

U. S. REDS' PAPER ATTACKS PRAVDA

Criticizes Deletion of Clause Dealing With 'Snuffing Out' of Soviet Jewish Figures

The Daily Worker in its issue today prints the text of the Soviet Communist party statement on the anti-Stalin campaign. An editorial in the American Communist organ says that the answers given by the Soviet Communist leadership to questions raised by Communists abroad would satisfy "many Marxists" but that "many will feel that the discussion must continue."

In an article in The Worker, Joseph Clark, foreign editor, comments on the deletion by Pravda, Soviet Communist party newspaper, of a clause from its reprint of an article by Eugene Dennis, American Communist leader. The section deleted by Pravda, the article says, was one in which Mr. Dennis condemned the Stalin era for "snuffing out the lives of more than a score of Jewish cultural figures."

"If the charge was untrue, all Pravda had to do was to deny it," Mr. Clark writes. "Moreover, an explanation is long overdue from the Soviet leaders about the physical annihilation of the top Soviet Jewish writers and poets in the late Forties."

In addition, Mr. Clark berates Mme. Ekaterina A. Furtseva, the leading Soviet woman Communist, for her statements in an interview with a correspondent of the left-wing National Guardian. Mme. Furtseva "denied the closing down of Soviet Jewish cultural institutions and the executions of Jewish leaders," Mr. Clark writes, adding that she had not read charges in the Volksstime, Yiddish-language newspaper of Warsaw, about those incidents.

"To put it mildly, Mrs. Furtseva displayed a disquieting insensitivity to world public opinion," the article continues. "If charges of such gravity are made by responsible sources, a top Soviet leader should at least be aware of them."