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FRED ZIMMER, GOVERNOR VAL PETERSON, AND SCOTT GREENWOOD look over a proof of one of the 52 pages to be used in the forthcoming Greater Nebraska Campaign. Zimmer is President and Greenwood is Manager of the Nebraska Press Association. The Greater Nebraska Campaign, designed to acquaint both the people of Nebraska and outsiders with the marvelous resources of our great state, will appear each week beginning in July in Nebraska newspapers participating in the program. It is expected the Greater Nebraska Campaign will have the people of our state talking and boosting Nebraska as they have never done before!

## Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Vote To Back Equal Opportunity, Education

Among the items before the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, when it met in Lincoln at the Hotel Cornhusker, was consideration of its stand on our greatest local social problems. The council, recognizing the difference in ideals and practices, called upon women to become interested in the housing problem and denounced race and religious discrimination and segregation as "contrary to doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." The resolution passed May 12 read:

"We urge every woman to create a more lively interest in the housing project in her particular community be it rural or urban, and in the building of homes adequate for family living at prices or rent which families can afford to pay.

"One of the crucial social problems of our day is racial discrimination. It is appalling how blind we can be to this evil. We preach democracy as an ideal but fail to live up to it in practice.

"We resolve, therefore, to decry discrimination and segregation as contrary to the doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and to practice tolerance and Christian charity toward our fellow man, regardless of race, creed or color, and to support legislation designed to

## Ethiopians Picket UN For Colonies

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y. (ANP). Thirteen pickets, acting for the United African Nationalist movement, paraded before the main entrance of UN headquarters here last week, carrying placards demands that Ethiopia be given Eritrea and Somaliland. Some of the placards urged that Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, UN trusteeship affairs division director be "kept out" of Eritrea.

However, Dr. Bunche appeared before the pickets and told them no proposal had been made to send them to Eritrea. He said that a UN commission had been sent to the colony to sound the wishes of the inhabitants. He told the pickets nothing would be done until the commission's report had been received.

assure equality of opportunity, especially in the fields of employment and education."

## Urban League Cleanup Drive Starts May 20

The unusual hustle and bustle in evidence around so many homes may be attributable to the annual Urban League yard inspection tour which will be started after May 20. As it has for 17 years a committee will visit the home of each Negro family in Lincoln and on the basis of their findings eight prizes will be awarded to those judged the cleanest and eight prizes to those which have made the greater amount of beautification. Since the institution of this annual event prizes have been awarded to more than 50 different families.

These awards include cedar trees, flowering shrubs, rose bushes and other nursery items.

This year's yard inspection committee is Mrs. Ann Newton, chairman, Mrs. Lillian Powell, Mr. C. O. Shepard and Mr. John Adams.

## Libya To Be Free January 1950

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y. (ANP). Libya, the former Italian possession in Africa, will become the fourth independent country in Africa on Jan. 1, 1952, under the terms of a recent UN resolution.

Three other countries, Egypt, Ethiopia and Liberia, have already been freed of ties to colonial empires. They comprise about one-fifteenth of the African continent.

## Lest We Forget:

- Mrs. Virginia Brown, St. Elizabeth hospital.
- Mrs. Capitola Seller, St. Elizabeth hospital.
- Mrs. William Woods, 650 So. 20th.
- Mrs. Lucille Wittcomb, 643 So. 20th.
- Mr. Harry Adams, Veterans hospital.

# Dixiecrats and GOPs Kill Fair Employment Law

## OES To Mark Esther Day Sunday, June 4

The annual observance of Esther Day will be marked by members of Amaranth Chapter No. 3, Order of the Eastern Star, with a special public program at Quinn Chapel church. The traditional day will be celebrated with an afternoon meeting at 3:30 Sunday, June 4, to which the public is invited, according to an announcement made by Worthy Matron Frances Lewis. Mrs. Evelyn Irving, program chairman, said an interesting program is being prepared for the occasion.

Last week the chapter was visited by a number of Grand Officers. They included Worthy Grand Matron Mamie Houchins, Lincoln; Grand Patron I. S. McPherson, Grand Associate Matron Edith Wheatley, Grand Secretary Josie Moore, Grand Treasurer Margaret Moore and Grand Lecturer Susie Jones. All except Mrs. Houchins were from Omaha.

## Clerics Name Rev. Brooks Sec'y-Treas.

Rev. J. B. Brooks, pastor of Quinn Chapel AME church was elected secretary-treasurer of the Lincoln Ministerial association at its regular meeting May 15. Rev. Brooks has been active in the association for the last year and a half.

Others elected were: Rev. Paul William Barnds, St. Matthew's Episcopal, president and Dr. C. Vin White, pastor of First Presbyterian, was named vice president.

## Walter White Back At NAACP Helm; Calls On Nation To Support Rights

NEW YORK. (ANP). With his self-assurance of the old days, Walter White upon being recalled to his post as executive secretary of the NAACP last week declared that in the light of the civil rights crisis it was highly imperative for everyone to buckle down to work and pledged himself to do.

The board of directors at its regular monthly meeting on May 8 voted to bring Mr. White back to the NAACP as the top executive after a year's leave of absence. The board also named Roy Wilkins, who served as acting secretary during Mr. White's leave, to the newly-created post of administrator. Action on both positions is effective as of June 1.

In order to carry out the program of the NAACP, Mr. White said in his statement, "My associates and I need the support of every man, woman and child in the United States who believes in our program. I ask that support—not for myself or any other individual—but for the cause itself."

### NEW PLAN ADOPTED

The appointment of Mr. White and Mr. Wilkins, which will continue until Jan. 1, 1951, "the normal period of appointments," were

## Lucas Fails To Rally 64 Names To Beat Cloture; Wherry, Butler OK Vote

WASHINGTON. (ANP). The United States Senate, last Friday, killed the chances of a Fair Employment Practice law in this session of Congress as dead as the proverbial door-nail. This conclusion was made after the Senate majority leader failed to corral the 64 votes necessary to invoke cloture, thus, shutting off debate on the motion as to whether the FEPC should be brought to the floor for debate.

## Xavier Speaker



ARCHIBALD T. LECESNE, Chicago attorney, will return to his Alma Mater, Xavier university in New Orleans, on May 31, to deliver the commencement address. A native of the Crescent City, Attorney LeCesne has made an outstanding legal record in Chicago. To his credit are two first events—he was the first Negro assistant states attorney to prosecute a case in criminal court after indictments had been returned and the first Negro assistant states attorney to have a trial call of his own. (ANP).

The motion which was introduced in the senate by Majority Leader Scott Lucas, was given a full week of debate before a vote was taken on the cloture petition.

Senator Lucas circulated the cloture petition last Tuesday and filed it on the following day with 26 republican signatures and 14 democrat signatures. The cloture petition was defeated in the senate last Friday by a vote of 32 for it and 52 against it. Of those voting for the cloture motion 33 were republicans and only 19 were democrats. Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry (r., Neb.) and Sen. Hugh Butler (r., Neb.) voted to limit debate, and thus enable a vote on the measure.

Perhaps the most heated debate on the measure came on Wednesday, after Senator Lucas had filed the cloture petition. It was then that Sen. Russell Long (dem., La.), came to the forefront and served notice that the southern bloc would fight night and day for six months if necessary to kill the administration's bill.

Earlier in the day Senator Humphrey, one of the foremost contenders for civil rights in the democratic party, had been "sat down" twice under senate rules for remarks interpreted as reflecting on the good faith of members of the senate.

Sen. Tom Connally of Texas, first called Senator Humphrey to order after he emphasized that the FEPC bill "is an effort to delude the American people."

The chair ruled that Senator Humphrey should take his seat, later, however, he was permitted to proceed. It was not long before the Minnesota senator was again ordered to take his seat after Senator Holland of Florida had objected to a reference to communistic fatherhood of FEPC legislation as "blasphemous."

Sen. Walter F. George of Georgia had said the day before that this controversial legislation had been fathered by the communist rather than by the democratic or republican party.

With a week of southern filibuster on the motion to call up FEPC, and the final defeat of the cloture rule, the fair employment practice legislation has now gone "down the drain" as far as the 81st congress is concerned.

enlightened self-interest, are eager to join their Negro fellow Americans in the fight for unqualified and unrestricted opportunity. Many of these persons look to the NAACP to supply leadership as the largest, oldest and most effective civil rights organization in America. If we supply that leadership there is no limit to the size and influence for good of the association.

made under a new plan of organization adopted by the board, designating the executive secretary as the top executive with the administrator as second in command. The duties and relationships of the offices were also defined by the plan.

"The international picture of race and colonialism and the national civil rights situation with respect to federal legislation, finances and the overall struggle for jobs are so acute that it is imperative for all of us to buckle down to work. This I pledge myself to do. In large measure, the fate of not only 15,000,000 American Negroes but of democracy itself depends on the effectiveness and integrity of the NAACP.

"There are two new and powerful influences which can greatly speed up our fight for freedom for the Negro. One is the growing realization that the United States must clean up its own backyard so far as minorities are concerned or continue to lose valuable prestige and friends abroad.

"The second asset is the tremendous number of loyal and intelligent white Americans who, in