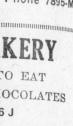
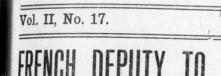
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New York City, Nov .- (By The Asociated Negro Press)—Blaise Diagne high commissioner of the black armes in France during the war, and the recognized head of the internaional efforts among Negroes of the world to obtain full recognition of the ights in arranging to tour the U.S. The advance work in connection with the tour is being handled by a former officer in the U.S.A., one of he many Negroes who remained in rance at the close of the war.

When our boys went overseas, ere went among the many a youthal officer by the name of Rayford Logan, a "Key man" from Wilms College, whose home was or ginally in Washington, D.C. Armistice testifies that this freckled ellow, and his many millions of asciates in ars were good soldiers. Mr. Logan accomplished his release

France, a most difficult thing for

coloured officer or soldier to effect; ut the little "Lieut" turned the trick what's more he made an excelent living for the five following years an export and import broker in He made personal trips to ermany, Poland, and to other coninental countries where he made purlases that were sold at a profit in rance. All the while he was makfriends in high places so that hen the longing for the dear old U. overwhelmed him, he was able come home, not as a mere prodigal ecture tour by no less a personage han the great Blaise Diagne, delete from Senegal in the French unber of Deputies where he is airman of many important commit-Diagne will be here early in new year, and Logan called to us to avail himself of our servin laying out a tour that will the distinguished statesman as West as Kansas City and back to York for about 25 speeches. Not indful of the tours of Fred Doug-8, Booker T. Washington and some



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### Oklahoma White Registrars Arrested

VISIT AMERICA SOON The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York, to-day made public a report from Oklahoma, showing that white registrars accused of trying to prevent Negroes registering had been arrested. The report to the N.A.A.C.P. says in part:

"I want to thank you and other friends in the North for the aid and assistance given us in making the fight to have our group registered. We succeeded in getting six registrars in this county and four in Wagoner County arrested for conspiracy. It was a hard job to get this done, and, but for the assistance of yourself and other outside friends, there would have been nothing done."

The report further states that although the registrars may not be held by the local Commissioner, they may be taken before the U.S. Grand Jury, this district, judge Kennamer, who has already expressed himself as opposed to the kind of work these registrars have been putting over. The Judge will call a United States Grand Jury and it is our purpose to get our witnesses before that Grand Jury. We succeeded in getting only a few hundred registered but will never give up the fight."

### Celebrates Wedding Anniversary

Hamilton, Ont.—One of the most as the advance representative for brilliant affairs of the season took place on Tuesday night, Oct. 28th, when Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown celebrated their 9th wedding anniversary at the Masonic Hall. Mrs. Hammond, picturesque in a grey gown and flame-coloured scarf received the guests, while her husband in faultless evening attire acted as Toast Master. The bride, who wore a corsage of pink roses was lovely in a gown of blue crepe, a striking contrast to he light brown hair. A programme, complete in its entirety was rendered by Mr. Wade, Basso, Mr. Mg leaders of the race, we may Hiram Berry, tenor, Mr. Gilbert Holsay that this is perhaps, the land, baritone, Mrs. Wade, mezzoost important step in the Lyceum soprano, Mrs. John Holland, contralto eld ever attempted by a Negro of each rendering solos, a cornet solo by ternational fame. The appearance Mr. and Mrs. Simmons; readings by will be underwritten by local org- Mesdames Tolliver and Townsend.

#### Elias Ridge Saved From Death Chair

By the N.A.A..C.P.—Elias Ridge, the thirteen-year old boy, condemned to death in Oklahoma, for an alleged murder, has been saved from a death penalty. This news is contained in a report sent to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York by W. H. Twine, of Muskogee, Editor of the Muskogee Climeter, attorney in charge of the case and a member of the local N.A.A.C.P.

Mr. Twine states that he filed a brief in the case and that argument was had on October 6th, in Oklahoma City. Mr. Twine's report continues:

"Last evening I received a wire wire from Mr. Charles N. Harmon, the white lawyer who voluntarilly came to my assistance, that the cause had been decided our way and the boy's life saved. Mr. Harmon stood by me loyally in the cause. "and we have another U.S. Judge in He is a real white man who believes in a square deal to all men. I want to thank the Association for the splendid help given me in this fight."

The boy's sentence has been reduced from the death penalty to life imprisonment.

The National Office of the N.A.A. C.P. sent \$100 toward a local defense fund of \$1,000 raised by the local N. A.A.C.P. co-operating with the Oklahoma Black Dispatch, and also sent \$25, toward the expense of \$90. for printing and filing briefs. Much of the balance of that sum was raised by Dr. A. Baxter Whitby, the president o fthe Oklahoma City Branch, N.A.A.C.P.

#### Sad Accident at Windsor

A sad accident occurred in Windsor last Friday, when Doris Johnson was killed by an auto driven by Charles Davis, now residing in Halifax, but who claimed that he came from Chatham, Ont., about a year ago. Davis has been tried in the Magistrate's court, and has been sent up to the Supreme Court on a charge of man-

cake in the center. The cake was three tiers and bore miniature angels. Fried chicken, salad, fruits, punch, fruit cream and cake and assorted nuts and candies were served. The "Bride" and "Groom" made appropriate remarks in response to the many dizations in the different cities in the table with a flat decoration of number of beautiful gifts were prestoasts said in their honor. A large cutflowers and efrn, held the wedding ented to this bery popular couple.

## Questions and **Answers Column**

(By the Associated Negro Press) I have been reading recently of discoveries relating to the ancient city of Kish, but have read nothing

as to who its inhabitants were. Can you enlighten me,-Y.K.F., St. Louis. Kish was an ancient city of Chaldea and named after Cush, its founder, who was supposed to have been the son of Ham. Exploring parties are now uncovering its ruins and a large consignment of various things are now on their way to the Field Museum at Chicago. The inhabitants of Kish were black and part of that

great confederation of black peoples

who were building the civilization of

Was Mohamet a black man,

the Mesopotamian Plains.

R.S.P., Dayton, Ohio.

Mohamet was a brown-skinned Arab and of Negro descent. As he states in the Koran, "I am an Arab of the Atabs and of the purest blood in your land. I came to the House of Hashim and the tribe of Koreish." This tribe was one of the oldest and greatest of the Arabian tribes and made up of Yemenites, who are closely akin to the Tthiopians.

Who was Queen Dido? M.P.S., Ga. Jueen Dido was a Phoenecian and of African descent and the founder of Carthage. In the legends of Aepeas fell in love with her after his escape from burning Troy, but had to leave her upon the command of the gods. Disconsolate and heartbroken, Dido burned herself upon a funeral pyre.

Who was St. Augustine?

St. Augustine was one of the fathers of the early Roman Church and the first missionary to carry Christianity to the British Isles. He was black and an African by birth. As a matter of fact, most of the very prominent fathers of the Roman church were Africans. There were Ethiopians among the very first to adopt

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Christianity, and being great students, their learned men gave much time to the new theology. After the center of Catholicism became firmly established in Rome, many Africans went thither, among them Augustine, Tertuilian and many others. It might not be too much to say that Africans

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