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## New Programs Increase Need for State Workers

Announcements have just been released by the Nebraska Merit System to recruit additional professional and technical workers in the Welfare, Employment Security and Health departments. The impact of new programs is being felt in Nebraska, according to Arthur W. Pendray, Merit System Director, and an attempt is being made to interest new groups of people in career jobs with the state agencies. In addition, of course, there is a need for finding replacements for those who are promoted, resign or are called into government service, etc.

The passage of House Roll 6000 has broadened the Social Security program to provide a category of assistance for the totally and permanently disabled. This program will be administered by the Department of Assistance and Child Welfare. While there is very little information available as to the number of persons who will be eligible for benefits under this program, it is believed that additional personnel may be needed.

A new procedure using Claims Agents on a "temporary" basis in the district offices of the State Employment Service will speed up the taking of claims for Unemployment Compensation and will give employment to a number of persons during the winter when other work is slack. The number of openings in this classification will, of course, depend upon the employment situation. Temporary Claims Agents will be employed during the months of December, January, February and March.

Technical and professional workers are in demand in the Health Department too, in the State Laboratory, in the sanitation programs of the local health units and in many other phases of Public Health.

## Second Division

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Richfield, Utah. He was promoted to full colonel on the Korean battlefield.

Said one soldier in the first direction center: "Colonel Buys always seems to sense trouble before it gets here and we have had very little incoming mail."

Colonel Buys has spoken well of his outfit and in an interview said:

"I wish no greater pleasure than the one I have at present

commanding this battalion. Frankly, I believe it's the best outfit in Korea."

With the exception of Colonel Buys and a few other officers, the unit has all Negro officers, including two warrant officers.

The two highest ranking Negro officers in the battalion are Capt. Charles H. Barbour, Junction City, Kas., and Capt. Robert B. Coplin, Tulsa, Okla. The former is battalion intelligence officer while Captain Coplin is the battalion's only Negro commander of a firing battery. C battery, which he leads, is reputedly the deadliest battery in the battalion.

The battalion, whose battle cry is "We Can Do It," is composed chiefly of men between the ages of 18 and 20, but there are enough "old timers" to make an equal balance.

One of the unit's oldest non-coms is M/Sgt. Harvey Ginn, Tacoma, Wash., who was one of the original members when the unit was organized early in 1948. As chief of a section he control three guns in C battery.

Twenty-one year old Cpl. Clarence Gordon, Los Angeles, Calif., a graduate of Jefferson high school there, is a battalion computer, mainly on the strength of his excellent math background.

One of the most daring men in the unit is Pfc. George C. Mitchell, 20, Racine, Wis., who reports enemy positions from close up. On many occasions he's out in front of friendly infantry. He is a forward observer with a rich knowledge of artillery theory.

This combination of age and youth make the battalion what it is, and there is no real difference. They have pooled knowledge and experience to set new and higher standards.

And, so, when that headquarters soldier make his statement he was speaking for hundreds of other soldiers who rely on this Negro outfit to lent its support. For they too, feel that it is a living legend and they place all trust in the battalion's motto: "We Can Do It!"



by JAMES C. OLSON, Superintendent STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

One sultry August day in 1873, according to Dean Frank E. Weyer's fine book, *Presbyterian College and Academies in Nebraska*, three friends were visiting in a little frontier store located at what was to become the corner of Hastings Avenue and First street in the city of Hastings. One of them said to the other two: "Why not have a Presbyterian college at Hastings?"

The pioneer settlers of Hastings immediately took hold of the idea. The two town companies, representing the B. & M. and St. Joseph railroads, subscribed a total of 40 acres for a campus, plus a large number of business and residence lots. The potential assets of the proposed college were placed conservatively at \$100,000.

The middle seventies, though, were years of great and widespread depression in Nebraska, and the state Presbyterian synod felt unable to assume responsibility for an institution of higher learning far out on the prairie.

As a result, the project languished—but not the enthusiasm of the people of Hastings, and particularly that of the members of its little Presbyterian church. In 1879, they resumed plans for a college. These plans resulted in the appointment of a board of trustees who, on May 10, 1882, completed the organization of Hastings college.

The college formally opened on Sept. 13, 1882, with a chapel service in the First Presbyterian church. The first faculty was composed of five members, two of whom served only part-time. A total of 44 students enrolled the first year, all in the secondary department.

During the first two years, classes were held in six rooms on the second floor of the Chilcote building, located at what is now the corner of First street and Hastings Avenue.

The first building at Hastings college was made possible through the generosity of Cyrus H. McCormick. The building bearing his name was ready for use at

## Campanella Most Popular Dodger

BROOKLYN. (ANP). Catcher Roy Campanella recently won a popularity contest as the most popular player on the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball club. The contest was sponsored by the Flatbush Merchants association.

For his prize, Roy won a miniature Grand Central System railroad setup. Roy has a mania for electric trains—loves them more than most boys.

He probably will not barnstern this year, deserting the baseball uniform for the electric trains.

The opening of the fall term in 1884, and Hastings college was firmly established on its own campus.

Though there were years of doubt and uncertainty—resulting in the main from the depressed condition of prairie agriculture—the college, under able and devoted leadership, continued to grow. New buildings were added and a larger faculty was employed to serve the needs of the growing student body.

In 1934, Hastings college took over the records and property of the defunct Bellevue college, a pioneer Presbyterian institution located near Omaha.

As you drive through the campus today you can see how the people of Hastings and the Presbyterians of the Middle West have replied to the question, "Why not have a Presbyterian college at Hastings?"

### LEGAL NOTICE OF MEASURE TO BE VOTED UPON NOVEMBER 7, 1950 (BALLOT TITLE) CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY 1949 LEGISLATURE

For amendment of sections 6 and 7, Article III, of the Constitution of Nebraska, providing for either annual or biennial sessions of the Legislature, providing restrictions on business that may be transacted by the Legislature in even-numbered years, providing for election of members of the Legislature for four-year terms, and providing for payment of compensation to members of the Legislature as may be provided by law. □

Against amendment of sections 6 and 7, Article III, of the Constitution of Nebraska, providing for either annual or biennial sessions of the Legislature, providing restrictions on business that may be transacted by the Legislature in even-numbered years, providing for election of members of the Legislature for four-year terms, and providing for payment of compensation to members of the Legislature as may be provided by law. □

### TEXT OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

Section 1. That at the general election in November, 1950, there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska, for approval, the following amendments to sections 6 and 7, Article III, of the Constitution of Nebraska, which are hereby proposed by the Legislature.

"Sec. 6. The Legislature shall consist of not more than fifty nor less than thirty members. The sessions of the Legislature shall be annual or biennial as provided by law. If the sessions are held annually, in even-numbered years the Legislature shall not transact any business except to provide appropriations for the expenses of government and to confirm appointments unless specifically requested to do so by message of the Governor.

Sec. 7. At the general election held in November, 1952, there shall be elected such number of members of the Legislature as may be provided by law from even-numbered districts for a term of two years, and such number of members of the Legislature as may be provided by law from odd-numbered districts for a term of four years. Thereafter at each general election, successors of members whose terms expire in January following shall be elected for a term of four years. All terms shall begin at noon on the first Tuesday in January next ensuing the

## Jackie Robinson to Speak for the UN

NEW YORK.—(ANP).—Jackie Robinson, second baseman of the Brooklyn Dodgers, is one of a team of eight speakers who will praise the U.N. next week, Oct. 16-24, during United Nations Week.

These speakers are sponsored by the National Labor Service, an organization designed to "promote good will among American workers of all races and religions.

Of the U.N. Jackie said:

"When a batter's timing is right and there's no hitch in his swing, the chances for winning the game look best. Right now, it looks pretty certain that the U.N. will be scoring high for world peace.

"But we've got to make sure that the U.N. doesn't develop any hitches in its swing. That means we in the U.S.A. have to improve our swing, too.

"We've got to lick racial discrimination and religious bigotry because these evils divide our country, and only a strong united American can help the U.N. bring world peace.

Others to speak out for the U.N. will include Harry A. Bullie, chairman, board of General Mills and national chairman of U.N. Week; Phillip Murray, president of the C.I.O.; William Green, president, A.F.L.; Al Jolson, entertainer; Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., movie star; Jinx Falkenburg, radio and television beauty, and Ezio Pinza of South "Pacific" fame.

general election at which the member was elected. Each member shall be nominated and elected in a nonpartisan manner and without any indication on the ballot that he is affiliated with or endorsed by any political party or organization. The aggregate salaries of all the members shall be determined by the Legislature and payable in such manner and at such times as shall be provided by law. In addition to his salary, each member shall receive and be paid an amount equal to his actual expenses in traveling by the most usual route once to and returning from each regular or special session of the Legislature. Members of the Legislature shall receive no pay nor perquisites other than said salary and expenses. Employees of the Legislature shall receive no compensation other than their salary or per diem."

Sec. 2. That the proposed amendments shall be submitted to the electors upon a ballot separate from that upon which the names of candidates appear, after publication once each week for four weeks in at least one legal newspaper in each county where a newspaper is published immediately preceding the general election in 1950. The ballot for the submission of the proposed amendments shall be as follows:

### "Proposed Constitutional Amendments

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Sec. 3. That the proposed amendments, if adopted, shall be in force and take effect immediately upon completion of the canvass of the votes, at which time it shall be the duty of the Governor to proclaim the amendments adopted as a part of the Constitution of Nebraska.

Approved May 28, 1949  
Respectfully submitted,  
FRANK MARSE,  
Secretary of State

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