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1. Malaxa's Position. Malaxa the prominent industrialist, has won Communist and Russian support. He received 3.2 billion lei from the Rumanian Government for equipment removed from his plant and gave 1.2 billion of this to the Communists. He also received 2,400,000= dollars freely negotiable in Zurich or the United States for machinery taken by the Russians. It is said that this move is of economic interest since Malaxa has to buy new machinery. However, it was pointed out that the original machinery cost less than 2,400,000 dollars.

2. Prime Minister Groza told Radu Xenopol that the latter should get ready again to act as midwife to the new government.

Comment: Xenopol is an industrialist in the favor of the left, who is said reliably to have been consulted by the left before the formation of the Groza Government. Groza is a puppet run by the Communists. Groza's complaint is that the agrarian reform has been carried through by the Communists and not by his Plowman's Front. Representation of the latter have been omitted from most local expropriation committees.

3. Change in the Proposed War Criminal Law. Several drafts of laws submitted to the King by Patrascanu, Minister of Justice, have been rejected. It is said that the contemplated change of the section of the Constitution protecting private property has been dropped, and that the new law for the prosecution of war criminals will be changed subsequently. Article 18, which was its most objectionable feature also is being modified.

4. Communist Appeal for Membership. On 11 April, Ana Pauker and other Communists spoke at a public meeting. They asked everyone to join the Communist Party without intermediary stages. On the same evening the independent papers were asked not to print the story and to insure this, their workers were instructed not to print the story.

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