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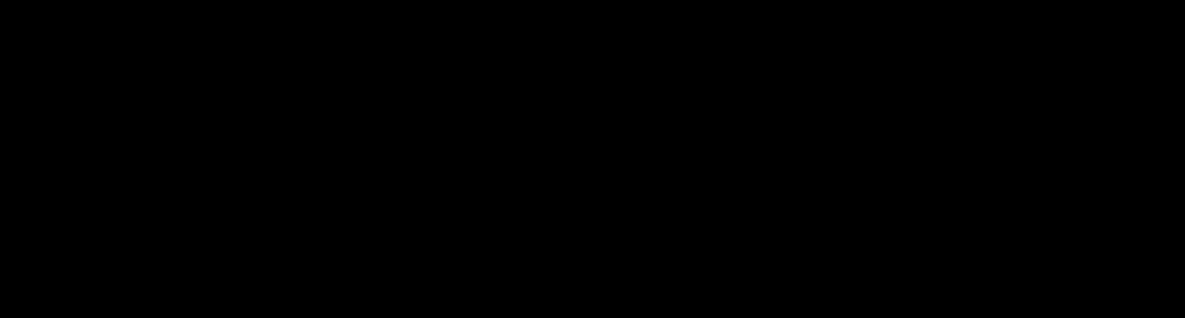
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1. Tulio Tablada Garcia, well-known member of the Partido Socialista de Nicaragua (PSN) and presently Social Relations Secretary of the Sindicato de Empleados y Trabajadores de Comercio de Managua, departed for San Salvador 9 April 1949 via TACA Airlines. On 12 April he went to Tagucigalpa, Honduras, and returned to Managua on TACA 16 April. Allegedly the trip was chiefly for pleasure, but Tablada was asked by local labor and PSN leaders to contact certain persons in El Salvador and Honduras.
2. In accordance with these requests Tablada called on three labor officials during his stay in San Salvador. These were Carlos Alex Gomez and Benjamin Mejia Martinez of the Union de Trabajadores Ferrocarrileros and Narciso Lacayo of the Empleados de Comercio. Upon his return, according to source, Tablada reported that he had talked with all three and had discussed the progress of the labor movement in Nicaragua. Tablada stated that he was questioned particularly about the reasons for the alliance with Absalon Gonzalez, and that he explained that this was made necessary by the desire of the PSN to form a single central labor organization, which could obtain official representation. Once control of the new organization is established, Tablada reportedly told the Salvadorans, Gonzalez would be replaced. Tablada said that this explanation was necessary, inasmuch as the Salvadorans expressed some doubts regarding the path being taken by the PSN in Nicaragua. After the discussion it was agreed that the steps taken locally were justified by circumstances.

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3. [redacted] stated that Gomez is the most important Communist in the Salvadoran labor movement, and that Mejia is also prominent. Tablada was told by Gomez that no money had been sent to Nicaragua in care of Humberto Blanco, as promised, because they had given a sizeable amount to Armando Amador when the latter passed through San Salvador en route to Mexico in February 1949. They reportedly told Tablada that for some unknown reason Amador had not acknowledged receipt of this money. When Tablada reported this matter to Juan Lorio and Manuel Perez Estrada upon his return the latter were disappointed because they had received no money, according to source, and cursed Amador for apparently having run off with funds set aside for the Party.

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4. Guillermo Suarez Rivas, head of the PSN fraction in the Sindicato de Empleados y Trabajadores de Comercio, reportedly told Tablada that he should see Rigoberto Rodriguez, in the Plaza Obelisco, Comayaguela, Honduras. Rodriguez apparently is the principal liaison agent between the PSN and the Communist labor leaders in Honduras. Source states that, in the event Rodriguez was not at home, Tablada was to inquire at his house for the address of Guillermo Chirinos. The latter knows the frontier area well, and he aided Amador on his trip through Honduras last February. According to source, Tablada was successful in meeting both men, and he talked with them in the house of Maria Luisa Genelley in Comayaguela.
5. Tablada reported to Suarez and other PSN leaders that the two Hondurans, who are allegedly prominent in the underground labor movement in that country, are anxious to organize the working classes, but that they are forced to move slowly because of the opposition of the government. According to source, these Hondurans issue propaganda for Honduras and Nicaragua, and their present theme is world peace.

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