

HOSTILE OBSERVER RAPS COMMUNIST CONVENTION

An "unsympathetic" anti-Communist observer at the recent Communist Party convention said yesterday Negro leaders in the North and South should be alerted to resist a "cynical" Communist plot to make political capital of the racial issue.

Bernard Rosenberg, a sociologist, market research director and editor of "Dissent," an anti-Communist quarterly, took issue with a report on the convention issued last Sunday by eight other observers.

The eight, describing themselves as "impartial observers," said the convention discussion was free and democratic, and recommended that the public suspend judgment on the party until it demonstrated its fu-

ture course by deeds as well as words.

Rosenberg said there was no reason to "suspend judgment," whether or not the Communist Party fully accepts "Moscow's dictation." The alternative, he said, would be "Titoism, or national communism."

He was critical of the eight for reporting that the convention had been conducted in a democratic way.

"I am amazed that any of my fellow observers, none of whom I know to be a Communist sympathizer, could declare a Communist convention to be in any sense democratic when every attempt . . . to raise the Hungarian question was

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instantly suppressed," Rosenberg declared.

A Communist Party official, reached by the wire services, said that "Rosenberg's quarrel is with Mr. Muste, Dorothy Day and the other observers. If the incident proves anything, it demonstrates conclusively that the convention observers were not screened in any way."