

Joshua, Son Of George Munggullo, Alias Piccaninny Young Feller

DARWIN, Friday. — Northern Territory natives will soon cease to be just "Jackies" and "Mary's."

The Native Affairs branch has begun to register their births and deaths, and the information will be passed on to an official registrar.

Natives will know for the first time their own ages, will have an official "white" and an official "black" name.

In the past, natives who live by seasons and disregard years have never known their own ages.

They've been either Piccaninny Young Feller

(youth)), Flour Baggy haired), or Blind Eye (very old).

The registration will protect natives' own rights, and will also make the work of the department easier.

For many years, Native affairs Branch officers have been trying to keep trace of dozens of "Jackies" and "Marys."

There have been Lame Leg Jackie, Liverpool River

Jackie, On John Jackie, Elsey Jack and Roper Johnny, and so on.

There have always been a Dally River Mary, Fat Mary and Mary from Melville Island — about six of them.

In future, they will all be properly registered and given two names. Where there is any doubt about the native, they will probably be registered by the Biblical method — Joshua the Son of George Munggullo.