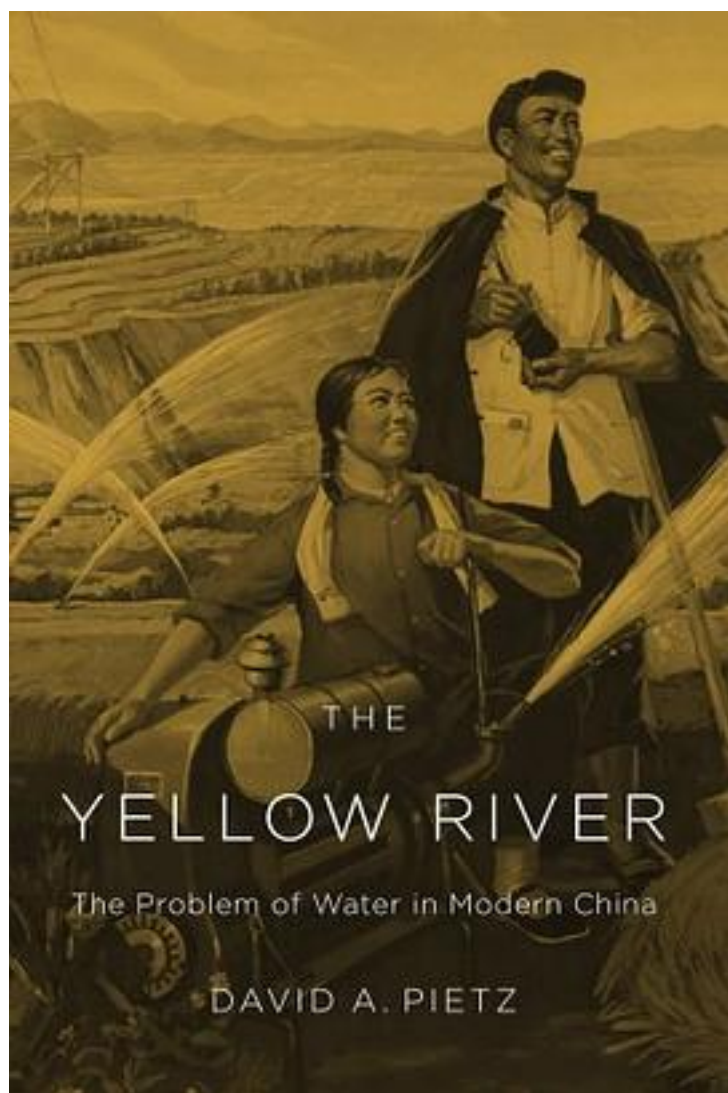


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Flowing through the heart of the North China Plain—home to 200 million people—the Yellow River sustains one of China’s core regions. Yet this vital water supply has become highly vulnerable in recent decades, with potentially serious repercussions for China’s economic, social, and political stability. The Yellow River is an investigative expedition to the source of China’s contemporary water crisis, mapping the confluence of forces that have shaped the predicament that the world’s most populous nation now faces in managing its water reserves.

Chinese governments have long struggled to maintain ecological stability along the Yellow River, undertaking ambitious programs of canal and dike construction to mitigate the effects of recurrent droughts and floods. But particularly during the Maoist years the North China Plain was radically re-engineered to utilize every drop of water for irrigation and hydroelectric generation. As David A. Pietz shows, Maoist water management from 1949 to 1976 cast a long shadow over the reform period, beginning in 1978. Rapid urban growth, industrial expansion, and agricultural intensification over the past three decades of China’s economic boom have been realized on a water resource base that was acutely compromised, with effects that have been more difficult and costly to overcome with each passing decade. Chronicling this complex legacy, *The Yellow River* provides important insight into how water challenges will affect China’s course as a twenty-first-century global power.

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个人感觉建国后的论述存在不少自说自话，看在slides引了一张图的份上加一星→_→

基于中国人拜神的传统以及始于1911的民族主义运动，将华北水利建设为代表的社会再组织与毛的Apotheosis/Deification联系起来。Technology Complex是连续和非连续，过往遗产与新决策的调和产物。作者车轱辘话太多啦，砍掉三分之一会好不少。

角度不错，资料有限的情况下已经是可操作范围内完成度很高的一本。做口述史蛮难的，能有这么多材料已属不易，但论证的话口述史不是很能支持他的argument。不过对于ideology层面的讨论很有意思。

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Pietz' s book The Yellow River also dealt with North China and its water problems, but of longer timespan from ancient myth of Yu the Great to dry-up in 1990s. Basically Pietz discussed continuity and changes in North China waterscape, as well as problems a...

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