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MRS. FDR EXPRESSES ALARM AT NEW ORLEANS WITCHHUNT

Eleanor Roosevelt yesterday wrote in the N. Y. World-Telegram and Sun that if every one who fought for the rights of labor is a Communist "then there are more Communists than we can count in this country."

Her column was devoted to the charges of Communism made recently against Mrs. Clifford Durr and Aubrey Williams, by Sen. James Eastland (D-Miss).

Mrs. Roosevelt asserted she knew Mrs. Durr in Washington and that Mrs. Durr "believed that discrimination against anyone was harmful to our nation."

While defending Mrs. Durr and Williams as though being a Communist was a social or legal crime, Mrs. Roosevelt concluded:

"I am beginning to think, however, that if you have been a liberal, if you believe that those who are strong must sometimes consider the weak, and that with strength and power goes the responsibility, automatically some people consider you a Communist.

"Today this responsibility, because of strength and power, belongs to labor as much as to capital, but that has not always been the case, and there was a time when the rights of labor had to be fought for. If every one who fought for these rights was a Communist, then there are more Communists than we can count in this country."

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