

Two Novels Removed From Library

MIAMI (UPI) — Two famous novels about dictatorships of the future disappeared from Miami High School library shelves today because a student's father objected to them.

Aldous Huxley's "Brave New World" and the late George Orwell's "1984" were quietly removed after an anonymous telephone call complaining of "obscene passages."

Both novels are political satires warning against fictional totalitarian states of the future in which the individual would be helpless.

Author Philip Wylie, a Miami resident whose books also have aroused a lot of wrath at times, attacked the action of the school principals as "ignorant and craven."

"If you haven't read '1984' you can't talk to any intelligent person," he said. "To take it away is to bring 1984 dictatorship closer and do just what the book was written to try to stop."

The caller complained to the principal of North Miami High School that his children were required to read both novels and he considered certain passages obscene.

The school principal and county school authorities removed the two books from the list of required reading at North Miami High.

Principals of other high schools heard of the action and removed the books voluntarily from their library shelves. A survey of high school libraries Friday showed none with either of the books on the shelves, although seven principals questioned said they had not read them.

Huxley's novel, which appeared in 1932, forecast state control of the individual from birth to death in a land where the citizens were kept happy with a form of tranquilizer pill.

Orwell, British soldier, essayist, novelist and political writer, put the term "Big Brother" in the language with his postwar novel of a future state where an all-seeing dictator controls the lives of his subjects through every minute of the day.

Fems Survive Air Tragedy

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)—Seventeen women survived the crash of a Colombian airliner which went down in a rainstorm with 46 Colombians aboard while bringing vacationers back from an island resort.

The accident occurred Saturday. The twin-engine C46 was en route from San Andres Island, off Nicaragua's east coast, to Medellin, northwest Colombia.

Eight survivors of a Catalina flying boat which crashed in Colombia's Meta department a week ago were rescued from the jungle Sunday by helicopter of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

All 14 persons aboard the plane survived the crash, but six died in the five days before the wreck was spotted and medical aid lowered.

SCOUT NEWS

GIRL SCOUT WEEK
LAKEVIEW — Girl Scout Week closed in Lakeview March 12 with awards going to Brownie Troop 33, Intermediate Troop 2 and Senior Troop 15 in the troop display contests conducted at the Memorial Hall. Awards were made by Mrs. Erma Clause, a former Girl Scout commissioner.

The winning Brownie Troop is led by Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald. Second in this division went to Troop 31, led by Mrs. Ethel Elder; third to Troop 30 led by Mrs. Vivian Flick, and fourth to Troop 32 led by Mrs. June Williams.

In the intermediate group the first prize winner is led by Mrs. Ruth Banister. Other placings were Troop 8, second, led by Mrs. Peggy Bell; Troop 16, third, led by Mrs. Hugh Stapleton; Troop 20, fourth, led by Mrs. Nancy Cooper.

Senior division winner, Troop 15, was led by Mrs. V. J. Parks. Demonstrations during the week included a puppet show by Troop 20; Girl Scout Laws by Troop 21, led by Mrs. Bernice Hewitt; good grooming by Troop 7, led by Mrs. Mavis Kiewer; fire building and first aid by Troop 8; leatherwork by Troop 5, led by Mrs. Hope Chapman and Mrs. A. R. Dunn.

The awards program period also included talks by Ellen Louise North, who, with Mavis Kiewer, attended the national camp at Colorado Springs, and by Sidney Harlan, who with Janet Stewart, attended the Region 11 alternate camp in Washington.

Mrs. Garth Thornburg was general chairman for Girl Scout Week.

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Klamath Grange News

MIDLAND GRANGE
Hilbert Schneider became a member of Midland Grange during a birthday meeting and dinner the evening of March 16. Grace Stark was appointed master of the juvenile grange soon to be organized in the Midland unit.

Alex Cammock, grange master, officiated during the business meeting. All officers were present except James Flowers, executive committee member, who is vacationing in California.

Guy Galletti, assistant steward, Verda Urback, lady assistant steward, and Betty Aekin, Ceres, led opening drills and presented the flag.

Chaplain Laura Walker announced the recent death of Effie Frain, a granger, and the charter was draped in Mrs. Frain's honor by Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Aekin.

Home economics, agricultural, legislative, youth, juvenile, relief, treasury, building, hospitality, decorating, landscaping, ways and means, drill captain, sales slip, insurance, and publicity committee reports were read.

Merle C. Stewart was appointed agent for the Grange Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Lecturer Mayme Cammock asked all grange youth who plan to participate in the forthcoming highway essay contest to make sure their entries are ready for the next meeting, April 6, at 8 p.m., so they may be judged before they are forwarded to state grange headquarters to meet the May 1 deadline.

After closing drills, Alice Hoover

Agency Limits Airliner Speed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government has set flight speed limits on Electra turbo-prop airliners pending further investigation of last Thursday's Indiana air tragedy. Sixty-three persons died when an Electra disintegrated in flight.

The Federal Aviation Agency announced the limits Sunday night in advance of a meeting it scheduled here Tuesday with representatives of the Civil Aeronautics Board, operators of Electra planes and makers of the planes and their power plants.

FAA Administrator E. R. Quesada said the planes should be operated at not more than about 316 miles per hour at altitudes up to 15,000 feet. Slower speeds were set on a sliding scale at higher altitudes.

The Lockheed Aircraft Corp., which makes the Electras, said their normal cruising speed is 400 miles per hour. A Lockheed spokesman said 126 of the planes have been delivered to airlines. The FAA said seven airlines use Electras.

Investigations of the Northwest Airlines plane tragedy near Tell City, Ind., so far have produced "nothing significant," an official said. Quesada said it now seems sufficiently similar to a September crash of the same type of plane "to justify operating restrictions pending further investigation."

Charles Hughes, manager of Northwest's flight administration, said his airline "will certainly abide by the FAA directive." But he said the order will have little or no effect on Northwest's flight times.

A Lockheed spokesman said his firm "fully endorses the FAA action and will continue to work with all investigating agencies until cause of the accident can be established."

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Plumbers-Pipefitters Plan Industrial Union Pull-Out

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Plumbers-Pipefitters Union today served notice it is pulling out of the AFL-CIO Industrial Union Department. The move points up worsening relations between the federation's craft and industrial unions.

The step resulted from an incident involving Plumbers-Pipefitters President Peter T. Schoemann at AFL-CIO winter sessions last month at Miami Beach, Fla. Schoemann has been a member of the IUD executive committee as well as a leading spokesman for unions in the AFL-CIO's separate Building Trades Department. After an IUD executive committee meeting at Miami Beach, he was asked to leave so remaining IUD leaders could discuss strategy in the IUD's running controversy with building trades unions.

Schoemann left, but made it clear afterward he considered himself affronted. In a letter to IUD Secretary-Treasurer James B. Carey, Schoemann said the Plumbers-Pipefitters Union's ending its affiliation with the IUD effective March 31 "We wish to embarrass no one," Schoemann wrote. "We desire only to avoid any recurrence of this unfortunate affair." Other major unions which have previously quit the IUD include the Carpenters, Iron Workers, Sheet Metal Workers and Operating Engineers. Several building trades, including the Electrical Workers Brotherhood, the Painters and Rollers, still retain IUD membership.

Basically, the split between the industrial-type unions and the building trades craft unions is an argument over types of work jurisdiction claimed by each side for its own members. It is the same argument that caused the 1935 split of labor into the rival AFL and CIO.

No such split appears imminent now in the recently merged AFL-CIO, but the scrapping over jurisdiction goes on unabated. George Meany, AFL-CIO president, has called a secret strategy session of top AFL-CIO leaders here Thursday in another of a long series of attempts to resolve the issue.

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