Comment: "Some reserves are victims of the past. Different tribes were lumped together and the distrust between groups has lasted down to the present day. Reserves can be split right down the middle, with each side spiking the efforts of the other half. There's no respect and no discipline. The young don't respect their parents, wives don't respect husbands and families are constantly fighting. Years ago, Tom Close Sr said to me 'What these people need is harshness'—he meant the harshness of self-discipline. There's not enough love on some places, either. . . ."

Jim Kelly (Woolgoolga Rd reserve, Coffs Harbour): "Aborigines need strictness... they've got to be made to do things. Show 'em a pack of cards and they're all in it, but just try to get them to go to a meeting."

Professor C. D. Rowley (QUADRANT, Nov.-Dec., 1967):

"The situation is very complex indeed. Its solution will not be approached through education and training, housing schemes, health measures, the end of all discriminatory legislation . . . unless a creative effort to produce leadership and a chance for the leadership to operate can be made. Most of the creative effort in decision making can come only from the Aboriginals. How to enable a poor and depressed group to decide what it wants, and to operate within the law to get it, is the main challenge which faces this nation. . . ."

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Mrs Joan Caldwell, Marie Daley, Michael Daley, Mrs Jaqueline Avery



Mrs Florence Collins



Jacueline Avery, Peter Paulson, Yvonne Robinson, Daphne Robinson, Therese Torrens, Annabelle, Steven, David and Elizabeth Walker



Group shot of Tabulam children



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