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Your Right to Know Is the Key to All Your Liberties

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A Thought for Christmas

"For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."

MATTHEW 24:7, 11-13 *

In these words the Lord spoke to His disciples of the doubts and hardships, the persecutions and mortal weak-ness of many which would try the strength of the Christian faith. It was left up to the individual to find within himself the courage, alertness, faithfulness and determination to face up to his responsibilities no matter what the confusion and temptations that might come along. In that world of 2000 years ago this was a stern order but the only one that could be given. It remains with us today as a key part of

the Christian message.

As Christmastide again touches its special magic to all the Christian world let each of us in our own way consider anew the essential goodness, the hope, and purpose of human life which is the eternal message of the Christmas season. In this country especially, let us also reassess at this time our belief in the importance of the individual in the scheme of things that built our nation. This alone can give us the material vitality and strength to checkmate on a physical basis the oppressive naked force of Communism throughout the world. Most importantly, it will keep alive the greatest power which America has possessed throughout her national life—the irresistible appeal of standing before all the peoples of the world as a living momument to the spiritual and material achievements of whih free men are capable. In our preoccupation with administrating our abundance we must never forget that it was created by free men and that to a preponderance of the world's people, government under laws protecting the individual from opession and allowing him to work, save and build his own life is but a legendary privilege. In the years just ahead America will hold great respon-

sibility. There will be the constant threat of atomic obliteration for whole nations, the turmoil of newly-formed countries taking their first uncertain steps toward someday becoming responsible members of the world community, the constant play for position and advantage by the two great powers and their allies and satellites. National government will loom large on the stage. Amid distractions of such huge import there is in our own country a present danger that we may not look closely enough to the sources of our strength. We must not turn away from the whole record of our history and sway with the pressure to accept the old idea that achievement can best be realized through collectivism. If we seek central government responsibility for our domestic welfare and accept its domination of our lives we shall cease to exist as a great nation. We cannot afford to be preoccupied. To sell the world our newest and most precious thing-individual freedom-we must first keep it for ourselves

From the beginning the strength of Christianity has come from its concern for the individual-testing him, relying on his belief and steadfastness and capacity for spiritual greatness. In these years of danger we cannot base our political and economic lives, any more than our religion, on

Today's Centerpiece

He was born in an obscure village.

He was the child of a woman, who, to her peasant neighbors, was just one of them and one with them. He had no credentials but himself.

Nineteen fruitful centuries have come and gone. Today He is the centerpiece of the human race, the inspiration of progress.

All the armies that ever marched; all the navies that were ever built; all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man on this earth as has that One Solitary Life!

Opinions of Others

Labor leaders better recognize the signs and realize that tinue to add to the cost of merchandise and services. They should do it now before government regulations are demanded which, in the long run, would only make matters worse.—Gilbertsville (N.Y.) Journal.

Motorists as a group of taxpayers contribute more to the total cost of government in the United States than any other single user, profession, or occupation. One of the interstate highway program penny-per-gallon taxes is due to expire June 30, 1961, but don't wager Congress will relinquish its hold on \$600 million so readily.—Kittanning (Pa.)

Who would deny that the average American today has nuch less personal freedom than he had prior to 1914? In cores - perhaps hundreds - of ways, big and little, his life has become regulated . . . In some states today a man is told - with government sanction - that he may work only if he joins a labor union . . . Another rarely noted is the curb on a citizen's right to protest. That right is basic; and the nost effective of all protests is the refusal to pay taxes . . . But how can a man refuse to pay tax that is deducted from his wages?-Franklin (N.C.) Press.

Interviewing Distinguished Visitor



Out of the Past

From the Files of the HERALD

The HERALD'S edition of Christmas eve 20 years ago was dotted with Christmas items relating seasonal parties and special commi

But Dean L. Sears, then manager of the Torrance Branch, Bank of America, was looking ahead to 1941 and came up with statistics upon which to base an optimistic prediction. He cited 4008 loans made by the bank during 1940 totalling \$1,586.000.

Although their regular meeting fell on Christmas Eve the Torrance city council was planning to go ahead with the meeting as scheduled. A

NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS
(No. 5 in a Series)
A Boston savings bank published a notice in a local daily newspaper that "application has been made to and accepted by the Federal Deposit Corporation for insurance of each deposit account in this bank up to \$10,000." This action, the notice continued, was taken "in accordance with authority given to this Bank" under specified provisions of the

given to this Bank" under specified provisions of the

general laws.

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The notice, signed by the bank president, appeared twice in the newspaper, a week apart. It told the depositors also that "Further questions with relation to this subject may be directed to

subject may be directed to the bank."

Doubtless other ways might

have been, and perhaps were, use to notify depositors of

general laws.

NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS

HERALD writer suggested failed to register by Dec. 26 they ought to sing a few Christmas carols and perhaps hang a sprig of mistletoe.

Chief John Stroh was rejoicing over the absence crime preceding that Christ-mas week because he admit-ted his staff was shorthanded because of the inroads made by a prevailing flu epidemic. George Dolton, Tom Perkin, and Louis Cassulu were on the sick list although the city's lone motor officer, Willard Barnett, had returned to duty after a bout of illness.

Severe pentalties were threatened for altens who

this action by the bank. But the use of a newspaper of general circulation was provided for specifically by law. This is common with many kinds of public notices.

Short of personal notice, which is also specified in some situations, the newspaper is the best means of giving public notice. It is tangible, it is semi-permanent, it is established, and invariably it has a substantial following of voluntary, paid,

variably it has a substantial following of voluntary, paid, habitual readers.

For many years, then, the newspaper and the public notice have joined hands to serve the public. The public notice contributes to the protection of those whose rights may be involved. At the same times the newspaper gives maximum publicity to the notice. All of this is in the interest of both public and individual.

On Public Notice

By JAMES E. POLLARD

as required by the National Alien Registration Act. With war clouds threatening, all

In his Christmas message, Father Joseph Lee Bauer, pastor of Nativity Catholic church invoked "the blessings of Heaven upon all members of his parish and all the peo-ple of the community."

Law in Action

Your New Home tracts protect both you and the lender. Unless you pay cash, you will use credit to buy your house, most likely backed by a deed of trust: a trustee holds title until you pay for your house on time. Your payments may cover principal, interest, insurance, and taxes. Fall behind and the holder can take the house back. You may get some of your money back on the principal, but you may also have to make up any loss the owner makes in re-selling.

When your are ready to build, the law can help in many ways to make your home enjoyable and secure. Have you decided on the type house you want and what to spend? Well then, let's go into details.

1. Your lot: Junior's school nay be nearby, so find out:

(a) Whether they are planning to run a highway through the area or nearby, or make any major improvements for which you can be assessed.

(b) What "covenants run" with the land? To pro-tect residents, the basic deeds of some neighbor-hoods, for example, call on you to build a certain

type of house. Do you want to, and can you afford to? afford to?

(c) Easements: Either you or your neighbor may need to run pipes, or string wires over each other's land, or to share a driveway. Check all such easements with your county recorder. Or talk to your prospective neighbors if some of these things do not show up in the title search.

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2. Zoning ordinances: For your protection your city zones some areas, for example, for single houses, for multiple dwellings, and retail stores, for manufacturing and the like.

Unless the city changes its zoning law, no factory, for in-stance, can go up next to you, say, in a residential area. But you should find out what your neighborhood zoning rules

Laws Drawn Up to Alter Status of Non-Teachers

By CHARLES E. CHAPEL Assembly, 46th District The public schools require

the services of many people who are not teachers, super-visors, superintendents, or principals. We need engineers, custodians, janitors, clerks, typists, stenographers, secretaries, and office mana gers, and many other people who are not teachers. Under the existing California State laws, these people are not treated the same as those who have teaching credeticle. have teaching credentials.

At my request, the Legislative Counsel's Office has prepared Assembly Preprint Bill No. 3, which I shall introduce during the general session of the California State session of the California State Legislature, which begins Jan. 2. The Legislative Coun-sel's Digest regarding my bill, relating to the State Em-ployee's Retirement System, states that my bill adds Sec-tion 21159 to the Government Code and that it secomplish. Code, and that it accomplishes the following purpose:
"Permits a school district

contracting agency to employ members who have retired for service or disability from the school district, on a part-time or substitute basis for not to exceed ninety (90) days or one thousand five hundred not to exceed ninety (90) days or one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500) in any one fiscal year, without such employment effecting a reinstatement into the Retirement System or the loss or interruption of retirement.

The exact wording of the proposed new law is as fol-lows: "An act to add Section 21159 to the Government

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Section 1. Section 21139 is added to the Government Code, to read:
"21159. A school district contracting agency may employ any member of the system who has retired for service or dispulsity from the disice or disability from the dis-trict, on a part-time or sub-statement from retirement or loss or interruption of bene-fits. No person shall be em-ployed on a part-time substitute basis pursuant to this section for a period in excess of 90 days in any one fiscal year, nor shall such person be permitted to earn an amount in excess of one thousand five hundred (\$1500),

According to the Legisla According to the Legislative Counsel, my Assembly Pre-Print Bill No. 4 "adds Section 21160 to the Government Code. It permits a retired member of the State tem to be employed on a part-time or substitute basis by the State, the university, or a contracting agency, for a period not to exceed 90 days, and in an amount not days, and in an amount not to exceed \$1500, in any one fiscal year, without reinstate-ment from retirement or the loss or interruption of re-tirement benefits."

Assembly Pre-Print Bill No. 4 is actually worded as fol-

"The people of the State of California do enact as fol-

in December differ too, even

today.
Why all the confusion?

Well there are several rea-sons. One is that the Bible does not furnish many clues.

Second is that the ancient

ment Code to read:

"21160. A person who has been retired under this sys-tem for service or disability may be employed on a parttime or substitute basis there-after by the State, the university, or by a contracting agency for a period not to exceed 90 days in any one exceed 90 days in any one fiscal year, and may be paid in an amount not to exceed one thousand five hundred dellars (\$1500) in any one fiscal year, without reinstatement from retirement or loss or interruption of benefits under this part." under this part.'

"Superintendents, princi-als, supervisors, teachers, pals, supervisors, teachers, and others having teaching credentials in California can be called back for part-time or substitute work without jeopardizing their retirement status, but other school em-ployees do not have this pro-tection. These people do not have a large and powerful organization to represent them before the California State Legislature, hence they are the "forgotten people" of the

the "forgotten people" of the school system.

If you believe these bills are just and fair, please write to me at Room 4001, State Capi-tol, Sacramento 14, if you live in the 46th Assembly District. If you live in an-ot h er Assembly District, please write to your own As-semblyman at the State Capisemblyman at the State Capisemblyman at the State Capi-tol, and in any case write to State Senator Richard Rich-ards, State Capitol, Sacra-mento 14.

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Happy New Year!

Of general interest was the impending opening of Santa Anita race track and a group of avid local fans were planning to attend in a group. A youthful looking Duke of Windsor and his American wife were pictured on an extended visit to Miami, Fla. The duchess had just undergone extensive dental work and was said to be feeling in disposed. Scholars Dispute First Christmas; Not Dec. 25 Certainly not everyone celebrates Christ's birth on December 25 we although there is of the condition, filled with traditions honoring the Birth of the Child, Jesus.

"Christmas comes but once a year" — but when does it come and when is it supposed to come?

The exact date of Jesus' birth has been disputed by scholars for centuries. In fact, about all they agree on is that it is NOT December 25.

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Well worked out contracts

second is that the ancient manuscripts differ. Third, the interpretations of these man-uscripts differ. And yet an-other reason is that calendars have been changed over the Most scholars estimate that the true date falls in late August or early September. It is not even certain why

although there is one generally accepted reason. Saturnalia was the great Roman Holiday and it came around the third week of December. Christian leaders hoped that celebrat-ing Christmas at this time would lessen the impact of

the pagans' festival.

Also, December in all civilied lands in the early centuries was the time of many

winter festivities.

It really seems that the only agreement on this celebration is that it commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. The dates differ widely; the myriad means of showing han myriad means of showing hap-piness can not be counted — but it is a wondrous time, OUR December 25th, and we say "a very Merry Christmas"!

Holy Land is Small; Jammed With History

Most of the events we find recorded in the Bible occurred in an area about 80 miles wide and 400 miles long.

Although the Holy Land is a small area, it is filled with historical ladmarks and is a desolate land of contrasts.

Around Galilee the rainfall is abundant, while Negey is a desolate desert. In 15 miles you can travel from 2,600 feet above sea level to 1297 feet below sea level.

Damascus, the oldest city in the world which has been continuously in habited, today

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Well worked out contracts can help make your dream house come true. You know what you want. You should be careful to do the best you can to obtain it through careful planning and checking the legal details.

Note: California lawyers offer this column so you may know about our lawy.

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has many morern areas. The old Damascus will still stands and is so thick that some families have made living quarters in it.

The Sea of Galilee is beauout thirteen miles long and eight miles wide.

Jerusalem, a fortress city which has been beseiged over 30 times and razed to the ground and rebuilt at least

The Mount of Olives is out-

is not the peaceful country we pray it would be . . . but perhaps and perhaps one day its problems will be solved.

Most of the events we find

Jericho is the oldest town in the world, 10,000 years, but has not always been lived in . . . there have been four Jerichos in various periods, all within two miles of each

The River Jordan, where Jesus was baptized, is only about 50 feet wide, muddy ... deep in the spring but dry before winter.

six, covers somewhat over 80 acres. It, like Damascus, is still surrounded by the old

side the wall and there, you will find the Garden of Getha

Nazareth, where Joseph and Mary started from on their trip to Bethlehem, is a hum-ble little town and somewhat

Today, the Holy Land, birthplace of three great religions — Christianity, Judaism and Mohammedanism —

CROSSWORD PUZZLE -Author Unknown

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