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## Contractor Gets Gaoil Sentence

PERTH, Saturday. — Charged with being unlawfully associated with natives, a Port Hedland contractor, Donald William McLeod, 38, was at Port Hedland yesterday sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

On Tuesday, August 13, McLeod went to Port Hedland airport and met the Rev. Peter Hodge, who is secretary of the Committee for Defence of Native Rights. He took Hodge to the 12-mile camp where natives were assembled. There both were arrested by Constable T. W. Needle and charged under section 30 of the Native Administration Act.

The following day, Hodge was fined £10 and McLeod was remanded. Although his remand was for a fortnight McLeod was refused bail.

Recently McLeod was fined a total of £50 for having counselled natives to persuade other natives to leave their lawful service without the consent of the Protector of Aborigines.

McLeod has appealed in this case to the Supreme Court.