These are among 103 FACTUAL ERRORS in two 8th grade U.S. History books now used in Texas schools. Errors publishers never caught. Our finding them recently led to a rule change levying much steeper fines if publishers edit so badly again.

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