

Release Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1956

# Russian Influence in U. S. Communist Party Seen Dominant by Public

## Call Party American

By Dr. GEORGE GALUP,  
Director, American Institute  
of Public Opinion

PRINCETON, N. J.,  
Nov. 28.—Mrs. Frank-  
lin D. Roosevelt's charge  
that Paul Browder, Amer-



of public opinion a majority of  
those polled ex-

statements best describes your (the lower levels) but in each level

in this country is party in the United States; opinions felt that the party was

tered directly  
by Russia or working in close con-  
sultation with Russia. Only a small

orders directly from  
Russia 25%

between farmers and urban voters.  
Whereas only about one-third (35  
per cent) of city dwellers in the

vast net-work of Communist party  
workers throughout the country.  
In order to get some idea as to

entirely independent of Russia.

the United States  
are decided on by

about the Communist party, one-  
half of the farmers (50 per cent)

ter are, the institute asked a second  
question in its survey. The ques-

party have not definitely been estab-  
lished in detail. Whether those  
polled in the survey are right or  
wrong in their estimate of Russian  
control over the party, their senti-  
ments may account in part for the  
slow growth of the party in this  
country.

with Russia  
The policies of the  
American Commu-  
nist Party are de-  
cided entirely by  
Communists in the  
U. S. 9  
Know nothing about

farm—only small minori-  
ties, less than 10 per cent,  
felt that the Communist  
Party was a purely Amer-  
ican party, independent of  
Russian control. And, as  
previous Institute surveys

in the Communist Party in  
the United States?"

A large majority—60 per cent  
—said they did not know. Among  
the remainder who were willing to  
hazard a guess, the median aver-  
age of all estimates was approxi-