

~~to my~~ "father-in-law" - whom tribal law forbids
to even look at! / Much less call a "grandson"!!
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UNCLOAK HYPOCRISY AND SUPERFICIAL "THINKING".

Let the TRUTH uncloak them.

Everyone, including Northern Territory M.L.C's and "career" anthropologists, who advocate the "giving" of Full Citizen Rights, which include "a vote" and the "right" to become (and train others to become) intoxicants addicts - are exterminators and also robbers, of the Northern Territory Full-bloods, by proposed legislative action.

On the part of politicians, it is the desire to do three things:

- (1) Get "dumb driven cattle" supporters, for their own Party's objectives.
- (2) Get the extra (nominal!) "voters" to so increase the numbers as to enable this Northern TERRITORY to become a STATE. And this chiefly in the interests of "Whites".
- (3) To get those "led-by-the-nose" votes of those full-bloods as merely a multiplication of those of the whites (or mixed bloods) dominating them, - on cattle stations; on "Welfare" settlements: on Mission Settlements, and elsewhere.

"Dummy"Votes!

A "black" thumb-mark for a "white" vote. It is a cruel sham, and needs exposing.

No real enfranchisement of the Northern Territory Full-bloods will be of use TO THEM, or in their own interests AS A PEOPLE (and as the original landowners of this Territory) until they are mentally educated (and that not like parrots!) to be able to decide what FUTURE they themselves want, for themselves and their full-blood fellow-Territorians. And only after they can truly visualise what those alternative choices are and would mean FOR THEM, will it NOT be a sham. Otherwise it is (so-called "Democratic") totalitarianism as applied to them. -- AN IMPOSED FUTURE

At present (as some of the full-bloods in South Australia stated openly last year that "Full Citizen Rights" were most often only wanted from a desire to be able to go to hotels and drink as much as they liked, - "like whites do"). It is the same in the Northern Territory.

Recently, I, myself, heard a very well-known mixed-blood say to an already drunken "white". "Yes, WE CAN GET DRUNK", (plainly meaning the white drunkard would not "get" six months gaol for "shouting" THEM!)

An alarming increase in unhappy homes of both whites and mixed bloods in Alice Springs is due to the lack of self-control over intoxicants -drinking.

Many of the mixed-blood women seem to do little else. What their homes must be like is unimaginable. And of course that induces even more "drinking" by men.

And it would be as bad with the enfranchised full-blood women, if permitted to "drink liquor". Also, judging by the mixed-blood women in Police Courts, they would become extremely coarse in both language and actions, when "under the influence of liquor". Less "civilized" than in their tribalized state!

Few, probably, are more anxious than I am (and I have advocated it always) that the N.T. full-bloods should be given every chance and help to develop. But IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY, and especially IN THEIR OWN TRIBAL AREA. The boundaries of those are well known, -WHEN THAT is desired by whites -for their own ends!!! Or why all the tens of thousands of pounds spent on Anthropological research in the past! Was it only so whites could get University and other "jobs"? And do the useless "work" of (allegedly) "translating" the Bible's New Testament into tribal languages. And that at a time when the policy "Canberra" was deciding on was "Assimilation." And schooling to be in English. Incidentally I doubt very much, if more than a very few full-bloods can read their Aranda New Testaments. Other than the portions they know "by heart" and can recite!

Let the true friends of the Northern Territory full-bloods fight against those sham "givings" which only mean, when uncloaked --robbery, extermination and deprivation of their right to determine their own future as a people.

A developed, integrated one -NOT physically "assimilated" (to give prostitution a high-sounding name) to the whites' society and "drowned" in the lower grades of it.

They had pride in themselves as tribes people. And initiative and organizing ability when tribalized.

Let them re-develop those qualities again. And let US HELP THEM DO THAT.

The "givings" offered them by politicians, "career" anthropologists, missionaries and "up-lift" societies are a SHODDY "DEAL". (And in whites interests, at bottom) -- A quick, easy, silent, extermination.

Help them, instead, to be mentally developed full-bloods, and PROUD TO BE "ABORIGINES".

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This is same as sent to Leg. Council meeting May 12th
(to A.L.H. members, + to visitors (Canberra) Ministers
including Messrs. Hasluck + Calwell.