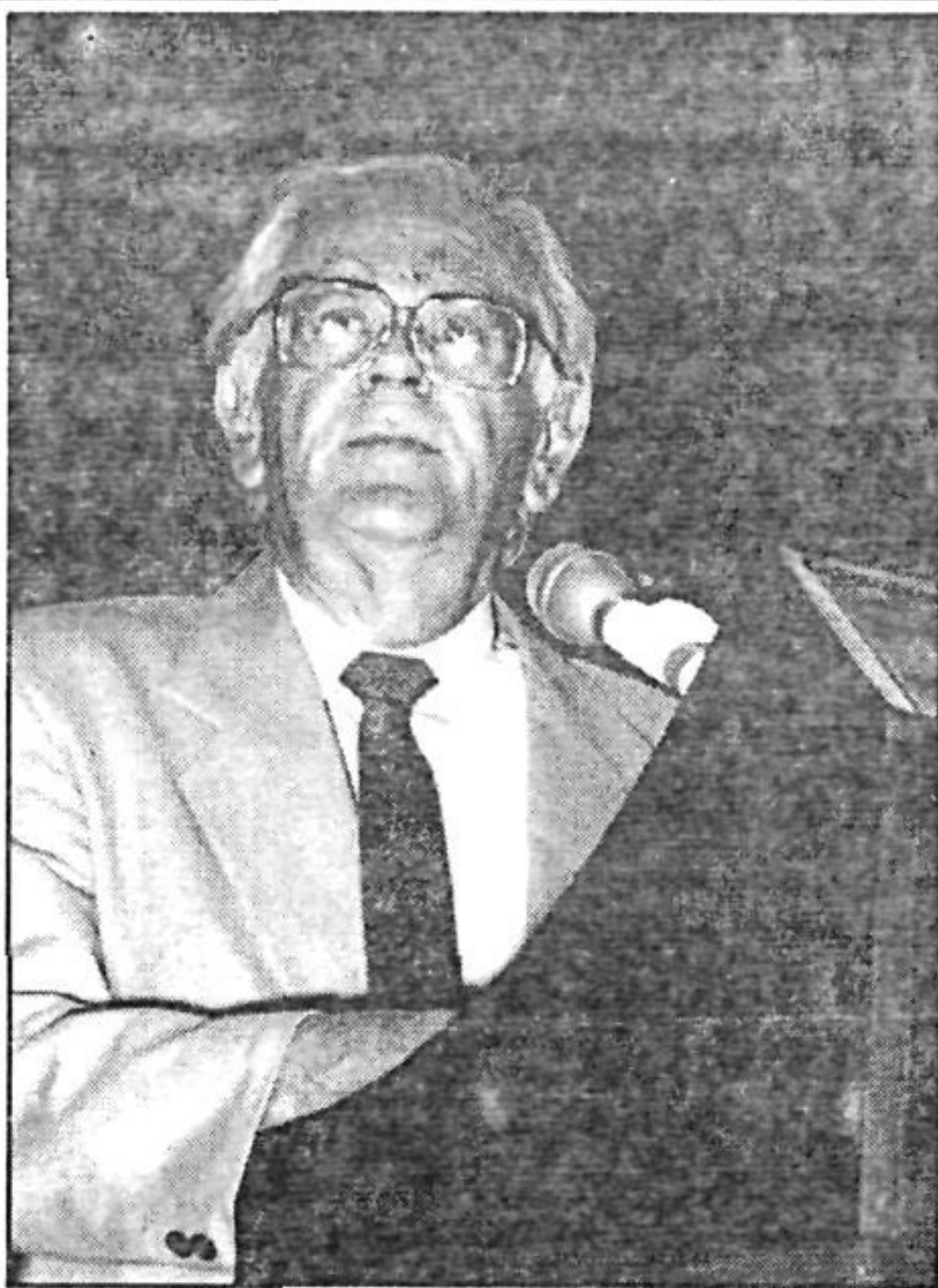
who have guided the party through some of the toughest years — among them Harry Gwala, Brian Bunting and Govan Mbeki.

The new CC meets for the first time at lunchtime today.

The national office-bearers

General secretary: Chris Hani; National Chairperson: Joe Slovo; Deputy general-secretary: Charles Nqakula; Deputy chair: Raymond Mhlaba; Treasurer: Kay Moonsamy.
The Central Committee: Jeremy Cronin, Ronnie Kasrils, Chris Dlamini, Sydney Mufamadi, John Gomomo, John Nkadimeng, Billy Nair, Moses Mayekiso, Blade Nzimande, Harry Gwala, Sizakele Sigxashe, Essop Pahad, Geraldine Fraser-Moleketi, Raymond Suttner, Jenny Schreiner, Sam Shilowa, Tony Yengeni, January Masilela, Garth Strachan, Thenjiwe Mthintso, Stan Nkosi, Brian Bunting, Govan Mbeki, Matthew Makhalima, Nozizwe Madlala.

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Newly-elected national chairperson Joe Slovo

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'We need to move forward, comrades...' Eastern C
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Deep in thought: Popo Molefe, Steve Tshwete and Cyril Ramaphosa

Diversity is

PWV delegate Johannes Ngcobo, a working
journalist, gives his own personal account
of congress

The four-day legal conference of our party, held at Nasrec outside Soweto, resolved among other things not to shy away from Lenin's scientific approach to changing society from capitalism to socialism.

"Our South African Communist Party should be a Marxist Leninist party. We are fighting for socialism — without the adjective 'democratic'," said delegates.

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Cape delegate Ngcola Hempe makes a point in
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strength

The first legal congress of our party after 40 years of illegality, saw a diversion of views from SACP members who were underground in SA, in exile, in prisons, and the newly-recruited members.

The congress delegates committed the Party to the ideals enshrined in the Freedom Charter as the immediate goal in the national democratic revolution.

"The only way which to ensure socialism triumphs is to ensure that the demands in the Freedom Charter are realised in a post apartheid society." ★



One delegate, one vote!

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What do delegates think of congress?

- **Gonda Perez (PWV):** "Fantastic debates and enriching ideas."
- **Ginny Volbrecht (Western Cape):** "Remarkable quality of comradeship and debate. Great optimism for building of a Party."
- **Tamsanqa Mabindisa (Transkei):** "We have a problem understanding the financial situation of the organisation."
- **Phineas Zikhali (Southern Natal):** "The deliberation during the manifesto debate was very good. The manifesto is a document which is securing the interest of the working-class in this country."
- **John Appolis (Cosatu observer):** "Debates have been round the issue of concepts like democratic socialism, Marxism etc. Commitment to these concepts would be demonstrated by the Party's attitudes and role in relation to negotiations."
- **Neela Hoosain (Eastern Cape):** "The level of political debate is very high."
- **Dikobe Ben Martins (Natal Midlands):** "We are very happy with the level of critical, constructive and open debate. Presently the SACP is developing its own independent character, as opposed to tailing other communist parties. The SACP is confronting current issues truly independently." ★

The Party's foreign friends



More than 30 foreign guests have attended congress, representing communist parties from all over the world.

Representatives have come from China, Italy, Senegal, Nicaragua, USA, Cuba, Mozambique, France, India, Israel, Britain, Germany, Portugal, Reunion, Austria, Brazil, Spain. ★



Hanging on every word: Comrades Cheryl Carolus and Chris Hani listen to input from delegates



Enjoying the food: During meal times, delegates were able to listen to tapes made by local comrades trained in broadcasting

Deep in thought: Eastern Cape delegate Mthuthuzeli Qwesa take a close look at the Draft Manifesto

