

PRAVDA HAILS U. S. REDS

It Says Party Convention Here Defeated 'Deviationists'

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MOSCOW, Feb. 16 — The Soviet Union's leading newspaper today hailed the results of the American Communist party convention as a victory over those who tried to disband the party in the United States.

Pravda, in a report from its New York correspondent, praised American Communist leaders who defeated "waverers" and "deviationists." Pravda described the effort to make the Communist organization a political association instead of a regular party as "pitiful opportunism." It added that the "malicious joy" demonstrated by the American press at the prospect of a split among American Communists had been destroyed.

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