



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ARTHUR WINTER . . . discusses recent big city elections.

—Government Process Effective— Recent Elections Show Negro Faith

The most significant outcome of recent city elections in Boston, Gary and Cleveland is that Negroes still have faith in the effectiveness of normal governmental processes as a means of solving their grievances, according to Arthur B. Winter, associate professor of political science.

"When groups lose faith in the political process, they tend to resort to a more activist type of solution, such as violent demonstrations," Winter said.

The three elections were of national significance because in Gary and Cleveland the candidates for mayor in each race were a Negro and a white.

In Boston the importance was whether to equally proportion Negro school children in Boston public schools by means of bus transportation.

BUS ISSUE

The candidate in Boston who favored the bussing of children to balance out the Negro school population was Kevin H. White, who won the election.

White's opponent, Mrs. Louise Day Hicks, was against proposed desegregation plans for schools with nearly total Negro enrollments.

Candidates in Cleveland were Carl B. Stokes, a Negro, and Seth C. Taft. Stokes won the Nov. 7 election.

"The outcome of the election shows that Negroes in these cities are still interested in the political compromise as opposed to the 'instant freedom' policy as advocated by persons like H. Rap Brown," Winter said.

The elections also indicate there was a considerable amount of white backlash involved in the outcomes.

Winter said white backlash was a definite factor in these elections, especially in Cleveland.

Negroes in Cleveland accounted for 28.9 per cent of the population which amounts to about 262,800 Negroes, according to the 1960 U.S. census report.

Gary has a population of 178,000 with 71,200 Negroes or about 39.9 per cent, in 1960.

"This indicates that the modern white view of Negro standing is still in the saddle," Winter noted.

"It indicates that white extremists do not have the upper hand," he added.

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Yale Faculty Alters Grading Procedure

NEW HAVEN (CPS) The Yale University faculty has voted to replace numerical grading with a system under which students will be given one of four designations for their work—fail, pass, high pass, or honors.

The new system will begin next year and continue on an experimental basis for at least five years.

Yale's present system makes use of a grading scale from 40 to 100, with 60 as the lowest passing grade. The university at present computes cumulative averages for each student, but it will no longer do so when the new system goes into effect.

The change at Yale is largely the result of recommendations made by the faculty's Course of Study Committee, according to Strobe Talbott, chairman of the "Yale Daily News." Some student organizations have been working to end the numerical system, however.

Derek Shearer, head of the Student Advisory Board, said the new system "moves away from the pseudo-scientific claims of the numbers system." He added that "It should make for an improved class atmosphere, for there will be no

more quibbling about numbers.

"There would, I hope, be more concern for the quality of a student's work in terms of ability."

Still undecided is the question whether or not the university's two academic honor lists—the dean's list and ranking scholar designation—are to be continued. Talbott is hopeful they will be abolished, but indicated that the new grading system will have important consequences for students regardless of what is done about honor lists.

When students apply to graduate school in the future, according to Talbott, "recommendations are going to be much more important than they have been."

"Graduate schools are going to look much more closely at what faculty members say about a student's work."

The new system is also likely to end the campus-wide competition for grades. A student's performance will be compared with the performances of other students in his department.

At present, Talbott pointed out, students are ranked by grade average in spite of the fact that some departments give generally higher grades than others.

Salisbury: U.S. Citizens Deserve To Know Facts

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Daily Nebraskan editor is representing the University of Nebraska chapter of the Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism society at the National Sigma Delta Chi Convention being held in Minneapolis this week.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The United States government should rid itself of its public relations approach and tell the people the facts, Harrison Salisbury, managing editor of the New York Times told Sigma Delta Chi representatives Thursday.

He said the public relations approach has created uneasiness among the American public in their government and the communications and news media.

One of the reasons for this uneasiness is that government information officials are acting like public relations men—trying to put the best gloss on government, he said.

"I suggest that this is not the role of government information officers."

"When things are bad, they're afraid to say they're bad," he said, "and this causes a general type of unrest and unease."

The American public

doesn't feel it gets the whole story in the press, he said.

Salisbury, who formerly worked as a Moscow correspondent for the New York Times, compared the present American lack of confidence in the press to that of the Stalin era of the Soviet Union.

"By the time Stalin died, newspapers were produced that the public read for what it did not say . . . Pravda said one thing; they (the public) believed the opposite."

"Because the average Russian reader disbelieved most things carried in the Russian press the Russian people often give us more credit than we deserve," Salisbury said.

He specifically cited disbelief in Russian newspaper stories about U.S. riots

this past summer.

The Pulitzer prize winning reporter discussed the "active affect" of his stories about U.S. bombing of Hanoi.

His stories were probably the first to report that civilian housing was being hit in bombing attacks on Hanoi.

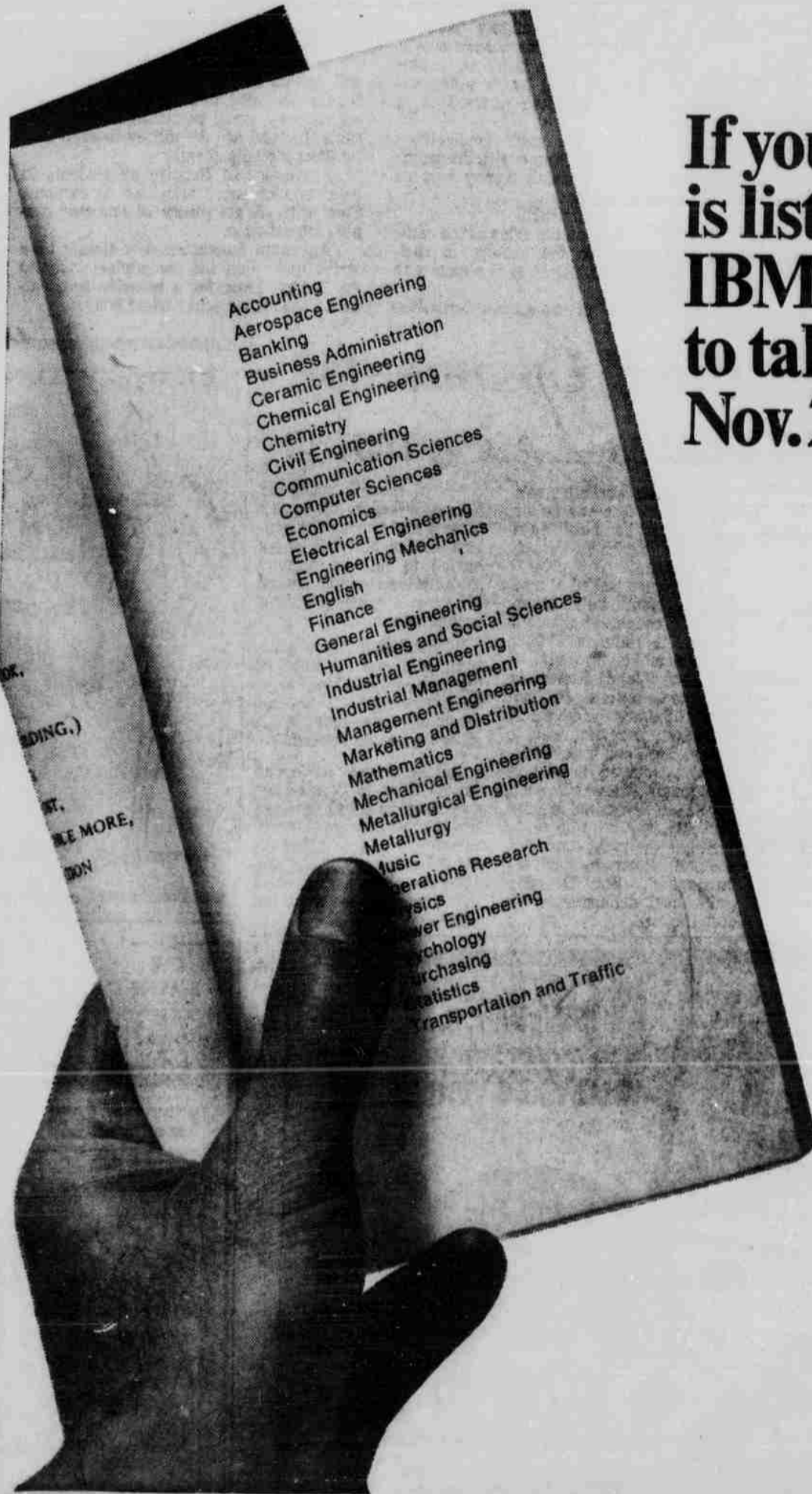
"I don't think there was anything dramatic about this," he said.

But he noted that people reacted in disbelief that the U.S. was hitting civilian areas.

"This occurred not because of the reporting but because of a governmental information policy that there was bombing in which you hit a gun and did not hurt a little kid standing 30 feet away," he said.



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FRIDAY

(All activities listed will be held in the Nebraska Union unless otherwise stated.)

INTER-VARSITY—12 noon

DESERET CLUB—12 noon

PLACEMENT OFFICE

LUNCHEON—12:30 p.m.

SOCIOLOGY 53—1:30 p.m.

A.P.H. A.—1:30 p.m.

JAZZ'N JAVA—3:45 p.m.

TURKISH STUDENTS—7 p.m.

INTER-VARSITY—7 p.m.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION—7:30 p.m.

PALLADIAN LITERARY SOCIETY—8 p.m.

SUNDAY

STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERALS—7 p.m.



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