

## Pictorial INTELLIGRAM

To test your knowledge of recent events, complete the following six statements, checking answers with those below.

- 1—Soviet cosmonaut in speculative pose, left, during visit to New York City and the U.N. is (Yuri Gagarin) (Gherman Titov).
- 2—Two British and one (Canadian) (Australian) share the 1963 Nobel Prize in medicine for their discoveries concerning operation of nerve cells.
- 3—New speed record has been set by Strategic Air Command bomber on a flight from Tokyo to (London) (Madrid).
- 4—Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito (did) (did not) address the United Nations during his visit to the United States.
- 5—World's Fair in '64-'65 is to be held in (Stockholm) (New York City).
- 6—Military junta leader (Posun Yun) (Chung Hee Park), pictured, became South Korea's president as result of recent, close election.



Count 10 for each correct choice. A score of 60 is excellent; 50, good; 40, fair; less than 40, poor.

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1—Gagarin. 2—Canadian. 3—London. 4—Did. 5—New York. 6—Chung Hee Park.

### Other Editors

WRAL VIEWPOINT

## A Timely Reminder

A professor at one of the Negro colleges in Raleigh bristled with irritation the other day when we made mention of a recent school board election in Boston in which a lady named Louise Hicks swept the field on what amounted to an anti-NAACP platform.

The NAACP and other Negro organizations are seeking to break down Boston's school district lines, and thus do away with the existing neighborhood school concept. The idea is to force the integration of all schools by the process, if necessary, of shuttling both Negro and white children all across town to attend classes.

This was what got Mrs. Hicks into politics. To emphasize her objections to such proposals, Mrs. Hicks became a candidate for the Boston school board and was promptly made a political target by the NAACP and other Negro

groups. But when the votes were counted, Mrs. Hicks was so far out in front of all of the other candidates running for various offices that even Boston's popular Mayor, who was the second-best vote-getter, had to squint to catch a glimpse of Mrs. Hicks' coattail.

We thought the matter worthy of mention for two reasons, first because the press had studiously ignored it, and secondly because we felt the incident was sufficiently instructive to merit consideration by Negro leaders who, it often occurs to us, sometimes display a lack of awareness that the so-called "Negro movement" is doing them more harm than good.

The Negro professor who wrote to us—twice, by the way—found nothing of interest in the report. And certainly he saw no lesson in the incident. Instead, he wrote off our mention of it as "anti-Negro

bias." All in all, it was a strange, bewildering epistle which makes one wonder what he teaches the young Negroes who attend his classes.

But the professor will ignore the implications of the Boston incident at his own peril, not to mention that of his race. What happened in Boston is not merely an isolated curiosity. In one way or another, in one place after another, the same sort of sentiment is showing up. In Detroit, to cite another recent example, the City Council had been all set to approve—by a 9 to nothing vote—an ordinance which would have had the effect of depriving a property owner of his right to choose a tenant or a buyer for his house.

Overnight, property owners in Detroit formed what they called a "Homeowners Council", and in four days obtained 44,000 signatures on a petition to force a referendum on the proposed ordinance. The Detroit City Council suddenly went into political reverse and defeated the ordinance by a 7-2 vote. Now the "Homeowners Council" is pressing for statewide legislation to preserve the property rights which the homeowners fear may otherwise be lost.

The point of all of this is neither pro-white nor anti-Negro. It is simply pro-everybody's rights. In the heat of battle, some Negroes

have been persuaded that the best way to achieve their rights is to trample underfoot the rights of others. If property rights are destroyed, they will be destroyed for whites and Negroes alike regardless of any pious pretenses to the contrary.

This is why, in spite of the complaint of the Negro professor who wrote to us, we have contended that the Negro's quest for recognition must be based on firmer stuff than the mere use of political force. Politics, like politicians, is fickle, and the use of its force is like sitting beneath the sword of Damocles. Those who live by the sword all too often die by it.

It is, then, not an "anti-Negro" sentiment to suggest that the real and only hope of Negro advancement lies in the direction of hard work, self-reliance and moral behavior. Demonstrations in the streets will not do the job. Indeed, such activities only serve to widen a breach that needs to be closed by sympathetic understanding.

In short, the Negro movement has made its point. The Negro race now needs to get to work to prove the equality that its leaders have for so long proclaimed. This is the only real key to the freedom for all that everyone wants—or should want. Those who tell Negroes otherwise are simply misleading them.

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