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The White House today, was the scene of heavy conferences - which may have been of world importance in the cold war. It would be interesting to know what went on, but that's a deep secret, and the best we can do is to give the mathematical details of the time-schedule.

Secretary of State Dean Acheson went to the White House, and conferred with President Truman for forty-five minutes - during which he gave a report on the meeting of the Big Three in London. Then they were joined by Trygve Lie, the Secretary General of the United Nations for a talk that lasted ^{another} twenty-five minutes - during which time the Secretary General told about his "peace pilgrimage to Moscow," and the conversation he had with Stalin.

So there was a Truman-Acheson duet for forty-five minutes, then a trio, including Trygve Lie, for twenty-five ^{more} ~~minutes~~. The depth of secrecy is illustrated by a statement from the U.N. Secretary General later on. "We had a confidential talk," he

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revealed, "and, I'm not bringing any message from Stalin to Truman - I think that must be the tenth time I've said it today.' So you can add that to the mathematical details - tenth time.

BERLIN

In Berlin -- ~~the~~^{the} warning that the Reds are likely to make new attempts to take over the city, even after the failure of the giant Communist rally to carry out threats the Reds have been making. For weeks they muttered darkly that the march of Communist youth in the Soviet sector would go right on into the Western part of the city.

But nothing of the sort happened. Instead, there were desertions to the west - seventy-two taking refuge in the non-Communist area. Forty-seven policemen and twenty-five Communist youth delegates, - Two of the latter today declared: "Our leaders told us we would be beaten and starved in western Berlin. But here we are, having the best meal we have eaten since I can remember." At the same time, numbers of children simply played hockey - and wandered into the western sector, looking at shop windows.

(Today United States High Commissioner John J. McCloy and American Commander General Maxwell Taylor stated that the reason the Reds did not try

anything was because of the attitude of firm resistance on the western side. But they warned ^{that} the Soviets would keep on trying.)

(Both High Commissioner McCloy and General Taylor note the ominous aspect of the youth parade - even though it ^{did} turned out ~~to~~ to be nothing more than a showy spectacle. ~~But~~ It was strangely reminiscent of the Hitler youth movement, the regimented marching of children, militarized youth. Nor did American observers fail to take note of units of German Communist police, goose-stepping along - like old-time Nazi storm troopers.)

JAPAN

In Tokyo, they~~are~~ are scheduled to have a remarkable combination tomorrow, a double demonstration - two things at the same time and at the same place. One - an American Memorial Day program held by the United States Army, with General Douglas MacArthur presiding. The other - ^a Communist rally of a hundred thousand reds. The place for both is - the Imperial Palace Plaza. The time for both - nine A.M.

Army Memorial Day and Communist rally, the two run-off together; - that should make interesting scenery.

All some sort^s of mixup - the Reds planning a demonstration to protest a killing in a riot, and they set a date, not realizing ~~that~~ it conflicted with American Memorial Day.

Today General MacArthur's headquarters ordered the Communists to call off their program. But the Red leaders responded - it was now too late. They didn't have time to cancel the affair. They were told to postpone it until one o'clock ~~in~~ tomorrow, but their

answer was the same - not enough time. —————>

~~So as matters now stand, tens of thousands of Communists have instructions to march for a mass meeting at the place where the U. S. Army will be holding patriotic observance. Such was the outlook this afternoon - it remains to be seen what will happen.~~

FOLLOW JAPAN

The latest -- the Memorial Day ceremony is being held -- with Japanese Reds showing up for their celebration. They are being turned away by lines of Japanese police and American M P's. A few arguments, merely verbal -- and the Reds have been going away, told to return at one P.M.

MACARTHUR

We hear tonight that General Douglas MacArthur pro-consul of Japan, has agreed to accept a job with Remington Rand and Company - at one hundred thousand dollars a year. That is, as soon as the General is through with his job in Japan. At this rate, MacArthur loses three hundred dollars a day, for the time he spends in Tokyo.

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The story appears in Cosmopolitan Magazine, which quotes the seventy-year old General as telling why he does not immediately go back to the United States to earn one hundred thousand dollars a year. "If I returned home", says General ~~xx~~ MacArthur, "I believe the word would spread throughout the Orient that the United States was abandoning the Pacific."

Actually in point of military record, MacArthur has not had a single day of formal leave since Nineteen Twenty-two. He is quoted as telling a magazine ~~xxxxxx~~ interviewer:- "As long as I have the strength ~~to~~ continue, and my government wants

me to continue, so long shall I stay on the job."

Even though he would have a civilian
job at one hundred thousand dollars a year.

SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court sends the Hollywood writers to jail, also leaders of the joint anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. That, crudely speaking, is the meaning of two decisions handed down by the high tribunal today. In each case, it's the second time the court has refused to review the convictions - and that makes it final.

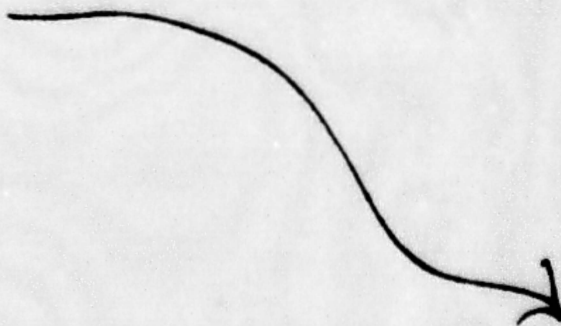
For the Hollywood writers, the appeal was made by Dalton Trumbo and John Howard Lawson, two of the ten who, in Nineteen Forty Seven, refused to answer to the **Sixty Four Dollar Question**. Before the un-American Activities Committee, they claimed Constitutional rights in rejecting the query - "Are you a Communist?" The two were sentenced each to a year in jail. The other eight stand to get the same - as they agreed to let their cases depend on the issues of the Trumbo-Lawson appeal.

According to which, all ten will have to serve prison sentences.

In the matter of the anti-Fascist Refugee

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Committee, eleven of its members were convicted of contempt of Congress - for refusing to produce records of their organization, which has been listed as subversive, pro-Communist. Two were sentenced to six months, the others to three months. Which penalties must now go into effect - on the basis of the Supreme Court decision today.



ADD SUPREME COURT


The latest is comment from Hollywood writer John Henry Lawson. He denounces the Supreme Court, and says: "This is a Truman court, and is acting as a political arm of the administration." The others declare that today's decision means - concentration camps in America.

JOHN L. LEWIS

^{House}~~Senate~~ Sub-committee is making moves to summon John L. Lewis - have him say it and under oath. Swear on the Bible - that, in the coal strike months ago, he did not give the mines undercover instructions to stay out. The charge is that he secretly ordered the strike to go on, while officially telling the miners to go back to their jobs, in accordance with a court injunction. Lewis sent a letter to the sub-committee, denying this. He said - no. But now the proposal is to make him swear - no.

This is more likely, because of the death of Congressman Lesinski of Michigan - chairman of the House Labor Committee.)

↳ The Democrat from Michigan had blocked previous attempts to subpoena Lewis, and make him testify. So now the attempt is being renewed.



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* All of which is accompanied by the news that the union has cancelled penalties against a coal miner who was also a union official - Lloyd Sidener, who put in a complaint to the sub-committee. Sidener declared that, as president of the union local, Canton, Illinois, he tried to get the miners there back on the job - in accordance with that public order issued by John L. Lewis. For which he was thrown out of his job as the local president, fined fifty thousand dollars, and expelled from the union!

His charge includes an explanation of how the

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undercover instructions were given - to stay on strike. He says it was - a whistle, the way the whistle~~s~~ blew at the mines. He claims that Lewis gave a confidential order - to blow the whistle once. Secret language, a single blast being the traditional signal announcing - "no work" at the mines.

Today the union lifted the fifty thousand dollar fine imposed on Sidener, and restored him to union membership. But he says they'll have to give him the pay he lost for not being allowed to work, and also put him back in his post as president of the local. Otherwise, he'll continue to press his charge, that accusation of - one whistle.

STRIKE

Tonight at Morristown, Tennessee, National Guardsmen are on strike duty - Governor Gordon Browning calling out the state soldiers as, ^a/_λ "last resort." There's a walkout at a textile factory, ~~and~~ violence ~~is~~ has been increasing for days - and last night there were explosions of dynamite. A barn at the home of a non-union worker was blown up - and, in the front yard of another, a charge of dynamite exploded. The governor today heard reports that what are called "professional agitators" have arrived to stir up more trouble. Hence the order - putting three hundred National Guardsmen on duty to suppress violence.

STOOPNAGLE

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SOCIAL REGISTER

The Houston, Texas, social register is in trouble with the New York social register - a battle of blue blood. Houston has its aristocracy, like every other place from Podunk to Salt Creek; - and ^{Houston} thought it about time to have a snooty volume listing the big-wigs and the best families. Houston's own - social register.

But today came the blow - the New York social register charging: "Infringement of copyright." The Houston publishers never dreamed that so common a name as - "social register" might be copyrighted. To make matters all the more painful, the New York complaint is being pressed by a Houston lawyer, W. Alvis Parish, whose own name is in the Houston social register.

Looks as if they'll have to change the name - or do without a manual of the local Texas upper crust.

GAMBLING

The latest in gambling -- women playing gin rummy for pillow cases. Today in Milwaukee four ladies in their fifties were taken into court, as charges were preferred against Mrs. Sophie

Hackel, (who runs a hem-stitching and needle shop.

The police, ~~xxxxxxx~~ who raided the hem-stitching and needle establishment, testified that a game was on, with seven women playing -- each kicking in sixty cents. The one with the fewest points won - pillow cases. As evidence, the cops produced four hem-stitched examples.)

Mrs. Hackel told the Judge that for twenty years she has been earning her living, making pillow cases, and disposing of them by means of gin rummy.

(In these times we hear much about the deadly evils of gambling, and this would appear to be a hot spot of horror } playing gin rummy for pillow cases.

BOYS

At the Town of Tobacco, Illinois, which sounds like a hot old town, several young fellows were driving in a car, when they spotted a group of girls walking along - over on one side of the highway. Must have been good-lookers, from what happened. Those boys of Tobacco drove over to get near the girls - while eighteen year old Donald Koeler leaned out to whistle. He was giving the girls the old wolf whistle, ⁴ so enthusiastic ~~about~~, that he failed to see the telephone pole. The wolf whistle stopped suddenly, when Donald's head hit the pole. After which ~~he went to a~~ ^{they took him to} ~~the~~ hospital, ~~with bumps and bruises.~~

BURGLAR

We all know that a nice old lady can be formidable - the way she can say something, the tone of voice. And at Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Helena Poston, eighty-eight years old, was confronted by a burglar.

The robber, prowling around the house, faced her with a threatening demand: "Hand over the diamond ring."

Mrs. Poston's reply was just one phrase: "I should say not."

The tone had so much authority, the burglar made a meek request: "All right lady - please show me how to get out of here."

Mrs. Poston pointed the way to the door!

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RESCUE

From Canadian Quebec, a story of how lightning struck, and two men were - saved. A blinding thunderbolt meant - rescue.

Near the Town of Aylmer, Hector Fortin was rowing a boat at night on the lake - when he heard a call for help out of the darkness. Cries of men in the water - about to drown. But Hector couldn't see a thing, as he stared into the pitch black of the night. Then - the lightning. A jagged streak of fire shot down from the sky, for an instant of glaring brilliance - and Hector saw two men struggling in the water. So he turned his boat that way, and picked up Eugene Croteau and Roger Renaud - whose boat had capsized. Tonight they're okay - saved by lightning.

COMMUNISTS

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The Senate investigators are going to make public the secret testimony of General Wild Bill Donovan - in the Amerasia case. General Donovan was wartime head of the Office of Strategic Services, which directed the raid on the office of the left wing magazine - and seized the huge mass of secret documents, stolen from the State Department. Six people were arrested, including government officials, who were let off in various ways, and there have been repeated charges of - whitewash. ^R The strange affair is being investigated again, with explanations - that the raid on Amerasia was without proper search warrant; The seizure of the documents - illegal, ^{and} ~~the~~ therefore, much of the evidence could not be used for an effective prosecution. General Wild Bill Donovan gave secret evidence before the Senate Investigating Committee - and this now is to be released.