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Tuesday

Weather: Tuesday, windy and colder with temperatures in the 20s, occasional snow, 2-4 inches possible. Tuesday night, windy and colder with flurries and temperatures in the upper teens. Wednesday, high in the upper 20s.

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Libertarian offers alternative

Smaller government, less public control of platform

By Amy Edwards
Senior Reporter

Libertarian presidential candidate Dr. Ron Paul said Monday that his party gives an alternative for people who think the Republican and Democratic parties "don't have a whole lot to offer."

Paul and his vice presidential candidate, Andre Marrou, signed a certificate of nominations Monday that puts them on the Nebraska ballot for the 1988 presidential election. The two candidates later spoke to about 20 people at Commonplace, 333 N 14th St.

Paul, a practicing obstetrician from Houston, was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives four times as a Republican. He announced his presidential candidacy in February 1987.

Before the speech, Paul said one goal of the party is to create a smaller governmental body that has less control on the public.

He said the Libertarian government is "more in tune with the original Constitution." If he were elected president, Paul said, he would strive to separate education, business and communication from government.

Paul said the Libertarian Party "starts with the premise that an individual is a free individual and as long as he doesn't do anything to hurt anyone else, he can do what he wants."

This causes people to accept the risk and responsibility of their own lives, he said. Eventually, Paul said, people will return to the original ideals of the Constitution and no longer rely on the government to solve their problems.

Paul said applying non-intervention policies across the board is the key to saving the government. One of his policies involves abolishing drug restrictions.

The idea is not to promote drugs, Paul said, but to promote the freedoms that would allow people to smoke marijuana if they wanted to.

Paul said his policy would reduce the amount of money spent on drug awareness and education, and reduce the number of drug-related crimes caused by the high cost of illegal drugs.

Marrou, a state senator in Alaska, said separating education from the state would reduce the cost of public education and create competition in the job market.

Although this would cut state and federal



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Ron Paul announces his candidacy for president on the Libertarian ticket.

funding of education, Marrou said, there would probably be more loans at a lower interest rate.

"Ultimately, everyone should pay for what they get and get what they pay for," Marrou said.

Paul said the government should only intervene when fraud was involved.

He said this policy would also stop the redistribution of wealth in a government that is supposed to be based on free enterprise.

Paul said his campaign is geared toward the interests of college-age people. Because of this, one of his major goals is to abolish income tax and social security.

"I've never met anybody younger than 30 who thinks they will get a dime from Social Security," Paul said. "A voluntary system should immediately replace this government fraud."

Paul said several "transition years" would be needed to take care of people who rely on Social Security, but people "need to know that there is no Social Security system, just a welfare trans-

fer system."

People should invest in individual retirement accounts as an alternative to social security, Paul said. This alternative, along with the end of a mandatory retirement age, would "let people work out responsibility for themselves," he said.

Paul also said a Libertarian government would apply non-intervention tactics to foreign policy.

Supporting and protecting other countries is not only expensive, Paul said, but an unproductive way to make allies.

"Why should we pick and choose dictators around the world using your taxes and drafting people to support an individual who is no better than the opposition," Paul said.

Although Paul is not predicting a win in the presidential election, he said the Libertarian Party will have a "major impact" in the election and that once he gets on the ballot in each state, "there is the danger that I may win."

Man arrested for robbery had UNL job

By Anne Mohri
Senior Reporter

Stan Campbell, director of the Office of Campus Recreation at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said he was surprised to learn a former campus rec employee was arrested in connection with a bank robbery last Friday.

Charles Mark Goodwin, a former UNL psychology student, allegedly robbed the Union Bank at 19th and O streets last Thursday.

Campbell said Goodwin became a facility supervisor during the 1987 fall semester. Goodwin began working at campus rec six or seven months ago as an office aide.

Campbell said Goodwin quit his job at campus rec in December because he was transferring to Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Goodwin attended UNL and worked at campus rec through a work-release program offered to inmates at the Community Correctional Center of Lincoln.

Goodwin received a 12- to 20-year sentence for kidnapping and sexual assault convictions in Omaha. He served nine years and was paroled on Dec. 12.

Chris Eskridge, UNL criminal justice professor, said work-release programs originated in Texas and are used throughout the United States.

Eskridge said the parole board or prison officials determine if inmates are reliable enough to be released on their own recognition.

Through work-release programs inmates are able to leave the correctional facility during the day to attend school or work, he said. The state and federal governments pay for inmate education.

By attending school, inmates can earn degrees to support themselves after their release instead of returning to street crime, Eskridge said.

Work-release programs help reintegrate inmates into society, he said.

King's efforts for peace must be emphasized

By Gretchen Boehr
Staff Reporter

About 100 people attended a symposium in memory of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday last night at the Culture Center, 333 N. 14th St.

The symposium featured a six member panel, which spoke about King's importance and answered questions from the audience. The event was sponsored by the University Program Council's Black Special Events Committee and the Afrikan People's Union.

After a performance by the APU gospel choir, the audience walked down 14th Street to the Capitol for a prayer and a candle lighting service.

The panelists included Gerald Henderson, an equal opportunity officer of Lincoln; Buddy Hogan, representative for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Omaha; Lawrence Meyers, executive director of the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission; Brad Munn, affirmative action/equal opportunity officer at UNL; Rev. Andrew Lee Simpson of the Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Omaha and Colin Ramsay,

professor of actuarial science at UNL.

Meyers said more emphasis was needed on King's efforts towards peace.

"We need to remember what he stood for, and that was the poor and oppressed," he said.

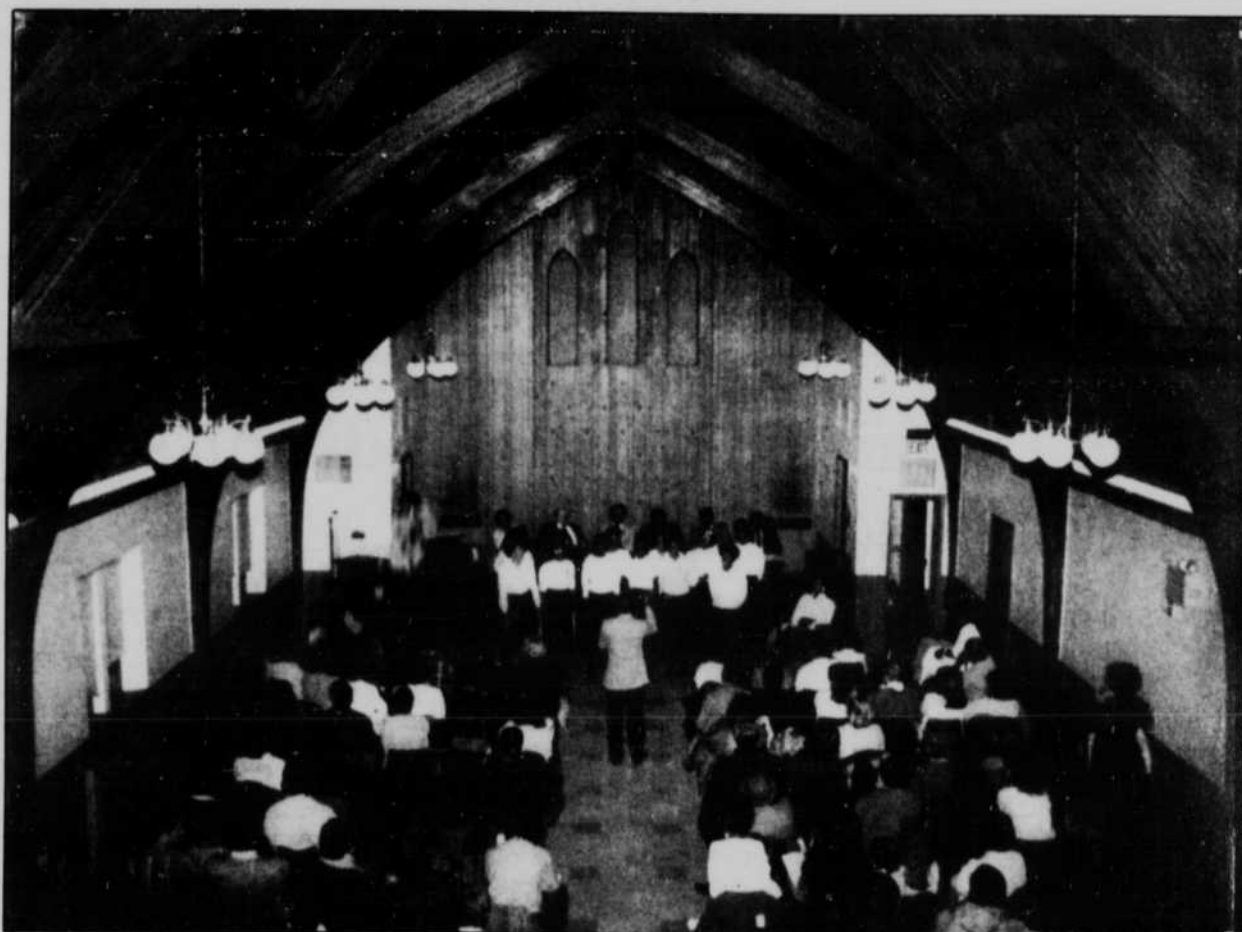
Speakers also stressed the importance of education and encouraged an increase of black student involvement in campus and community activities.

Hogan said the civil rights movement of the 50's and 60's was concentrated on the right of access. These rights included the desegregation of schools, restrooms and public transportation, he said.

Hogan said now that blacks have these rights of access they need to decide what's next for the civil rights movement and the NAACP.

Simpson said, "Today we may not be denied a Big Mac at McDonalds, but what we are denied is the possibility of owning a McDonalds."

Hogan said to truly commemorate King, students should ask themselves what they are doing at the university and what they can do for others.



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The APU Gospel Choir performs at the Culture Center Monday night at a symposium honoring Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday.

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