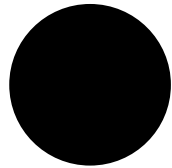




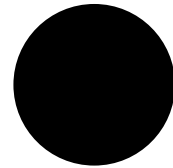
Puzzling Observations Regarding America's "Victim" Class

The following puzzling assessments of life within the United States came to our attention anonymously. We salute the author who not only writes capably but does excellent thinking. He or she calls the items listed below conundrums, a well-chosen term for what for what follows.

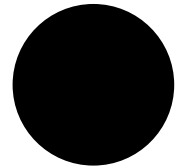
1. America is condemned for being capitalist and greedy but half the population is subsidized.



2. The subsidized half of the population believes they are victims.



3. The "victims" believe they are denied basic rights but they have the largest representation in Congress.



4. Their representatives run the government while government statistics claim the poor among us continue to get poorer.

5. The people who are classified poor enjoy much that people in other countries only dream about.

6. The poor who have what people in other countries dream about want America to be more like where those dreamers live.

We publish these thoughts at the risk of being labeled unthinking, cruel, contemptuous, or some other pejorative. But we also hope that these conundrums get some Americans to do some better thinking. Maybe some will even escape from the dominant liberalism spewed forth by government, the mass media, educational institutions, even churches.

Our nation is running out of time to reverse course and get back the kind of soundness that made it the envy of the world. There is much work ahead for anyone who wishes to be involved in creating the needed reversal. The first step is to get involved by [joining The John Birch Society](#).

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