

Most of the Black people who came to the big cities *did* find jobs. The majority of the men working in the nation's foundries—100 percent in some foundries—are Black. The majority of the domestic workers in Northern cities, just as in the cities of the South, are Black, and Black women work in the sweatshops of New York City, in the textile plants of New England, in the factories of Philadelphia, Chicago, and Detroit. About a third of the workforce in the country's steel and auto plants are Black. The hardest and dirtiest work in America's urban hospitals is performed by Black or Puerto Rican or Chicano workers, most of them women, whose jobs in non-union hospitals are miserably paid and insecure.

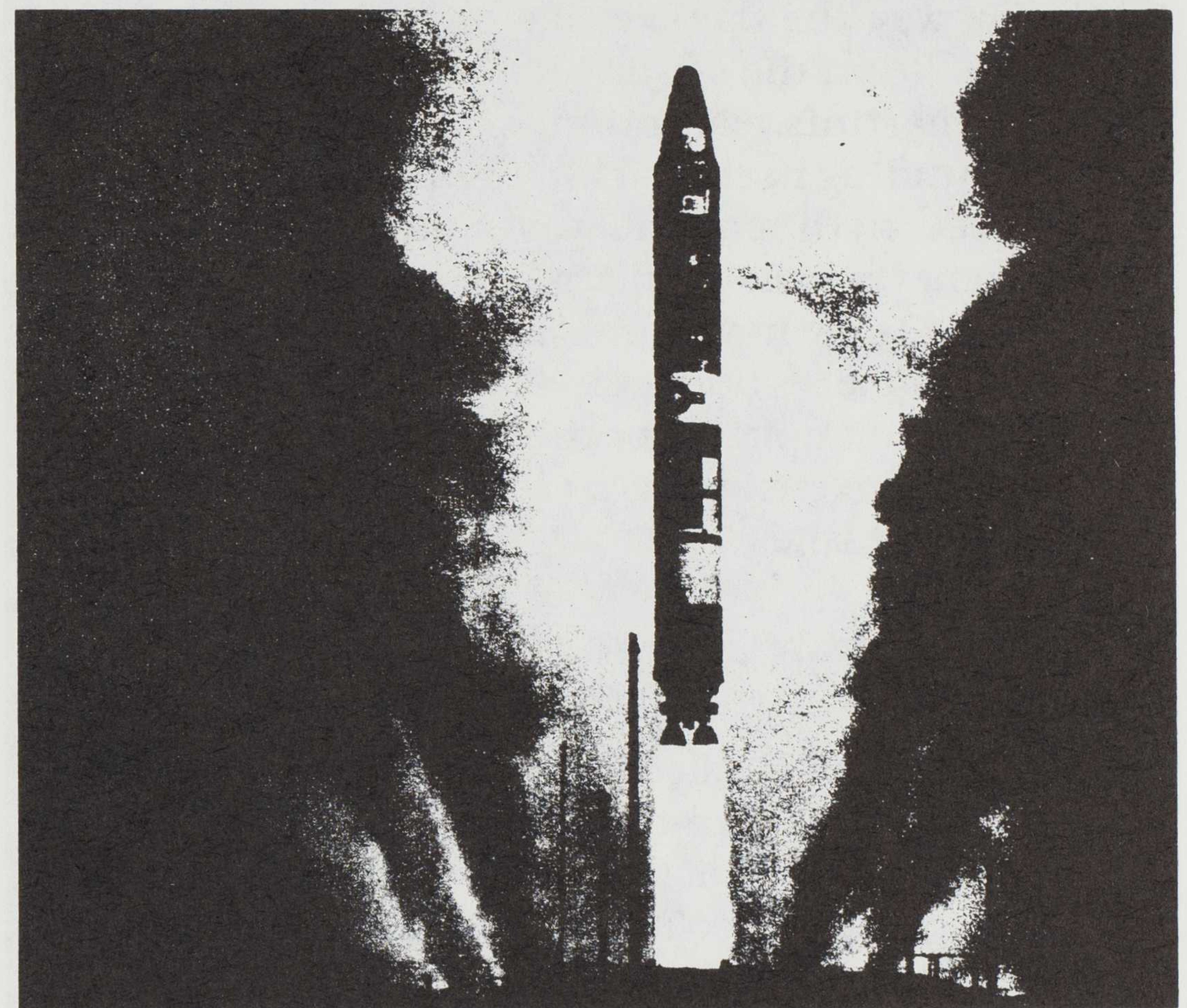
But it is true that Black *men*, especially, have a much harder time finding work than white men or women. They are up against many employers who would never hire a dark-skinned man, no matter how much they needed help. Racist discrimination exists in the North in a more distorted and disguised form than it does in the South, but any Black man can tell you that discrimination hits him every day of his life no matter where he lives in the United States.

He knows that he is the last hired and the first fired when layoff time comes, and that when unemployment rises to six percent nationally, it goes up to 15 or 20 percent in the Black ghettos. He has no recourse but to sign up for welfare, which he rarely gets, so that he often has to leave his wife and children in order for them to get public assistance to stay alive.

Where Does Your Tax Money Go?

The federal budget for 1980 is \$568.9 billion. Of that, \$20 billion is earmarked for welfare for all 50 states. Sounds like a lot of money, doesn't it?

Well, let's look at it in comparison with some other



The Reagan administration has cut welfare, medicaid and many other social programs to the bone, but plans to spend one trillion dollars on weapons like this in the next five years. Pictured above, the Titan II missile.

things you'll have to pay for. For every \$1,000 in taxes you will pay, only a little over \$30 will go to keep the poorest of the poor from starvation, while nearly \$250 will be spent on military hardware (to say nothing of the veterans' benefits, officers' pensions, research, etc., connected with the war machine). And the bankers will get about \$118 of your tax money for interest on the national debt. That debt is largely on loans for past wars, which ought to be counted under "Military Spending," but isn't. The principal never does get paid off, and