King Jinglelole is mourning HIS King

Darwin, Wednesday

SELF-STYLED native "king" Jinglelole, of Marchinbar Island, in the Wessel Group, was deeply touched when he was told of the death of King George VI.

"Him finish?" he asked incredulously when geologists told him the news last week.

Jinglelole produced a picture of King George, and explained: "Me allsame longa King George here."

"Him finish true?" he demanded.

"Him finish," the geologists said.

Jinglelole appeared touched, but he recovered his spirits when the geologists assured him they would send him a picture of the new Queen.

FOOTNOTE: "King" Jinglelole rules over the eight natives who inhabit the island. They are all members of his family.