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## **A Handbook on Philippine Life: Politics in the Philippines**

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read and re-read this book. Now that Khrushchev has been removed, the book may be for some an historical account merely of foreign policy difficulties peculiar to a particular communist regime. This, however, seems untrue. The book reveals that there is a great deal in the communist world that is not going to make unity easier as time goes by. There are different dogmas, because that is what the combination of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin, Mao and Tito has produced. The book also helps one find answers to questions concerning the nature of world communism, and form plans and policies in one's confrontations with communism.

AUSTIN DOWD

## A HANDBOOK ON PHILIPPINE LIFE

POLITICS IN THE PHILIPPINES. By Jean Grossholtz. Boston: Little, Brown, 1964. 293 pp.

Since 1946 there have been very few American works dealing with Philippine life in general. There have been some specialized studies concerning agrarian reform, communist subversion, or the struggle for independence. But aside from the four volume study prepared nearly a decade ago by the Human Relations Area File group at the University of Chicago, there has been no examination of Filipino life in its totality by an American scholar. Professor Jean Grossholtz has written a small but interesting analysis of the history, politics, social and economic life of the Philippines. A student of the Philippines might very well discover nothing startling in this small volume. In fact, he might even find a few historical inaccuracies. But then Professor Grossholtz' book was not meant for the specialist. It was designed to serve the needs of a college course in comparative government. It is part of a series that Little, Brown is bringing out under the editorship of Professors Almond, Coleman and Pye. The only serious limitation in this volume is the lack of a bibliography. The few footnotes, do serve to indicate the sources which were used.

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## THE PHILIPPINES AND PRESIDENT MCKINLEY

IN THE DAYS OF MCKINLEY. By Margaret Leech. New York: Harper & Brothers, 1959. 686 pp.