

problem now is to make them feel that their first duty is towards their own country and people. After a few months the best elements are selected for the army, and the others return home where they can join various clandestine organisations, all more or less under military control.

I spent a day at the "Ecole des Cadres de la Palisse", in the vicinity of Vichy, and admired the spirit of these young Frenchmen so eager to compensate by their effort the results of the defeat.

After lunch the Director took me to his office with his instructors and professors and said to them: "Now that no one can listen to what we say, you are free to ask our guest any questions you wish to". They all enquired: "Do you think we shall have a chance to fight the Germans again in this war"?

At the end of secret manoeuvres, which took place in the Alps last summer, General Georges, although officially retired, was present and made the following comment: "These are the best manoeuvres I have seen for a long time. Of course, we lack weapons, but I expect our friends will lend them to us in due course".

It would be possible to relate numerous occasions when remarks of that kind have been heard by the highest authorities. Let us finish with the story of what happened in Vichy on the 30th August last.