

# U. S. RED LEADERS APPEAL FOR UNITY

## Voice Worry Over 'Titoism' in Opposing Any Change in Party's Name or Form

A fight among American Communists over the proposed new "Titoist" party line prompted their national leaders yesterday to urge members to adhere to the traditional line.

The National Committee of the Communist party of the United States said that it was deeply concerned over a controversy that included leading figures.

Citing fears among sections of the party that the new de-Krem-linized course charted for American Communists might "open the way to liquidating essential features of a Marxist organization," the committee came out against changing the name and form of the party at its national convention here Feb. 9 to 12.

The committee last September approved a draft resolution outlining the new line. It was embodied in a new constitution, a draft of which was made public earlier this month and will be submitted to the convention.

The new line resembled the independently nationalistic policy taken by Titoist Yugoslavia and lately by Polish Communists. It was fainter and shorter than the old one that ran indelibly to Moscow in a general acceptance of Soviet Communist leadership.

The committee charted an "American road to socialism," seeking alliances with labor groups and others.

### Amendments Suggested

The appeal for an end to squabbling over the change was contained in "A Message to the State Conventions and Clubs of the Party." It accompanied amendments to the draft resolution.

The amendments were designed to make the draft resolution conform to the provisions of the proposed new constitution except for the amendment by which the committee opposed changing the name and form of the party now.

The committee said the question of name and form was not foreclosed but should be settled after the convention resolved problems of principles, program and policy.

A second amendment in the draft resolution made it consonant with the constitution's modification of the party's concept of "democratic centralism and monolithic rule." This is Marxist jargon meaning that party members are to do what they are told.

The new constitution emphasizes a right of dissent from decisions and eliminates previous requirements that members be "active in behalf of party programs" and "duty bound" to fulfill party decisions. Discipline will be voluntary in the final analysis, the committee said in the amendment.

It was still working on a third amendment dealing with the "vanguard role of the party," or whether it should maintain its past elite posture of militant superiority to other Socialist and proletariat groups or act with them in equal rank.

### Aggressive Drive Urged

The committee also issued a statement calling for an aggressive campaign by "labor and its political allies" in the next session of Congress.

It set as targets civil rights, aid for small farmers and small business men, withdrawal of foreign troops from all countries, new peace negotiations at the summit, neutralization and unification of Germany, an all-European security agreement and admission of Communist China to the United Nations. It also urged foreign aid to both underdeveloped nations and socialist countries.

It said that organized labor, in alliance with Negroes and small farmers, had strongly influenced the outcome of the Nov. 6 election, especially Congressional races. But it charged that labor had taken an inadequate approach to questions of "peace, the Dixiecrat question, the anti-monopoly struggle and strengthening labor's independent political action."