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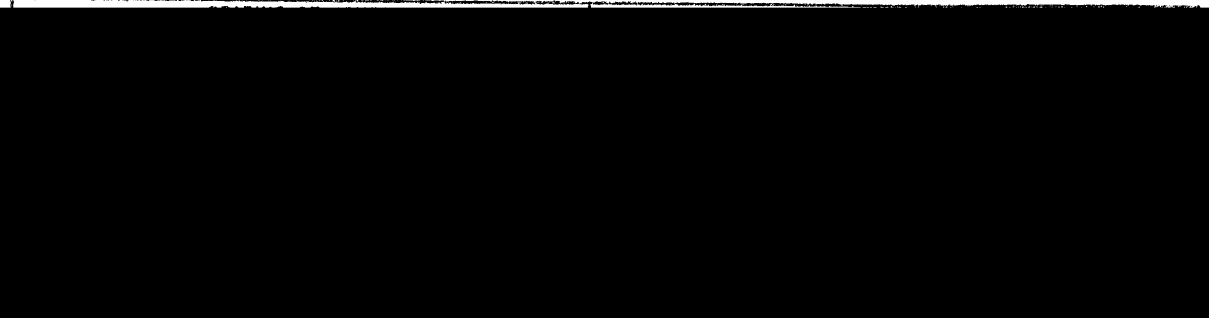
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1. Source reports that the arrest of several militant Chilean Communists on 15 April at the home of Jacinto Carrasco, Calle Libertad 1160, San Bernardo, was the result of lack of precaution on their part.* The police raided the meeting because they had observed such known militant Communists as Luis Perez Retanales and Jose Pastene Carrasco entering the house.
2. Source further reports that the Chilean Investigaciones obtained no proof of any conspiratorial activities on the part of those arrested, and were forced to release the majority of them. Nothing could be proved except that they were holding an ordinary clandestine Communist meeting.
3. Although newspaper accounts implicated former Minister of Agriculture Miguel Concha Quosada in an alleged plot, he was apparently unaware of the meeting, and at the time of the arrest of the Communists was in Santiago. Subsequently, Concha Quosada voluntarily presented himself to the authorities, and was unconditionally released after an interrogation.

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