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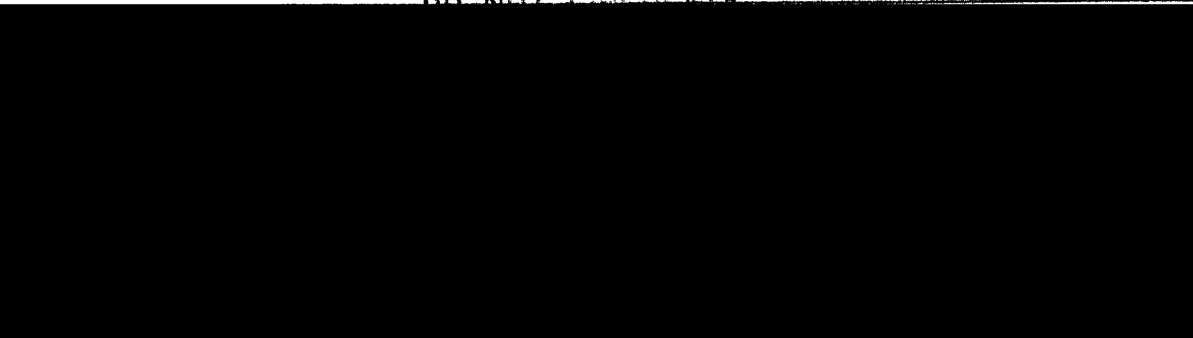
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CHIANG Kai-shek will probably remove CHOU Chih-jou as chief of the general staff in the near future for the following reasons:

- a. In the P. T. MAO affair, CHOU reported to CHIANG that MAO was mis-handling funds. Without checking the facts, CHIANG made public charges against MAO which he later discovered were possibly not true. CHOU then told another Nationalist Government official that he was not responsible for CHIANG's charges against MAO. CHIANG heard about this and reprimanded CHOU.
- b. CHOU is now on bad terms with Admiral KUEI, SUN Li-jen, and KUO Chi-ch'iao, head of the Ministry of National Defense.
- c. The dismissal of CHOU would afford an opportunity to strengthen the Nationalist position by appointing a more popular man as chief of the general staff. HSUEH Yueh, influential among such third force leaders as CHANG Fa-kuei, is a possible choice.

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[REDACTED] An educated Chinese with no known political affiliations reports that the following rumor concerning possible changes in Nationalist posts is current among high-ranking Nationalist Government officials: CHIANG Kai-shek will soon assume the position of premier, while remaining as president, and CH'EN Ch'eng will replace K. C. WU as governor of Taiwan. The rumor is probably groundless.

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