



Report From Washington By Rep. Walter B. Jones

curity. Such provisions are a further insurance against the possibility of members being influenced by a "conflict of interest" in their consideration of certain legislation.

Also, the Department of Transportation and related agencies appropriation for fiscal year 1971 was approved by the House. The administration's budget estimate was \$2 billion, 653 million, 825 thousand, while the House reduced this request by \$85 million. This appropriation bill included the Coast Guard, Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Railroad Administration, Urban Mass Transportation System, Civil Aeronautics Board, Interstate Commerce Commission.

VETERANS' CORNER

Editor's Note: Below are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to some of the many current questions from former servicemen and their families. Further information on veterans benefits may be obtained at any VA office.

Q. I borrowed on my GI insurance, and wish to start paying off the loan with monthly payments. How do I do this?

A. Make your check or money order payable to the Veterans Administration, and mail it to the VA office where you pay your premiums. Give for 90 days or longer, with your insurance number, and out a pledge of specific se-

be applied to your loan.

Q. My mother receives a pension from the Veterans Administration because of the death of my father, a World War I veteran. She has been in a nursing home for the past four months. I recently learned that she may be entitled to an additional \$90 per month because she is in a nursing home. Is this correct?

A. Yes. Have your mother submit evidence that she is a patient in the nursing home, and the VA will be able to make the additional award. (In fact, if VA determines such a person requires the aid and attendance of another person, she will be eligible for this payment even if she is not in a nursing home).

Q. My husband is permanently and totally disabled as a result of injuries suffered during World War II. Is my son entitled to assistance in securing a college education?

A. Both you and your son may qualify for this assistance which is given to wives and children of certain totally disabled veterans whose disabilities are the result of military service. After receiving counseling at the expense of the VA, each of you may be entitled to educational allowance for 36 months. Contact your VA regional office for specific information.

Summer Hours At Local Library

Beginning June 3, the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library will close at 1 P. M. on Wednesdays.

This will continue through the months of June, July and August.

Summertime is a good time for reading.

Make Going To Church A Habit

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH

International Sunday School Lesson for June 7

Memory Selection: "Now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."—Ephesians 2:13.

Lesson Text: Ephesians 1-2.

Today's lesson embodies one of the most inspiring of truths in the realm of the Christian doctrine—in that Christ came on earth to abolish the barriers that habitually separate people from God and from each other.

Not the easiest passages to analyze, by any means, they will bear several readings, much study—and yield one of the most inspiring concepts of God's plan for mankind a reader of the Bible will come across in a long time.

Centuries have passed since the writing of these passages—since the inception of Christianity into the world. Words have become strange—or, at best, if still in general use, have different meanings.

The literal person, who envisions in his mind's eye a building when the word "church" is mentioned, will find himself out of step with the context of this lesson. For "church" in this Book we are studying today, is more accurately translated as "people." It is the people who make up the church, and it is the people who govern its actions, its pace, its effectiveness. "The church" is the embodiment of all that is great and far-seeing and perfect in God's patient plan for the welfare of mankind.

We—ordinary human beings, short-sighted though we may be, and all to often given to sinning—are the temples of God's Spirit. Through God's grace, we are the "new humanity." Our salvation results from the grace of God, not through our own deeds. And it results from the measure of our response to God's regenerating power within our lives.

For salvation is a creative process, transforming sinners into servants of the Lord.

If one should have any doubts on this score, there are many places in the Bible where one can see that God, indeed, through Christ, performed some of His greatest works with some pretty sorry material.

God never demanded that only perfect vessels should experience His will; had He done so, it is doubtful that Christianity would be as widespread as it is today. Rather, He accepted man's shortcomings, in a spirit of love and forgiveness, and extended His glory to the most needy of mankind. And Christ, in His short tenure on earth, carried on in this wise, going among the outcasts of those days and times, inspiring, recruiting—building the church.

God fully intended that the church should stand for the real and only life that man was to consider important. Through the church man was to draw closer to his Maker; he was to see people and events with new meaning—with the scales stripped from his eyes. He was to listen with a new awareness to the sounds of the world—and to the sounds of Heaven.

The church was a community of people bound

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JIM WAS GRADUATED TODAY

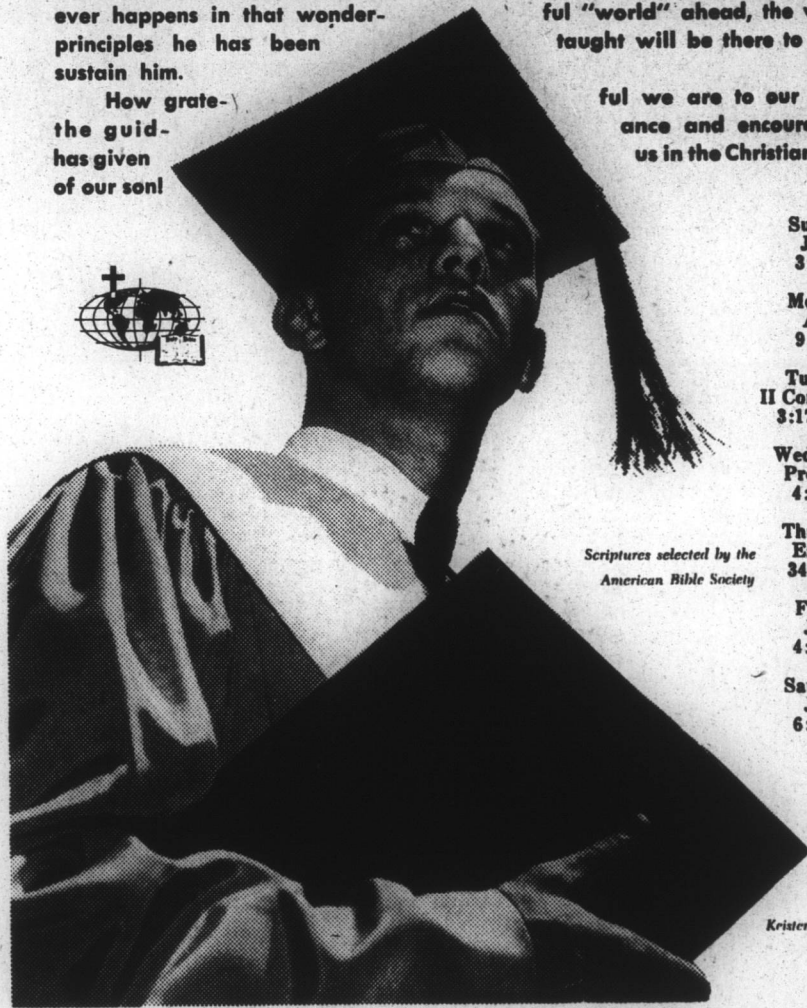
Mary and I sat on the bleachers overlooking the high school athletic field and watched him march in with his class. A bird glided overhead, and, from far off, a dog's bark and children's voices mingled on the evening air. Behind circling hills, blue mountains made a stately backdrop.

Jim avoided our glance, the habitual grin he's worn since babyhood stilled for a moment in a gaze of earnest solemnity. His first big milestone had come, and I smiled to myself remembering his eagerness to embark upon the "world of tomorrow."

I have no fears for his future . . . for Jim is a Christian. What a wonderful assurance it is to his mother and me to know that wherever he goes, what ever happens in that wonderful "world" ahead, the values and taught will be there to guide and sustain him.

How grateful we are to our church for the guidance and encouragement it has given of our son!

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Scriptures selected by the American Bible Society

- Sunday John 3:1-16
- Monday Acts 9:1-22
- Tuesday II Corinthians 3:17 to 4:6
- Wednesday Proverbs 4:10-19
- Thursday Ezekiel 34:22-31
- Friday John 4:27-38
- Saturday John 6:27-40

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