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Anti - Integration Material Published At Jackson Is Confirmed By Ross

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 13.—(UPI)—The State Welfare Department is using public funds to publish and distribute anti-integration material, it was learned Friday.

Welfare Commissioner Fred Ross confirmed that the department published one of his speeches entitled "Racial Amalgamation Propaganda Versus Segregation and Racial Cooperation."

The speech was printed in a pamphlet which features a picture of Ross on the title page. Apparently, it has been mailed throughout the state.

In the speech, Ross said it would be reasonable to predict that Mississippi's schools would soon be abolished to avoid racial integration.

A sub-title in the pamphlet says: "Integration Means Amalgamation and the Abolition of Public Schools in Mississippi."

Ross charged in the speech that pro-integration forces are attempting to conceal "from the American people the differences which God ordained" between the races.

A businessman in DeKalb



APPOINTED — James P. Hickok of St. Louis has been named a member of the Federal Advisory Council from the Eighth Federal Reserve District by the directors of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. He is board chairman of the First National Bank of St. Louis. He was born in Farmington, Mo.

said his tax commission number was included in the address when one of the pamphlets was mailed him, indicating the mailing list was compiled from tax commission rolls.

"I would not comment on the details," said Ross. "We mailed it to anybody we thought might be interested or might benefit."

He justified expenditure of department funds for the publication and mailing by saying the pamphlet was "merely informational material."

Earlier this year, Ross, a staunch segregationist, authorized the mailing of excerpts from a newspaper column with 160,000 monthly welfare checks. The column printed a letter from a Negro woman commending white persons for their treatment of Negroes in the South.

At that time, a spokesman for the Post Office said an investigation would be made to determine if such mailings violated a law governing checks sent under public funds. The Welfare Department is operated with both state and Federal money.