## U. S. REDS SEEK UNITY BEFORE CONVENTION

Further efforts by the Communist party to overcome dissensions before a national convention here Feb. 9 to 12 were made known yesterday.

The New York State committee of the party said a closed convention of more than 400 delegates last week-end had voted to continue as a party and oppose any change to a "non-party political action association" at this time.

The compromise resolution, by George Blake Charney, state chairman, and Benjamin J. Davis Jr., former City Councilman, said this "does not foreclose further exploration." Five "no" votes and twenty-seven abstentions were reported.

The convention was said to have elected fourteen delegatesat-large to the national convention, out of forty-six nominees. It was held at the Chateau Gardens Hall, 105 East Houston Street, last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Those chosen included William Z. Foster, national chairman; Eugene Dennis, general secretary; John Gates, editor in chief of The Daily Worker, and Mr. Charney. More than 100 other New York State delegates, including Mr. Davis, had been elected in section votes earlier.

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