Public Opinion On Aborigines

SIR,—AT THE ANNUAL general meeting of the Victorian division of the Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draftsmen of Australia, the attitude of the Federal Government towards relief for Australian aborigines came under very strong discussion. It was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that the Federal Government was out of step with general public opinion on this matter.

As a method of making a protest, the meeting decided to inaugurate a subscription campaign in drawing and engineering offices throughout Melbourne.

This association feels that it is vital that the Federal Government convene a conference of all interested bodies to discuss ways and means of raising the standard of living amongst aborigines in the years to come and has approached the Prime Minister along these lines.

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