



Some of the official party at the ball: left to right, Mr Charles Perkins (manager of the Foundation), Mrs Walker, Mrs Willis, Mr Willis, Mrs Geddes, and Professor Geddes

Foundation's First Ball A Colourful Affair

Aboriginal design in traditional ochre, orange, black and white was the decorative motif of the first—and very colourful—ball organised by the Foundation for Aboriginal Affairs.

At the ball, held in Paddington Town Hall on 1 April, seven debutantes were presented to Mr E. A. Willis, the Chief Secretary, by their matron of honour, Mrs Walker. The debutantes were Norma Ingram, Faye Groves, Pat Brown, Vivian Bell, Robyn Stewart, Enid Flanders and Denise Dunne.

Mr Willis was impressed by the charm and graciousness of the girls, and by the way in which the ball was organised and the hall and tables decorated.

The ball was well-publicised and attracted a crowd of 300—two-thirds of which were Aborigines. This was a good indication of the popularity of