## Your Right to Know

Is the Key to All Your Liberities

## EDITORIALS

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 country where the mountains are higher than the tares.
## Freedom's Textbook

Freedom is expressed in many ways by many people taught in the pages of a free press-free to seek out the truth and free to express these facts.
more consistently than the press to play a sigifialled on in protecting the rights of individuals. Your newspaper dom's textbook.
To limit the press in its attempts to obtain accurate and
factual information factual information would be to limit your right to know

- a basic concept in a free society. Despite this role, there are those who would deprive newspaper readers of this reedom.
The barring of reporters from town council meetings,
legislative hearings, public legislative hearings, public committee meetings, and court
trials is in a real sense an infringement on trials is in a real sense an infringement on your right to

Certainly, these practices should be condemned. But we could hardly take such a stand without first
ooking to ourselves and knowing full well that we practice what we advocate.
Let's take as an example our relations with our adver-
tisers. The most important function tisers. The most important function we serve for them is
in providing the circulation which gives the audience to in providing the circulation which gives the audience to
their printed sales messages. We feel that each advertiser has a right to know all the facts about his audience before columns.
Just as the reporter should not be denied the facts on
events or transactions events or transactions having public interest, neither should
anyone with a legitimate interest be deprived of informaanyone with a legitimate interest be deprived of informa-
tion which is essential as a sound basis for investing his advertising dollars.
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Just as we believe that complete information regarding the advertising value of this newspaper should be available
to our advertisers, so do we fight for the right of our red ers to be fully informed regarding subjects affecting their interests.
The press, as the recognized medium for informing the people, should be given every opportunity to obtain the
facts. Only after every door closed by a public official has facts. Only after every door closed by a public official has
been opened to the press, shall we have complete freedom of information.
Only so long as this is true can your newspaper effec-

## Drawing the Line

The question of taxpayer-financed trips by our public
officials has been raised here again with the for members of the board of education and nearly half a dozen school administrators to attend an annual convif tion of school officials in Atlantic City early next yen The authorization-which school officials contend do not mean all of those authorized will go-raises a question in the minds of many of the city's taxpayers: Where does It end
The Herald also questions such wholesale convention
attendance, especially attendance, especially at retail prices. We don't neces we ask that selfish consideration be given in assessing the gains of such activities against the costs.
dressed by leaders of any profession, and the interchang of ideas between representatives from a large segment o the nation is a healthy activity. But could that knowledge be obtained at far less cost to the taxpayer by obtaining eeports of the convention, or by sending fewer delegates? the school officials meeting in Atlantic City or the conven tion of the League of California Cities in or the conventhis week worth the thousands of dollars it will cost? boiled look at appropriness and industry must take a hard the terrible expenses involved, the schools and the city Top city and schoble limits on such trips.
Top city and school administrators and the legislative bodies must adopt the same realistic attitude because the such purposes.
Persons in authority must cies in light of growing expenditures and rising tax rates,
making sure that each dollar o the taxpayer in increased efficiency in the departments oncerned.

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Symphony Concert Praised

| Friday evening, Oct. 16, orchestra played with dig. |  |
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| 1959, the the Redondo High | nity straightorwardness and |
| Sreshness. Miss Elyse Aehle, |  |
| School Auditorium, Redondo |  |



## Law in Action

Degrees of Evidence
nal cases must show guilt
'beyond a reasonable doubt";
but but in most civil cases, one
side wins merely by proving side wins merely by proving
his case by a "preponderance
of evidence." When civil cases verge up.
on the criminal, like cases on the criminal, like cases
involving civil fraud or un-
due influence, the court may ask for "a clear and convinc-
ing evidence."
The stakes - life, liberty,

sult in misconduct and a new
trial.





The orchestra under the very capable direction of
Miss Aehle, performed with a magnificent sweep and
grandeur. About 800 persons attended his concert to wit.
ness the tireless efforts of group and to and talented for work well done.
Richard L. Bradford

## Opinions of Others

believes in reasonable, sensible progress based on the ex-
periences of the near and distant past. Not one who be.

## in the book that some hair-brain may devise--Greenville

 vidence and say to a "moral
certainty" that the charge is
or true. Or the judge might
merely tell the jurors to acreasonable doubt about his
problem Maybe it ahould perspective toward the juvenile or too busy to accept the responsibility of living exemplary lives themselves and of teaching their children to do like-
wise.-Fort Piece (Fla.) Nex.TTribune-


## A 'Best Ever' Christmas Predicted by Reporter



It the commies though
they could whip us they'd
start tomorrow morning.
Don't be deceived by smooth talk.-Most Rev. Harold Henry, Bishop of Kwangju, Ko
rea.

Freedom is indivisible.
When any one of its facetseconomic, political or relig.
eous - is weakened sooner ious -is weakened, soone
or later the others will be in
jeopardy." - George Fern.
"Maybe I'm just too old to omprehend the modern eco-
nomic theory that a man or
nation can live in perpetu-

## nation can live in perpetu- y on the cuff."-Inez Robb.

"Economic literacy is a na"ifal necessity if our way of
ife is to be preserved." Dr. Lillian Kay
The worst place in God's
world is to rest on your
laurels - it's too comfortable
here." - James Thurber.
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hing civilized by man." -

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