FRENCH REDS BOW TO SOVIET POLICY

Accept Moscow's Position on Stalin as a 'Profound'
Answer to Criticism

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munist leaders reaffirmed to-

night their complete acceptance of the Soviet position on Stalin. Rank-and-file party members were called to a mass meeting

and were told that the recent resolution of the Soviet Communist party "gives a profound and total answer to all the questions that we asked." The resolution replied to foreign criticism of the anti-Stalin campaign.

It was announced at the same meeting that the Yugoslav Com-

munists had accepted an invitation from the French Communists for a meeting "to put an
end to public polemics that might
become harmful." The meeting
is to take place in September or
October.

The speeches of Maurice
Thorez, French Communist secretary general, and of Etienne
Fajon, who spoke for a delega-

tion that returned last week from Moscow, gave the surface im-

pression, at least, that any breach between Moscow and the party leaders here had been healed.

M. Fajon said he had "the great joy" to announce that Nikita S. Khrushchev, Soviet party leader, had informed him of Moscow's decision to send "a solid and representative" delegation to the French Communist National Congress convening in

Le Havre next week.
In introducing M. Fajon to the meeting, M. Thorez acknowledged that "some isolated voices" in the party had echoed the comments of anti-Communists on the downgrading of Stalin.
M. Thorez asserted, however that the party virtually unani-

mously had remained firmly grouped around the Central

Committee. He said the committee in judging the work of the Twentieth Congress of the Soviet party had accorded "all the necessary importance" to the condemnation of the cult of personality, a euphemism for Stalin's dictatorial rule.

M. Fajon said the delegation, composed of himself, Waldeck Rochet and Marcel Servan, had held two meetings with Mr. Khrushchev. The first one, the French Communist said, consisted of asking the Soviet leader questions on the Stalin problem

and of hearing Mr. Khrushchev's commentaries on the Central Committee's resolution. According to M. Fajon, the second meeting brought the French party's "total accord" with the resolution.

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