

OF THE WEEK

"DER ALTE" STAYS
But Maybe Just for 2 Years

West Germany's Konrad Adenauer was back in control. In spite of election reverses in mid-September, he won firm endorsement from his own party and out-manuevered opposition groups that demanded he step down.

By the end of September, it was all but certain he would be named Chancellor again, although he was not expected to serve out a full term.

The aging leader's fortunes sank when his Christian Democratic Party lost its majority control of Parliament. The Free Democrats, most likely partners for a coalition, at first refused to serve under Dr. Adenauer.

Once his position as Christian Democratic leader was reaffirmed, Dr. Adenauer turned his attention to negotiations for a coalition. When he made gestures toward the Social Democrats (Socialist Party), the Free Democrats retreated, agreed to support an Adenauer Government "for a transition period."

The 85-year-old "Der Alte"—the Old One—let it be known he was willing to step out within two years. He demanded, in return, full support for his foreign policy—close ties with the U. S. and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

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"DISARMER" FOSTER
Old Hand . . . New Agency

President Kennedy's new disarmament drive was placed under the command of a man who knows his way around Washington, William C. Foster.

Mr. Foster, 64, a Republican, has spent more than a dozen years in key Government jobs. He also is a business administrator with wide experience in the steel and chemical fields.

In going outside his own party for a man to head the newly created U. S. Arms Control Agency, President Kennedy said he hoped to stress "the bipartisan, national concern of both parties and of all Americans for this effort to disarm all mankind with adequate safeguards."

Although Mr. Foster is a Republican, most of his Government service has been under the Democrats. He was Under Secretary of Commerce from 1946 to 1948. Later he headed the Economic Cooperation Administration. From 1951 to 1953, he was Deputy Secretary of Defense.

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NEW TOP MAN IN U. S. INTELLIGENCE



Mr. McCone, right, with the President and Mr. Dulles

—UPI

The biggest intelligence-gathering organization outside the Communist world—the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency—is to get a new chief.

John A. McCone, California Republican with a record of success in industry and achievement as a tough-willed Government administrator, will take over in November, when Allen W. Dulles, CIA Director since 1953, retires.

The appointment was announced by President Kennedy in Newport, R. I., September 17. It brings Mr. McCone back to Washington after less than a year's absence. He was Atomic Energy Commission Chairman from 1958 until he resigned last January.

The choice of Mr. McCone to head the huge, secret organization was interpreted as a clear defeat of those inside the Administration who have wanted to downgrade the CIA ever since the failure of the anti-Castro invasion of Cuba last spring. The new chief of intelligence is a man with firm ideas about how the cold war should be prosecuted.

Mr. McCone won strong friends in both parties in Congress for his political adeptness in handling controversial atomic policy. He also won praise for tightening up management of the AEC. Mr. McCone ran the AEC largely as a one-man show.

The CIA has a staff of 10,000 in Washington, thousands of agents

only federal official who can spend large sums without always telling Congress why. Under Mr. Dulles, too, CIA was a one-man show. Observers guessed it was President Kennedy's intention to keep it that way.

THE CHIEF OF THE CIA

JOHN A. McCONE, engineer, industrialist, Government administrator

BORN—Jan. 4, 1902, in San Francisco

HOME—San Marino, Calif.

FAMILY—Married, no children

INDUSTRIAL CAREER—Executive vice president, Consolidated Steel, '33-'37; president, Bechtel-McCone, engineering, '37-'45; president, California Shipbuilding, '41-'46; chairman, Joshua Hendy Corp., shipping, since '45.

GOVERNMENT SERVICE—Deputy to the Secretary of Defense, '48; Air Force Under Secretary, '50-'51; Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, '58-'61.