

1. Vienna: Dispatches report that despite increased communist measures to halt the exodus of refugees, 46 more Hungarians reached freedom in Austria during last night.

2. Concerning the flow of refugees southward, Budapest Radio said today that some 2,000 persons trying to cross the Hungarian border into Yugoslavia were arrested during the month of January. Following interrogation, the radio maintained, most of these were released. The broadcast also said that a Hungarian repatriation commission ~~was~~ left for Yugoslavia today to inspect refugee camps with Yugoslav representatives.

3. Yesterday, Budapest Radio ~~announced~~ ^{revealed that the} regime plans to increase punishment measures against escapees and those who help them. It said such measures would include total confiscation of property. The radio also announced that the curfew in Budapest has been reduced to four hours, from midnight to four a.m. -- in agreement with Soviet authorities.

4. Meanwhile, new aid measures for Hungarian refugees in the free world continue to make news. Among the latest of these, Netherlands the ~~Netherlands~~ National Committee for Aid to Hungary made known in Amsterdam that it has granted 650,000 guilders (182,000 dollars) for establishment ~~of~~ of a school for 200 young Hungarians near Linz, Austria. Norway and France plan to set up similar schools.

5. In ~~London~~ ^{New York; British} Viscount Astor said he had raised 90,000 dollars for Hungarian relief during an 11-day visit to the United States. He collected the donations on behalf ~~of~~ of the Knights of Malta, a Catholic organization.