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## Those High School Text Books

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Sometimes it's almost impossible to avoid stepping on a prejudice.

It's particularly difficult when dealing with such sensitive subjects as labor relations, big business, the cooperative movement, taxation, international relations and other modern social complexities considered in American problems classes in public high schools throughout Oregon.

As delicately as the state textbook commission tried to tread in selecting social science texts for use throughout the state for the next six years, it still managed to nudge and inflame groups championing special interests.

From two quarters in particular have come harsh complaints on textbooks selected for social science classes by the textbook commission at its biennial meeting late last November.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, on the one hand, has objected that several of the approved texts contain suggestions of socialism and "are not American in spirit." On the other, the State Federation of Labor has complained that two of the American Problems texts deal unfairly with the labor movement and display an anti-union bias.

The DAR has carried its complaint into the marbled halls of the state capital, the AF of L has sent its objections to every school superintendent in the state.

For several years the fires of criticism have smoldered over the teaching of social sciences in Oregon schools. Two years ago when representative educators met in Salem to draw up a handbook for teaching of American problems and other related social science courses, several interest groups, the DAR in the forefront, voiced avid criticism.

According to the particular interest of each group, this or that was slanted and distorted, this or that wasn't sufficiently stressed or highlighted.

Real estate interests objected to sections on public housing, medical associations were angered by references to government medical insurance, labor interests disliked handling of the Taft-Hartley act, veterans' groups were critical of the study of world organizations, and so it went.

The teachers, as do the textbook authors and publishers, protested that they are not advocating foreignisms, but merely attempting to give students a comprehensive and objective view of the social and governmental problems that will face them when they reach voting age.

Teachers argued that the mighty problems of the current "Aspirin Age" can not be ignored any more than they can be converted into propaganda favoring the pet philosophy of a particular group.

To this point, Virgil M. Rogers, dean of the school of education at Syracuse university, wrote in a late issue of "Atlantic" magazine:

"Almost all of the textbooks (under fire) . . . were not advocating anything. But the persons scrutinizing a textbook with a slanted opinion wants any mention of his particular anathema to be accompanied by denunciation."

Before submitting to school administrators in the state a list of texts recommended for social science classes, the state textbook commission spent many months reviewing each text submitted by publishers.

To facilitate the commission's review, special libraries of texts were spotted in several counties in the state, one in Deschutes county in the office of County Superintendent Mrs. Velma Buckingham.

A large bookcase to the right as you enter her office on the third floor of the county building was filled with books offered by publishers.

Opened to teachers and lay citizens alike, these libraries served as a collection agency for recommendations and impressions, all of which were funneled to the textbook commission to help narrow the field of consideration.

At its last session, social science, home making, music and art texts were considered. Each two years the commission meets to review and recommend a particular category of textbooks.

The commission is made up of professional educators, all appointed for four-year terms by the State Board of Education. Present chairman of the commission is W. E. King, county school superintendent, Umatilla county.

The commission is directed to meet every two years to select textbooks for a six-year period for approximately one-third of the elementary and high school subjects.

It has been the practice of the commission, where possible, to offer several recommendations in every category, leaving to individual school boards the job of making final selections.

Reportedly the commission screened about 30 texts offered by publishers for use in American problems classes. Approval was finally given four texts.

Decision as to which of these four will be employed locally should be forthcoming in the spring, school officials advise. They suggest that one book might be selected as a regular text and one or two of the remaining choices for supplementary reading.

According to Mrs. Buckingham and other local school administrators, only an echo of the criticism against textbooks has been heard here. She said as far as she knew no official protest has been lodged locally by groups fearful of slanting sentiments in textbooks.

(Tomorrow, more on what the DAR and the AF of L has to say about text books.)

## And Her Own Flesh and Blood, Too!



## Edson in Washington

### Many Theories on Red Upeaval

By PETER EDSON

NEA Washington Correspondent  
WASHINGTON — (NEA) — So-called "Russian experts" are described by one member of the Washington diplomatic corps as "People with varying degrees of ignorance about Russia."

This apt characterization was never better demonstrated than in the four principal theories now being advanced to explain the recent upheaval in Moscow. These theories are:

1. Georgi M. Malenkov's resignation as Soviet premier was caused by the failure of Russia's farm policies, for which Communist party Secretary Nikita S. Khrushchev—the new strong man and top boss—was really responsible.

2. Malenkov's promises to raise the standard of living for the Russian people and to work for "peaceful coexistence" with the rest of the world were repudiated by the Presidium of Council Ministers—alias the Kremlin gang.

3. Imminence of ratification of the Paris and London agreements by the western powers and resulting German rearmament forced the Presidium to adopt a tougher foreign policy. Malenkov and his softer policies were kicked out.

4. Soviet Russia is headed for military dictatorship. Evidence of this new trend is found in the appointment of Marshal Nikolai Bulganin as the new premier and Marshal Georgi K. Zhukov as the new minister of war.

While a combination of all these factors may have caused what happened, this fourth theory is now being discounted.

Premier Bulganin is not a regular army man. He entered the Russian army with the rank of lieutenant general and worked his way up the ladder from there to marshal. His real assignment by Stalin was as Communist party overseer of the Red Army's officer corps. He is, therefore, regarded as more of a figurehead administrator for the Communist party boss Khrushchev.

There were formerly three major forces in Russia—the Communist party, the police and the army. A combination of any two could rule Russia. With the liquidation of the former secret police chief Lavrenti P. Beria, however, the power of the police has declined. The police are believed to be controlled by the Communist party—not the army.

Khrushchev apparently gained his present control through an alliance with the Red army leadership, represented by Marshal Zhukov, President Eisenhower's World War II buddy in Berlin.

This Khrushchev-Zhukov deal is regarded at best as an uneasy alliance, and not a permanent solution of leadership.

Once he solidifies his own position, Khrushchev might kick Zhukov out. If mistakes are made, and policies must be changed again, Bulganin could be made the goat and removed from power.

There is no evidence on whether the Red army leaders could operate as a political group. They never have so operated.

The Red army leadership is considered predominantly Russian nationalist in character. It is interested primarily in protecting the Russian motherland from enemies who would rush in at the first sign of weakness.

The continuing fight for leadership in Moscow is, therefore, seen as a fundamental conflict between Russia and the Red army as the international Communists, whose goal is world revolution and world domination.

These international Communists look upon Russia and the Red army as the instruments for achieving world revolution. Thus far, the Communist party has always controlled the Red army.

There is some speculation that the Red army leaders might not want to see the Communist party control ended. Such a collapse of international communism would destroy Communist leadership at the satellites. It would leave Russia at the mercy of the countries all around her.

The great danger to the United States is this: in their inability to solve their own internal leadership problems, the Communist party leaders and the Red army leaders might turn to foreign adventures to achieve unity, and so blunder the world into a new war, just as the Kaiser and Hitler started World Wars I and II.

## Fire Engines Busy Last Month

Fire engines rolled 15 times from the local fire hall in January. Fire Chief Vernon W. Carlson said in his monthly report to the city commission, submitted Wednesday.

Of the alarms, two were general, 13 silent, the chief said. Amount of fire loss for the month had not been determined at the time the monthly report was compiled, Carlson said.

## PRINEVILLE BLAZE CHECKED

Special to The Bulletin  
PRINEVILLE — A fire of undetermined origin, partly destroyed the small frame home belonging to Ruth Ann Elsen Monday evening. Prompt response of the Prineville Volunteer fire department helped check the blaze and kept it from spreading to nearby dwellings in the Brookfield Acres section of town.

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## Monthly Budget Report Offered

Revenues into the general city coffers totaled \$20,060 in January and expenditures \$33,133, according to the monthly budget report recently presented city commissioners.

Major source of income for the month came from licenses, particularly from fees collected from liquor establishments, \$6,269 was contributed from this source.

Other licenses, most of which fall due at the first of the year, reaped several thousand dollars more.

The water department, its finances held in a separate fund, showed a deficit of \$726 for the month, the department's monthly report showed.

Revenues for the month came to \$11,250, while expenses were \$11,976.

Water Superintendent W. P. Drost said expenses usually rise during winter months, but fall into line with revenue during the spring building season.

General city budget for the year is \$126,268, that of the water department \$152,980.

So far spent by city departments has been \$258,109, by the water department, \$87,858.

Revenue collected over the past seven months of the current fiscal period for general city departments has totaled \$292,053. Water department revenue so far aggregates \$87,307.



Ila S. Grant's

## Sage Brushings

It surprises me that more isn't written about Florian Zabach, the young violinist whose Hollywood-produced television show is sent out on Tuesday nights from the Eugene station. That boy is the fiddle-fancier's Liberace. Same smile, same charm, same flair for clothes, some staging gimmicks. And would you believe it? This week Florian played the Cradle Song, and afterward he tiptoed around blowing out candles. That really did it.

I think I could be very critical of Zabach, except that he plays like a dream, and he's so engagingly young. Some time ago, he did a program of music that was popular in the 20's. With excruciating naivete he remarked, "It must have been a wonderful time to be alive."

Zabach, like Liberace, uses pretty girls for props. It's an old trick of Liberace's to use super-imposed film to make it appear that a miniature girl is dancing on top of his grand piano. The other night Zabach had a miniature girl sitting on a phonograph turntable, while he played along with one of his own recordings.

When I saw Zabach's wedding sequence, I had that "This is where I came in" feeling, and was sorry it wasn't the movies, so I could ask for my money back and go for a walk. Then it came to me. Liberace did the wedding routine a few weeks before. The shows were surprisingly similar, right down to the fine detail of showing the star waltzing around with the bride.

## Bend's Yesterdays

FIFTY YEARS AGO

From The Bulletin, Feb. 17, 1905  
The Pilot Butte canal was completed to Crooked river last Friday. There were 125 men and 40 teams on the job. These have been transferred to the Central Oregon canal.

A kiln holding 100,000 bricks, on the Barney Lewis homestead just west of Bend, is to be fired in the near future.

J. H. Overturf is erecting a second cottage on his lot on Ironside avenue.

The Steidl and Reed traction engine from Silver Lake has reached the Cort Allen place at Big Meadows. The temperature there Saturday night was 26 below zero.

L. D. Wiest's house caught fire from a hot chimney Sunday morning. A bucket brigade of men, summoned by telephone from downtown, quickly went into action and put out the blaze.

W. H. Staats, the Deschutes merchant and postmaster, has sold his stock to E. A. Sather and sent his resignation as postmaster to Washington. D. C. The Deschutes post-office is expected to be closed soon. Bend, less than a mile away, serves the needs of the area.

A large and jolly crowd attended the masque ball given by the Bend Coronet band Tuesday night. Irving Reed and his sister, Flossie, costumed as "the old gentleman and his bride," won prizes offered for the best sustained characters.

Both Liberace and Zabach like to display their versatility by singing. And both would do well to slow down in this department. On Zabach's last show, I think he stole the march on Liberace. He played daddy to a real live baby, then did a melancholy number with words that would break your heart. If Liberace comes out next week playing with dolls, that will be the very end. I'll turn him off and listen to "Name That Tune."

Sometimes I feel like a real madcap, and drive home a different way. Recently on one of these off-course junkets I made an interesting discovery. There's a new mailbox at the J. W. Matson farm off Neff road. It's mounted on a plough (There's also a plough mailbox on the Trap Club road.)

It's a nice drive past the Matson's house. Turn right on Penn avenue from E. Fifth street, drive right past Pilot Butte and keep going. You get a wilderness feeling when you skirt around Pilot Butte, and there are wonderful woodsy views from the top of the hill. Then you drop down into farming country, and the sky-and-land pictures are heaven, down to earth.

The do-it-yourself advocates are making a career of this business. The pitch this week is that "now is the time to make your garden furniture." What a wonderful idea. I must rush home and whip up a picnic table.

This is also Sew and Save Week, and I pass on this bit of information because the sponsors have pulled out all the stops, to make this the most sew-and-save week in history. They have even coined a biblical-sounding slogan (yet). "As ye sew, so shall ye save."

Some people are always kicking about the commercials on TV. I like them, myself. Otherwise, when would we get our coffee breaks?

## County Supports Police Teletype

Police Chief John T. Truett reported this morning that he has added county court support to that of the city commission in petitioning the state for a police teletype here.

The chief said he talked with Sheriff F. C. Sholes and Judge C. L. Allen yesterday and that both expressed keen interest in linking Bend to the teletype network.

Willingness to pay a rental fee estimated at \$50 monthly for a teletype was expressed by the city commission at its meeting Wednesday.

Truett was authorized by the commission to relay its feeling to an appropriation committee of the state legislature studying the possibility of extending the communication service.

COI INCLUDES  
COLUMBUS, O. — (UP) — Ohio State University chemists have developed a method of telling the age of ancient coins by the proportion of their component metals. Dr. Earle R. Caley and Wallace H. Deebel explained that their studies have shown there are systematic chronological changes in the relative amounts of lead and tin in ancient Greek coinage bronze, with later coins containing more lead.

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It's all in the state of mind.

Full many a race is lost  
Ere ever a step is run:

And many a coward fails  
Ere ever his work begun.

Think big, and your deeds will grow:  
Think small, and you'll fall behind:

Think that you can, and you will.  
It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you're outclassed, you are:  
You've got to think high to rise.

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