BIAFRA SUN

An Umuahia magistrate's court adjourned for more than 10 minutes yesterday for an accused person to cry.

This happened when James Okonta, who was standing trial on a charge of stealing, burst into tears in the

Court Waits For Weeping Accused dock.

The presiding magistrate, Mr E. E. Efa, adjourned in order to allow Okonta cry his "sad bosom empty."

When the court resumed, the magistrate told Okonta "the court works not on sentiments bu on hard facts and law."

Okonta, who had been in the police custody for more than one money for him.

Awka Province.

various

marched

and

For three days in

communities

organisations

through

"Alhaji

Gabon,

succession, more than

400,000 people from

streets in the province

calling for stringent

measures to be taken

trators carried placards

some of which read:

"Britain leave Nigeria

to prosecute her war

alone," "To hell with

Britain, Britain aids

Wilson, Gowon and

Kosygin are three part-

ners in Genocide,"

"Long live Biafra, Long

live Ojukwu," "Biafra

must survive," "Hail

Ivory Coast and Zam-

bia," "Head of State,

please nationalise all

The angry demons-

against Britain.

Genocide,"

Tanzania,

Incensed Citizens March

In Awka Province

genocide on behalf of feudal Nigeria against the

peace-loving people of Biafra has sparked off a

Britain's interest in prosecuting a war of

month on security reasons, was alleged to have stolen a sum of £8:9:5d. from a counter in the police charge office where he was being detained.

According to the prosecutor, Sergeant Wilson, Okonta instructed a little girl, who was being taken care of by the police to get the

TRADERS ASKED GONFORM

They Have Duty To Public

Biafran traders were yesterday called upon to double their co-operation with the Government and people of Biafra in order to render ineffective the economic blockade imposed on the young republic by Nigeria.

Making the call in Aba, Mr Gabriel Kanu, Chairman of the Aba Traders' Association, warned his men to be more liberal in their bargaining for articles with members of the public, for by so doing, they would be helping in building the new nation.

Brighter Hope For Biafra

Mr Mark Ugbut, Administrator for Ogoja Province, has described Biafra as a friction-free state. He said this fact bears testimony to the national identity and sense of belonging of the people of the republic.

Mr Ugbut told a delegation of displaced persons from Ogoja Province that Biafra will emerge from the present crisis a strong and prosperous nation.

The leader of the delegation, Chief Felix Bisong, expressed the implicit confidence of the people of Ogoja and their faith that no matter the odds, the present struggle for survival would end in victory for Biafra.

co-operation Their with members of the public, Mr Kanu also said, would be of greater advantage in the interest of the nation.

He declared: "Biafran products should be sold on family price basis while foreign articles, chiefly vehicle concern, should be given away on light gain in order to respond enthusiastically to brotherly co-existence".

Obligation

Mr Kanu urged the traders to work hand in hand to expose hoarders and infiltrators, redouble vigilance and report all matters which they feel would be prejudicial to the state to the appropriate authorities.



Advance

ENVOY TAKES UP DUTIES

Kenya's first Ambassador to the Somali Republic, Mr Mubi, has now taken up his post in Mogadishu.

A Kenyan trade delegation is also Mogadishu for talks with local businessmen.

Mrs Asinobi Urges Patience, Hope

The Rehabilitation Commissioner, Mrs N. K. Asinobi, has called upon Biafrans to bear the present hard times with courage, patience and hope for a brighter future.

Mrs Asinobi made the call while addressing the Bende local Rehabilitation Committee on the welfare of dispersons in placed Umuahia Province in general and in their area of authority in particular. She appealed to the people to continue to do everything possible to make refugees in their midst feel at home.

Replying, Chief Nneke Mecha, the Chairman of the Elu-Elu County Rehabilitation Commission, said: "We will do our best to make the refugees happy and feel that everywhere is home in Biafra for every true

Gratitude

Biafran."

Earlier in an address of welcome presented to the Commissioner, the Bende Town Refuguee Farmers Co-operative Society, appealed for loan to help it in completing its 20 acres farm project which it had been acres doing with the free crops and labour of Bende women.

The refugees further expressed their profound gratitude to Zambia, the Ivory Coast, Gabon and Tanzania for their humanitarian gestures.

chain of anti-British demonstrations throughout Mandate

British assets in Biafra" In a number of resolutions, the Adazi-Ani Community, Adazi-Enu, Adazi-Nnukwu, Neni, Obeledu, Ichida and Akwaeze strongly mandated the Head of

State and Commanderin-Chief of the Armed Forces, Lt. Col. C. Odumegwu Ojukwu, to continue to prosecute the war until "the enemy is driven out of every inch of Biafran

The communities in their resolutions cursed Britain for swearing to exterminate Biafrans and to carry away Biafra's oil and other minerals.

Biafra Red Cross Sends The Biafra Red

Cross Society has congratulated its counterparts throughout the world on their recent move to check the excesses of the Nigeria war of genocide against the people of Biafra.

In a release yesterday, the Biafra Red Cross said it was gratifying to note that the International Committee of the Red Cross had condemned the bombing and killing of civilians in Biafra by Nigerian hired war planes.

This international condemnation, the Biafra Red Cross said, is in keeping with the fundamental human rights and international Umuahia.

Message **Thanks**

ethics for which the Red Cross was found.

It declared: "The International Red Cross is a humanitarian organisation and not a political party."

2 Convicted

pickpockets,

Pius Uguru and Eke John, were at an Umuahia magistrate's court jailed for four months and months respectively, after they were found guilty of stealing £4: 5s. from Mr Godfrey Moses in a moving train between Aba and

Christians In Britain Told To Dissuade Govt

The Primate of the Cherubim and Seraphim laborated with the Ni- Biafra war to come to Church of Biafra, Elder L. A. Onyelonu, has called on Christians throughout Britain to bring pressure on their home government to stop the supply of arms to the Lagos junta in its war of genocide against Biafra.

Addressing the Supreme Council of the Church yesterday at **Primate** Umuahia, predicted Onvelonu that Harold Wilson's government "is bound to collapse and Nigeria will never win this war

no matter the amount of aid they supply to

He declared: "Now, it has become clear throughout the whole world that the British government has col-

gerian vermins to prothis war. I call on African leaders to speak up and condemn this genocide being meted to the Christian people of this young republic."

The Primate also appealed to all churches in Biafra to start one month of victory prayer with fasting so as to enable the Nigeria/

an end in favour of Biafra.

Concluding, thanked the Governments of the Ivory Coast, Tanzania, Gabon and Zambia for the recent recognition accorded to Biafra and wished other that African states would emulate them.

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