

Bert Groves and his family. From left to right : Bob, Bert, Mrs. Groves, Fay Stacey (niece) Alice, Clive and Wallace.

The actual training of these spokesmen would incorporate a friendly contact in the preparation of the courses, and such courses should be devised to meet the needs of the speakers going into each of the following sections of the Community: Civic, Industrial, Press, Churches, Educational, etc., etc.

The courses, once under way, could be used as a basis for meetings that could be sponsored by the most appropriate leaders in the different sections of the community.

The aborigine does not want sympathy, but he does want justice, and the chance to prove himself.

We are British subjects and governed by democratic laws. Those of us who have been educated have learned that democracy was based on four Christian standards—Honesty, Purity, Unselfishness and Love. Much more can be done for the aborigines by way of immediate amendments in the Social Service Acts so all could receive the benefits they contribute to by way of taxation.

I feel the whole of the Acts that govern the lives of coloured Australians should be reviewed.

Much more money is needed by the Aborigines Welfare Board to carry out the assimilation policy, although we realise that money is very short in all departments at the present time.

The changes that we aborigines of this State desire can only come by Act of Parliament, and I would ask you, on behalf of the 11,000 aborigines I represent in this State, to support me by way of representations to the Federal Government for immediate amendments to the Acts.

We can, and we will, play a very important part in the future progress and development of our country if given the opportunity.

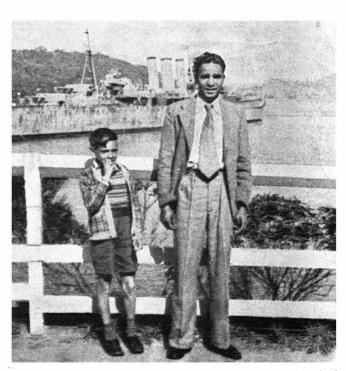
## WELL-KNOWN IDENTITY DIES

Rev. E. J. Telfer.

Many readers will learn, with a great deal of sadness, of the death of one of their most respected friends, the Rev. E. J. Telfer. For some time, he had not been in good health, but his many friends were surprised and saddened to know that the end had come.

Perhaps few men have more unselfishly abandoned themselves to the work of God among the native people than had Mr. Telfer. Not only did he advocate their interests among the Christian people of Australia, but he crossed the seas and pleaded their cause with much success in the United States of America. There he found many friends for them, and brought into being strong ties of friendship.

Until recent years, Mr. Telfer was a leader in the U.A.M., and missionaries often spoke in deeply affectionate terms of his sympathetic ministry. When his service with the U.A.M. ceased, he found an outlet for his interest in the commencement of the station at Cunderlee, W.A. Under the increasing weight of years and growing infirmity, his interest never flagged, and he was still actively engaged in the interests of the aboriginal people when he died.



Wallace Groves and Stanley Murray (Collarenebri) had a day out near the harbour.