DADE COUNTY CONDEMNS BIGOTRY

In those days when one reads of so much anti-Semitism, and attracts more and more public attention, it is a welcome occurrence to find that the citizenship of a community do not approve and will not stand for bigotry and racial prejudice. A jury in the Court of Overtimes several weeks ago spoke out in terms of equal rights for all persons. Composed of three Jewish, meritorious farmers, laborers, clerks, and clerks, this jury unhesitatingly brought in a verdict of "guilty" when a defendant was tried before it on the charge of using "pro pw, vulgar and indecent language on a public highway" between a Jew, a Negro, and a Jew. 

It is an impressive episode when we find our public officials courageous enough as was County Solicitor Robert Taylor to make an issue on a point of justice. It was more encouraging when a Jewish prosecutor saw his duty and unhesitatingly championed the cause of decency in personally handling this case before the jury. Prosecutor Hamel could easily have stepped out of this case and had one of his non-Jewish colleagues handle this particular case—he being a craven man—easily have stepped out of that case and had one of his non-Jewish colleagues handle this particular case.