

- 1. There is considerable dissatisfactation with General de Gaulle in RPF circles, according to a secretary of Louis Vallon, head of Action Professionelle et Sociale section of the RPF.
- 2. The faultfinders (who claim that de Gaulle directs RPF propaganda badly and that he lacks the qualities of political leadership essential to a party chief) are to be found principally in the entourage of Vallon and Jacques Soustelle.
- 3. In addition to the dissatisfaction manifested by these groups, there is a general feeling of discouragement in RPF circles. The rift between the RPF and the Rassemblement des Gauches Republicaines (RGR) is becoming more and more pronounced and many of the RPF adherents are growing weary of waiting for de Gaulle to come to power. To meet this "moral" crisis, the RPF has, under the personal guidance of the General, taken the following steps:
 - a. <u>Purge</u>: New statutes have been put into effect which have made it possible to eliminate from the local and departmental committees all elements of an "arriviste" or RGR tendency.
 - b. Setting up of militant organizations: Having lost a number of members as a result of the purge which was effected, the existing to substitute quality for quantity and hopes, by means of militant organizations, to create a favorable atmosphere for its activities among the masses. The strongest of these militant organizations is the Service d'Ordre. Other groups are: Comité de Defense du Rassemblement (CDR); Action Professionnelle et Sociales (RPF Groupes d'Entreprèses); Action Municipale (RPF municipal electes). A political organization which is presently being formed will be called the "Groupes de Militants". There also exists the Rassemblement de la Jeunesse Française (headed by Colonel Remy), but this group is presently without great significance.
 - c. Close cooperation between Militant groups: The Service d'Ordre is working in close liaison with the CDR and the Groupes d'Entreprises.
- 4. The RFF is also faced with a financial crisis. The budgets of all the

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- 4. The RPF is also faced with a financial crisis. The budgets of all the services of the Party have been cut considerably and personnel is being dismissed. The stamp campaign was not as successful as anticipated. Although about 300 million francs were collected, publicity and propaganda expenditures which were deducted from this amount were high.
- 5. The Treasurer-General of the RPF, Alain Bozel, has authorized the Service B'Ordre to collect funds for its own use. (Up to this time this independent collection of funds was prohibited to the various RPF services.) This autonomy is subject to supervision by the RPF Financial Services.
- 6. The Service d'Ordre in the Paris Region will shortly launch an issue of "bons de souscriptions" signed by Colonel Ponchardier. These bonds will be in denominations of 500, 1000, 5000, and 10,000 francs. Any one lending financial help to the SO will receive bonds as counterpart.

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