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U.S. OPINION ON MACARTHUR ISSUE IS FOUND SPLITTING ALONG EDUCATIONAL LINES

Professional Educators More Favorable to Truman Position, 'Who's Who' Survey Indicates

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PRINCETON, N. J., May 15—Although majority sentiment up to now has supported General MacArthur and his program for carrying on the war in Korea, the Truman administration can find comfort in the fact that the people in the highest educational level tend to support the administration point of view.

Take, for example, the question of Mr. Truman's dismissal of General MacArthur. The general public disapproves by more than 2-to-1 in recent surveys by the Institute.

But sentiment runs the opposite way among a cross-section of persons selected at random from "Who's Who in America," a roster of the nation's most prominent professional and business leaders.

A cross-section of the "Who's Who" group were

in "Who's Who" who are in the field of education—college presidents, deans or faculty members whose scholarship has earned them a listing in this book of famous personages.

The cross-section of these educators included in the "Who's Who" sampling votes overwhelming approval of Mr. Truman's decision to remove General MacArthur. The majority supporting the President is almost 2-to-1.

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Vote by Education

These results are particularly significant when compared with the vote by education levels among the general public.

The vote of approval for the President's action goes down steadily with the amount of formal education.

The following table illustrates the split of sentiment along educational lines:

Who" cross-section disapprove of MacArthur's removal by a ratio of 7-to-4.

If all others are placed in a third group, which would include judges, lawyers, authors, engineers, publishers, clergymen, physicians and other professional people, sentiment is found to be about evenly divided.

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Views on War With China

Another contrast between the views of the general public and those of persons in "Who's Who" is found on the question of whether the United States should start an all-out war with Red China.

Sentiment for such a war rose to 30 per cent among the general public in late April, an Institute survey found, whereas it is only 9 per cent among the sample of persons listed in "Who's Who."

Here is the vote:

"Do you think the United States should start an all-out war with Communist China, or not?"

	Who's Who	General Public
Should	9%	30%
Should not	84	61
No opinion	7	9
	100%	100%

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asked by the American Institute of Public Opinion:

"Do you approve or disapprove of President Truman's action in removing General MacArthur?"

Following is a comparison of the "Who's Who" vote on this question and the vote of the general public:

	Who's Who	General Public
Approve	51%	25%
Disapprove	46	66
No opinion	3	9
	100%	100%

The contrast is even more pronounced when one examines the vote of persons listed

MAC ARTHUR'S REMOVAL

	Educators in Who's Who	College Trained	High Sch'l	Grade Sch'l
Approve	64%	37%	23%	17%
Disapprove	34	50	63	57
No opinion	2	13	14	26
	100%	100%	100%	100%

While noted educators as a group approve of Truman's action by a large majority, the outstanding business leaders and executives of the country reached in the "Who's

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In the Gallup Poll release for WEDNESDAY, May 16, please make the following changes in the 2-column table headed "MacArthur's Removal" to conform to these latest figures:

--- General Population -----

	College Trained	High School	Grade School
Approve	41% ✓	24% ✓	23% ✓
Disapprove	53 ✓	68 ✓	64 ✓
No opinion	6 ✓	8 ✓	13 ✓
	100%	100%	100%

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The figures in this same 2-column table under the heading "Educators in Who's Who" stand as they are.

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