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## Race Relations Honor Roll Announced

In Recognition of Negro History Week Mayor Marti has this to say.

"This week of February 9 to February 16, is being celebrated throughout the nation as Negro History Week to call attention to the progress made by the race. As Mayor of Lincoln, I am happy to concur in this national recognition of the achievements of our Negro people through past years. In Lincoln we are proud of our colored citizens and of their contribution to the welfare of the community.

Certainly art, science, religion and music have been benefited by the work done by the Negroes of our nation. When we think of men like Booker T. Washington, Dr. Carver and Paul Robeson we are convinced that genius draws no color line—it manifests itself in certain persons without regard to creed or race. At this moment Lincoln's community dramatic enterprize, the Cirlet Theatre, is rehearsing the play OUTWARD BOUND and the director of the production is Mr. George Randol, a Negro whom we are happy to welcome as one of our people. He is a fine gentleman and a distinct credit to our city.

The American Negro has come far since the days of the Civil War and he will continue to advance and make a favored place for himself because of the abundance of his gifts."

### Club Dinner

The Urban League Men's Club highlighted the weeks celebration of National Negro History Week with a unique program and a buffet dinner. Mr. Clyde W. Malone was master of ceremonies and the speaker for the occasion was Mrs. Wm. B. Davis.

The program in part consisted of a Tribute to Negroes by Robert Moody, Monte Bradford, Caroline Walker and Barbara Moody. Mrs. Harry Peterson gave an excellent rendition of Go Down Moses. Phyllis Bradford presented a Book Review, "Melindy's Medals."

### NEBRASKA NEGRO HISTORY WEEK SET BY GOVERNOR



**Negro History Week Designated**—Gov. Val Peterson, left, hands the proclamation of Negro History Week in Nebraska to Charles Washington, University of Nebraska student. (Journal Staff Photo.)

In recognition of the accomplishments of the Negro race, Governor Val Peterson Monday proclaimed February 9-16 as Negro History Week in Nebraska. The week is a national observance.

"In the space of a few generations the Negro race has made itself known in the fields of science, arts, religion, music and the industrial world," the governor said.

National Negro History Week was originated to call attention to the progress made by the race since its freedom from slavery and contributions to the American way of life by the American Negro.

During the week, many programs, discussions and meetings have been sponsored in Nebraska by churches, social and civic organizations and special study groups.

### Cleve Walker, Omaha, Dies

Word was received Thursday morning of the sudden death of Mr. Cleve Walker, formerly of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Walker moved to Omaha, Nebraska several years ago.

NEW YORK (ANP)—Names of the 12 Negroes and six white persons on the Honor Roll of Race Relations of 1946 were announced by Dr. Lawrence D. Reddick of the New York Public library Sunday.

Each year a nationwide poll is conducted by the Schomburg Collection of Negro literature of the New York Public library to determine the 12 Negroes (individuals, organizations, or institutions), over the same period, who have done the most for the improvement of race relations "in terms of real democracy." This is a fracture of Negro History week. No attempt is made to rank the names.

Dr. Reddick, curator of the Schomburg collection, said in the course of the announcement that the efforts of those named "help make our country worthy of being the permanent home of the United Nations."

### Whites

Secy. of the Navy, James V. Forrestal, for his directives abolishing racial segregation in the United States navy. (The most comprehensive of the orders removing limitations upon Negro naval personnel was issued February 28, 1946.)

Miss Margaret Halsey, for her book, "Color Blind."

Ex-Gov. Ellis Arnall, for his fight for democracy in Georgia.

Dr. James H. Rodabaugh, curator of the Ohio State Historical society and director of the Ohio War commission, for gathering and preserving historical records of the Negro in Ohio.

ANFIOCH College, for appointing Prof. Walter Anderson the first Negro to head its department of music. (Incidentally, Prof.

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