

COMMUNISTS TO INTENSIFY FIGHT ON BROWDERISM

William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party, yesterday released the following statement, unanimously adopted by the National Board:

According to press dispatches, Earl Browder is reported to have stated at a press interview in Moscow that he had met certain Soviet leaders. Also he is stated to have established business relations with several Soviet publishing houses with the possibility discussed of his becoming their business representative in the United States.

In this connection, it is useful to recall the wild orgy of speculation indulged in by the capitalist press incidental to Browder's voyage to Moscow. According to these fantastic stories, there was supposed to be some kind of supreme court to which Browder had gone to appeal against the decision of the Communist Party of the United States repudiating his revision of Marxism and expelling him from its ranks.

This speculation was, of course, designed to do harm to the cause of American-Soviet friendship, the keystone of world peace, fought for by every patriotic American and especially by the Communists. These speculations were also designed to serve as material for slander against the Communist Party by making it appear that, on the one hand, the Soviet Union was intervening in the political life of our country and, on the other hand, that the Communist Party was "an agent of Moscow."

When it is all added up, the information carried today by the capitalist press about the results of Browder's visit to Moscow confirms the utter groundlessness of these speculations and exposes their malicious intent.

As was made clear in our Party's

previous statements, neither Browder's trip nor any announcement of its results could in any way affect the policies of the Communist Party of the United States which are completely determined by its own membership in accordance with the needs and interests of the American working class and people, and therefore in accord with the interests of all freedom loving peoples.

Therefore, the Communist Party will continue and intensify the struggle against Browderism. For Browderism, which is a notorious revision of Marxism, can only serve to undermine the capacity of American labor and its Communist Party to fulfill their responsibilities.

The expulsion of Browder from its ranks has made it possible for the Communist Party to map out and pursue a correct Marxist policy. Any attempt to spread Browderism in the Party will be ruthlessly combatted. The fight to carry out this policy requires a strong and united Communist Party, a Communist Party that can and must be built on the basis of a continuing and relentless struggle against Browderism in accordance with the present political line of the Communist Party.