

# RELIGION & RACE

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## PAPAL LAMENT

VATICAN CITY - (NPI)--Racism and inter-racial violence which "assume almost the proportions of genocide" were lamented by Pope Paul VI last week, in a message distributed to bishops, priests and the religious in Africa. "Racial discrimination," said the Pope, "impedes the full development in the new African states. The peaceful development and stability of institutions are prerequisites for progress in the new African states today."

## CHANGES MIND

ST. LOUIS - (NPI)--The Rt. Rev. George L. Cadigan, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, has changed his mind "for the present" about having two clergymen resign from the church because of their involvement in civil rights demonstrations. The reversal resulted from discussions between the bishop and the Revs. Walter W. Witte, Jr., and William Mathews, rector and curate respectively of the predominantly Negro member St. Stephen's church.

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - (NPI)--Negro volunteers for the ministry are the subjects of a one-man crusade being conducted on the campuses of 129 predominantly Negro colleges in the nation. The idea is that of Robert B. Herndon, a retired, white Army chaplain from Atlanta, and he has the full support of the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville.

## SPLIT THINKING

WEST ALLIS, Wis. - (NPI)--Further evidences of the split in thinking of Catholic officials in the Milwaukee area came last week when a curate of St. Rita's Catholic church, warned officials of Milwaukee and its 17 suburbs not to be "pressured" into enacting "enforced" open occupancy ordinances. The Rev. Lawrence S. Brey charged that "such ordinances violate moral values, human rights and property rights...and a vote for an open housing ordinance would be a shameful surrender to (Fr.) Groppi and company."

## ZONING FIGHT

CHICAGO - (NPI)--Although the South Shore ministerial association has declined to intervene one way or the other, ministers in the neighborhood have registered objections to the proposed location of the Negro Metropolitan Church of God in quarters formerly used by a funeral home. The objections are said to be because of the already large number of churches in the area, but the Rev. Leroy Hickman, pastor of Metropolitan, charges his church is being kept out "for racial reasons. They don't want a Negro church in South Shore."

# MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO LATE REV. J.B. PROBY

The Christian Fellowship of Churches of Las Vegas extend an invitation to the public to join the pastors and memberships of the Fellowship Churches Sunday afternoon (Nov. 19, 1967) at Carver Baptist Church, Four Mile, Las Vegas when the sacred ceremony of the "Unveiling Of The Deceased Pastor's Chair" will be solemnized in memorial tribute to the late Church Pastor, Rev. J. B. Proby.

Rev. Peterson, acting pastor of Carver Baptist Church, will have the services of the entire ministerial roster of the Christian Fellowship of Churches to conduct the services. President J. L. Simmons, pastor of St. James Baptist Church, charged with the responsibility of the reverent program will be assisted by Rev. V.C.L. Coleman, pastor, Second Baptist Church; Rev. I. W. Wilson, pastor, Bethel Baptist Church; Rev. F. N. Addison, pastor, New Jerusalem Baptist Church; Rev. Leo A. Johnson, pastor, St. Peter Baptist Church; Rev. A. J. Thompson, pastor, Victory Baptist Church; Rev. J. L. Kemp, pastor, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, and Rev. J. C. Coleman, pastor, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church.

A Devotional, led by Rev. J. L. Kemp and Rev. N. Whitney will open the program which will begin at 3 p.m. There will also be musical selections by various church choirs. Rev. F. N. Addison, Vice-President of The Christian Fellowship of Churches will deliver the afternoon's sermon.

## Thanksgiving Dinner At St. James Baptist Church

The St. James Baptist Church will hold its traditional Thanksgiving Dinner at 6:30 p.m., Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, Nov. 23) at the Church located 311 Madison Avenue.

This marks the 17th year that Rev. J. L. Simmons, Church Pastor, and the membership have celebrated the national day for giving thanks with a mammoth Thanksgiving Dinner that gives opportunity for a festive social occasion where church members and friends can unite in the proper spirit of Thanksgiving enhanced by a marvelously prepared Thanksgiving dinner served in abundance.

Pastor of St. James, Rev. J. L. Simmons announced that VOICE Publisher Dr. Chas. I. West will be the principal speaker of the Thanksgiving program and that, as usual, the doors are open to the public.

## Gospel Singer Here For Concert Sunday

Christ Holy Sanctified Church presents Gospel Singer Lillie Mae Brown Sunday, Nov. 19, at 3 p.m., at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 1240 W. Adams St., Las Vegas.

The public is urged to come out and hear the Los Angeles, California singer who is recognized as one of the foremost stars of gospel singing.

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# Cry From The Wilderness

by Dorothy King



MRS. EVELYN COLEMAN (right) discusses her work as Matt Kelly Neighborhood Council Service Worker with husband Alvin, and six of their brood of seven wonderful youngsters... From left are Annie Yvette (8), Etta Yvonne (6), and baby Timothy (4) seated between Mom and Dad. Trio in rear, from left, are Andrew Carl (11), Lanthlyn Ann (12) and Glynn (13). Ivan Dale (10) was occupied elsewhere when the picture was taken.

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It is typical of Mrs. Evelyn Coleman, Matt Kelly Neighborhood Council Service Worker, that her work as a Neighborhood Service Worker is a matter of family interest. The Colemans are family people and Mrs. Coleman feels that the children can't learn too early how important it is to be of service to others with sincerity and honesty. Both Mr. and Mrs. Coleman are of the opinion it is the duty of parents to impart to their young ones the necessity for community interest and involvement and to conduct one's life so that one earns the respect of his (or her) community.

Mrs. Coleman, unquestionably, is an adherent to the "I Am My Brother's Keeper" philosophy. During my conversation with her, I was impressed with the emphasis with which she made the statement "You must CARE for your fellow man."

OUR COMMUNITY was considerably enriched when Mrs. Coleman came to Las Vegas in 1954. Since that time, she has been active in every facet of the community even while rearing her brood of seven. As we continue to follow the daily routines of the individual selected by the various Neighborhood Councils to serve as Council Service Worker, we become more and more impressed with the astuteness of Council members in choosing their individual Service Worker and the complete involvement in the community of those Service Workers.

Mrs. Coleman is no exception. Her boundless enthusiasm and tireless energy are matched by her very enviable ability and suitability for community work. There must be truth to the advice that "If you want a job done well, give it to a busy person". Mrs. Coleman has served on the advisory committee for the Head Start Program, she is den mother for the cub scouts, she served on the employment committee of the recent Solutions Conference, she is secretary for the Vegas Central Credit Union, and is extremely active in the Matt Kelly School PTA and Bethel Baptist Church of which she is a faithful member. Mrs. Coleman was also one of those chosen for the WICCHED (Western Center For Community Education and Development) training workshop in Carson City.

CAN YOU believe that this incredible woman, who pursues all these activities in conjunction with a really outstanding job as Council Service Worker, also manages to budget her time so that she can continue to work toward a sociology degree. She matriculated at Southern University in Baton Rouge, La., before marriage, (and family growth) brought an end to her studies. Now she attends classes at NSU three days a week.

I am sure that none of us will ever forget Mrs. Coleman's determined unflinching, and successful efforts in the Matt Kelly Neighborhood Council's "Hot Breakfast Program" at the Matt Kelly elementary school. During the '67 School Spring semester, the Matt Kelly Neighborhood Council embarked on a "Hot (See WORKER, page 16)

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## C.O.G.I.C. Convocation

The 60th Annual Holy Convocation of the Churches of God in Christ attracted more than 25,000 delegates and visitors to the Mason Memorial Temple, Memphis, Tennessee for the 10-day conclave which opened Nov. 7, and concludes Friday, Nov. 17.

The Convocation was a memorial tribute to the late Bishop Charles Harrison Mason, founder of the religious denomination which now embraces more than 5,000 churches in the United States and abroad.