

Wright, Morris To NAACP Posts

DECATUR, Ill. — Herbert L. Wright of Maywood, and Levi Morris of Chicago, were elected president and first vice president of the Illinois NAACP, during the two-day convention here

Delegates representing 27 branches and 25,000 members took part in the sessions that were addressed by Frank H. Williams, NAACP Assistant Special Counsel, and Gloster B. Current, director of New York branches, who was in charge of the conference.

The conference declared that Negro citizens of the state will never enjoy their full rights until discrimination and segregation in education is eliminated.

Pointing out that the state has statutes against discrimination in public education, the conference stated that it will institute legal proceedings against all agencies and office holders who deny Negroes their right to equality of educational opportunity.

"Alarming proportions" to which the civil rights code of the state is being ignored, also came under scrutiny at the two-day meet. Congress was urged to pass the Taft Ellender Wagner general housing bill, and the state was called on to encourage private building, and to institute a program of public building to alleviate the housing shortage.

A goal of 28,000 members for Illinois was set by the group, as its part in the national membership drive.

Other officers chosen include Fred Harris, Decatur, second vice president; Mrs. R. J. Ivy, Springfield, secretary, and N. J. Henderson, Bloomington, treasurer.