

---

entitled "The Dead Mother," students spelled and defined "beating," "orphan," "abandoned," "violence." The stern McGuffey ethic worked well for teaching reading and grammar. As Lindberg notes, students were not coddled. They learned through comprehension of both the words and the moral.

**AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS, 1971: A Documentary Record**

655 pp. \$24.50  
L of C 75-13518  
ISBN 0-8147-7763-5

**AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS, 1972: A Documentary Record**

590 pp. \$24.50  
L of C 75-15127  
ISBN 0-8147-7764-3

**AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS, 1973: A Documentary Record**

650 pp. \$26.50  
L of C 76-15891  
ISBN 0-8147-7775-9

(All volumes edited by Richard P. Stebbins and Elaine P. Adam, New York Univ., 1976)

This is a belated continuation by a new publisher of the documentary series sponsored regularly from 1939 to 1951 by the World Peace Foundation and since 1952 by the Council on Foreign Relations. It makes available 155 U.S. foreign policy documents for 1971, 98 for 1972, and 86 for 1973, chosen to illustrate major policy moves (military withdrawal from Vietnam, the SALT I agreements, efforts to end the Yom Kippur War). Included in the three volumes are the Shanghai Communiqué of February 27, 1972, issued at the conclusion of President Nixon's trip to China, the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty of May 26, 1972, with the Soviet Union, and the War Powers Resolution passed by Congress over Nixon's veto in November, 1973. The editors are both long-time staff members of the Council on Foreign Relations. The documents they have selected refresh our memories of events that seem much more distant in time than in fact they are.

*Contemporary Affairs*

**FEDERAL TAX POLICY**

by Joseph A. Pechman  
Brookings, 1977, 401 pp.  
\$11.95 cloth, \$4.95 paper  
L of C 76-54901  
ISBN 0-8157-6978-4  
ISBN 0-8157-6977-6 pbk.

Pechman demonstrates again his ability to clarify both the fiscal and social significance of U.S. tax policy. This third edition of his standard work is crammed with useful information for officials, economists, and taxpayers, notably on changes resulting from the Tax Reform Act of 1976. The book covers federal taxes on incomes (individual and corporate), consumption (excise, sales, value-added), payrolls, estates, and gifts, as well as state and local taxes. Pechman holds that the U.S. individual income tax is the "best tax ever devised" despite "unsettled problems" related to tax treatment of the family and the