

# Former French Premiers Show Opposition to Present Policies

By PHIL NEWSOM  
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From the foreign editor's notebook:  
**IN OPPOSITION**  
Former premiers of the extinct French Fourth Republic are coming more and more into the fore in opposition to the policies of President Charles de Gaulle. Last January Socialist Guy Mollet walked out of the cabinet in a gesture of disapproval of the Gaullist austerity program. This week Conservative Georges Bidault emerged as the prime mover in the new "RAF" movement designed to oppose any move toward autonomy for Algeria. Next expected voice to be heard is that of Felix Gaillard, France's boy premier in the six months before De Gaulle came to power. Gaillard, chief of the radical party, is expected shortly to call party leaders together to launch a campaign based on the theme: "Democracy cannot exist without a center-left force."

**POLITICAL NOTE**  
Something is cooking in Italian internal politics but no one yet is sure exactly what. Indication is Premier Antonio

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7463  
by Alice Brooks

Segni's cancellation of his trip to Canada last week end and the shortening of his U.S. visit starting Sept. 30. Segni is in the midst of a sharp fight within the Christian Democratic party which meets Oct. 23 in Florence in a crucial convention. Former "center-left" Premier Amintore Fanfani has picked that platform to gain control of the party which is the largest in Italy and which, with various coalitions, has ruled Italy since the end of World War II. There is speculation that Segni hopes to foil the Fanfani plan with a bombshell announcement of a four-party coalition of Christian Democrats, Liberals, Social Democrats and Republicans which would be middle-road and independent of support either from right or left.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
After a tour of America that has probably been as fantastic as anything of its kind that ever happened, Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev is back in Washington at this writing.  
His schedule calls for him to reach President Eisenhower's nearby Camp David mountain retreat for two days of BRASS TACKS TALKS. He flew back to Moscow late Sunday.

**IKE and Mr. K.**  
The two top men of the world... Meeting in a mountain hideaway that one might liken to James Hilton's Shangri-La that he pictures for us in his novel Lost Horizon... Coming together in a meeting of minds that might settle the fate of mankind. What drama!  
How shall we describe this moment in history?

**LET'S turn to Kipling,** whose sense of drama was probably as keen as anyone's... to his solemn Reconciliation, in which he says:  
"The tumult and the shouting dies,  
The captains and the kings depart;  
Still stands thine ancient sacrifice,  
An humble and a contrite heart."

"AN humble and a contrite heart."  
Ike has it. It is his outstanding characteristic.

**HOW fortunate we are to have in America at this dramatic moment in history a President who has NO AMBITION beyond the welfare of the people of his country—** which unavoidably involves the welfare of the people of all the world.

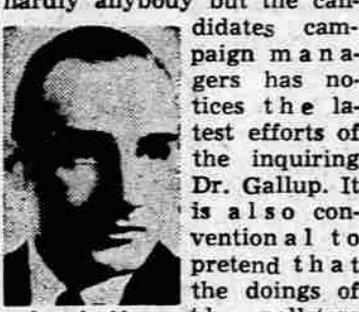
He has no personal ambitions. On his horizon there are no third terms... no visions of world conquest. He has had glory enough. He was the General of the armies that crushed Hitler and his foul concept of a fascist world. When comes January of 1961, he will have been President of the United States for his full constitutional two terms.

These are honors enough for any man. They are honors enough for Ike. From here on out, his thoughts will be of service to his country and to the world—not of personal glory.

**WHAT of the meetings?** This began this morning? This fateful meeting upon which so much depends? This meeting at which Ike's opposite number is Nikita Khrushchev?  
Well—  
Hovering over their heads will be a dark and foreboding cloud. The cloud will be the possibility—the PROBABILITY, if statesmanship of a high order is lacking—of DESTRUCTION OF MANKIND.  
That can't help being a sobering influence. Confronted by grim alternatives, men sometimes act more wisely than they would act under less forbidding circumstances. That might influence even Mr. K.

## Matter of Fact

By Joseph Alsop



**NIXON UP, OTHERS DOWN**  
Washington—Because of the Khrushchev hullabaloo, hardly anybody but the candidates campaign managers has notices the latest efforts of the inquiring Dr. Gallup. It is also conventional to pretend that the doings of the pollsters are beneath serious notice.

In reality, however, this new series of Gallup polls has had the effect of a major political bombshell. Since the results began to be published, the men around Vice President Richard M. Nixon, Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, and Sen. Joseph F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, have all been huddling with their respective heroes, re-calculating campaign strategy. Convention must therefore be defied, to examine the political results of Dr. Gallup's polling results.

The polling results, in brief, show Vice President Nixon getting 51 per cent of the national vote against 49 per cent for Sen. Kennedy. They show Sen. Kennedy getting 57 per cent of the national vote against 43 per cent for Gov. Rockefeller. And they show Adlai Stevenson, the next strongest Democratic candidate, running very much worse than Kennedy against both Nixon and Rockefeller.

**THE IMPROVEMENTS** in the position of Vice President Nixon in particular and the Republican party in general are downright dramatic. In July, according to Gallup, Kennedy got over 60 per cent of the national vote against both Nixon and Rockefeller. At that time, Stevenson also beat the two Republicans by a more narrow but still commanding margin. Now, Nixon barely leads Kennedy, and he beats Stevenson badly. And Rockefeller, though still badly beaten by Kennedy, also leads Stevenson by a hair.

Politicians being politicians, the most acute pain caused by these pro-Republican results is to be observed among the Republicans in the camp of Gov. Rockefeller. Nixon's gain, in truth, is Rockefeller's loss. And in this respect, at least, Nixon's gain may be decisive.

Regarded more broadly, the Nixon gain must be judged with prudence. He rose like a rocket in the polls after his near-assassination in Venezuela, and like a rocket he soon began to fall again. Maybe this new rise, unquestionably traceable to the Vice President's Russian journey, will also be followed by a drop. But from Gov. Rockefeller's standpoint, a drop for Nixon next winter will come too late. For the Governor, in fact, this autumn is the truly decisive moment.

A Rockefeller campaign for

the nomination really has to enter the active phase by next January. The Nixon positions of strength are really too numerous and solid to be broken up by a last minute attack. Thus some way of setting the stage for a Rockefeller campaign really must be found in the months just ahead.

**MEANWHILE,** Nixon's rise in the polls almost certainly blocks an attempt to argue that "Nixon can't win." It also helps mightily to consolidate the formidable positions of strength the Vice President already holds. In sum, although it is very obvious indeed that Gov. Rockefeller wants to be a candidate, his difficulties have been much increased. It even begins to be doubtful whether he will take the plunge at all. By the same token, Sen. Kennedy has also suffered, although in a more subtle way than Gov. Rockefeller. His experience has been rather like the experience of the narrators in the last three lines of "Prufrock":

"We have lingered in the chambers of the sea  
"By sea-girls wreathed with seaweed red and brown  
"Till human voices wake us,  
"and we drown."

**THE DETERMINED** Senator is very far from drowning, to be sure. But in a period when the country was strangely oblivious of the rest of the world, the Senator lingered in the chambers of purely domestic politics, being wreathed with encouraging polling results by his own great personal popularity. Now, however, Russian voices have waked the country from its inward-looking dream. "Who can best face Nikita Khrushchev across a bargaining table," has suddenly become the current test for Presidential candidates. Sen. Kennedy's appearance of youth, although it makes him more popular, inevitably hurts him when the new test is applied by the voters.

The Senator himself reportedly agrees, in general, with the foregoing analysis of this somewhat altered situation. His solution of the problem was audible in Ohio, where he warned of dangers ahead and called, in almost Churchillian tones, for efforts and sacrifice to meet these coming dangers. He believes this to be good politics, and it also happens to coincide with his convictions.

Furthermore, Kennedy has the important consolation that he is still running far ahead of the next Democrat in the race. Yet the outlook for Kennedy is at least less glowing than it was.

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