



## NU To Ponder Rights

### Constitutional Assembly Passes Rights Bill, Amendment Aimed At Uni Campus Discriminations

Representative students at the University of Nebraska completed the job of writing a new constitution for its Student Council last Friday night, May 13. Some 100 students from social, religious and service organizations had spent six days formulating the new document which must be approved by the administration and students before it becomes effective.

On May 11, the group adopted a new Student Bill of Rights guaranteeing the rights of free speech, press and assembly and freedom from discrimination because race, religion or nationality, introduced by Eugene Berman.

The following day an election system using the "single transferable vote" whereby students may show the order of preference for a candidate was adopted. This is in favor of good men in small parties.

On May 13, the assembly accepted the following amendments presented by Charles Goolsby and co-authored by Bill Broden, both University Y.M.C.A. delegates. They read:

No organization under Student Council supervision or occupying university buildings or property, which discriminates against students because of their race, religion or national origin, shall receive the approval of the council after one year following the acceptance of this section.

No organization or group shall be denied existence and participation in the student body activities because of their race, religion, national origin, or for political views not denied by statute.

The council shall not discriminate against organizations because all or a part of its members belong to any particular race, religion or national origin.

No activity of a college or department which discriminates against students because of their race, religion or national origin, shall receive the support of the council.

No activity or project of an administrative section or operating unit of the university, employing or accommodating students, which discriminates against students because of their race, religion or national origin, shall receive the support of the council following the end of the semester in which this section is accepted.

As mentioned previously, the new constitution must receive administration approval and popular student approval. Ted Sorensen, law student, moderated the assembly; Bob Wallace was parliamentary and Miss Jan Lindquist was secretary of the convention.

### Mixed Marriage Ban Violates Constitution Says Law Reviewer

"The Nebraska legislature might do well to take another look at the ancient provision on our statute books," says Theodore Sorensen in the March issue of "The Nebraska Law Review." The present law, which was last amended in 1913 reads in part:

"Marriages are void when one party is a white person and the other possessed of one-eighth or more Negro, Japanese or Chinese blood." (Nebraska Rev. Stat. (1943) 42-103).

"Despite everyday application, this law has never been interpreted or tested," says Sorensen. "All state regulation must provide equal protection of the laws, as guaranteed by the 14th amendment. This Post-Civil War amendment was adopted especially to prevent state legislation discriminating against individuals on the basis of color. So one simple test of constitutionality that the amendment provides is whether

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### Dr. L. S. Goolsby Marks 40th Year In The Ministry

COLUMBIA, Mo.—Rev. Lewis S. Goolsby, pastor of St. Paul AME Church here will celebrate his fortieth anniversary in the ministry on Sunday, May 22.

The Rev. Dr. Goolsby began his ministerial work in the Georgia Conference of the AME church. He served many years in California at pastorates in San Francisco, San Diego, San Bernardino and others. In 1936 he was pastor at Pueblo, Colo., and came to Lincoln as pastor of Quinn Chapel church in 1941. In 1945 he was made Presiding Elder of the Omaha district and supervised the churches in Nebraska and northern Kansas. In 1947 he transferred to the Missouri conference.

Dr. Goolsby received his A.B. and B.D. degrees from historic Morris Brown college in Atlanta and did graduate work at the University of California. In 1946 the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred by Western University in Kansas City.

A reception is planned by the church officers and members in the lecture room at 5th and Park streets.

### Congressional Committees Hear Civil Rights Bills

WASHINGTON. (ANP). The much talked of civil rights bills are now bobbing up here and there on Capitol hill, in spite of the dreary outlook on the possibility of getting favorable action in this session of Congress.

Poll tax hearings began in the committee on House administration last week, while hearings on the FEPC bill scheduled to begin May 3 were postponed until May 10, and the federal anti-lynch bill which passed the Senate Judiciary subcommittee last week is now resting in the full committee pending action. The committee reported last Thursday morning that it had no idea when the full committee would take a vote on the bill.

### Luke Easter Is Legend With Coast Teams

SAN DIEGO. (ANP). Power Hitter Luke Easter, sensational first sacker for the San Diego Padres, a Cleveland farm team, of the Triple-A Pacific Coast league has a serious knee injury that pains him to even walk to the plate, but he is still being used as a pinch hitter.

All he has to do is stand there and threaten to hit a home run. Last week against San Francisco, he hobbled to the plate in the eighth inning to pinch hit for John Ritchey, Negro catcher. With the count three to two and the bases loaded, Pitcher Dempsey blew up and walked the crippled man to score the tie-breaking run.

Previously against Portland, he limped out in the ninth inning to pinch hit for Pitcher Lyman Linde and rapped out a good double, although his ailing leg stopped him at first base.

The tremendous batting power of Easter has become legend not only among the fans, but among the players—if Pacific Coast pitching is a yard stick.

### 3 Sepia Co-eds Participate In U. of N. May Rites

Tradition was the watchword on the University of Nebraska campus Saturday, May 7, as the May Queen reigned over the 49th annual Ivy Day festivities.

Among the Senior women in the Ivy chain was Miss Celestine Lightened, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lightener, Omaha. In the Junior women's daisy chain were Miss Jeanne Malone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Malone of Lincoln and Miss Dolores Wightman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wightman of Omaha.

### B. Conway Opens 13th Street Parlor

Mr. B. Conway, a former member of the Progressive Syndicate, has announced the opening of a shine parlor under his management in Frank's Shoe Repair, 240 North 13th street. He points out that it is convenient to the campus and downtown areas and that he will be glad to see new and old acquaintances.

### R. Hurley, NAACP Youth Secretary, Here May 22nd

On Sunday, May 22, Ruby Hurley, youth secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will visit Lincoln to confer with NAACP officials and interested citizens and a meeting has been arranged at the Urban League. Miss Hurley is particularly interested in the college group and in establishing a youth council for boys and girls of high and junior high school age.



—Townsend Photo.

### REV. GORDON LIPPITT Uni. YMCA Sec'y Resigns, To Head NEA Training Lab

Gordon Lippitt, Executive Secretary of the University of Nebraska YMCA, announced at the University YMCA Board of management meeting, Tuesday, May 9, his resignation to take a position with the National Educational Association in Washington, D. C. His resignation at the University YMCA will become effective on August 31st of this year. Mr. Lippitt will assume the duties of co-ordinator of the National Training Laboratory on Group Development, sponsored by the National Educational Association and the University of Michigan. The laboratory serves as a training experience for social workers, teachers, ministers, psychologists, industrialists, and others interested in the field of group dynamics. The laboratory becomes a full-time program this year through a recent Carnegie Foundation grant to the sponsoring groups.

In addition to his responsibilities at the University YMCA, he has also been active in community affairs. He is past-president of the Lincoln Social Action Council and under his administration much of the ground work for the recent FEPC campaign was done. Last fall he figured in mediating cases involving the discrimination by certain restaurants.

He is also Secretary of the Lincoln Chapter of the American Christian Palestine Committee, member of the Nebraska Family Life Council; the Group Work Council of the Council of Social Agencies, Official board of St. Paul's Church, College NAACP, Ass'n of Group Workers, the Lincoln Co-op Club, and the Leadership Committee of the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Lippitt has also served as part-time chaplain at the State Reformatory for Boys for the past two years and has also served as Supply Pastor of Emmanuel Methodist Church. Also a member of educational and sociology honoraries, he is com-

pleting work for a doctoral degree. College chapters were established by the association two years ago and have been accepted in 23 colleges and universities in 23 states and the District of Columbia. Approval of a college chapter is still pending administration action at the University of Nebraska. Other schools in the north-central area which have recognized chapters are Cornell college and Drake university in Iowa, and the University of Wisconsin.

An "Encampment for Youth" is being held by the NAACP from July 1 to Aug. 23 at Fieldston school, Riverdale, N. Y., this year. Other summer training projects include the Eastern Co-operative Recreational school at Goddard college, Plainfield, Vt., Aug. 14-27, and the College Summer Service group in New York City. Additional information is available from Charles Goolsby, college chapter president.

### Youth Fraternals Plan Amateur Show

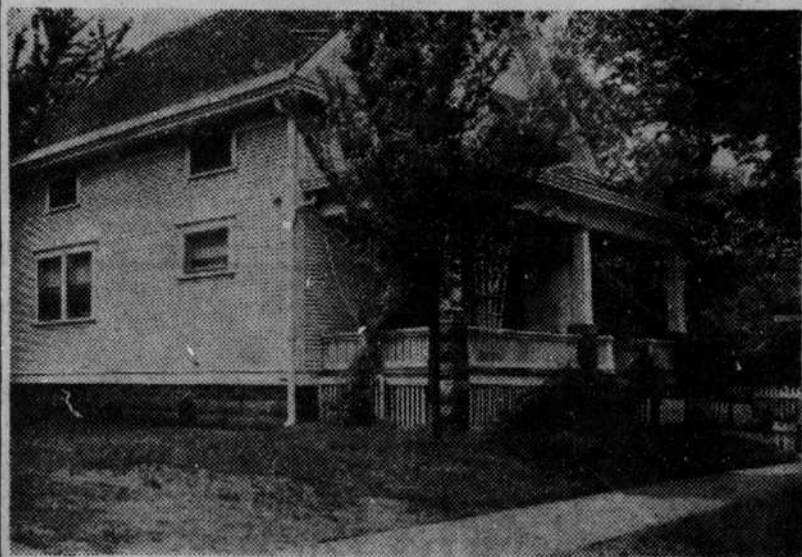
The youth fraternities, Junior Eastern Stars and Masons, will have an amateur show at the Urban League, Friday, May 20, at 8 p. m. There will be prizes and awards for participants and everybody is cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Maude Johnson and Mrs. Dorothy Lewis are in charge of the show.

### Duke and Duchess Revue Coming Up

The annual Duke and Duchess Revue will be observed Monday night, June 6 at the Urban League. Miss Bettie Rose Huston was the Duchess of 1948 and Albert Bowen, the Duke. Who will be the Duke and Duchess of 1949? "More details later," says Mrs. Sarah Walker of the Urban League staff.

### Cubs Get 1st Prizes At Hobby Show

The Cub Scout pack of Troop 60 was awarded two first prizes at the hobby show held at the fair grounds, Saturday night. The youngsters had an attractive display and were commended highly for their enthusiasm. Mrs. Dorothy Lewis is Den Mother and LaVerne Perkins is Cub Master.



—Courtesy the Lincoln Journal

Pictured above is the house of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Young, 417 No. 22nd Street. It was the winner in the Urban League beautification and cleanup contest. See story on page 2.