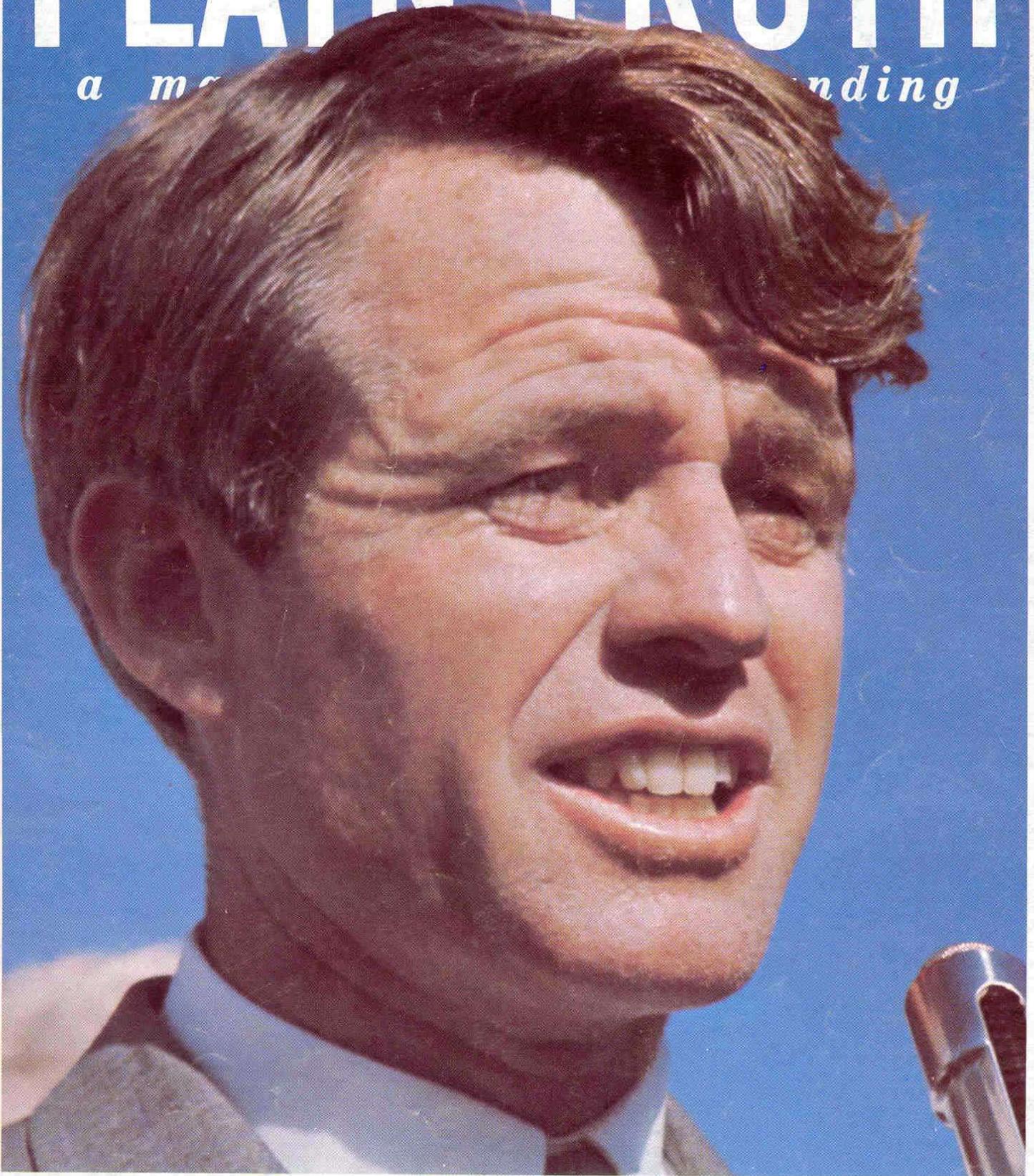


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What our READERS SAY

Convinced

"My wife started reading your PLAIN TRUTH just so she could prove you to be a liar. So far, it can't be done. She has changed her mind, and she enjoys *The PLAIN TRUTH* as much as I do."

Douglas W., Virginia

"Until reading your magazine I had not realized how complete my ignorance was. I have made several attempts to read the Bible but could not find anything that related to present day life. I accepted the Bible as the Word of God through 'faith.' Yet at the same time it wasn't enough to just accept it. Many questions remained unanswered. I thirst for knowledge and understanding. Can you please send me the first lesson of the Bible Study Course?"

E. M., Palma-de-Mallorca,
Spain

• *Thank you for following the Bereans' example in Acts 17:11.*

"I wish to heartily commend your magazine for publishing the splendid articles on the Soviet Union. I just saw the first one in the November edition. It is a masterpiece. And I'm sure the rest of them are just as good. Having been to Russia myself a part of two years, I can appreciate it when writers tell the truth about it."

Charles D., Indiana

Asking "Why?"

"I am a freshman in college, and I'm just now beginning to ask myself why I believe in what I believe... We need to ask ourselves why we like and can stand to see such things as 'Bonnie and Clyde' and 'Valley of the Dolls.' I agree with you that our country is made up of sick people. Please send me your free booklet on 'Hippies.'"

Nancy F., Mich.

Hippies

"Send the pamphlet on the 'Hippies'!! The critters have hit the University of

Washington area like a plague of caterpillars... They carpet the sidewalks. You either step on them or walk in the street!"

Marya S., Seattle, Washington

"Since I'm a public school teacher, may I commend you on the fine article and basic truths set forth in 'America's Schools — Vacuum in Values.' Thank you again. It is my daily prayer that somehow a movement like yours will open the eyes of Americans, causing them to come to their knees in obedience to God."

Lillian T., Columbus, Ohio

• *Keep reading The PLAIN TRUTH for more informative articles on education — and thank you for a fine attitude. America needs more teachers like you.*

Promotes Growth of Morals

"Permit this short note of thanks for extending to me the privilege of receiving *The PLAIN TRUTH*. We live on a farm and *The PLAIN TRUTH* is like a fertilizer that promotes the growth of higher morals and deeper roots of faith. Indeed, we thank you for *The PLAIN TRUTH*."

Manuel S., Surinam,
The Philippines

"I don't know what religion you are, but whatever it is, I like it. You are the only one I know that backs up what you say with Scripture, and in these Scriptures I have found God."

Mr. and Mrs. S., Georgia

American Image

"In your program last night, you mentioned the American image and your description was accurate. I was given the impression that Americans were most hospitable to foreign people in their own country despite their actions away from home. I have learned differently. The problems I have associating with teens of my age is something ter-

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Personal from the Editor

THIS IS WRITTEN in my hotel room, in New York City, Wednesday, June 5. This morning I was awakened by the telephone. Mr. Stanley Rader, our legal counsel and financial adviser, also in New York, was on the other end.

"Robert Kennedy has been shot," he said. "I just awakened and turned on television in my hotel room, to get the California election returns, and heard this terrible news. I thought you'd want to turn on your TV immediately."

Of course I did.

As I write now, later in the day, it is not known whether Senator Kennedy will live — or what will be his condition, if he does.

At that point I was interrupted, with guests arriving for an appointment, and kept occupied until after midnight. It is now Thursday morning, and I am writing in flight, 37,000 feet in the air, returning to our campus in England for the close of the college year and graduation, at which I am to preside.

This morning I heard the news that Senator Robert Kennedy is dead.

President Johnson has appointed a committee, headed by Dr. Milton Eisenhower, to study the CAUSES of this mounting eruption of violence. Assassinations — riots — angry marches too often exploding into violence and killings — student rebellions — discord the world over — revolutions — anarchy!

Where will it all END?

Does the future provide any hope?

I could tell the President precisely what are the CAUSES of these things. And I can tell you very definitely where it will all END — and whether the future provides any hope, and *what* hope!

"IS AMERICA REALLY 'SICK'?" is a common news headline.

"Is America coming to a POLICE STATE?" asked a nationally known television news commentator yesterday, commenting on the second Kennedy assassination. "If it comes to the point where a Dictatorship is the only way to stop this spreading lawlessness and anarchy," he said, "then the people will no longer choose their rulers — but rulers will choose what people may and may not do — and how much freedom we may or may not have."

CBS commentator Eric Sevareid denied that the United States is a sick nation. "It's hard to believe that a NATION can get sick," he said. "Probably the nearest to it was Germany under Hitler."

Germany under Hitler was a tragically *mised* nation — but it was not a "SICK" nation in the same way that the United States is today — and *not only* America; most nations the world over are SICK! They are morally, spiritually, emotionally, mentally SICK — yes, and largely sick physically, too.

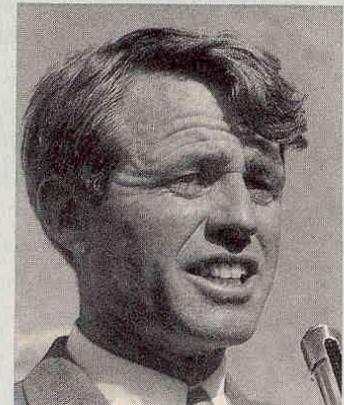
Germany under Hitler was a virile, unified nation of order and precision, going with one satanic will in an EVIL direction they had been deceived into believing was *right*. Why, they reasoned, wasn't it going to be GOOD for other nations to be ruled and domineered by the "Master Race"?

But the SICKNESS of today is a state of breaking up from within — homes and families breaking up; law and order breaking down; education gone decadent; students in revolt; morals in the cesspool; hope for the future abandoned; a too-large slice of the maturing adult generation turned hippie; teenagers in the grip of drugs, alcohol, illicit and promiscuous sex.

That's NOT ONLY in America. It's in Britain, France, Germany, and Swe-

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S. Schapiro — Black Star

OUR COVER

Robert Francis Kennedy, in a familiar pose before a microphone, busily campaigning toward possible Democratic nomination for the Presidency. He had said, "Every day is like playing Russian Roulette" concerning many threats on his life, and the possibility of an attack by an assassin. Still, the shock waves rolled around the world at yet another brutal act of murder as the second prominent Kennedy was shot down in less than a decade. Read the reactions from around the world, and the true *portent* of such heinous crimes in the *Personal From the Editor*, and the article about the Kennedy assassination in this issue.

den. It's around the world! *It's a SICK WORLD!*

There is a CAUSE for every effect!

There are two broad BASIC causes for these basic ills.

The first has provided the soil that has produced the crop.

I could tell President Johnson and his Committee what are the causes that have sprouted this harvest of immorality, crime, violence, broken homes, hopelessness, frustration. But they will neither find the real causes themselves, nor would they recognize them no matter how plainly I state them.

The SOLUTION is *SOON COMING!*

But it will not come by presently constituted authorities. The sickness is going to be CURED, not *by* our human leaders, but in spite of them!

Here, then, is the first broad BASIC cause that has produced the soil from which the diseases have sprouted:

DECADENT, error-based, inadequate EDUCATION, and the resultant general condition of society it has spawned.

It has committed the colossal crime of going materialistic, assuming that *only* the intellect needs developing; and it has filled growing and maturing minds with error, inculcated a false sense of values, encouraged permissiveness, neglected to instill respect for authority, failed to develop a sense of responsibility. It has utterly misunderstood human nature, basing its psychology on the fallacy that human nature is essentially good — when human nature only wants to be *regarded* as good, while it wants to *do* wrong. It has neglected totally the development of righteous CHARACTER, the teaching of moral and spiritual values, the recognition and pursuit of the true values instead of the false.

Because mankind has turned from and lost all contact with his Maker, and the instruction book our Maker made accessible, society has lost *ITS WAY!* I said before, there is a CAUSE for every effect. Society today does not know THE CAUSE that will produce PEACE. It has lost THE WAY that would produce happiness, universal and abundant well-being. It is *in rebellion* against the

WAY that would bring it what it really wants — peace, happiness, abundant well-being, security. It strives to GET those results while rebelling against the way to have them!

Having rejected the revelation of its Maker, humanity has lost all knowledge of the true MEANING of LIFE — of the PURPOSE for our being — of where we are going, and HOW — of man's true potential. And it is breaking up that basic bulwark of any prosperous, happy, peaceful and affluent society — the happy marriage state and the HOME!

This, then, is the RESULT of a decadent, criminally inadequate and destructive system of EDUCATION. It is the soil for the breeding of immorality, dishonesty, crime, instability, rebellion, revolution, irresponsibility, frustration, hopelessness.

And, in America, we have this fertile soil of discontent IN THE VERY MIDST OF AN UNPRECEDENTED STATE OF ECONOMIC AFFLUENCY! That means that juvenile delinquents, the rebellious, the malcontents, the criminally minded, have the economic means at their disposal for their destructive pursuits.

Now the *second cause* — the SEED that now suddenly sprouts forth in a mass harvest of violence and destruction.

That second and immediate CAUSE is the modern influences — especially on our youth and maturing young men and women of and just beyond college age.

These influences are the WRONG USE of a too-large segment of television time; the motion pictures; the unfit reading matter, starting with comic books for children, pornography, sex-arousing articles, books and magazines; the modern automobile and its abuses, wrong pastimes and customs.

Reported yesterday privately by telephone, to Mr. Rader from a fellow-attorney in Washington, D.C., was a happening of the night before. Three lieutenants of the United States Marines were dining in a Washington restaurant with three girl friends. A group of three or four Negroes walked in, opened fire, killing two Marine officers and wounding the other officer and one of the girls. This crime was hushed up, kept almost off newscasts and out of newspapers, lest

the arrest of the Negroes, if reported, be falsely labeled "police brutality" and start a riot!

In another city, a parent-teacher meeting was being held in a schoolhouse. A gang of teen-agers broke into the school, and before the eyes of these parents and teachers, proceeded to smash up and wreck the furniture.

In many high schools, even men teachers must walk down corridors two or more together for their own protection — lest they be assaulted and beaten. It is coming to the place where one is not safe walking down a respectable street, or entering a respectable restaurant — but may be assaulted, or shot and killed.

While my wife lay in her last illness more than a year ago, whenever I felt the need of going out for a brisk walk, she always asked: "Please don't walk out on the street. Just walk through the campus where there is the protection of our own security patrol." And for her peace of mind, I did.

This state of affairs is escalating with fast-accelerating momentum. It is fast approaching ANARCHY!

An outstanding authority on morality in today's America was asked whether a nation or civilization can survive the kind of situation now developing.

"Not for long," came the answer!

Can our PLAIN TRUTH readers REALIZE that NEVER, in this present world, has society entered a condition like this? Can we SEE where it is headed? Must we sleep on, stupidly supposing that if we ignore it, or kid ourselves conditions are no worse than ever, that it will somehow just go away?

This accelerating moral cancer eating away at our SICK SOCIETY signals the END OF THIS WORLD!

Our marriage and HOME relationships are breaking up — and when a right and healthy HOME and FAMILY relationship — with Dad at the helm, the children in respectful obedience, all honoring, obeying and worshiping GOD — when *this* goes, CIVILIZATION GOES! You need to read the new special booklet on

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Now you see it . . .

. . . now you don't!

On the left is a series showing dwarf angler fish nabbing her prey. Beginning at top left and going down the page — potential dinner passes angler; she angles; lets down angle but misses prey. Beginning at top right and going down the page — angler swings fishing pole to attract fish; it comes next to angler and she lets her pole down; a fish's eye view of angler; suddenly angler sucks in hapless victim (note tail in angler's mouth).

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mal life, is the primary food source of the creatures of the sea. Little fish feed on plankton, bigger fish feed on the little fish, and still bigger fish on those fish, and man on the big fish, and so on.

The toothed whales feed on large fish; while the great sperm whales feed on millions of tiny marine animals — plankton.

In all of this, there is a fantastically interwoven CHAIN of life! It all acts according to LAW! Disrupt ANY ONE PART of it, and you have a disaster! Not only in the dying of some species of creatures — but the possible death of ALL LIFE!

For instance, when I interviewed Dr. LaMont C. Cole, of Cornell, during the meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in New York, he had just finished explaining his paper on "Is There Intelligent Life on Earth"?

It dealt with environmental pollution, and the threat to man through such pollution.

Dr. Cole explained how, if the tanker, *Torrey Canyon* had been carrying some of the powerful pesticides instead of oil when it ran aground and ruptured its tanks, it would have been a virtual disaster — because all the tiny diatoms in the North Sea could have died, resulting in virtual oxygen starvation in the British Isles — not to mention total disruption of the food chain in the sea, and the dying of millions of sea creatures.

The angler fish is a *part* of an intricately balanced, delicately interdependent marine environment. As such, he has a specific *place* in the whole environment. He operates according to intricate *laws*.

All creatures, except humans, come equipped with *instinct!*

Whether those instincts create nests, migrate, breath voluntarily from under the water, or angle for other fish, they are marvelous, fascinating, and LAW-abiding actions of every creature. Evolution cannot explain sex, or instinct, or the fact that each form of life must depend on many, many *other* forms of life. Believe it or not, like it or not, grow weary of it or not — evolution STILL cannot answer the simple question, "Which came first, the chicken, or the egg."

Nor can evolution answer the *logical* questions any observant person would ask when studying specific creatures in God's creation.

It's time you quit swallowing the bait of fantasy, colorful tales, and fishy stories!

It's time you found your God!

Personal from the Editor

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WHY Marriage! . . . Soon Obsolete?

But finally, WHERE is it all leading?

It is leading — speedily — to the ONLY HOPE of human SURVIVAL!

And that is the imminent coming of Jesus Christ — this time in the FULL SUPREME POWER and RESPLENDENT GLORY of the Almighty GOD, to take over the governing of EVERY NATION ON EARTH — to set up a divine WORLD GOVERNMENT that will forcibly *put down* all war, violence, crime and vice!

The only HOPE of humanity from utter destruction, now, is the WORLD GOVERNMENT that will usher in — in the hands of GOD — the happy, peaceful WORLD TOMORROW!

I know that this mounting violence

signals something else, too! It is soon going to SILENCE this typewriter now clicking away on this sheet of paper. It is soon going to SILENCE my voice and that of my son Garner Ted — for a while! It is going to END our growing worldwide Work of preparing the way for Christ's coming.

But, also, it heralds the very IMMIGENT coming of the Mighty KING of kings, coming to CHANGE this world, and then to SAVE THIS WORLD, at last!

If YOU, a reader of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, will not WAKE UP to the situation by our peaceful warnings of love, I say to you, on authority of the living Jesus Christ, these mounting eruptions of VIOLENCE are going to soon SHAKE YOU into realization that these events are REAL — it is indeed later than you think! — and you need to be doing something about it — that you may be accounted worthy to ESCAPE all these things now fast crashing down on this world, and to STAND before the Son of GOD when He appears!

Senator Robert Kennedy *thought* he was in an hour of victory. He had just won the California Democratic Party primary election. He was full of smiles, gay, even though very tired from a hard campaign — never suspecting that the next flash of a second he would be struck down, mortally wounded, to DIE!

YOU don't know what the next second may bring for YOU. But I am telling YOU what the next VERY SHORT FEW YEARS are going to bring for you! Don't let God require your blood on your own head!

Short Questions

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ing condition [exactly the position of post World War II United States] *they were visited by divine wrath*, and some of them were destroyed by calamities inflicted by the hand of Heaven, others by their barbarian neighbors . . .

"The first cause of the desolation of their cities seemed to be a drought which laid waste the land [Lev. 26:19, 26; Deut. 28:24; Joel 1:12], when neither any fruit remained on the trees till it was ripe, but dropped while still green