

Director quits on race policies

THE director of the Aborigines Advancement League said yesterday he would resign and accused the Department of Aboriginal Affairs of "being on the white man's side."

The director, **Mr Bruce McGuinness**, 31 said he had been "in the middle of faction - fighting" between conservative aborigines and Government officials in the administration of aboriginal affairs.

He said the department had "created division" among aborigines in Victoria.

The land rights dispute at Lake Tyers was an example of this.

"The Government has more tricks up its sleeve than me," Mr McGuinness said.

"I could never support their assimilation policies."

He said the Government's policies were a "slow and sure way of wiping out a race of people."

The faction fighting within the movement had been mainly on political grounds.

Mr McGuinness plans to make a comeback into aboriginal affairs.

"I will do everything to unify the black race," he said.



● **Mr McGuinness . . . "faction fighting."**

He has applied to begin a bachelor of arts course at Monash University.

His school education was only to sixth grade, but he hopes to be accepted.

The dean of the arts faculty at Monash, **Prof. G. R. Manton**, said last night Mr McGuinness's application was being considered.

The first-year arts quota this year at Monash is 1100.