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The Worker Reveals Dispute Over Soviet Ousters

A widening controversy among American Communists over the significance of the changes in the Soviet leadership is revealed by the party organ, The Daily Worker.

The Wednesday issue of The Worker published a page-long statement by John Gates, its editor, that disclosed sharp differences of opinion within the American party over the Moscow events.

The paper's foreign editor, Joseph Clark, has criticized the tactics of the Soviet party struggle and declared that the issues should have been debated before the Soviet public.

Mr. Clark, in a Worker column, also charged that Nikita S. Khrushchev shared with Vyacheslav M. Molotov, Georgi M. Malenkov and Lazar M. Kaganovich some of the blame for the crimes of the Stalin era, just as the ousted three were entitled to some of the credit for the achievements of the period.

The Gates article said that Mr. Clark's views had aroused bitter dissension in the party. Mr. Gates said he disagreed with Mr. Clark's emphasis, but defended the right of the editor to express his opinion.

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