

Romania Leaves A Big Question Over Solidarity With Kremlin

LONDON (UPI) — Romania, odd man out at the weekend East Berlin Red summit meeting, left a haunting question mark over its solidarity with the Kremlin's front against Communist China.

Romania's strongman, party chief Gheorghe Gheorghiu-Dej, was a notable absentee at the Red rally at which Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev ostensibly sought and received firm backing from the other satellite leaders for his ideological and political showdown with the Peking regime in Moscow starting Friday.

He was the only satellite boss who stayed away from the summit. Nor did he send a personal ranking representative or commit himself publicly to any specific policy line.

The only public reaction was a telegram from Gheorghiu-Dej to East German party boss Walter Ulbricht, congratulating him on his 70th birthday, the professed reason for the East Berlin Communist get-together.

Picture Clouded

Differences between Romania and Russia and the rest of the European Red camp have clouded the relationship behind the Iron Curtain in recent months.

But in the light of Romania's demonstrative absence from the Red summit they appear to go deeper than has been realized so far outside the Iron Curtain.

Romania is experiencing an economic boom, unique among the satellites. Aware of its rich economic resources, since Russia stopped milking it dry, Romania has embarked on a policy of all-out industrial development.

The pursuit of this policy has brought Romania into conflict with its Communist allies who are enforcing a policy of economic coordination of planning within Comecon, the alignment of the Communist countries for closer economic cooperation.

Pays Lip Service

Complying with this policy would mean curbing Romania's industrial push and dropping various ambitious plans for developing the country's own industries, in favor of "socialist specialization." Romania has been paying lip service to this policy but has been dragging her feet in putting it into practice.

Others, like Poland, Czechoslovakia and East Germany — all industrialized — want other members to confine themselves to less ambitious tasks and leave them to provide the industrial needs for the bloc. Russia backs this strategy.

The Romanians have made three moves which, at least on the surface, appeared a direct provocation of Russia.

Romania alone among the East Europeans sent back their ambassador to Albania, with whom Russia broke relations some 18 months ago. They also concluded a major trade agreement with Red China. Finally, they distributed Chinese presentations of the Sino-Soviet conflict within their top-level Communist ranks and even published the latest Peking outline of its ideological demands in the quarrel with Russia.

COOLER AIR AHEAD

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The old air conditioning system in the west wing of the White House — dating back to President Herbert Hoover — is being retired. A new air conditioner, costing \$487,000, will replace the original, which was installed in 1929.



SHIRLEY HANNAH, 12, has won first place in the advance 11 and 12-year-old division of the Thunderbird Open United States Twirling Association solo baton contest recently held in Portland. She returned home Saturday following a week at the association's clinic. She has been selected to perform with the Thunderbird competitive team, comprised of the top baton twirlers of the state, during football game half-times this fall. Her instructor is Sylvia Blair of Milwaukie, vice president of USTA. Shirley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hannah of Roseburg. (News-Review Photo)

Douglas Teachers Attend Institutes

Three Douglas County school teachers are attending summer science institutes and a fourth will participate in a session on guidance and counseling this fall.

Ray Derrah of Glendale is one of 30 secondary teachers from throughout the nation who will receive a scholarship stipend for participation in a 28-week basic institute in counseling and guidance at Purdue University this fall.

The session is scheduled Sept. 9, 1963, to May 29, 1964, and will be conducted under contract with the U.S. Office of Education through the provisions of the National Defense Education Act.

William T. Ardiss of Roseburg and E. Robert Powell of Reedsport are attending the National Science Foundation Summer Institute in chemistry and physics at Seattle University.

Mary-Lynn Holm, Riddle High School teacher, is one of 50 selected teachers taking part in a summer institute in biology for secondary school teachers at Fresno, Calif. This six-week institute, which began June 17, is financed by a \$16,000 National Science Foundation grant.

The counseling institute which Derrah is eligible to attend is designed to equip teachers who plan to enter school counseling positions with knowledge of counseling, testing, data collection and case study. Successful participants earn 32 semester hours of graduate credit.

PROTESTS WATER BILL

LONDON (UPI) — Edward (Buck) Taylor, fired earlier this year as a groom at Buckingham Palace, said today he would refuse to pay a \$14 hot water bill levied against him by the palace because "the water was always cold."

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