

***Herald* (Melbourne), 18 January 1940, p. 30, Pilgrimage by Aborigines to Batman's Grave**

Aborigines from various parts of Melbourne, and elsewhere, will take part in a pilgrimage to the grave of John Batman ... on Sunday, January 28, the day set apart for the observance of Aboriginal Sunday in Churches throughout the Commonwealth.

The pilgrimage is to mark the centenary of Batman's death, which took place on May 6, 1839, and the object of arranging for the presence of the aborigines is to emphasise the great respect in which the pioneer was held by the natives with whom he came in contact.

An address will be delivered by Mr Doug Nicholls, the well-known aboriginal footballer ...

Arrangements for the pilgrimage are being carried out by the Aborigines' Uplift Society, the Honorary Secretary of which is Mr A. P. A. Burdeu.