

## 3 STATE REDS RESIGN

**Charney, Watt and Lawrence  
Protest Pro-Soviet Line**

Three officials of the New York State Communist party have resigned their posts in protest against the pro-Soviet party line adopted last month.

Those resigning are George Blake Charney, New York Communist party executive secretary; George Watt, organization secretary, and William Lawrence, treasurer.

William Albertson was elected state secretary. The office replaces the positions formerly occupied by Mr. Charney and Mr. Watt.

All three officials who resigned have been identified with the rightist Communist faction, formerly headed by John Gates before he left the Communist party. The Communist party national committee last month endorsed the Moscow Declaration, issued by the Soviet Union and eleven other ruling Communist parties. The declaration laid down strategy to be followed by Communists throughout the world. Its endorsement by the Communist party in this country was interpreted as giving party control to the pro-Soviet faction headed by William Z. Foster and Benjamin J. Davis.

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