

If we had one Aboriginal lawyer or doctor or agricultural scientist, it would not be long before many others were aiming at doing the same thing. This would be an encouragement to all, and would help to restore that feeling of self-respect which is so often lacking today.

The university students made an investigation and found that there are about 8,300 Aboriginal children in primary schools, and just over 500 in secondary schools.

Of these, a few have stayed on long enough to take Intermediate and Leaving Certificate work. There is nothing to show that many more could not do the same.

I would like to see all non-tribal children compelled to go to school like other Australian children, and encouraged to stay on to secondary work, too.



Because of the difficulties to be overcome, Aboriginal children need special help. I think this special scholarship idea is a splendid one. So is the help the Save the Children Fund is giving to primary and secondary children.

Australians like to talk of their love of fair play. I am asking for fair play for these Aboriginal children. I have no complaints for myself. I am one of the lucky ones who was given a chance to get training and has had the chance to travel.

I have found very little prejudice and, indeed, I could say that everywhere I go I meet with kindness and encouragement. I am sure this is because I have been able to have the education I needed to fit me for the work I wanted to do.

I am sure that everyone who meets the charming, friendly little Aboriginal children would feel that they must be given a chance.

It should not be just a few lucky ones who happen to come under the notice of public-spirited people who get a chance. Every person of goodwill can do something to break down prejudice.

Let us all forget old wrongs and old prejudices. Let us just remember that we are all Australians, that there is work to do and that we can all do our share working side by side in a spirit of goodwill and understanding.

BOGGABILLA—

Death of Charlie Mackie

"Dawn" regrets to announce that Charlie Mackie passed away at the Goondiwindi District Hospital on the 22nd May, 1956, aged 51.

Charlie was a revered member of the Boggabilla community and his funeral on the Station on the 24th May was attended by practically all of the residents.

"Dawn" extends sympathy to his relatives.



This pretty little fairy is Maralyn Smith of Coffs Harbour. Maralyn has just won a prize at a local Fancy Dress Party.



Whats' nicer than basking in the morning sun and listening to some nice soft music. Here we have Bruce Carr of Wellington, Len Kirby of Murrin Bridge and Percy Glass of Leeton.