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EDITORIALS

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Methodists

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The resolution was brought to the floor after the members of the study group failed to agree upon a recommendation. Negro elements were vocal on both sides of the issue.

One against change from the present church setup which has nearly all Negro churches under the Central Jurisdiction headed and run by Negroes declared that a change from this setup would mean a loss of power for the race. They claimed this action would limit their opportunity to ascend

to higher positions, and lessen their influence in the church as a whole. Finding themselves caught in the throes of defending segregation they added they would support such a program if it guaranteed the same status and influence to minority groups that they have now.

On the other side a Negro church executive said:

"We are not interested in having Negro churches in white conferences only, but in the elimination of all racial discrimination within the church. This means that ministers of God, no matter what color, would serve the churches of God."

A white Philadelphia delegate who said she was formerly from North Carolina said:

"Segregation in the Methodist church is inconsistent with Christianity. We are all children of God. By sidestepping this issue we will dash the hopes of many men and women who are watching us and this meeting."

The society also voted for a resolution calling attention to a new book, "State Laws on Race and Color," published by the women's division of Christian Service. This book is a compilation of all state laws on race and color.

Another resolution passed by the women read:

"We are in agreement with Dr. Benjamin E. Mays that there is a small kingdom in the life of every Christian over which he has complete control and that in that area he must wipe out all prejudice and intolerance, granting to everyone the rights which are inherently his and working steadily to make human rights a reality both at home and abroad."

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by JAMES C. OLSON, Superintendent STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Spring in Nebraska has always excited comment. Pioneer editors frequently felt called upon to pen a paragraph to Spring. Travelers, passing through eastern Nebraska in late spring or early summer, frequently remarked upon the lush vegetation and the beauty of the scenery. Pioneer diaries are replete with accounts of spring work around Nebraska's farms and homes.

On March 28, 1857, the editor of the Nebraska City News penned this panegyric to the new season: "Again we hail the advent of 'Merry Spring' with all its balmy influences.—Old Grim winter has at last withdrawn from our prairies his white robe. The mighty Missouri has declared her powers, bursted her icy fetters, and now bears them away upon the bosom of her murky waters. The small brooks again leap for joy, and gladly murmur as they wind along their serpentine courses, the approach of Spring. The little songster is again perched upon the bough, and filling the air with his musical notes. The cattle are browsing upon the hills—and all nature seems glad of the change, and we are happy that we are again able to put our ideas upon paper with ink that is not frozen."

A year later the same newspaper's comment was a little more prosaic: "Gardening has during the week been carried on in this place to the most commendable degree. Our citizens are this season doing a fine work in the way of setting out trees, planting gardens and 'fixing up' generally."

Many years earlier, in the spring of 1835, Rev. William Parker tarried three weeks at Bellevue before beginning a missionary journey across the plains and mountains to Oregon. He was much impressed with the country, and wrote: "But few places can present a prospect more interesting, and when a civilized population shall add the fruits of their industry, but few places can be more desirable."

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What's Doing In The Churches

Mrs. Shelley Elected

Mrs. Harold Shelley was elected president of the Lincoln Council of Church Women at a meeting of the organization at the Southminster Evangelical United Brethren church. She replaces Mrs. M. C. Leonard.

Other officers elected at the meeting were:

Mrs. James Pelley, first vice president.
 Mrs. John Wichelt, second vice president.
 Mrs. Carroll Lemon, recording secretary.
 Mrs. Byron W. Davis, corresponding secretary.
 Miss Bertha Krohn, treasurer.

The revival at Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church closed Friday evening with three accessions during the two-week period. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Harris and Mr. Joseph Dunn. * * * Dr. A. Wayman Ward of Chicago A.M.E. church will preach at Quinn Chapel Sunday morning. * * * The recital to be given Sunday, May 7, by Miss Clara Bell Scott of Omaha will be held at Quinn Chapel at 7:30 p. m. Miss Scott, a sister of Chester Scott, University of Nebraska student, is appearing through the courtesy of Quinn Chapel Usher board. The public is invited. * * * The Sunday School began its project on Sunday to help secure an organ for the church. Each member will sell two subscriptions to THE VOICE. Beverly Brown and Robert Botts are captains. The team to reach its quota first will be honored at a party to be given for the entire Sunday School. * * * The Rev. Jesse M. Chiles of the Alliance-Scottsbluff circuit of the A.M.E. church worshiped at Quinn Chapel Sunday morning. He was enroute to his home in Cincinnati, Ohio. * * * The Rev. and Mrs.

across Nebraska in 1842, described a phenomenon of spring well known to all Nebraskans: "Squalls of rain, with thunder and lightning, were around us in every direction."

In the same vein is the notation for April 23, 1861, in the diary of James M. Patterson, a pioneer Rock Bluffs (Cass County) merchant: "Cloudy. Rained in the morning, blowed considerable. Clear afternoon and pleasant. Some Indians in Town. I planted some watermelons, muskmelons, hubbard squash, beans, etc."

Henry Simmons of Cleaves Temple Methodist church, Omaha and Mrs. Simmons' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Knight of Zion Baptist, Omaha, motored to Lincoln Wednesday evening and spent their time in the revival meeting at Quinn Chapel as guests of the Rev. E. V. Wade. Mrs. Simmons, vocalist, gave a rendition by special request.

Newman Methodist pastor, Rev. William A. Greene, and congregation spent Sunday afternoon in Omaha, rendering services for Rev. G. W. Hubbard of Clair Chapel Methodist.

Rev. F. Merle Stith was guest speaker for Christ Temple Church of Christ (Holiness) at a 3 o'clock service Sunday afternoon.

The Church of God in Christ has been conducting a revival for the past two weeks. The Rev. Charles Williams is the pastor.

Rev. W. I. Monroe, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, has named Sunday, May 21, as the closing date for their improvement fund campaign.

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