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The people of our nation are observing October 15-21 as National Newspaper Week. The theme for this 20th annual observance is "Your Newspaper--Freedom's Textbook."

It is most appropriate for Californians to join in honoring the people of the newspaper world, inasmuch as the founder of National Newspaper Week is a Californian, John B. Long, general manager of the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

From the beginning of this great nation, Americans have turned to their newspapers for truth. In newspaper columns, too, they have found space for their own opinions and those of others.

In a world threatened as never before with the loss of freedom, newspapers stand guard over the rights of free people. The freedom of the press, of course, is so basic in our way of life that it stands forever guaranteed in our Constitution.

Therefore, I, Edmund G. Brown, Governor of California, do hereby proclaim October 15-21, 1959, as NEWSPAPER WEEK in California. I suggest that Californians acquaint themselves anew with the freedom of the press and the other guarantees which our nation's founders wrote as the first ten amendments to our Constitution.

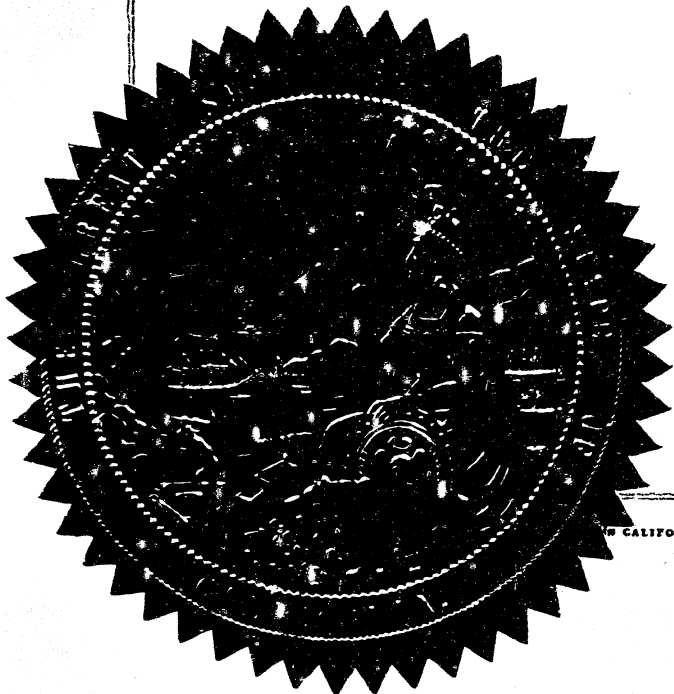
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 16th day of September, A.D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-nine.

[Signature: Edmund G. Brown]
Governor

ATTEST:

[Signature: Frank M. Jordan]

Secretary of State



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