

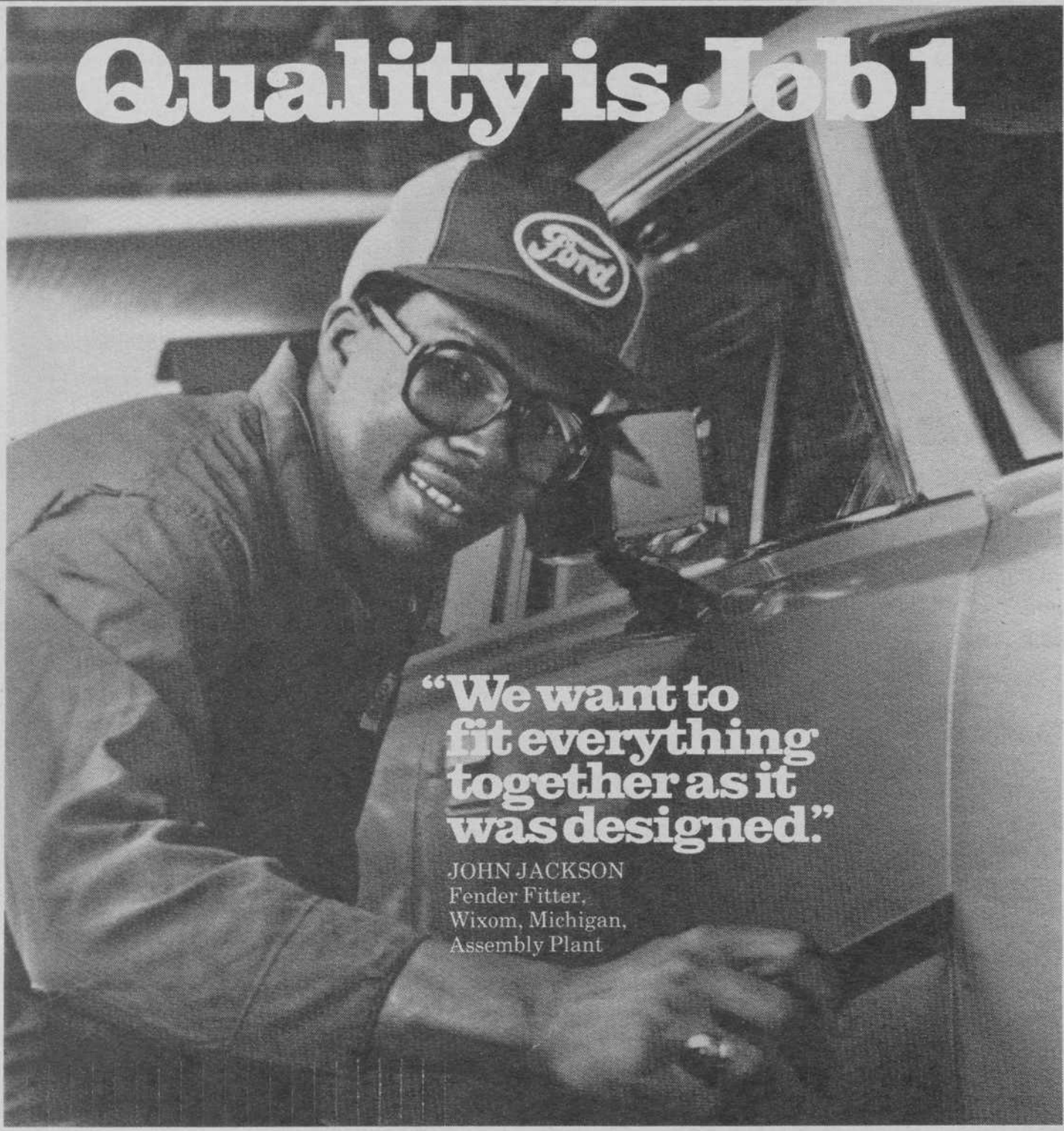
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Sixth, it is sometimes said that the white population, which comprises only 10% of the total, dominates the entire political and economic order of the country. This also is a false analysis and one

has only to look at the number of whites (5) in the National Assembly to dispense with the idea that this minority group controls the political destiny of the country.

It should also be understood that through a system of "third tier" government certain rights are reserved to the 11 major ethnic groups in the country to control their own affairs. In this way, it is

assured that each group will ultimately have the final say in what changes may be brought about through an ethnic representative authority, which is responsible for the members of its population group, wherever they may live in the country.



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Thousands of people in Owamboland turned out to attend the DTA's political meetings that were held in the northern region of Namibia.

Seventh, it is often said that most of the civil servants in the country are whites and that there are no openings for blacks in this service. It is true that the majority of such positions at this time are held by whites, but it should also be noted that the government established in 1979 a training institute for civil servants for the sole purpose of preparing competent, young, black students as civil servants.

As the last colony in southern Africa, Namibia is moving towards full independence on the basis of belief in democratic principles and the free enterprise system. It is very important at this stage in the country's growth that it should avoid the examples set by other black nations such as Angola, where in its rush for independence, the social, economic and political orders of the country were completely destroyed. As a result, Angola is one of the "basket cases" of the world and it will be years before its people can enjoy even the degree of economic and social freedom which they had before the revolution.

In Namibia an attempt is being made to bring all of the people together, under a system embracing the same rights and privileges for all. It is an effort to have all 11 ethnic groups join hands and move forward together to develop their country without the devastating slide into total chaos experienced by so much of black Africa. ■