

CITY TREATMENT **Aborigine** **pleads** **for chance**

A THREE-QUARTER
caste aborigine
pleaded in Brisbane
last night for his
people to have a better
chance when they came
to the city.

He is Mr. Cyril Richards
39, of Wacol housing camp.

He spoke to an audience of
16 white people, in the
Royal Geographical Society
rooms, on the present posi-
tion in the white community
of natives exempt from Gov-
ernment supervision.

On the floor below, Prof
Julian Huxley was giving an
address on man's place in
nature. (See column 11).

The meeting adopted Mr
Richards' suggestion to set
up an association to encour-
age the assimilation of
"exempt" Australian abo-
rigines into the community.

"Handicapped"

The audience included
delegates from churches and
other bodies.

Mr Richards said that
newly "exempt" natives com-
ing to the city for jobs found
themselves handicapped be-
cause their educational stan-
dards were not high enough.

"I and many others find it
hard to get a job in fac-
tories because they tell us
they have had bad experi-
ences with natives before."

Mr Richards said many
natives, as a result of set-
backs like this, felt they
could not keep up the
struggle and ceased to try.

They needed encourage-
ment and instruction.