

A credit to their race—Singer-actor Jimmy Little, vocalist Col Hardy, professional Soccer star Charlie Perkins, and singer-actor Candy Williams.

Crowds Stood Still in Heart of Sydney

The observance of National Aborigines' Day in Sydney on July 13th was marked by the most successful demonstration yet staged by the organising committee in N.S.W.

The rally captured the attention of more than 3,000 people who at one stage jammed Martin Place stopping all lunch-time traffic.

It was chaired by the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Ald. H. F. Jensen, who said that the demonstration was one of the most unusual ceremonies ever to be held in the city.

"This demonstration has been organised to stir the conscience of the Australian people. There never was greater justification for conscience stirring", the Lord Mayor said. The Minister for Territories, Mr. Paul Hasluck, who made a special trip from Canberra, told the assembly that of Australia's ten million population, 100,000 were of aboriginal descent.

"About 30,000 have been fully assimilated", he said. "Of the other 70,000 some are nomads living in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia but there are very few in this State where the Government is doing all it can to advance their welfare.

"Most of these nomads are between the wild state and full acceptance into the community.

"The policy of assimilation means that these people must get every opportunity to live exactly like every other Australian, to live side by side in the same street Continued page 4