Rise and fall of Namatjira

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ALICE SPRINGS, Today.—What do you say when you see gaol gates closing behind a man you have regarded as a friend for 12 years?

What do you say when that man happens to be someone who, by his own efforts, has raised himself from the dirt and dust of a tribal aboriginal's camp to the stature of a cultured white man?

Detected, downcast, and grief-stricken at his own failure in the white man's world, Albert Namatjira was led off to the prison van which took him from Alice Springs gaol to Fort Canning, the home of prisoners in the Territory.

He walked in quiet with the200捜 of police who watched him. Then, the prison gates closed behind him, and his gaol sentence of one year was pronounced.

A man with a vision

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