

***Herald* (Melbourne), 17 February 1939, p. 2, Native 'Strike' Still On**

Support for the 200 natives who have walked out of the Cumeroogunga Aboriginal Station, New South Wales, has been provided by sympathisers in Victoria and New South Wales, and as they have now held out for two ration days, it is expected that their application for an inquiry: will be granted.

The aborigines, now camped near Barmah, have appealed for an inquiry into conditions at Cumeroogunga, and for the removal of the station manager (Mr McQuiggan).

Realising that food was running short in the emergency camp, the president of the Australian Aborigines' League (Mr A. P. A. Burdeu) yesterday sent them several pounds.

Money from Sydney

Simultaneously the Rev. W. Morley, editor of the Protector, official organ of the Association for the Protection of Native Races, sent them sufficient money from Sydney to keep them for a week in tea, sugar, baking powder, soap, and condensed milk.

Speaking on the telephone from Barmah today, the manager of the general store ... said that the natives did not call yesterday for supplies. He expected that the leaders of the camp would come into town today and take delivery of emergency rations.

Mr Burdeu said today that the natives had now made it apparent that good grounds for complaint existed, and the New South Wales Government would probably hear their case.