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Excerpt of pertinent information :

1. On Feb. 13, FND held large street demonstration as protest against Radescu's public meeting of 11 Feb. American estimates attendance from fifty to two hundred thousand while Communist Press reported five thousand. Meeting quiet and spiritless. Marked contrast to rumor of strike and violence.

2. Sources interviewed member Rumanian Communists brain trust and said Radescu's speech turning point current Rumanian politics. Said Radescu could attack whole FND program within framework of democratic concept. Hence its position weakened. Despite democratic views Radescu used reactionary public opinion and definitely sides with reactionaries. Did this by using police to organise meeting of 11 Feb. thus followed usual Rumanian reliance on force.

3. Subsource felt speech meaked him as reactionary leader of forces once lacking organization and leadership. Thus Radescu put FND on defensive after five months of offensive.

. . . 5. Through Radescu speech and Yalta Conference subsource thought FND lost chance to win government though believed agrarian reform could go through. Saw definite political rise of Right in next weeks.

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