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1. It is reported that the carnets of the Communist Party of Chile which were issued under the guise of membership cards in the Clubs Deportivos "Bilbao" and "Camilo Henrique" have been recalled by the Party because police investigation has disclosed the use to which the Communists were putting them, and has rendered them suspect. These cards have been replaced with a plain carnet showing only a serial number and having sections for monthly dues-stamps. It is not yet known whether this type of carnet is in general use throughout Chile.
2. When Luis Alberto Saavedra Valderrama, also known as Luis Alberto Saavedra Valenzuela, Communist Party director of Melipilla in charge of propaganda in that district, was arrested by the police, a number of the dues-stamps and receipt blanks used for large payments to the Party were found in his possession. He was a Communist candidate for councilman for El Monte in 1947, a former member of the Chilean-Soviet Cultural Institute, and a railroad leader.

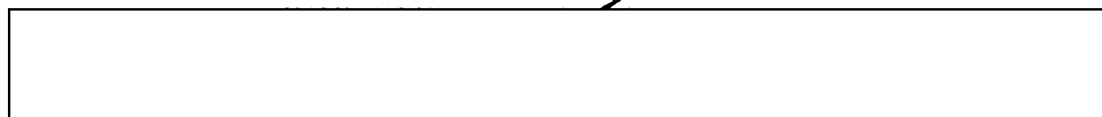
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