

Communist Probe Reveals Need For More Teaching Of U. S. History

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WASHINGTON, (AP)—Mrs. Elizabeth T. Bentley, American-born citizen who testified to a Congressional committee she had been a Communist and Russian agent, said she never had been taught American history at school.

This touched off a new discussion among educators and others attempting to determine whether the American educational system fairly presents American democracy to young Americans.

They argue that it is essential young Americans be taught American history and the U. S. constitution. Otherwise, they say, some may be swayed by emotionalism rather than by knowledge away from Americanism toward other political philosophies like Communism.

The U. S. Office of Education has just completed a survey of state laws regarding the teaching of history and the U. S. constitution.

Dr. Ward W. Keeseecker, specialist in school legislation, and Howard Cummings, specialist in political science, of the Office of Education, say all states but two now require public elementary or high schools to teach American history.

Three-fourths of the states established this requirement by law. In others it is required by a ruling of the state board of education.

The survey says that the two that do not have either a legal or

Bugsey Siegel's Murderers Known, Police Chief Says

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., Oct. 18—(AP)—"Startling developments" may soon be forthcoming in the 16-month-old Bugsey Siegel murder case, Police Chief Clinton H. Anderson says.

"We know who killed Siegel but the persons involved are so big we can't go out and give them the bum's rush," declared Anderson yesterday.

"Siegel was killed on orders of an international underworld syndicate," he added. "This was no ordinary shooting. There was big money behind it."

Anderson said he needs only time to gather more corroborating evidence before making an arrest.

"Siegel was killed because he threatened to talk and sell the syndicate out to the police," said the chief.

Siegel was slain from ambush June 20, 1947, as he sat in the Beverly Hills mansion of a girl friend, Virginia Hill. Four rifle bullets ripped into his body.

Siegel, described by Anderson as a Los Angeles gang lord, came here in the late 1930's. He was once indicted in New York on a charge of harboring Louis (Lepke) Buchalter while the New York gangster was a fugitive from justice.

Coal Miners Fight Police in France

PARIS, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Police and striking coal miners fought today at St. Etienne, leaving wounded on both sides.

Interior Minister Moch had ordered the police and troops to protect miners trying to save the struck coal pits from water and gas seepage.

Police used tear gas on about 1,000 strikers massed at the St. Etienne pitheads, defying both police and engineering troops the government had ordered to work mine safety devices.

The Communist-led General Labor Confederation was reported afterwards to have said it would no longer authorize maintenance workers to take any security measures until all police leave the pits.

Communists leading the strike of 335,000 miners had ordered maintenance workers to stay away from the pits 24 hours because police appeared at one mine.

The strike, now in its third week, has caused a setback to French and European recovery efforts. Already 2,600,000 tons of coal have been lost.

Cop Arrests Own Brother as Thief

SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 18.—(AP)—A Savannah policeman answered the age-old question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" by arresting him in connection with a series of armed robberies.

Police Chief Truman F. Ward said when he received a series of calls from Negroes Saturday night reporting robberies, he assigned Policeman George Vickery to the investigation.

Early yesterday, Vickery aided in the arrest of his brother, and fellow policeman—Robert, Ward said. A short time later, Lester Laverne Brown, insurance salesman, was captured.

Ward said Robert Vickery and Brown are being held without bail pending formal charges.

Boy Uses Hammer To Maul Mother

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Oct. 18.—(AP)—Thomas Manley, 17, of Seattle, was placed in the jail today on charges of assaulting his mother, Mrs. E. C. Manley, 46, also of Seattle, with a hammer in their automobile near Midway Park on the Snoqualmie Highway Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Manley, suffering from scalp lacerations and concussion, was reported in poor condition at the Kittitas County Hospital.

Deputy Sheriff Bob Dorsey said the youth had admitted the attack on his mother. Dorsey said the youth said it resulted from a quarrel over his desire to take the automobile on a trip to the east.

School Bond Issue Up For Decision Today

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for immediate building purposes, whereas the six-mill annual tax levy, in effect the last five years, provides a limited amount annually, and the money can be spent only as it comes in through tax collections.

Additions to the Senior High School, Fullerton, Riverside and Edenbower schools, a central heating plant for the Senior High and Fullerton, an assembly and gymnasium at Benson, and necessary equipment for these buildings and for Rose and the Junior High School would be allowed for under the total bond issue.

Chest Budget Lists \$7,000 for Y. M. C. A.

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and \$1,325 from the Douglas County Community Chest; Salvation Army, asking \$3,825 from the city and \$675 from the county; Boy Scouts, \$4,500 from the city; Oregon Chest, \$6,000 from the city and \$4,000 from the county. In addition, McCarrall said, the Roseburg Chest has budgeted \$1,000 for administrative expenses.

A send-off was given the Community Chest this noon at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon. H. C. Johnson of Albany, representing the Oregon Chest, was the speaker.

The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon
Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity:
Partly cloudy and cooler today. Cloudy with occasional light rain Tuesday.
Highest temp. any Oct. 96
Lowest temp. any Oct. 22
Highest temp. yesterday 78
Lowest temp. last night 38
Precipitation yesterday T
Precipitation from Oct. 1 .65
Precipitation from Sept. 1 2.36
Deficit from Sept. 1 .17

Vets Held Liable For GI Tuition

Veterans studying in school or college under the G. I. Bill are reminded by the Veterans Administration that the VA now holds them legally liable for repayment of tuition for classes they do not attend.

A recent ruling, the VA explains, holds that veterans who drop from school before the end of a term or semester for which the VA has already paid their tuition, must refund the unused amount of tuition or sacrifice an equivalent amount of G. I. training entitlement.

Veterans who drop from school before the VA must pay full tuition costs will have their G. I. training time reduced only by the actual amount of time in training. However, when the VA is obligated to pay full tuition to a school, the veteran who withdraws will be required to repay the VA in cash or entitlement the unused portion of the fee.

To protect their G. I. training entitlement and also help the VA prevent overpayments to veteran-students are urged to notify the VA immediately whenever they intend to drop from school, college or a job-training program.

Senator Wagner Amnesia Victim

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Sen. Robert F. Wagner (D-N.Y.) suffered an attack of temporary amnesia during the weekend, when he disappeared from son's Long Island estate, says his physician.

Dr. William C. Carhardt examined the ailing 71-year-old Senator shortly after he was found early Sunday at a Manhattan restaurant, one of his favorite eating places.

Wagner had been the object of a widespread police search for nearly 12 hours after he wandered away from the home of Robert F. Wagner Jr., at Islip, N. Y., about 3 p. m. Saturday.

Carhardt said the Senator had suffered "temporary amnesia" but was "none the worse for his little jaunt into the city."

Transport Plane Crash Kills Four

CLINTON, La., Oct. 18.—(AP)—A crippled air force transport plane crash landed in a ravine near here late yesterday and killed four of the 33 persons aboard.

Occupants of the plane included 29 artillery officers from Fort Bliss, Tex., and Fort Sill, Okla., and an air force crew consisting of three officers and one enlisted man.

Adult male coyotes weigh about 35 pounds. Their name is a mongrelized version of the Aztec word "coyotl" meaning "barking dog."

Bulbs need plant food. Before spading a bed, spread over it 4 pounds of balanced chemical plant food for each 100 square feet, and spade it under.

Western Zones Of Germany Set Up Economic Merger

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—(AP)—An almost complete economic merger of the three western zones of Germany was announced today.

An agreement fusing the foreign trade of the French zone with that of the already merged British and American zones was signed by the three western allied military governments.

This united the economies of all zones except the Russian zone of Germany, save for a few activities which will be regulated by consultation among the British, French and Americans.

A similar fusion of the three western zones along political lines will be accomplished by the tripartite government for which a constitution is being drafted by Germans at Bonn.

When these steps are completed, a virtually complete new state of western Germany will be created, leaving only the Russian zone outside.

The Russians yesterday imposed a sharp traffic inspection at occupation sector borders within the city, aimed at tightening the blockade.

Soviet-controlled police were stopping all German vehicles which sought to proceed from the Russian sector into the American, British or French sectors and searching them for food.

The intra-city blockade followed sharp controls insisted over the weekend on approaches to the city. The Communists claimed these were necessary to halt an "illicit flow of food and raw materials to western Berlin from the surrounding."

More Funds Needed For Marshall Plan

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The Economic Cooperation Administration will ask Congress for more money to carry the European recovery program until mid-1949.

Edward T. Dickinson, director of program coordination, said today that ECA's \$5,055,000,000—intended to run it until next July 1—will be exhausted sometime in the first three months of 1949.

Actual cash will not be all spent, Dickinson explained, but will have been pledged under ECA authorizations calling for shipments in the months ahead.

A deficit of about \$500,000,000 is expected, he said.

Long Flour Mills Strike Is Settled

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The prolonged strike of 1,200 grain handlers of five major twin cities flour mills was at an end today.

Raleigh M. Meyer, business agent for Local 1, AFL American Federation of Grain Millers, announced yesterday the union had voted to accept a compromise offer of 13 cents an hour wage boost retroactive to June 1.

The grain handlers walked out Sept. 8 over its demand for a 57 cents hourly wage increase after a governor's fact-finding commission had recommended a 12 1/2 cent boost. The union later scaled its demands down to 25 cents and then to 15 cents.

More geversers exist in Yellowstone than in all the rest of the world.

Alleged Song Racket Lands Prisoner in Jail

PORTLAND, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Donald Cleo Smith, 28, Paonia, Colo., is held in jail here under a federal indictment of using the mails to defraud.

He is accused of collecting \$2 fees from song writers for a contest and then asking another \$50 for publication of the songs by a fictitious firm.

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