

JOSEPH CLARK RESIGNS

Joseph Clark has resigned from the Daily Worker, of which he was foreign editor, and from membership in the Communist Party. A letter to the Daily Worker, in which Clark announces these steps, appears in this issue on Page 4.

John Gates, editor-in-chief of the Daily Worker, said yesterday that an article by him commenting on Clark's action would be published in tomorrow's Daily Worker.

A story in yesterday's New York Times by Harry Schwartz was characterized by Clark as departing "from fact to fantasy." Clark issued a statement to the Times on the Schwartz story and made it available to the Daily Worker. Clark declared:

"In his zeal for 'new revelations,' New York Times writer Harry Schwartz attributes statements to me which I never made. Mr. Schwartz is accurate only when he

quotes what I said to him in yesterday's Times: 'I regret that my old friend Bill Foster made his statement to the New York Times. What I have to say in this matter will appear in the Daily Worker.'

"When he quotes third-hand reports of old dinner conversations, Mr. Schwartz departs from fact to fantasy. Mr. Schwartz quotes alleged friends of mine saying that I 'knew from personal observation in the Soviet Union that the terror and crimes committed under Stalin were far greater even than those revealed by Nikita S. Khrushchev in his secret speech in February, 1956.' This is false. I never said or intimated to anyone that I had any such knowledge when I was in the Soviet Union. The direct 'quote' which Mr. Schwartz attributes to me about Khrushchev is also inaccurate. My actual opinions appear in the letter which the Daily Worker is publishing Monday."