

## Who Is To Be In Charge?

Racial and civil disorders, disturbances on campus, strikes and other social conflicts have become so common today that hardly anyone pays very much attention anymore. This characteristic apathy overlooks one very important fact. In each of these confrontations, one significant question is being asked: Who is to remain in charge?

In our cities, is it to be the police and the constituted authority, or the extremist groups? On campus, is it to be the administration or the students? In our industrial and commercial endeavors, is it to be labor or management? Who is to be in charge?

Up to this point, those is whom authority is lawfully vested have answered in unison: "We are." But what what if they should change their minds?

What if the police, upon receiving a report that the law is being broken, decided . . . so what, let 'em do anything they want? What if the teachers, the professors, the school boards decide . . . okay, let the students run the show? Answers to these questions are frightening to responsible persons. While praying that this situation will never occur, let's examine the resulting chaos if it did.

In our cities, there would be no business operations; they would all be looted and burned down. Everyone would be homeless, because the fire departments would refuse to fight the roaring conflagrations. Every one would have to protect himself as best he can. And if there would not

be enough guns, knives, and clubs to go around, well, sorry about that. Naturally, the schools would close because the controlling students would declare a twelve-month holiday while they "did their own thing." Education would cease! Work would cease! Robbery and lawlessness would rapidly become the vogue. If the situation lasted nine months, there would be a bumper crop of illegitimate babies, as the few remaining moral restraints would go flying out the window. Government would cease! Lawmakers simply could not make laws for a lawless society where enforcement would be considered an extremist view. There would be no taxes, and therefore no money for national defense. All government programs would come to a screeching halt. The only consolation in such a situation is that the boys in Viet Nam would come home — if they had a home to which they could come.

Only purposeful ignorance can deny what is easily apparent: should this situation ever develop, it would mean the total destruction of this country. Even though change might be sorely needed in some areas, change cannot come by rebellion. Disrespect for lawful authority will never answer any question, nor solve any problems. So to the advocates of rebellion and anarchy, the challenge is: Stop and examine yourselves. Stop fighting for destruction and labeling it freedom.

## The Off-Year Election

This month — December — may be considered by many of our readers as being entirely too early to begin reminding the million or more Black citizens of North Carolina that an off-year national election is slated and will be held in 1970. At stake will be the offices of Congressmen for the eleven congressional districts, members of the North Carolina Senate, House of Representatives, Superior Court Judges, District Court Judges, Supreme Court Judges and Solicitors.

It is our feeling that already many individuals in the opposite race have in mind becoming a candidate for one of the several offices that will be at stake in the off-year election, which will begin with the Primary to be held May 2, followed by the General Election November 3. With the off-year election in mind we feel it is our bounden duty to awaken North Carolina Black citizens to the fact that they have a considerable date with destiny in the off-year election of 1970 in that they should come up with candidates for several of the offices that will be at stake.

As it now stands the General Assembly of North Carolina has in it

one lone Black member, Henry E. Frye of Greensboro, who is a member of the N. C. House of Representatives from Guilford County. Certainly the more than one million Black citizens of this state are entitled to and should have more representation in its General Assembly. The same applies to other offices that will be at stake in the off-year election of 1970. Unless this condition is changed and Black citizens become holders of many of the public offices from which they have been barred for approximately 100 years. We may find ourselves confronted with a situation in North Carolina which includes or involves misunderstandings, racial clashes and other unpleasant situations, all of which would be avoided, if the Black citizens of this state were not expected to accept a perpetual situation of taxation without representation.

Thus we call upon the minister of every Black church, every Black teacher, the head of every Black fraternal organization, to rally to the call and extend themselves in helping to double the number of Black voters in this state.

## FACTS ABOUT THE NEGRO

By J. A. ROGERS  
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### Mkwawa

**EAST AFRICAN KING WHOSE SKULL WAS DEMANDED IN A TREATY THAT ENDED A WORLD WAR. LIVING IN THE 16TH CENTURY HIS POWER, WISDOM AND GOODNESS WERE SO GREAT HIS HEAD WAS PRESERVED. IT WAS SEIZED BY THE GERMANS OF EAST AFRICA IN THE 1890'S. ORDERED RETURNED IN ARTICLE 246 OF THE TREATY OF VERSAILLES, GERMANY SENT AN EXACT REPLICIA BUT THE FRAUD WAS DISCOVERED BY THE AFRICANS.**



**FEW AMERICAN STATES HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AGREE ON WHAT IS A NEGRO. MAINE, LOUISIANA, VIRGINIA AND OHIO HELD THAT AN OCTOON WAS NOT IN MASSACHUSETTS A QUADROON WAS NOT A NEGRO; IN CONNECTICUT AND OREGON, HE WAS; IN MARYLAND, FLORIDA, S. CAROLINA, OCTOROONS DID NOT HAVE TO ATTEND JIM-CROW SCHOOLS. ALABAMA AND VIRGINIA HAVE SINCE ADOPTED THE "ONE DROP" BELIEF.**

**THE 13TH AMENDMENT FREED THOUSANDS OF WHITE PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN CAPTURED AND SOLD INTO SLAVERY IN THE SOUTH. NEGROES HAD BECOME SO WHITE BY INTERMIXTURE THAT THESE WHITES COULDN'T PROVE WHAT THEY WERE. THE MOST FAMOUS CASE WAS SALLY MULLER OF LA., BORN IN ALSACE-LORRAINE. THE LA. SUPREME COURT HELD SHE WAS A NEGRO. FINALLY FREED BY HER BIRTH CERTIFICATE.**

## COULD ONLY HAPPEN IN A RACIST SOCIETY

**BILL HENRY JONES JR. WAS BORN IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA., ON FEB. 28, 1949, HE WENT INTO THE ARMY AS A VOLUNTEER. ON JULY 2, 1969, HE WAS PROMOTED TO CORPORAL IN VIETNAM. THE FOLLOWING DAY, HE WAS KILLED IN AN AMBUSH. HIS BODY WAS SHIPPED HOME.**  
N.Y. POST

**BILL HENRY'S MOTHER WAS TOLD BY H.W. MILLER, PRESIDENT OF THE LHDC RURAL HOUSING PROGRAM, THAT HIS LOVELY ALL-WHITE CEMETERY WAS SPECIAL. IT COULD NOT BE VIOLATED BY THE PRESENCE OF A HERO, IF THE HERO WAS BLACK.**  
N.Y. POST

**ON HIS LAST 30-DAY LEAVE, ON MARCH 6, HE SAID TO HIS MOTHER, "IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO ME, JUST TAKE ME AND BURY ME IN ELMWOOD CEMETERY."**  
N.Y. POST

## The View From Here

By Milton Jordan

A familiar cliché is "the chickens have come home to roost." It means a concept has been oversteered so to speak. In all probability, this seems to be what has occurred in this country. It goes without saying that we live in a racist society. That white "leaders" of America made this a racist society is also an academic point. The only question is what are they going to do now that the chickens have come home to roost?

An excellent example is the present strike by cafeteria workers in Chapel Hill. It is obvious that this strike is not spontaneous, that is, it didn't just happen. Months and months, maybe years of frustrations, broken promises, and overt racism brought about the present explosive situation. Violent reprisals cannot be condoned, but neither can one condone subtle repression of human rights. Nevertheless, it will be interesting to see how the "white power structure" at the university solves this problem of the returning chickens.

The prevalent racial strife in this country threatens the fiber of the society, and is another example of the chickens coming home to roost. One of the most significant and potentially dangerous situations now is the current racial unrest among the armed forces. This country's security depends upon its armed forces. Nuclear arsenal notwithstanding, there are many battles that must be won or lost by men. This fact in itself calls for a loyal armed force, working as a unit. Thus, it becomes frightening to see black and white members of the Army, Marine Corp., and other branches of service at each other's throats.

However, as frightening as it is, one whose eyes are open to the facts can readily see that the white man is beginning to reap the crop of distrust and rebellion he planted when he refused to include Black people in the memorable declaration: "We feel that all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights..."

Because of unwarranted prejudice and bigotry, whites qualified that ringing statement with the word "white," printed in indelible ink on the minds of the people. And for more than 200 years whites and blacks alike have labored under false assumptions, unfair reasoning and unjust attacks and reprisals. So now the "chickens have come home to roost." The very method by which whites have caused blacks to "kowtow" to their tyranny has become the impetus driving blacks from under such dominance. Observation of the

present conditions brings to mind a truism uttered by the late Dr. Martin Luther King. He said, "Americans must learn to live together as brothers, lest we all die together as fools." This fits our armed forces very well, for there as in no other segment of our society, the security of the many depends upon the loyalty of the few.

### School

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to fight for rights, but that he cannot see how present violent actions can help achieve their goal.

The Federal suit instituted by the school board asked the court to issue an injunction prohibiting defendants from urging pupils to boycott classes. It also asked that the defendants be enjoined from threatening or intimidating pupils or teachers, from causing a work stoppage by union employees of the Board of Education and from intimidating board employees to prevent their compliance with contracts.

Meanwhile, Roy Wilkins, executive director of the NAACP, passed through Memphis en route to participate in a Clarksdale, Miss., demonstration. Mr. Wilkins said he wanted to "express confidence in the Negro leadership here."

### Methodist

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black denominations that split with the white church over 150 years ago.  
The black caucus also has demanded that the United Methodist Church take part in and finance black community projects. And in a move that surprised many white Methodists, the caucus rejected a \$2 million emergency-relief plan proposed by the General Board of Education for the 12 predominantly black Methodist-affiliated colleges in the South. Instead, the caucus insisted on a crash, five-year \$800 million program for rejuvenating these institutions. Finally, the BMCR endorsed James Forman's highly controversial Black Manifesto.

### Housing

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to own a 12,000 home. Home owners will be required to pay 20% of their income in payments, and the government subsidizes the rest, in an amount which at current

interest rates, can equal up to 6 1/2 percent of the annual mortgage interest.

"This way," it is pointed out by William Pursell, director of the LHDC Rural Housing Program, "families that would be ineligible for \$12,000 of credit on the open market, can enjoy the pride and dignity of home ownership, and rear their children in an atmosphere free of many of the tensions of the inner-city ghetto."

### Edwards

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of Denver, Colorado.  
In 1968 Mrs. Edwards was named Administrative Assistant to the President of Great Lakes Mutual.

A product of Ohio elementary and high schools, Mrs. Edwards completed the executive secretary's course under sponsorship of Wayne State University and the University of Michigan with honors and has had additional study at Wayne University in personnel administration.

## \$700,000 Gift Boosts Drive At Voorhees

DENMARK, S. C. — Voorhees College, Denmark, received a boost to its five-year \$5 million dollar development program recently when an anonymous donor gave the fully accredited senior-college a gift in the amount of \$700,000 to aid in the construction costs of a new library. The United States Office of Health, Education, and Welfare has made available a matching fund grant in the amount of \$300,000 for the proposed library, which estimated cost is \$1,109,439. Donations are still needed for equipment and furnishings.

The two-story structure will house 125,000 volumes, 10,000 microfilms, 5,000 sound recordings, and 1,200 periodicals. The building will seat 500 persons, covering 42,000 square feet.  
The upper front level, encased in Georgian marble, is expected to be the only one of its kind in the tri-state area. Special features of the first floor are: circulation, reference, and technical service departments. In addition, 4 offices, 1 typing room, 1 receiving room, and a student lounge. The second floor: special collection room, conference room, student lounge, 4 group-study rooms, 2 faculty study rooms; 38 individual cubicles, and a staff lounge.

## "HOW TO LIVE WITHOUT FEAR"

DEVINE FREEDOM NOW  
Jesus Christ gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age. Gal. 1:4  
By REV. B. A. MACK

My wife and I stopped in Atlanta, Ga. last September to visit the grave of Dr. Martin Luther King. The epitaph on his grave reads: "Free at last, Free at last, Thank God Almighty, I am free at last." For the Christian that is true. If we are in Christ, at death we go to be with Him, we are removed from the evils of this age.  
No one is free unless he knows where he is going. Life is uncertain because of the man evils that limit our freedom. The future may bring sickness or injury, fire or theft, oppression or war, loss of personal failure, and finally there is death.  
Who knows his way through all of this? The Bible speaks of the time in which we live as the present evil age. The world in which we live is no longer the world created good by God, from which we have entered and corrupted the world's good order.

How can we free ourselves from that? By revolution, by legislation? Or by the methods of modern science? I say! Remember my dears, the present evils are not only outside us they are within us, they corrupt every new situation we create for ourselves.  
But real freedom can be experienced before death comes. We are set free from the present evils through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.  
We may still suffer in this world, but the evils of the present age have lost their power over us. They can no longer defeat us, for we have a new life in Jesus Christ. We are really free—now. The evils of this life are often so many that we would be defeated if left alone to ourselves. But Jesus came to free us from sin, from death, from despair and from evil.



## To Be EQUAL

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG

## Cities Of Fear

AMONG the grimmest pictures yet painted of America's future is that set forth by the National Commission on Causes and Prevention of Violence in a report issued last week.

Just look at what the Commission predicts in "a few more years:"

- Central business districts, in the midst of decaying areas heavily guarded by police patrols, and deserted at night.
- Guarded luxury buildings in the city will be "fortified cells" for higher income groups.
- "Almost universal" gun ownership in fear-ridden suburbs, with armed vigilante groups and extremists with "tremendous quantities of weapons which could be brought into play with or without any provocation."
- "Armed guards" will "ride shotgun" on all forms of public transport.

What a future! Like other groups that have warned the nation about the dangers of the direction in which we're headed, the Commission is made up of reasonable, conservative men. It is headed by Dr. Milton Eisenhower.

## Many Myths Are Exploded

The report also explodes many myths about crime and its victims. Again, like other studies in the past, it finds that the national obsession with a "crime wave" is exaggerated.

Crime, the report says, is primarily a big city phenomena, and is especially concentrated among the 15-20-year-old age group, and repeaters constitute the bulk of criminals. Victims of crimes tend to be poor and black people, indicating that slums are getting less protection than middle-class neighborhoods that scream loudest about "crime in the streets."

And violent crimes such as murder, rape, and assault, are most often committed by friends and relatives of the victim, and often in the home, not in the street.

What the factual part of the report indicates is that while crime remains a problem, it is nowhere near the levels that justify the hysterical response of all too many people. The "law and order" crowd would have us believe that crime is rampant and none is safe and the only way to cut down on crime is in arming cities, to the teeth and instituting repressive measures against the poor and the minorities.

The result of such actions will be the nightmare America the Commission warns against, an America in which cities are armed fortresses in which the rich are defended from the poor.

## 'We Are Closing Ourselves . . .

"We are closing ourselves into fortresses," says the Commission, "when collectively we should be building the great, open humane city-societies of which we are capable."

## Do's And Don'ts



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