

CP Rank-and-Filer Outraged

Editor, Daily Worker:

Friday night I attended a New York Communist Party meeting called to discuss the Hungarian events. A majority of the speakers and the audience opposed the position of the Daily Worker and the resolution of the National Board on the Hungarian crisis.

Several people spoke scornfully of "emotionalism" and demanded we support proletarian internationalism by supporting the Soviet Union's action in Hungary.

I answer—yes, I am emotional: I'm emotional on behalf of the working class of Hungary, and of the Hungarian people. I am a Communist, and I am a human being. The supporters of the Soviet action say it had no choice but to bring in troops to save "socialism."

What kind of "socialism" did they have in Hungary, that after twelve years the workingclass of Hungary, the youth of Hungary (raised under "socialism") felt it had to take up arms against the government, and is still fighting and striking after two weeks of bloodshed, hunger, and all kinds of promises and threats.

I have been a member of the Communist Party for 19 years and a member of the YCL for five years before that. When the "Stalin revelations" broke last Spring, many members felt this

would be the end of the C.P. I felt there was still hope, that if we really analyzed and corrected all our mistakes we could still become the party to lead the American people to socialism.

But now I do not want to belong to an organization whose members feel socialism should be imposed on the ends of bayonets. This is not the socialism I worked for and dreamed of.

I do not feel the speakers or audience at the meeting reflected the majority of the Party. I urge all our members to speak out and write to the Daily Worker.

— T.M.

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