

Sokolovsky's Successor In Germany Regarded As 'Business' General

Chuikov Heads Soviet Command In Moscow's Continuing Shakeup

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BERLIN, Mar. 31—The Soviet Union has named one of its ablest, most businesslike soldier-generals to command its forces and head its military government here in Germany.

He is Army Gen. Vasily Ivanovich Chuikov. He succeeds Marshal Sokolovsky in the second post-war switch of Soviet high commanders here. Marshal Sokolovsky has been named deputy minister of the armed forces in Moscow's continuing shakeup.

Gen. Chuikov is little-known outside the Soviet Union. In Soviet army circles, however, his reputation is as bright and glittering as his stainless steel teeth. He is best known for getting things done—even if he has to do them himself.

Stemming from peasant stock, he is about 50 years of age and has been a professional soldier since he joined the infant Red army in the days of the revolution.

Finest Hour

Gen. Chuikov's finest hour—and it was one—was lived as commander of the 62d Soviet army at Stalingrad.

From late summer of 1942 until February, 1943, Gen. Chuikov's army held the center of the ringed city against everything the Nazis could throw into battle. When it was over the backbone of Hitler's forces in the East had been broken for all time.

During the entire period Gen. Chuikov's command post was a dugout in the clay cliffs that drop down to the broad Volga River. The surging German lines were often only a few hundred feet away. The whole area was under constant fire from every conceivable weapon.

A man who could plan and conduct a successful battle in an atmosphere like that is not likely to lose his nerve even in the confused and awkward situation of present-day Germany.

I first met Gen. Chuikov at his Volga command post where he outlined for a group of foreign correspondents the fighting which had led to the Soviet's magnificent victory.

Highly Respected
The general is short and less stocky than most Russians. He speaks quietly but in shifting moods. He has a ready laugh but can also be coldly correct and forbidding.

Gen. Chuikov's name appeared regularly in Soviet communiques for the exploits of the units he commanded and his soldiers regarded him most highly.

Later, in the Ukraine, I heard another account from admiring Russian G.I.s. Gen. Chuikov once came up to a stream which Soviet engineers were bridging with trees while engaged in a forward drive.

In his urgency to go ahead, Gen. Chuikov peeled off his jacket and pitched in himself with axe and hammer. When the bridge was completed he broke out a vodka bottle as a reward. Then he swirled on toward the Nazi lines.

More recently the general has

been Soviet military commander in Thuringia. The key to his activities in Berlin may be the fact that he left the civil administration there entirely to others and concentrated solely on military questions.

So far as Allied relations here are concerned his appointment probably bodes no good. Such things as the four-power control council would seem to be buried completely in the Soviet view.

Marshal Sokolovsky's appointment as deputy minister also suggests that the Soviet Union is concentrating on military planning and military preparedness. He is probably as familiar with Western Europe as any of his colleagues.

Marshal Sokolovsky's tenure has been marked by complete breakdown of four-power activity, culminating in the blockade of Berlin. Moscow's policies often have left him in ridiculous positions but he has been a faithful administrator no matter what his personal opinions may have been.

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Seek Two Youths In Holdup Here

Flee With \$75-\$100 From Drug Store

Two youths were sought by police today and another has been apprehended after two holdups late yesterday in Marion County.

Two boys, described as about 17 and 19 years old, made off with between \$75 and \$100 after holding up the Demree drug store, 3901 E. 10th St., about closing time yesterday, Donald Demree, 3832 E. 10th St., told police.

When he turned to bring them their order, one of them pulled a gun while the other emptied the cash register, he said. They then fled south on Denny St.

Arrested a Cafe

Deputy sheriffs arrested Floyd Baker, 18, New York City, in a restaurant near 38th St. and U.S. 52 after Norman Ball, 1221 English Ave., a Red Cab driver, told two other deputies a customer he picked up near Union Station slugged him and took about \$8 when he neared Flackville, his destination.

Deputy sheriffs said they recognized Baker in the restaurant from a description broadcast earlier and that he admitted robbing the cab driver. He was charged with vagrancy and armed banditry.

Waterbound Residents Send Out SOS



Muddy waters... Spring rains bring high water to these residences in the 3000 block of S. St. Paul St. Pleas to the County Commissioners have gone unanswered.

Probe of FBI Wire-Tapping Urged by New Deal Group

Senate Inquiry Requested on Basis Of Hoover Article in Yale Law Journal

By LYLE C. WILSON, United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, Mar. 31—A group dominated by New Deal Democrats called on the Senate today to investigate Director J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI on charges that he violated the law by tapping telephone wires.

The charge was based on the following statement by Mr. Hoover in a recent issue of the Yale Law Journal:

"It is no secret that the FBI does tap telephones in a very limited type of cases with the express approval in each instance of the attorney general, but only in cases involving espionage, sabotage, grave risks to internal security, or when human lives are in danger."

The request for an investigation was addressed to Chairman Pat McCarran (D. Nev.), of the Senate Judiciary Committee in a letter signed by Paul A. Porter, Joseph L. Rauh Jr., and Wendell Berge, of Americans for Democratic Action, and Roger Baldwin, James Lawrence Fly and Arthur Garfield Hays of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Mr. Porter and Mr. Fly are former chairmen of the Federal Communications Commission which consistently has battled against wire tapping by the FBI under any circumstances.

Americans for Democratic Action is the organization of New Deal Democrats which sought to prevent President Truman's nomination last June. It wanted

Delivery Men Won't Hazard Wet Trip

Waterbound residents of the 3000 block S. St. Paul St. sent out another SOS today for rescue by the County Commissioners.

Surface water lapped at their doorsteps. Rain had inched the stagnant laker upward toward their main floors.

Side streets in the vicinity became a quagmire. Delivery men refuse to hazard a trip through the deep waterways.

Large lakes grew larger.

Clean Out Pipe

For two years the residents have been petitioning the commissioners for relief. Two months ago two men went out to the "lake site" inspected the tossing waves and said they would fix it the next day.

According to Charles Phillips, 3019 S. St. Paul St., the men returned the next day, cleaned out the ends of a pipe which crosses under the street and left.

Today the homes along the street remain surrounded by water which never entirely runs off in the rainy season.

Cathedral Pupils Raise Gym Funds

More than 600 Cathedral High School pupils were canvassing Indianapolis today in the second day of a magazine subscription drive to raise \$20,000 by Apr. 20 to buy roll-away bleachers for the gymnasium.

The champion salesman of the campaign will be awarded a 21-jewel precision watch. Other salesmanship prizes will include table radios to the four top salesmen in the freshman, junior, sophomore and senior classes.

Bill Hefferman of 340 S. LaSalle St., a senior, is general manager of the campaign.

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Methodists Report Enrollment Gain

The Indiana Area of the Methodist Church reports a gain of 5206 in adult school enrollment over the past year which is the second greatest increase in the North Central Methodist Jurisdiction.

Chicago takes first place with a gain for the year in adult church school enrollment of 6048. Other areas in the jurisdiction in addition to Indiana and Chicago are Des Moines, Detroit, Ohio, St. Paul and Wisconsin. The Indiana Conference of the Indiana Area gained 2708 members during 1948.

Officials consider it noteworthy

that 5891 of the 22,877 adult enrollment gain in the church school. They remain on the rolls schools of the jurisdiction, were and study the Sunday School lessons, home members, Home members, sons under the supervision of the because of age, illness, or other home department superintendent.

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