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Tom McGowan Upsets McCuiston's Charge Of "Communist"

BOSTON — In answer to the charge of William C. McCuiston that he is a Communist, Thomas McGowan, Boston, NMU Agent issued the following statement to the press this afternoon.

"From long familiarity with Mr. McCuiston's activities as a leader of the sawed-off shot gun administration which was recently cleaned out of the Union in New Orleans, I can see that the gentleman is undressed without his straightjacket.

"I feel honored at the place that McCuiston and Congressman Dies have given me besides President and Mrs. Roosevelt, John L. Lewis, Attorney General Murphy, to say nothing of Shirley Temple, who were all branded as Communists or Communist stooges by witnesses of similar character before the Dies Committee.

"As for McCuiston's allegation about myself, Gavin, Hawkes and Moutal, he is an unmitigated liar. It is significant that he has branded as Communists the men who were elected to leadership in the NMU by overwhelming votes of the membership last year—while McCuiston himself was busy deserting from the Republican Army in Spain."