

forgotten most of what they learned about it in school. That may also go for a good many of the Members of this body, and the other body. It would be very well if all Members of the Senate and House reread the Constitution from time to time. It is vital that all Americans familiarize themselves with this document so that they know their constitutional rights and their constitutional responsibilities.

Let me suggest, therefore, that May 25, marking the anniversary of the day the Constitutional Convention got down to business, would be an appropriate day for all of us to once again read the Constitution and to appreciate the framers' efforts "to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity."

This coming Monday is Memorial Day, May 29. On that day, Edmund Randolph, Governor of the State of Virginia, presented his 15 resolves, his 15 resolutions to the convention. The debates in those ensuing days largely centered around Randolph's resolutions, or the so-called Virginia plan. So, I say to my colleagues, remember this coming Monday. That was the day when the convention first heard about the Virginia plan.

Long live the memories of the Framers of the U.S. Constitution!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, this is not quite as important a subject to my listeners, perhaps, as the words I have just spoken, but it is an important subject to me, because next Monday, the Lord willing—in the Book of James, we are told always not to say, I'll do this or I will do that tomorrow; I'll go here or I'll go there tomorrow; always say, "the Lord willing"—next Monday, the Lord willing, my wife and I will celebrate our 63rd wedding anniversary.

I have to frankly say that what little I have amounted to, if it is anything much, I owe for the most part to her. She saw to it that I earned a law degree. She virtually put me through law school by her caring ways. She fulfilled the responsibilities at home, rearing our children while I was busy. She went to the store, she did the buying, she did the washing, she did the ironing, she pressed my clothes. She mopped the floors, she vacuumed the carpets, she did the work. I have never seen a person who was a harder worker than my wife and the woman who raised me, my old foster mother, my aunt.

But Erma is the one to whom credit is due. She has set the kind of example for me over the years that I have not been able to emulate fully. This coming Monday, I am going to show her my appreciation by going back to the hills with her. On Monday, we will finish

reading the King James version of the Holy Bible together. We are down to where we lack four chapters. We try to read the Bible every Sunday—not that I am somebody who is good; the Bible says that no man is good; not that I am somebody good—but she and I read that Bible every Sunday. Three or four months ago, I counted the number of chapters remaining, and it came out to where if I divided them in a way that we would read six chapters every Sunday, we could finish the Bible, the reading of the Holy Bible, from beginning to end, the old testament and the new, on next Monday, our wedding anniversary. We lack four chapters, and God willing, we will finish those four chapters next Monday.

After that day, we will be on our way to our 64th wedding anniversary.

DETECTIVE JOHN EUILL

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, as I am talking about the Bible, I want to call attention to a good man who works in this Capitol. He is a detective. His name is John Euill.

Every time this little publication comes out, he brings it to me. The title of it is, "Our Daily Bread." John Euill always brings that to me. Of course, we are not supposed to call attention to anyone in the galleries in the Chamber, but I am going to call attention to someone who is sitting on the Chamber bench on the Republican side right now. All of our Members have shaken his hand. He is courteous. John Euill is a wonderful man.

Let me read just a few words from "Our Daily Bread," which he gave me today. The chapter titled, "Building on the Bible":

What can be done to improve society? An MTV political correspondent had this unexpected but praiseworthy suggestion: "No matter how secular our culture becomes, it will remain drenched in the Bible. Since we will be haunted by the Bible even if we don't know it, doesn't it make sense to read it?"

Our culture is indeed "drenched in the Bible." Whether or not the majority of people realize it, the principles on which the United States was founded, and the values which still permeate our national life, were based on the Holy Scriptures.

If Senators don't believe that, go back and read the Mayflower Compact and many of the other great documents that form the basis of this great Nation.

Yet, God's Word no longer occupies the commanding place it held in the past.

And that is true.

Its ethics are sometimes still praised even though biblical morality is flagrantly violated. So I agree with the political correspondent's urging that people read the Bible.

We need to do more, however, than just read the Word of God. We need to believe the Bible and put its inspired teachings into practice. The psalmist reminded us that we are to walk in God's ways, to keep His precepts diligently, and to seek Him with our whole heart.

Psalm 119, the second through the fourth verses. I am going to read those

verses for the people who are watching through that electronic eye above the presiding chair. I want in my small way to dedicate them today to Detective John Euill.

Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.

They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

I thank all Senators for their patience, and I yield the floor.

SPECIAL AGENT JOHN J. TRUSLOW

Mr. REED. Mr. President, I would like at this time to pay my respects to FBI Special Agent John Joseph Truslow. John Truslow, an FBI agent stationed in Providence, was more than "just an agent." He was a brave man, a Rhode Islander who cherished his home state and served its people with courage and distinction.

John grew up in Central Falls, Rhode Island and attended the University of Rhode Island, receiving a bachelor's degree in 1972 and a master's degree in 1978. In 1980, he joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation in New York, where he was assigned for eleven years.

In 1991, John Truslow transferred back home to Rhode Island, with his wife, Diane, and their two children, Catherine and David.

During the next nine years with the Bureau, John Truslow distinguished himself by leading several federal probes that attacked corruption in our cities and towns.

In 1996, when the North Cape barge ran aground at Moonstone Beach, spilling over 800,000 gallons of home heating oil into Narragansett Bay and killing millions of fish and wildlife, John Truslow was hard at work. Throughout that year and the next, he led a methodical investigation, which uncovered the corporate negligence that contributed to the disaster. Because of his work, a groundbreaking agreement was reached in which the owner of the North Cape agreed to pay \$9.5 million in criminal damages. Today, despite one of the worst environmental accidents in Rhode Island's history, Narragansett Bay is recovering, due, large part, to the work of Mr. Truslow.

Described by friends and co-workers as a man of substance and a man of honor, John continued to report to work each day, even after having been diagnosed with terminal brain cancer in August 1999. In fact, on April 5, one day after his twentieth anniversary with the FBI and after months of being physically ravaged by cancer and the effects of chemotherapy, John testified before a federal grand jury to present evidence which lead to the indictment on bankruptcy fraud charges of a Rhode Island traffic court judge. Twelve days later, on April 17, he was in court for that indictment.

John was a dedicated agent, working up until his final days. We are humbled by his courage, allegiance to duty and