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EDITORIALS

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## Out of Old Nebraska.

By James C. Olson  
 Superintendent, State Historical Society

Of all the elections in the nation's history, one of the most important and bitterly contested was that of 1860 which put Abraham Lincoln in the White House. In Nebraska territory, the national campaign was somewhat overshadowed by an acrimonious race for the position of territorial delegate to Congress.

The Democratic candidate was J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska City, a young man of 28 who was Secretary of the Territory. Candidate of the newly-organized Republican party was Samuel G. Daily of Peru, who was seeking re-election.

As frequently was the case in pioneer politics, the campaign consisted largely of a series of joint debates held at various points in the territory. Considering the language the candidates used about each other, it is a little surprising to learn that frequently they traveled from town to town in the same buggy, and on occasion slept in the same bed. Accommodations and conditions of travel apparently were such that the candidates found it expedient to declare a truce between debates.

This should not be taken to mean that the contest was not hard fought. It was one of the most bitter in Nebraska's history, and was followed by a contest of the election in which each candidate freely leveled charges of fraud at his opponent.

The final count showed that Morton had been elected by a vote of 2,957 to 2,943, or a majority of just 14. Daily immediately filed notice of contest, and both candidates spent the autumn months traveling about the territory taking evidence to support their cases. (This time they did not travel together). Each of them produced sworn testimony that there had been irregularities and fraud on behalf of the other. What's more, each probably was correct.

Finally, the case went to the United States House of Representatives. The evidence was presented at length before that body, but the case was decided largely on a political basis, with the Republicans voting down the line for Daily and the Democrats for Morton. The election of 1860 and the withdrawal of the Southern States had given the Republican control of the House and Daily was seated.

## Meharry Registrar Resigns



Mrs. Emma White Bragg.

Miss Emma L. White, in private life, Mrs. Jubie B. Bragg, resigned as registrar of Meharry Medical college after 10 years of service and joined her husband who recently opened his dental office in Daytona Beach, Fla.

A member of the American Association of Collegiate registrars; the National Associational Association of Collegiate Deans and registrars, Miss White served as registrar of Meharry where she introduced the most modern and efficient technics of student personnel services. A member of the American Educational Research association, the National Council on Measurements Used in Education, the division of higher education of the National Education association, the American Association of University professors, Miss White developed the area of educational research and improved technics of student admission, advancement, records and publications. Miss White holds a master's degree in education and has done special work at McGill university, Montreal, Canada. (ANP).

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## Sports Scope

Is Your Answer Here?

By Alvin Moses.

NEW YORK. (ANP). Q. Now that Louis has fooled us again about his retirement, who is there for him to fight?—"Cotton" Harvey, NYC.

A. Possibly the winner of Joe Baksi vs. Ezzard Charles—that's all.

Q. Do you think Jackie Robinson would have handled Doby's Cleveland incident as did the ex-Newark Eagle infielder?—G. H. K.

A. I really don't know to be perfectly honest. I think he would have because of his consecration to the cause.

Q. Tell me again who were the "Big Four of 1910," were they the four best colored heavies of any period since then?—Thomas Gray, Cleveland.

A. Johnson, Sam Langford, Joe Jeanette and Sam McVey (or McVea). As far as my vote counts they were.

Q. I read a United Press report of the bend-over-backward attitude of Coach Joe Sheeketski, Nevada U. football team, who accepted meekly Tulsa U's threatened refusal to allow two colored players, fullback Sherman Howard, and sub-quarterback Alva Tabor, to appear on the athletic field against whites in Oklahoma. Do you think University officials sided with the Haywood, Newark.

A. No. In 1946 when Nevada was scheduled to play Mississippi State and the same sort of prejudice issue based on state law of athletic control immediately canceled the football meeting explaining: "the people of Nevada could never stand for such treatment of its residents."

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