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### MR. LYONS ONLY WHITE MAN AT BLACKS' DEPUTATION

SYDNEY, Monday. — No other white man will be present when the Prime Minister (Mr. Lyons) meets a deputation of aborigines from several States in his Sydney office on Monday.

Dame Enid Lyons may be present. His wife had always had a keen interest in the welfare of the aboriginal race, said Mr. Lyons. The problem was especially poignant to anyone who had studied the

tragedy of the Tasmanian blacks. 25 JAN 1938

No officials or press representatives will be allowed to attend the interview. Although it is unlikely to be conceded, the proposal that there should be an aboriginal member of the national Parliament may be discussed.

Mr. Lyons is confident that the discussion will produce results.

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An ex-footballer himself, he admitted that he was looking forward to meeting Doug. Nicholls, a member of the deputation, who played Australian rules for Fitzroy club, Melbourne. Something that went to Nicholls's credit and to the credit of his race, said Mr. Lyons, was that he had never had an umpire warn him for unfair play.