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America's salvation lies in edu-

calion that will dispel the clouds

of bigotry and prejudice, the

Council Against Intolerance in

America declared today in an-

nouncing a nationwide seal campaign to underwrite constructive

work for tolerance in this coun-

The drive for funds to carry

on the educational program will

be climaxed with a National Seal

Week from November 15 to Nov-

tle, United States Senator W.

Virtually every prominent

the seal drive were made. They

author and Dr. Henry Smith Lei-

per, executive secretary of the

Federal Council of Churches of

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Among them were the Ameri-

can Women's Association, the

American Legion Auxiliary, the

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America's tion Lies In Education Prejudice Must

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Carrying on the fight for Tolerance and Equality in this country, the Council Against Intolerance In America, together with representatives of 200 national women's organizations, has inaugurated a Seal Campaign centered about "A Spirit of Tolerance," a painting by McClelland Barclay for which Katharine Hepburn posed. The seals are two inches wide and one inch deep, designed for use on letters, packages and general mailings.

Police Quiz Bookkeeper

Mound Bayou, Miss. Nov. 16 -(ANP)-Fred Miller, 45, a bookkeeper in this all-Negro town, was arrested at Clarksdale Tuesday by police acting under orders of District Attorney Green P. Rice, as official Mississippi launched an investigation into the ambush slaying last week of Eugene P. Booze, Republican chieftain and son-in-law of Isaiah T. Montgomery, founder of Mound Ba-

Although many citizens believe Booze was killed in retaliation for the slaying by police six weeks ago of Miss Stella Montgomery, daughter of the founder and sister-in-law of E. P. Booze, the Republican leader himself said in the hospital before he died that the shooting was the result of "political jealous."

Miller was arrested while Bolivar county officers probed all in Mound Bayou since an "outtaken to an unannounced jail for Green, father of the present cities throughout the country. questioning. The district attorney mayor, many years ago. So ordersaid he believed there was more ly was the town that not long campaign is increased distribuhad "some valuable information" because of disuse.

on which to work. Booze was shot when he left SAYS MORE NEGROES his law office and started to enter his automobile around 7:30 Monday night. He was struck rushed to a hospital at Green- governmental departments, an Corwick, administrative secretary ville where Booze died early the official pointed out the sad lack of the Council.

store. A short time after the to these jobs among Negroes. has over 25,000 requests for adthe victim's body.

District Attorney Rice says he "Others can get the informa- ual to English and Social science the death.

Republican State Central com- jobs as well as I can, not boast- cally impart the true meaning of there has been much dissatisfacing of my own qualifications. thing a thorough trial."

is Republican National Committeewoman from Mississippi.

When Isaiah Montgomery died some years ago, Stella, who was recently killed by police, charged Booze with poisoning him to Council has designated as its ofdeath and had him brought to trial on the charge. Booze was of Tolerance," McClelland Barexonerated, but opinion in the clay, noted artist and illustrator. community was divided between Katherine Hepburn posed as the those who actually thought him model. guilty and those who believed him innocent.

The fued between Booze and Miss Montgomery flourished so greatly that the political leader go; a court order prohibiting her from entering his home after she allegedly perpetrated several illegal land deals here. She moved to St. Louis, coming here only on periodic visits.

Shen she returned in Septem- cooperation to make the campaign ber, Booze got a warrant for her successful. arrest. Deputy Sheriff Clayton Dempsey of Cleveland and Marshall Fred Connor of Marigold accompanied Booze to take her Daughters of the American Revunder custody. The white officers olution, the National Council of substantiated by Booze said they Jewish Women, the National Arts were forced to shoot in self-de- Council, the United States Flag fense when Miss Montgomery at- Association, the Women's Federal tacked thon with a knife.

The community was incensed | Women's Christian Association, demning Booze for his part in and the National Council of the affair. He allegedly received several threats to "get out of town" but headed none.

there had been few violent deaths the stage and screen. Department than one assailant and that he ago the city jail was torn down tion of the teachers' manual, "An

-000-SHOULD SEEK TOP CIVIL

SERVICE JOBS in the nation's schools. Washington, Nov. 16 (ANP)twice in the chest, once in the Emphasizing the failure of Ne- ber, this Manual has been adopted abdomen and once in the shoul- groes to take advantage of the by educational authorities for der. His chauffeur, Andrew Polk, civil service opportunities for use in classrooms of 44 states, was shot in the hip. Both were jobh in the higher brackets of according to Mrs. Albion Macof interest among qualified Ne. Mrs. MacCormick revealed that The fusillade came from be- groes as one of the reasons for despite the distribution of 10,000 hind posts in front of an old drug the failure of more appointments copies of the Manual, the Council

shooting to which there were "There is no excuse for it," he ditional copies, "to be filled as James H. Irvin was sent back to no witnesses, officers who came said. "I have just filed applica- soon as funds for continued pubhere from Cleveland, Miss. found tion for a position for which lication are available. The Man-26 holes in Booze's car and five there will be no written exam. ual is supplied without charge to empty shotgun shells nearby. At Submitting my qualifications, I teachers. the hospital both pistol bullets see no reason why I haven't an and buckshot were taken from opportunity for an appointment Council hopes to distribute a totto a higher position.

believes there were several assas tion the same as I did, by read-teachers in the United States. sins in the murder which was ing the Negro newspapers which, The educational guide contains line-up. WPA jobs and relief carried out in typical gangland to their everlasting credit, keep an analysis of propaganda, a were pointed to as the reasons fashion. Citizens under leadership pumping away giving informa- study of prejudices leading to in- why Negroes voted Democratic. of Mayor Green have started tion concerning these exams. I tolerance, a chapter of factual incollecting a fund to investigate know personally that there are formation to combat propaganda a number of highly qualified Ne- and a section setting forth means Booze was a member of the groes who could fill one of these by which teachers may graphiteed in the Constitution.

Salem-Hilson Salva Case Continued

The Hilson case proceedings were stopped Monday for an indefinite time, because of the illness of the judge. The case will bo ricalled. The defendents have not been able to account for the money spent. In fact, there has been no financial report since the the church used the government funds in 1936 for the building of the new church. The defendants are unable to produce any re ceipts. So far, everything is in that money possibly by finding canceled checks and receipts for that period of time.

Ask Better Facilities for Drs., Nurses

Washington, Nov. 16 (ANP)ember 23, Mora than 200 promi-Writing in the Modern Hospinent women's organizations are tal Dr. Robert Olesen, makes a strong plea for better training for Negroes, and his article re-Headed by George Gordon Batpublished through the facilities of the U. S. Public Health Ser-Warren Barbour of New Jersey vice is attracting considerable atand William Allen White, the

ficial seal a painting, "The Spirit "If better facilities were available for the training of Negro physicians and nurses," says Dr. Olesen "these professional workers would undoubtedly be able to render a great measure of ser women's group in the nation was vice to the members of their represented at the New York own race, Moreover, the advanmeeting at which final plans for tages accruing from the improvement of the Negro Health, would heard pleas by Dorothy Canfield be of benefit to the white popu-Fisher, internationally known lation.

> "An example will serve to illustrate the disadvantages under

lation of the community. Obvi- to complete its solicitation." (Continued on page 5)

Charged With First Degree Murder; Gets 4 Years

Melvin Cook, who stood before | penitentiary for the murder of and received a sentence for four died Sept. 27. years of hard labor in the state

Judge Sears in the District Court Ora Stearns. The date of the ofpleaded guilty to man slaughter' fense was Sept. 4, 1939. Steams

ceipts. So far, everything is in favor of the trustees, but some-body will have to account for that meney possibly by finding Drive in Douglas County Next Gardner, who sought to share in her alleged mother's estate totaling \$110,000. The case took 2 by to com-

3,000 volunteer workers was poisd this week ready to spring into action next Monday, November 20, for the annual Red Cross Membership Roll Call drive under direction of Cecil W. Slocum, Douglas County Chairman. Slocum predicted the campaign goal of 20,000 members would be reached in one-half of the ten day period set.

in advance of a campaign be- would not fail it now. fore," Slocum said.

Washington, is devoted almost first appeal for membership in Douglas County, he said. exclusively to the treatment of Omaha for seventeen years, the Down-town Omaha will present Negroes, although under the Red Cross having received its a most colorful appearance when terns of its charter, it may ex- funds from the Community Chest the campaign gets actively untend its services to transient and since 1922. Officials of both the derway next week. Brilliant Red resident whites as well. The in- Ches; and the Red Cross recog- Cross flags will fly from the stitution is staffed by Negro nized that the functions and pur- trolley wires on the main downphysicians and nurses and serves poses of the Red Cross differed town streets, as well as from the as the teaching center for the from other Chest agencies. Un- flag poles of all important buildmedical school of Howard univer- expected emergencies plus a con- ings. Starting Monday all downsity, one of the two Negro medi- stantly increasing demand for town office buildings will be reat the slaying, many persons con- Catholic Daughters of America cal schools in the United States. Red Cross services made it im- quested to light their windows in "The tuberculosis death rate possible to accurately forecast such a way as to make huge among Negroes in Washington is the need for funds during the crosses throughout the evening The seal drive will be further- abnormally high. In the calendar year. The withdrawal from the hours. Stores will carry special ed by a press and radio campaign year 1937, for example, the death Chest abled the Chest to add window displays. Theatre lobbys Until the two recent slayings, to be aided by leading figures of rate from this disease among Ne- three new agencies this year. and office buildings will have groes was 227.8 per 100,000 while Complete cooperation has been special displays. among whites it was 45.0 per shown by both organizations and angles of the murder and was sider" murdered Benjamin T. booths will be set up in principal 100,000. Negroes comprise appro- our campaign was set back one with confidence bred of the knowxicately 27 percent of the popu- week in order to allow the Chest ledge that the entire community

A vast army of more than had been "on the most friendly

tions simply came to the conclusion that both would be best served by the separation. We parted on the best of terms and with the hearty best wishes of Chest Directors for the success of our Membership Roll Call campaign," he said.

Emphasizing that the Red Slocum said he based his pre- Cross depends solely on voluntary colored, who said she was present diction on inquiries already made contributions of a generous public when a "Mom" Kelly, a mid wife at campaign headquarters, Nine- for the necessary financial sup- attended Miss Upham at the teenth and Harney Streets, and port to carry on its mission of birth. She said she washed and "the tremendous enthusiasm mercy, Slocum said the campaign dressed the baby. She gave the manifest by the workers to date." would be keyed to the though birth place as the Upham home. "I have taken part in numerous that the Red Cross has never Shortly after the birth, witcivic and financial campaigns in yet failed the American Public nesses say the child was moved the past. But I have never seen in its hour of need and that it to the home of Mrs. Leah Harris, such monentum evidenced so far was confident that same public who reared it and to the child

Only fifty cents of each mem-Slocum said some question had bership, whether it be for One arisen in the minds of Omahans | Dollar or for one thousand dolas to just why the Red Cross had lars, goes back to national headwhich Negro physicians, medical withdrawn from the Omaha Com- quarters in Washington for the students and nurses usually munity Chest. Explaining the national program. The entire operate. Freedman's hospital in action, Slocum said: "This is the balance remains in Omaha and

"We go into this campaign is whole heartedly behind us. ously, it would be highly advan- Slocum emphasized that separ- With such confidence we cannot ation of the Red Cross this year fail," Slocum said."

Republicans Recapture Phila

Philadelphians went to the polls tion. last Tuesday and helped the GOP to recapture this traditional old guard city. When the counting was over, Edward W. Henry was returned for another six years as magistrate, and the veteran city council. These are the only Negroes elected to office.

How Negroes voted was very much of a surprise as up to year ago, when the rest of the state and city went Republican, every Negro ward and division here and in Allegheny still continued firmly in the democratic

Throughout the city, there was a sincere belief that the Democratic candidate for mayor would carry the city due to the fact that the Republican machine has run

Negroes returned to the Repub waste, and a hundred other com- date was John H. Boykin. lican fold in a marked way when plaints, according to the opposi- Irvin polled 75,692 votes against intention of disinheriting any

reason or other, the people were all the councilmanic candidates,

President, this ward had voted 1,525 votes. individedly for relief.

crats ran another Negro as ap- for a third term.

Philadelphia, Nov. 16 (ANP) the city—unbalanced budgets, ponent to Irvin, The losing candi-

72,559 polled in 1935; Boykin such child, I will that Viola Har-Early in the evening, however, polled 73,227. Irvin ran fourth in ris Gardner, or any other perit became clear that, for some the number of votes received by sons claiming to be my children,

returning to the party of Lincoln. Magistrate Henry, elected city-After all the votes were in, it wide, polled 383,474 votes against was found that only two wards 247,738 received by his Democra- Jefferson Medical college told the heavily populated by Negroes re- tic opponent, Dr. Willard Grinnage court that in 1926 ne performed mained Democratic and the South a dentist. Henry credited with an operation on Miss Upham and Philadelphia Thirtieth ward-tra- rallying the 30th ward to the found "definite indications that ditional political battleground- Republicans, saw the war go over she could never have consumwas among those which chalked with 5,133 votes to 4,801 garnered mated relations with a man." rp a Republican victory. Since by Grinnage. Last year the Re- Dr. Robert Kirdruff, director 1932 when Roosevelt became publicans lost this same ward by

An indication of the about-face a boost to Republican hopes to purpose of ascertaining whether among Negro voters is the expert win the presidential election in she had ever born a child, and ience in the fourth councilmanic 1940 and as raising the chances that it was plainly apparent that district, from which Irvin was re- of Pennsylvania's Gov. Arthur H. she would not. elected and which was conceded James to get consideration as to be a Democratic stronghold. presidential candidate. (.he oth- more and brought up as colored. This district did not only return er hand, the present trend of the twice married colored men, the Irvin but gave him a larger vote voting is declared to be no omen first Clarence E. Small, whom than it did four years ago, despite of what voters will do if Mr. she divorced for disertion. mittee since 1924, and his wife However, I want to give the the basic human rights guaran- tion with the manner in which the fact that this year the Demo- Roosevelt and the New Deal runs | Records at city hall reveal no

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indicated within first half of week, but likely within latter half temperatures normal or higher, followed by colder towards close of week,

REARED COLORED

Loses Claim for \$100,000

Atlantic City, Nov. 16 (Ly Frank W. Canty, Jr., for ANP)-Despite the testimony of two aged colored women that they witnessed the birth of Mrs. Viola Harris Gardner, 41 years ago in this city who was born to one Minnie W. Upharn (white) but brought up as colored, Vice Ordinary W. Frank Sooy in prerogative court ruled gainst Mrs.

plete with many witnesses taking the stand. The first to testify in the behalf of Mrs. Gardner was Mrs. Sarah Hazzard, 74, who said that she was called to attend the birth and that it took place on the third floor of a Presbyterian avenue rooming hoose, Oct. 2, 1898. She said when she arrived the baby had been born a half hour and Miss Upham was in bed. Her testimony however differed from that of Mrs. Elizabeth Holland, 83, also

was its mother. The Harris woman was said to have been an employe at the Upham's hoce. Mrs. Gardner, taking the stand in her own behalf, claimed that she was born white and brought up colored. It was in the house of Mrs. Harris she related, that she came into this world. It was not until 1930 that she learned through a letter from Mrs. Hazzard that Miss Upham was her real mother. Upon hearing this she sent many letters to Miss Upham, addressing her as mother. Asked by the attorney for the Upham whether she considered herself white or colored, Mrs. Gardner replied she did not know because she never knew who her father was.

Miss Upham died at the age of 70 last May in Philadelphia, leaving her estate including properties at 9 S. Maryland avenue and 1410 Atlantic avenue to her cousins in Massachusetts and Mo-Before her death she made several codicils. One which read 'a young woman having recently untruthfully and unjustly suggested that she was born my child some 33 years ago, I most solomenly declare I was never married and was heavy with child and hever gave birth to

"To this end that my estate may not be harrassed with any such claim and with the express have no part in the estate."

Dr. F. Hurst Maier, assistant professor of gynecology at the

of the Atlantic City hospital laboratory said he performed an The results are interpreted as autopsy on Miss Upham for the

Mrs. Gardner resides in Balti-

recording of the binth,