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cial subdivisions or groups? It is already firmly in possession of the power to examine for admission and to disbar, and it usually exercises these powers with the aid of examining committees and grievance committees. Is there any essential part of the proposed plan to incorporate the bar which cannot be accomplished at once by the co-ordinated effort of judges and lawyers? Without attempting to discount the opinions of those who think the legislative integration method the best in their particular states, under the conditions there prevailing, we venture to suggest that in a large number of the states bar integration, as a means of dealing with problems of admission, discipline and the like, may be accomplished effectively through recourse to the judicial power."

Delegates from State and local Bar Associations gathered at Washington, D. C., in April at the call of the American Bar Association for the purpose of making a survey of the situation and discussing the questions involved. The only resolution offered and adopted reads: "The Conference recommends to the various state and local bar associations throughout the United States that compulsory, all-inclusive incorporation of the Bar is a matter that should primarily and properly be determined by each state in accordance with its own existing conditions and its own traditions."

SALARIES AND TERMS OF JUDGES

The matter of adjusting the salaries and terms of Judges of the Supreme and District Courts of North Dakota is assuming definite shape. The various committees which have had the matter in charge are now engaged in the preparation of the proper constitutional amendments to submit to the voters of the State.

The amendments will incorporate the following provisions: An increase of the terms of District Judges to six (6) years; an increase of the terms of the Supreme Court Judges to ten (10) years; a change in the salary provision so that the salary may not be decreased during the term.

This will leave the matter of salary to the Legislature, where it will be subject to change according to existing conditions with the foregoing reservation, and appears to be generally preferred over a definite stipulation of salary in the constitution.

It is hoped to have the petitions ready for signature circulation in a short time.

LOCAL BAR ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The work of the Committee on organization of local associations within the State Bar Association is evidently bearing fruit. Among the more active of such local organizations is that of Cass County, of which Mr. H. G. Nilles of Fargo is President.

Although an organization had been maintained there for a number of years, meetings were infrequent, interest was lagging, and attendance was limited. Since the 1925 annual meeting, however, to which mem-