

A TIME FOR UNDERSTANDING

THINKING FIRST of the welfare of our local schools, the Mansfield School Board has no other choice available but to agree to comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Failure to do so would mean loss of federally-allocated funds for many vital programs necessary to the welfare and growth of our school system. Whether we like it or not, the Civil Rights Act is now the law of the land, and as law-abiding citizens, there is no other choice but to follow it.

Times like these call for sound thinking and responsible action. It is our sincere hope that all our people will now close ranks and move together as true Americans to heal the wounds of the past and provide for our children the very best educational opportunity possible.

It could well be a testing time for our people. We are confident they will meet the test.