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MILNE BAY DISTRICT

ESA'ALA & LOSUIA SUBDISTRICTS

PATROL REPORTS:

1943 - 1946

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REPORT No. 9 of 1943 Concerning a Patrol to KUYAUA, MUNAWATA, KAWA and
SIM SIM, to inspect villages, check Census and General Routine Patrol.

PERSONNEL P.G. Saville P.O. accompanied by A.C. Waru and Serupi Ratu
Native Medical Assistant.
CARGO Mail for KAWA Spotting Personnel.

7th July 43' Departed LOSUIA in "MAREK" for KUYAUA, spent the night there
in Rest House, which is in good condition, being weather proof
against very heavy rain that fell all through the night.
Checked the Census, and apart from three recent births there
were no alterations.
The village was clean, and the inhabitants quite happy, and
were in no way worried by the activities which were going
on around them.

8th July 43' Departed KUYAUA for MUNAWATA, where the usual routine of
village inspection and Census check was carried out, all here
was in order and the natives had nothing of an unusual
nature to report, a few articles of Japanese flotsam were
brought forward, and eagerly surrendered for tobacco.
Departed MUNAWATA for KAWA, where I was met by A/Sgt Webb,
handed over to him one bag of Mail, which was gratefully
received, accompanied Sgt Webb to the Spotters quarters,
situate on top of the hill, and there met the other two
members of the Spotting Station, namely A/Cpl Williamson
and A/Cpl Froome. They had nothing official to report other
than the fact that the periscope of a submarine had been
twice seen about 400 yds off the coast of KAWA moving in
an easterly direction, the last appearance being on June 16th.
This was also reported to me by the KAWA village people.
Sgt Webb also handed over to me some Japanese medical stores,
that the natives had brought to them, later during the day
the villagers surrendered more of these medical supplies.
This village was not as clean as could be expected, but the
reason given was that they had had continuous rain for
about a week, and it was still raining on my arrival, but an
improvement was made before my departure the following
morning.

9th July 43' Departed KAWA arrived SIM, rain still falling steadily.
Inspected village, checked Census, and questioned natives
closely regarding report of an Airplane supposed to have
landed or crashed here, but was assured that no plane had
either landed or crashed on this island, they reported that
they had handed over to three soldiers, two Australian and
one American, a Japanese helmet, gas mask and pistol. They
also reported that only that morning a plane had flown
very low over their village, and proudly handed me a hat
(Sun Helmet) that had fallen from the plane.
This village also had nothing of a suspicious nature, in
the form of lights or craft seen anywhere in their vicinity.
Departed SIM SIM for LOSUIA, arriving after an uneventful
run at 1930 hours.

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Patrol Officer.

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Patrol No.10 of 1943 Concerning a Patrol to decorate TOKETA of KAWA Is. with the Medal no 86 "AUSTRALIAN AWARD FOR LOYAL SERVICE(NATIVES), and General Patrol of surrounding islands.

PERSONNEL. P.G.Saville Patrol Officer accompanied by R.P.C.ANI.

CARGO. 21 days U.S.Rations for KAWA spotting personnel,mail, and Sgt.Andrews wireless mechanic for Aust.Spotters.

16th August '43 Departed LOSUIA in "MAREK" for KAIBOLA where Sgt Andrews joined the party,also taking on board Mails,and Petrol for KAWA spotters.
Departed KAIBOLA for TUMA,on arrival at TUMA spent some time talking to the village people,everything seemed to be in order,soldiers had called there,all enquiring re presence of Japanese soldiers on the island,was quite convinced that there were no enemy soldiers on the island after my conversation with the villagers.
Inspected the village,it was in fairly clean condition. Stayed the night at KADAI.

17th August '43 Departed KADAI for SIM SIM,at SIM SIM the Natives were quite happy,with no troubles or complaints as far as village matters were concerned,but they were definitely worried by soldiers continually calling to question them regarding enemy soldiers and planes supposed to be on their island,and as reported in Patrol report No9of 1943 neither enemy soldiers or planes are on this island. These people were farther worried by the visiting troops telling them that they must not leave SIM SIM to go to LOSUIA,because if they did the soldiers would shoot them P.O. explained to them that these regulations were only in force if they travelled to or from islands after dark,and then that the only reason that they might get shot was in the event of the soldiers mistaking their canoes for enemy craft,and that during the day they could come and go as they pleased.This explanation seemed to satisfy them,and they were in a better frame of mind on my departure.
Departed SIM SIM arrived KAWA,deliv red stores to spotters,Sgt Andrews disembarked to maintenance radio equipment.
Inspected village,and informed Village Councillor of the ceremony to be performed at 0900 hrs. the following morning.

18th August '43 Presented "Australian Award for Loyal Service (Natives) to TOKETA,the ceremony being performed as follows, all the village people were present,and attired as for a big ceremonial occasion,forming a large semi-circle in the centre of the village,then the four Australian spotting personnel marched into the village in full parade dress,followed after a short space of time by P.O. accompanied by R.P.C.ANI,on the arrival of P.O. the troops were called to attention,then TOKETA was called forward,and the official citation was read slow in English,and interpreted word for word in his native language,TOKETA was then decorated by P.O. with the medal,being told at the same time that he was a brave man,and the Australian Government was very pleased with him,shook hands with him,and the parade was then dismissed.
The medal was then admired and handled by all the vill people who crowded around the proud owner.
Spent the rest of the day talking to Vil.Councr. and people,as Sgt Andrews was still working on Spotters Village was very clean,a noticable improvement on last visit,and all natives seemed quite happy,and morale

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19th August '43

Departed KAWA after an excellent trip arrived MUNAWATA doing the journey in 6 hours dead. Everything here as peaceful as on last patrol, village clean, people quite content to stay where they were and not anxious to travel about. Departed for KUYAUA, villagers here have been very busy gathering in their harvest, erecting new food houses, and repairing old ones, they had no troubles to report, or fears of the enemy. Spent the night here.

20th August '43

Departed KUYAUA arrived at KAILIUSA Is. at the village of KADUWAGA, inspected the village, very clean, people contented although grumbling that they had no young men left in the village, as they were all now working. Vill. Councr. anxious to know if he could still visit LOSUIA, explained the situation to him as I had done to all other villages visited, he was much relieved by the explanation, as the soldiers had spread the same story here, as everywhere else they had been, thus unsettling the native population, and also, as in the case of the SIM SEM people definitely causing them unnecessary hardships, through not being able to get food from other islands, to augment their own meagre supply.

Sent Sgt. Andrews on the "MAREK" back to KAIBOLA whilst I was at KADUWAGA, after spending about two hours talking to the natives, P.O. walked across the island to KOMA, where the "MAREK" returned, and proceeded to LOSUIA, arriving LOSUIA 1600 hours.

Throughout the Patrol P.O. found the natives avid for news of happenings on KIRIWINA, being more interested in stories of the mechanical contraptions being used by the soldiers, than in the bombing of the island. Their morale is good, and they seemed satisfied when they were told that their normal mode of living and trading could still continue, during the day, and as the curtailment of night travelling would have no appreciable effect, they would be suffering no undue hardships.

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Patrol Officer

LOSUIA
21.8.43

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Australian New Guinea Administrative Unit

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A.D.O's office,
Losuia, Trobriand's.

23rd. AUGUST, 1943

Re Patrol No.10/43, W.O. SAVILLE, P.G.

I had received information from US Intelligence officers that they suspected the denizen of SIM SIM Islands were hiding something from them? The A.D.O. interpreted their statement, and asked pertinent questions! Resultingly I explained that natives of this civilisation did not answer YES or NO to any questions, but persons desiring information had to be skilled in the art of thinking black, approaching the subject with due caution, and above all, be well acquainted with the interrogator.

Similarly I had been speaking with natives from Sim-Sim who told me the "soldiers" told them to remain in their village all the time to which I added you should not travel at night - and take particular care to anchor on some islet before sundown!

Unfortunately I have not been able to interview the men responsible for these statements - but it is essential these people visit the Lusancay islets, thence to Kudawaga, Kaileuna Isld to procure food, yams, taitu, to suppliment their meagre supply with the exchange of smoked fish, bivalves and edible seaweeds, procured en-route.

However suffice it to say, I have not received any word officially from Kiriwina Task Force - asking for complete isolation of the natives of KAWA or SIM SIM ISLANDS.

*Sup. benefit of report
passed to G.
Cham 1/9*

E. Whitehouse
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.C.
Lieutenant.

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So that instructions to natives
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9 Sep 43

DO GOODENOUGH.

PATROL REPORTS - LOSUIA.

Receipt is acknowledged of your memo 2/5 of 26
Aug 43 and following patrol reports :-

- (i) No. 10/43 - W/O Saville to Kawa Is (16-20 Aug 43)
- (ii) No 11/43 - W/O Stanton to Kitava Is (4-20 Aug 43)

2. The following Minute by GOC ANGAU on P/R 10/43 is
quoted for your information and necessary action (see covering
memo of 23 Aug 43 by Lt E Whitehouse) -

"DO should see that ADO takes up the matter with Comdr
so that instruction to natives are only given
through ANGAU".

C.D. Meares Cap.
for Lt-Col A/ADDS.

11 of 43/44

TROBRIANDS DISTRICT II/43-44

REPORT OF A PATROL BY EDDIE A. STANTON, Patrol Officer, TO KITAVA ISLAND.

From: 4th August to 20th August, 1943

Purposes of Patrol: General Inspection and Recruiting of Native Labour

Patrol Accompanied by: R.P.C. I

Last Patrol Made to area by:

(a) District Services - Lieut E. Whitehouse on
9-12-42

(b) Medical Assistant - Serupi Ratu on
9-12-42

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Wednesday, 4th August:-

Left Losuia on AN 54 at 9-40 a.m., anchoring
Vakuta Island about 3 p.m.

Later in day visited the nearby village of
OKINAI. Village was clean and houses in good repair.

Thursday, 5th August:-

Proceeded to KITAVA Island at 10 a.m. and
anchored OKAIPWASA at 2 p.m.

Conveyed stores and mail to the spotting
personnel.

Friday, 6th August:-

At OKAIPWASA. Visited KUMWAGEYA and LALELA
villages during the morning, securing 23 recruits for work on
Kiriwina.

Both villages were in excellent shape and
could not be faulted.

Saturday, 7th August:-

Despatched the AN 54 in morning with recruits
for LOSUIA.

In the afternoon walked along the N.E.
coastline of the Island for about six miles. At odd intervals
cane houses dot the shore. Many natives were busy at work
on their canoes, getting them ready for the periodical visits
that are undertaken at this time of the year to Kiriwina Island.

Sunday, 8th August:-

At OKAIPWASA.
Dull and showery all day. Received a report
that a steel lifeboat had been washed up on LALELA Beach a few
days ago. It was of American origin.

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Monday, 9th August:-

At OKAIPWASA. Proceeded along the S.E. coastline of Kitava to inspect lifeboat at Lalala Beach. It was leaking badly in the bottom and the engine immersed in salt water. During the afternoon, natives towed it around to OKAIPWASA.

Tuesday, 10th August:-

Inspected the villages of KUMWAGEYA, LALELA, and LALAKAIWA. The latter village was littered with coconuts and dead leaves, and its inhabitants were ordered to attend immediately to cleaning it up.

Wednesday, 11th August:-

At OKAIPWASA. Signed on 30 recruits during the day. Again, no persuasion had to be used to induce the natives to sign. All were very keen to go over and help work for the Government on Kiriwina.

Thursday, 12th August:-

The A-43 arrived from Kiriwina about 1 p.m.

Inspected the villages of WAPAIYA, BOMAPOU, BOIANGA, GILIGIYA, IALAKA, KASARUPA, KUNUWAI, OLOWAU, SAMARAI, TABLIKOVA, WASILASILA.

A fine, broad road passes through all these villages and is scrupulously clean.

Friday, 13th August:-

During the morning signed on 54 recruits.

At 2 p.m. the A-43 left for Kiriwina with all available recruits.

Walked to Lalala Beach in afternoon to investigate a native report that bombs had fallen there the previous evening, just prior to the bombing of Kiriwina.

No evidence, however, could be found that such had really occurred. Nor did the natives in the locality know anything of such a happening.

Saturday, 14th August:-

Left OKAIPWASA at 11 a.m. in order to inspect every village on KITAVA Island.

Proceeded to OKUBULULA over the wide road, a journey of about one hour.

All the villages were spic and span and the food houses crammed with food. The Government was welcomed everywhere and many gifts of food were showered on us.

The attitude of the people has certainly undergone a great change towards the Government compared with that of last year. I attribute it to the respect that these people have for Lieut. Whitehouse, a respect that increases month by month.

I should like to think that it was I who had wrought this great change in native outlook, but I'm afraid that it would require a more capable Officer than I to even dent the popularity of the Assistant District Officer.

Sunday, 15th August:-

At OKAIPWASA.

Visited KUMWAGEYA village during the morning and secured eleven recruits.

Monday, 16th August:-

Proceeded along the beach to visit the wreck of the Admiral Wiley, accompanied by two U.S. salvage Officers.

Nothing of value to the Officers was found, so we returned to OKAIPWASA in the early afternoon.

It was decided to tow the lifeboat that had been washed up on LALELA beach over to LOSUIA for salvage purposes.

Tuesday, 17th August:-

At OKAIPWASA.

Attended two Court Cases in morning. Both were settled amicably. This Island appears to be very law-abiding and no serious breaches have occurred amidst the natives since the Government was here last.

Checked portion of the north-eastern coastline with map during the afternoon. From my observations, the U.S. Army Map - G 56/I - is substantially correct.

Wednesday, 18th August:-

Visited KUMWAGEYA, LALELA, LALAKAIWA, TREGASI, and WALUMA villages during the afternoon.

All roads, houses, and gardens, were in splendid shape, and the inhabitants most contented.

The A-43 arrived from Kiriwina about 3 p.m.

Thursday, 19th August:-

Twenty more recruits signed on. I was presented with a large yam by the village policeman of LALELA during the afternoon, together with one for Lieut. Whitehouse. They said that as the Government was their firm friend, it was only fit and proper that it should be rewarded with a gift as an appreciation of the esteem in which they held its representatives.

I thanked them for their courtesy and kindness.

Friday, 20th August:-

Left OKAIPWASA, with recruits, on A-43 at 10 a.m. and proceeded by way of KAIBOLA to LOSUIA, where we arrived at 6-20 p.m.

ROADS:

The road from KUMWAGEYA to OKABULULA is about four miles in length and twenty-five feet in width and is the main road of the Island.

The natives have consistently kept it in faultless condition and have, by far, the finest road in the District.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE

✓ The inhabitants of this Island are skilled gardeners and their well-stocked food houses bear eloquent testimony to this statement.

✓ Now that the younger men are working on Kiriwina, the woman children, and B class men, are working more vigorously, and their new gardens are just as extensive and well-attended as the old ones. They are doing a good job.

NATIVE MORALE

✓ Native morale has never been so good. The arrival of so many white men in the area has increased considerably the confidence of the natives in the eventual outcome of the present War, and their eagerness to work on Kiriwina is a practical example of the manner in which they are co-operating towards this end.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS GOVERNMENT

✓ Most satisfying. The respect in which the Government is held is very gratifying, and it is this respect that has gained for us a maximum of native labourers with a minimum of effort.



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Aerial Map:

No: C 56/I

EXCELLENT DAD
NATIVE DAD

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Losia, 24th August, 1943

ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

PATROL No. II/43-44

Name: R.P.C. TOMAINUWA

Conduct: Very good

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: This native is a good, reliable policeman

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E. A. Stanton
.....Patrol Officer
Losuia, 24th August, 1943

PATROL No. II/43-44 - TROBRIANDS DISTRICT.

MEDICAL MATTERS

Kitava Island appears to be very sound medically. Only minor illnesses were observed during the patrol.

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E. A. Stanton
.....Patrol Officer
Losuia, 24th August, 1943

Australian New Guinea Administrative Unit

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A.D.O's Office, Losuia.
25th. AUGUST, '43.

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Re No. PL79 EDDIE A. STANTON.

In submitting PATROL REPORT No.11/43 I would strongly recommend that the said officer receive all consideration regarding promotion which, in the A.D.O's estimate is long overdue.

His personal details are cited so that a true picture of his worth and service can be accessed. Enlisted Port Moresby 27/1/42

JOINED P.A.C. on 24th. MARCH, '42

Promoted: 10th. June, '42 (W.O.II)

Accompanied A.D.O. Losuia
15th. May, '43 to take up position
as Patrol officer with Lieut E. Whitehouse, during those early months
when Kiriwina was surrounded by enemy forces.

WO STANTONS demeanour, whilst under my control has been highly satisfactory, he has done good work, is accurate and thoroughly reliable.

*Copy of this memo
placed on file: W. Stanton, EA.*

Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Lieutenant

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HQ ANGAU,
9 Sep 43.

DO. GOODENOUGH.

Patrol Reports - Losuia

Receipt is acknowledged of your memo 2/5 of 26 Aug 43 and following Patrol Reports:-

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- (b) " 11/43 - W/O Statton to Kitava Is (4-20 Aug 43).

2. The following Minute by GOC ANGAU on P/R 10/43 is quoted for your information and necessary action (see covering memo of 23 Aug 43 by Lt E. Whitehouse) -

"DO should see that ADC taken up the matter with Comdr so that instruction to natives are only given through ANGAU."

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Capt.
for Lt-Col, A/ADDS.

12 of 43/44

Patrol No.12 of 1943 Concerning a General Patrol to Vakuta Island.

PERSONNEL. P.G.Saville Patrol Officer accompanied by R.P.C.Petoto

CARGO. Nil.

23rd August '43 Departed at 1400 hrs in "MAREK" for VAKUTA ISLD arriving 1830 hrs.

24th August '43 MAREK returned to LOSUIA. Inspected village of VAKUTA, checked census, enquired into affairs of Native interest. Village was clean, and life continuing in a normal manner owing to the fact that there has so far been no Military penetration of this island.

25th August '43 Travelled by canoe to GLIBWA, checked census, and inspected village, most of the people were at work in their gardens on my arrival, all seemed well with them, the village was very clean, and they had no domestic troubles. Returning to VAKUTA inspected the village of OKANAI, same routine, checking census, and enquiring into native affairs this village is now very much depleted, all the younger natives migrating either to VAKUTA or to KITAVA, and only a few old people left. The village was exceptionally clean and all was in order.

26th August '43 Inspected KAULAKA, found this village very clean, checked census, and spent some time talking to villagers, nothing of importance to report to me, and village life seemed to be proceeding normally.

27th August '43 Spent the day on a general walkabout to more inaccessible parts of this island, but found nothing of special interest to report.

28th August '43 Held Court attended to matters of native interest, all matters of purely domestic character, which could only be settled by the natives themselves. Called out later to VAKUTA to attend to native with badly cut foot.

30th August '43 Report received that some stores had been washed up on South East coast other side of KAULAKA, on reaching spot found only a few tins of American rations and rice, which had obviously been in the sea for some time, probably washed over from KITAVA ISLAND.

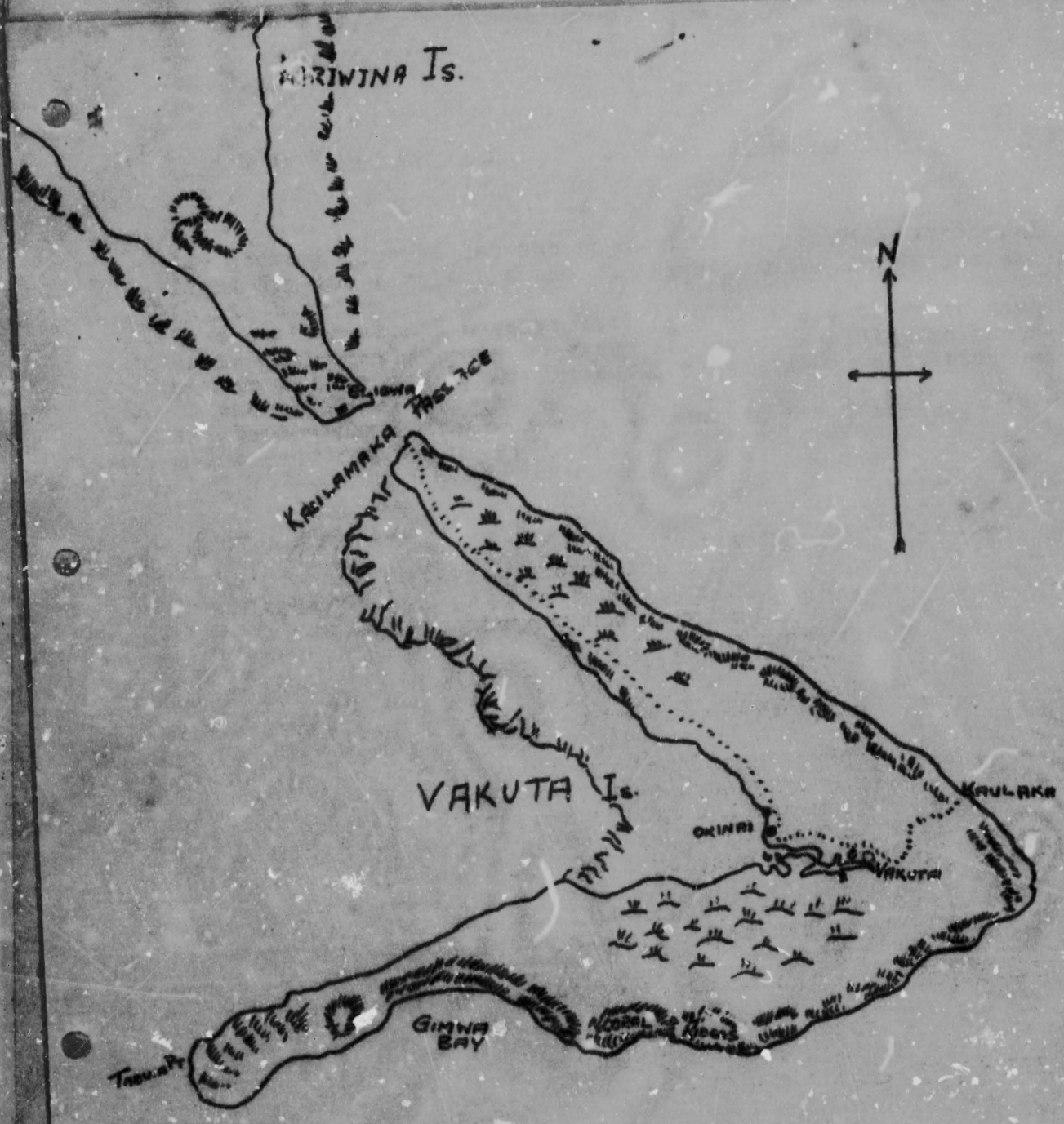
31st August '43 Left VAKUTA called at IAGA ISLD, cut through the bush to the other side of island, and then back through different route, found nothing to suggest enemy had used this isle and nothing definitely on the place at the moment, found remains of American rations on the East tip, where a Navy Flag had been set. Then proceeded to KUWO ISLD, nothing of a suspicious nature here. Arrived LOSUIA 1600 hours.

Sup. to T. 18/9

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1943*

[Signature]
PATROL OFFICER.

LOSUIA
1.9.43



MAP OF PETROL No 12 OF 1943 P.G. SAVILLE P.O.

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LOSUIA
1.9.43

Report on R.C.P. Petoto.

1 Sept 1943

The above Policeman has accompanied me on several Patrols, and I have found him to be reliable and conscientious in his duties, and smart in his bearing.

On occasions when I have visited islands where there is some doubt as to whether there may be enemy subjects in hiding, he has helped to search eagerly, and I am sure could be relied upon to stand his ground in the event of a clash.

Any duties that have been allotted to him have been done in a sensible manner, and successfully.

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13 of 43/44

Patrol No.13 of 1943 Concerning a Patrol to Kitava Isld. to deliver rations to Australian Spotting Personnel, and check Native Census.

PERSONNEL

P.G.Saville Patrol Officer accompanied by R.C.P.Petoto

CARGO

Rations for Aust.Spotting Personnel.

3rd.Sept. '43. Departed LOSUIA for KITAVA, calling on the way at SINAKETA to deliver a parcel to W.O. Stanton. Arrived at KITAVA 1600 hrs. Delivered stores to Spotters.

4th Sept. '43. Visited the village of OKOBULULA to check the census, the census of this village includes 12 villages in the area under the one heading of OKOBULULA, on the way through inspected these various villages, and found them all very clean, and the road in excellent condition, the peoples all seemed quite happy, and had no troubles to report. Whilst checking the census, an old man was brought in to me badly hurt whilst working in his garden, a large rock that he was standing on having overbalanced throwing him down some feet and the rock falling on top of him, badly crushing two of his fingers, damaging one leg, and practically scalping him, cleaned him up and tied his head up so that nothing could fall out, but couldnt do much to him for lack of Patrol first aid equipment. On returning to Rest House found the boat "Tropic Bird" landing some American Engineers, and as the boat was returning to KIABOLA the next morning, arranged for the injured native to be taken by them for treatment. From OKAIPWASA on the beach to the main road a distance of some mile and a half, which is a native pad, is being blasted by the Americans constructing a road, quite a big job, but when completed will be a definite improvement to the present track.

5th Sept. '43. Proceeded to KUMOGIYA checked census here enquired into native matters, everything seemed to be in order, the village was very clean, warned these people to keep away from the road that was being blasted, as the children being very curious were hanging about the road watching operations, and were likely to be badly hurt if nothing worse from flying coral. From KUMOGIYA went to LALELA this village census includes six other smaller villages under the one heading, again checked census, and inspected the villages, and found as elsewhere on this island all the villages were exceptionally clean and the roads in good condition, also food houses well stocked with food, and a general air of prosperity everywhere.

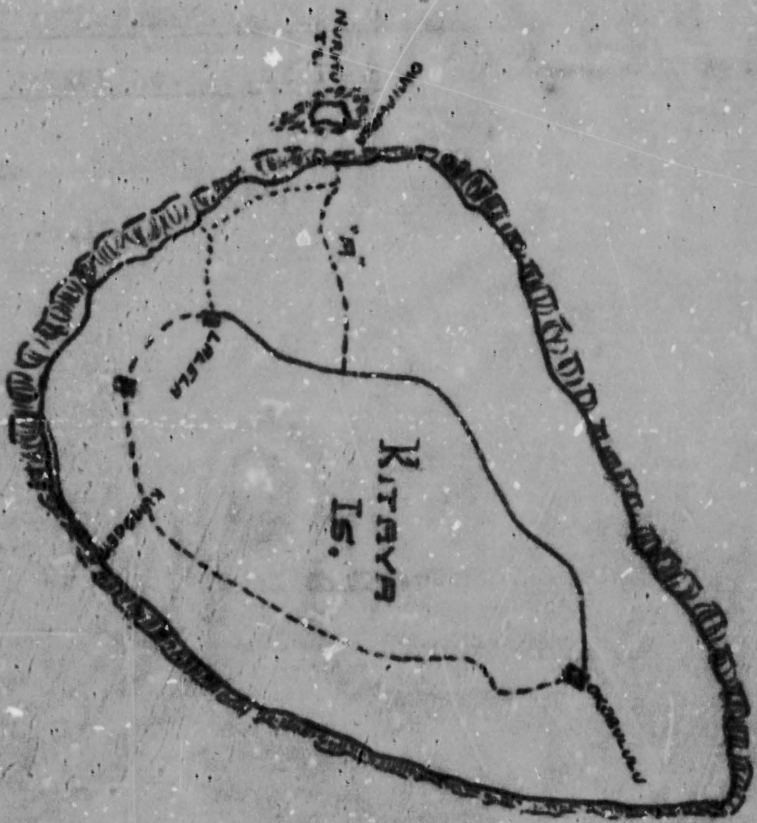
6th Sept. '43. Left KITAVA to return to LOSUIA, had a good trip as far as KIABOLA, then had a bit of engine trouble, one of the oil pipes breaking, and had to limp back the rest of the way on one cylinder. Arrived at LOSUIA 1600 hrs.

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Map referring to Patrol No 13 of 1943 Pfc. Saville.



..... NATIVE TRAIL

—— MAIN ROAD

--- ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION
REFERRED TO IN REPORT NO. 13/43.

REPORT ON POLICEMAN ACCOMPANYING PATROL OFFICER P.G. Saville

ON PATROL No. 13 of 1943 - to Kitava Is., Johnston Is.

NAME. R.P.C. Petoto
RANK & NO. Const. No. 1048
CONDUCT. Good
ABILITY. Good

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Patrol Officer.

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A.D.O.'s Office, LOSUIA.
8th. September, '43.

Re Patrol No. 13, KITAVA - WO2 SAVILLE, P.G.

This patrol follows closely on that executed by WO2 STANTON, E.A. No. 11/43-4 (4th-20th. AUGUST '43).

STATION JOURNAL: 30:10:42 details road from KUMAGEYA to OKOBULULA. Recent enquiries and investigation by C/O RAAF Kiriwina outlines necessity of crash landing areas - this roadway (and other areas) has received his approval. Engineers accordingly have been forwarded to perfect approaches and improve anchorage at MURATU Islet. ROADWAY referred to, now being blasted in Muratu - Okobulula detour quoted in PATROL REPORT No. 12 under date 29:10:42 being the most practicable.

Gardening activities and general patrols must be very constant in this area to assure normal planting up of tubers, both for their own use & export to Kiriwina.

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TROBRIANDS DISTRICT 14/43-14

REPORT OF A PATROL BY EDDIE A. STANTON, PATROL OFFICER, TO THE LUBA AND
KWAIBWAGINA DISTRICTS, TROBRIANDS DISTRICT.

FROM: 30th August to the 8th September, 1943

PURPOSES OF PATROL: General inspection and Census checking.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY: R.P.C. I

LAST PATROL MADE TO AREA BY:

(a) District Services - E.A. Stanton on
14th February, 1943

(b) Medical Assistant - Serupi Ratue on
the same date.

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Monday, 30th August:

Left Losuia on the AN 54 at 10 a.m. for ULAKUM,
arriving at mid-day.

Tuesday, 31st August:

Proceeded to the village of WAWELA, a journey of
but fifteen minutes.

Having completed the Census here, we then moved over
a wide, clean track to the village of OBULAKU.

The population in these two villages is more or less
stationary - there being only three births to offset the three
deaths that had occurred during the last nine months.

From OBULAKU we returned to ULAKUM by canoe.

Wednesday, 1st September:

During the morning, the Patrol shifted by canoe to
SINAKETA village.

Long grass had been allowed to grow in and around
the Rest-House and barracks, so the villagers were put to work
on making this area more presentable

Thursday, 2nd September:

Proceeded to the villages of BWADELA, LOYA, and
OKAJAULA, and checked Census in the three places.

The track that connects these villages was badly
overgrown in places, a state of affairs mainly attributable to
the labour which these people bestow upon their gardens at this
period.

Friday, 3rd September:

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At Sinaketa patrol

Purchased building materials during the day.
Court for Native Matters held in morning.

Saturday, 4th September:

Purchased timber in late afternoon.

Checked Census of SINAKETA village in the morning.
There was no appreciable increase in the population since this village was last visited.

A number of houses within the village were in need of repair and accordingly the occupants of the dwellings in question were ordered to make the necessary alterations.

Three new houses were almost completed and were a vast improvement on the design of the older dwellings.

Sunday, 5th September:

Visited villages of KAUWOLA and KORPILA, both being in clean condition. We then proceeded over a well kept track to the small village of KUMILABWAGA, where the people were busily filling their food houses with lengthy tubers.

Inspection completed, we returned to SINAKETA.

Monday, 6th September:

Visited SINAKETA gardens in morning. These lands had received much care and attention from the people and the crop next season should amply repay them for their industry.

Purchased timber during the afternoon.

Tuesday, 7th September:

Revisited the villages of BWADELA, LOYA, and OKAIAULA and found the track connecting them in clean condition.

The inhabitants of these three villages were happy and contented, giving the Patrol much food.

Wednesday, 8th September:

Left on the AN 54 with Lieut. E. Whitehouse at 1 p.m. for Mosuia, arriving at 4-30 p.m.

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ROADS:

All in all, these have received constant attention from the village people, and any unclean patches of road had been cleaned by the time the Patrol left for LOSUIA.

REST HOUSES:

✓ All Houses and Barracks were in good shape and could not be faulted. The new Rest-House at OBULAKU was particularly nice.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE:

✓ Highly commendable. Much labour has been lavished on the gardens and the area under cultivation is almost double of last year.

✓ Next seasons crop should, indeed, be a bountiful one.

VILLAGE CONSTABLES:

These natives are fully aware of their duties and are making honest endeavours to maintain the high pre-war standard of roads, houses and gardens.

ATTITUDE TOWARDS GOVERNMENT:

✓ Again I have the pleasure of reporting the complete confidence of the natives in the present Administration.

This is a notable achievement when one compares the number of our Allies here with the number of 'Government' men.

This solicitude of respect for the Administration is, I feel sure, in no small measure due to the untiring efforts of the Assistant District Officer on behalf of the native. His time and advice is forever at the disposal of the Kiriwinan, be he chief or commoner.

Such encouragement of seniors by juniors is not required in the army.

Warrant-Officer
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Losuia, 9th September, 1943

ROYAL PAPUA GOVERNMENT SECRETARY

TROBRIANDS DISTRICT

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Name:

R.P.C. TOMAENUWA

No. 8109

Conduct:

Very good.

Discipline:

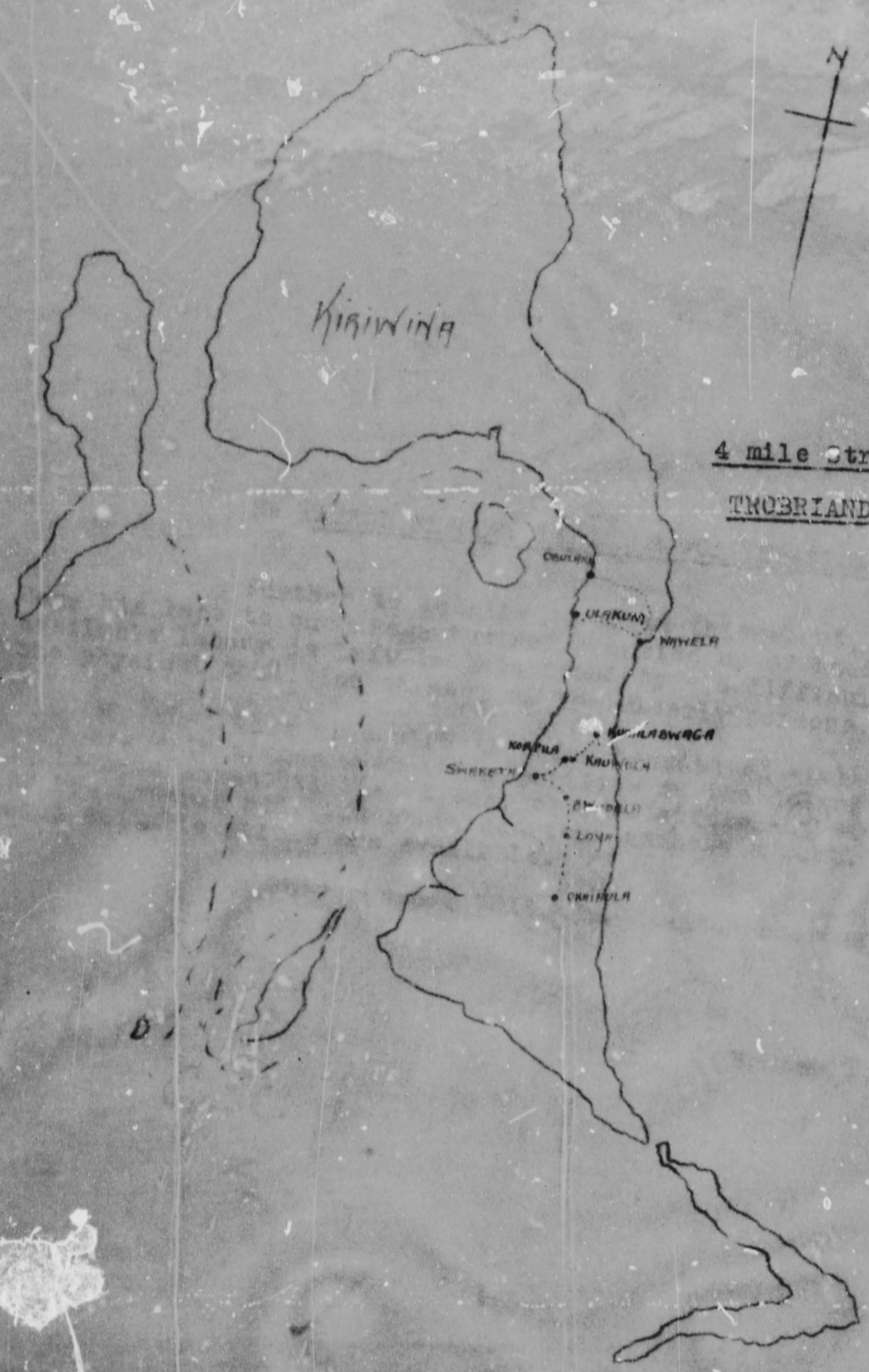
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Re PATROL REPORT: 14/4 WOII STANTON, E.A.

Further to details given in this report, Mr. Stanton has done his best to encourage further planting up of lands - with what available labour is left in this locality - a difficult matter owing the physical condition of many of the elderly persons.

This area also is being denuded of timber for military purposes - in common with other portions of the island - consequently it becomes essential that I too, procure sufficient timber for erection of the several addition staff quarters at Losuia Govt. Station, whilst such suitable sticks are available.

In this respect WOII, Mr. Stanton has done a good job.

Ernest Whitehouse

Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Lieutenant

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LOSUIA P/R.14/43.44.

1. Above report enclosed (in duplicate) with covering letter from A.D.O.Losuia.
2. The staff at Losuia are to be complimented on the manner in which they are coping with a difficult situation.

M.C.W. Hinch
.....Capt.
(M.C.W. Hinch) D.O.

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PATROL No.15/42-44

To KAWA, SIM SIM and Islets of LUSANCAY GROUP,
to undertake general patrol duties in locality.

PERSONNEL: Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O. accompanied by RALPH SIDNEY BIRD.

FROM: 18th. to 23rd. SEPTEMBER, 43.

LAST PATROL: No.10/43-44 by WO1 P.G.Saville, Patrol Officer.

Saturday, 18th. September. Sailed from Losuia on board "MAREK" with Mr. S.R. Bird of US Intelligence Corp at 9.30 am. A glassy sea low overhanging clouds with good visibility. Owing to engine trouble arrival at Kawa was affected at 8.30pm. when A/Sgt R.G. WEBB awaited us at landing and was given his southern mail for distribution amongst the "spotters".

Sunday, 19th. September. Spent the day visiting "spotters" and talking with local inhabitants. Unfortunately all were not present, three families had proceeded to Kaduwaga, Kaileuna Isld. to pay respects and report matters of vital interest to TOBEWAGA their ruling chief. However those remaining in the village were happy and contented, had no complaints and friendly disposed towards the Europeans residing amongst them.

TOKETA proudly strutted about with his loyal service medal hanging around his neck - a decoration which is gazed upon with covetous eyes.

Monday, 20th. September. Collected outgoing mails and departed for SIMSIM island, landing at KOWIA and settled in the rest-house. As at Kawa two canoes had left on fishing and trading expedition having Kaduwaga as a goal - but the A.D.O. was able to gather some information since handed on to proper source: C/O Kiriwina Task Forces.

Needless to say these natives were pleased to have me amongst them and numerous questions were answered, which put their minds at rest. Explained here, the great importance of rescue work - resultingly I am confident of their co-operation.

Tuesday 21st. September. Visited the sandy cay: KWANIYAGUMA to make investigations and corroborate certain reports (previous ref: Patrol No.9 of 42/43) under date 4/10/42. See special report. Being satisfied - returned to rest-house.

Wednesday 22nd. September Proceeded along islets of Lusancay reef, examining en-route all islets, paid a visit to TUMA Island to visit and have a talk with the sparse population at that place. These villagers appeared somewhat apprehensive but set their minds at rest, after a little talk about matters of vital importance. Gardening activities are proceeding satisfactorily at this point - and normal village life proceeds.

Travelled to KADUWAGA, Kaileuna Isld. where I was met by the ruling chief of this group (Lusancay) and escorted to the rest-house.

Chief TOBEWAGA was in festive mood, we sat and chatted about generalities - the welfare of his subjects who are now devoting so much time to winning the war, the ADO receiving his ceremonial bunches of betel-nut? The Chief had some excellent specimens of Taitu stacked upon the dancing area these were admired and in the course of an eulogistic speech, encouraged him to strive to excel both in quality and quantity next harvest!

Thursday 23rd. September. Sailed for Kaisiga and Bulakwa villages situated on the Southern coastline of Kaileuna I sland, there to inspect and talk with the denizens of that locality.

All was well at this point, dwellings inspected and food-houses admired and re-assurances given that all would be well provided they continued with their gardening and other village activities - striving to increase production. During the afternoon returned to Govt. station.

ROADS: All roads, I am pleased to report, are clean and well kept, some improvements having been effected during the year

REST HOUSES Three such exist in this locality: KAWA ISLAND, SIM SIM and at KADUWAGA, Kaileuna Island. At former islands both have been improved and extended - very satisfactory indeed?

NATIVE AGRICULTURE: This all important matter has received every encouragement throughout the patrol. An effort has been made to stimulate interest - friendly rivalry so that next years harvest might even exceed the present year's yield - and this with reduced workers!

VILLAGE CONSTABLES: The work of these men is good - covers an extensive area, consequently is not so frequently visited as other localities. Never-the-less a high mark of efficiency is evident.

ATTITUDE towards GOVERNMENT: I do not hesitate to say that every confidence is evinced - there are great possibilities and a future for these people - they have shown up exceedingly well during recent contacts with Europeans. Collectively their attitude has been most praiseworthy-!

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PATROL No. 16 of 1943 Concerning a Patrol to KITAVA to deliver stores to Spotters, and to attend to general administration.

PERSONNEL: P.G. Saville Patrol Officer accompanied by R.P.O.'s KAIPA KAVUA, VAROBAL-KAUBA and BAUTEBA.

LAST PATROL: No. 13 of 1943 by P.G. Saville P.O. - date?

CARGO: Stores and mail for "Spotters"

Dep. to G. 14.10.43 back

16th Sept '43. Departed LOSUIA for KITAVA, arriving 1900 hours. During night developed severe dose of fever.

17th Sept. '43. Sick all day with fever.

18th Sept '43. Condition improved, went to Mr. Cameron's house, and prepared an inventory of his effects, also goods of his being used by Spotters. Later moved self and gear to KUMAGEYA, which is the most central village for administration purposes.

19th Sept '43. General patrol duties, and inspection of villages.

20th. Sept '43. General patrol duties.

21st. Sept '43. Inspection of gardens and roads, was very much impressed by the large amount of land under cultivation, and the impressive stacks of native foods, also the well filled food houses. Altogether these natives are working hard to keep their gardens in good condition, as they are having to put extra work in now, owing to all the tax boys being signed up. Found the roads in very good condition.

22nd Sept '43. Inspected KUMAGEYA, which consists of several small villages, and found that with only one exception they were all very clean, people were all quite happy and working hard.

23rd. Sept '43 Inspected LAKINA which includes the villages of GABAGABUNA, GUDABOMA, KAIYAI, KOROVIKA, LALAKAIWA and TALAICASI, all these villages were certainly a credit to the inhabitants, being exceptionally clean and well cared for. (Attended to sores and ulcers on some of the children), but found that in the majority the people were very healthy.

24th. Sept '43. Storm and very heavy rain all day made patrolling impossible.

25th. Sept '43. Inspected OKABULUIA and surrounding villages of BOMAPOU, BOLAROKI, GILIGILIYA, IALAKA, KASARUPA, KUNUWAI, OLOWAU, SAMARAI, TABILIKAI, WALUMA, WAPAIYA and WOSIILASIIA, these villages were not in the same spotless condition as LALELA, but were very clean and the villagers in the same happy state of mind as elsewhere in the island. On the journey back to KUMAGEYA was taken violently ill again, but just managed to get back.

26th Sept '43. Very ill all day.

27th Sept '43. Sick.

28th Sept '43. Much improved.

29th Sept '43. Supervised work being done by sign on boys.

30th Sept '43. Supervising work as the day before.

1st. Oct. '43. General inspections and patrol duties.

2nd. Oct. '43. W.L.O. Sgt. Derbyshire arrived to take over supervision of native labour employed temporarily on island. Received instructions to return to LOSUIA for transfer to GOODENOUGH. Unable to start owing to broken fuel pipe on "MAREK", endeavoured to fix same but found it impossible, so wirelessed to LOSUIA for new pipe to be sent over.

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3rd. Oct '43. Awaiting pipe for "MAREK" but still trying to fix old one in case of emergency, but unable to do so.

4th. Oct '43. Engineers had a look at "MAREK", and said that they may be able to make a new pipe to fit, took away the parts to their camp.

5th Oct '43. Engineers arrived back with fuel pipe they had made, got the "MAREK" going and sailed at 1200 hours from KITAVA, arrived at LOSUIA 1800 hours, after a good trip.

CONCLUSION:

Unfortunately this patrol was somewhat marred by my prolonged bouts of fever, but on the patrols that were made it was quite evident that the natives on this island are hard working industrious people, and also have a healthy respect for the long arm of the A.D.C. and are always anxious to know if they are pleasing him, and so they work hard in their gardens as a certain way of pleasing him and not incurring his displeasure. They are quite untroubled by the war going on so near to them, and their morale is excellent.

For map of this patrol refer to map of report 13/43.

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PATROL OFFICER.

LOSUIA
6th Oct 1943.

REPORT ON POLICEMEN ACCOMPANYING PATROL OFFICER P.G.SAVILLE

ON PATROL No. 16 of 1943

NAME. Bauteba
RANK & NO. Const. No. 2214
CONDUCT. Good
ABILITY. Good

LOSUIA
6.10.43

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Patrol Officer

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REPORT ON POLICEMEN ACCOMPANYING PATROL OFFICER P.G.SAVILLE

ON PATROL No. 16 of 1943

NAME. Warobai-Kauba
RANK & NO. Const. No. 2032
CONDUCT. Good
ABILITY. Good.

LOSUIA
6.10.43.

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Patrol Officer.

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REPORT ON POLICEMEN ACCOMPANYING PATROL OFFICER P.G.SAVILLE

ON PATROL No. 16 of 1943

NAME. Kaiba Kavua
RANK AND NO. Const. No. 2273
CONDUCT. Good.
ABILITY. Good.

LOSUIA.
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MEDICAL.

On September 25th 1943 Spt. Hall Medical officer arrived on Kitava, he attended to all the natives in need of medical attention, also giving intramuscular injections to a large number of the population.

Prior to his coming, I had attended to all cases that came my way, not knowing when he would be able to visit this island.

The natives are generally in very good health with only a small proportion of the people having sores, ulcers and other tropical sickness, the latter being mainly amongst the small children.

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A.D.O.'s Office,
LOSUIA,
Kiriwina,
Dobu District.
16th. October 1943.

REPORT of FIVE-DAY PATROL.

No: 17 of 1943/44.

REPORT of PATROL:

by QX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer.

KAILLEUNA, MUNUWATA and KUIYAWA Islands of the
TROBRIANDS Group.

DATE LEFT STATION:

Tuesday 12 Oct 43. DATE RETURNED: Saturday 16 Oct 43.

PURPOSES of Patrol:.

Ordered by A.D.O., Capt. Whitehouse, to make a general
administrative patrol of Kailleuna Island, buying all
native food offered and any curios suitable for the
? Museum as per G.O.C.'s instructions. Also to bring in
a native required for final medical treatment.

PATROL accompanied by:

- (a) QX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer,
- (b) 2 Constables of Royal Papuan Constabulary.
- (c) 1 N.M.O., 1 Probationer and 1 Interpreter.
Launch "MAREK" used for transport.

LAST PATROL:

Capt. Whitehouse, A.D.O. 22 Sep 43. see Report No.
15/43-44.

MAP:

Refer to "4 Mile Strategic Series New Guinea
TROBRIAND I. First Edition."

DIARY:

12.10.43. Left LOSUIA Government Station in launch "Marek" at 1400 hrs
and proceeded to KAILLEUNA Island, landing at KAISIGA. Marek sent
on to BULAKWA. Inspected Kaisiga and ordered it to be cleaned
up before my return on Thursday to buy food. Made Census additions.
Proceeded on foot along a good track to BULAKWA, about 20 mins.
walk. Bulakwa was in good shape and again Census alterations were
made. Left in Marek for KUDUWOGA, examining flotsam and route and
salvaging a lifejacket. Reached KUDUWOGA on dusk and set up camp
in Rest House.

13.10.43. Inspected KUDUWOGA and the house of TOBAIWAGA, the second ranking
Chief in the Trobriands. The village was in very good order and
no faults to be found. Made census alterations and ordered one
Mokaidanta to report to Losuia for treatment. Accompanied by
Tobaiwaga and Vill. Con. Mwsmanaiola walked across the island by a
first class road. At the boundary mark between Kuduwoaga and Koma
Tobaiwaga agreed to carve and set up a new post commensurate with
his dignity. KOMA proved to be a large village in excellent order
and the Vill. Council was congratulated. Air-raid shelters are
conspicuous. At this village I secured a carved coconut shell
washbowl for the G.O.C.'s collection. Census alterations were made.
Went on to GIWA a small village about 30 minutes walk along a good
road. At GIWA a large concourse of women were making ceremonial
skirts for a funeral. Continued on to LEBOLA the last village in
this direction on the coast. I admired a new canoe of imposing
dimensions and showing the modern influence by being decorated
with rivet marks. Village clean and all in order. Returned to
KUDUWOGA by another road bypassing the other villages, and passing
through some nice gardens. In a shady spot near the centre of the
island is a natural well of fresh water in the coral. This is
called GAVEGAWE. And so to KUDUWOGA. After lunch embarked in Marek
and landed at TAUWEME where a dispute between some Americans and
the natives over a canoe was adjusted. Census alterations noted.

14.10.43. Left Kuduwoaga in Marek after buying native food and sailed to
BULAKWA where more food was bought. Embarked a case of broncho-
pneumonia for Losuia hospital and several signed boys who had been

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- 14.10.43. visiting sick relatives. On to KAISIGA where ceremonial yams were presented to me and more food purchased. Left Kaisiga in heavy rain and went to LEBOLA where all the people from KOMA and GIWA were assembled with more food for sale. Despatched Marek in to Losuia. Went back overland to Kuduwoga and sent Serapi Ratue by another track to TAUWEME on medical patrol.
- 15.10.43. At Kuduwoga awaiting return of Marek and talking to Chief TOBAIWAG about native matters. Eventually he said he would make a present to G.O.C. for the collection and handed me GWEGUYAU KENAIAPU or Chief's ligestick. Only Mitakata, the Paramount Chief and Tobaiwag may use these. Marek arrived and I embarked for MORUWATA village on the island of the same name. Census alterations were made and more food bought. This village was clean and quite satisfactory. Proceeded on to KUIYAWA on an island of the same name. I inspected the Rest House and found sundry repairs and additions ordered by P.O. Saville had been made. Here I removed two bad cases of tropical ulcers whom Capt. Vernon wished brought in for treatment. Hoisted the sail with a favourable wind and made a fast run back to Kuduwoga.
- 16.10.43. Bought more food as offered and sailed round Kalleuna, then through the passage and down to Losuia, where stores were unloaded and the patrol ended.

VILLAGES: All those visited were in good order, KOMA being outstanding. The absence of the signed labour was allowed for.

ROADS: Fair only due to absence of young men.

REST HOUSES: Kuduwoga needs repairs to the roof and this is now being done. Kuyawa is now in good shape following P.O. Saville's efforts.

VILLAGE CONSTABLES: One. Mwananiola, controls the whole area patrolled and is a clean and efficient young man of the right type.

NATIVE CUSTOMS: Every effort to foster the observance of customs and traditions was made and Tobaiwaga agreed that he should carve and erect the traditional signs of his high estate on his house. He also cut and is now carving a suitable boundary post to replace the present piece of bush timber. He is also taking a third wife. He showed me a bcku known as XABWALNAYA which has been handed from chief to chief from time immemorial and plays an important part in the gardening rites. Ceremonial presentations of yams to the Government were made by all chiefs. An interesting point is the attitude towards illegitimacy i.e. no stigma attaches. Compare this with recent legislation in Sweden and Soviet Russia, two of the most advanced nations sociologically.

ARTS and CRAFTS: It was pleasing to see the number of large seagoing canoes being made and also renovated. This must be a major native interest and it is apparent that the art of carving has not been lost. Carving of curios and weaving of baskets has received considerable impetus.

MORALE: Remains high though all want to know when the war will end. The A.D.O. is their father.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(GX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson)

*Sup. to G.
24/11/43
A.D.O.*

*M. W.
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AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

REPORT No. 17/43-44. continued. (3).

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re CONDUCT of members of ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY accompanying Patrol.

No. 2381 Const. MAYOWAI. Conduct: Good.
Discipline: Good.
Ability: Average. A solid type.

No. 2273 " KAIBA-KAVUA Conduct: Good.
Discipline: Good.
Ability: Carried out his duties efficiently.

GENERAL:

The people of KIDUWOGA asked for a special demonstration of Police Drill and turned out in force to see the show which they appreciated.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(GX 6367 A/WO 11 R Ferguson)

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REPORT No. 17/43-44. continued. (4).

M I N U T E of Medical Matters.

SEKUPI RATUE, a trained Native Medical Orderly and LEMESA, a Probationer accompanied the patrol and inspected the natives of all villages seen, several being visited more than once. One case of Broncho-pneumonia and two bad cases of tropical ulcers were removed to Misima Native Hospital. 3 cases of malaria were treated and 1 of conjunctivitis, besides numerous injections for yaws.

The health generally seemed good but yaws is prevalent. The people are not keen to go to hospital and it is hard to persuade them.

Births seemed reasonably numerous and all except one death recorded were due to old age. Sekupi Ratue worked very conscientiously throughout and I think the probationer learnt quite a lot.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(GX 6367 A/WO 11 R Ferguson.)

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Cardboard case required after giving treatments.

AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

A.D.O.'s Office,
LOSUIA,
Kiriwina,
Dobu District.
27th. October 1943.

REPORT of EIGHT - DAY PATROL.

No: 18 of 1943/44.

REPORT of PATROL: by QX 6857 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer.
TO: KITAVA ISLAND, Trobriand Group.
DATE LEFT STATION: Wednesday 20 Oct 43.
DATE RETURNED: Wednesday 27 Oct 43.
PURPOSES of PATROL: Ordered by A.D.O., Capt. Whitehouse, to make a general Administrative patrol of Kitava Island. To check the census. To arrange return of Sgt. Derbyshire and native labour to Losuia. To check contents of Mr. Cameron's house.

PATROL Accompanied by:

- (a) 67 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer.
(b) 2 Constables of Royal Papuan Constabulary.
(c) 2 N.M.Os, and 1 Interpreter. Launch "Marek" used for transport.

LAST PATROL:

A/WO 11 P G Saville, P.O., 16 Sep 43 - 5 Oct 43.
See Patrol Report No. 16/43-44.

MAP:

Refer to "4 Mile Strategic Series New Guinea TROBRIAND I. First Edition."
Also attached tracing.

DIARY:

- 20.10.43. Left Losuia Government Station in launch "Marek" at 0900 hrs and made a good passage to Glibwa between Kiriwina and Vakuta Is. Here the sail was hoisted and with a fair wind a fast crossing to KITAVA Island was made. We arrived at OKAIPWASA beach and landed at 1600 hrs. Sgt. Derbyshire was contacted by 'phone and I instructed him to leave in the morning per "Marek" with 26 signed labour. I then made the necessary arrangements. My stores were unloaded and moved into Mr. Cameron's house.
- 21.10.43. Chief ULOKOMANI, Vill. Constable and Councillors from KUMAGEYA reported and were instructed about the patrol. N.M.Os NOWELI and BIENONI were sent up to OKABULULU for the day. Sgt. Derbyshire and 26 boys arrived by truck and boarded the "Marek" which sailed in a fresh breeze at 1030. Their departure was signalled to Losuia. Checked list of Mr. Cameron's property now being used by Spotters and found everything correct. Addressed a gathering of natives to reassure them about bombing on KIRIWINA and to scotch the numerous rumours circulating; also to impress them with the need for intensive gardening. N.M.Os returned.
- 22.10.43. Lalala Vill. Const. TOMEIKU arrived with carriers and I proceeded up the coral cliffs into the interior plateau and along to KUMAGEYA. There is no Rest House here and the Mission buildings were used. After inspection of the village accompanied by Chief Ulokamani and officials and finding it in excellent order, I checked the Census. This tedious job completed, I went on to LALELA about 20 minutes walk and checked the census for this group. At both gatherings numbering about 350 natives apiece, an address was made on general topics and morale. Returned to Kumageya. Marek had returned with mail. Advantage was taken of these census gatherings to make a thorough medical inspection and give treatment.
- 23.10.43. Spent in bed at KUMAGEYA with a heavy cold. N.M.Os sent to WAPAIYA and OKABULULU and returned after giving treatments.

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Patrol Report No: 18/43-44. continued (2).

24.10.43. *Handled*
Carriers arrived and I left for OKABULULU, going by way of LALELA, and its satellite villages. The road from Kumageya to DALAKAIWA is a new one in very good shape, but from Lalakaiwa to Okabululu it is only a track as the direct road from Kumageya via Wapaiya is used. Between Lalela and TALAIGASI there is a second coral ridge inside the main ring and the land intervening is fully cultivated with considerable land prepared for new gardens. Citrus appear to grow well here. I notice the children using stilts (kaituka). Turn off main track to inspect TALAIGASI and return to push on to WALUMA, another small village off the main track, also in a clean condition. Finally arrived at OKABULULU and camped in the mission buildings. The people were gathered and the census checked. The natives of this area lack respect for authority and they were lectured, especially regards neglecting their gardens to visit the American camp. This group of villages is in wonderful condition.

25.10.43. Visited the American camp nearby to check on U.S. occupation of Mr. Cameron's house. Returned to Okabululu to find no carriers so sent my police and councillors to round them up. As they arrived in two's and threes they were set to work to build a kitchen which was needed and informed they would not be paid for carrying tomorrow. Bearing in mind the G.O.C.'s request for museum pieces I secured an article of exchange used in the Kula and called Uiaia. It is made in Duau and exchanged to Kitava. One councillor brought up a case but not being appointed in the CNM I could do nothing.? *could have been engaged into a perhaps better "out of Court"*

26.10.43. Carriers arrive this morning on time and I leave for Okupwasa via the main road. Not far from Okabululu I inspected an ancient monument of moss-covered stone slabs formerly called ILUMISMA and now referred to as KADILALAI. In former times anyone reaching it could claim sanctuary. Turned off main road to WAPAIYA and found it to be in very good order. Swung back to main road which is the finest in the district. Eventually descended over coral rim to Mr. Cameron's house. Dismissed carriers without pay and warned them about their future conduct. Arranged to take Tuwetuwe a native woman into Losuia for an operation.

27.10.43. Loaded "Marek" and sailed for Losuia with one Spotter requiring hospital treatment. No wind and plenty of rain. Arrived 1530.
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VILLAGES: Without exception the village groups are in first-rate order, being very clean. In location and surroundings this island of KITAVA possesses some of the nicest villages I have seen anywhere.

REST HOUSES: There are none; and none are being built at present due to labour demands elsewhere. At both KUMAGEYA and OKABULULU mission buildings have been provided with kitchens and are pressed into service as a temporary messhouse.

ROADS: These are excellent but beginning to show signs of deterioration under wheeled traffic. The main road bisecting the island is by far the best in the district.

CHIEFS, VILL. COUNCS ETC: The most influential Chief, Ulokomani of Kumageya, is most helpful and supports the Government in every way. Bagalisi of Okabululu is rather weak. The Vill. Cons. are capable enough.

TRADE: *80 should be price*
Carved wooden curios and walking sticks of native ebony are in great demand and in every village the carvers are at work, probably to the detriment of gardening. Prices are very inflated and the Kitava people are cashing in whilst the rage lasts.

AGRICULTURE: Though upset by the labour demands, the gardening programme is under way and a nice acreage of new gardens has been cleared. All villages were lectured during this patrol on the importance of gardening here to provide a surplus of seed produce to enable the Kiriwina people to replant their grounds now occupied by military works.

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Patrol Report No:18/43-44 continued. (3).

CIVILIAN PROPERTY: Checked list of goods at Cameron's house and investigated several discrepancies. Confirmed that U.S. Army Forces occupied the premises from 3 Sep 43 to 13 Sep 43 and from 29 Sep 43 to 1 Oct 43. The house itself is in a very bad state of repair.

CENSUS: The complete census of the Island was checked and everyone accounted for; an Analysis of the population being as follows:

Village.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Births.	Deaths. (1943).
KUMAGEYA.	98	101	199	4	5
LALELA.	180	167	347	13	8
OKABULULU.	208	158	366	3	10
TOTAL.	486	426	912	25	23

X Due to the competence and accuracy of the compiler, Capt. Whitehouse, the checking proceeded very smoothly and only a few minor alterations needed adjustment. On this Island one can say with confidence that the Census represents the true state of the population.

MORALE:

On my arrival at Kitava I noted strong rumours of all kinds of bomb damage to Kiriwina, apparently circulated by canoe, and much anxiety about the welfare of those away working on Kiriwina. Accordingly pep talks were given in all villages and the true extent of the Japanese bombing was revealed. This soon had a beneficial effect and several natives asked for passage across to Kiriwina to visit the signed labour. At Okabululu there were signs of a lack of appreciation of the Government, due apparently to too close contact with the American forces, who have no idea whatsoever of the way to treat natives. A day had to be spent rectifying the impression that the Government could be disregarded with impunity and the R.B.Cs were most useful. I venture to think that the people of Okabululu will not confuse the Government with the Americans in future.

R. J. Ferguson

Patrol Officer.
(OX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson).

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AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

PATROL REPORT No: 18/43-44. continued. (4).

M E M O.

CONDUCT of Members of ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY accompanying Patrol.

No: 5169 Const. TOMAINUA. Conduct: Good.

Discipline: Good.

Ability: A bright intelligent young policeman. Fairly new in the service but undoubtedly the right type and very energetic and willing.

No: 1651 Const. POKU-POI. Conduct. Good.

Discipline: Good.

Ability: Handicapped by language difficulties but nevertheless useful and a tryer.

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R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(GX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson)

AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

PATROL REPORT No: 18/43-44. continued. (5).

M I N U T E of Medical Matters.

Native Medical Orderlies NOWELI and BENONI accompanied patrol and as every person was present during the census-check, all ailments on the island were seen. Yaws of various kinds remain the chief disease. One case of apparent tuberculosis and several tropical ulcers were treated. One woman with abdominal pain was removed to Losuia for examination and possible operation. Of passing interest is one case of periodic epilepsy, whose seizures have occurred for many years past. The natives say his condition is due to puri-puri and his periods of normal behaviour due to counter-measures which they perform. I was unable to provide them with an explanation of his condition any more logical to them. This medical patrol was very thorough, the orderlies worked hard and all villages were visited at least twice, some even more often. As Cpl. Hall, E.M.A. made the last patrol in September, this island has been well covered in recent times and further periodic patrols will make a considerable impression on the incidence of yaws.

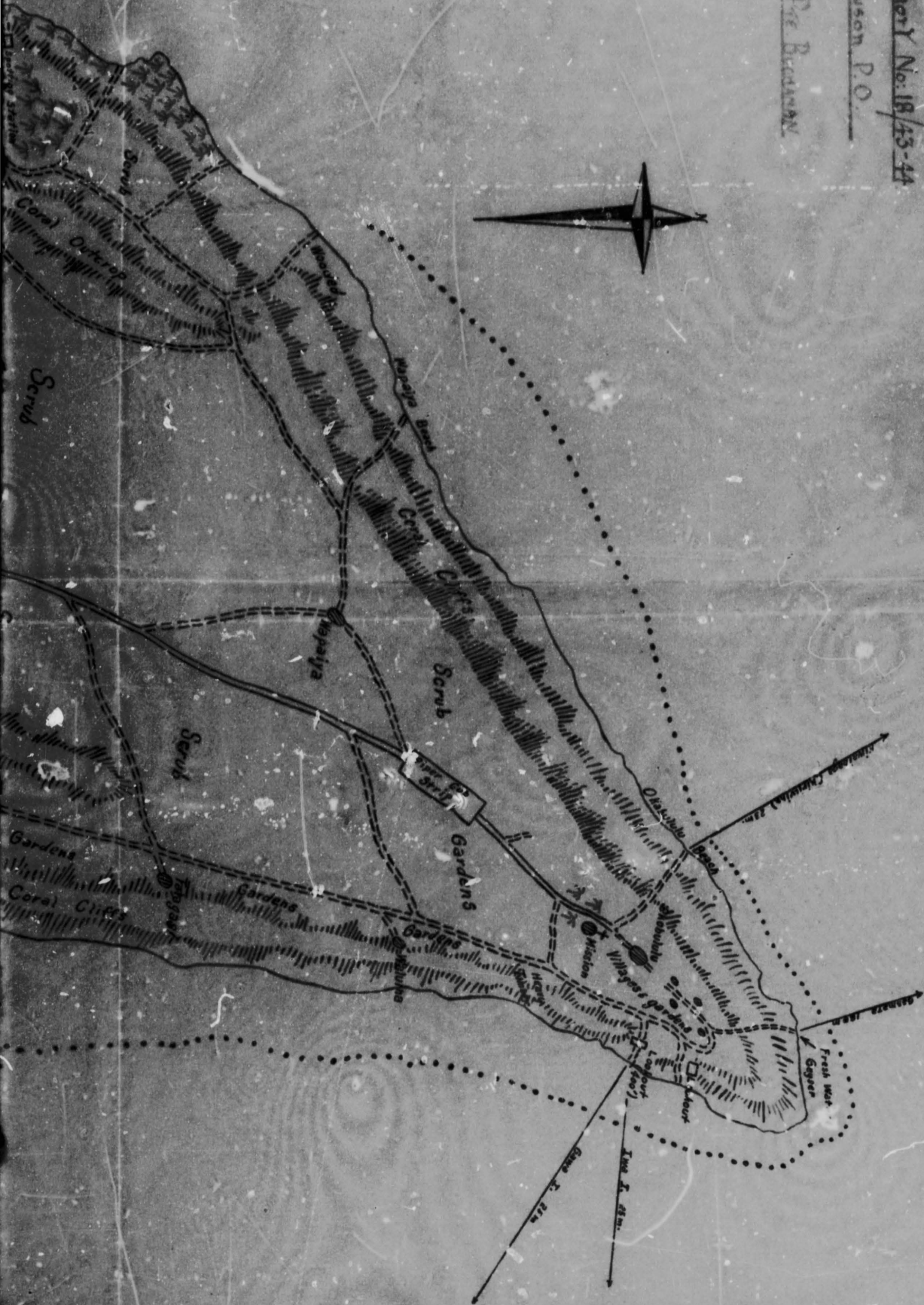
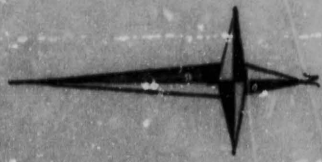
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(GX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson).

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KITAVA IS.

To Accompany Patrol Report No. 18/43-44
Traced by R. Ferguson P.O.
From _____
Compass Traversed by Pte BICKMAN



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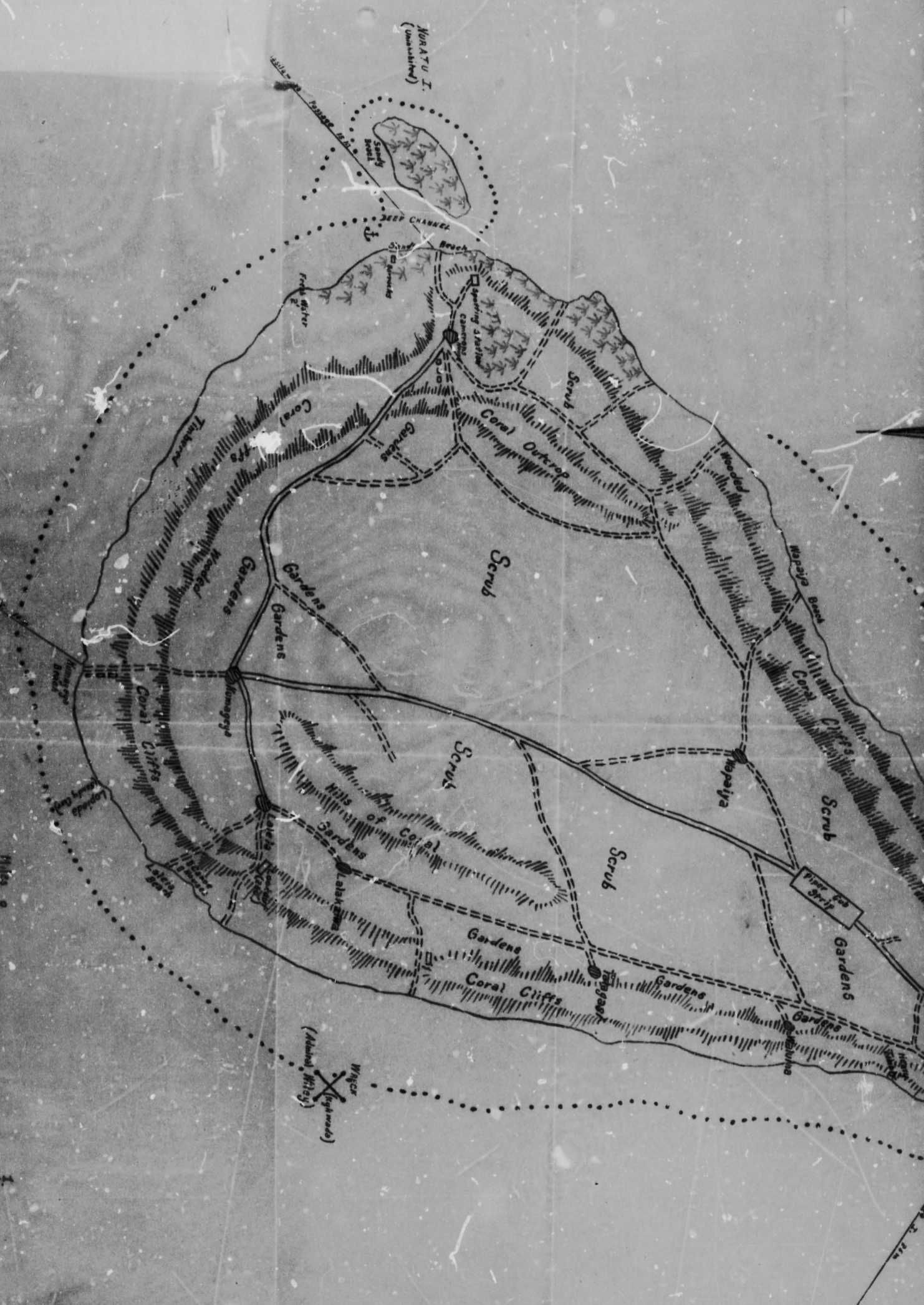
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Australian New Guinea Administrative Unit

The DC. DISTRICT
GOODENOUGH Is.

A.D.O.'s office, LOSIMA.
23rd. OCTOBER, 1945

Re PATROL REPT: No 18 '45/ALAN FERGUSON R.

RUMOURS referred to are inevitable - the more evident when Europeans persist to ingratiate themselves with simple people!
Those of a serious nature can be dealt with, provisions having been made in R.R.O. for spreading lying reports.

Under date 26/10/45 MAIL road referred to see Patrol No. 10 of '45 by Ernest Whitehouse.

MORALE: Shall visit Kitava in near future to ascertain facts concerning Mr. Ferguson's statement!

Re appointment of magistrate for native matters - such an appointment will materially assist the A.D.O. in his effectiveness.

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WILL FERGUSON, is such a man - being keen and thorough.

[Signature]
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Goodenough Is.

This report has been held up pending copies showing roadways KITAVA Isld.
From a map made by Pte A.A. Buchanan, A.W.F. Coy. stationed at Kitava. these will be posted as soon as possible.

9th. NOV. '45

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District Services,
ANGAU.
6 Dec 41.

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Patrol Reports - Losuia Nos. 18, 19 & 20 of
43-44

Receipt is acknowledged of your memo S/5-316 of 29 Nov 43 -

3. GOC has minuted your memo as follows:-

"Many matters in these reports require comment by DO."

5. Action is to be taken by DO at all times to comment on matters brought up in Patrol Reports so that this HQ may be kept informed.

4. For example, the following matters in the several reports in question require elaboration:

No. 18 of 43-44 - Whilst W/O Ferguson has since been appointed an NCO, attention is drawn to the entry under date 25 Oct 43. W/O Ferguson could have "done something". He could have inquired into the matter, or perhaps settled it "out of court". Was any inquiry made?

Rest Houses - What is intended in this direction?

Trade - Gardening is not to be subordinated to the work of carving curios. What action has been taken to fix prices to be charged by the natives for curios?

No. 19 of 43-44 - Opening para of memo by ADO dated 9 Nov 43 - To what portion of the report does the ADO refer?

Launch "Marek" - What action has been taken?

No. 20 of 43-44 - Payment to SIGIMUTU of £75 - By whom was this money due?

Entry under date 15 Nov 43 - What was result of investigation into complaint of girls sleeping aboard vessels at OKAIPWASA?

Entry under date 20 Nov 43 - Has the change in Village Councillor been confirmed by DO?

Chiefs & Officials - What other influences are at work?

Crime - Mission influence is stated to be the cause of one disturbance. Details are required.

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19 JAN 1944

ANGAU District Hqrs.
Dobu District.
GOODENOUGH ISL.
9 Jan 44.

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ANGAU.

Lesuia Patrol Report No. 18-43/44.

Ref DS letter DS 30/6/16 of 6 Dec 43.

- I. I am now in receipt of advice from the MBO whos advises as follows:-
" P.O. Ferguson is the type who would have done his best to settle any native matter immediately,"

Knowing this P.O I can endorse the ADO's remark and as the P.O made no record of the complaint it could not have been serious.

2. REST HOUSE KITAVA: ADO's advises as follows:-

"For past four years a rest house has existed on beach near NUALATO Island adjacent to OKAIPWASA, is maintained by villagers of LALILA and KUMAGNYA. A second rest house should have been built at OKOBULULA (extreme end of Isld) so far it has not materialised, next patrol should attend to this matter now that native labour has been freed in that sector."

TRADE:

"Native are aware of values - control of prices lies with the Europeans making purchases, and those people will not abide by such regulations! Natives will accept what they consider best or most satisfactory barter when dealing with Europeans." A special List has been sent out to all units on the Island stating prices of food, fish and curries."

The ADO's remarks on TRADE, are endorsed. If European personnel will not abide by the stipulated prices, and we are not in a position to police this, the natives can not be blamed for wanting more for their produce and handcraft - the courts in our own country are full of the results of such practices.

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Capt.
District Officer.

5. Please forward separate reports in regard to Patrol Reports, Nos. 18, 19 & 20, including advice on the foregoing points.

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AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

A.D.O.'s Office,
LOSUIA,
Kiriwina,
Dobu District.

REPORT of FIVE-DAY PATROL.

No: 19 of 1943/44.

9 Nov 43.

24 30/6/44

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REPORT of PATROL:

by OX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer.

TO:

ISLANDS of the LUSANCAY Group, including KAWA, SIMSIM and TUMA, also KAILLEUNA, MUNAWATA and KUIAUA Islands of the Trobriands Group.

DATE LEFT STATION:

Thursday 4 Nov 43.

DATE RETURNED:

Monday 8 Nov 43.

PURPOSES of Patrol:

Ordered by A.D.O., Capt. Whitehouse, to make a general Administrative patrol of LUSANCAY Group and also Kailleuna, Munuwata and Kuaia Islands. To check the census. To deliver stores and personnel to Spotting station and bring back sick personnel.

PATROL Accompanied by:

(a)

OX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer,
Mr. Ralph S Bird, U.S. Intelligence. (Attached ANGAU).

(b)

-3 Constables of Royal Papuan Constabulary.

(c)

1 Interpreter. Launch "Marek" used for transport.

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2 Crs of N.G. A.W.W. Coy.

MAP:

Refer to "4 Mile Strategic Series New Guinea TROBRIANDS" I. First Edition." ad.

LAST PATROL:

Capt. E Whitehouse, A.D.O. 18 Sep 43 - 23 Sep 43.
See Patrol Report No: 15/43-44.

Medical Patrol: Capt. G Vernon, M.C. during Oct 43.

DAILY:

4.11.43. Left Losuia Government Station at 0935 hrs in "Marek" with Mr. R S Bird of U.S. Intelligence Corps and Pte. R Hovey of A.W.W. Coy., and stores for Kawa. Hoisted sail in strong S.E. wind. Dinghy broke loose and was recovered. Arrived at KAWA at 1730 hrs and landed stores, etc at Kalaumu'a beach. Moved to Rest House at OGIGIKU village. Saw Sgt Webb i/c A.W.W. Det.

5.11.43. Assembled whole population and checked the Census. Various seeds were issued for planting. Morale here is high and TOKITAVA has achieved added status by virtue of his Loyalty Medal. At night the full story of his deed was told with great enthusiasm. We walked across the island to KITAKONI beach and then over various pads to inspect the gardens. Embarked in "Marek", crossing to NOLEI, an uninhabited island with permanent water and gardens of the Kawa people. There is no water on Kawa. Went on to MNATAGINA island, the scene of Tokitava's deed. Returned to Kawa.

6.11.43. Heavy rain delayed start but left Kawa with Pte. Froome of A.W.W. Coy at 0905 in fresh S.E. towing a SimSim canoe. Arrived at SIMSIM at 1135. Unloaded stores. Went to Rest House on KONIA island, and found roof had been repaired. Met Headman (Tokaraiwaga) and councillor. Assembled people, checked census and issued seeds. A theft of betelnut reported. Inspected gardens and found mosquitos very bad. Water is brought from neighbouring island of KONIAINA. Coconuts are plentiful and there is some small mangrove. At night talked with the chief re his lines.

7.11.43. Heavy S.E. blowing and start delayed until wind abates. Sailed at 0930 and reached SILEPWAKA at 0930. Entered the big lagoon and anchored.

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Patrol Report No: 19/43-44. continued. (2).

7.11.43. Obtained several items for Intelligence. This lagoon is the home of myriads of seabirds. Proceeded from lagoon at 1045 and sailed to TUMA anchoring at 1350. Assembled all people and checked census. Received information of flotsam at BWOIMAGA island and sailed over. Went ashore and found signs of former Japanese occupation. Recovered a dinghy. Continued to KADUWAGA on KALBUWA Island but arrived after dark due to engine trouble. Chief TOBAIWAGA paid his respects.

8.11.43. Inspected village and then checked the census. Visited Chief Tobaiwaga's house to see various treasures and also a minor chief who was sick. A new church is being built here. This is a well-kept village and the health is good. Loaded "Marek" and sailed in fresh N.W. Wind to MUNAWATA Island. Dinghy broke loose and was recovered. Landed at Munawata village and checked the census. More seed was distributed and the gardening encouraged. Inspected the village and found it very clean. On to KUIAUA Island where we landed and checked the census. Distributed the remainder of the seeds. Fruit trees issued by other officers years ago are growing well here. Left again and reached LOSUIA Government Station after a slow trip due to engine trouble.

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VILLAGES: The six villages visited were all in good order and there are no complaints. At both Kawa and Simsim there are no food houses as in the other villages in the Trobriands.

REST HOUSES:

KAWA: A bathroom has been added and this house is in good order.
 SIMSIM: The house is quite good but there is no police barracks or latrine. These have been ordered and should be completed by the next patrol.
 KADAI: This is close to TUMA on a separate island but was not visited.
 KADUWAGA: The roof still leaks slightly and further repairs were ordered.
 KUIAUA: In first-rate condition.

ROADS:

There is a good track from Kalaumu's beach to OGIGIKU village on Kawa, but no roads on the other islands.

CHIEFS & OFFICIALS:

The Chief for all these islands is Tobaiwaga of Kaduwaga, who is a genial soul and has considerable influence. He is quite co-operative. The islands all have councillors who do a good job with little enough supervision.

TRADE:

These island people appear to trade and inter-marry amongst each other to a considerable degree. Their canoes are very sturdy and the strong winds and high seas appear to add zest to their voyages.

AGRICULTURE:
Etc:

Kawa gardens are flourishing and the gifts of seeds were very welcome to them. Mangoes are particularly profuse and they eat breadfruit a great deal. Simsim gardens were in good order. At Tuma the gardens were not seen but are in course of preparation. Seeds were issued at both Munawata and Kuaiaua. Munawata has plenty of poultry and there were many eggs for sale.

CRIME:

One case of theft was reported, but there seems to be little crime at the moment, or at least little that the natives cannot treat themselves. The need for officers, who have to patrol these outlying islands, being able to deal with cases in the Court of Native Matters is very apparent.

CENSUS:

The complete Census of all villages visited was checked, and an Analysis of the present population is as follows:

Village.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Births.	Deaths.	(1943)
KAWA.	26	30	56	3	-	
SIMSIM.	21	19	40	1	-	

AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

Patrol Report No: 19/43-44 continued. (3).

<u>CENSUS:</u>	Village.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Births.	Deaths. (1943).
	Bro't Fwd.	47	49	96	4	-
	TUMA.	15	11	26	1	2
	KADUWAGA.	114	91	205	4	2
	MINUWATA.	54	34	88	1	1
	KUIAUA.	49	48	97	5	2
	TOTAL.	279	233	512	15	7

As before. I found the checking quite a straightforward matter due to the extreme care taken by Capt. Whitehouse in its compilation.

MORALE: The morale of these island people is excellent and on KAWA especially the effect of bestowing a medal is very noticeable. They will certainly continue to help any distressed airmen who may come down in these waters.

GENERAL: I wish to mention the very lively interest taken by Mr. Ralph S. Bird in all matters of administration and his keen appreciation of native problems and psychology. He helped with the census check and gave every assistance in other matters. The issue of a watch to patrol officers would be of much benefit in checking distances and other data. Being without one since my own personal wristwatch failed is a handicap.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(OX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson).

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AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

Patrol Report No: 19/43-44. continued. (4).

M E M O.

CONDUCT of Members of ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY accompanying Patrol.

No: 3169 Const. TOMAINUA.

Conduct: Good.

Discipline: Good.

Ability: My previous impressions of this man remain unaltered. Energetic, Willing and intelligent.

No: 2700 Const. WARUPI-AISI.

Conduct: Good.

Discipline: Good.

Ability: Handicapped by language difficulties, but quite useful.

Sup. R.C. Co. 3/11/53

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R. Ferguson

Patrol Officer.
(GX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson.)

AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

Patrol Report No: 19/43-44. continued. (5).

MINUTE of Medical Matters.

No Medical personnel were available to accompany this patrol. However I found that the health of the people on these small islands was very satisfactory, and the incidence of yaws, ulcers, etc seemed to be considerably less than on Kiriwina itself. One case of acute nephritis at Munawata did not wish to come to hospital though transport was offered and it is obvious she will not survive long. One apparent case of arthritis was treated. The last medical patrol through this area was made by Capt. G. Vernon, M.C. in early October '43 so the district has been attended to.

R. Ferguson

Patrol Officer.

(GX 6867 A/WO LL R Ferguson).

*Dep. to
A. D. S.
31-1-53*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES: *30/6/43*

The Do. Dobu District
ANGAU, Goodenough Isld.

A.D.O's Office, LOSUIA
9th. NOVEMBER, 1943

Re Patrol Report: 19/43-44 WO 11 FERGUSON

I do not think that you will forward this report, owing to its containing reference to enemy activities. *11/??*

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2 The members of ~~Force~~ Force during March '43 were in charge of operation around that area. The islands referred to are utilised by the various natives as fishing centres - and halting places during bad weather.

3 General: Condition of launch "Marek" has been referred to in my letters re A.N.54 "MAREK" dated 1st. October, '43 and radio 16/6/43. I have this day asked Mr. Ferguson, (in view of his report) whether he has any disinclination to travel on the "Marek"; to which he replied NO! unless there was bad weather, when he would certainly remain at anchor.

The bow-sprit needed fastening to keel bend - since adjusted, the engine stopping was due to sludge in fuel circulation system, this has since been adjusted. Meanwhile spare parts and semi-ratory are essential.

*Forwarded under cover
of DO's memo 2/5-316 of 29/11/43.
Original of 30/6/46.*

Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Capt. TROBRIANDS.

S.O.C. 3/12

11/11/43 *8/dec. 1943*

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District Services,
ANGAU.
6 Dec 45.

DC GOODENOUGH.

Patrol Reports - Losala Nos. 18, 19 & 20 of
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Lt-Col. APDS.

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19 JAN 1944

ANGAU District Hqrs,
Debu District.
GOOD ENOUGH Id.
9 Jan 44.

ADM.,
ANGAU.

Losuia Patrol Report No. 19-43/44.

Ref DS letter DS 30/6/16 of 6 Dec 43.

ADO's memo dated 9 Nov, referring to above was forwarded in error, as on my instructions this report was re-written by the P.O., deleting references to the locations where enemy survivors were mopped up by Hubt Force.

"MARUK". In the original report the P.O. was virtually reporting on the condition of this vessel - it was not considered within his province to do so, as besides his inexperience a patrol report is not considered the correct venue.

The condition of this vessel has been fully reported on by both the ABO and D.O., and, as a result of recent unfortunate accident, is u/s.

Kadoolah

Capt
District Officer.

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20 of 43/44.

NEW GUINEA GOVERNMENT
AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

AS 20/16/43

Dep to G.
Jan 1944

REPORT of ELEVEN-DAY PATROL.

A.D.O.'s Office,
LOSUIA,
Kiriwina,
Dobo District.

No: 20 of 1943/44.

REPORT of PATROL:

by QX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, 22 Nov 43.
Patrol Officer.

TO:

KITAVA Island, VAKUTA Island, NANORLI and YEGA Islets,
GLIBWA and SINAKETA areas of KIRIWINA Island, all of
the Trobriand Group.

DATE LEFT STATION:

Wednesday 10 Nov 43.

DATE RETURNED:

Saturday 20 Nov 43.

PURPOSES of PATROL:

Ordered by A.D.O., Capt. Whitehouse, to make a general
administrative patrol of KITAVA, VAKUTA and SINAKETA.
To deliver stores to personnel on Kitava. To check the
Census of Vakuta and Glibwa. To inspect Nanorli and
Yega islets for special purposes.

PATROL accompanied by:

(a)

QX 6867 A/WO 11 R Ferguson, Patrol Officer,
Mr. Ralph S Bird, U.S. Intelligence. (Attached ANGAU.)

(b)

2 Constables of Royal Papuan Constabulary.

(c)

1 Interpreter. Launch "Marek" used for transport.

(d)

No N.M.O. available to accompany patrol.

MAP:

Refer to "4 Mile Strategic Series New Guinea
TROBRIAND I. First Edition."

Also attached two tracings prepared by Mr. R S Bird.
For Kitava refer to Map attached to Patrol Report
No: 18/43-44.

PAST PATROL:

Kitava Island. WO 11 R Ferguson, P.O. 20 Oct 43 -
27 Oct 43. See Patrol Report No: 18/43-44.
Vakuta Island. WO 11 P G Saville, P.O. 23 Aug 43 -
31 Aug 43. See Patrol Report No: 12/43-44.

Medical Patrol 2 N.M.Os. to Kitava Report No.18/43-44. id
3 trained nurses to Vakuta during as
early part of 1943.

DIARY:

10.11.43. Left Losuia Government Station in "MAREK" at 0900 hrs with Mr. R
S Bird of U.S. Intelligence Corps and stores for Kitava. We went
round to Sinaketa to drop RARUA, Interpreter and 1 R.P.C. to carry
out instructions received from the A.D.O. Proceeded via Kasilamaka
Passage across to Kitava Island in very bad weather. "Marek" shipped
much water and two tons was bailed out and thrown over by hand as
the pumps will not work. Anchored at Okaipwasa. Delivered stores
and mail. We were questioned by Army personnel re rumours reaching
Kitava that the A.D.O. had been arrested for various pro-Japanese
activities. We set their minds at rest, but the existance and
propagation of such utter nonsense by Europeans is scarcely
calculated to strengthen the Government's hand.

11.11.43. Left Okaipwasa and went to Kumageya where I inspected the group of
villages accompanied by Chief Ulokomani. All was found in order.
Seeds were issued for planting. At Kumageya there is a group of
megalithic remains called Waboma and the natives keep these clean al
as instructed by the late Capt. Williams. Outside the village is
a larger formation of rough coral blocks apparently erected at a
much later date. This is called Karanatutokwai. Walked on through
gardens to Lalela, inspected village and issued seeds. Purchased a n
scale model of a Kitava canoe such as are used for Kula voyages for e
the G.O.C's collection. On to Lelakaiwa where more seeds were

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- 11.11.43. distributed, then returned to Okaipwasa via Lalela and Kumageya. Between Lalela and Kumageya I visited another group of coral blocks which are called Waboma also. At Okaipwasa I paid Sigimutu, former pilot for R.A.N. the sum of 275 being monies due to him.
- 12.11.43. Left by foot along the coast via an overgrown plantation and after visiting several gardens, ascended a vertical chimney in the coral cliffs for a height of 200 feet to reach the interior plateau and so to WAPAIYA which was in good order. Heard several complaints by the Chief and settled these. From Wapaiya we went via the main road through Bokosulupa, Kaitovila to Wasilasila, where are more megaliths known as Ilimisima. Here it was that the late Government Anthropologist unearthed a skeleton about 6 feet down lying in a layer of white sand. Then through Obutubutu to Guduwoilaka, the site of two more megaliths called Dakima. Next came Iyaleka and then the Mission station. Here I was pleased to find a police barracks and latrine had been built as ordered in my last patrol. On to Boimapoa, Samarai, Kuruwain and Tobilikoa. All these villages form the settlement known as OKOBOLULU and are in excellent order. Today there was much doing in preparation of a big mortuary feast winding up funeral rites over the past six years in connection with six deaths. On round the island to Waluma an isolated village in the Okobululu census. And then to Telegasi, a similar village in the Lalela census. Here were seen special shark-fishing gear. We continued on through Lalakaiwa, Kai'sai, Gabugabuna, Gemura, Lalela and Kumageya back to Okaipwasa, completing the circuit of the island in 8 hours walking. Near Telegasi a wide road has been cut and cleaned over the coral cliffs to the beach opposite the wreck of the S.S. Admiral Wiley. Close to this path is another small megalith similar to Ilimisima.
- 13.11.43. At Okaipwasa hearing various native complaints etc. The canoe model for G.O.C. called Tadobu arrived and was paid for. Investigated *Result?* complaints of girls sleeping aboard vessels anchoring at Okaipwasa. Chiefs, Councillors and other officials were addressed.
- 14.11.43. Sailed from Kitava at 0800 hours in perfect weather and made good crossing to GLIBWA in Kasilamaka passage. Went ashore to inspect Rest house and warn people of forthcoming census check. Ordered new kitchen for Rest House. Proceeded in Marek to Vakuta island and landed at OKINAI, where there is an excellent Rest House. Met Councillors and arranged for census check. Inspected OKINAI village, now fast dying out and checked the census. Seeds were issued. At Okinai were 6 canoes over from the Amphlet's trading betelnut and saucepans for armshells and food. Due to enemy activity such voyages are dangerous and these people were warned not to make any more. Chief Wadisoni returned from visiting the A.D.O. and reported.
- 15.11.43. Went overland to VAKUTA village, inspecting waterholes on the way. All the people were assembled and the census checked. Seeds were distributed. Instructions were given about repairing the Rest House latrine. This group of villages was in good condition. Then on to KAULAGA which lies near the opposite coast. This is a model village and the best seen so far on patrols in the district. Here again the census was checked and seeds distributed. Returned to Okinai via Vakuta and later went to Vakuta to see a dance. Interesting but monotonous to one unable to understand the songs.
- 16.11.43. Chief Wadisoni and Vakuta people arrived to repair the latrine as ordered. This was finished by the afternoon. During the day I inspected beaches along the lower end of the island past Tabua Point but found nothing untoward apart from three crocodiles or rather alligators. Discussed various native matters with the Chief and councillors.
- 17.11.43. Heard evidence in case of assault and arrested two natives for trial at Losuia. Went to Vakuta to see preparations for a big mortuary feast. Was presented with ceremonial gifts of pig by two chiefs. Loaded Marek and sailed away to Glibwa. Landed to find all in first-class order and the new kitchen an excellent job. These people seem vastly different in outlook to the Vakuta people with whom they are

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17.11.43. related. They seemed interested in the Rest House being used again as apart from the A.D.O. it has not been much inhabited.

18.11.43. The Glibwa people were assembled and the census checked. Seeds were distributed. The Marek was loaded and we sailed out to inspect NANORLI islet. We searched it thoroughly without result. It is a very rugged coral islet without water, only one small beach and the home of many pigeons. Curiously there are no coconuts. Proceeded on to YEGA, another larger islet, and landed but found nothing untoward. It is uninhabited and grows many coconuts. Passed outside MUWA island and anchored at SINAKETA. Found the Rest House to be in poor condition despite previous orders so decided to spend a day getting things in order. Inspected the Sinaketa group of villages which were rather dirty and neglected.

They must have water

19.11.43. All the people were assembled and addressed on the dirty condition of the villages etc. including neglect to carry out Government orders. All were put to work and a new kitchen was erected. The barracks' roof was repaired, new walls made and the whole area thoroughly cleaned. The latrine was dismantled and rebuilt. Their water supply at Kaibwa was fenced in. After this had been done to my satisfaction they were sent to clean the villages. Investigated a case of magic causing continuous rain to fall. Spent the evening on the Kiriwinan vocabulary.

20.11.43. Inspected Sinaketa, Korpila and Kauwola and was glad to find a great improvement. Changed one councillor who no longer resided at Kauwola. Received ceremonial gift of a yam before leaving for Losuia which was reached about midday.

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VILLAGES: With the exception of Sinaketa and to a lesser degree Vakuta, all the villages were in excellent order. Kitava villages are uniformly good, whilst on Vakuta island, Kaulaga proved to be the best village so far seen by me in this District.

REST HOUSES:
OKOBULULU: A new barracks and European latrine added.
KUMAGEYA: In fair order.
OKINAI: All in good order now the latrine has been rebuilt. This is one of the best Rest Houses in the district.
GLIBWA: A pleasant spot not often used. A new kitchen added.
SINAKETA: Now in good order, the barracks being repaired, the latrine rebuilt and a new kitchen added.

ROADS: On Kitava all are good, the main one exceptional, but the back road from Okobululu to Kumageya via Lalela needs cleaning when the young men return. Roads on Vakuta are satisfactory. Round Sinaketa not so good.

CHIEFS & OFFICIALS: On Kitava all seem to be doing their job and Okobululu people have benefited by the shaking up received on the last patrol. At Vakuta other influences apart from The Government are at work and the Vill. Con. is not too capable. The chief at Sinaketa is inept but the Vill. Con. here under supervision produced some results.

TRADE: Canoes trading from Dobu and the Amphlett's were met but were warned not to come again until advised that they can by the A.D.O.

AGRICULTURE: At Kitava much gardening activity was in evidence and the seeds issued were received enthusiastically. At Vakuta nothing much has been done yet for here the season is later than on Kiriwina. At Sinaketa a start has been made, but they aver things are held up by a certain rainmaker working overtime. Pearlling is also in progress & may affect gardening to some extent. At all places seeds were issued.

CRIME: One case of assault was examined and two arrests made at Vakuta. Mission influence was one cause of the disturbance.

CENSUS: ✓ The complete Census of all Vakuta villages plus Glibwa was checked

What is the village?

any map?

Details?

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CENSUS: and an analysis of the present population is as follows:

Village.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Births.	Deaths. (1943)
OKINAI.	11	7	18	-	1
VAKUTA.	131	134	265	10	10
KAULAGA.	47	48	95	3	3
Vakuta Island	189	189	378	13	14
GLIBWA.	18	15	33	1	2
TOTAL.	207	204	411	14	16

As before the census proved most accurate.

CIVILIAN PROPERTY:

At Sinaketa the civilian property was inspected. The property of Mr. Poole appears to be kept in good condition, Mr. Brudo's building, however, is in bad shape and much of the flooring has been removed by persons unknown.

GENERAL:

Once again I was accompanied by Mr. Bird and as before he shewed the liveliest interest in every phase of our work, besides accumulating many words for his Kiriwinan vocabulary.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(OX 6867 A/WO Lt R Ferguson).

APPENDIX:

As a matter of interest I made what enquiries I could concerning the megalithic monuments on Kitava and as far as I can ascertain Dr F E Williams the late Government Anthropologist examined them some years ago. At the north end of the island there are two groups close together; Ilimisima at Wasilasila and Dalima at Guduwoilaka; whilst at the southern end there are also two; Waboma at Kumageya and a single un-named stone near Telegasi. Dr. Williams dug at Guduwoilaka without result and then tried at Wasilasila. Here at Ilimisima or Kadikalaya as it is also called he found a skeleton at 6 feet lying in a thin layer of white sand with its head to the east and feet to the west. He also found a pig's tusk, red pigment, pumice stone and a native spoon (?) besides the skull and bones. He told my informant that the relics were those of a race of tall men who came from the East and founded two villages on Kitava near the present sites of Kumageya and Okobululu. He also said 4 men must have carried these stones up from the beach. He did not excavate at Waboma which has the most numerous megaliths and I do not think he saw the stone near Telegasi. In addition to these, there are two sets of coral blocks found in rectangular forms; one near Kumageya called Karanatutokwa and one near Lalela named Waboma. These seem to be of more recent construction than the megaliths, and the natives say that long ago men lived in them. The foregoing observations are only noted in case they may be of interest and their authenticity is not vouched for. Most of the statements were obtained from two natives who assisted in the excavations under Dr. Williams' guidance.

R. Ferguson
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Patrol Report No: 20/43-44. continued. (5).

M E M O.

CONDUCT of Members of the ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY accompanying Patrol.

No: 3169 Const. TOMAINUA.

Conduct: Good.
Discipline: Good.
Ability: A first-class policeman.

No: 2470 Const. GABO-I-Kani.

Conduct: Good.
Discipline: Good.
Ability: Another good policeman.

R. Ferguson
Patrol Officer.
(QX 6367 A/WO 11 R Ferguson).

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AUSTRALIAN NEW GUINEA ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

Patrol Report No: 20/43-44. continued. (6).

M I N U T E of Medical Matters.

No Medical personnel were available to accompany this patrol. Generally the health of the people seemed reasonably satisfactory. Yaws remains prevalent on Kitava and regular patrols would be proportionately of far greater value than isolated ones. As the census was checked and all persons were present a good opportunity for medical examination was lost, but from a layman's meagre knowledge I thought the general state of health very fair.

R. Ferguson
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

20/16/18

The DO. DOBU DISTRICT
ANCAU Headquarters
PORT MORESBY

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A.D.O's Office, LOSUIA
23rd. NOVEMBER, 1943

Re Patrol No.20,43/44 by WO11 FERGUSON, R.H.

A comprehensive patrol effected by a an interested officer, keen in his work, observant and energetic.

Fuller details of villages -megalithic remains and other matter of interest can be referred to in GAZETTEER of Trobs by E.Whitehouse & E.A.Stanton, 1943 edition.

RUMORS re A.D.O. are inevitable, mention has been made of these previously, all of European origin - being ~~unintentionally~~ sincerely deprecated by heads of local Command, personally I regard these as emanating from the cogitations of some imbecile (unknown) and laugh about the incident.

Meanwhile my popularity grows - effectiveness enhanced, which is all for the good of the task which is in hand.

General cleanliness of villages and roads - the full cultivation of available garden lands, is naturally aimed at, but there are limitations and handicaps, the great demand for curies, the prices paid for such are deterrents of no mean order! whilst the excuse of young men being absent (Signed On) does materially affect activities.' That's one reason why patrolling must be constant - apart from other vital reasons.

Forwarded under cover of
DO's memo. 2/5-316 of 29/11/43
Original on 20/16/18.

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Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
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19 JAN 1944

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9 Jan 44.

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Patrol Report - Losuia No.20-43/44.

Ref DS letter DS 30/6/16.

1. SIGIMUTU: Wages as pilot Aust Navy, 9 months @ £5/-/-pm. , also amount lodged WNL & DN a/c. total £75/-/-. Authority to pay SAM Do letter No.29, and Sam DO 28/2 of 8/8/43.
2. Girls sleeping aboard vessels. ADO advises:-
"I should imagine a few Christians or young men would be the complainants about single girls indulgence with others not belonging to their village."
The ADO can recall innumerable instances in the past where natives have been assaulted for this reason, led by the mission teachers.
3. Change in councillor has been confirmed. Village councillor TOUWEWEYA, census 16/18, gravely ill, since died, and was replaced by a man named SELAI of KAUWOLA KORPILA village, census 10/26.
4. Chiefs & Officials: "Village policeman, councillor and chiefs presumably were reminded that they were not to act as touts, accept bribes to procure, or in any way do anything to induce females to have intercourse with any one."
Annoffence under the old Iapuan Native Reg Ord.
5. Crime: ADO advises:- "Same story as above, girls walking with two natives (strangers to Vakuta) were attacked by Christians who object to others cohabiting with their single girls. This practice also, has been in vogue, for many years and appears to be part of their "faith".

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HEADQUARTERS
SIXTY-NINTH SERVICE SQUADRON
A.P.O. 928 (Unit 2)

ABM/djc

MEMORANDUM
No. 1.

29 October 1943

RUMOURS

A rumor, like a snowball, gathers weight the farther it rolls. A false rumor reduces the fighting effectiveness of a unit by destroying its faith in its leaders and brothers in arms just as effectively as a stab in the back. It is the duty of every man to tell an officer of all rumors that reach him so that they can be squashed, and the person originating can be traced.

Remember that the man originating a rumor is just as much an enemy of our cause and country as the Nips who dropped the bombs on October 5th. and should be cold bloodedly hunted down and dealt with regardless of the colour of his skin.

Rumors run down are these:

1. That the radar was not working on the morning of the 25th. False. It was working. It picked up the first flight of raiders at sea but because a Catalina flying boat was in the same area covering the return Aussie Bombers it was naturally presumed they had found a friendly ship, and just by dumb luck the Nips sneaked in. The second flight was picked up and reported, but by that time the first flight were dropping their sticks.

2. That the bombers carefully picked their targets, False. They came in so low and fast they had no time to pick any target. Like an Irishman at a picnic, every time they saw a face they swung at it. Sure the radar was knocked out, but that was only one bomb. Eleven were dropped in a native village, and twelve more were dropped in the middle of a swamp. About forty were dropped on the island, and besides hitting the radar, killing a man and slightly wounding a couple of others they reduced the fighting effectiveness of this island by blowing up a jam storeroom.

3. That was a friendly plane on the morning of the 27th. True. He gave no signal by radar, had no business over the island, and our Ach. Ack are quite proud of the fact that they provided some work for the sheet metal workers. Incidentally the pilot was not stationed here, and quite a bit of crying and moaning.

4. That an ANGAU representative was arrested this morning for espionage. False. This is definitely, positively and absolutely a lie. Both Yank and Aussie Intelligence deny it.

Captain Whitehouse has been a trusted representative of the Australian government for 25 years. When all other Whites up here had fled to the mainland, Capt. Whitehouse remained and personally evacuated over 300 natives to positions of safety.

Before our troops came up here he was on the job rescuing distressed air crews, and returning secret and confidential plane instruments to us to prevent enemy capture. He has personally killed Japs that landed here and captured others turning them over to the army. He is also an Aussie Captain. Captain Whitehouse is not only on the Ball and on the Bean, but is working 24 hours of the day.

It is the duty of all hands to run down this rumor and to let their commanding Officers know about it. If we can follow the chain of repetition we may find out who originated it, and see to it that he is properly dealt with.

By Order of Captain Thoburn;

(Signed) ALBERT B. MUSEBACH,
1st Lt. Air Corp Adjutant.

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District Office, ANGAU,
Goodenough Island,
8th March, 1944.

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The ADDS,
ADM Hq., ANGAU.

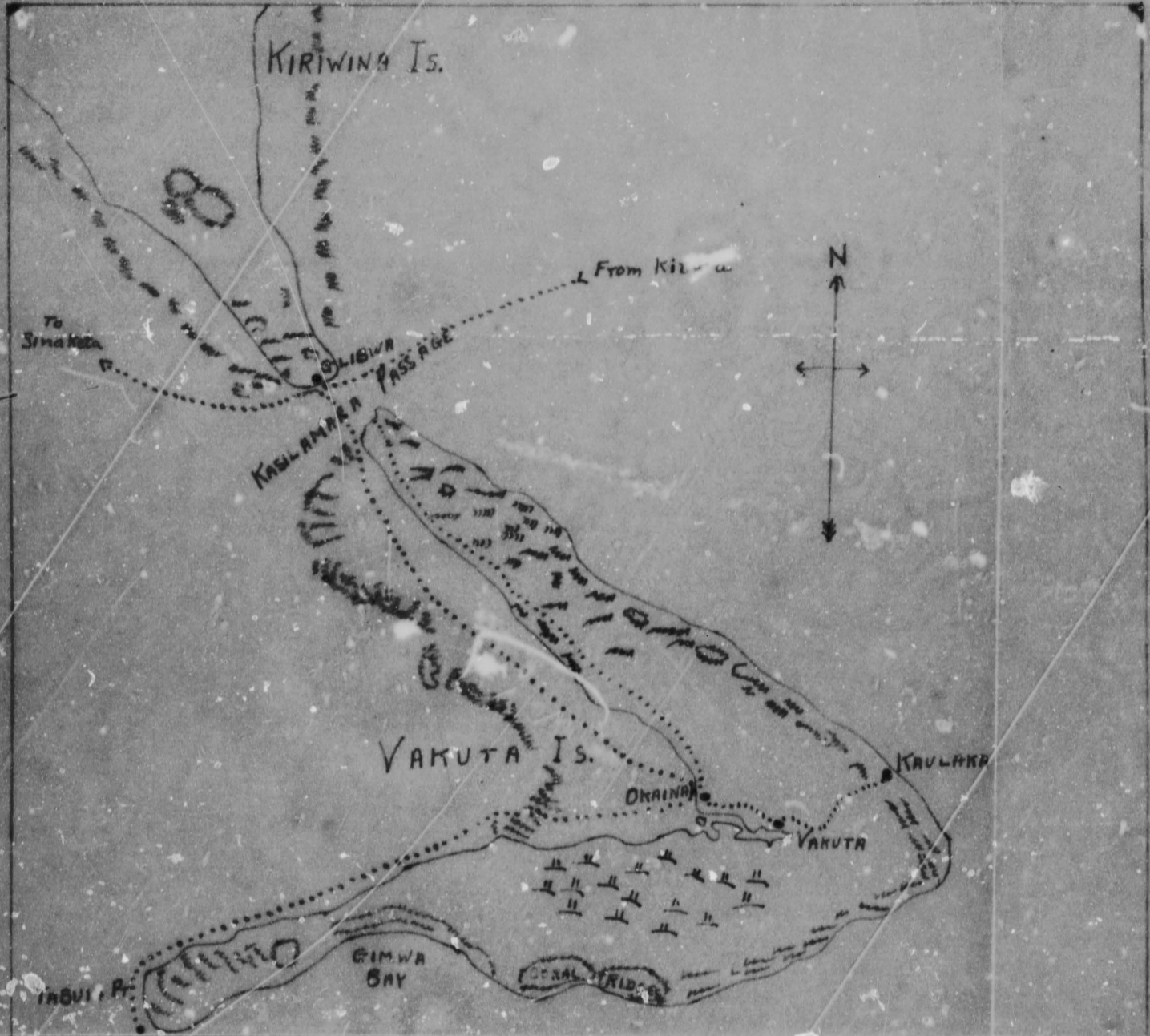
Re Patrol Report No. 20 43/44 - W.O.ii Fergusson.

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1. With reference to the statements re rumours as contained in the Diary entry of the a/n report under the date 10.II.43.
2. It is thought that the copy of the attached memorandum may be of interest.

PIA

W.O.ii Fergusson
Capt.
DC Troops, Dis.



MAP OF PATROL NO 20 of 1943-44 R. FERGUSON, P.O.

and R. S. BIRD, U.S. INTELLIGENCE

..... Native path
 HOUSE of "MAREK"

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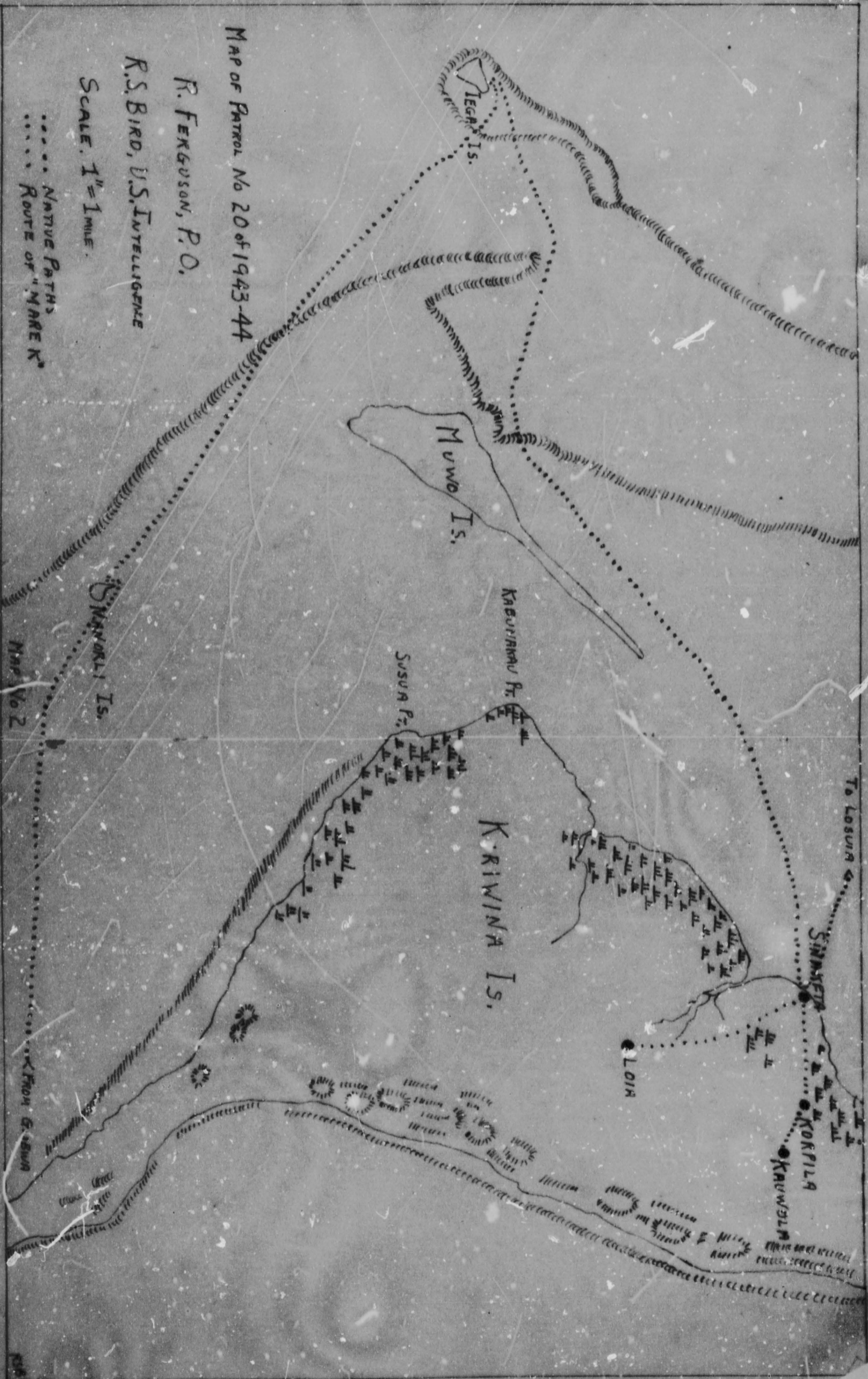
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TROBRIAND'S DISTRICT. 21/4344

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PATROL REPORT by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE A.D.O. to KAWA and Islands LUSANCAY

From: Wednesday 5th. JANUARY, to Monday 10th. JANUARY, 1944

PURPOSE of PATROL: General Inspection. Deliver Stores for "Spotters"

PATROL ACCOMPANIED by : R.P.C. Members-2. and S/L. LANGLEY, M.O. RAAF. MS

Last Patrol made to area:

(a) District Services - WO11 FERGUSON, R.H.No.19,43/44
Three visits since by ADO.

(b) Medical Officer: Capt.G.H.Vernon, M.O. 10.X.43 when he reported further patrols unnecessary for 6 months. e.

wednesday 5 JAN 44. Left Losuia and steamed direct for KAWA Island examining coastline of islets enroute, nine hours afterwards, landed mail, monthly and emergency monthly rations for "Spotters" and bedded down for the night.

Thursday 6 JAN 44. Commenced work amongst villagers of OGIGIKU, Kawa Isld. All were present, hence a suitable opportunity to explain context of G.O.C's message. The significance of this oration was enhanced by further presentation of trade goods, Knives, tomohawks and tobacco to the six rescuers of US personnel from crashed bomber off Matagina Island, 1.1.43. to maximum of £5. ns

Hence a good day was had by all - it was most evident that the Government is indeed, paternal and beneficent and the general health and well being of this community was admired and commented upon by Dr. Langley (the guest passenger).

Friday 7 JAN 44 Journeyed to SIM-SIM and called the roll of the residents of K KONIA village. The G.O.C's message was given at this point - was well received and anxious expressions that they too, should have an opportunity to assist distressed air-men, in the near future. Truly these denizens of the outlying islets are keen and ambitious to do something to help (by assistance) the war effort.

Good health and cheerful dispositions predominated, so departed for Kayaua Island.

Saturday 8 JAN 44 Called census in village NUATUBA then visited the Islet MUHAWATA, called roll of inhabitants in this village called LIAGI. Good health and cheerful dispositions were evident - the G.O.C's message was fully explained in both villages, the substance of which was favourably commented upon by various members.

Left Kayaua for Kaileuna Island and anchored in bay on shores of which, KUDAWAGA & KAUWAKIENA villages stand.

Sunday 9 JAN 44 Commenced work, called census, accounted for all those enumerated, read G.O.C's message to them and explained fully, that now all the signed on labour was once again in residence at home, that bigger and better gardens was expected of them.

Examination of land under cultivation was well pleasing, this was commented upon too!

Visited TAUWEMA village, KOMA and also CSIWASIWA villages, following the same routine as at Kaduwaga. TOBEWAGA the Chief of all this area accompanied the party with due ceremony adding an air of distinction to the proceedings.

Here in these villages the well proportioned, disease free natives - well dressed and sprightly disposition was markedly present.

An attempt to recruit men for R.P.S. and medical school, I am sorry to say - did not materialize.

Monday 10 JAN 44 Visited villages of BULAKWA, KAISIGA, LEBOLA and GIVA (all Kaileuna Isld). Called roll and inspected all natives - read out G.O.C's letter to attentive bodies of natives. Having inspected their garden areas, offering all encouragement, departed for Govt. station.

VILLAGES: All villages KAWA, SIM-SIM, KUYAUA, MUNAWATA and on the island of KAILEUNA were inspected- notice given to a few owners to houses in good repair or re-build.

WATER-HOLES: Satisfactory and fenced against polution by village pigs where necessary. At Kuyaua, Capt G.H.Vernan, M.C. suggested introduction of water tank, this order will be complied with so soon as a tank is made available.

REST-HOUSES: One each maintained at KAWA, SIM-SIM, KUYAUA Islds. On Kaileuna Island, one is maintained at Kaduwaga, another midway between Giva and Lebola villages of easterly coastline.

ROADS: These wide roads (ten feet) lined with coconut palms link up all the villages on the northern aspect of the island. Swamp lands to the south exclude such work - best means of communication is by canoe.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE: This amounts to the inherent cultivation of yams, taitu, sweet-potatoes and now adays maize, pumpkins, melons being main vegetables introduced. Good and expansive garden tracts are under cultivation and the growth good;

GOC's Letter to Village Constables & Councillors

The reading of this letter in and throughout the islets mentioned, was listened to, with rept. attention. Sundry men in the audience expressed their desire to be of greater assistance, the ways and means were easily explained.

One question was received from TOBEWAGA, chief of the group visited: " Did the G.O.C's receive that limestiek - I gave to WO Ferguson for transmission?" all I could do was to assure him the present had been forwarded - and being a busy man, would in the near future acknowledge receipt!

Capt. G.H.Vernan in his report to the A.D. Lousia, 12.12.44 stated: "There is little disease in the outlying islands & further patrols will be unnecessary for some time."

However on Kaileuna Isld particularly Bulakwa and Kaisiga villages - I thought it advisable to ensure best standard of existing conditions. As a result Sgt. Fraser paid a visitation on 17 JAN 44 and effected essential work, conveying the worst cases to A.D. Lousia for hospitalisation.

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Patrol No.21 of 43/44

For APC.

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Losuia, Trobriands

ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

Reg No.3169 Constable TOMAINUA.

Conduct: Very good.

Discipline: Very good.

Ability Good in all things

Remarks: Good constable.

Ernest Whitehouse Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

Patrol No.21 of 43/44

Losuia, Trobriands.

ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

Reg. No.1348 Constable PETOTU.

Conduct: Satisfactory.

Discipline: Good.

Ability: Good.

Remarks: Satisfactory.

Ernest Whitehouse Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

Patrol No.21 43/44

Losuia, Trobriands.

MINUTE of MEDICAL REPORT

The general health and mental outlook of islanders, most encouraging. On all islands except KAILEUNA there was a complete absence of active ulcerative conditions.

Capt. G.H.Vernon in his report to the ADO Losuia, 10.x.44 stated "There is little disease in the outlying islands & further patrols will be unnecessary for some six months."

However on Kaileuna Isld. particularly Bulakwa and Kaisiga villages - I thought it advisable to inform Sgt Treuer of existing conditions. As a result Sgt Treuer paid a visitation on 13 JAN 44 and effected essential work, conveying the worst cases to N.H. Losuia (on board A.N.54 "MARER") for hospitalisation.

Ernest Whitehouse Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

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*Duplicate of Report to G.O.C. ADMS
Attachments to RPC*

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Patrol Report No. 41/43-44 Capt. E. Whitehouse.

Two copies of the above report are forwarded herewith.

2. Under date 6 JAN 44 Capt. Whitehouse mentions the payment to natives for services rendered to unfortunate airmen. It is extremely pleasing to note that he is paying such strict attention to the basic principle underlying successful native administration - the keeping of promises and the due payment of just debts. The reading of the G.O.C.'s letter must carry much more weight when accompanied by the payment of a debt of this nature.

3. The limstick mentioned in the last para of the report seems to have been forwarded direct from LOSUIA and it did not pass through this office. Chief TUBEWAGA is a man of much character and his gift would be more than an idle gesture.

D.M. Rutledge
D.M. Rutledge Capt.
A.D.O.
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A. Q. [Signature] 23/2
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Patrol Report No. 41/43-44 - Capt. E. Whitehouse.

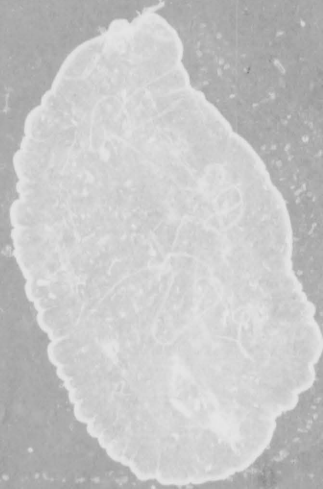
Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned Patrol Report forwarded under cover of your Memo. No. 30/6 of 7th February, 1944.

Please cause Chief Tobewaga to be thanked for the linstick he forwarded to GOC.

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DMS & KA.

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TROBRIANDS DISTRICT: 22/43-44

REPORT OF A PATROL BY EDDIE A. STANTON, PATROL OFFICER, TO KITAVA ISLAND

FROM: Saturday, 22nd January to Friday, 28th January, 1944

PURPOSES OF PATROL: General Inspection

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY: R.P.C. Members - 5

LAST PATROL MADE TO THE AREA BY:

- (a) District Services - W/O R. Fergusson on 20th November, 1943
- (b) Medical Assistant - Two N.M.O's on 27/10/43

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Saturday, 22nd January:

Left LOSUIA on AN 54 at 0940 hours and arrived at KITAVA anchorage at 1600 hours.

As the grounds of Mr. Cameron's dwelling were greatly overgrown, local natives were put to work weeding and making the area clean.

Sunday, 23rd January:

Proceeded along the new motor road and then along the main native road to the village of WAPAIYA. Continuing on the wide road, we passed through the villages of BOKOSULUPA, KAITOVILA, WASILASILA, BOMAPOF, BOIAWOLA, GILIGILIYA, IALAKA, KASARUPA, TABILIKOA, and SAMARAI. All these villages are collectively known as OKABULULA and are under the able eye of village constable Kainikwa.

Near the OKABULULA Mission, all the village councillors and village constable gathered to hear the interpreter read the G.O.C's message. It was listened to in rapt attention.

Monday, 24th January:

At OKAIPWASA. Lalala people cleaning area in and around the Rest House.

Investigated several native complaints during morning and afternoon. Three natives were given sentences for fighting.

a Chief Ulokamani paid his respects, and requested that an extraordinary yam (it must have been at least 8 feet) be sent over to Captain Whitehouse as a token of his esteem for this Officer.

In late afternoon returned to OKABULULA village to set sight for new Rest House.

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Tuesday, 25th January:

At OKAIPWASA. Heavy rain falling all day.

Visited KUMWAGEYA and LALELA villages, passing through the garden lands en-route. It was pleasing to see so much land under cultivation, and so well cared for.

The people of KUMWAGEYA village were immediately set to work on clearing up the centre of the village, which was littered with coconut leaves. Half an hour's work sufficed to bring this village into a clean state.

The G.O.C's message was read to the village constable, councillors, and people of both villages.

Wednesday, 26th January:

At OKAIPWASA.

Paying off labour that had been used for maintaining the motor road to the U.S. Station, which runs from the beach to the north of the Island.

Court for Native Matters held.

Thursday, 27th January:

More indentured laborers signed off.

Proceeded to KUMWAGEYA, LALELA, LALAKAIWA, and TREGASI, villages. In the latter two villages, the G.O.C's message was read.

AN-54 arrived in from LOSUIA at 1530 hours.

Friday, 28th January:

Left OKAIPWASA, Kitava Island, at 0930 hours on AN-54, arriving LOSUIA at 1600 hours.

VILLAGES:

All villages on KITAVA are now in good condition. Water holes are fenced in, and the general sanitary arrangements satisfactory. Houses requiring repair received immediate attention from their owners.

REST-HOUSES:

A new Rest-House is under construction at OKABULULA. The main Rest-House at OKAIPWASA is in good order.

ROADS:

The roads on this Island are wide and well kept. The populace has consistently laboured upon them.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE:

The planting of new gardens is now drawing to a close and, judging by the area under cultivation, next season's returns should be splendid. The boys who were signed off at Kiriwina recently, upon their return, lost no time in getting their gardens into tip-top shape once again, which is very commendable.

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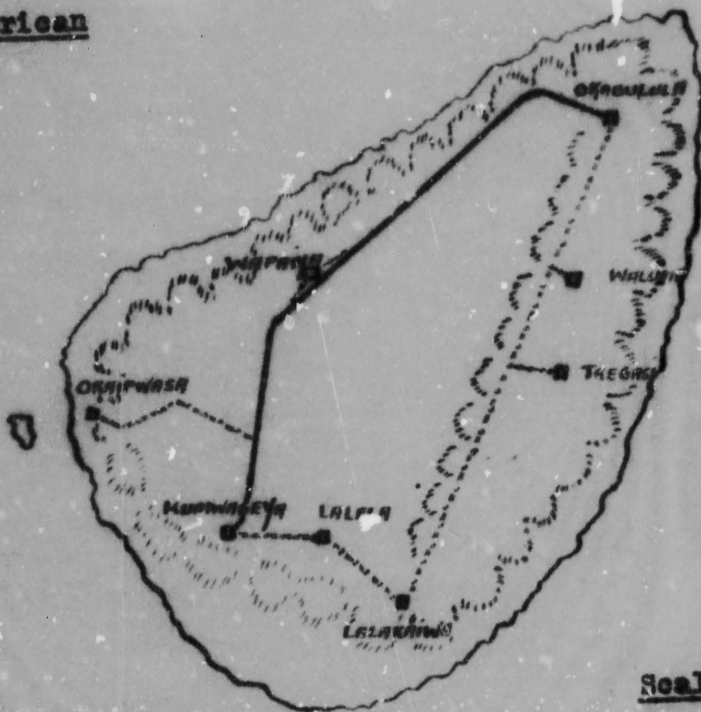
GOC's LETTER TO VILLAGE CONSTABLES & COUNCILLORS:

This letter was read to all village constables, village councillors, and assemblies of natives, on Kitava Island. Keen interest was displayed by all and at KUMWAGHYA village Chief ULOKOMANI presented to the Patrol a number of curios for onward transmission to the Governor - Major-General Morris.

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Aerial Map:

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Eddie A. Stanton
W/O II
Losuia, 1st February, 1944

ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

PATROL NO. 22/43-44 TO KITAVA ISLAND TROBRIANDS DISTRICT BY:

Eddie A. Stanton, Patrol Officer:

Reg. No: 2470 Constable Gaboi-i-kari:

Conduct: Very good.

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Excellent policeman.

Reg. No: 2814 Constable Banteba:

Conduct: Good

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Good policeman

*Dep passed to
CO, R.P.C.*

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Reg. No: 2273 Constable Kaiba-Kavua

Conduct: Satisfactory

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average policeman

Reg. No: 2136 Sama-Kavita

Conduct: Satisfactory

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average policeman

Reg. No: 2082 Constable Warebai-Kauba

Conduct: Satisfactory

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average policeman

Eddie A. Stanton P/O.
Eddie A. Stanton: W/O II

PATROL NO 22/43-44 TO KITAVA ISLAND

MINUTE OF MEDICAL MATTERS

The general health of the populace on Kitava Island appears sound. Three cases were brought over to Losuia for treatment at the Native Hospital.

E. J. [Signature]
Patrol Officer
TROBRIANDS DISTRICT
Losuia, 1st February, 1944

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A.D.O.'s Office, Losuia, Kiriwina
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Re Patrol Report 22/23/44 Eddie A. Stanton.

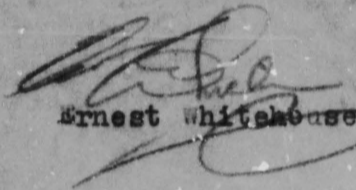
Mr Stanton performed a hurried trip of inspection, was handicapped by bad weather and was withdrawn before patrol was completed he will return again in the near future.

It would appear obvious that he accomplished much in a short period - with characteristic thoroughness and consideration for the natives concerned.

Court case referred to is one of fighting - penalty dealt out was reasonable and should tend to curb ambitious contestants.

In fact, an effort was made to enlist men for R.P.C. especially those prone to fighting - unfortunately without success, regrettable in fact - would much like to see Trobrianders in the Force.

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Capt,
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

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re Patrol Report 22/43-44 W.O.ii. E.A.Stanton.

Herewith two copies of the above report, together with relative comments by Capt. E. Whitehouse.

2. The report itself is very pleasantly neat and clear and suggests that the author takes pride in his work - a pleasing feature at any time, there being no pride without interest.

3. Under dates of 22nd, 24th, and 25th, mention is made of the necessity to clean village sites etc.. I think it was in his annual report 1942-3 that Capt. Whitehouse stresses that at this season gardening is paramount in importance and that all other activities take second place, and this seems to be confirmed under date 25th.

"... so much land under cultivation and so well cared for."

his work (see report)

our attaché

D. M. Rutledge Capt.
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TROBRIANDS DISTRICT 23/43-44

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REPORT of a PATROL by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, A.D.O. to KITAVA & VAKUTA Dist.

From: Saturday 19 FEB to Saturday 26 FEB 1944.

Purpose of Patrol: GENERAL INSPECTION, checking census, payment of casual labour employed on Kitava Island.

Patrol accompanied by: R.P.C. Members, total FOUR.

LAST PATROL made to this area by:

- (a) District Services: W.O.ii E.A.STANTON, 22-28/1/44
Patrol No. 22/43-44.
- (b) Medical Assistant: Two M.M.O's on 27.10.44.

Saturday 19th FEBRUARY: Left Losuia on board A.M.506 "Marek" at 0730 hours, anchored off GLIBWA village, (Kasimalaka Passage) to make inspection of village. Found grounds recently vacated by casual labourers littered with empty cans, plus 44 gall. drums full of water and mosquito larva. Issued instructions that whole area was to be knife cleaned immediately and explained to native population the significance of larva "wrigglers" in respect to malarial fever. Continued to Kitava anchoring at Nowau Islet adjoining Okaipwasa (C.B.Cameron's lease).

Inspected Rest-house on beach, also grave of Zero Pilot buried 8.10.42, grave well tended, at Kulugulagu.

Sunday 20th. FEBRUARY: Moved up to KUMOGEYA and worked this and the village inhabitants of LALELA, finding the work of checking census entries an easy matter. During the evening hours all Chiefs and subordinate rulers, together with village constables and councillors, for the second time, listened attentively to the G.O.C's message.

Monday 21st. FEBRUARY: Changed camp to rest-house, a new building at OKOBULULA. This falls short of usual standard, and must be re-built to conform with standard. All inhabitants answered to their names (excepting those working casual, on road construction).

Tuesday 22nd. FEBRUARY: Visiting all villages, giving encouragement and advice. As at Kumogeya, all Chiefs, village policemen and councillors gathered together for a discussion of future planning, stimulated by distribution of tobacco for a smoke. Having discussed matters concerning villages, roads and houses, the contents of G.O.C's message to these people was again rendered by A.D.O. who was quite satisfied that the interest was quite genuine, that they were well pleased.

Wednesday 23rd FEBRUARY: Returned to C.B.Cameron's residence at beach, interviewed native labour overseer Cpl. ELLIS, in connection with native labour (casuals) and sailed for VAKUTA Isld.

Thursday 24th. FEBRUARY: Visited OKINAI and VAKUTA villages checking population, accounting for all persons. Gathered together all Chiefs, village constables and councillors to discuss matters of intended progress, improvements intended for future work. The all essential gardening activities were stressed and requirement of seed tubers for planting at various portions of this group made quite clear.

Friday 25th. FEBRUARY: At KAULAKA village today, checking population and general administrative duties. Again inspected all villages and dwellings and roads, offering encouragement and urging others to exercise greater interest in civic pride.

Saturday 26th. FEBRUARY: Left Vakuta Island and commenced work of checking population amongst villagers of GLIBWA.

Considerable work and improvement evident since my last visit 19.2.43

Saturday 26th. Contd.

Owing to rain, some difficulty of burning rubbish experienced, but requirements are understood. Returned to Losuia, anchoring at 1600 hours.

VILLAGES: All villages found perfectly clean and dwellings (generally speaking) in splendid condition.

REST HOUSES: Two rest-houses, one situated on beach near anchorage is kept clean and maintained by villagers of Kumogeya and Lalala. Another has been built near mission station at Okabulula N.E. point of Kitava. This does not comply with general standard of rest-houses and will be enlarged, and surrounding grounds improved as soon as practicable. This rest-house is built and maintained by inhabitants of Okabulula district villagers.

ROADS: All subsidiary roads were vehicular traffic does not pass are in good order - unfortunately the main road, also detour road to anchorage has been badly cut up by heavy traffic. At the moment casual labour is being employed to restore it. Even so, much labour will be required subsequently, to perfect it.

One of the subjects discussed at Chief's meeting, is the planting up, either side of the road, with MANGOES and other citrus fruit trees, both imported and indigenous.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE: Gardening activities are well ahead and prospective garden showing splendid growth. Fresh seed has been issued for villagers such as maize, pumpkins and water melons

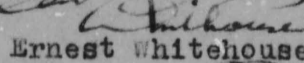
NATIVE CUSTOMS: KULA activities. Application was made to A.D.O. to proceed to Dobu to engage in this transaction of native wealth. Gave instructions they could re-condition all sea going canoes - so that when gardens were fenced and crops assured, they might proceed on their mission.

ANTI MALARIAL ACTIVITIES Throughout patrol every empty tin and utensil, together with canoes were inspected and the villagers instructed that wrigglers seen develop into mosquitos, which are the harbingers of malaria. The number of empty meat tins seen full of water - plus the marked increase of mosquitoes is something that calls for immediate attention. This serves as a final note to them that clean villages are those without empty tins and other water carrying receptacles in which larva can be found.

GOC's LETTER to Constables and Councillors: I must confess that whilst this is the second instance that the message has been delivered, their interest (apparently) is as great as on the first occasion!

Reference Map Please see No. C 56/1 American Aerial Map. For Kitava.

Reference re Vakuta and Glibwa: Strat Trobriand Islands.


Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O. Capt.

PATROL No. 23/43-44 to KITAVA & VAKUTA

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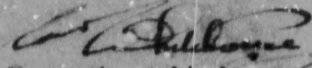
MINUTE of MEDICAL MATTERS

The general health of all villagers in these islands is good. A few cases of secondary yaws could have been treated, the Sgt in charge Nat. Hospital advised but he thought procedure of giving injections in the field - without subsequent treatments of no value!

A few chronic ulcerative, such as have defied all treatments hitherto, conveyed to Losuia, N.H. also one case of Leprosy.

At my request NOEL TOKIVINA, N.M.O. No. 187 joined me, with syringe & bismuth at Vakuta Island where he gave requisite injections and other treatments.

Conduct: GOOD.

 Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

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Royal Papuan Constabulary

30/6/28

PATROL REPORT No. 23/43-44 To KITAVA ISLAND and VAKUTA, TROBRIANDS, by:

Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

Reg. No. 2214 BAUTEBA, Const.

Conduct: GOOD

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: A good constable.

Reg. No. 2294 GAUMA AIDA, Const.

Conduct: GOOD

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average constable.

Reg. No. 2082 WAROBAL KAUBA Const.

Conduct: Good

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Discipline:

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average Constable

Reg. No. 2273 KAIBA KAVUA Const.

Conduct: Satisfactory

Discipline: -do-

Ability: -do-

Remarks: Average Constable.

Ernest Whitehouse Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

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Goodenough Island,
22nd March, 44.

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The DDDS & NA,
ADM HQ, ANGAU.

Losuia Patrol Report No. 23/43-44.

1. This patrol has been one of a routine nature and suggests that special attention was directed to corrections and additions to the census. A complete new census of the Losuia sub-district was taken in 1942 --- in fact, a commendable undertaking.
2. In the Patrol Report summary and under the heading 'Native Customs' the ADO mentions 'Kula' activities. The Kula, which concerns the exchange of native wealth and which is of major importance in the social life of the people, will be carefully watched and if deemed necessary, regulated.
3. Suitable propaganda towards malarial control measure in villages will be employed during all patrols throughout the District.

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Allen H. ...
DO Troops, Dis.

DS 30/6/28

HQ ANGAU
30 Mar 44

DO, GOODENOUGH.

LOSUIA PATROL REPORT No 23/43-44.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above Report.

2. Diary Entry - Sat. 19 Feb 44. A full report is required covering the abandoned labour camp, including information as to who was in charge of this camp and date it was vacated.
3. ^{Copy} Whitehouse makes no mention as to whether the instructions given by him for the cleaning up of area were carried into effect or what steps were taken by him to ensure that such instructions would be carried out.

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DDDS & NA.

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District Office, ANGAU,
Goodenough Island,
8th April, 1944.

The AID,
At Sea-ala.

Lossia Patrol Report No. 21/41-44.

1. The following comments are made upon the a/m patrol report in a recent LA 10 from the EDDS & SA:-
 "Daily Entry - Sat. 19 Feb 44. A full report is required covering the abandoned labour camp, including information as to who was in charge of this camp and date it was vacated.
 Capt. Whitehouse makes no mention as to whether the instructions given by him for the clearing up of the area were carried in effect or what steps were taken by him to ensure that such instructions would be carried out."
2. In your entry under 'Saturday 26th February' you make mention of your return to Milibus and which was the labour camp in question. You also make comments on 'considerable work of improvement evident since my last visit 19.2.43 (44)'.
 3. Render a full report at the very earliest opportunity of the conditions existing at this abandoned labour camp.

Walter J. ...
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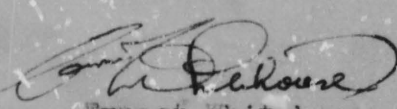
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A.D.O's Office, Losuia, Kiriwina
12th. APRIL, 1944.Losuia, Patrol Report No. 23/43-44.

1. Replying to DDDS & NA comment: A sand-spit, extending some 100 yds SE of the village of Glibwa, was utilised from 13/1/43 to 3/2/44 by 21 Signed on N/L's under control of Sgt Ward:13/12 to 22/12/43, then Cpl. Knight 21/1 to 3/2/44 on which date the area was vacated.
A shack, constructed from native material approx (12'x10') was built to house the overseer, whilst the small Govt. Rest-house and village dwellings was utilised to house the Signed on lads.
Obviously the grass around this building had not been cut, and the whole area, back to the cliff, was found littered with empty meat cans, cans of all descriptions, carrying water and mosquito larva, plus the usual odds and ends of litter discarded by natives
Even the 44 gall drum utilised to collect water at Overseers was alive with larva.
2. In contrast to this picture, the village grounds and for some distance from the outskirts of the native huts, invariably is knife cleaned, hence scrupulous cleanliness!
3. Capt. Whitehouse and his staff, when commenting upon any state or adverse condition - without exception take immediate action to rectify or remedy that condition. Therefore the residents of Glibwa villagers were called together, shown the wrigglers, and told the life history of the mosquito and apprised of diseases it conveys, malarial fever, elephantiasis, lymphangitis, etc.
Therefore, profiting by advice given - the inhabitants:-
12 men, 10 women (Adults) 5 male & 5 f'male children busy themselves collecting tins and depositing them together with other articles capable of holding water, into the sea. Then cutting down the long grass.
And this additional work should, in the A.D.O's opinion, have been executed prior to the Overseer and his labourers being withdrawn from that location.
4. COMMENT: Without reference this anti-malarial work is being rigorously carried on throughout the whole district, it is all essential for the natives welfare - even ruts in roads result of vehicular traffic will be filled in as far as possible, and as speedily as practicable.


Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O. Capt.

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19 APR 1944

District Office, ANGAU
Goodenough Island,
16th April, 1944.

The DEBS & NA,
ADM HQ ANGAU.

Losuia Patrol Report No. 23/43-44.

DISTRICT SERVICES
19 APR
ANGAU

1. Ref my memo 30/4 dated 8th April, 44.
2. The ADO's report covering the abandoned labour camp is attached hereto.

Alfred Macfarlane Capt
IC Troops. Dis

Re ✓
19/4

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24 of 43/44

TROBRIANDS DISTRICT: 24/43-44

Report of a Patrol by Eddie A. Stanton, Patrol Officer, to Kwaibwagina
and Luba Districts, Trobriands District

From: Sunday, 9th April to Friday, 14th April, 1944

Purpose of Patrol: General Inspection

Patrol Accompanied By: R.P.C. Members - 2

Last Patrol Made to the Area By: Capt. E. Whitehouse - District Services.
March, 1944:

Two N.M.O's - March, 1944

Sunday, 9th April: Left Losuia Station at 0900 hours and proceeded along a broad clean track to Oiweowa. Continuing, we next inspected Teiavi and Tokwaukwa villages, in that order. An hour's walk brought us to Oluvilevi rest house, which nestles right on the beach. Heavy rain began to fall so we decided to settle in here for the night.

Monday, 10th April: After leaving Oluvilevi, our next village was Okupukopu. Here we received fruit and fowls. Then on to Ilalina and Kapulapola, where a commodious Rest-House stands. This group of villages is in excellent shape, practically all houses having been re-built within the last six months. Heavy rain still persists.

Tuesday, 11th April: Raining heavily. Proceeded to Wasapola, Kaituvi, and Kwabula villages over a well-cleaned track. The excellent garden lands were a pleasing sight in this area.

In afternoon proceeded to Obulaku by canoe, settling in at the well-constructed Rest-House. Chief Kadilakula is to be complimented on the manner in which he and his people have looked after this building.

Wednesday, 12th April:

At 0730 hours the patrol left for Wawela village on the eastern coastline. It is a good wide track that joins Obulaku to this village. Over the steep coral ridge we went and in a short while we were at Ulakum.

Thursday, 13th April:

During the morning, the Patrol proceeded on 'Marek' to Sinaketa village. During the afternoon, visited Kauwola, Korpila, and Kumilabwaga, villages.

Dup to "C" 27/4.

Friday, 14th April:

Left Sinaketa at 0730 hours and visited Swadela, Loya, and Okaiaula, villages. Gardens here looked splendid, proving that much industry had been lavished upon them.

Left on Marek in afternoon for Losuia, arriving at 1630 hours.

Roads:

These were all in a clean state.

Villages:

The cleanliness of the villages can in no small measure be attributed to Captain Whitehouse. His order to the regional chiefs to have everything ship-shape for this Patrol was carried out to the letter. Sanitary arrangements - highly satisfactory.

Rest-Houses:

All in good repair and receiving constant attention.

Native Agriculture:

No necessity for instructions to the people regarding this aspect of their existence. Large expanses of well-filled gardenlands bore silent testimony to the amount of work done in this direction.

W.H.
29/4

Edwin A. Stanton / O II
Losuia, 17th April 1944

- ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY -

Patrol No 24/43-44 - Kiriwina Island - by E.A. Stanton:

Reg No: 2470 Gaboi'i'kani - Constable

Conduct: Good

Ability: Good

Discipline: Good

Reg No: 2700 Warupi-Aisi - Constable

Conduct: Good

Ability: Good

Discipline: Good.

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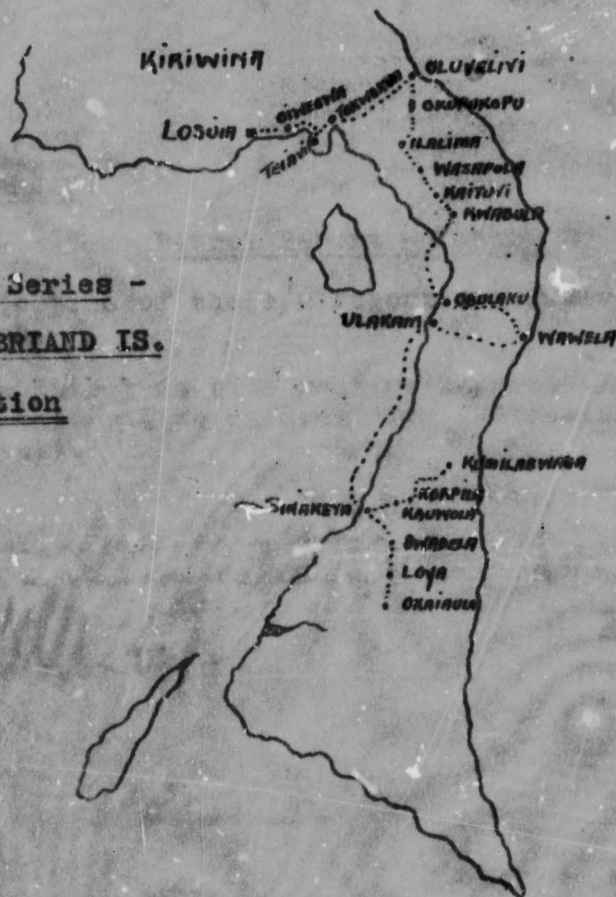
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Losuia - 17/4/44

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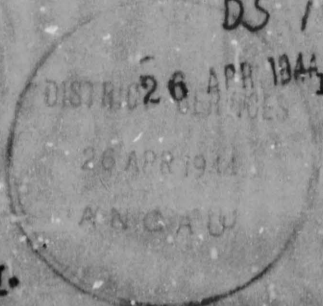
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District Office, ANGAU,
Goodenough Island,
24th April, 1944.

The DDBS & NA,
ADM HQ ANGAU.

Patrol Report - Losuia 24/43-44.

1. Two copies of the a/n report are forwarded for your information.
2. This patrol is of a routine nature. It is pleasing to see that native gardens give indications of a large harvest.

DDBS-NA.

*A routine patrol which tells very little.
No shortage of food in the land of plenty!
26.27/4.*

*Doc Miller 27/4
A. B. ... 27/4*

*William ... Capt.
DO Trobs. Dis.*

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TROBRIANDS SUB-DISTRICT: 25/43-44

Report of a Patrol by Eddie A. Stanton, Patrol Officer, to Vakuta and
Kitava Islands - Trobriands Sub-District

From: Monday, 24th April, to Saturday, 29th April, 1944

Purpose of Patrol: General Inspection

Patrol accompanied by: R.P.C. I

Last Patrol Made to Area: Capt. E. Whitehouse, March, 1944: Dist. Service
Two N.M.O's , -do- : Medical

MONDAY, 24th April:

Left Losuia on Marek bound for Vakuta Island at 0930 hours. However, heavy weather forced us to make for Sinaketa, where the Patrol remained for the day.

TUESDAY, 25th April:

Proceeded from Sinaketa to Vakuta Island, arriving at 1600 hours. Weather still inclement.

WEDNESDAY, 26th April:

Visited Okinai, Vakuta, and Kaulaga, villages. Waterholes, gardens, and latrines, inspected.

Court for Native Matters held during afternoon.

THURSDAY, 27th April:

Proceeded to Glibwa village on Marek. This small habitation on the southern tip of Kiriwina was very clean and its citizens most contented.

Into a heavy sea, we then went; and it was not until 1530 hours that we finally made Okaipwasa on Kitava Island.

FRIDAY, 28th April:

At Okaipwasa. Heavy rain falling.

In afternoon we moved along the fine, broad road that extends from the top to the bottom of this Island. The first village visited was Wapaiya, which is a short distance in from the left of the road.

From here, the cluster of villages that are collectively known as OKOBULULA were visited.

SATURDAY, 29th April:

Inspected KUMOGIYA, LALELA, LALAKAIWA, & TREGASI, villages. In afternoon left on Marek for Kiriwina.

VILLAGES:

All villages on Vakuta and Kitava Islands were clean, and the houses in good repair. Water holes and latrines were being adequately maintained.

REST-HOUSES:

These are receiving constant attention from the people, and required no repairs.

ROADS:

This aspect was highly satisfactory, the people carrying out their duties in this respect most dutifully.

AGRICULTURE:

Splendid. The harvest in the next few months should amply repay the people for their industry.

NATIVE MORALE:

The impact of War has certainly hit these people, but the blows have been softened considerably by the presence amidst them of the man they respect so much - Capt. E. Whitehouse.

Today, as hostilities gradually recede from these shores, we see the natives once again cleaning their roads, attending their gardens, and regarding the Government as their trusted friend. Soon the great invasion will be but a memory, a story to be passed from father to son, from mother to daughter.

Kiriwinans have much to be thankful for in that they had a firm and yet understanding eye forever over them when they faced the greatest trial in their history. That they have weathered the storm so well is in no small measure due to the faith and trust that they have in the Assistant District Officer, and the Unit to which he belongs.

E. A. Stanton
E. A. Stanton, O II
Losuia, 2nd May, 1944:

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- First Edition -



Patrol Report: Trobriands Sub-District 25/43-44

By: Eddie A. Stanton - W/O II

- Royal Papuan Constabulary -

Reg. No: 2470 Constable Gaboi'i'kani

Conduct: Good

Ability: Good

Discipline: Good

Eddie A. Stanton W/O II
Losuia, 2nd May, 1944:

Territory of Papua.

The DO. GOODENOUGH

A.D.O's Office, Losuia, Kiriwina
3rd. APRIL, 1944

Re Patrol No. 25/43-44 WOLL STANTON

Good work done under exceptionally trying circumstances as the weather was particularly bad, and seas owing to variable winds very poor visibility, treacherous. The usual equinoxial squalls make patrolling difficult, but the job has been done, and that well.

Ernest Whitehouse Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, ADO

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District Office, ANGAU,
Goodenough Island.
6th May, 1944.

Headquarters, ANGAU,
Southern Region.

Losuia Patrol Report - No.25/43-44 - WOii E.A.Stantcn.

1. Forwarded herewith is the a/n patrol report.
2. The patrol was purely one of a routine nature and it would appear that conditions generally throughout the area patrolled are favourable.
3. It is pleasing to hear that the yam harvest at Kitava Is. is expected to be ample to satisfy the needs of the people.

Walter King
DC Troops, DIS.

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TRCBRIANDS SUB-DISTRICT: 26/43-44

Report of a Patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, A.D.O. through N. Kiriwina Districts: KIRIWINA, TELATAULA, KUBOMA & KULUMATA.

From: Monday, 10th. APRIL to 1st. MAY, 1944.

Purpose of Patrol: General duties, especially examination of all garden areas and vacated camp sites.

Patrol accompanied by: R.P.C. 4 and 2 Interpreters.

Last Patrol this area: WOll E.A.STANTON, P/O, April 9th. several visitations to various points bt A.D.O. weekly.

Medical Dept. 3 N.M.O's during MARCH-APRIL.

MONDAY, 10th. April: Visited MAVATARIA and MULO SAIDA villages and inspected mission station (M.M.S.) OIYABIA, all situated west of Government station Losuia. (Heavy rains).

TUESDAY, 11th. April: Visited GUMILABABA, and WABUTIMA villages thence to BOITALU. Work marred by equinoxial squalls, slept Govt. Rest-House.

WEDNESDAY, 12th. April: Proceeded E. to SIVIAGILA, LOBUA and OLIESI villages - then to inspect camps and the beach area, known as Miligui, (Kaileuna passage).

THURSDAY, 13th. April: Left Boitalu visiting BUXA and BUDUWAILAKA villages en-route Ialaka across lands of a boggy nature - slept Govt. rest-house.

FRIDAY, 14th. April: Worked IALAKA village, inspected garden areas adjoining vacated camp sites - remained over night.

SATURDAY, 15th. April: Travelling N. across main swamp, visited the villages of KULUVITU, thence WSW to LIBUTIKA and return to Kuluvitu Rest-house viewing gardens and coconut plantations.

SUNDAY, 16th. April: Proceeding across main swamp, now knee-deep in mire and storm waters, visited BWOITAVAIYA, and TOBOWADA villages. Settled in at Rest-house and paid official call by W/Ca. A. MINCHIN, RAAF.

MONDAY, 17th. April: Inspected people, gardens and camp sites in and around villages MWATAUA and LABAI villages on return to Tobowada visited KOLIKWGU.

TUESDAY, 18th. April: Moved on to KAIBOLA village visiting LUEBILA and IDALIYAKA villages.

WEDNESDAY 19th. April: Visited KAPWAMI, TUWADA thence to UMTAUWA near E. coast-line. Slept Govt. rest-house.

THURSDAY 20th. April: From Umtauwa visited LILUTA and WASAPOLA, thence to KAIMWAMALA villages and garden lands.

FRIDAY 21st. April: From Umtauwa visited KUDOKAIBILIYA and DAIYAGILA villages, also surrounding garden lands roads and water supplies.

SATURDAY 22nd. April: Patrol effects sent to Omarkana rest-house visited KWAIBWAGA, KASANAI and finalised work among villagers. Accompanied by MITAKATA (Chief of Chief's) inspected garden areas, roads and vacant camp sites. Mitakata would like an European dwelling as his palace!

- SUNDAY 23rd. April: From Omarakana visited TILAKAIWA, IYOLAUOTA and WIKAILUA villages and return to rest-house.
- MONDAY, 24th. April: Still heavy rains, squalls to be precise, transferred patrol gear to KABWAKU Rest-house and worked villages of WAGALUMA, OKAIKODA and OBOADA.
- TUESDAY, 25th. April: From Kabwaku visited MWADOIYA, WAKAISA and KABULULA villages and surrounding country.
- WEDNESDAY, 26th. April: Visited OKOBOBWA and KULUA villages and returned to Kabwaku rest-house.
- THURSDAY, 27th. April: Inspected inhabitants of KAULAGU, thence to IALUMGWA, visiting temporary settlement occupied by villagers of Obwelia.
- FRIDAY, 28th. April: Working around MOLIGILAGI, thence to KAPWAPU and TOKWA'UKWA villages, inspecting camping areas.
- SATURDAY, 29th. April: TOKWA'UKWA inhabitants seen, visited TEYAVI village, made tour of garden areas and native roads
- SUNDAY, 30th. April: Visited OIWEYOWA and WASAISUYA villages, their gardens, roads and vacated camp areas.
- MONDAY, 1st. MAY, '44: Journeyed to KADUKWAIKELA, called census, inspected village dwellings, garden lands and native roads, returning to Losuia during the afternoon.

VILLAGES: All villages visited markedly clean and well kept. Dwellings found in a good state of repair, general aspect marred by incidence of scraps of timber, G.I and other fabric being incorporated in the building.

REST-HOUSES: At following centres these houses were utilised:- BOITALU, IALAKA, KULUVITU, TUBOWADA, KAIBOLA, UMTAUWA, OMARAKANA and KABWAKU. Generally speaking these were found in a good state of repair, but two will require replacement. People responsible have been issued with instructions as to requirements - the work to be commenced immediately.

ROADS: Main N-South from Losuia to Kaibola and branch from Losuia to E.coast:- Muiau Bay (adjacent to Oluvilevi-Okaiboma villages) are European made of crushed coral, splendid surface, and when depressions occur are scraped, mechanically. Future planning concerning these roads is to have them planted, 40 feet intervals, either side of the road with citrus trees, mangoes, N.G. apples and local fruits to relieve preponderance of coconut palms. (Ref: See 2nd. Edition US. No. 308245-

ROADS: Village. The main roads connect with but a few villages, in a few instances tracks can be made to connect with these arterial roads. The old system of roads must be reconditioned the chief reason being health. At present they are unrecognisable, deep ruts, depressions carry water with suitable micro vegetation which will result in a vast area breeding mosquitoes. At the onset, anopheline was admittedly rare - difficult to discover by professional malarialogists (June '43) such is not the case now! This vital matter must be handled practically:- filling in ruts with gravel being recommended as final.

AGRICULTURE: What is actually being grown effectively: foods eaten by the natives are: Yams, Taitu, Taro, Tapioca, sweet-potatoes, sweet corn, beans, pumpkins and pigeon peas. The existing gardens, necessarily are reduced in size (area) owing to large essential reservations, at two points, plus the main roads, and excavations in the form of gravel pits. Consequently increased production in some areas will be essential to supplement the food of villages affected, hence it

territory of Rakua.

The District Officer
ATIAU GOODENOUGH Isld.

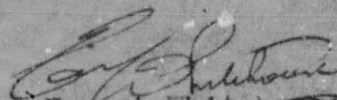
A.D.O's office, Losuia, Kiriwina
11th. MAY, 1944

Re PATROL Rpt. No. 26/43-44 Losuia

I REGRET TO STATE THE OVERSIGHT page 3, under POPULATION
Statistics; of stating number of natives in appended.

WILL YOU KINDLY ADD after "showing decrease 60," TOTAL
POPULATION THIS AREA, 5,744."

Thanks!

 Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, ADO

16 MAY 1944

would seem, local requirements must exclude possible surplus.

Present picture of Kiriwinian gardens is indeed splendid, so far as growth, cultivation and progress of crops. The same cleanliness from weeds is noticeable and I believe a splendid harvest will result.

ARTS and CRAFTS: The future of these people is assured. Development of craftsmanship has manifested itself during the past year, not only in respect of wood carving but weaving and plaiting of small articles, handbags, wallets, book covers, belts and decorative mats. Lime gourds with burnt on designs, stoppers decorated with plaited grass surmounted with boars tusks affords an excellent opportunity for these natives (both sexes) to provide articles for which a great demand exists. In normal times designs original in conception, exquisite artistry materialises as the craftsman whittles away his medium of expression. Here is a tangible means, a field of commerce possible of advancement, a practical source of revenue for all classes, whereby the native profits considerably, increasing confidence in themselves.

During the past year-when demand exceeded supply, the fineness, artistry and originality has been sacrificed, indifferent examples (specimens not worthy of collection) being produced to appease desire, exorbitant prices gladly paid to secure them.

MORALE: Visitors who are acquainted with these natives in bygone days, assure me: "They are quite as happy as ever" hence I have no hesitation in stating, morale is excellent.

POPULATION: Statistics from 1942 (compilation of new census) to date of patrol provides a few facts and figures of general interest. Amongst stone age savagery there is nothing new since all phases have been dealt with in various parts of the world. Therefore to mention abortion - procreation of sterility to regulate population proportional to food supplies is but repetition. At random I have tabulated figures regarding the nearest 1,000 denizens of various villages during present patrol:-

Adults		Minors		TOTAL	Married persons	Barren women	Largest Family.
M.	F.	M.	F.				
38	43	14	23	118.	54	17	8
19	16	15	12	62.	26	5	3
20	15	5	6	46.	24	3	5
29	22	14	12	77.	38	9	5
56	50	21	22	149.	74	14	3
18	18	9	7	52.	26	5	3
50	24	10	9	73.	36	7	6
64	53	28	21	166.	80	10	6
23	26	12	11	72.	36	7.	7
42	34	15	15	106.	50	12	7
34	25	15	20	92.	40	8	6

373 326 156 158 1,013. 492 97 -
 699 529 484 514
 Total Adults m & f, Minors M & f.
 :: A & M males A & M f'males.

Women state they are barren! Males: Sterility undetermined.

Of the SIXTY EIGHT villages under review the following table might be of interest:-----

DEATHS:	DEATHS:	TOTAL:	BIRTHS:
Over 50	Under 50		From June, 1942
160.	111.	271	211.

Showing total DECREASE 60.

All these villages are situated N.Kiriwina from Govt. Station

Population Contd.

The whole of these people have been brought into close contact with thousands of visitors - the impact has been tremendous but the writer, considering all factors in retrospect, believes existing conditions and facts, exceedingly satisfactory in all its aspects!


On conclusion of this report the ADO reports no incidence of half-castes having been born during the past two years.

VILLAGE REHABILITATION:

QBOWADA and OBWELIA, the last two villages evacuated to temporary shelters are in the process of rebuilding their new village on its original site. With joy and happy zest they received orders to commence building and it is hoped that a good standard dwelling will be erected!

Guidance and encouragement is extended to these people, especially Obwelia folk since this is the second occasion in these peoples lifetime they have been forced by warlike actions to vacate their village.

This work and that of the roads, the restoration of Rest-house at Obwelia must receive the full attention of W/E. prior to its being finally paid off.

 Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Losuia, Kiriwina, 5/5/44

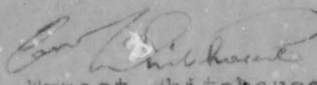
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MEDICAL REPORT:

Observations of entire population shows a comparative freedom from chronic ulcerations. Endary Yaw ulcerations seen, sporadic cases of malaria and influenzal pneumonia encountered, to a lesser degree.

The incidence of tinea imbricata needs some attention, a factor which should be constantly kept in mind.

However under existing circumstance quite a lot of work is being accomplished - and when the majority of our visitors have departed, it will then be possible to concentrate on all matters.

 Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.

Patrol Report No. 26/43-44

ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

Reg. No. 2119. GAGORE-IBINA L/C.

Conduct: GOOD.

Ability: GOOD.

Discipline: EXCELLENT.

Reg No: 2214. BAUTEBA. Constable.

Conduct: GOOD.

Ability: GOOD.


Discipline: GOOD.

Reg No: 3169 TOMAINUA Constable.

Conduct GOOD.

Ability: GOOD.

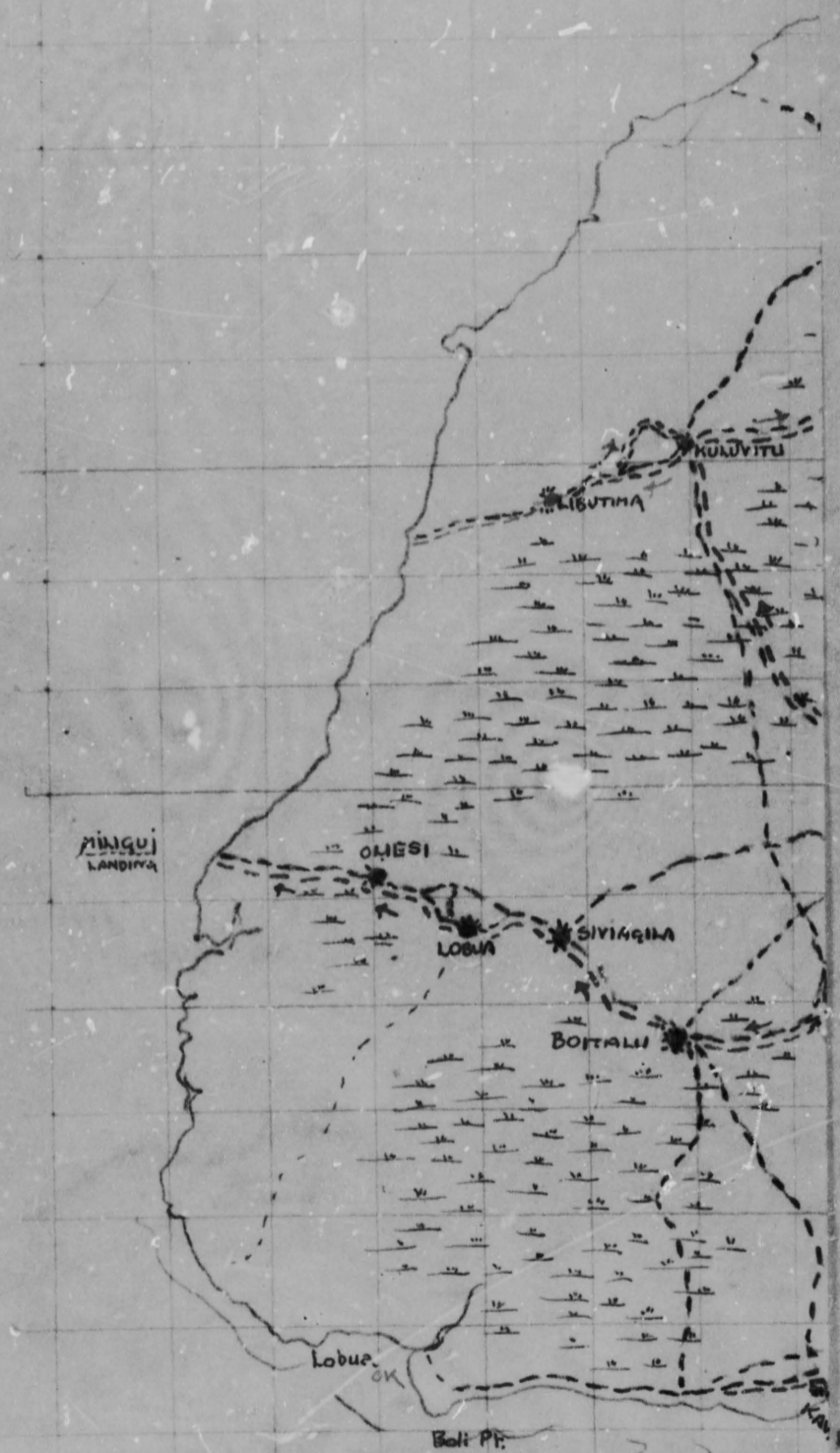
Discipline: GOOD.

 Capt.
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
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

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Trobriand Islands

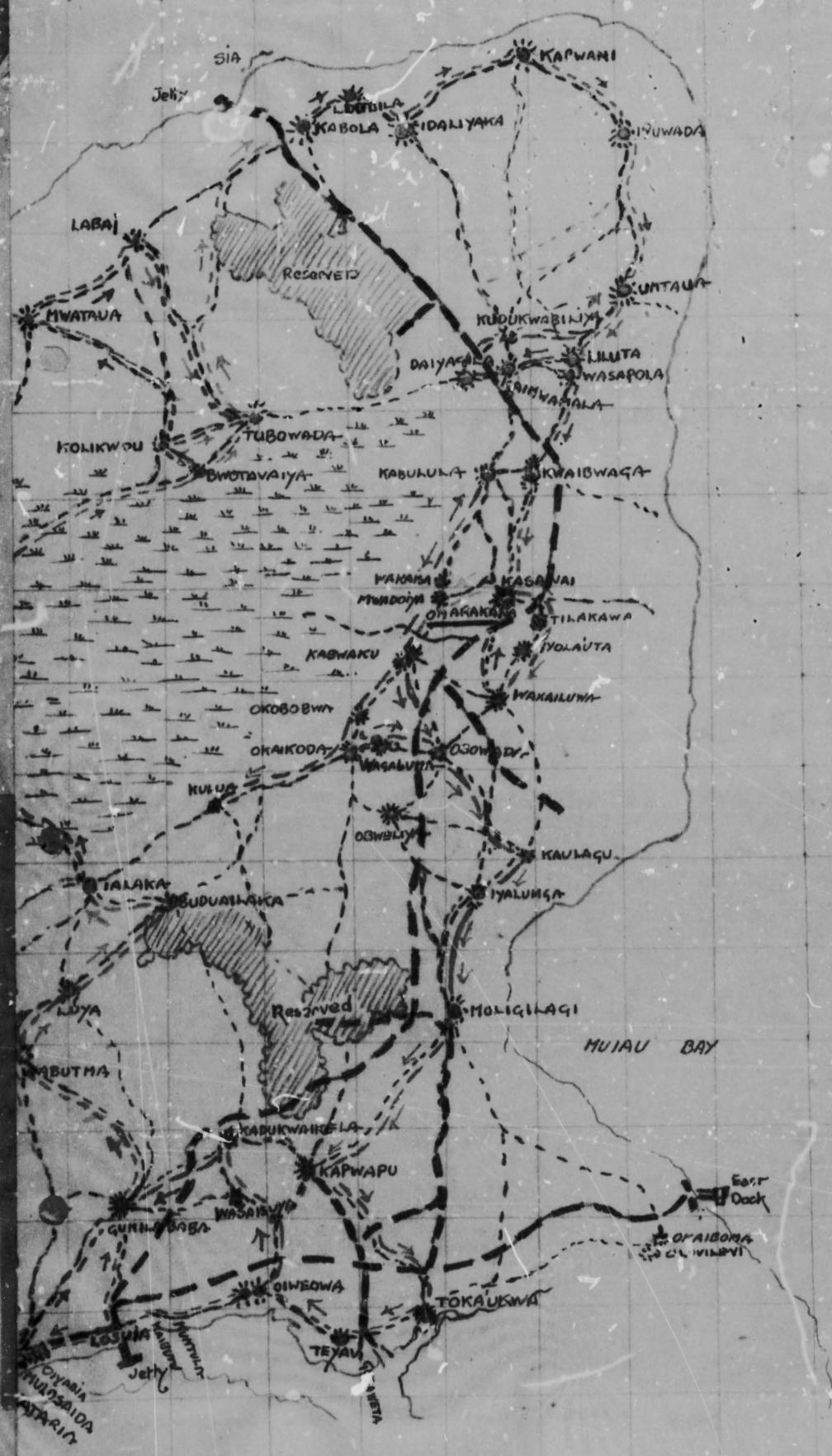
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Legend:

- Native Roads. - - - -
- Made Roads. - - - -
- Course of patrol. - - - -
- Swamps 
- Occupied areas 

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Map



For full reference to native roads,
 Made roads and
 Temporary made roads
 See above Ref Map.

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District Office, NGAU,
Goodenough Island,
17th May, 1944.

The Reg. Comd.,
Headquarters, ANGAU,
Southern Region.

Patrol Report No. 26/43-44 - LOSUIA.

1. This patrol was merely one of a routine nature. It is the policy of the District to effect a vigorous, patrolling programme.
2. The population statistics furnished by the ADO, Losuia are interesting.

Pass to Reg. Comd. & return 2/6.

W. D. T. P. S. D. S. Capt.
DO TRODS. DIS.

Hq Angau (26)

20/5.

*I have nothing to add to DO's remarks
re: out-lying maj.
cond. 3 Region.*

AMERICAN TELETYPE COMPANY

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EXECUTIVE

Ref 305

URGENT MESSAGE NO. 15 - 25/1/50

Receipt of the above report is acknowledged.

The report is interesting as are the birth and mortality figures.

From

I agree with the 1949's figures for planting seeds. I am trying to get some 1950 data locally also for this.

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copy report etc.
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Registers

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DS. 30/6/35

HQ
ANGAU

13 Jun 44.

HQ.
SOUTHERN REGION.

PATROL REPORT - LOSULA NO 26 OF 43/44.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report forwarded under cover of your memo 30/6/35 of 24 May 44.

2. INFANTILE MORTALITY. GOC has minuted the report as follows:-

"In connection with the statistics it is interesting to note that whereas the number of male adults exceeds that of females it is less in the case of minors. I think I have noted this elsewhere. Does this mean there is a higher mortality rate among female minors?"

3. Capt. Humphries has commented as follows:-

"The inversion may be accounted for by the fact that in PAFUA the death rate of women exceeds that of men. I have seen nothing that tends to prove that there is a higher mortality rate among female minors."

4. Any further information that may be available, or later become available, on this point will be appreciated.

PIA 30/6/44
B/F DS 30/6/44

MAJOR.
For DDDS & NA.
(AOD)

For information ADDS
Reg Comd. Dtd 16/6.
→ DADM's. - *Am*

& return DS for necessary action

Copy sent to Do. *Goodenough 19/6* *13/6*

In Aus. and elsewhere the death rate amongst infants & children is higher for males than females. This may cause variance in masculinity rates and.

DS. X

Lesuia

Submands

3,495 of 44/45.

TROBRIAND'S SUB-DISTRICT:

Report of a Patrol by BRUCE WHITE
Districts: Miviana and

From: Monday, 3th. JANUARY to Sat

Purpose of Patrol: General duties
and native dr
native census of population, and V

Patrol accompanied by E. R. C. B.

Last patrol (report) this area: E
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MEDICAL PATROLS: During

MONDAY, 3th. JANUARY: All patrol e
to ULTAWA re
of V.C. NUVAKAISA's (K.11) having been
my visit. Commenced work amongst

TUESDAY, 4th. January: Visited IYUWAL
Jantawa and returned

WEDNESDAY, 10th. January: Working in WAPOLA, LIEU
villages today - returned to rest-house at Uva.

THURSDAY, 11th. January: Broke camp, effects carried to Uibolia rest-
house. Worked in KUDOKABILIA and DAIVAGILA
villages enroute.

FRIDAY, 12th. January: Commenced work amongst the inhabitants under
control of V.C. MOSEUYA (K.9) KAISOLA, NUBILIA
and returned to rest-house.

SATURDAY, 13th. January: Proceeded to Idaliyaka thence to KAWANI also
known as Legova.

SUNDAY, 14th. January: Made a tour of inspection of native owned
account plantation "Luuya" consisting of 99
acres, planted 30 ft diagonally. Hundreds of palms have been ruined
by rifle fire - others sawn off and a few score knocked over.

MONDAY, 15th. January: Visited LARAI, thence to UWITAU and having
removed camp to TUBOWADA rest house, proceeded
to work in villages under control of V.C. KOKUWAIYA INABENU, (K.8).

TUESDAY, 16th. January: Working in Tubowada village thence Bwitavaiy

WEDNESDAY 17th. January. Visited KELIKUAV and INATUA today, last
named village being under control of V.C.

KOVAFU WILABUDI (K.10) Returned to Mebowada for the night.

THURSDAY 18th. January. Transferred all gear to OMARAKANA rest house
self working in KABUNILA, thence KATACAVA,
OROVAN and ORLASHIA, which villages are under V.C. COMUSAWA, (K.6)

FRIDAY, 19th. January. From OMARAKANA visited Otuva and Uluwaini
site of imposing megalithic structures. It is
with regret, I record these ancient relics of a forgotten civilization
have all been obliterated to make room for an American Military Camp.
One large stone, defaced by machine gunfire,
alone stands. Worked amongst inhabitants of KASANAI and OMUVA.

SATURDAY, 20th. January. Again accompanied by account Uluwaini
visited and worked amongst the

TEBAUOTA, and TALIKAL.

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SUNDAY, 21st. January. Carried out patrol in the area of rest-house roads, gardens and water-holes on WAKALISA, UWADCIYA and KAWAKU.

MONDAY, 22nd. January. Completed patrol in the area of rest-house roads. Some damage has resulted from the heavy rain (by these roads). A motor truck was used as a camp site. Visited UDARAVALA, (name: Kabwaku) thence to OBWELIYA rest-house.

TUESDAY, 23rd. January. Patrol gear carried to OBWELIYA rest-house, V.C. NIEMKA BUWACOLA and worked amongst people of that village.

WEDNESDAY, 24th. January. Visited OKAIKODA, WAGAIWA, OYOBARA and OBOADA, slept Obweliya.

THURSDAY, 25th. January. Making inspections of surrounding garden and roads, water holes and excavations. Attended to various complaints, which were amicably adjusted after much heated talk. These people of Obweliya were evacuated and since rehabilitated.

FRIDAY, 26th. January. Accompanied by V.C. Nigya visited KAUACU and surrounding country. On account of continued rains, patrol was concluded at this point and return was effected to Govt. Station per motor truck.

VILLAGES: All villages visited were markedly clean. Although my arrival was notified, generally speaking a high standard of cleanliness is always evident on surprise visitations.

DWELLINGS: All in a fair state of repair; but general aspect marred by incidence of timber, galvanized iron and sisal raft being incorporated in the structures. How that the preponderance of many personnel have taken their departure - and as a result of encouragement given, there is tendency to improve the "original type" of dwelling. This development has been self conceived and of course strongly advocated by ADO and his staff, such opportunities should never be missed. The new type house is known as KWA'NOU, is oblong in plan, has straight walls - open roof and from, semi-circular over a raised platform under which, occupants and visitors can discuss events protected from the weather. One other advantage this type possesses is an additional air capacity!

REST-HOUSES: At centres of each V.C.'s district are rest-houses, and barracks for members of R.F.C. UMEAUWA, KALBOLA, TUBOWAMA, OMARAKAMA, KAWAKU and OBWELIYA to name those visited on this patrol. Some of these were demolished by the troops and owing to village building programs and all essential gardening activities, replacements on a large scale - for the moment has not been pressed, albeit, the natives realise larger accommodation should be provided.

ROADS: Village. The main arterial road N.-South connects with a few villages only. - However the natives still use their old road system which is direct, cooler to walk along, having the shade of coconut palms from village to village and of course by force of habit. Personally, I too prefer the native roads, they are not so hot, or rough on the feet. Considerable work has been executed in the restoration of the village roads - but much remains to be done. A suitable motor truck is urgently required to assist in this work, to convey gravel and small stone to fill in ruts and depressions so that once again, they can also be used for jeep traffic. As previously mentioned - filling surfaces of water is costly and impracticable (under present day conditions) and it is a true saying, the initial cost might be considerable but ultimately cheaper?

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ROADS: Main.

The main road and branch main road and Okalibona villages) European felling into disrepair, owing to condition then. Much labour is by motor truck hauling gravel and holes. However without the passing traffic, casts aside all irritating and hurtful to their feet. By reference in previous at 40ft intervals, citrus fruit tree met with approval and to this was Borgenville Ivory nut. To date no and no seeds received!

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EXCAVATIONS:

At and near Kabwaku village large excavations were effected by the Forces to provide gravel for road making. One of these is below swamp level, and although used by natives as a bathing pool, should in my estimation, be filled in. A second hole carrying a permanent water supply adjacent to the air strip, likewise requires filling in. Both will receive attention, I. Lasser being used as soon as the Air Force personnel relinquish their hold on the Island. One other matter, also in respect of general health two such rubbish dumps (pits of considerable area) are left exposed to the weather, resulting, tins and other receptacles carry water and increase facilities for mosquito breeding, hence one can imagine the large amount of hand work to be done in the future. It may be possible to minimize this work by constructing a drag shovel towed by a motor vehicle?

AGRICULTURE:

There is every indication that the present years gardening efforts will yield double the harvest garnered last harvest. During present patrol I saw large areas of land under cultivation, with luxuriant growths of vines ten feet high. Several varieties of yams, taitu and kivi predominated. For a rotation crop, maize, taro, tapioca, arrowroot, pumpkins, sweet-potatoes tomatoes and French beans - also N.C. cabbage growing prolifically.

Some areas of garden land, hitherto utilised as camp sites are once again being handled with expediency. Concrete floors are being cut into large sections and employed as bedstones and curbing for native's graves in their cemeteries. Again this will result in the collection of empty tins and other vessels likely to carry water, all of which will be deposited in the several gun emplacements and covered over with other debris.

Garden fencing has not been up to standard, but few growls or complaints came to me. A shortage of timber (as could be imagined) made ritual fencing difficult, but many of the bright youths agile brains saw the solution - they employed 44 gal. drums to fill in the gaps.

LOSS of 8,000 acres. This estimate should be near truth? The two air strips each cover over 2,000 acres (with the revetments) then there is the various excavations for gravel, plus piles of roads, all land once used for gardening purposes. Fact is, the 8,000 odd acres - site of South strip, was number one garden land.

This one must realise will never again produce those outside tubers, or other food commodities. Emergency of a war like nature caused these natives to make their sacrifice, to contribute of their best! Little do they realise what blessings are theirs as a result but with stoic disposition face the future. Land that usually lies fallow (according to usage) must be made to yield every year?

The solution lies, so I believe, in the planting of crotalaria to enrich the soil! Further pot holes in the coral ridges will be utilised, but a close watch on the food problem must be maintained, by whatever officer might be in charge of this sub-station. In common with all primitive people - great shame accompanies food shortages, food stores are so disguised as to mislead visitors by causing them to think an abundance of food exists! And so an efficient, practicable man must use his powers of observation and deduction to avert serious epidemics liable to manifest themselves during periods when malnutrition

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Have again written to HQ 25/4/45

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Loss of 8,000 acres (contd)

will take its toll.

ARTS AND CRAFTS:

This all art of the natives throughout the weaving, plaiting and such like in most villages. With the execution of excellent specimens such as an example forwarded to the Valley! We have yet to return perfection predominates, but the

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MORALE:

The populace of these islands have been sorely tried since the evacuation of Europeans and the influx of innumerable white people. They weathered the storm, seeing much and learning much. The coming of so many thousands has been a revelation to them, in the main has spelt advancement? they acquired more knowledge of our ways and language in two years than probably would have been absorbed in ten years of our normal contact. In all their spheres of activities, in the building of their houses one witnesses ingenuity being employed.

Above all, smiling faces and self confident children is the predominating trait- which speaks volumes for the confidence these people place in the administration. Professor Brown of University unwittingly remarked "Never in my life have I ever imagine the existence of such a fascinating, pleasing dispositioned race of people. I must come back and learn more of these peoples psychology of life, for in every village I have been privileged to visit, happiness was evident - yet you said one group of people were engaged in a mortuary feast!"

GENERAL HEALTH:

Fine specimens of humanity passed before the A.D.C. individually. Family groups made pleasing pictures as the new born babes name was uttered for recording. Families of four, six and eight demonstrates good feeding and a bright future for these islanders. Mumps has been prevalent throughout the whole district but only isolated cases were seen on this walkabout. Gonorrhoea apparently is not affecting the birth rate to any appreciable degree.

Generally speaking the health of the natives is very good - one sees only the old chronic ulcers and the facial ulceration of gangosa, long since cured, hence one can say the medical dept. is working efficiently. Other factors contributing to the good health and contentment of the masses, was (1) the A.D.C. who has complete knowledge of these people (over 26 years) had no compound life - the employees were allowed to proceed to their respective villages, hence there was continuity of communal life, practically uninterrupted. (2) Their foreign food ration was balanced and their natural staple diet supplemented, hence multiple neuritis, angina, Vincents and other phases of deficiency diseases have not been seen.

POPULATION:

This patrol deals with 28 villages (N.Kiriwina) which were most effected by troops - some of the villages of necessity had to be evacuated (since repatriated) receiving more than their share of warlike activities, but they have come through with their usual customary stoic dispositions.

All data is taken from newly compiled census, 1942, and has been kept up-to-date so that points of interest arising from impact with large bodies of Europeans will be apparent - new census in form of Village Belicemans books have been prepared, and a key CENSUS for A.D.C.'s information.

Adults		Births		DEATHS		Period:	
M	F	m	f	m.	f.	AUG 1942 - JAN 45.	
1,275	1,303	93	86	123	107.	DECREASE	51 deaths

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Native Customs: Appendix No. 1

MAPS A complete map of Kirivina is in preparation and will be
forwarded to comply with regulations as soon as possible.

Ernest Whitehouse, Capt
A.D.O. Lesuia, Kirivina
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Reg. Comm:

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I think, since the patrol de (other things)
improved dwellings of a type ident "ACU" a rough outline
of what was considered essential in houses, for the ruling
class and hoi polloi, proceeding so means: in the mythical
good old day's of this civilisation being acquainted with
custom, inherent beliefs - a sympathy understanding of difficulties
to be surmounted will become apparen

The most powerful chief of course, the first person to emerge
from the spirit land of Tama at the behest of Topeleta, controller of
of spirit beings residing there. His appearance (the paramount chief)
was via subterranean passages, thence into a grotto situated near the
village of Labai (N Kirivina) and so into the broad daylight of this
island. So the TABALU people, KALAST Clan whose totems are the
pigeon, pig and a tree called Katsula first came to Beiyowa.

Other chiefs arrived by similar means and rank in the order of
their coming, 2nd being the GUMWESUYA people, LUKUBA clan whose totems
are fish-hawk, dog and the hard-wood tree called Laka.

Followed by the TODIWAGA people, LUKORSISIGA clan whose totems are
green parrot, alligator, and a tree called Girigiri.

Last in order to arrive being the KAITORTU people, IMULOU'BUEA
clan, totems: lory, lizard and a tree called Batiya.

He, the paramount chief, receives homage and tithes from all other
chiefs and the population in general. As a token of his high estate,
all bow whilst in his presence even when walking along the road, or
passing his house, even if he is not in sight, or remaining seated on
the ground as he approaches. Such a person, therefore, receives the
best - his house is a LISIGA (palace) and must of necessity be larger,
more imposing than those houses occupied by other chiefs and general
population.

Consequently we have the Lisiga, all other places of abode called
Bwala's - and if the paramount chief elected to build a small Lisiga,
other lesser chiefs must build smaller and the commoners smaller still.

Fear of sorcery practiced by men called Taubwaga employed by the
ruling class, assured law and order, plus the fact that this all powerful
owned the land, and stored the greater part of the tuber harvest, the
masses were beholden to him for their daily food, naturally servility
was general.

During the past 40 years a Government representative has been in
residence here - the labour of educating to break down prejudices,
improving living conditions for all concerned - has proceeded quietly
and unostentatiously and so in 1919 houses had considerably improved.

At that period the type of house prevalent had reached the following
dimensions: oblong plan, 5ft x 10ft. with arched sides, apex 6 ft above
ground level, thatched with grass from the earth to ridge pole. So one
can imagine what the air inside these buildings was like at night, when
a fire was kept ablaze to provide light, and a smoke screen as a mosquito
repellent? No crevices or opening could be permitted - since evil
spirits might place "something" on the fire and death from asphyziation
would result during their sleep.

Still one other factor was overcome during that period: a practice
not confined to this civilisation viz: burials within the houses.

Hence in the event of the husband dying or other member of the
family, the body was superficially buried in the house for varying periods
of six months to one year (or longer) the widow being incarcerated, not
permitted to emerge until decomposition was sufficiently advanced to
enable the boney structure to be taken up for the final ceremonial rites
that is, to deposit them in an orderly fashion, arranged in a clam shell,
on niches situated on the eastern cliffs. It was the wives honour, to
wear the jaw bone of deceased, roughly decorated around her neck, until
the final mortuary feast - now adays some memento for the dead survives
even though it be but a tooth, finger nail or a phalanx from the hand.

Tosua, Trob's Sub Dist. APP

Sheet No. 2

in the case of Chiefs, the Tili
Naturally this custom too
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Now aday's we find still in
measure 8ft x 12ft with upright wa
some 10 - 12ft above the ground.
the roof takes a semi-circular sweep
the building. Some of the houses
light and air can enter, most have
on which family and friends can eat
leisure hours off the ground. Some of the more daring and enlighten
natives have timbered floors about a foot above ground level, in the
sleeping portion of the house, thus allowing a free passage of air
underneath - airy and providing a damp-proof floor.

This type the "KIYAMOU" whilst not perfect is decidedly better,
a step in the right direction towards the ideal. From a structural
view point, practicable in every respect, a good flowing continuous
roof which can be thatched with grass, sago or pandanus leaf.

Offers little resistance to wind pressure - whilst the air
capacity inside is doubled.

And so, the major prejudice which predisposed the people to live
in houses devoid of ventilation - to live on the earth, fouled soil
in which innumerable organisms can live to infect the new born and
aged alike. The expulsion of light from interiors is a trait
fast disappearing, the push-outs I hope will become general so that
free circulation of air and light can be general.

Ernest Whitehouse.
Tosua, Kiriwina
Trobriands Sub-District

Reg. Comd:

Very interesting Report.

2. Roads: The main road appears to serve no useful purpose.
And I doubt if it feasible to shift a truck to KIRIWINA
for the purpose stated. Unless of course we can take over
a truck from RAAF for this work. If all ruts are
filled the ADO will not require transport - not even a
jeep, in my opinion? The whole island can be patrolled
on foot in a week. Of course a jeep ~~would~~ would be
very handy, but is it really necessary? ADO has a jeep
& trailer at present, I understand.
Col. Murray LHD Directorate of Research (Agricultural
Expert) visited KIRIWINA in Dec. '44. I understand that
yet another agricultural survey is to be made!!
We want immediate action and not numerous
surveys by experts who wish to avoid bush taxation!!

We are providing the best we can in the service and
hope to bring goronhoca under control
leguminous crops are a matter of necessity - to restore fertility in coral islands
nitrogen is the main necessity. Cane crops are one thing but better still,
crops as wing beans and peas which provide food as well as humus. Galia
should be largely introduced. The Bangainella very out-stands the best
of all roofing, can be used to make excellent sago and the ants would remove the
growing seeds of the local plants. They do not require swamp land. Citrus fruits are
the most valuable. And.

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PATROL REPORTS Nos 2

Herewith composite report in regard of the above patrols.

2. The report is exhaustive, and obviously written by an officer with a great knowledge of the people.

3. The ADO is rightly keen, and makes demands which are seemingly legitimate.

Requests for transport and machines will have to be considered on a general light. Kiriwina is only one of the many sub-Districts of the Territory, and if it becomes the policy to use machinery to a greater degree throughout, no doubt Kiriwina will get its share, otherwise the filling-in and maintenance will have to be done gradually with such means as are at present available. These matters, however, are to be reported on by the ADO.

4. Loss of 8000 Acres: This appears to be the real problem. It is the opinion of the writer that an experienced agriculturist should inspect Kiriwina with a view to introducing leguminous crops as fertilisers, so that the fallow period of remaining garden land can be reduced. Without greater productivity there will be depopulation, and the present ratio of deaths to births shows a tendency in this direction.

5. Map: The ADO regrets inability to prepare a map at present, but reference may be made to Map No.8 appearing in the Intelligence Dept. volume of information (Terrain Study No.23), or to the US Aerial Mosaic Map of Kiriwina.

6. Roads and Villages: Nut trees etc. would assist in future food problems, and this applies to most areas. It would be advantageous to have most of the roads in the Territory lined with nut and fruit trees, as was the aim of Civil Administration, but no doubt efforts could be increased in this direction under present circumstances.

*very good matter.
The report appears very satisfactory
with the exception of the map
of agricultural ground.
Shows a bit about the
people*

F.W.G. Andersen
Major,
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PATROL No 7 (Part)

Report of a patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, ADO to Kiteva Island visiting all villages: KUMOGHEYA LALELA and OKOBULULA and detached hamlets.

From: 8th - 12 AUGUST, 1945.

Purpose of Patrol: General duties - examination of gardens in respect of rotation crops - water supplies, check village policemen's census books, collection vital statistics and investigation re incidence of dysentery on that island.

Patrol accompanied by: One RPC Constable & One Interpreter.

Last Patrol this area: District services: Capt E. Whitehouse, ADO. 14th-25th FEB, 1945.

WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST: Boarded Launch "MAREK" off Mwai-uya rest-house at noon and anchored at Okeipwasa anchorage three later. Carried mails and stores for C.B. Cameron, Esq at that point. Was welcomed by V/C's MALU, TOMERU & KAINIKWA & Chief OKOKOMANI.

THURSDAY 9 AUGUST: From rest-house situated on shore of anchorage visited grave of Japanese Pilot (apparently not been interfered with) thence to KUMOGHEYA village. Was pleased with general cleanliness of grounds and dwellings. Conducted two court cases (Court N.M) and told inhabitants what was expected of them in the event of bacillary dysentery making its appearance.

FRIDAY 10 AUGUST: Worked in village of LALELA, half a mile distant from Kumogeya and found things satisfactory at that point. Amicably settled a few arguments between local lads and congratulated them on general cleanliness of village and grounds.

SATURDAY 11 AUGUST: Visited OKOBULULA via coastal road, accompanied by V/C Kainikwa and Chief Bagilisi. Commenced work at Govt. rest-house Okobulula, and was well pleased with all I saw. Meanwhile the launch "Marek" conveyed hospital patients, two trips to Mwaiuya Bay where they were collected by ambulance and conveyed to native hospital, Losuia. By last return of "Marek" received intimation that Lieut C. Parry, F/O inspector had arrived Losuia to audit A/C's.

SUNDAY 12 AUGUST: Abandoned proposed finalisation of Patrol to Vakuta and Glibwa and returned to East Jetty, from which point I returned to Govt. station per Jeep.

VILLAGES: All village grounds, even those small hamlets scattered over the island, adjacent to the main villages, were found to be clean and well kept.

DWELLINGS: Mostly of the improved KWANOU type - of those houses which were below standard, it was learnt they were occupied by aged, infirm natives who have lived their life and are now awaiting the second phase!

REST-HOUSES: One on the shores of the anchorage: Okeipwasa, maintained by the men of Kumogeya and Lalela, is kept clean, but is frequented by seafaring natives engaged in Kula transactions.

One other situated on outskirts of mission lease: OKOBULULA is a spacious building and was particularly clean. This is maintained by the villagers of Okobulula.

ROADS: There are no metalled roads - but the main earth road leading from Kumogeya to Okobulula direct is still kept free from grass, and is rapidly losing its characteristic straightness owing to the fact that no seeds have been obtainable for planting a

as agreed upon by the native land owners, when the road was first constructed. Other coastal roads link up with small hamlets around the marginal ridges of the island - but for quick transit from one of the island to the other - the road referred to is always used.

AGRICULTURE: Rotation crops were well advanced in growth - and the preliminary clearing of new garden land well in hand. They are in possession of a large quantity of tuber roots for the 1946 gardening efforts.

ARTS & CRAFTS: Sea going canoes - calling for the services of specialists can be seen in various stages of completion. In common with all art efforts, quantity has supplanted quality. However one is conscious of their inherent ability to produce the aesthetic, and I do think, in the future there will be a trend towards art for arts sake.

MORALE: High, these folk have settled down to normal existence remarkably well - following strange activities thrust upon them during 1943 onward. Fortunately there has been no destruction of garden lands, or destruction of tall timbers on a whole sale scale.

GENERAL HEALTH: There was no evidence of bacillary dysentery on the Island. Secondary yaws were evident and some twenty odd were carried safely to native hospital - Losuia for treatment. Apart from this, the general health appeared good throughout - except for a few cases of tuberculosis, (glandular) evident amongst young children.

POPULATION: The figures hereunder, shown change in population since 23rd. February, 1945. New births & deaths recorded showing an increase of three since that date.

Village:	Adults		Total	Births		Total	DEATHS			TOTAL POPULATION AUGUST 1945
	m	f		m	f		m	f	Total	
KUMOGIYA	99	99	198	3	1	4	3	2	5	197
LALELA,	182	162	344	3	4	7	2	7	9	342
OKOBULULA	207	159	366	2	3	5	2	1	3	368
Totals:	488	420	908	8	8	16	7	10	17	907

INDENTURED LABOUR: Nil 5 only employed casually by C.B.Cameron.

ELIGIBLE natives available: 100 men.

VILLAGE POLICEMEN: Three hold office on this island as follows:-

- No k 18 MALU KUNUVARIYA KUMOGIYA and all the small hamlets included (included) therein. Total Population 197
- No.K 19 TOMEKU (Almost too old) LALELA and small hamlets included therein Total Population 342
- No. K20 KAINIKWA OKOBULULA, and all hamlets included Total Population 368

Considering the small amount of supervision these police receive they are doing a good job.

Ernst Whitehouse
Ernst Whitehouse, T/Capt
ADO Losuia, Kiriwina Isld.

Report of a patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, A.D.C. to all villages situated on KITAVA ISLAND.

From Wednesday 14th - 23rd. FEBRUARY, 1945.

Purpose: General duties; examination of gardens, roads and native dwellings - paying strict attention to census work and preparation of Village Policeman's census books.

Last Patrol (report) this area: Woid E.A. Stanton, P.O. 24-29/1/44. This patrol was made possible by courtesy of the Master H.M.A.S. "TANGALUMA" No 526.

WEDNESDAY, 14th. February: Left LOSUIA, a guest of Chief Petty Officer, W.W. HARRIS. On arrival anchored off Okaipwara anchorage. Was met by repatriated civilian, C.B. Cameron Esq and invited to remain with him overnight. Delivered his mail.

THURSDAY, 15th. February: Proceeded to KUMOCGEYA village, accompanied by one interpreter, and three village policemen: was met and welcomed by ULOKOMANI of Kamageya.

FRIDAY, 16th. February: Continued work in KUMOCGEYA and LALELA villages.

SATURDAY, 17th. February: Examined all garden areas, hamlets, dwellings and water butts - being satisfied with all.

SUNDAY, 18th. February: Adjusting minor grievances and giving advice to the people.

MONDAY, 19th. February: Patrol effects transferred to OKOBUJUA village welcomed by MASILISI, a chief of Tabela descent.

TUESDAY, 20th. February: Working amongst villagers of 12 hamlets in this district.

WEDNESDAY, 21st. February: Again deeply interested in work and made good progress.

THURSDAY, 22nd. February: Completed all inspections and official business - spoke words of encouragement and gave praise in respect of spacious rest-house maintained by these people.

Returned to C.B. CAMERON'S hospitable home and examined his plantation and property in general, also his 4 Free Labourers.

FRIDAY, 23rd. February: The "TANGALUMA" arrives to convey the A.D.C. to his station, arriving at Losuia about 1 p.m.

VILLAGES: All places visited were remarkably clean, these remarks also are applicable to roads. Dwellings - in the main, are of "KAWAN'NOU" type, most built with floors well above ground level. (See Appendix 1 - Patrol Rpt. 3.4.5.) Generally speaking, these islanders are far ahead in this respect to the Kiriwinians, but there is still plenty of work to do, prejudice to combat. In some cases age is against any innovation. The salvage of 44 gal. drums have resulted in one solution of fresh water supplies for these folk, but whilst being a blessing - unless watched, as a potential breeding place for mosquitoes, will result in being a curse!


REST-HOUSES: There are two such, one on beach adjacent to anchorage kept in repair and state of cleanliness, near anchorage by inhabitants of Kumoageya and Lalele. Another erected near mission lease OKOBUJUA and is cared for by these people.

Population Contd: Whilst it would appear that there is an increase of six - possibly this number is larger owing to the six families who have transferred to neighbouring islands:- viz IWA and GWA Islands.

INDENTURED LABOUR: At the moment none are employed under C/E.

NATIVE CUSTOMS: Appendix No.2, "Population-MOTHERHOOD-Propagation" quite a brief outline.

MAPS: See Patrol Rpt No.18/43-44 by WO11 R Ferguson. A revised map will be submitted as soon as possible.


Ernest Whitehouse, T/Capt
A.M. Isouia, Kiriwina Isld.
Trobriand's Sub-District

APPENDICE No. 2.

Population - MOTHERHOOD - Propagation.

IN THE BEGINNING - most folklore commences in this strain, we find the ruling classes, Chiefs had their origin in the Spirit land of Tama (vide appendice No. 1). Whether they were born of woman is a moot point - but assuredly, subsequent successors bear a "pwasola" umbilicus, sufficient to establish this fact.

It is likewise certain, no man lives unto himself, irrespective of race, colour or creed - hence we find both sexes living together, resultingly the race is perpetuated.

Neither is it necessary to publish affinity tables "Thou shalt not marry" this or that person - being blood relatives, all that is understood, prevention of protozoan fertilisation is knowledge of clanship, sex acts within the totem "savaso" being contrary to custom, results in disgrace and punishment.

The origin of life, however is the spirit world and so a woman conceives of the spirit - not as a result of coitus, (although this act is desirable in preparation for receptivity) but a direct gift by some departed friend, a resident of Tama, known by the woman.

This intimation of conception comes to the woman's knowledge in the form of a dream - invariably her spouse receives this advice on awakening.

Thereafter ceremonial rites are practiced, such as beauty, deliverance magic, etc, regulated by and in proportion to the social standing of the female concerned.

Confinement of the person - deliverance of the child and all other offices appertaining to this event is the prerogative of midwives (exclusively) who have a good knowledge of what to do!

Unfortunately, these women are invariably old, and are not "au fait" with european laws - or the doctrine "survival of the fittest, and so families are regulated at the hands of these creatures, and to what purpose? A brief outline of a good, well balanced family is necessary. A family of girls spells misery, no matter how many, they have no future, but as harlots, marriage is denied to them because no one "loves" them. A family of four, one girl, three brothers results in all the eligible dandies, seeking her amours, intentions; marriage. This because she has brothers who will keep her well supplied with food and protect the interests of husband and wife. Hence, these old women in attendance at birth know the procedure, understand what's required and so, still one more child is born "still born" or died from natural causes shortly after delivery?

Twins and triplets are not uncommon - are last desirable of all. "Is this female a pig" that she delivers a litter? so the disgrace is obliterated promptly! and who cares?

Further it would appear that the first born, also do not, in any great percentage, survive!

During the wife's period of gestation and lactation, special food is eaten and abstinence from copulation is not possible until the child is weaned. Consequently the man is permitted to partake of the world's most fascinating and universal pastime "unwalyuni" as desire prompts him. (This is distinct from the act "kallasi", intercourse with another woman when a man's wife is receptive).

Thus the child is born and nurtured - it is "loved" and cared for - the father fondles it and finds happiness in its existence, but it belongs to the Mother, her sisters and brothers - in short, the child is of their flesh and blood, the husband is a stranger?

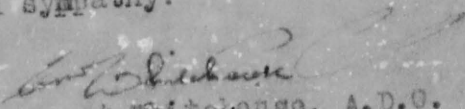
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APPENDICE No. 3 Population - Motherhood - Propagation.

the child never resembles him - to say so, is an insult; it's always like its mother.

In this short discourse, I have attempted to show the spirit existencin this civilisation - how that it (the population) is controlled by the women, as it is amongst our peoples, how married women live with husbands not for the procreation of children, but for the joy in the sex act, which is considered a normal function.

Therefore, from my observations it would appear that the women, the mothers, are the individuals who need tuition and advice with regard to the delicate subject of infanticide, a subject extremely difficult to overcome and like other vitiats - has inherent practices to overcome, with understanding and sympathy.


Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.C.
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HQ Southern Region,
PORT MORESBY

REPORT Part Patrol No. 7/44-45,
KIRIWANA.

Herewith above Report, in duplicate.

2. Population: It is gratifying to find an increase.

*Quite a good report
Presently of interest*

F.W.G. Andersen
Major,
F.W.G. Andersen,
District Officer.

*Very interesting
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Return of presence
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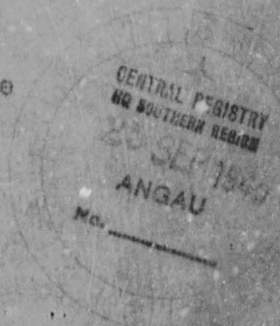
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PATROL REPORT No. 7 - KITAVA IS.

by Capt. WHIRHOUSE E.

The a/m Patrol Report is forwarded herewith in duplicate.

2. With the exception of one village there are fewer births than deaths but as noted an increase of three improves the position.

3. Now that a vessel is stationed at Losuia, Kitava will receive more frequent visits from the A.D.C.

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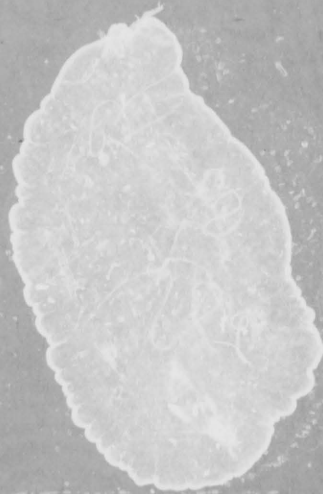
Receipt of the a/c report is acknowledged.

I am unable to understand your para 3 of your covering memo No. 673. It would appear that the population of these three villages has decreased by one and not increased by 3.

B. Champion

Major
U.S. Army

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Report of a patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, ADO. to Oiweyowa, Kapwapu, Teavi, Tokwa'ukwa, Okaiboma, Oluvilevi, Okupukopa, Ilalima, Wasapola (L), Kaituvi and Kwabalu villages, Luba Dist. Kiriwina Island, Trob's Sub-District

From 17th-23rd JULY, 1945

Purpose of Patrol: General duties - examination of garden areas in respect of rotation crops, water supplies, preparation of village policemen's census books - collection of vital statistics and investigation re incidence of bacillary dysentery.

Patrol accompanied by: One Constbl RPC and One Interpreter.

Members of medical services visit regularly

TUESDAY 17 JULY: All villages had been informed of my movements three days prior to my departure from Govt. station. Commenced work in OIWEYOWA village thence to KAPWAPU (N. of Gusauwita).

WEDNESDAY 18 JULY: Working in TEAVI village - thence to inspect leases Gusauwita (residential and business area, and R. Catholic lease, Gusauwita) situated on S. of main road leading to TOKWA'UKWA village which is one of the largest settlements in this sub-area.

THURSDAY 19 JULY: Completed census work - listened to minor complaints, and gave instructions that every case of dysentery discovered must immediately be notified to the ADO or NCO i/c N. Hosptl. Losuia, when the patient would be removed for suitable treatment. (The Chief, Councillors and village policeman have been repeatedly instructed in this matter every Monday). Proceed to rest-house, Mwai-uya Bay, (East Jetty)

FRIDAY 20 JULY: OLUVILEVI & OKAIBOMA, neighbouring villages dealt with satisfactorily and inhabitants of OKUPUKOPU all accounted for.

SATURDAY 21 JULY: From rest-house ILALIMA worked in WASAPOLA (L) (it is necessary to name district as two exist, one in Kiriwina, the other Luba district of Boiyawa!

SUNDAY 22 JULY: KAITUVI thence to KWABULA which includes the remaining natives of one other village once known as Dubwaga.

MONDAY 23 JULY: Returned to Mwaiyya Bay and so to administrative centre: Losuia.

VILLAGES: All visited were clean and tidy. Food houses gaily decorated with new paint, shells and streamers, well stocked with yams and taitu. In adjoining receptacles, seed tubers for 1946 harvest presents a gratifying spectacle. Strict attention must be paid to the outward boundaries of all villages - which from time immemorial has been the middens of this civilisation. At the time of examination they were clean.

DWELLINGS: Individual houses, taken on the whole, were satisfactory, but many prosecutions will be necessary to cause and stimulate greater pride in the housing problem. There are no instances of over crowding and the worst types are invariably occupied by the aged and infirm people awaiting their time for the transition to the spirit world! One deplores the use of galvanised iron and packing cases being substituted for native material - such when compared with a neighbours house (Sago leaf or lalang grass) can be adequately described "a pearl on a pigs snout".

REST-HOUSES: One on the shores of MWAUYA BAY, the beauty spot of Kiriwina Isld. Moderately large and is maintained by natives of Okaiboma, Oluvilevi and Okupukopu villages. Unfortunately it is utilised by seafaring natives from neighbouring islands, Kitava and Iwa Islands - particularly at this season when Kula transactions are in full swing. Special warnings have been circulated in respect of this matter.

A second rest-house occurs at ILALIMA and adjacent to the village of WASAPOLA, Luba. Both houses are moderately comfortable and kept in good state of repair throughout the year.

ROADS: The most direct road from Govt. station to all these villages is essentially native in origin. These in the early days of military occupation were utilised by the M/T vehicles and considerably damaged. I am now happy to state that they are gradually being built up to their original surface - but much remains to be done in this respect before even a bicycle can travel over them. However it is good to know that pools of water have been filled in and the ruts obliterated.

MAIN ROAD: This runs parallel a mile north of these villages W to East terminating at East Jetty (now completely washed away) at Mwauiya Bay. Small branch roads tap each of the villages dealt with in this report as far S as Kwabula - when nature of terrain prevents further road making to Obulaku or even Wawala villages. This road is still receiving some attention by the respective villagers, who seldom use it, being very hot and rough on their feet.

EXCAVATIONS: Native agriculturists of Oiweyowa, Kapwapu, Teavi and Tokwa'ukwa have had various portions of their garden lands ruined for all time by excavations for gravel utilised for road making. Claims for compensation by the various owners have been prepared and forwarded to H.Q.'s for due consideration. Not a few of the Chiefs have repeatedly approached the ADO to know when their claims will be honoured?

AGRICULTURE: Rotation crops - on lands belonging to respective villages are showing splendid growth - some of the old camp sites have been freed from cement floor and other debris and put under cultivation. This had entailed considerable work as most of the loose soil was scraped away into banks - this has been replaced by hand and a considerable number of taro plants show good growth. The garden magicians are busy cutting and allocating individual plots of land, from which secondary growth is being cut in preparation of the 1946 gardens.

ARTS & CRAFTS: CANOES construction employing specialists for the several component parts predominates in this area. The weaving of fishing nets from fibre obtained from pandanus palms is likewise an important art essential to the communities well being.

MORALE: Good: The natives in this area have good cause to be happy now that the Government have a representative living in their midst. I have stated morale is good! It will remain so, as long as an officer is in residence - let there be a second evacuation and there will be another rising. Unfortunately these native can only absorb knowledge the "hard" way and when one remembers that the ruling Chief of the largest populated village:- Tokwa'ukwa believes that he should be the paramount Chief, then one must anticipate possibilities? He, Mosiliba is growing ancient, on his demise I believe his successor will be less inclined towards creating strife, will be more amenable to reason, and progress, accompanied by content will result (result).

GENERAL HEALTH: Good with the exception that tuberculosis in various forms are evident - mainly amongst children. Sporadic cases of bacillary dysentery have been collected for isolation and treatment at N.H. Loesia. There is relative freedom in this locality from various types of ulcerations, although many disfigured features indicate that Gangosa has been most active in their midst.

At time of visitation the absence of frambosia t. was worthy of comment.

POPULATIONS Tables hereunder indicate an increase - slight as it is, that increase is encouraging. There is hope for the future of these people provided sufficient interest and attention is paid to their several doings. The figures do not take into consideration the various transfers "OUT" which have been considerable, but table is compiled from figures collected in 1942 and checked with population as at 31st. AUGUST '45.

Villages:	Adults		TOTAL	Births		TOTAL	DEATHS			TOTAL POPULATION: AUG '45
	m	f		m	f		M	F	TOTAL	
OIWEYOWA	77	71	148	7	7	14	6	3	9	162
KAPWAPU	76	59	135	5	8	13	7	6	13	148
TEAVI	49	49	98	2	5	7	10	2	12	105
TOKWA'UKWA	161	150	311	13	13	26	12	10	22	337
OLUVILEVI	90	67	157	9	7	16	7	6	13	153
OKAIBOMA										
OKUPUKOPU	113	73	191	13	4	17	4	3	7	208
ILALIMA	42	29	71	4	3	7	4	2	6	78
WASAPOLA(L)	18	16	34	2	1	3	3	4	7	37
KAITUVI	31	26	57	3	4	7	1	3	4	64
KWABULA	17	8	25	2	1	3	3	1	4	28
Totals:	654	553	1,207	60	53	113	57	40	97	1,320


INDENTURED LABOUR: Allocation of 23 I/L's is not worthy of thought.

ELIGIBLE natives available: 130

VILLAGE POLICEMEN: Two policemen have charge over ten villages and carry on their duties fairly efficiently.

- No. K 12 **KAIGUMASIMA:** Maintains order amongst villagers of:-
 OIWEYOWA, KAPWAPU, TEAVI, TOKWA'UKWA.
 Total Population 752
- No. K 13 **TEBAKOLA** OLUVILEVI, OKAIBOMA, OKUPUKOPU, ILALIMA,
 WASAPOLA (L) and KAITUVI.
 Total Population 540

No. K 14 **Tauliki,** his district commences at Kwabula.


 Ernest Whitehouse T/Capt.
 ADO Losuia, Kiriwina.

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PATROL REPORT No. 8 (Completed)

By GARDNER WHITEHOUSE B.

The a/m Patrol Report is forwarded herewith.

2. Improvement in crops and health is a pleasing note.
3. The decrease in population will be overcome by the migration to fertile land from their barren soil, and the AIO knows the position better than any other man and his remarks are endorsed.

W. G. Andersen
W. G. Andersen
District Officer

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Report of a patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, ADO to southern Kiriwina Island visiting all villages from OBULAKU ----- to OKAIAULA -----

From: 3rd - 7th. SEPTEMBER, 1945

Purpose of Patrol: General duties - examination of gardens in respect of rotation crops - water supplies, collection of vital statistics and investigation re prevalence of bacillary dysentery

Patrol accompanied by: One RPC Constable & One Interpreter.

Launch "MAREK" employed to convey effects.

MONDAY 3 SEPTEMBER: Having sent details of present patrol ahead three days past - boarded "Marek" at 2pm. and steamed to Obulaku rest-house - anchoring off at 4.30pm.

TUESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER: Was welcomed by V/Policeman TAULIKI, K 14 and his Father: Kadilakula, Chief of OBULAKU. Worked amongst the peoples of this village and was greatly pleased with general disposition of inhabitants, also cleanliness of village grounds.

In company with V/P Teuliki crossed over the coral ridge (raibwaga) to eastern coastline where I was greeted by MOSIYUNA, Chief of Wawela - the astronomer of this civilisation. Conducted inspections, checked up census and returned to rest-house.

WEDNESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER: Sent all patrol gear on to SINAKETA Rest-house and proceeded (on foot) to KUMILABWAGA village - situated on E. coast some 9 miles south. Thence to the villages of KORPILA & KAUWOLA, and then to Sinaketa rest-house.

THURSDAY 6 SEPTEMBER: In company with V/Policeman E.16 Tokavataris commenced work amongst villagers of SINAKETA. Visited BWADELA, LOYA and OKAIAULA Village, and returned to rest-house: Sinaketa being satisfied with all seen.

FRIDAY 7 SEPTEMBER: Visited MUWO ISLAND Estate (coconut plantation P.C.B. Manager Mr. Bruce Hamilton) to investigate a complaint concerning two of his native employees. This was settled satisfactorily to parties concerned. Returned to Government station anchoring off wharf at 4.30 pm.

VILLAGES: All villages visited were worthy of praise, being quite clean and the grounds including the outskirts, free from offensive matter.

DWELLINGS: Mostly of improved type "KWANOU". A few existed that were not satisfactory and action taken against one native for failing to keep his house in suitable repair.

REST-HOUSES: One situated on foreshore of Obulaku village, a second on the beautiful bay of Wawela and a third at Sinaketa. All were found to be well cared for except the barracks at Sinaketa - which, so it is stated, was damaged by the various people travelling at this time of the year engaged in Kula transactions. Orders given that repairs were to be undertaken at once.

ROADS: From Obulaku to Kumilabwaga - the contour of land excludes suitable road making - from Wawela to Kumilabwaga there is not sufficient natives in residence to keep the 9 miles of road open and free from undergrowth - but walking is possible. From Kumilabwaga to Okaiaula the roads are exceptionally well cleaned and cared for.

TROB's District: PATROL No.8 (Completed)

AGRICULTURE: Rotation crops well ahead of time, maturing. NEW GARDEN LANDS, the most extensive I have yet seen in this locality practically all enclosed in a most substantial pig-proof fence, augurs well for 1946 harvest.

ARTS & CRAFTS: Very little time is devoted to these pursuits - even that of canoe construction, more particularly the heavy sea going craft - has to be purchased elsewhere.

MORALE: At the moment I believe these people are quite happy, they have food and peace and can now work with a will.

GENERAL HEALTH: GOOD: I make this statement in view of previous findings being so pessimistic - on occasion of previous patrol in this area. T.B. was most marked in this area, so also was venereal disease for many years - then ulcerative conditions sapped away vitality in most villages - a disease which defied all known cures. Most of these have now died and the remaining population appear in good fettle. NO DYSENTERY was found - People again cautioned.

POPULATION: Hereunder figures which indicate a total decrease of 35 souls. Data is from census compiled during OCT-NOV 1942, revised SEPT 1945 by ADO, (E.Whitehouse) and can be accepted as near truth! The transfer of many lusty young men from less productive areas to more fertile ones should result in an increased birth rate in the near future. Relative to the transfers mentioned in all probability it will result in the closing down of one more village: Bwabela, now inhabited by very old people, the writing is on the wall, and I believe the natives concerned have acted wisely.

<u>VILLAGES:</u>	<u>Adults</u>			<u>Births:</u>			<u>DEATHS:</u>			<u>TOTAL POPULATION</u> <u>SEPTEMBER - 1945</u>
	m	f	Total	m	f	Total	M	F	Total	
OBULAKU	55	47	102	8	3	11	2	2	4	113
WAWELA	16	11	27	-	1	1	1	2	3	28
KUMILABWAGA	10	12	22	-	2	2	-	2	2	24
KUJWOLA	17	10	27	1	-	1	3	3	6	28
KORPILA	77	64	141	3	3	6	13	12	25	147
BWADELA	19	19	38	-	-	-	7	5	13	38
IOYA,.....	35	32	67	2	-	2	3	3	6	69
OKAIYALA	35	21	56	6	-	6	1	4	5	62
Totals:	264	216	480	20	9	29	30	34	64	509

INDENTURED LABOUR: ONE only.

ELIGIBLE MEN available: 90

VILLAGE POLICEMEN: TWO hold office in this area and are very good, efficient policemen.

K. 14 TAULIKI controls villages: KWABULA inc DUBWAGA, OBULAKU and WAWELA. Total Population: 169.

K. 16 TOKAVATARIYA controls SINAKETA, KUMILABWAGA, KAWOLA, KORPILA, BWADELA, IOYA & OKALAUULA. Total Population: 368

Ernest Whitehouse
Ernest Whitehouse, A.D.O.
Iosua, Kiriwina, Trob's Sub-D.

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PATROL REPORT PART No. 8

by CAPT. WHITEHOUSE E.

Herewith in duplicate the a/m Patrol Report.

2. This is an interesting report.
3. ROADS. Attention given by the village people is creditable
4. EXPLANATIONS. The ADO has been asked to inform the people that a decision has not been reached as yet.
5. INDENTURED LABOUR. The ADO has been advised to notice.

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F.W.G. Andersen
District Officer

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Report of a Patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, ADO. to KAVATARIA, MUILOSAIDA, GUMILABABA, WASAISUYA, KUDUKWAIKELA, and WABUTIMA villages, Kiriwina Island. -----

From 29th. June - 8th. JULY, 1945

Purpose of Patrol: General duties; examination of garden lands, roads and native dwellings, together with areas one time occupied by troops. Exercising care in compilation of village policeman's census books - the 1942 census is out of date, removals, deaths, remarriages and a general settling down by the population to customary life calls for a complete revision.

Patrol accompanied by: RPC, Two members and One interpreter.

Members of Medical services visit regularly:

FRIDAY, 29th JUNE, Patrol effects conveyed to KAVATARIA village, where I was met by village Policeman; KALAPOIYA, Reubin, No. K.1, and Chief KULAIYELA, who is also a Councillor. Weather conditions bad - high winds and black squalls

SATURDAY, 30th. JUNE: Having been greeted by Chief TOGALAI of MUILOSAIDA, who also is a village councillor, commenced work amongst the people subjecting them to exhaustive enquiries for verification of data.

SUNDAY, 1st JULY: To the tolling of mission bell and the tateo of the wooden drum calling the faithful, made myself busy entering names according to instructions in Village Policeman's census book. (Finis V/Policeman Kalapoiya, K.L. and his district).

MONDAY: 2nd. JULY: Was met at GUMILABABA by village policeman MOIYOWA TOKUNIYAKA, No. K.2 and UTOLA, Chief of Malasi clan and village councillor. Weather conditions - inclement. Made inspection tour of all houses and outskirts of village grounds - one time the middens of these peoples progenitors. Showed a lively interest in the tubers, results of native husbandry - I refer to the conical mounds of taitu and gaily painted decorated yams, five feet long being the average size the general public are allowed to gaze upon! What is the greatest length of yam cultivated this year, remains a secret (pro-tem) see appendix "BULITILAU'ULA" which gives details of ulterior motives regarding the all important question of food supplies.

TUESDAY, 3rd. JULY: In company with village policeman MOIYOWA proceeded to WASAISUYA village which might be considered a place of residence for aged and infirm natives. It is quite picturesque and always clean and well kept, the councillor being very keen and interested in his work.

WEDNESDAY, 4th. JULY: Visited KUDUKWAIKELA village today, Chief MOKAIYUNA, V/Councillor met the party at the entrance to his village. I was quite pleased with the improvements evident here - the councillor admitting the result of labour expended had been "really worth while"

THURSDAY, 5th. JULY: In company with V/P Muiyowa, K2. proceeded to WABUTIMA village and was escorted around the village by Councillor KADUBUDAGULA who wore an apprehensive look, to relieve his apparent discomfort, requested him to speak: "Yes, he was sorry there was another child suffering from bacillary dysentery. Within half an hour the child was undergoing treatment in native hospital Losuia. Having delivered my homily to stimulate confidence in hospitalisation - the serious view entertained by the Govt. concerning "hiding" and failing to report such cases, the people settled down complacently to the usual questioning for the verification of family groups - Mothers presenting new born-babies as at a christening, no one could mistake sex? Radiant Motherhood!

FRIDAY, 6th, JULY: Travelled over remaining portion of native roads in V/Police-man's K.2. area and was quite pleased with all that has been accomplished. Compiled Census Book for K.2. as all villages in his group are now finished. Praise was given according to merit, even a stone age savage will respond to personal recognition of his efforts - and justly dealt with any defaulters.

VILLAGES: All villages visited were markedly clean, and native roads remarkably improved during the past month. KAVATARIA & MUILOSAIDA in common with most fishing centres always appear less clean and the constant winds impart a bedraggled effect houses and Vegetation, even the coconut palms bear evidence of the lashing received as the midrules stand naked on the fronds.

Both of these villages are exposed to prevailing SE wind also SW. When other matters of greater importance have been accomplished - it is proposed to remove many of the coral outcrops from village dancing grounds (both villages) this will improve the general aspect and give greater freedom of movement.

DWELLINGS: In the main, the average house is quite good, but the evolved type, known as "Kwanou" predominates. I shall not mention the several advantages of this structure - to see them in juxtaposition with original huts is sufficient demonstration that it is time this problem received full attention. However one must consider local supplies which are limited to lalang grass or pandanus leaves for thatching - the prevailing winds - all factors of importance requiring consideration when new houses have to be erected (See Appendix No.1 Patrol Report 3,4,5).

ROADS: (Village & Main:) The main arterial N-S road passed thru' the Govt. station (Losuia) to Task Force H.Q.'s. at one time situated at head station of Methodist Mission, OIYABIA. W. of this Milosaida village then Kavataria. But U.S. Forces had a signal station at Boli Pt. - hence heavy trucks ploughed along the native road, now parallel with it, then when the ground became too soft ran along the beach, at low tide to Boli. (East Jetty had been washed away by heavy seas - the N.W. monsoonal rendered landing jetty at Kaibola untenable) hence OKADEWA beach situated $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of station had to be considered as a possible alternative to land ANGAU and other supplies arriving in small ships. Nothing over 6 ft draught can cross the sand bar blocking entrance to channel leading to Losuia wharf.

N/L was utilised to execute this project - result, a road from NW anchorage to administrative centre, over which $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton trucks convey essential stores to any part of the island, if needs be.

This isthmus acquisition and will continue so for years to come, both to the natives who cultivate adjacent lands and future European population. Clearing of undergrowth is carried on by the villagers of Kavataria & Milosaida.

The N-S road receives attention from the peoples of Gumilababa, Wasaisuya, Kudukwaikela and Wabutima but generally speaking the natives prefer the padded earth road - with shelter afforded from the midday-sun by coconut palms. Their objection to the main road being "its too hot - and rough on our feet" ?

Native roads throughout these two areas (K.1 & K.2) are remarkable for the transformation that has eventuated as a result of my pleading! In previous reports I made mention of general state of native roads and ruts - the breeding places of mosquitoes! It is now with a degree of satisfaction, this report is made for the people realised something had to be done - hence the debris which littered the several encampments was utilised as "filling" trunks of palms, coconut fronds and husks, empty tins and fragments of cement floors, all helped to fill in the ruts. Thus is it, by their efforts and the silt washed into these depressions by torrential rains - the old system of roads again take shape and risk of malaria minimised accordingly.

AGRICULTURE: Inhabitants of Kavatarua & Milosaida in accordance with sociological planning were sparsely provided for in the matter of land. Their location excludes -owing to swamps, acquisition of extensions to gardens. According to custom their primary duty is to provide "bushmen":- the agriculturists with fish, bivalves and crustaceans - similarly it was ordained the bushmen provide the staple diet of yams and taitu (a quid pro quo) to keep the fishermen's families supplied with food. This trade between coastal and inland people helps to maintain contact and friendship!

Other villages herein dealt with, have large tracts of land to cultivate, varying in quantity and quality of soil but the Trobriands (generally speaking) is more coral than soil - it is also true that the army occupied all the richest garden areas, not by design but because the location suited their requirements, never-the less the quantity of food produced means the people have worked admirably. Personally I am not optimistic, on the contrary the fruits of my propaganda has materialised and when viewed in retrospect:- par excellence! These proud savages responded well to administrative behest - and if there is a precedence created it is; they have remained self supporting throughout the period of occupation

I believe all understand my future planning policy regarding agriculture - the preservation of seed tubers for the planting up, (to the maximum) the 1946 gardens, when it is predicted, once again, Kiriwina will produce more food than she can eat!

In this respect I have the co-operation of M.M.S Chairman who promises to refrain from making purchases to export to neighbouring islands our tubers - since he appreciates my aims and ambitions

The present harvest, whilst not prolific - or pronounced a "bumper" is sufficiently abundant to merit the population to start preparations for the harvest moon of "Milamala" the entertaining of departed spirits of ancestry, with song and dance. This fact is gratifying and reassuring to the administration; IT IS CONCLUSIVE THAT MUCH FOOD EXISTS!

Meanwhile Taro, Bananas, Sugar-cane, Maize, Arrowroot, and other native vegetables show excellent growth - and distribution of Pumpkin, Melon, Tomatoe and other european seeds issued by the administration were gratefully received by village representatives.

EXCAVATIONS: A few areas of garden land belonging to villagers has been rendered useless for all time. Claims for damages have been submitted (on their behalf) for due consideration.

ARTS & CRAFTS: Coastal: The traditional carving of prows of canoes is carried on by specialists - obvious signs of general tendency of deterioration is obvious - the practical giving way to the aesthetic, this can be understood the lives of the Kavatarian and Milosaidians means hard work and still more work.

Inland: Here we find experts in plaiting fibre (pandanus) into mats, hard bags, etc. The weaving of intricate designs with delicate swamp vine material; (gold & black) creation of wigs of human hair - for ceremonial useage, the designing of lime gourds, complete with boar tusk stoppers, to mention a few of the outstanding achievements of these people. Arts & crafts all possible of further advancement

GENERAL HEALTH: The typical sailor gait & physique is obvious in coastal villages. Their women too, are big well nourished wenches making excellent mothers. The parade of family groups, many with new born-babes is a pleasing incident, one that augers well for the future destiny of the race (Ref. Append: Ptl Rpt No.7). Evidence of tuberculosis, particularly amongst the younger generation is to be seen - but there are no chronic ulcers or unsightly suppurative lesions to nauseate visitors - sufficient indication that medical section is functioning satisfactorily.

General Health (contd) Also gonorrhoea apparently in on the wain - the marked period of "libidinous living is a thing of the past - an incident! However it is worthy of record: that young girls of 16 years - once again have reverted to ancient usage and are being married (according to native custom). Only good can result from such unions, they live full lives without risk of contracting venereal diseases such as results from promiscuous living, fidelity is engendered and a normal healthy state of mind and body results. - This reverting to "what was" uninfluenced by mission teaching - plus vigorous action against adultery, will ultimately pay dividends and result in stabilising this civilisation as a whole.

From a general health view point, particular care is being exercised for the coming months - since sporadic cases of bacilla dysentery have come to my notice. These patients have been conveyed to Isolation Native Hospital for treatment immediately on discovery.

Needless to add every precaution is being exercised to eliminate the nidus of infection of this endemic alimentary disease which can prove so devastating amongst such primitive people.

GENERAL: Intermediate gardens are planted - new gardens are being apportioned out to respective workers and the second growth cut marking the several boundaries.

As previously stated - joy and gladness is evident in Kiriwina because of its harvest - cricket is in full swing and promises to become the most popular game of games for both sexes, irrespective of age.

Cricket: 20 to 40 players aside - special men all dedecked with streamers and long sticks to do the running, presumably the batsman exerts himself so much that to run, would be impossible. Bowling, there is no foul bowling - the bowler just throws with all his might at the wickets, the bat swipes as hard as possible, the runners get off the mark almost as soon as the contact of ball is audible, its a game for **HE MEN!** and real **SHE WOMEN** when they grow serious? Such force is expended that I have seen a teak ball batted upwards and lost in the cabbage of a coconut palm, 80 feet high. In the villages I have seen the ball, batted right through native dwellings, yet fieldsmen will catch with astounding alacrity. All villages are playing for supremacy - and the recreation field at Losuia is open to all comers; result Sundays is a gala day - or if the native choses - he can go to church 1/2 mile west from station.

POPULATION: Total population shown hereunder is compiled from census taken and revised by ADO Whitehouse, July, '42 - July '45. and it would appear evident an increase of 11 (eleven) has cumulated. I am not quoting removals and incoming "fresh blood" the resulting totals when prepared for the main section of Kiriwina will be decisive.

Villages:	Adults		Total	Total:		DEATHS			TOTAL POPULATION JULY 45.	
	m.	f.		m.	f.	m.	f.	Total:		
KAVATARIA	142	125	267	9	12	21	7	11	18	288
MULOSAID	94	76	170	11	10	21	3	8	11	191
GUMILABABA	111	94	205	9	15	24	11	12	23	229
WASAISUYA	30	26	56	1	-	1	2	4	6	57
KUDUKWAIKELA	44	34	78	4	4	8	3	4	7	86
WABUTINA	58	59	117	2	5	7	4	2	6	124
	479	414	893	36	46	82	30	41	71	975

INDENTURED LABOUR: Hardly worth consideration since Station strength is 23 I/L's and population well over eight thousand.

Eligible natives available: 77 Single men ages from 16 to 36 years.

NATIVE CUSTOMS: Appendix "BULITILAU'ULA" herewith.

Ernest Whitehouse
Ernest Whitehouse ADO

"BULITILAU'ULA"

Stone age agriculture show with a difference

This custom - one that vindicates honour, probably has its origin in the sociological economical development of this civilisation.

It consists, like most practices, of good and evil factors - the good undoubtedly a stimulus to work, to cultivate more and still more ground and produce bigger and better tubers. It is an incentive to husbandry of the first order - utilising the services of specialists garden magicians, weather scorers and constant vigilance of the individual.

Bearing in mind the foregoing, we shall witness an exciting and possibly violent individual brawl, one capable of extending and complicating the people of neighbouring villages.

At the onset an individual has a grievance, his girl jilts him, favouring some one else - ownership of land - wealth held in trust, maybe an attempt to attract attention to one's social rank, in fact any phase of life can be the cause of this practice - an incentive!

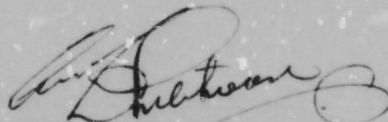
And so bad epithets are exchanged, a real insult uttered "you have no garden" - "you know not how to grow food"? Mutterings and angry expressions are heard, there is a feeling of apprehension! as the agricultural proceeds to produce a fair example of yam or taitu - disproving the accusation. There is a hush! whilst the challenger substitutes a larger better formed tuber - comparison being odious the smaller variety is ridiculed, taunts and abuse regarding "land for bush pigs only" are heard meanwhile actions conform to words, the challenger proceeds to destroy his adversaries yam with a knife or axe, finally kicking it across the village dancing ground. Laughs of derision, contemptuous looks as the opposing man replaces his food with a still larger example - it is now his turn to demonstrate worth, to destroy and utter insults - the tension develops with mixed feelings of apprehension. Thus the whole business proceeds - patience gives way to anger, existing friendships become estranged - dishonourable statements anent progenitors, blood are struck - injuries inflicted, and families become separated.

Whilst both natives; the challenger and insulted are probably receiving support from blood relatives, such as providing tubers in an attempt to justify the honour of the contestants. Invariably the individual of humble birth will accept defeat from the hand of one holding social rank - however insignificant.

Meanwhile hundreds of tubers, (Many hundred weight), the seasons food for the whole village has been destroyed, fit only for the midden. Nothing has been gained, on the contrary, injuries have been sustained by various supporters of contending parties and a feeling of ill-will engendered, prompting a more determined agricultural effort - so that in due season retaliation on a more grandiose scale might be indulged in.

Comment: Obviously here is a custom capable of development - one that can be directed profitably to the advantage of individual districts and this civilisation as a whole, by the simple expedient of eliminating destruction of food - and offering suitable reward to each village producing the biggest and choicest tuber - annually, irrespective of social standing.

Unfortunately for many years to come the man of rank must, by his control, have a flying start in the competition. Nevertheless the ultimate result will produce healthy competition - the incentive as in the original custom will be encouraged and waste obviated.



Ernest Whitehouse. Capt. ADO.

Report of a patrol by ERNEST WHITEHOUSE, ADO. to BOITALU, SIVIAGILA, LOBUA, OLIESI, LUYA, BUDUWAILAKA, LALAKA, KULUA, KULUVITU, LIBUTIMA and MWATAUA Villages - W. Kiriwina.

From 9th. JULY - 15th. July, 1945.

Purpose of Patrol: General duties, examination of garden areas in preparation, viewing quantity & quality of present harvest, sanitation, water supplies and preparation of village policemen's census books - and collection of vital statistics.

Patrol accompanied by: 2 R.P.C and one interpreter.

Members of Medical services visit regularly.

MONDAY, 9th. July: Having sent out notice to all villages concerned three days ago - proceeded to BOITALU rest-house, (having again inspected Gumilababa and Wabutima village grounds and made enquiries concerning prevalence of dysentery) and seated in centre of dancing grounds commenced calling the roll. A slight diversion, it was announced a native house had caught alight - so there was a general stampede (at a signal from me) to do their best. This consisted of the women rescuing their dress material (native) whilst the men cut down banana palms and other broad leaved vegetation to cover over adjacent huts and food-house (boima's) which contained the present harvest.

Others busied themselves wreching the dwelling - others from coconut containers, poured water on the conflagration, but the wind was strong and so one more house went up in smoke, but they saved all the other houses. Tobacco was provided for a working bee to re-erect immediately material could be gathered together - this act, caused a cessation of weeping and wailing and so back to work!

TUESDAY, 10th. July: Continued W to Siviagila, Lobua and Oliesi villages and back to rest-house, Boitalu, maintained by the people under control of village policeman MOTALIBA, No.K 3, who also is Chief of Boitalu. No.K3 has a total population of 262 under his guidance and care.

WEDNESDAY, 11th. July: Off to LALAKA rest-house, village policeman: GALUDUUA, K.4 and carried on duties in village of BUDUWAILAKA (enroute). Hence these two villages were subjected to searching enquiries and inspections.

THURSDAY 12th. JULY: Worked in the villages of LUYA and KULUA today and was well pleased.

FRIDAY 13th. July: Transferred all patrol effects to KULUVITU rest-house today travelling via A.C.Halls wonderful engineering feat viz: the construction of a raised earthen roadway, approximately 6 - 8 ft wide. This was built up by ditching the two outer sides and depositing swamp mud in the centre. After five years of wind, rain and pedestrian traffic, I must report the roadway is in better trim than ever. As usual was greeted at the approach to village by village policeman MOVAIYU, No. K.10 and Tokaraiwaga KAIDADADAUGUYAU and during the process of work, to the accompanying din of conch shells UWOLIASI, head Toliwaga of this area sauntered into the village, accompanied by henchmen. Visited LIBUTIMA village and return to rest house. We are now on the western boundary of the main N. Kiriwina swamp.

SATURDAY 14th. July: Off to Mwataua village today, accompanied by the village policeman K.10. Was greeted here by Takaraiwaga MWAKEKA one of the real old time gentlemen. Inspections and work in general concluded very satisfactorily and so returned to Kuluvitu rest-house

SUNDAY 15th. JULY: Indulged in clerical patrol work and returned to Losuia administrative centre - feeling at last after three years constant concentrated attention the denizens of this area at last appreciate the long arm of the law.

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VILLAGES: Not-with-standing the fact that my movemants were known to the general population - I was more than pleased with what was seen at each centre of habitation. The characteristic "pan & brus" of the road sweeper, was evident to remove any dejecta inadvertently dropped by the village pigs whilst the ANGAU representative was in their location. Further, more attention is being devoted to the outskirts of each village, that is, the undergrowth is being kept well cleaned back away from the houses - quite an excellent idea, it means the kitchen midden with its offal is scattered farther afield, and risk of flies breeding minimised.

Dwellings: Villages in this area have a wealth of bush timber and other essentials for house building close at hand - further they are sheltered from heavy winds - hence the denizens of the various settlements really have "quite good" houses in which to while away their sleeping hours and to protect them from heavy rains. Personally, there is still room for improvement, but one has to consider essential factors and progress slowly, gardens after all, are primary considerations.

REST-HOUSES: A reconditioned model, small and compact exists at BOITALU, one other at IALAKA, situated on the native owned coconut plantation and a third similarly situated at Kuluvitu. In each instance they appeared well kept, clean and less used by the natives themselves, rendezvous for the younger generation.

ROADS: Village, All these villages are situated W of the main arterial N-S road, nature of terrain excluded heavy traffic from utilising this part of the country - only command & jeeps could hazzard the journey. However the native road from Wabutima to Oliesi, being a branch from main N-S permanent way to west coast Miligui landing, still remains (in a few places) deeply rutted. This matter has been taken in hand and the process of "filling in" had commenced before I left the area. Otherwise a terrific amount of work has been carried out by the village people, all meriting high praise for their interest shown, and ability to rise to an occasion, when general health and comfort is at stake!

EXCAVATIONS: The inhabitants of Ialaka, Buduwailaka and Kulua have had various portions of their lands destroyed for all time. The A.D.O. has submitted claims (on their behalf) for compensation and submitted for consideration by the board. The Western end of SOUTH STRIP with dispersal bays and taxi runs adjoins these villages, hence destruction resulting from essential works.

AGRICULTURE: Of the garden lands inspected - I have to report that all are well planted with rotation crops, bananas, taro, sweet-potatoes, maize, pumpkins, tapioca, arrowroot and such like foods. The recent distribution of european seeds, tomatoes, beans, melons and pumpkins was gratefully received and much appreciated by all. In this area, as is general, the harvest of tubers has been highly gratifying, to me it signifies: accomplishment, to the natives it means:- LIFE, resultingly their minds are happy, they turn their thoughts to the "Milamala con" with its feasting and dancing, its romance, a justifiable occasion when they can wholehearted entertain the spirits of their progenitors - when it is reasonable to anticipate "the return gifts of the spirit world"; I refer to conception by the females!

ARTS & CRAFTS: In common with other villages dealt with in part one of present patrol - weaving and plaiting of pandanus fibre, and other delicate swamp vines for arm and leg bands, girdles etc, is carried on, occasionally ones witnesses a craftsman decorating the upper half of a coconut water-container - or applying some corrosive substance to a gourd, which on completion will be, a thing of beauty. BOITALU men of course, are adepts at creation, a twisted root will provide an inspiration, sometimes good - mostly pornographic. In this respect it is pleasing to note - after the first taste of liberty (evacuation period of 1942) some of the vilest obscenities imaginable were exhibited in all sorts of places - now, without interference they have put off their evil except for a few examples of fornicating pigs, even these are difficult to procure these days, and so one concludes these savages do respond to examples and standards set by the individual europeans living in their midst?

MORALE: These people are relatively happy and contented, because of comparative safety and protection afforded by the presence of an administrative representative. At the moment, being free from religious teaching concerning perdition - their main fear is an inherent one, I refer to sorcery which in itself is sufficient to worry anyone. The major fear that was; Chiefs influence has gradually grown less significant with the passage of time and general enlightenment brought about by regulations and contact with Europeans. They saw and were able to understand the pros and cons - the chiefs were too conservative ~~far~~ to wrap up in their own importance, they have been left standing, (so to speak) whilst their erstwhile serfs appreciated "uplift", independence, and shall I say democratic principles? During the first week following evacuation of Europeans in 1942 their was demonstrated, in no uncertain manner, the truth of my preceding statements. It was an attempt by armed force to regain prestige! Here in this area the leading Chief defined as a Toliwaga - swept down on his subordinates, leaving in his wake, considerable destruction of property, houses burnt down, trees cut down, food mutilated, wealth purloined, pigs killed, dispicable acts perpetrated against their women folk, when caught and so they were obliged to reside in the jungle. There were no half measures - all was on a grandiose scale. But amends were made and reparation, and today UWOLASI of Tubowada, the Toliwaga responsible for this misery, has lost considerable power as a result. YES! admittedly, morale is high

GENERAL HEALTH: A gradual settling down to communal life after disruption brought about by infiltration of troops throughout the land is obvious. Census data reveals those who remained loyal to their husbands and families continue as usual - but innumerable separation and disintegration of families has been noted and so, I believe family life will now continue being left, without the interference of outsiders

Health, generally speaking is good, however one needs to maintain close vigilant attitude towards all communities, because of sporadic cases of endemic dysentery manifesting itself, in two villages far removed from each other.

Tuberculosis in its various forms are evident amongst a minority of infants - leprotic conditions, infinitesimal, but cicatricial lesions indicate that the medical department is carrying on its good work according to its ability and means at its disposal. Quite a percentage of folk from this district were inmates of the Nat. Hosptl, Iosuia, to receive treatment for various indispositions.

POPULATION: A glance at tables hereunder shows a decrease (superficially) of 36 souls during the past three years! These figures do not include transfers OUT, hence one must await the final facts collected during the course of these which will include Kiriwina in entirety. Should the decrease be but 36 people, then I shall be well pleased. The undermentioned is from data collected July '42 and kept as near accurate as possible "in the field" and office - with a revision of the whole census JULY '45 a much needed innovation which conveys much valuable information.

Villages:	Adults		Total	Births		Total	DEATHS		Total	TOTAL POPULATION: JULY 45
	m.	f		m.	f		m.	f.		
BOITAU ..	59	56	115	1	8	9	8	6.	14	124
SIVIAGILA.	19	16	35	1	-	1	4	3.	7	36
LOBUA	40	33	73	1	3	4	7	2.	9	77
Oliesi ...	12	12	24	-	1	1	1	-	1	25
IUYA	63	56	119	6	3	9	9	7.	16	128
BUDUWAILAKA	30	23	53	2	2	4	3	6.	9	57
IATAKA....	88	71	159	8	9	17	5	5.	10	176
KULUWA ...	36	36	72	3	1	4	9	5.	14	76
KULUVITU..	73	65	138	7	5	12	9	8.	17	150
LIBUTIMA..	19	11	30	2	-	2	-	2.	2	32
MYATAUWA .	64	56	120	6	5	11	7	4	11	131
Totals:-	503	435	938	37	37	74	62	48	110	1,012

Population (Contd) Considering existing conditions during the past three years - I think the birth rate gratifying. It is also pleasing to report that only two half-caste babes have been born during the period. The death rate has been "cumped-up" by many of the old timers aged between 56 and 70 years passing hence, all of them great grand parents.

INDENTURED LABOUR: Station allocation is but 23 I/L's - not even a spot in the scheme of things.

ELIGIBLE natives available: 64 single men ages from 16 to 36 years.

NATIVE POLICE: i.e Village Policemen, Five village policemen have control of the 17 villages dealt with in the course of this and preceeding patrol (Part 1)

No.K1.	<u>KALAPOIYA, Reubin,</u>	Maintains order amongst villages of KAVATARIA & MILOSAIDA.	Total Pop: 479
K2	<u>MOIYOWA</u>	GUMILABABA, MAS AISUYA, KUDUKWAIKELA and WABUTIMA.	Total Pop: 497
K3	<u>MOTALIBA</u>	BOITALU, SIVIAGILA, LOBUA & OLIESI	Total Pop: 262
K4	<u>GAIJUELA</u>	EDYA, BUDUWAILAKA, IALAKA & Kuluwa	Total Pop: 437
K10	<u>MOVAIYU</u>	KULUVITU, LIBUTIMA & MWATAUA	Total Pop: 313

NATIVE CUSTOMS: Appendix " ABORTION" to be considered with appendix No 2 (Part Patrol No.7. 14-23rd FEB'45.

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Losuia, Kkriwina, Trob's Sub-District

----- I'YOPOI'I or ABORTION -----

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(To be read in conjunction with No. 2)

I have briefly sketched the salient factors appertaining to Motherhood in the Trobriands - how that free love is not responsible for procreation. In fact much that is written and spoken of regarding this civilisation imputes libidinous living as a national trait. But in common with all things, control exists in the form of taboo's and what might appear (superficially) an excess, is in fact, markedly moderate, therefore this approach is erroneous.

True, a small percentage of females follow lives of prostitution - it is inevitable, characteristic of all races, and so we shall consider the psychology and fundamentals of married life with its complications:- ignorance of physical fatherhood (?) and the woman conceiving of the spirit!

Superficially man appears to dominate - but I have reason to believe he is subordinate. There are, however, many indications of man (cultural changes) attempting to acquire power, prestige and domination - but he does so, reservedly, fearing the occult powers vested in the opposite sex.

Women cling tenaciously to their privileges and are not prepared to submit to man's dictates - what they have, they hold, determined to retain - they make no sacrifice of inherent rights, neither submit to a subordinate position in the socio-economic scheme of life

That custom called "Katuyau-usa" its songs, dances and games indulged in by the younger generation are but exercises in the symbolism of married life. Here again the female chooses her partner, or "plays the game" by submitting to another, but she alone decides who shall receive gratification at the temple of venus! and so man is encouraged - they become man and wife.

Each has prescribed work to do in connection with home life, also in respect of tribal customs, but this is considered routine. The woman may have a deep and profound craving for expression in motherhood - so with health and maturity in both sexes that soul shaking experience, when perfect fusion, impregnation, resulting in conception "Nakabaloma" the wife informs her spouse of a dream wherein she received intimation concerning the gift of the spirit. Dominant woman determines whether this "gift" shall proceed to ultimate delivery of a child?

Several factors have a bearing on the subject:- blood relatives disposition towards the marriage, (2) food supplies and (3) social status in village life. Whatever the cause, or deciding factor - it is always the woman who decides the issue. It is no man's business, accordingly he is excluded from his wife's presence, from his own home for a short period of days prior to delivery - females alone officiate, known as "Navakalowa":- midwives, whilst he, the husband can receive the new born babe in his arms - the mother feeling a measure happiness from this knowledge. Further, he is permitted to bestow on it, a name "duba" but the mother alone calls it by a name "Iagasi" by which ever afterwards it is recognised.

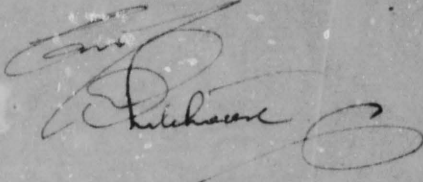
The foregoing is a normal incident in married life-the consummation? Complications arise when displeasure is incurred because of this, the ancient practice of "I-yopoi-i" is practiced whereby an embryo life is destroyed either in the 2nd or 3rd moon after conception or, if the pregnant woman subsequently imagines, or has justification, prior to her full period of

gestation. The foetus is destroyed and so the delivery is still-born; "budimata". From time immemorial man received intimation of his wife's conception - had visual confirmation that she was with child, then one day he grows querulous, what was - is no more, and so in company with his wife - more foul actions are ascribed to some evil minded creature, who seeking amends, procured sorcery:- puri-puri, and so brought about, miscarriage!

By the husbands ignorance of happenings regarding gynecological matters and the strong emotional tie existing between husband and wife the incident of abortion is not discussed - it does not concern him?

Yes! I'YOPOI-I is a process, a mechanical one, that expectant mothers - of their own initiative resort too, for reasons known only to themselves and possibly their own female relatives within the blood group. It consists of pressure applied externally per medium of an oval board usually employed when preparing banana leaves for dress making material, to a vital portion of their anatomy. The results of this become evident in due course, abortion has been effected and in many instances, sterility follows - whilst death claims a few victims.

This practice, I believe supplies the root word "Nakaliga" meaning a barren woman, a word freely used when a married woman is questioned concerning the number of children she has borne; it implies she has conceived, that the child died, following which, she has never again become pregnant.



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Patrol Report No LOSUIA 1-45/46.

Herewith in duplicate please find the abovementioned report by the ADO Losuia. It will be noticed that the report is in two parts.

Comments are I think quite un-necessary, as I found the report most interesting, all aspects having been covered by an Officer who has a wealth of knowledge of the people under his control.

The food position appears very sound, and I too was quite suprised at the huge yams I saw on my recent visit to the area.

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SA T W WHITEHOUSE - ADO.

Receipt of the a/m Report is acknowledged.

2. It is very gratifying to note the great improvement in the food position on KIRIWIA, largely due to the untiring efforts of the A.D.C.

3. The Regional Commander comments:- "A very interesting Report."

Champion

Major
ADMIN & HQ.

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