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1. The Militia guard of eighty-eight men formerly stationed at the Bucharest home of Emil Bodnăraș, Minister of the Armed Forces, has been reduced to one, possibly indicating that the house is presently not occupied.
2. Although Bucharest newspapers reported Bodnăraș' presence at the May day parade, five participants in the ceremonies have reported that the Minister of the Armed Forces was not in evidence.
3. No large posters displaying the picture of Bodnăraș were put up in Bucharest for 1 May. At the present time his pictures are being removed from many public buildings.
4. Reports that Bodnăraș attempted to escape from Rumania and is presently under house arrest continue to circulate in Bucharest.

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Comment: It is the custom in Rumania to display the portraits of selected Soviet and Rumanian Communist leaders on Party and national holidays.

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