

Plans for a Coup in Laos By Rightists Are Reported

SAIGON, South Vietnam, Dec. 10 (UPI)—High officials in Vientiane said today that the Laotian Government had uncovered a plot by right-wing military officers to stage a *co d'etat*. The officials said that the plotters were expected to be arrested soon.

Reports of the plan were made at a Cabinet meeting yesterday, the sources said, and caused Premier Souvanna Phouma to make a special trip today to the center of unrest, the town of Savannakhet.

The Laotian officials said that the plotters, a group of young officers were led by former Col. Bounleut Faycofie, an exiled Laotian rightist and an aide to Phoumi Nosavan, a former Premier. The plot sought to return him to power in Laos, the officials said.