

DAILY MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS

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HEADLINE SUMMARY

JANUARY 4, 1957

C Z E C H O S L O V A K :

"A WORD ABOUT MODESTY" IS THE TITLE OF TODAY'S RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL CRITICIZING "BOURGEOIS" DEMANDS OF SOME PEOPLE. PRESS CONFERENCE WITH WORKERS OF THE CENTRAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE REVEALS THAT THE APPARTMENT SHORTAGE WILL STILL REMAIN FOR SOME TIME. CSR WILL IMPORT FOREIGN CARS: RENAULTS, POBEDAS, FIATS AND SOME BRITISH MADE AUTOMOBILES.

P O L I S H :

A UNION OF SOCIALIST YOUTH WAS FORMED AT A YOUTH ACTIVE MEETING IN WARSAW. IN BYDGOSZCZ, EXPERTS ON SOCIOLOGY WERE ASKED TO TESTIFY IN ORDER TO EXAMINE THE INFLUENCE OF MOB PSYCHOLOGY ON THE DEFENDANTS. A COMMENTARY ATTACKED RFE FOR GIVING THE TRIAL UNDUE POLITICAL OVERTONES.

H U N G A R I A N :

LAJOS KOCSIS, DEPUTY MINISTER OF COAL MINING, HAS BEEN DISMISSED. - NEW METHODS OF PRICE CONTROL WILL BE INTRODUCED AFTER PRODUCTION IS NORMALIZED. - THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL WILL BE LIMITED WHILE WORK OF PARLIAMENT WILL BE CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED. - REGULATIONS ON ACTIVITIES OF THE WORKERS' COUNCILS WILL SOON BE ANNOUNCED. THE COUNCILS WILL BE GIVEN CONSIDERABLE SAY IN RUNNING FACTORIES.

B U L G A R I A N :

RABOTNICHESKO DELO EDITORIAL OF JAN. 4 CALLED FOR AN "IRRECONCILABLE FIGHT" AGAINST BOURGEOIS IDEOLOGY. -

ALBANIAN -- (JAN. 3-TIRANA: 0645) ZERI I POPULLIT ESTIMATES THAT THE 1956 INDUSTRIAL PLAN WAS CARRIED OUT 107 PERCENT.

EAST GERMAN -- ARRIVAL OF GDR DELEGATION IN MOSCOW IS MAIN TOPIC OF ALL BROADCASTS. LEUSCHNER SAYS IN A COMMENTARY, THAT COMING DISCUSSIONS WILL BE CERTAINLY OF AN EXTRAORDINARY IMPORTANCE FOR OUR STATE AS WELL AS FOR WG. THIS MOSCOW VISIT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO BURY ALL ILLUSORY HOPES ON A SPLIT IN SOCIALIST CAMP.

(GDR JAN 3, 1910 HRS)

(D.S. JAN 3, 2115 HRS) IN A COMMENTARY ON BONN'S WAR PLANS, RATHMANN POINTS OUT, THAT BONN INTENDS TO ACHIEVE A LEADING ROLE IN WESTERN EUROPE AND RECOMMEND ITSELF TO THE AMERICANS AS THE MOST RELIABLE WAR PARTNER.

(GDR, JAN 3, 2210 HRS) IN A REPORT FROM BUDAPEST ON THE ASSAULT ON BUDAPEST PARTY'S HOUSE, RUBITSCH ASSERTS, THAT THIS ASSAULT HAS GIVEN THE SIGNAL FOR A GENERAL COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY OFFENSIVE AGAINST WORKING PARTY AND FOR GENERAL TERROR AND MASSACRES.

RUSSIAN --- PRAVDA LEADER DEALS WITH DUTIES OF LOCAL SOVIETS, AND CRITICIZES FORMALISM AND BUREAUCRACY IN THEIR WORK. VALENTIN ZORIN IN COMMENTARY (JAN 3, 1900 HRS) ATTACKS US RACIAL CRIMES AND HYPOCRISY OF US REPRESENTATIVES IN UN WHEN SPEAKING ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS.

YUGOSLAV -- CORRESPONDENT STEKIC IN REPORT FROM WARSAW SAYS THERE ARE SOME NEGATIVE ELEMENTS IN POLISH PREELECTORAL CAMPAIGN: PARTICULARISM, STRUGGLE FOR PERSONAL PRESTIGE, DEMAGOGY ON ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES (ZAGREB, 3 JAN, 1930 H). BELGRADE (1500 HRS) SAYS IKE'S ANSWER TO BULGANIN HAS LEFT THE DOOR WIDE OPEN FOR FURTHER TALKS. JOVAN SCEKIC FROM NEW YORK SAYS IKE'S MIDDLE EAST PLAN IS AIMED AT CREATING THE IMPRESSION OF AN EXISTING MIDDLE EAST DANGER, AT PERSUADING CONGRESS TO INCREASE FOREIGN COMMITMENTS.

RUMANIAN -- (NOTE: MUCH ATTENTION IS GIVEN TO REPORTS CONCERNING THE LISENHOWER DOCTRINE AND US PLANS FOR "ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ENSLAVEMENT OF ARAB EAST BY AMERICAN MONOPOLIES" (JAN. 4-0700) SCANTEIA COMMENTS IN ITS FOURTH PAGE ON "THEORY OF FORCE VACUUM AND FACTS OF OPPRESSION OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM".

(JAN. 4-BUCH I: 0700) CONSUMERS COOPERATIVES IN RPR WILL BE "SELF-FINANCED" FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR.

THE PRESIDUM OF THE RPR HAS DECIDED TO SET UP SPECIAL TEAMS OF WORKERS AND HOUSEWIVES TO CHECK THE ACTIVITY OF STATE STORES.-

1. DUTIES OF LOCAL SOVIETS

MOSCOW (JAN 4, 8700 HRS), TODAY'S PRAVDA LEADER IS TITLED "WORK OF LOCAL SOVIETS TO THE LEVEL OF NEW TASKS". THE ARTICLE IS WRITTEN IN CONNECTION WITH ELECTIONS TO LOCAL SOVIETS TO BE HELD IN MARCH. AFTER STRESSING THE ROLE OF LOCAL SOVIETS, PRAVDA SAYS THAT THEY INCLUDE MORE THAN 1,500,000 DEPUTIES, AND THIS TESTIFIES TO SOVIET DEMOCRACY. THE DECEMBER PLENUM OF THE CC STRESSED THE URGENCY OF THE EXPANSION OF RIGHTS OF THE SOVIETS OF WORKERS DEPUTIES.

REORGANIZATION

AFTER DESCRIBING THE REORGANIZATION WORK AND GROWING INITIATIVE OF THE SOVIETS, PRAVDA SAYS THAT ONLY FIRST STEPS HAVE BEEN MADE IN THIS CONNECTION. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES OF MANY LOCAL SOVIETS STILL WORK OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE MASSES, AND SO FAR HAVE NOT DISCONTINUED ARMCHAIR-BUREAUCRATIC METHODS OF MANAGEMENT, AND MEETING FUSS. ONE OF THEIR MAIN SHORTCOMINGS IS THE UNDERVALUATION OF ORGANIZATIONAL WORK, INABILITY TO SUPPORT DECISIONS BY NECESSARY MEASURES, AND TO ATTRACT BROAD MASSES OF WORKERS FOR THE EXECUTION OF THESE DECISIONS, AS WELL AS TO COMPLETE WORK.

BAD EXAMPLES

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AKTIUBINSKY CITY SOVIET ADOPTS AN ABUNDANT VARIETY OF DECREES ON CITY CONSTRUCTION, BUT FAILS TO SECURE ITS EXECUTION, FORGETS ABOUT THE MANDATE OF ELECTORS, DOES NOT RELY IN ITS WORK ON DEPUTIES AND BROAD PUBLIC; FUNDS, ASSIGNED FOR DEVELOPMENT OF CITY ECONOMY ARE SYSTEMATICALLY NOT MASTERED. MANY APARTMENT HOUSES IN THE CITY ARE IN AN UNSATISFACTORY STATE.

POOR TRADE

LACK OF INITIATIVE, FORMALISM IN WORK, INDIFFERENT ATTITUDE TOWARD THE NEEDS OF WORKERS, ARE THE NATURE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MASLIANSKIY DISTRICT SOVIET OF THE NOVOSIBIRSKAYA REGION. TRADE WITH GOODS OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE HAS BEEN ORGANIZED IN THIS DISTRICT IN A POOR WAY. NOW AND AGAIN IN A NUMBER OF LOCALITIES PEOPLE CANNOT BUY EVEN MATCHES AND SALT. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE DISTRICT SOVIET RECONCILES ITSELF WITH SUCH A STATE OF AFFAIRS. MANY VILLAGE SOVIETS OF THIS DISTRICT HAVE LIMITED THEIR ACTIVITY TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF VARIOUS INFORMATION.

IGNORANCE OF LOCAL SOVIETS

PRAVDA CONCLUDES BY DESCRIBING THE DUTIES OF LOCAL SOVIETS CONCERNING STRUGGLE AGAINST BUREAUCRACY, OBSERVANCE OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF CITIZENS, AND STUDY OF CRITICISM. PARTY HAS TO MANAGE ECONOMY NOT WITHOUT SOVIET AGENCIES BUT THROUGH THEM. BAD PARTY PRACTICE HAS BEEN OBSERVED IN THE KOMARICHESKIY DISTRICT OF THE BRYANSKAYA REGION, WHERE THE DISTRICT PARTY COMMITTEE HAS REDUCED THE ROLE OF LOCAL SOVIETS BY IGNORING THEM AND DOING THEIR WORK.

2. RACIAL CRIMES IN US

MOSCOW (JAN 3, 1900 HRS), VALENTIN ZORIN IN COMMENTARY DEALS WITH THE RACIAL SEGREGATION PROBLEM IN US AND SAYS IN PART: THE VIOLENCE OF RACIAL CRIMES IN SOUTHERN STATES HAS TAKEN SUCH PROPORTIONS THAT THE AUTHORITIES ARE FACING THE DANGER OF LOSING THE CONTROL OF THE SITUATION IN THIS AREA. CRIMES OF RACIALISTS IN THE SOUTH OF US EXPOSE THE HYPOCRISY OF THOSE US CIRCLES WHICH USE THE UN PLATFORM OF UN TO PRODUCE VERBIAGE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, WHILE NEGRO RIGHTS ARE CYNICALLY AND UNPUNISHEDLY VIOLATED IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY.

3. NEWS IN HEADLINES.-

FUNERAL OF ZAVENYAGIN; FESTIVAL OF SOVIET FILMS TO BE ORGANIZED IN INDIA FROM 11 TO 17 JANUARY; ARRIVAL OF GDR GOVERNMENTAL DELEGATION; RECEPTION OF GROTEWOHL BY BULGANIN; RECEPTION OF LOTHAR BOLZ BY SHEPILOV; WORK OF 11TH UN ASSEMBLY; GOVERNMENT AND CC CONGRATULATE WORKERS OF THE GORKOVSKAYA HYDRO-POWER PLANT ON COMMISSIONING THE LAST UNIT OF THE PLANT; BURMESE NATIONAL HOLIDAY; CHINESE SUCCESSES IN 1956 (THREE PAGE REPORT , MOSCOW JAN 4, 0845 HRS).

CZECHOSLOVAK MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN 3, 4, 1957

PRAGUE I UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

1. RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL

(JAN 4 0510 HRS) RUDE PRAVO EDITORIAL OF TODAY IS ENTITLED:

" A WORD ABOUT MODESTY"

AND CRITICIZES DEMANDS OF SOME PEOPLE.

" SOME PEOPLE FORGOT THAT THEY ARE A PART OF A CHAIN OF OUR SOCIETY". THEY FORGOT " THE BOLSHEVIST MODESTY" WHICH WE ALL NEED. SOME PEOPLE SIMPLY DEPEND ON THE GOVERNMENT AND ITS APPARATUS AND SAY " I CANNOT LOOSE ANYTHING, BECAUSE EVERYTHING MUST BE TAKEN CARE OF." SUCH IDEAS COULD BE ELIMINATED THROUGH PROPER EDUCATION. THE EDITORIAL FURTHER GIVES A FEW EXAMPLES OF BAD EDUCATION IN A SOCIALIST COUNTRY AND ALSO CRITICIZES SOME IMPROPER MEASURES AND ACTIVITY AS: SOME DIRECTORS SPEND ONLY 70 DAYS IN A YEAR IN THEIR ENTERPRISES, OTHER DIRECTORS PERFER LUXURIOUS OFFICE, BUT THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE CANTINE LAGS BEHIND, A BUS STOP HAS BEEN REMOVED TO ANOTHER PLACE ONLY BECAUSE " AN IMPORTANT WORKER" HAS BEEN LIVING IN A NEARBY HOUSE AND HAS BEEN DISTURBED BY THE TRAFFIC. THE EDITORIAL STRESSES THAT SUCH PEOPLE BECAME ACTUALLY THE SAME WHAT THEY WERE CONDEMNING BEFORE, NAMELY BOURGEOIS ELEMENTS. EVEN SOME COMMUNISTS BECAME IMMODEST AND CONCEITED. OUR SOCIETY ITSLEF WILL ELIMINATE SUCH ELEMENTS IN THE COURSE OF THE YEARS.

2. FOREIGN RELATIONS

(JAN 3 2200 HRS) MINISTER DAVID TODAY RECEIVED THE NEW IRANIAN AMBASSADOR IN PRAGUE.

3. ON HUNGARY

(JAN 3 1230 HRS) CENTRAL COUNCIL OF HUNGARIAN WOMEN CALLED ON THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S FEDERATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITY FOR RETURN OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH ESCAPED FROM HUNGARY WITHOUT PARENTS' CONSENT.

(JAN 4 0500 HRS) THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST WORKERS' PARTY IS STILL INCREASING.

4. ON SHORTAGE OF LIVING QUARTERS

(JAN 3 1900 HRS) WORKERS OF THE CENTRAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN PRAGUE TODAY EXPLAINED PROBLEMS OF THE NEW DECREE ON LIVING QUARTERS TO THE

PRAGUE NEWSPAPER MEN. EVEN THROUGH APPLICATION OF THIS NEW DECREE THE LACK OF LIVING QUARTERS WILL NOT BE SETTLED. THERE ARE 61,800 OF APPLICANTS FOR APARTMENTS IN PRAGUE AND THIS FIGURE IS INCREASING BY 4,000 A YEAR. 3,013 APARTMENTS WERE BUILT IN PRAGUE LAST YEAR BUT ONLY 514 WERE ALLOCATED BY THE CENTRAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THESE "APARTMENT UNITS" WERE BUILT BY VARIOUS ENTERPRISES FOR OWN EMPLOYEES.

THE POWERS OF NC WERE INCREASED AND THIS YEAR THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE WILL ALLOCATE ALSO 1/5 OF THE LIVING QUARTERS BUILT BY VARIOUS FACTORIES AND ENTERPRISES.

THE NEW DECREE GIVES THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE THE RIGHT TO MOVE SUCH TENANTS WHO DID NOT PAY THE RENT FOR THREE PERIODS TO A DIFFERENT APARTMENT.

#### 5. DOMESTIC NEWS

(JAN 3 1700 HRS BRNO) SHIPMENTS OF ORANGES, TANGERINES, LEMONS, BANANAS, GRAPE-FRUIT ARRIVED IN BRNO. FURTHER SHIPMENTS ARE EXPECTED IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. THIS WILL ELIMINATE THE NECESSITY OF BUYING LARGE AMMOUNTS OF FRUIT AND STORING THEM.

(JAN 3 2200 HRS BRATISLAVA) THE CHIEF DIRECTOR OF THE AUTOMOBILE ENTERPRISE IN MLADA BOLES LAV ANNOUNCED THAT CSR WILL IMPORT THE FOLLOWING FOREIGN CARS: RENAULT, POBEDA, FIAT AND SOME BRITISH MADE CARS.

(JAN 3 2200 HRS BRATISLAVA) THE SLOVAK COAL MINES REMAINED 100,000 TONS OF COAL BEHIND THE PLAN IN THE LAST YEAR.

#### P O L I S H MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN 3-4, 1957

##### WARSAW I UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

#### 1. FRIDAY MORNING HEADLINES

(JAN 4 0600, 0800, HRS) ZAWADZKI, CYRANKIEWICZ AND RAPACKI SENT TELEGRAMS TO BURMESE STATESMEN ON THAT COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE DAY.- FOREIGN NEWS: KADAR PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK, PARLIAMENT TO HAVE GREATER POWERS.

#### 2. YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

(JAN 4 0600 HRS) THE ACTIVE OF LEFT-WING YOUTH IN WARSAW DECIDED TO SET UP A UNION OF SOCIALIST YOUTH. A NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE WAS ELECTED. AN APPEAL TO THE YOUTH OF THE NATION CALLED ON ALL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

(JAN 3 2300 HRS) A LETTER WAS SENT BY THE ACTIVE TO HELENA JAWORSKA THANKING HER FOR HER LONG YEARS OF ACTIVITY ON BEHALF OF YOUTH.

(JAN 3 2120 HRS) A TALK BY KAMINSKI ON THE AIMS OF THE SCOUTING MOVEMENT.

3. BYDGOSZCZ TRIAL

(JAN 3 1500 1815 HRS BYDGOSZCZ, 2100 HRS) DURING THE SECOND DAY OF THE BYDGOSZCZ TRIAL, DEFENDANTS LIGOWSKI AND RATAJCZAK WERE HEARD. THE LATTER ADMITTED THAT HE SET FIRE TO AND DESTROYED RADIO STATION EQUIPMENT. THE COUNCIL OF DEFENCE ASKED THAT EXPERTS ON SOCIOLOGY BE ASKED TO TESTIFY IN ORDER TO EXAMINE THE INFLUENCE OF MOB PSYCHOLOGY ON THE DEFENDANTS. THE COURT PERMITTED THIS.- MORE THAN 20 NEWSPAPER-MEN ARE WATCHING THE TRIAL, AMONG THEM A UP CORRESPONDENT.

COMMENTARY BROADCAST BY RADIO BYDGOSZCZ (2100 HRS) SAID THAT THE MENDACIOUS PROPAGANDA BROADCAST BY RADIO FREE EUROPE WHICH MAINTAINED THAT THE BYDGOSZCZ EVENTS HAD A POLITICAL CHARACTER WANTS TO SPREAD ANARCHY IN POLAND. THE COMMENTARY ALSO SAID THAT PUTTING FIRE TO THE STATION HAD BEEN UNNECESSARY, SINCE IT HAD STOPPED TO SERVE AS JAMMING STATION SOME TIME BEFORE.

4. OTHER NEWS (JAN 3)

(0800 HRS) MEETINGS WITH CANDIDATES SHOW THAT THE ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SHARP ELECTORAL STRUGGLE. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO OBJECT TO CENTRAL CANDIDATES.

(0600 HRS) JAN LATO HAS BEEN RECALLED AS POLISH ENVOY TO HELSINKI.

1500 HRS) THE CITY OF NOWA HUTA HAS A POPULATION OF 90,000.

(0806 HRS) PRESS REVIEW: GLOS PRACY SAID THAT CLOSER RELATIONS BETWEEN POLAND AND YUGOSLAVIA CAN INFLUENCE THE SHAPE OF THE BALANCE OF POWER IN EUROPE.- HENRY FISHEL WRITES IN ZYCIE WARSZAWY ON THE ROLE OF THE INDIVIDUAL ENTERPRIZE IN THE NEW POLISH ECONOMIC SET-UP. THE ARTICLE STRESSED THAT RATIONING CANNOT BE THE BASIS OF A SOCIALIST ECONOMY.

(2300 HRS) THE "POLONIA" ASSOCIATION IS MAKING A FILM, "HOLIDAY IN THE HOMETLAND" FOR THE EMIGRATION.

(1830 HRS WARSAW II) THE AUTOMOBILE "WARSZAWA" WILL BE ON SALE ON THE FREE MARKET IN THE COURSE OF THE YEAR. THE PRICE HAS BEEN SET AT 70,000 ZLOTY, AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT 4,000 OR 5,000 WILL BE AVAILABLE.

HUNGARIAN MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS JAN 3-4, 1957

KOSSUTH RADIO UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

1. SZULOFOELDUNK BROADCAST

(JAN 3 2000 HRS) THE BROADCAST REPORTED ON LAST WEEK'S PRESS CONFERENCE WITH BUDAPEST POLICE COMMANDER GYORG SOS, THE ACCOUNT OF IT BEING MUCH THE SAME AS RADIO KOSSUTH'S

NEPSZABADSAG REPORTS THAT AT THE END OF THE YEAR, THE HUNGARIAN WORKERS' SOCIALIST PARTY HAD A MEMBERSHIP OF MORE THAN 100,000.

MTI REPORTS THAT LAJOS KOCSIS, DEPUTY MINISTER OF COAL MINING, HAS BEEN DISMISSED.

EIGHT EXPERTS OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE HAVE LEFT FOR SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND EAST GERMANY TO NEGOTIATE DELIVERS OF INDUSTRIAL AND CONSUMER GOODS.

2. PRICE CONTROL OFFICE ACTIVITIES

(JAN 3 1700 HRS) PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL PRICE OFFICE BELA OSIKOS-NAGY SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH ESTI HIRLAP THAT THE OFFICE WILL BE ENGAGED IN FIXING OFFICIAL PRICES AND CONTROLLING THEM. THE OLD PRICE LIST INCLUDED 700,000 ITEMS; THIS NUMBER WILL BE REDUCED TO SEVERAL THOUSAND OF ESSENTIAL ARTICLES. PRICES WILL DEPEND TO A LARGE EXTENT ON THE LAW OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND; THUS, SHORTAGE OF GOODS CAN BE AVOIDED. THE NEW METHOD OF FIXING PRICES WILL ONLY BE INTRODUCED AFTER PRODUCTION IS NORMALIZED. THERE IS NO NEED TO FEAR FURTHER PRICE INCREASES.

3. FURTHER TASKS OF PARLIAMENT AND PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL

(JAN 3 1700 HRS) ESTI HIRLAP REPORTS THAT PREPARATIONS ARE UNDERWAY FOR THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO RESUME ITS ACTIVITIES. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL WILL BE CURBED- FOR EXAMPLE IT WILL ISSUE CONSIDERABLY FEWER DECREES, AND ITS SUPERVISORY ACTIVITY WILL BE STRENGTHENED INSTEAD. THERE WILL BE CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL: ANDICS, GEROE, KOVACS AND RAKOSI ARE NO LONGER MEMBERS. THE VANCANCIES WILL BE FILLED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS NEXT SESSION.- PARLIAMENT IS NOT EXPECTED TO MEET UNTIL AFTER THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM IS MADE PUBLIC- NOT LATER THAN IN THE FIRST HALF OF JANUARY- AND AFTER THE GOVERNMENT IS EXTENDED.

4. WORKERS COUNCILS

(JAN 3 1700 HRS) ESTI HIRLAP REPORTS THAT THE DRAFTING OF RULES CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF WORKERS' COUNCILS HAS BEEN COMPLETED, AFTER BEING DISCUSSED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF LEADING FACTORIES, TRADE UNIONS AND EXPERTS. THE WORKERS' COUNCIL FULFILLS A MANAGERIAL ROLE, AND, THROUGH THE MANAGER, DIRECTS THE ENTERPRIZE. THE ENTERPRIZE ITSELF IS TO PREPARE ITS PLAN, WHICH WILL BE APPROVED BY THE WORKERS' COUNCIL. THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE'S ECONOMY MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. THE COUNCIL WILL HAVE A FAR - REACHING SAY IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS. IF AN ENTERPRIZE IS RUN UNECONOMICALLY, WORKERS WILL NOT RECEIVE THEIR FULL WAGES, ALTHOUGH THE STATE GUARANTEES 75 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL WAGE. THE APPROPRIATE MINISTRY WILL DECIDE ON THE FUTURE OF BANKRUPT ENTERPRIZES WITHIN THREE MONTHS. THE WORKERS' COUNCILS SHOULD SUPERVISE AND CONTROL THE MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES AND THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO CALL IN OUTSIDE EXPERTS.-

## 1. AGER PRESS BRIEFS.-

(JAN. 3- 0835) MEETINGS TO DISCUSS THE DECISIONS OF THE RECENT PARTY PLENUM (1)- CHINESE NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS TO RUMANIAN PEOPLE (2)- PRESS CONFERENCE WITH IGOR MOISEYEVICH (3)- ROMANIA LIBERA ON PROSPECTS OF RPR FOOD INDUSTRY (4)- SPORT (5-6)- PRESS REVIEW (7-8)- NEW YEAR'S DAY IN RPR (9). (1940) ROMANIA LIBERA ON FOREIGN POLICY (1)- LAND SOCIALIZATION IN CONSTANZA REGION (2)- ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR SILVESTRI TO VISIT BRITAIN (3)- PEOPLE'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN CRAIOVA REGION (4)- NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE BY WRITERS OF THE AUTONOMOUS MAGYAR REGION TO HUNGARIAN WRITERS (5) SPORT (6-7).-

## 2. NEWS IN HEADLINES.-

(JAN. 3-4) SYRIAN PRESIDENT TO VISIT PAKISTAN AND INDIA. INTERNATIONAL DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S FEDERATION HAS RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM HUNGARIAN WOMEN CC CONTAINING APPEAL TO ALL WORLD'S WOMEN - ACCORDING TO KRASNAYA ZVEZDA, THE SAAR ANNEXATION IS RESULT OF BUSINESS TRANSACTION BETWEEN GERMAN AND FRENCH MAGNATES OF METALLURGIC INDUSTRY - ARABS WELCOME NEW SYRIAN GOVERNMENT - SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER : SYRIA WILL REPAIR OIL PIPELINES ONLY AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAELI TROOPS FROM SINAI AND GHAZA AREAS- CHOU EN LAI HAS RETURNED TO PEKING FROM TOUR IN ASIAN COUNTRIES - MEMBER OF WC CHRISTIAN- DEMOCRAT UNION FAVORABLE TO INTENSIFICATION OF EAST -WESTERN TRADE- OPENING OF 11TH SESSION OF UN POLITICAL COMMITTEE- GDR GOVERNMENT DELEGATION ARRIVED IN MOSCOW TODAY.-

## 3. THE US AND THE MIDEAST

(JAN. 3- BUCH: 2200) PRESIDENT EISENHOWER WILL SUBMIT TOMORROW TO NEWLY ELECTED CONGRESS HIS SPECIAL MESSAGE CONCERNING "THE NEW AMERICAN PLAN OF ECONOMIC SUBORDINATION OF THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION UNDER THREAT OF USE OF AMERICAN MILITARY STRENGTH". MANY OBSERVERS CRITICIZE SUCH PLAN AS DESIGNED TO TURN THE ARAB EAST INTO A PERMANENT HOTBED OF INTERNATIONAL TENSION AND DANGER. ACCORDING TO FRENCH PAPER "L'AUREOLE", THE AMERICAN DIPLOMACY IS ON THE OFFENSIVE; COMBAT SAYS "EISENHOWER HAS UNDERESTIMATED THE RESERVES AND OPPOSITION WHICH HIS PLAN MAY MEET BOTH IN THE EAST AND WEST"; CORRIERE DELLA SERA AFFIRMS THE US WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO OPPOSE WITH STRENGTH WHAT THE PAPER CALLS "ANTI-WESTERN REVOLUTION", AND DRAWS THE US ATTENTION ON FACT THAT "BRITAIN COULD NOT AVOID HER REMOVAL FROM JORDAN DESPITE HER IMPORTANT MILITARY FORCES AVAILABLE IN THAT AREA".

(JAN. 4- BUCH I: 0700) UNFAVORABLE REACTION TO THE US PLANS IN ARAB COUNTRIES ... THE SO-CALLED EISENHOWER'S DOCTRINE IS AIMED AT THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ENSLAVEMENT OF ARAB EAST BY AMERICAN MONOPOLIES.

SCANTEIA CARRIES IN ITS LAST PAGE COMMENTARY "THE THEORY OF FORCE VACUUM AND THE FACTS OF THE OPPRESSION OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM".

## 4. FOREIGN RELATIONS

(JAN. 3- BUCH II: 2100) ON DEC. 29 THE FOLKLORE ENSEMBLE OF THE BUCHAREST GIULESTI RAILWAYMEN ARRIVED IN TEHRAN AND HAD ITS FIRST PERFORMANCE IN THAT CAPITAL.

(JAN. 4- BUCH: 0530) LJUBA CHISINEVSKI AND PETRE BARBULESCU LEFT FOR PRAGUE YESTERDAY TO PARTICIPATE AS RPR TU REPRESENTATIVES IN THE RALLY OF EUROPEAN TU'S OF THE WFTU WHICH IS TO CONSIDER AND ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL ACTION OF SOLIDARITY WITH HUNGARIAN TU'S.

(0700) GHEORGHIU DEJ, CHIVU STOICA, GH. APOSTOL, AND OTHER RPR TOP LEADERS YESTERDAY ATTENDED GALA PERFORMANCE BY USSR STATE ENSEMBLE NOW TOURING RPR.



5. ELECTION CAMPAIGN

(JAN. 3-BUCH I: 1100) LISTS OF ELECTORS, COMPILED BY PEOPLE'S COUNCILS, WILL BE POSTERED THROUGHOUT RPR TODAY. TO ASSURE THEIR PARTICIPATION IN ELECTIONS, CITIZENS HAVE DUTY TO VERIFY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OMISSIONS OR ERRORS HAVE BEEN COMMITTED IN COMPILING LISTS, AND INFORM IN SUCH CASE THE PEOPLE'S COUNCILS.

6. "SELF-FINANCING"

(JAN. 4-BUCH I: 0700) CONSUMERS COOPERATIVES WILL BE "SELF-FINANCED" FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR, THE PRESIDENT OF BUCHAREST REGIONAL COOPERATIVE UNION HAS TOLD BUCHAREST RADIO.

7. PEOPLE'S CONTROL OVER STATE TRADE

(JAN. 4-BUCH I: 0700) PEOPLE WILL CONTROL ACTIVITY OF STATE TRADE BY SPECIAL TEAMS. THIS HAS BEEN DECIDED BY PRESIDUM OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY RECENTLY.

THE TEAMS WILL CONSIST OF WORKERS, ENGINEERS, TECHNICIANS AND EMPLOYEES ELECTED IN GENERAL ASSEMBLIES OF ENTERPRISES AND INSTITUTIONS, AND OF HOUSEWIVES (WIVES OF WAGE EARNERS) ELECTED IN PRECINCT GENERAL ASSEMBLIES, ORGANIZED BY WOMENS'S COMMISSIONS AT PEOPLE'S COUNCILS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES ...

THE CONTROL TEAMS, INSTRUCTED BY TRADE UNIONS, WILL CHECK WHETHER STATE FOOD AND INDUSTRIAL RETAIL STORES ARE SUPPLIED WITH NECESSARY ASSORTMENTS, WHETHER GOODS ARE WELL DEPOSITED, KEPT, WEIGHED AND MEASURED. THEY WILL ALSO CHECK EXACTNESS OF SCALES AND MEASURES, OBSERVANCE OF RETAIL PRICES, ETC AND WILL ENJOY THE SUPPORT OF PEOPLE'S COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES, STATE TRADE AND HEALTH INSPECTORS, AND MILITIA BODIES.

8. VOH: REPATRIATION

(JAN. 4 - 0030) LATEST ISSUE OF "VOICE OF HOMELAND" TELLS IN PART THE STORY OF HOW THE FAMILIES OF TWO RUMANIANS WHO HAVE RECENTLY RETURNED FROM ABROAD, HAVE CELEBRATED "XMAS" HOLIDAYS. (NOTE: THE NAME "XMAS" IS CAREFULLY AVOIDED IN ALL OTHER RUMANIAN BROADCASTS, AND REPLACED BY "WINTER HOLIDAYS").

VOICE OF HOMELAND ALSO STRESSES THAT IN 1956 ALLOCATIONS FOR SOCIAL WELFARE WERE 500 MILLION LEK OVER 1955, THAT WAGE EARNERS LAST YEAR RECEIVED 200 MILLIONS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AID OVER 1955, THAT SOCIALIST STORES SOLD OVER 2.5 BILLIONS LEK OF GOODS MORE THAN IN 1955, ETC.

BULGARIAN MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS 4 JAN 1957

1. RABOTNICHESKO DELO LEADER.-

SOFIA (4 JAN 0630 HRS) HEADLINED: "IRRECONCILABLE FIGHT AGAINST THE BOURGEOIS IDEOLOGY". AS CHARACTERISTIC FOR THE PERIOD AFTER WORLD WAR II, THE ARTICLE POINTED OUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF MARX-LENIN'S TEACHINGS INTO A WORLD SOCIALIST SYSTEM. IT HAD DEVELOPED SUCCESSFULLY IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES IN EUROPE AND ASIA.

IN THEIR FIGHT AGAINST SOCIALISM, SAID FURTHER THE ARTICLE, THE BOURGEOIS MAKES USE OF ITS OLD AND TRIED WEAPONS, THE DEMAGOGY AND SLANDER, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SOME MISTAKES COMMITTED BY INDIVIDUAL FUNCTIONARIES OF THE WORKERS' MOVEMENT AND THE DIFFICULTIES IN OUR DEVELOPMENT ON THE ROAD TO SOCIALISM. THESE ELEMENTS HIDE THEIR DARK INTENTIONS BEHIND SLOGANS FOR DEMOCRATIZATION AND LIBERALIZATION OF OUR SYSTEM. AA AN EXAMPLE, THE ARTICLE POINTED OUT THE EVENTS IN HUNGARY.

IT WAS FURTHER SAID THAT HISTORY OF MANKIND HAD SHOWN THAT DEMOCRACY DOES NOT EXIST AT ALL. THERE EXIST TWO DIFFERENT DEMOCRACIES, SAID THE ARTICLE, A BOURGEOIS AND A SOCIALIST ONE. THE FIRST ONE SERVES THE BOURGEOIS IDEOLOGY AND THE CAPITALIST EXPLOITATION, AND THE SECOND SERVES THE PEOPLE'S MASSES.

ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE, FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, PRESS AND ARTS ALSO DOES NOT EXIST, BECAUSE THIS FREEDOM IS SUBJUGATED AGAIN TO THE TWO SYSTEMS AS MENTIONED ABOVE. THEREFORE, SAID THE ARTICLE IN CONCLUSION, WE SHOULD FIGHT THE BOURGEOIS CONCEPTION OF FREEDOM AND LIBERALIZATION, WHICH HINDERS OUR SOCIALIST DEVELOPMENT, WITH OUR WEAPONS- THE TEACHINGS OF MARX AND LENIN.

2. HEAVY INDUSTRY IN 1957.-

SOFIA (3 JAN 1900 HRS) A TALK OVER THE RADIO BY THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRY - T. TSOLOV. AMONG OTHERS, TSOLOV GAVE THE FOLLOWING FIGURES: COAL PRODUCTION HAD REACHED AN YEARLY OUTPUT OF OVER 10 MILLION TONS; IRON ORE- 230,000 TONS; MANGANESE ORE- OVER 70,000 TONS; LEAD AND ZINC CONCENTRATES- OVER 145,000 TONS; LEAD AND ZINC - ALMOST 12,000 TONS; BLACK COPPER- OVER 4,500 TONS; STEEL 125,000 TONS; ROLLED METAL- ALMOST 100,000 TONS; NITROGEN FERTILIZERS- ABOUT 105,000 TONS; CALCINATED SODA- OVER 86,000 TONS; ETC. PRODUCTION OF MINERAL OIL IN 1957 WILL REACH 200,000 TONS; CAST IRON- 44,000 TONS; THE FERROUS METALLURGY WILL PRODUCE 120,000 TONS OF ROLLED METAL AND 177,000 OF STEEL.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR MACHINE INDUSTRY WAS ALSO MENTIONED. IN CONCLUSION TSOLOV GREETED THE WORKERS OF THE HEAVY INDUSTRY WITH HAPPY NEW YEAR AND CALLED THEM TO STILL GREATER EFFORTS.

3. CHINESE DELEGATION.-

(SOFIA, 3 JAN, 0200 HRS) A MEETING TOOK PLACE ON THE ARRIVAL OF THE CHINESE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION IN SOFIA. FERDINAND KOZOVSKI SPOKE.-

(1230 HRS) THE USUAL PRESS REVIEW BROADCAST BEGAN BY TRANSMITTING SPEECHES HELD AT THE WELCOMING MEETING. WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS, BULGARIAN NEWSPAPER TODAY DEVOTE THEIR LEADING ARTICLES TO THE CHINESE VISIT.

TRUD AND NARODNA MLADJEZH, IN THEIR LEADING ARTICLES, CALL FOR IMMEDIATE STRUGGLE TO IMPLEMENT ECONOMIC PLANS.

EAST GERMAN JAN 3 - 4, 1957, -

(NOTE: ALL GDR BROADCASTS GIVE PROMINENCE TO THE ARRIVAL OF GDR- GOVERNMENTAL DELEGATION IN MOSCOW. FOR DETAILS SEE ADN 57,59,74/3.1)

1. LEUSCHNER ON MOSCOW - VISIT.-

(GDR, JAN3, 1910 HRS) COMMENTING ON GDR-DELEGATIONS TRIP TO MOSCOW, GUENTHER LEUSCHNER ASSERTS, THAT COMING DISCUSSIONS WILL BE CERTAINLY OF AN EXTRA-ORDINARY IMPORTANCE FOR OUR STATE, AS WELL AS FOR ALL-GERMANY. THE FACT ITSELF, THAT THE DELEGATION INCLUDES MEMBERS OF ALL DEMOCRATIC PARTIES, IS AN EXPRESSION OF THE COMMON AIMS OF ALL OUR FORCES, LEUSCHNER GOES ON.-

REFERRING TO THE QUESTION OF THE STATIONED TROOPS, LEUSCHNER SAYS, THAT THESE TROOPS ARE EXCLUSIVELY FOR "THE DEFENSE OF OUR REPUBLIC, RESPECTING OUR LAWS AND DECREES, AND NOT BUILDING A STATE IN THE STATE. AS IS THE CASE IN WC". LEUSCHNER CONCLUDES HIS COMMENTARY BY QUOTING GROTEWOHL, ACCORDING TO WHOM,

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THIS MOSCOW VISIT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO BURY ALL ILLUSORY HOPES ON A SPLIT IN SOCIALIST CAMP.

2. BONN'S LEADING ROLE.-

(D.SENDER, JAN 3, 2115 HRS) REPORTING TO BONN'S WAR PLANS, MARTIN RATHMANN POINTS OUT IN A SHORT COMMENTARY, THAT BONN INTENDS TO ACHIEVE A LEADING PART IN WESTERN EUROPE AND TO RECOMMEND ITSELF TO THE AMERICANS AS THE MOST RELIABLE WAR PARTNER. BUT ALL OUR HOPES ARE DIRECTED TO THE GDR DELEGATION IN MOSCOW, GIVING ONLY THE WORLD CAMP OF SOCIALISM THE PREREQUISITE FOR EUROPE'S SECURITY AND GERMANY'S REUNIFICATION, RATHMANN CONCLUDES.

3. AGAINST RICHTER

(D.SENDER, JAN 3, 1910 HRS) IN A COMMENTARY PROF. GERHARD EISLER DEALS WITH A GREETING MESSAGE OF THE GERMAN TU'S CHAIRMAN, WILLY RICHTER, TO GDR. IT IS DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND, WHY RICHTER CALLS GDR "SOVIET ZONE", EISLER SAYS, AND ADDRESSING RICHTER DIRECTLY, HE CONTINUES: "TRY TO PRONOUNCE THE NAME "GDR", AND YOU WILL SEE, THAT IT IS QUITE EASY, THAT CORRESPONDS EVEN TO THE FACTS AND THE TRUTH. YOU COULD HELP A REUNIFICATION OF GERMANY ONLY BY FIGHTING THE REACTION, AND NOT THE SOCIALISTS AND TU MEMBERS IN GDR", EISLER CONCLUDES.

4. RUBITSCH FROM BUDAPEST

(GDR, JAN 3, 2210 HRS) IN A REPORT FROM BUDAPEST, RUDI RUBITSCH GIVES DETAILS OF THE ASSAULT ON HUNGARIAN PARTY'S HOUSE IN BUDAPEST. THIS ASSAULT HAS GIVEN THE SIGNAL FOR A GENERAL COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY OFFENSIVE AGAINST WORKING PARTY, AND COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES MADE NO SECRET OF THEIR INTENTION OF RESTORING OLD HORTHY ORDER IN HUNGARY. THIS SIGNAL WAS PLANNED AS A CALL FOR GENERAL TERROR AND MASSACRES, RUBITSCH CONTINUES, BUT SOVIET TROOPS IN COMMON WORK WITH HUNGARIAN MILITIA FORMATIONS STRUCK THE HATCHET OFF THE HANDS OF THE HENCHMEN.-

5. NEWS IN BRIEF

(ALL GDR BROADCASTS AND ADN 2,23) PRESIDENT W. PIECK CELEBRATED HIS 81ST BIRTHDAY IN HIS RESIDENCE IN BERLIN, NIEDERSCHOENHAUSEN TODAY.

(D.SENDER, JAN, 3, 1900 HRS) MEMBERS OF US INQUIRY COMMITTEE FOR EXAMINATION OF FOREIGN HELP, ARRIVED IN DUESSELDORF TODAY. A MEETING WITH ADENAUER IS PLANNED FOR TOMORROW.

(D.SENDER, JAN, 3 1900 HRS) THE GROUP OF CONSCRIPTION OBJECTORS DISTRIBUTED LEAFLETS TODAY, ALL OVER WG. ADN 58/3.1 NEWS FROM HUNGARY. ADN 83/3.1 FIRST MEETING OF HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT AFTER OCTOBER EVENTS. ADN 1/4.1 "NEUES DEUTSCHLAND" LEADER TITLED "FACTS ARE FACTS, WISH-DREAMS REMAIN WISH-DREAMS" DEALS WITH "THE PROPAGANDISTIC RUNNING FIGHTS" AFTER THE FAILURE OF HUNGARIAN PSYCHOSIS.

YUGOSLAV - MONITORING - JAN 3-4, 57

1. TANJUG HEADLINES

TITO CONGRATULATES BURMESE PRESIDENT (1);  
RANKOVIC RECEIVES POLISH NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS (2);

2. REPORT FROM WARSAW  
(ZAGREB, 3 JAN, 1930 HRS) ZIVOJIN STEKIC IN HIS REPORT FROM WARSAW DEALS WITH REPARATIONS FOR IMPENDING ELECTIONS, GOING PARALLELLY WITH THE STRUGGLE TO SOLVE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

STEKIC SPEAKS ABOUT MEETINGS BETWEEN THE ELECTORATE AND CANDIDATES, INCLUDING OCHAB, AS TO THE COMPOSITION OF ELECTORAL LISTS, STEKIC LEARNS THAT CANDIDATES INCLUDE 50 PERCENT PUMP MEMBERS, ABOUT 35 PERCENT AGRARIANS, TEN PERCENT DEMOCRATS, AND 15 PERCENT INDEPENDENTS AND CATHOLIC PROGRESSISTS.

DEALING WITH TALKS BETWEEN CANDIDATES AND ELECTORS, STEKIC SAYS THIS IS NO SIMPLE "MEETING-BUSINESS": THE SERIOUSNESS OF CANDIDATES IN FACING THE PEOPLE, THE MULTITUDE OF ASKED QUESTIONS, DEMAND FROM CANDIDATES TO SHOW RESPONSIBILITY TOWARDS THEIR ELECTORATES.

#### NEGATIVE ELEMENTS

THERE ARE ALSO SOME NEGATIVE ELEMENTS IN THE CURRENT ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN, SAYS STEKIC: PARTICULARISM, STRUGGLE FOR PERSONAL PRESTIGE, DEMAGOGY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, ETCETERA. THESE NEGATIVE ATTITUDES ARE BY NO MEANS A GENERAL LINE IN THE PRE-ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN, BUT THEY INFLUENCE THE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE.

THEN, STEKIC QUOTES OCHAB SPEECH MADE TO KATOWICE ELECTORATE YESTERDAY, AND CONCLUDES:

THE ROLE AND THE PLACE OF THE SEJM IS ONE OF THE QUESTIONS MOSTLY ASKED BY ELECTORS. THIS QUESTION REMAINS OPEN, TO BE ANSWERED BY THE FUTURE.

#### 3. YUGO VIEWS ON USA

(BELGRADE, 3 JAN, 1930 HRS) STATION COMMENTARY ON IKE'S ANSWER TO BULGANIN, SAYS IN PART:

AS COULD BE EXPECTED, IN HIS REPLY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER REJECTED THE SOVIET APPRAISALS ABOUT THE CAUSES FOR WORLD TENSION... THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT E.'S LATEST LETTER TO PREMIER BULGANIN HAS LEFT THE DOOR WIDE OPEN FOR FURTHER TALKS AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, PRIMARILY ON DISARMAMENT.

(ZAGREB, 3 JAN, 1930 HRS) DVAN SCEKIC, REPORTING FROM NEW YORK ON EISENHOWER'S MIDDLE EAST PLAN, SAYS "IT IS BELIEVED" THAT THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO CRATE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS DANGEROUS, SINCE THE CONGRESS TRADITIONALLY IS ILL-DISPOSED TOWARD INCREASING FOREIGN COMMITMENTS. IN CONCLUSION SCEKIC STRESSES WALTER LIPPMANN'S CRITICISM OF THE US MIDDLE EAST PLANS.

#### 4. NEW YEAR PRICES

(BELGRADE, 3 JAN, 1930 HRS) COSTA MARINOVIC IN A REPORT SAYS PEOPLE IN BELGRADE ARE BROKE AFTER HAVING BOUGHT TOO MUCH BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS. AS A RESULT OF EXAGGERATED SPENDING, PRICES HAVE CONSIDERABLY INCREASED, ESPECIALLY MEAT AND BEVERAGES; TEXTILES HAVE SCARCELY BEEN SOLD IN TURN.

#### ALBANIAN - MONITORING - JAN. 3-4, 1957. ---

#### 1. THE PRESS

(JAN. 3-TIRANA: 0645) ZERI POPULLIT: IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE 1956 INDUSTRIAL PLAN WAS CARRIED OUT 107 PERCENT. IN 1956 THE LAND UNDER CULTIVATION WAS THREE PERCENT LARGER THAN IN 1955. AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES AND STATE FARMS NOW COVER 40 PERCENT OF ALBANIA'S PLANTED AREA. THE TWO PRICE CUTS THIS YEAR RESULTED IN 2,500,000,000 LEK OF SAVINGS FOR WORKERS. BETTER MOBILIZATION OF WORKERS IS REQUIRED, THE 1957 WORKING PLAN IS LARGER THAN LAST YEAR'S.

(ATA-JAN. 3 - ITEM 1) ALL NEWSPAPERS EDITORIALY REVIEW ACHIEVEMENTS OF ALBANIAN WORKERS IN 1956 AND CALL FOR MORE EFFORTS IN 1957.

2. FOREIGN RELATIONS

(JAN. 3-TIRANA: 2000) FIRST SHIP FOR THIS YEAR CARRYING INDUSTRIAL GOODS DESTINED TO NEW ALBANIAN BUILDINGS LEFT ODESSA PORT AT MIDNIGHT DEC 31.

(2200) ALBANIAN TU DELEGATION HEADED BY TU SECRETARY SOTIR KAMBERI LEFT MOSCOW FOR HOME TODAY, AFTER ONE MONTH STAY IN USSR.

MINISTERIAL COUNCIL HAS APPROVED THE 1957 INTERNATIONAL SPORT CALENDAR PROVIDING FOR A SERIES OF MATCHES BETWEEN ALBANIAN AND FOREIGN SPORTSMEN. WORKERS BELONGING TO ALBANIAN NATIONAL SPORT TEAMS WILL WORK ONLY FIVE HOURS DAILY, TO HAVE MORE TIME TO DEVOTE TO SPORT TRAINING.

3. HOME NEWS

(JAN. 3-TIRANA: 1815) THERE ARE 60 AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES IN SHKODER DISTRICT, AND 24 IN POGRADEC.

THE LAND RECLAMATION ENTERPRISE IN KORCE HAS OUTSTRIPPED THE 1956 PLAN 33.63 PERCENT; THE ENTERPRISE HAS OPENED 24 KILOMETERS OF DRAINAGE CANALS, 63 KILOMETERS OF IRRIGATION CANALS AND CLEANED 174 KILOMETERS OF DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION CANALS.

(2000) TODAY IS FIRST WORKING DAY IN 1957. THIS YEAR THE STALIN TEXTILE COMPLEX WILL PRODUCE 32 PERCENT TEXTILE PRODUCTS AND 11 PERCENT COTTON FABRICS OVER 1956.

(2200) IN 1956, THE CRUDE OIL INDUSTRY PRODUCED 40,000 TONS OF CRUDE OIL AND PROCESSED OIL OVER THE PLAN.

REFINERY NUMBER TWO WILL BE COMMISSIONED BY END OF JANUARY. IN 1957, THE COMPLEX WILL PRODUCE 16.6, DRILL 3.3, RESEARCH 42.8, REFINE 29.4 AND PRODUCE 43.6 PERCENT BITUMEN OVER 1956.

THE ENVER HYDROPOWER STATION WILL BE COMMISSIONED BY THE END OF 1957. IN 1956, WORK IN THIS CONSTRUCTION INCLUDED 48,000 CUBIC METERS OF DIGGING AND 91,000 CUBIC METERS OF CONCRETE IN THE DAM; ANOTHER 120,000 CUBIC METERS OF CONCRETE AND 2,500 TONS OF REINFORCED CONCRETE WILL BE TURNED INTO IT THIS YEAR; ALL THIS WORK MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR; IN THE FOURTH QUARTER THE DAM GATES WILL BE CLOSED.

(2230) INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN 1957 WILL BE 24 PERCENT OVER 1956. CRUDE OIL 6 PERCENT, GASOLINE 219 PERCENT, BITUMEN 5, COAL 10, CHROME ORE 23, ELECTRIC POWER 14, SAWED TIMBER 17, WOOLEN FABRICS 21, AND COTTON FABRICS 21 PERCENT OVER 1956.