

U.N. Employes Admit Red Membership

NEW YORK (AP) — Two Americans employed by the United Nations say they once were members of the Communist Party, but dropped out because they disapproved of Communist aims.

Their admissions at an open hearing Thursday drew praise from Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich), member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee probing alleged American subversives in the U. N.

Praised by Ferguson were John Charnow, a reports officer for the U. N. International Children's emergency fund, and Mrs. Evelyn Thaler, secretary to Konstantin E. Zinchenko of Russia, assisting U. N. secretary general for security council affairs.

Charnow testified he was Communist in Washington, D. C., for about a year in 1938. Asked why he joined the party, Charnow said: "To search for answers to the world's problems. I discovered very quickly it was not the place to find

the answers. It was not possible to suggest any ideas differing from the party line."

"If you were in a position to work effectively against Communism, would you do it?" asked Committee Counsel Robert Morris.

"I certainly would," said Charnow. "I'm against Communism because it is against everything I believe most important in life, be-

ginnings with human dignity."

Charnow also said he privately has submitted about a dozen names of Washington, D. C., cell members to the subcommittee and the FBI.

Mrs. Thaler testified she joined the Communist Party in 1942 for about a year.

She said she has given the subcommittee the names of those be-

longing to an all-girl party unit in New York City.

Asked why she joined, Mrs. Thaler replied: "I was stupid. I didn't think it meant anything and I got bored and went away."

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National Park Chief Ranger Lou Hallock reported today 78 inches of snow on the level at the Park Headquarters as compared with 74 inches the same day a year ago. Total snowfall to date is 123.5 inches.

Hallock advised that though the West and South entrances are open, there is snow in many spots and he warned that motorists use caution driving the area, and that they use chains.

The road from Annie Springs to the Rim Village is closed indefinitely because of the snow. The park's power lines were still out yesterday, but a stand-by diesel engine was supplying sufficient power for the park community's needs, the ranger reported.

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