

Political Meddling Said Resented by Red Army

France Tries Again, New Gov't Expected

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (AP)—A long-classified U.S. Army Document reports there has been considerable resentment among Soviet military men over meddling by politicians in military matters.

It said that after wartime glory, some of the top Red army men were shabbily treated.

The document is four years old. It apparently was declassified from its secrecy ranking about two months ago, but quietly.

A second, and generally ignored Army publication, "The

Information Digest," indicates the Army recently completed a reappraisal of the Soviet armed forces—and that U.S. superiority is doubtful.

The discussion of differences between soldiers and politicians gains particular interest now because of the removal of Marshal Georgi K. Zhukov as the Soviet defense minister by the political wing in Russia.

Zhukov, a top military hero during World War II, was relegated to an obscure post by Stalin. Subsequently, and during the struggle within the Kremlin for power, Zhukov reportedly swung the army's power to the Communist party leader, Nikita Khrushchev.

In the wake of that event Khrushchev is believed by

some to have been engaged in a struggle to gain control of the military and thus make himself sole boss of Russia. This school of thought says Zhukov apparently resisted lest history repeat itself.

The document observes: "When the fate of the regime rested squarely on military success during World War II, the party formed a close relationship with the army. With victory, national patriotism yielded first place to communism as the moral force which was said to have won the war. The army was shorn of its glory and prestige.

"Consequently all Soviet professional soldiers feel constrained to maintain a close relationship with the party.

PARIS, Oct. 30 (AP)—Felix Gaillard tonight accepted an invitation to try to form a new government. He said he would go to work immediately to put together his Cabinet.

The 37-year-old outgoing finance minister, sixth man to besify as he starts drawing up his called in the political crisis now program.

Elysee Palace and gave his answer to President Rene Coty. Gaillard wants to piece together a government to include all parties from the Socialists to the

The Radical Socialist met with right-wing Independents but excluded a small group of party leaders accepting the Communists and the from the National Assembly and Poujadists. He plans to go before was given tentative promises of the National Assembly Nov. 5, his support. All of the promises, however, were made contingent on Most observers felt it would be the program Gaillard draws up nearly impossible for him to pro-

As of tonight, Gaillard's chances pose any vigorous plan satisfying of success seemed to be a little better than 50-50. He advocates austerity to pull France from its financial morass. But he may be able to fix some limited objectives, especially to get the nation out of its present financial hole.

California Dem Sees Knowland As GOP Favorite

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 30 (AP)—California Atty. Gen. Edmund G. Brown today said he would seek the Democratic nomination for governor and predicted his Republican opponent will be Sen. William Knowland, not incumbent Gov. Goodwin J. Knight.

In making the long-expected announcement of his candidacy Brown, the Democrats' best vote-getter and only statewide officeholder, gave further credence to persistent rumors that Knight would yield to Knowland.

"The power elite of the Republican party in California is doing everything it can to dry up the sources of Gov. Knight's financial support and make it impossible for him to run," said Brown. "I have been told by a Republican leader that a deal has already been set."

Brown did not identify the Republican leader or give details of the alleged deal. But even as he was making the remark Rep. Patrick J. Hillings (R-Cal), who has been busily shuttling back and forth between the rival GOP camps in recent weeks, announced in Sacramento that the Knight-Knowland fight would be settled "in the immediate future."

Army Scientists Vie for Shult

EDGEWOOD, Md., Oct. 30 (AP)—Like college football coaches trying to lure a star high school halfback, Army scientists set out today to corral the services of Pvt. Ernest Shult.

It's the same little Pvt. Shult of Chicago, Ill., whose college professor last week described him as a mathematical genius. The professor also accused the Army of letting this talent "wither on the vine" by assigning Shult to a clerk-typist's job at Ft. Lee, Va.

Reassigned to the Army chemical center at Edgewood, Shult today began a series of interviews with scientists eager to have him work in their departments.

"The minute division heads heard he was coming here, they all asked for a chance to talk with him and see if they couldn't sell their programs to him," an Edgewood spokesman said.

Veteran Labor Leader Identifies 'Gunman'

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (AP)—Rep. John F. Shelley (D-Cal.), a veteran labor leader, identified a burly witness before the Senate Rackets Committee today as the man who pulled a gun on him in 1946.

Michael Katz, the witness, had just got through swearing that he never threatened Shelley or anyone else. Katz used

to be a labor organizer but he informed the committee that right now he is "at liberty" from work of any kind.

Shelley told the committee the incident occurred when he resumed his post as head of the San Francisco Central Labor Council after an unsuccessful campaign for election as lieutenant governor of California.

He said he learned that in his absence the council had set up a "special organizing committee" which he said Katz, a labor organizer, and others were using to threaten both employers and union members.

When he walked into the special committee's office in the Labor Temple to demand an explanation, Shelley related, Katz hauled a .38 caliber revolver out of a desk drawer and told him, "Don't get tough with us."

Katz put the gun back in the drawer however, he testified. He went on to say that he would have fired Katz on the spot if he had had the authority. As it was, he said, it required a couple of

Increase of Flu In State Predicted

HARRISBURG, Oct. 30 (AP)—More and more Pennsylvanians will catch Asian flu before the year is out, Health Secretary Berwyn F. Mattison said today.

"The increase will be in areas that so far have not been hard hit," he said.

This is based on past behavior patterns of flu and came to health officials as no surprise.

The Virus Diagnostic Laboratory in Philadelphia's Children's Hospital reported 136 confirmed cases of Asian flu today. Two weeks ago, the figure was 84.

Percentages are more revealing. Until two weeks ago about 10 per cent of the cases tested by the laboratory were confirmed as Asian flu.

In the last half of October, confirmed cases have been running close to 80 per cent.

Among the unconfirmed cases doctors found some common colds and other types of influenza, all rather mild forms.

Governors Ask Use of Bases

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (AP)—A request by Govs. Averell Harriman of New York and George M. Leader of Pennsylvania to permit the use of inactive military bases as sites for summer camps for teen-age boys met with initial favor from federal officials today.

But the two governors were told at a Pentagon conference with Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy and others that numerous legal details must be worked out if Sampson Air Base, Geneva, N.Y., is to be used as a pioneer experimental site for the summer camp project.

The program as proposed by Harriman and Leader would be aimed at averting possible juvenile delinquency by giving needy boys a free vacation and training in good citizenship.

Sampson is the only base that was mentioned.

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