

Editor's Note:  
Another in a series of impressions of an extended tour of Russia and the bloc countries with a group of American newspaper publishers. A previous article on Rumania described a hospitable people and their beautiful country.  
By KING WILLIAMS

Although they serve in an outpost for America, in what was once — and in many ways still is — one of the most beautiful cities of Europe, members of the U.S. Legation in Bucharest, Rumania have an assignment requiring skill and devotion to duty more try-

ing than some in a wilderness. This does not mean that the Rumanian people are not pleasant or are backward. Actually, they appear to be among the most sophisticated and cultured of any nationals residing behind the Iron Curtain. They have a well developed industrial system although agriculture traditionally has been the core of an economy sustaining a latin temperament that encourages a desire for the luxuries of life.

YET, MINISTER of the Legation William A. Crawford and his staff labor in an atmosphere made frustrating by restrictive movement imposed by the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Rumanian Workers Party (Communist). That means there is as much "bugging," "tailing" and Red tape as anywhere else in the bloc countries.

All this in a country where a naive tourist could return home with glowing reports of how much he enjoyed his sojourn in the bustling cities and his journeys along the Romany trails. All this, too, in a country whose capable-appearing lead-

ers still insist they govern a "sovereign" State, bound only by political ties to the USSR.

THE SETTING for our interview with Gheorghe Gaston Marin, handsome well-tailored vice chairman of the Council of Ministers which the country's 1952 Constitution describes as the "supreme administrative and executive organ" of the peoples Republic, was a grand reception hall in the Ministry office building.

While the interview was underway, a corps of spotlessly attired waiters in white gloves, served refreshments ranging from drinks in variety to chocolates and nuts. The atmosphere was capitalistic, even plush royal.

The minister stated his country's relations with Russia simply. "We have differences of opinion but never differences of position".

RUMANIA, he went on through an interpreter who was never more than five words

behind, has a desire to trade with the world in many fields. Rumanians are not aggressive and neither are their officials who are "organically interested in peace".

Rumania does have a developing industrial economy and is looking for a market for its chemicals, petroleum products and heavy machinery. It favors competition and economic relations between all countries but has "nothing in common with the Common Market idea".

A visit to a refinery out of Bucharest at Ploesti, heavily bombed during the war by American and British planes, didn't inspire those members of our group who came from American communities with much more impressive petroleum plants.

For the tourist Rumania offers many and varied unspoiled attractions. Americans who visit there should keep in mind that this "Peoples Republic" operates under a constitution patterned exactly after that of the Soviet Union.



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