

***Argus*, 27 November 1939, p. 2, "Outcast in Our Own Land". Status of Aborigines**

"The skeleton in the cupboard of Australia's national life is its treatment of the aborigines", said Mr Doug Nicholls, the aborigine footballer, in an address at the Wesley Pleasant Sunday Afternoon service yesterday.

"We aborigines have not had a fair deal," he declared. "it was bad enough for us to lose our country, but it is one of the saddest stories of modern times that we should have become an outcast in our own land, with not even the rights and privileges that are extended to many aliens.

"We appeal for the right of education, for at least some of the rights of citizenship, for the chance to become useful citizens in the land that was ours by birth."