

*Party attitude*

Text of Hungarian Party Resolution

The text of the resolution on the changes in the USSR, passed by the Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party (Summary Part IIB, No. 843, p. 7), was quoted by the information service from 'Nepszabadsag'.

The resolution said: "The Central Committee of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party approves the resolution of the CPSU Central Committee, which has exposed and liquidated the activities of the Malenkov-Kaganovich-Molotov anti-Party group. It welcomes the firmness with which the CPSU Central Committee has safeguarded the Party's unity and political line, based on the resolutions of the 20th Congress, regardless of personalities. The resolution is a great help to the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party in the consolidation of the Party's unity and its protection against attacks from any side." (Hungarian information service 5.7.57)

Reactionaries May Try to Exploit Soviet Events: 'Nepakarat'

'Nepakarat' of 5th July said that the members of the "anti-Party group" thought that only methods used before the 20th CPSU Congress could be employed in building socialism. Relying on past conditions, they had formed a fraction opposed to the Leninist principles of peaceful co-existence. They had tried to go back to "the methods of yesterday".

The resolution had taught important lessons to the Party of Hungarian Communists, although it had been revisionism rather than sectarianism which had played such a destructive part in the tragic events of last autumn. Eight months after the defeat of the counter-revolutionary attack in Hungary, it was still necessary to emphasise the danger of revisionism and to warn against attempts by remnants of the counter-revolutionary forces to make trouble by taking advantage of events in the USSR. They would probably speak about a weakening or crisis of socialism. Petty bourgeois opportunism was the common source of both Right-wing and Left-wing deviations. The resolution passed by the National Conference of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party had firmly opposed both revisionism and sectarianism. The latest CPSU resolution was a vindication of the line pursued by the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party. (MTI 5.7.57)

No Vindication of Hungarian Revisionists

Discussing the recent National Conference of the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party, another Budapest commentator told listeners in Western Europe that the conference had unanimously pointed out that the main danger was still from revisionism and national communism; but the conference had also been unanimous in stressing the need to liquidate sectarian Left-wing errors. "We must be firm and resolute, even if it hurts. The CPSU has again set us an example in showing how necessary this is to safeguard unity." The only possible inference to be drawn from the CPSU resolution was that the Party protected its unity against everyone and would tolerate no defection from its line. "Some people, even in Hungary, will try to make out that the resolution of the CPSU is a vindication of revisionist and Right-wing views. We must reject this opinion most energetically, since it is similar to that which had dragged us towards 23rd October." As expected, foreign radio stations had been trying to exploit the events in the USSR to stir up unrest in Hungary. But the Hungarian people did not want another 23rd October "and we shall see to it that it does not recur". (Budapest for Hungarians in W Europe 7.7.57: See also Marosan's and Biskku's speeches below.)