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PATROL REPORTS WEST SEPIK DISTRICT 1967-68

GREEN RIVER, IMONDA, AMANAB

| <u>Patrol No.</u> | <u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u> | <u>Area Patrolled</u> |
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| <u>GREEN RIVER</u> | | |
| 1-67-68 | A. Plummer | Biake 2 village- part August River C.D. |
| 2-67-68 | P. Mekea | Iuri C.D. |
| 3-67-68 | A. Plummer | Rocky Peak C.D. & August River C.D. |
| 4-67-68 | P. Mekea | Nagu C.D. |
| 5-67-68 | A. Plummer | Iuri C.D. and part of Green River Local C.D. |
| 7-67-68 | G.L. Dewar | Green River Local & Iuri C.D. and part Nagu C.D. |
| <u>IMONDA</u> | | |
| 4-67-68 | F.B. Donovan | Bembi C.D. |
| 5-67-68 | F.B. Donovan | Part Bembi C.D. |
| 6-67-68 | F.B. Donovan | Wasengla area of Imonda L.C.D. |
| <u>AMANAB</u> | | |
| 1-67-68 | G.L. Dewar | Amanab L.C.D. |
| 3-67-68 | G.L. Dewar | Nai-Faringi C.D. |
| 4-67-68 | P. Mekea | West & EastKwontari |
| 6-67-68 | G.M. Henke | Deza C.D. |



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....**WEST SEPIK**..... Report No.....**GREEN RIVER 1 1967/68**.....

Patrol Conducted by.....**A. Plummer a/District Officer**.....

Area Patrolled.....**Blake 2 village part of August River C.D.**.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....**Mr. T.J. Fitzpatrick,**

Natives.....**2 1 Rpngc 1 Interpreter 1 Hospital Orderly**

Duration—From...**5/7/1967**...to...**9/7/1967**...

Number of Days.....**5**.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....**No**.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...**4/1967**.....

Medical/19.....

Map Reference.....**May River Fourmil**.....

Objects of Patrol.....**Separate Correspondence**.....

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .. £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref:

67-11-9

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

17-1-19 18

District Commissioner,

W.S.D.

Vannimo

PATROL NO.

Green River 1/17-68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

* Memorandum of Patrol No.

* Patrol Report No.

covering patrol by.....
A. Phummas (a/b)

J.W. Ellis
(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

* Delete as necessary.



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P.R. (D)

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB
West Sepik District.


25th. July 1967.

District Commissioner
West Sepik District
VANIMO.

Green River Patrol No.1/57-68.

Please find attached the brief report of the above named patrol.

2. The objects of the patrol were successfully carried out and have been sent under separate secret cover.
3. Mr. Plummer has been requested to forward his claim for camping allowance direct to your office.



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T.O'Donnell

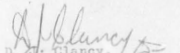
Assistant District Commissioner.

Ref: 67-1-9

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KORHEOBE

8.12.67

The very brief report is forwarded herewith. The object of the trip was to resolve a border situation. The matter was dealt with under secret correspondence.



D.A. Clancy,
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

TERRITORY OF PAPER AND NEW GUINEA

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GREEN RIVER Patrol Report No 1 1967/68

Diary

- Wednesday 5/7/67 - Departed Patrol Post at 1105 hrs. Arrived Iburu 1320 hrs. Departed 1355hrs and arrived Miniburu 1445hrs. Camped.
- Thursday 6/7/67 - Departed 0835hrs. Arrived Biaka 2 at 1430hrs. 5 hours actual walking through swamps and following low ridge lines. Camped.
- Friday 7/7/67 - Discussions with people.
- Saturday 8/7/67 - Not enough carriers available so Mango, the Interpreter walked to Miniburu to fetch some.
- Sunday 9/7/67 - Departed Biaka 2 at 0807 hrs. Arrived Green River Patrol Post at 1742hrs. Total walking time actual - approx 7hrs 45 minutes.

End of Patrol

Introduction

This patrol was of a purely specialised nature. The objects and results of the patrol are under a separate correspondence. The patrol decided to walk direct to Blake 2 by way of Miniaburu as opposed to the normal method of patrolling this village by canoe up the Sepik River and thence up the October River. The track between Miniaburu and Blake 2 is a shocking one through swamps and over many slippery logs.

Native Affairs

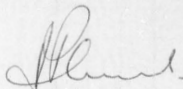
Blake 2 is situated on the October River some two hours up the river by powered canoe from the Sepik River. The village has a separate language from the rest of the Sepik River people. The only other villages of the same language are situated in West Irian. The village is not a particularly good one as it is subject to flooding at extreme high water.

Health

A Hospital Orderly went with the patrol as on a previous patrol it was noted that there were some cases of Yaws. These were all treated, including several Tropical Ulcers. Although the cases of Yaws were treated successfully the people will probably get further cases of Yaws as they mix with their friends and relations from across the border.

Conclusion

The specialised object of the patrol was successfully carried out. Because of the specialised nature of the patrol this report is necessarily brief.



A. Plummer
Officer in Charge



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WEST SERIK Report No. 2/67-68 *G Ruis*

Patrol Conducted by P. MEKRA (TRAINEE PATROL OFFICER)

Area Patrolled IURI CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 2 RP&NGC

Duration—From 5/7/1967 to 19/7/1967

Number of Days 15 14 DAYS CAMPED OUT

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 8/5/1967

Medical/19.....

Map Reference ~~LAND UTILIZATION PROJECT PATROL~~ AITAPE FORMIL

Objects of Patrol LAND UTILIZATION PROJECT PATROL

Director of Native Affairs.
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

...../19.....
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref:

67-16-10.

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDORU, PAPUA.

17-1-1948.

District Commissioner,

W. S. D
VANIMO.

PATROL NO.

Green River 2/67-18

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

* Memoranda of Patrol No.

* Patrol Report No.

covering patrol by P. Melan (T.P.O.)

This patrol was mounted in July '47
& submitted to the officer middle Dec '47.
The tardiness of submission of an
action document does not allow comments.
T.W. ELLI
(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

* Delete as necessary.

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB
West Sepik District

6th. September 1967.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District
VANIMO.

Green River Patrol No. 2/67-68

Please find attached Mr. Mekeas report on his investigation into land utilisation in the IURI area.

2. The standard of Mr. Mekeas report and his field work is very good and he is to be congratulated on his effort.
3. He received very full instructions from his officer in charge and no doubt this helped him greatly in ~~the~~ carrying out his task and showing how to set out his report.
4. The people in the Iuri division live in a semi-mountainous region and are the most active agriculturalists in the sub-district. They have an abundance of land and there is no population pressures.
5. I should have liked to see more attention to attitudes of the people to new crops for food being introduced to the area. It has happened on other occasions in this sub-district that new crops planted by patrols, although they ~~discussed~~ ~~discussed~~ the people do not accept them as part of their diet. Is there any magical-religious reason for this or simply the new foods do not appeal to their taste.
6. By our geographical position, we are curtailed from introducing cash crops in these areas. Our principal task is to introduce new crops to these areas to improve local diets, primarily. Surplus food supplies of this nature can be used and bought by the station, for schools, hospitals, corrective institutions and the like, thus providing a small means of

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Patrol Post,
Green River.
Amanab Sub District,
West Sepik District.
30th June, 1967.

Mr. P. Mekea,
Trainee Patrol Officer,
Green River.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS- LAND UTILISATION PROJECT

You are to prepare to go on patrol, leaving this post on the 5th July. The object of this patrol, which takes the form of a project, is to study and make a report on the methods of land utilisation in the Iuri Census Division. It will not be necessary for you make out a formal report as stated in the Departmental Standing Instructions. Instead your report will consist of a diary followed by a report on land utilisation in the area following the format listed below.

1. Description of the terrain.
2. Description of the people.
3. System of land ownership and rights to cultivate.
4. Description of the making of a garden starting from the initial clearing - taking note of methods of clearing-planting procedure - gardening implements used, particular traditional ones - division of labour, are fences erected, and if not, do they suffer from damage caused by pigs.
5. Types of food crops planted - % planted per garden - are different gardens used for different crops?
6. How many years is one garden site used for, and what decides the people to change to a new site.
7. Do they use any system of fertiliser?
8. Once a garden has been planted, does someone tend the garden, keeping it clear of undergrowth or do the food plants have to compete with the undergrowth?
9. Take a spade with you and do a soil profile to a depth of three feet - take note of the layers and their types - bring back samples of the differing soil types and layers encountered.
10. Methods of draining used if any, or are sites selected because of natural drainage.
11. Is there any form of seasonal planting i.e. do they make allowance for the 'wet' and 'dry' seasons.
12. Amount of arable land held by each village and the actual amount being utilised at any one time.
13. Relate the size of gardens and the number of gardens held by each village to its population.

A lot of the information to be obtained will be obtained by direct interview, however you must expect to go out and see the gardens themselves and to take notes, watch the people actually at work. Constables Dano and Anje are assigned to you for the duration of the patrol, which should be of some 2-3 weeks duration. Great care must be taken by you to ensure that ~~the~~ your report contains the fullest amount of material as your report will be

passed on to the Agriculture Department and may effect their attitude to this area in the future.

Hoping you have a successful and interesting patrol.

A. Plummer
Officer in Charge

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PREAMBLE

STATION GREEN RIVER
SUB-DISTRICT AMANAB
DISTRICT WEST SEPIK

PATROL CONDUCTED BY: P.MEKEA (TRAINEE PATROL OFFICER)

AREA PATROL : IURI CENSUS DIVISION

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING
THE PATROL 2 MEMBERS OF RP& NGC

OBJECT OF THE PATROL: LAND UTILIZATION PROJECT PATROL

MAP REFERENCE: AITAPE N FORMIL

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DIARY

WEDNESDAY 9/7/67:

After quick preparation the patrol left Green River Patrol Post for AVIA at 0930 hours. Arriving AVIA 1130 hours. Conversed with the few people who were present at the arrival of the patrol. They were briefed on the aim and the purposes of the patrol. Slept AVIA overnight.

THURSDAY 9/7/67:

Went out to see their gardens in the morning at 0830 hours accompanied by a policeman. The gardens are consist of several ~~six~~ large clearings which are divided into blocks of 3 to 4 acres in size. The blocks are allocated to an individual family unit. The sample of soil was collected from a hole of three feet deep. Returned to the rest house.

In the afternoon were talked with the people with the aim to find out the ownership and right to cultivate the land. After much questioning it was gathered that the land is communally own. A person has the right to cultivate any portion of land without consulting other village members.

but usually the making of the gardens in groups comprising relatives or clan units.

FRIDAY 9/7/67:

Departed AVIA 0930 hours arriving IURI No.1 1330 hours with rain pouring in torrent.

Talked with the councillor and small number of villagers who were present at our arrival. In the course of discussion the aim of the patrol was passed on to them. Slept IURIX No.1 ~~xxx~~ overnight.

SATURDAY 9/7/67:

The rain was still pouring in the early part of the morning. When the rain had stopped accompanied by a policeman went out to see their gardens which 1 1/2 hours away from the rest house. We supposed to see them actually working in their gardens, but unfortunately nobody was working at the time of our inspection. Soil sample was extracted at an instructed depth. Returned to the rest house.

Talked with the people with the aim to find out the ownership and the right to cultivate the land. Like AVIA there is no restriction on use of land or hunt wild game, or even picking wild fruits and nuts, even though the land is communally own. The only restrictions they have are imposed on the trees that either planted or looked after by a person when the birds had dropped them, which is quite natural. Remain IURI No.1 overnight.

SUNDAY 9/7/67:

Departed IURI No.1 0930 hours arriving MX IURH No.2 1100 hours. Conversed with the people concerning the purpose of the patrol. The gardens in this village are just close by, so they investigated the same afternoon. On examination of the soil it was found similar to IURI No.1.

While talking with the people about the ownership and the use of land it was found quite similar to No.1.

MONDAY 10/7/67:

The patrol departed MX IURH No.2 at 0930 hours arriving Songe 1230 hours. Not a single person was home when the patrol arrived. Waited an hour before the the ~~xxxxxxx~~ the councillor from the village arrived. Talked with the councillor about the purpose of the patrol. Slept Songe.

TUESDAY 11/7/67:

Departed ~~xxxx~~ rest house to see their gardens. The methods of cultivation were similar to the villages previously visited. Soil sample was collected and returned to the rest house.

On discussing the land ownership it was found similar to IURI No.1. The restriction are very few.

WEDNESDAY 12/7/67:

Left Mongo 0930 hours for Tengarabu arriving 1130 hours. Talked with the Councillor and his committee man about the aim of the patrol. Aid Post was inspected on the arrival. The people were informed of the coming Medical Patrol to the village to inspect the aid Post.

Tengarabu being one of the villages on boarder it suppose to be flying AUSTRALIAN flag, but they were not. They were told to keep it flying everyday from the time onward.

THURSDAY 13/7/67:

Inspected their gardens in the morning accompanied by a policeman. The road leading to their gardens was such a dangerous going that it took us 1 1/2 hours to get there. The gardens were inspected. The crops were similar to the ones planted in the gardens previously visited. Sample of soil was collected from a hole of three feet deep. Returned to the rest house.

On questioning the people it was found that the system of land tenure and the ownership land is similar to the villages previously visited. Remained Tengarabu overnight.

FRIDAY 14/7/67:

Departed Tengarabu 0830 hours arriving Fongwinam 1145 hours. Talked with councillor and his committee man. On the course of conversation they were told of the aim of the patrol. Since there gardens were just close by the village the inspection of the gardens followed straight after the talk. The sample of soil was collected. Slept Fongwinam.

Saturday 15/7/67:

Left Fongwinam for Pananggan at 0630 hours arriving 1030 hours. After brief discussion on system of land and ownership, their gardens were inspected. The sample of soil was collected and pressed on to Kambriap. Green river was in flood so it took us 30 minutes carrying gears across. Arrived Kambriap 1700 hours. Slept Kambriap.

SUNDAY 16/7/67:

At 0630 hours talked with the people on the purpose of the patrol. Discussed the ownership and the system of land tenure. From the time here onward the patrol rested until 1400 hours.

At 1400 hours the patrol went out to see there *methods of farming* to a large extent there were similarities in the *of cultivation was the same.* and the crops that were planted. and division of *Remained Kambriap* for the night.

The pouring rain had retarded the early departure of the patrol from Kambriap. Departed 1900 hours for Terauwe. The water was in flood and the patrol waited an hour carrying the gears across the river.

Arrived Terauwe 1200 hours. Talked with the people on the purpose of the patrol. Slept Terauwe overnight.

TUESDAY 18/7/67:

At 0630 hours left the rest house to inspect their. The sample of soil was collected after inspecting the gardens. Returned to the rest house.

Discussed with people the system of land tenure and the ownership of the land.

Remained Terauwe for the second night.

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WEDNESDAY 19/7/67:

Departed Tarauwe 0730 hours for Green~~stone~~ River Patrol Post. Passed the carriers at little Auda hamlet and pressed on to the station arriving Patrol Post 1200 hours. The carriers with two policeman arrived at 1400 hours. Hence the patrol resumed.

INTRODUCTION:

The patrol was launched following the complaint councillors made to Mr. McCarthy on his recent visit to Green River. The complaint was about not having cash crop in the area and the lack of ~~the~~ cooperation from B.O.A. and B.S.S.F. in introducing the cash crop. The aims of the patrol were to investigate on the Land Tenure system, Ownership of Land and types of crops grown in the area. For this samples of soil was collected in nearly all the villages although some had been ~~mentioned~~ ^{mentioned} being similar to others. This samples will be forwarded to District Agriculture Officer in Newak.

TERRAIN:

The Iuri census division which was visited by the patrol is located on the southern extremities of the great BIRANI Mountains north-west of Green river station. The topography comprises precipitous lime stone ridges infested with leeches. Highest of which is the one between Tengarabu and Fongwiam which is nearly 8000 feet.

PEOPLE:

Unlike the people on the plain especially the ones along the Sepik River who are infested with elephantiasis and ring worms, the people in the Iuri census division are healthy and clean. The people on the plain live mostly on sago which unlike the people the people visited by the patrolling party.

With such a large number of gardens on which plant variety of food stuff, the writer assumed they must be hard working people. And if ever any type cash crop is introduced to the division they will support with enthusiasm. Not only that they are hard working people, but the soil in the area is good or rather looks fertile. To mark that the soil is fertile, it is from this area that Green River ~~Market~~ Market gets its supply of fresh food, although the distance from the station hinders their regular visit. This is without over looking the supply of sago that comes from the people on the plain.

SYSTEM of LAND OWNERSHIP and the RIGHT to CULTIVATE:

The Land in the census division is said to be communally own. Its village own a portion of land which starts immediately from the village until it reaches certain mark with the other village. Although the boundaries are not marked clearly the people are quite sure of where exactly they are, and there it looks like there is very ~~little~~ little chance of making mistake by the people in ~~crossing~~ crossing the boundaries. It seems peculiar in a way that they don't consult the village elders although it is said to be communally own. When they were questioned why this, such, they replied that their fathers had fought for the land, and it is opened for their use, without any restriction. They said any person can enter any portion of bush and make garden without first notifying the the leaders.

The only restriction they have are concern with the fruit trees that were planted by a person or had looked after when it was dropped by a bird. Apart from this, all the wild fruit trees can be picked by any person that comes across them. If the person who planted the ~~tree~~ the trees dies, the only persons who has the to own those trees are his sons, and not daughters. The daughters inherit things from their husbands only if are married. It is in picking this fruits ~~that~~ ~~that~~ trees that a person has to seek permission from the owner

The Making of GARDEN:

The initial clearing of the garden is shared by men and women. The labour employed during the clearing excludes any person from outside the clan or family unite. It must come from within the their own clan or family unite. Although women take part in nearly everything ~~xxx~~ they are excluded during the felling of trees.

When the bush had been ~~xxx~~ cut and the trees been felled they wait for the leaves to dry up. As soon as they are dried the heavy stuff is burnt. The remains of branches and leaves are ~~xxxxxx~~ collected and burnt again in small heaps. The main trunks are left to rot in the garden.

The garden is then divided into small blocks of 2 to 3 acres which are allocated to each individual family unite for tending. Each family works their own little block and keep it clear of undergrowth after it had been planted. During the planting the women labour is concentrated on carrying of the cuttings for planting while the actual planting is done by men folk. The garden is first planted with bananas, taro, yams, of various types, and sugar cane.

When the above plantings are completed, the second comprises pitpit, breadfruit, sask sask and the green vegetables. Sometimes if the men is working on the plantation all these work is done by women.

Apart from axes and knives use in gardening, the rest ~~is~~ ^{is} used in planting is mainly primitive type.

The tool use in planting of the garden is consist of a pole ~~xx~~ 2' to 3' in diameter. The digging ~~is~~ ^{is} tapered to a point which makes it easy when driven into the soil. When they were questioned why ~~xxx~~ they dont use shovels or spades in gardenin, the answer was ~~xxxxxx~~ a typical one, "We have no money ~~to~~ ^{buy} them". In one incident when some question was asked in PANANGGAN they replied that if they use spades and shovels in planting the gardens up the gardens won't give good result.

Although fences are ~~xxxxxxx~~ erected in nearly all gardens they dont erect them until the pigs the pigs threaten to damage their ~~xxx~~ gardens. If the pigs do not interfere the garden is left unfence. Some times when the pigs do enter their gardens and the people or the owner of that block is slow in erecting a fence the garden suffers a total damage excepting for fruit trees, pitpit, sask sask and the green vegetables.

TYPES OF CROPS:

The large percentage of the plantings in the garden is banana leading with 50%. Banana is the major crop in the area. It is sometimes planted two times in the same garden. After the first planting has been eaten the garden is cleared and this second series of bananas are planted. The second largest planting is Taro. Approximately 30% of the gardens is planted with taro. Unlike bananas taro is planted only once. ~~xxxxxxx~~ in the same garden.

The rest of the garden is made up of composition of sugar cane, ~~pitpit~~ pitpit, breadfruit trees, sago palm, and green vegetables. In Iuri No. 1 the patrol observed a place where the native had experimented with the rice. Although the rice grew up alright, it was destroyed by rats when it was ripe and planter was ~~xxxxxx~~ lucky to secure few heads before they were all eaten.

TYPES OF CROPS (CONTD)

The garden is ready for harvest six months after it had been planted. The initial harvest commence with yams, and taro. Bananas follow two months after the first harvest. The harvest is resumed ~~xxxx~~ in approximately one year, but sometimes more. Although there are crops still in the garden, it is regarded as been old, after one year expires. It is only then that look for new garden site, and start the whole circle again.

FERTILIZATION:

Use of fertilizer is unknown in the census division. If they know the use, the writer very much doubt that they ~~make~~ a use of it, but what ~~is~~ the writer do know is that they would have very slender chance of buying ~~it~~ a single bag of fertilizer, because of lack of finance. This, quite understandable in a backward place like Luri Census Division. Just because they cannot afford a bag of fertilizer or rather know nothing about the use of fertilizer they have their own methods of fertilization. Whether this does work the writer have not the slightest idea. They believe that if certain kind of leaf is chewed with ginger and beetle nut and if the planting ~~end~~ ^{of the planting stick} is smeared with the red liquid that comes from beetle nut, during the planting time, it would help the garden to yield good result. The writer believes that what really helps the garden is the nourishment that it receives from the big logs that are left rotting in the garden, but the people believe that what ~~xxx~~ helps the garden to give good result is their magical leaves and the mixture of beetle nut and ginger.

DRAINAGE:

The people make their gardens in the naturally drained areas, especially on the slopes the mountains side. When the garden is made on the ~~xxx~~ flat land the people don't worry much about draining soil because this is an ideal place for planting their sago palms, and water that collects during the rain is needed by the sago palm. In another word draining is not needed by the people at the present stage of farming.

SEASONAL PLANTING:

There is no such thing as seasonal planting or crop ~~xxxx~~ rotation in the Census Division visited by the patrol. What looks like crop rotation is the planting of banana in the same garden two times. Apart from that, they they work the same garden, as mentioned previously, for one whole year before starting a new one. The thinks this is because of the climate conditions. There is never a dry or wet season and alternatively there are no dry and wet seasonal plantings.

SPECIALIZATION OF CROP:

Although they plant large variety of plants there is no specialization of one crop, to one garden. They plant everything in the same garden. It is believe that if they concentrate one crop to one ~~xxxx~~ garden the garden would give good result. As the result of jumbling the crops in one garden some crops are checked up by others in the places were the soil fertility is very low.

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THE ARABLE LAND:

Each village holds approximately 6 square miles of arable land and in Tengarabu large part of land is occupied by a lime stone, reducing the arable land to 25 square miles approximately. Although they hold large amount of arable land, the amount utilised compared with the whole is very small. This is partly due to the such a small population and partly because they cultivate one garden during one whole year then that piece of land is left to revert to natural vegetation for two or more years before coming to clear it again.

In the places like Kambriap and Fongwinam where the population is larger than the others, the amount of land utilised is much larger. Again unlike other places in the census division the people from these two villages have two garden going at the same time. Of course this doesn't mean that they plant them simultaneously, but one is planted first and the other is completed they start on the other.

SOIL PROFILE:

During the investigation of the soil profile a three feet hole was dug in practically all the villages visited. It was from this holes that a samples of soil was extracted. The soil profile in the area is consist of two to three straters at the most. The first layer of soil is slightly blackish in colour and in most places goes down to the depth of three to four inches, and in some places much lesser.

The second horizon is composed of light clayey soil which is much bigger in depth than the first layer. It goes down the depth of two feet and sometimes the whole length of three feet excluding the top horizon.

The third horizon was encountered only in some places of the nine places visited. This layer vary from a pale red to bright red in colour. Some times it is brown in colour mingled with gravel. It is strange in a way that Tengarabu and Fongwinam are located on mountain while Teratwi is on the Green River plain that this strater was found, although they are different in colour.

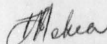
Soil sample was not collected at IURI No. 2, because on examination the soil was identified as similar to IURI No. 1 where the soil was taken.

The soil in the area is heavily leached. A film of blackish soil can be distinctly seem forming a margin between the first and the second horizons. With such a high rainfall recorded in the Green River area this is quite possible. The list of soil sample bag number with their respective layers and the place where the soil was collected is given in Appendix "A"

CONCLUDING

The soil in the area looks good to the writer, and the people were eager to help the patrol in collecting the soil samples and were inquiring when exactly will they be notified about what the soil around their area is like. All this eagerness just shows that they are ready to co-operate when ever any is started in their area.

An extra copy had been made to be forwarded to District Agriculture Officer ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ in Wewak with the soil samples for his information



P. MEKSA (TRAINEE PATROL OFFICER)

APPENDIX "A"

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VILLAGE WHERE THE SOIL WAS COLLECTED AND SOIL
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| PAHANGGAN | 6 |
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| KAMERIAP | 7 |
| | 7b second " |
| TERAUWE | 8 |
| | 8b Second strater |
| | 8c third " |

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APPENDIX "B":

REPORT ON PATROL PERSONAL

548-B Const. DANO

Good patrol man. Conduct good and eager to help.
Knows more about patrolling but not efficient
for large patrol.

10016 Const. ANJE:

Good patrol man. Conduct good and bearing good.
Efficient patrolman and eager to help.

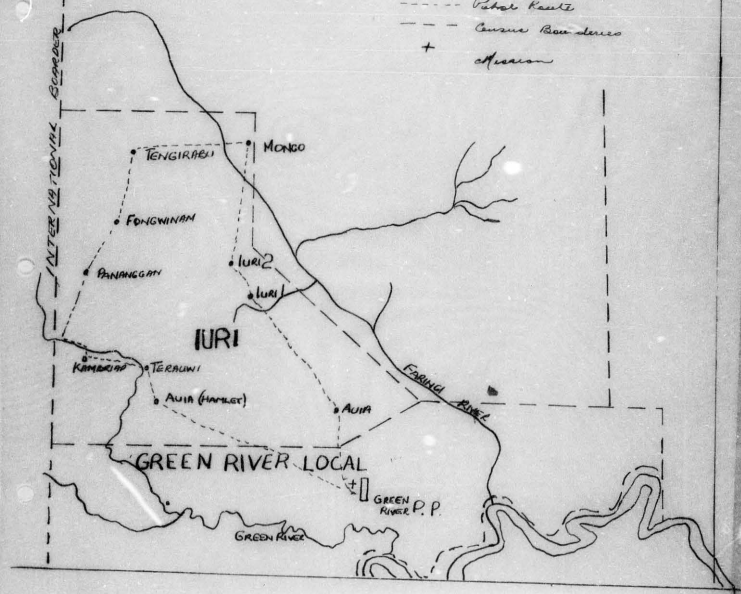
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 - - - - - Census Boundary
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of West Sepik Report No. Green River No 3 67/68

Patrol Conducted by A. Plummer a/District Officer

Area Patrolled Rocky Peak C.D. and August River C.D. (Part)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans T. Fitzpatrick.

Natives 4. Policemar. 3. Councillors

Duration—From 31/7/1967 to 9/8/1967

Number of Days 10

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 2/1965

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference May River 1:250,000

Objects of Patrol 1. Census revision and routine administration of the Rocky Peak C.D. 2. Council Tax collection - Council area of August River C.D. 3. By-election Blake 2 4. Land investigation - Iabaru

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-16-11

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

7th March, 1968.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
YANIMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 3 of 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- Memorandum of Patrol No.
- Patrol Report No. 3 of 1967/68

covering patrol by Mr. A. Plummer to the Rooky Peak and August River Census Divisions. Covering memoranda fully cover any matters raised on the report.

(T. W. Ellis)
(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



Telegram.....
Our Reference..... 67-1-9 / 133
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Department of District Administration.

District Office,
VANIMO,
West Sepik District.

8th December, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBUI

GREEN RIVER PATROL 3/67-68 ROCKY PEAK & AUGUST RIVER
CENSUS DIVISIONS

Acting District Officer, Mr. A. Plummer's above report is forwarded herewith with copy of comments by ADC Amanab.

Since Mr. Plummer has been at Green River regular patrolling has been carried out and the effects are starting to be seen.

The ADC Amanab has been advised to tell offending recruiters that under the Employment Ordinance they are obliged to present intending agreement workers to the nearest Employment Office for engagement. However, unless special legislation is invoked no action can be taken in regard to over recruitment. This case does not appear to be serious.

Mr. Plummer has presented a competent report.

D. J. Clancy
D. J. Clancy,
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

c.c. ADC Amanab

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Sub-District Office
AMANAB
West Sepik District

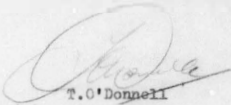
6th. September 1967.

District Commissioner
West Sepik District
Vanimo.

Patrol No. 3/67-68 Green River.

Please find enclosed copies of patrol report of the Rocky Peak and part August River Census Division, carried out by Mr. Plummer.

2. I have only the following comments to make.
3. Patrolling in some of the Green River area has lapsed in the past mainly due to the procession of staff that has passed through the station. It can be seen with the present staff of an OIC and a cadet the area is getting good patrol coverage and a general improvement in the area should be noticeable. It is hoped that the staff situation at Green River can be maintained.
4. This over recruitment in the fringe areas between Green River and Ambunti has been noted by previous patrols. In the future no recruits are to go out of the Amanab sub-district without first reporting to the sub-district office or patrol post so numbers of recruits can be checked and kept within the limits, required.
5. The election report has gone forward under separate correspondence. The land investigation at Iaburu is expected to be completed in the next week.


T.G. Donnell

Territory of Papua and New Guinea



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Patrol Post,
Green River.

Amanab Sub District,
West Sepik District.

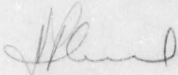
28th August, 1967.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
AMANAB.

GREEN RIVER PATROL REPORT No 3 of 1967/68

Attached please find three copies of the above report.

Patrol Conducted by A.Plummer s/District Officer
Area Patrolled Rocky Peak C.D. and August River C.D. (Part)
Patrol Accompanied by T.Fitzpatrick.
Natives Accompanied 1 R.P.N.G.C. 3 Councillors.
Duration From 31/7/67 to 9/8/67
No. Days 10 days.
Last Patrol to Area DDA February, 1965.
Map Reference May River 1:250,000.
Objects of Patrol.
1. Census revision and routine administration of Rocky Peak Census Division.
2. Council Tax collection of those villages in the August River C.D. which are a part of the Green River Local Government Council.
3. By-election at Baka 2. (Separate Correspond)
4. Land investigation at Tabaru village.


A.Plummer
Officer in Charge

Native Affairs Contd.(b) August River Census Division.

As mentioned in the Introduction, the main purpose of the patrol to this area was for the purpose of assisting the Council in it's collection of Tax. In the process of collecting Tax, brief inspections were carried out to see whether previous instructions had been carried out. It was noted that on the main these instructions had been carried and there has been a definite improvement in those villages on the Sepik river. Up ~~until~~ until now their main excuse had been lack of implements. Some three months before, spades, sarifs had been given on loan to most villages. These have been used to improve the villages. The Council has ordered various tools, including axes, spades and sarifs, and will operate a Tool Loan Register. There should be no excuse in future for dirty or unsanitary conditions.

The Council Tax collection proceeded well and a total of £455.00 was collected from 644 Taxpayers. A list of about twenty defaulters was taken and if their Tax is not forthcoming by the time all Tax has been collected then they will be prosecuted.

At the village of Blake 2 a By-election was held to elect another Councillor following the resignation of the other. The former Lulusai, Mango-Bogei, was elected unopposed. Since the last patrol to this village in July this year the village has improved tremendously. A 'present' of several spades and some sarifs was given to these people in July and they have put these to good use.

It was intended to conduct a land investigation at Iebaru, for a proposed commercial block which Mr. W. Hesthote ~~has~~ has indicated he wishes to use. Because I was in a hurry at the time due receipt of a message that I had to be back at the station prior to going to Wewak, this was not completed. A genealogy was carried out of the owners and shortly I will go to Iebaru to finalise the investigation and marking of the block.

Census Statistics

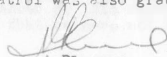
Since the last patrol to the Rocky Peak Census Division in February, 1965, there has been an increase in population by 4. According to the migration, birth and death figures there should have been an increase of 6. The difference is explained by a couple of names being duplicated.

The only thing of note about the figures is the large number of absentee workers outside the District. These were all taken to work on plantations late in 1965, and therefore should be arriving back here in the near future.

Conclusion.

The patrol was a successful one in that a visit was made to the Rocky Peak C.D. for the first time in two years and the people made to realise that in future they can expect reasonably regular patrols. It is hoped that the next patrol to this area will see a much needed improvement.

The Council Tax collection was successful, the people being notified some time ago of the impending collection. The improvement in the village conditions since the last patrol was also gratifying.


A. Plummer
Officer in Charge

Introduction.

This patrol was conducted mainly for the purpose of assisting the Councillors in the collection of Council Tax. Prior to the patrol the Green River Local Government Council had appointed certain Councillors as Tax Collectors and others as members of the Tax Review Committee. The time of the arrival of the Tax Collectors had been well publicised throughout the area. Three Councillors accompanied the patrol. Councillors Yaku of Dieru and Marina of Iumi acted as Tax collectors whilst Councillor Baglame of Amini acted as a member of the Tax Review Committee.

The patrol was to cover all those villages of the August River census division which are in the Council area. Besides this it was decided to also patrol the three villages of the Rocky Peak Census Division, which are further down the Sepik river and are not in the Council area. Routine administration and census was the object in visiting these three villages.

Native Affairs.

(a) Rocky Peak Census Division.

The patrol to the three villages of this area was in February, 1965. This means that almost 2 years have elapsed since the last patrol. It was therefore expected that conditions in the villages would not be the best. With the exception of Beimap, this was the case.

The village of Wagu was in a shocking state. Two houses were destroyed - for the safety of the people. Of a total work force of 53 able bodied males, 34 are away at plantations. This no doubt contributes to the bad conditions. Whilst the patrol was at Wagu all the people were ordered to work and clean up the place, and when the patrol left the village was in an almost reasonable condition. The Luluai and Tultul of the village were hawled over the coals, and when the next patrol goes to these villages later on this year there should be an improvement. If there is no improvement of any note, prosecutions will follow.

The people of Weidoru have split up. It was found that previously these people all came down from widespread garden houses to Beimap for census. At Beimap this time only about half of them were present. The other half have built a large house on the banks of the Sepik river upriver from Baio. The census was completed at this house. The people at this place expressed their desire to build a village at this site, and it is hoped that they carry out this plan.

Beimap village was, in contrast to Wagu, an exceptionally good village, clean and well laid out. Each house had its own latrine out back and these were in good condition. The Luluai at Beimap, Inyano, appears to have the people well in order. The people are at present hunting for crocodiles and appear to be doing well. There were no complaints heard at Beimap or at Wagu and Weidoru.

Obviously, regular patrolling is the only answer for these villages. Previous patrols have concentrated on the Council area only and have left these three villages to the 'wolves'. The 'wolves' have succeeded in taking 70 men away out of a total work force of 117 men aged between 16 and 45 years. It is hoped to visit these villages once again before December of this year, thereby trying to give them the impression that we have not given them up.

Tuesday 8/8/67 - Tax collected at Kobararu, thence departed at 0905hrs, arriving Iabaru 1000hrs. Received message via policeman that I was required back at the Patrol Post soon to go to Wewak. Tax collected at Iabaru, and then part of a Land investigation carried out. Camped.

Wednesday 9/8/67 - Departed Iabaru 0813 hrs, arriving Buna 0845hrs. Tax collected. Departed at 0958hrs, arriving Mukuasi 1007hrs. Tax collected. Departed Mukuasi at 1155hrs with several of the men following in canoes. Dio river very low. Pulled into shore just short of Dieru. Walked to Patrol Post, arriving there at 1605hrs.

End of Patrol

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GREEN RIVER PATROL REBBRT NO. 3 1967/68

DIARY

- Monday - 31/7/67 - Departed Greeh River by tractor for Dieru. Tractor broke down after some 20 minutes. Sent word for carriers to carry benzine etc. Walked one hour to Dieru arriving there at 1450 hrs. Camped at Dieru after dividing the benzine into 12gallon and four gallon drums.
- Tuesday - 1/8/67 - Departed Dieru at 0835hrs. 4 men from Dieru employed to paddle the canoe to the mouth of the Dio. Time taken 3hr10min. Departed mouth at 1145hrs and motored down to Wagu, taking 3hrs. Camped.
- Wednesday - 2/8/67 - Commenced Census at 0830hrs. Then inspected the village which was in a shocking condition. Two houses condemned and pulled down as they were a danger to the inhabitants. Departed at 1030hrs, arriving Beimap at 1145hrs. Census carried out during afternoon of the Beimap people and also of half the Weidoru people. Village inspected - good condition.
- Thursday - 3/8/67 - Departed Beimap at 0845hrs, arriving Baio at 0940hrs. Council Tax collection carried out, and village inspected. Departed Belo at 1140hrs, and arrived at new hamlet of Weidoru at 1215hrs. Finished off the census for Weidoru. Departed at 1305hrs, arriving Baiwai at 1400hrs. Most people away in gardens. Went duck shooting in lagoon at back of village. Camped.
- Friday - 4/8/67 - Commenced Tax collection at 0315hrs. Departed at 0922hrs, arriving at Maha (Bifro) at 0946hrs. Completed Tax collection and departed at 1155hrs. Arrived Mahani at 1240hrs. Tax collected and departed Mahani at 1435hrs, arriving Mukuasi at 1525hrs. Camped.
- Saturday - 5/8/67 - Departed Mukuasi at 0810 hrs, arriving Nufi at 1405hrs. In process passed Isaru at 0900hrs, Kobararu 1020hrs, Isu 1105hrs, Blake 1 1155hrs. Camped at Nufi.
- Sunday - 6/8/67 - Tax collected at Nufi. Departed 0920hrs, arriving Kaseiru at 1000hrs. Tax collected. Departed 1110hrs, arriving at the mouth of the October River at 1135hrs. Proceeded up the October, arriving at Blake 2 at 1315hrs. Camped.
- Monday - 7/8/67 - Held By-election at Blake 2. People elected former Lulusi Mango-Bomei. Tax collected. Departed Blake 2 at 0825hrs, arriving at Blake 1 1020hrs. Tax collected. Departed Blake 1 1125hrs, arriving Isu 1200hrs. Tax collected. Departed 1250hrs, arrived Kobararu 1330hrs. Camped.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WEST SEPIK Report No. 4/66-67
~~5/16768~~

Patrol Conducted by P. MEKEA (T.P.O.)

Area Patrolled NAGU CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 2 R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 4/5/1967 to 13/5/1967

Number of Days 9 DAYS 8 DAYS CAMPED OUT

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NIL

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services /3/1965

Medical/1965

Map Reference NAGU CENSUS DIVISION

Objects of Patrol CENSUS? COUNCIL INVESTIGATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION ROUTINE

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund ... £.....

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

SCALE 1" = 4 MILES

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-16-12

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

7th March, 19 68.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
YAWIMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 4 of 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- Memorandum of Patrol No. _____
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Mr. P. Meken to the Nagu Census Division.
covering patrol by
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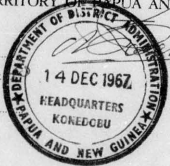
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Mr.

Department of District Administration.

District Office,
VANIMO,
West Sepik District.

8th December, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 4/66-67 NAGU CENSUS DIVISION

Forwarded herewith please find Mr. Mekeas report of his first solo patrol to the Nagu Census Division.

Mr. Mekeas is showing fine promise of becoming an efficient field officer. For a young trainee he has presented a good report.

Instead of recommending that the next patrol prosecute for non-compliance of lawful orders he should have sent the defaulters to Green River himself.

The people seem well disposed towards joining the Green River Council. Three villages in the SE corner of the Nagu Census Division were included in the 1964 Area Study and are now in the Council. The next patrol of the Nagu should conduct an area study of the rest of the Census Division with a view to including them in the present Council.

L. D. Steven
L. D. Steven
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

c.c. Oic Green River
ADC Amanab

SCALE 1:4000

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB
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6th. July 1967.

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VANIMO.

Green River Patrol No. 3-66/67.

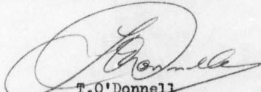
Please find enclosed , the report of the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. Peter Mekea, Trainee Patrol Officer.

2. This was Mr. Mekea's first solo patrol and he has acquitted himself well. Though he didn't visit all the villages in the area he did census all the people in the area, where they assembled at central villages as done by previous patrol. In future all patrol will visit and overnight in all villages in each census division.

3. Political comprehension throughout the sub-district is all but non-existent and it will be part of the routine duties of all future patrols to spend time explaining the aims and functions of Councils and the House of Assembly. An adult education course for Councillors of this sub-district at Vanimo could be of assistance in this matter also. No person from this area has any idea of the House of Assembly as was obvious when this sub-district was visited by the House of assembly committee asking for ideas on the re-organisation of the electorates. If funds could be made available for the president and vice-president of each of our councils to visit Port Moresby and report to their councils after witnessing the house in session, this may be a beginning.

4. The report contains some useful information and shows Mr. Mekea to have an enquiring mind. With further training and assistance from his senior officers his reports and english expression will improve.

For your information, please.



T. O'Donnell
Assistant District Commissioner.

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SCALE
1" = 4 miles

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APPENDIE: A

PATROL PERSONNEL:

- 7855 Const. PAINO: Conduct good. Eager, expirience
Petrolman.
- 10418 Const. WAKON: Conduct good. Bearing good.
Efficient Patrolman.

Some 1-4-40

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HEALTH:

The general health situation of the villages seen by the patrol was in satisfactory condition. No known disease or troublesome disease was encountered in area. Only the in Nagatman, which is the dirtiest and untidy village seen, Two cases of Yaws were seen. They were admitted to Green River Hospital and now under going treatment.

Apart from these the whole census division is quite good.

MISSION:

The only Mission operating in the area is C.M.L. Mission with there establishment in Green River. The author has no knowledge of when exactly the mission started operating in the area. But he gathers that the Mission has very little influence on the people. By observation from the Census statistics we can no doubt say that, Weitera is under mission ~~influence~~ influence. This is so because it is in this place that the mission has built its first school for Bible education which at present attended only by adults, and it is quite natural that ~~mission~~ mission might intended to concentrated ~~on~~ on them first.

SUMMING UP:

Although the Patrol had not visited all the villages has it was intended, it has successfully accomplished its aims. The Patrol found a pleasing attitude towards the LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL in all the villages visited or even other villages censused in assembled places.

SCALE
1" = Miles

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P. MEKE
Trainee Patrol Officer

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DEGREE OF ADMINISTRATION INFLUENCE:

The very friendly reception given to patrol is a fair indication that the native attitude towards the administration is an healthy one. Great deal of time had been spent on cutting the tracks before the immediate arrival of the patrolling party. Without the patrol's notice ~~the~~ the people from Busa and Anya assembled at Kawai for revision of census. Apparently Kawai Busa and Anya are the only villages in the whole census division which are in the Green River Local Government Council. Waitera and Hila lived at Hila, while Marakwini at Nagatman. Wogroni and Tala were census at Karboni. The patrol had intended to meet the people in their own village but since they all had left their village before the arrival the patrol they were census in the various assembled places. In case of Hila, Waitera, Marakwini, Tala and Wogroni the people did this because the tracks to their village were in poor condition and could not repair them at the time of the patrol.

COMPLAINTS:

Although they had been census initially in 1990 the Administration influence is not very strong as it is in the closer areas to the station. They show little ~~clear~~ ~~xxxxxxx~~ knowledge on the aims of Administration or even basic requirements. Not a single complaint ~~xxxxxxx~~ of any kind was submitted during the patrol. Only in Kawai a council made a complaint against ~~xxx~~ the native who had been disobeying his ~~xxxx~~ orders. They are now waiting prosecution at Green River. But the author feels this is just because this village is the Council's influence.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL:

Local Government Council discussions were held in each village after the census was compiled. They show slender knowledge of the Local Government Council, and greatly lack comprehension. A brief outline of the purpose and the work was given. Even though they lack comprehension and did not ask a single question when requested, in practically all the villages they said that they are interested in starting a L.G. Council in their area or even joining Green River Council if necessary. To mark their enthusiasm they pointed out to the patrol, in each village the number of persons they believe would make good efficient councillors. They were told that the Patrol was not conducting an election, but just investigating if the people are ready, and willing to have Local Government Council.

CENSUS:

The census was last compiled in area in 1963. Although there was such a large span of time since the last census, the attendance was pleasing. Only absentees encountered were the labourers working outside the district, and a few children who are attending mission school conducted by a appointed C.M.M.L. mission teacher (not qualified).

There is tendency of girls ~~exchange~~ exchange in the whole Census Division. Because of this there is a lot of migration in and out of the villages. Even though this has happened for a long period of time, there is no decrease of population in ~~the~~ any one village, because there is always someone to take the place of the one going out.

1 = 4 acres
Sons

AGRICULTURE:

Most people in the area have small gardens, sago being the staple food, with the following crops grown or collected as supplementary foods:

bananas, taro, breadfruit, yams, pawpaw, spai, xxx nugar cane, morite, tulip, sika and pitpit.

There a lot of game in the area and fair supply of meat and fish is eaten. This includes pigs, wild fowls, wallaby, cassowary, bandicoot, turtle, lizard, opossum, goura, pigeon, various kind of small birds, sago and wood grub.

Meat and fish are smoked over the fire which makes them durable for weeks and fish 4-5 months.

Most villages have grove of coconut palms which are used locally as supplementary food. ~~XXXXXX~~ Through out the patrol line the people were encouraged to extend their plants.

Such a long distance to Green River Patrol Post ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ where the only market is, has stopped the the surplus being brought to the market.

LIVESTOCK:

Livestock in the area is limited to pigs. There are approximately five to six pigs in each village. Their ~~xxxx~~ nomadic way of life deter the interested families to have more than two pigs. By this the writer means they passed most of their time in the bush making sago and it is much harder to carry five pigs around than two. During the gathering of sago they sometimes spend ~~xxxxxx~~ weeks, and if they left their pigs at home during this period, the pigs would either starve to death or get wild.

Although they cared for the pigs, none of it is eaten by the family. They are killed either during the ding ding or given as ~~BRIDESXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ and in return they received one from the other side.

Quite a large number of fowls are looked after by the people, but again like pigs the people are not interested in ~~xxxxxx~~ selling the fowls. The patrol had tried to buy some but the people couldn't give in.

COMMERCE & INDUSTRY:

Commerce and Industry is unknown in the area and it will be like this for quite a long time yet. This is due to the distance from the station and the composition difficulties they are facing, such as poor soil, distance from the sea ~~portxxxx~~ and freight ~~xxxxxx~~ cost to Green River from main district towns.

The only closest trade station in the area that serves their requirements is at Green River station, and sometimes make trips to Amanab when ever they want.

Although they mentioned crocodile in NORTH and HORDEN river they reckon they have no ~~xxxxxxx~~ technical knowledge of killing them. It is possible this will soon overcome when they learn from the other people closer to Sepik river.

SCALE 1 - Acres

INTRODUCTION:

The area covered by the patrol is the NAGU CENSUS DIVISION. It comprised the villages of RAMEI, SUGA, TILA, DILA, HILA, WEITERA, MARIKINI, MAGATHAN, KARBONI, TERA and MARGONI. The purpose of the patrol was to revise census, discuss I.C. Council with the people so that they may later join GREEN RIVER LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL, and general Administration routine. Nagu Census Division is located on great Central Bump Depression through which mighty Sepik flows. It is north-east of Green River PATROL POST.

The area is drained by two large rivers which flow into each other just before emptying into Sepik River. The rivers are Horden and Northxxxx both of which start somewhere from Bewani Mountains.

The climate of the area is the same as the one recorded at Green River station, as they are in similar geographical position in relation to mountains and altitude.

The entire division seen by the patrol with the exception of small kumai grass clearing between Yera and Karboni, was forested by a lowland forest, numerous sage swamps. It was in the above mentioned kumai patch that U.M.M.L. mission had proposed to build an airstrip. Although the proposition was made in 1964 the actual work has not started yet, and there is still doubt if it will ever start in the far future.

DESCRIPTION:

The native situation appeared normal and the people were quite friendly and co-operative. Upon the arrival the patrol was always warmly received by the village people. They were held singing in the village were patrol slept. Adequate supply of food was thought when required.

VILLAGES:

General village conditions are fair. Housing judging by the general standard of the is quite good. Latrine are unknown by the whole census division. Best villages visited by the patrol are Dila, Tila, and Havel. But again even though they are good they are good they lack toilet facilities.

Recommendations were made in each village for the building of certain number of latrines for men and women during the village inspection.

Because this same orders were given by a Medical patrol mounted last year and no notice had been taken, the writer feels that some kind of penalties must be given by the next officer conducting patrol in the area, if the same attitude is retained by the people.

SCALE 1" = 4 MILES



12/17/67 FRIDAY:

Left Bawel for OGRU at 0800 hours. Arrived at Ogru 1100 hours.
Councillors committee was sent to the small
hamlet to bring a man against who the council had made complaint
on the first arrival of the patrol to this place.
He was away at that time, so we had to wait until the next morning.
Slept Ogru over night.

13/1/67 SATURDAY:

Departed Ogru 0830 hours. Met the councillor's committee member
with the person we had waited for the previous day on the way.
The person is now waiting for adjudication in Green River.
Arrived Dieru 1000 hours, pressed on to Green river and arrived
at the station 1300 hours.

THE END OF THE PATROL

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Contd TUESDAY:

Census Division was followed by a L.G. Council discussion. Brief outline of the work and purpose of the council was given. No questions were asked on the subject, they only said that it is quite O.K. for them to get L.G. Council or to join GREEN RIVER COUNCIL.

No complaints were heard. Karboni village was inspected, the village was clean, but lacks toilet facilities. Four new latrines were recommended to be built. These will be checked by the next patrol to the area.

10/5/57 WEDNESDAY:

Census WAGRONI at 0830 hours. Attendance was very good. No complaints were heard, L.G. Council with the people from Wagroni apparently no questions were asked again, they only said that they are willing to get L.G. Council.

After discussion the patrol left for NAGATMAN at 0945 hours. Arrived Nagatman at 1100 hours. Censused Nagatman and L.G. Council discussion followed. Nagatman people were also willing to have L.G. Council. No complaints were brought to the patrol. This is one of the villages that the patrol was not pleased with. Five new latrines were recommended to be built in this place.

It was in this place that two cases of Yaws were encountered. They were not treated in Green river hospital. After inspection of the village the patrol left for Tila which is 1 hour 15 mins. away. Paid the carriers and slept Tila.

11/5/57 THURSDAY:

Census was compiled in Tila. Attendance was pleasing. No complaints were brought to the patrol. Brief outline of L.G. Council work and purpose was given to the people. No question were asked, when they were asked of their opinion they only said that they are willing to join Green river L.G. Council. Discussion was followed by village inspection.

This is one of the cleanest villages seen by the patrol, but again like many other village in census division, it lacks latrines. They were told to build five latrines in this place.

After inspecting the village we left for Rawei at 0930 hours, and arrived at 1200 hours. People from AUYA had assembled at Rawei. They were censused at 1300 hours. AUYA is looked after by a councillor from Rawei and he is stationed at Rawei. Councillor launched a complaint against two person who had been disobeying his orders. They are now waiting prosecution in GREEN RIVER Patrol Post. Slept Rawei over night.

Scale 1" = 1000'

DIARY:

4/2/67 THURSDAY:

Departed GREEN RIVER FOR Ogru by a BIENU at 0930 hours.
Arrived Diara at 1130 hours. Changed the carriers with the carriers
from OGRU. Departed Diara for Ogru at 1200 hours.
The road from Diara to Ogru was in much better condition
than we visited this place last during the GREEN RIVER
LOCAL CENSUS DIVISION patrol.
Arrived Ogru at 1430 hours. Slept Ogru over night.
At night the Councillor from Ogru came with the complaint
against one of his men who had been disobeying the
councillors ~~xxx~~ orders. He is now waiting prosecution at the
station.

5/2/67 FRIDAY:

Left Ogru for Rawai at 0500 hours.
The road was fair, but usual ~~the~~ was ~~sway~~ in quite a large
distant of the road with ~~xxxxxx~~ slippery poles.
Arrived RAWAI at 1100 hours. Census was revised. People from BUSA
had assembled at Rawai for census as they are looked after by the
councillor from Rawai.
Complaints were heard and ~~the~~ the serious one is referred to the
station for adjudication.

6/2/67 SATURDAY:

Departed Rawai for Dila at 0830 hours, arrived BUSA 0945 hours
and pressed to Dila. Arrived Dila at 1215 hours.
The road was much better than the one from Ogru to Rawai.
Talked with village officials. Slept Dila over night.

7/2/67 SUNDAY:

Revised Census at 0830 hours. Attendance was pleasing.
Dila and ~~WHITENA~~ had ~~xxxxx~~ Assembled at Dila for census.
After census LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL was discussed with the people
of above named villages. They were told to have their own discussion
on this matter the night before (Sunday night).
Their attention was drawn to the work and purpose of the
Local Government Council. When they were asked of their opinion
they only said that they are willing to get L.G. Council.
The people didn't have any complaints.
Council discussion was followed by the village inspection.
The village was clean and tidy, but lacks toilet facilities.
At the time of the patrol bush had been used. Five new latrines
are to be built in ~~this~~ place and these must be checked by the
next patrol to the area. Slept Dila again on Sunday.

8/2/67 MONDAY:

Departed Dila for NAGATMAN at 0830 hours and arrived 1030 hours.
Torrential rain poured down when we left Dila. Arrived Nagatman
with pouring rain, because of this rain the patrol slept ~~at~~
Nagatman. Census was not done as we intended work on our way back
from KARBONI.

9/2/67 TUESDAY:

Patrol departed for Karboni at 0845 hours and arrived at
1100 hours. With their own arrangement the people from TERA and most
of KARBONI were there too. the people from KARBONI and TERA were
censused. Because of some Nagroni still coming they were
left until the next day.

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Patrol Post,
Green River.

Amanab Sub District,
West Sepik District.

2nd May, 1967.

Mr. Peter Nekoa,
Patrol Officer (Trainee),
Green River.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

Confirming my verbal instructions to you, you will prepare to mount a patrol into the Wagu Census Division making your departure date the 4th of May.

Your duties on the patrol will be as follows:

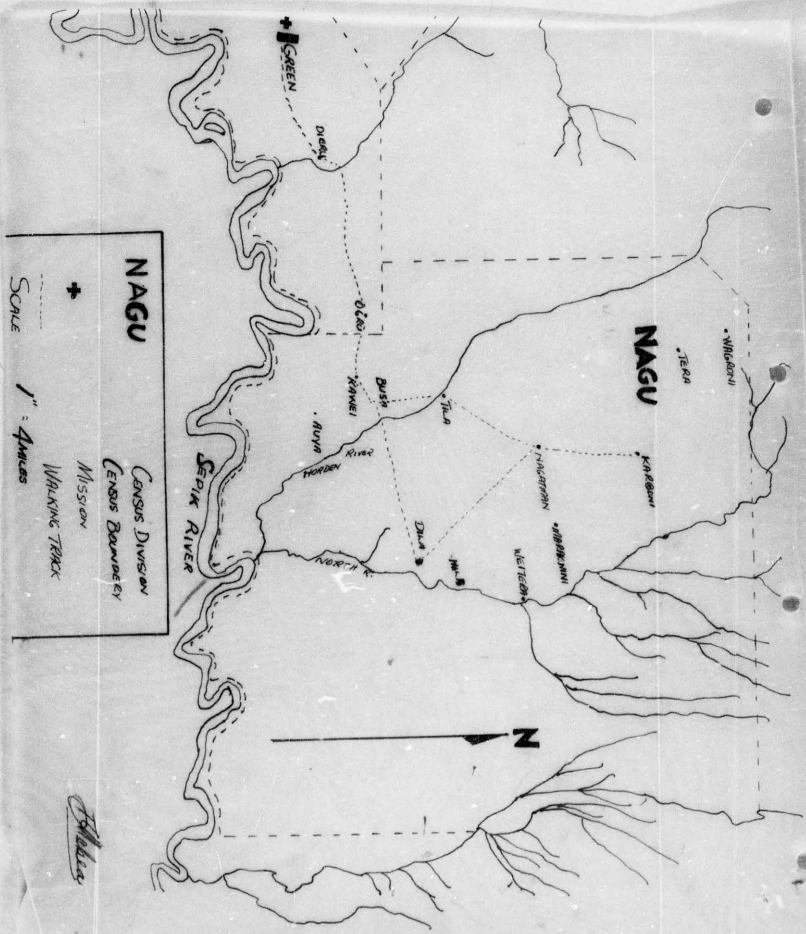
1. Census revision. You should take the Tax Census Sheets relating to this area and make appropriate alterations where necessary. This will make our task of revising the Common Roll easier.
2. Inspect the villages paying particular attention to sanitation and toilet facilities. Give advice to the people as to further improvements that you consider necessary.
3. Ask the people whether they have any complaints etc and if able you should arbitrate those of a minor nature. Anything of a serious nature or anything requiring court action should be referred to the Patrol Post for settlement.
4. Discuss with the people the purposes of Local Govt. and the work of Councils. Try and relate this to the House of Assembly.
5. Whilst revising the Census take note of any sickness present amongst the people. When compiling your Census figures particular note should be taken of child deaths in the area. If you read G.R. Patrol Report No 2 of 1964/65 and the accompanying Anthropologists report you will understand the reason for this request. Ask the people for the causes of child deaths.
6. You should take the copy of Departmental Standing Instructions with you and use this as a guide, both whilst on patrol and later when compiling your report.

I have assigned Constables Paino and Nekoa to you for the patrol.

Good luck on this your first solo patrol.

[Signature]
A. Plummer
Officer in Charge

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of West Sepik Report No. Green River No 5 67/68
 Patrol Conducted by A. Plummer Patrol Officer
 Area Patrolled Iuri Census Division and part of Green River Local C.D.
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans T. J. Fitzpatrick C.A.O.
 Natives 1 R.P.N.G.C. 2 Councillors
 Duration—From 3/10/1967 to 12/10/1967
 Number of Days 10
 Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No
 Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 7/1967
 Medical / / 19
 Map Reference Atape Founil
 Objects of Patrol Tax collection for Council, Routine administration.

Director of District Administration,
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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 District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-16-13

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

7th March, 1968.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 5 of 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- Memorandum of Patrol No.
- Patrol Report No. 5 of 1967/68

covering patrol by Mr. A. Plummer to the Iuri and part of
the Green River Local Councils' Divisions for the purpose of
Council Tax collections.

(T. W. Ellis)

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

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67.16.13
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



Telegrams _____
Our Reference 67-1-9/1351
If calling ask for _____
Mr. _____

Department of District Administration.

District Office,
VANIMO,
West Sepik District.

8th December, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEBOBU

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO.5/67-68 IURI & PART GREEN RIVER LOCAL

Acting D. O. Mr. Plummer's report of the above patrol with comments by the ADC Amanab are forwarded herewith.

The Iuri people are interested in cash cropping. They are agriculturalists and seem genuinely keen to make some money out of farming. But there seems little we can do at present.

The District Agricultural Officer has suggested spices. Whatever crop it is will have to be a high priced light weight crop which could be back loaded on ~~the~~ light aircraft which service the border stations.

Mr. O'Donnell's proposal to pay the people while they grow their cash crops is expecting a bit much of Government generosity. The most they should expect is advice on cropping and assistance with marketing. I will ask the DAO for positive recommendations for a suitable cash crop and arrange trial plantings.

Every Council Supervisor would like to have his absentees pay tax to his home Council. But unless the Council is prepared to send out someone to collect it they seldom get very much of it.

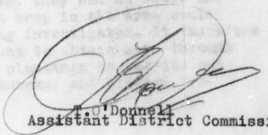
A. D. Steven
a/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Green River, then stimulate the people through the Council and through our own officers' interest and supervision, and assisted by the couple of farmer trainees we have in the Sub-District, to become gardeners, to improve their diet and possibly earn a little income from sale of food to the administration stations. It would be greatly appreciated if the Agriculture Department would show some interest in this programme and accept a number of villagers from the area as farmer trainees to be trained and paid by the Dept. and used in their home area on this project, while still being kept on the department payroll.

3. The Tax for Green River Council for this year is now all collected. This should enable the works programme to be completed this year. The works programme is being held up by lack of supplies of materials occasioned by coastal shipping offloading cargo at the wrong ports etc. Materials manifested as shipped from Macang in August have not yet reached Vanimo, but alone reach the outstation.

4. The matter of payment of Council Tax is quite clear and the man working in Wewak should have been advised by that Council that he could pay Tax to the Green River Council through their Wewak But Council. It is agreed that people from this area away at work should pay their tax to their home council as it is in far greater need of their tax than the foreign council where they are working. A man need pay his tax to only one council and in this area it is preferable that men away at work pay their tax to their home Council. Other Councils should advise foreign natives working in their area that they should pay their tax to their home council.

5. It is time that some clear thought & forward planning went into the idea of providing these people with some future source of a cash income. Councils cannot work without tax, and tax cannot be collected from an area without people earning money somehow. It would be an embarrassment if a Government stimulated council had to cease because the people had no income to pay tax.



cc OIC. Green River.

J. J. Donnell
Assistant District Commissioner

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB
West Sepik District

25th. October 1967.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District
VANIMO.

Patrol No. 5/67-68 Green River

Please find Mr. Plummer's patrol Report on his recent visit to the Iuri Census Division.

2. I have the following comments.

3. It is pleasing to hear of the improvement in the villages throughout the area during the past year. This clearly illustrates the benefit of regular patrolling. I support the officers comment that the regular visits by the patrols shows an interest in the people of the area and they become aware of it and this breeds enthusiasm for improvement among the people. Regular patrolling means familiarity with the people & the area and its problems. It gives an officer a opportunity to see his councillors at work in the village and give them support and advice when necessary.

4. It is apparent that the agriculture Department ~~xxx~~ is not interested in the Amanab Sub-District. As a result of Mr. Meke's Land utilisation and soil survey patrol the District Agricultural Officer's comments were the soil appeared clayey, there were no facilities to test the soils, the samples were incorrectly taken, they had no staff and the only possible hope for a cash crop in the area could be spices but this was still being investigated. It therefore falls to officers of our department to obtain seed through our Councils, organise trial seed plantings as carried out already at Amanab and Imoua, ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ and planned for

DIARY

- Tuesday 3/10/67 - Departed 1355 hrs arriving Aua at 1620 hrs.
Camped.
- Wednesday 4/10/67 - Departed 0820hrs from Aua arriving Iuri 1
at 1315 hrs. Camped.
- Thursday 5/10/67 - Tax collected and village inspected. Departed
0935 hrs and arrived Iuri 2 at 1105 hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Camped.
- Friday 6/10/67 - Departed 0830hrs arriving Mongo at 1215hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Camped.
- Saturday 7/10/67 - Departed 0810hrs arriving Tengirabu at 0930hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Camped.
- Sunday 8/10/67 - Departed 0755hrs arriving Fongwinam 1115hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected.
- Monday 9/10/67 - Departed 0730hrs arriving Pananggan 0950hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Departed
at 1200hrs arriving Kambriap 1510 hrs.
Camped.
- Tuesday 10/10/67 - Tax collected at Kambriap and village inspected.
Departed 0940hrs arriving Teraumi at 1125hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Camped.
- Wednesday 11/10/67 - Departed 0740hrs arriving Iburu 1230 hrs.
Departed 1335hrs arriving Iniaburu 1430hrs.
Tax collected and village inspected. Departed
1700hrs arriving Iburu 1800hrs. Camped.
- Thursday 12/10/67 - Tax collected and village inspected at Iburu.
Departed Iburu at 0915hrs arriving Patrol
Post at 1135hrs.

End of Patrol

Introduction

This patrol was conducted into the Iuri Census Division for the principal purpose of collecting Council Tax. The two villages of Minisburu and Iburu were also visited for Tax collection. These two villages were not visited in the last patrol and were left until the Iuri patrol and were visited near the conclusion of the ~~patrol~~ patrol.

The patrol took the Council Vice President and the Councillor from Iburu with it to aid in the collection of Tax. The Vice President, Apimai collected tax and Councillor Fondr acted as the representative of the Tax Review Committee. The positions were reversed when the patrol arrived at the villages of Minisburu and Iburu.

Native Affairs.

All villages were inspected and, with the exception of Margo, found to be in good condition. The people of Margo are clearing land at another site for their village. The next patrol should see Margo at another site on a ridge line some 1000 yards from its present site.

This is the third patrol to this area this year and the improvement as a result is quite marked. Whereas before when patrols to this area had been sporadic there was probably a lack of interest from the people. Regular patrolling gives the impression to the people that they themselves are held as being important by the Administration. As a result they are willing to assist themselves and to inquire as to possible ways of improving themselves. This was noticed on this patrol when the people often asked what cash crops could be initiated in the area. The recent poor response by the Agriculture Dept. to the recent Land Utilisation Project Patrol certainly does not help. However it was mentioned that the future introduction of spices has possibilities. If this is so, no doubt the Green River L.G. Council will assist by the purchase of seeds for distribution to this area.

Minor complaints were heard during the patrol and all were settled in the villages with none requiring court action. The councillors in this area are doing their job well and appear to have the people behind them.

Council Tax.

This was the final Tax collection patrol for the Green River L.G.C. Tax collected on this patrol amounted to £398-80. This brings the total amount now collected to £1166-70. The Council estimated for a collection of £1240. Thus the Council is £73-30 short of its target. However repatriated labourers who are expected back shortly should with their payments bring the total collected very close to the estimated amount.

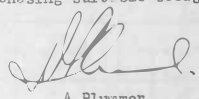
In the villages throughout the Iuri Census Division the people stated that their present Tax rate was as much as they could afford and that they wished for the rate to remain the same for 1968/69. I fully agree with the people as the only source of income, apart from labourer's wages, comes from the market at Green River. Due to the distances involved for most of these people this is a very hard way to obtain money for Tax purposes. I feel that for the year 1968/69 the Council may increase the Tax rate for those villages on the Sepik river but have the Tax rate remain at the present rate for all other villages.

Whilst collecting Tax at Terawi two of the men produced Tax tickets for 1967/68 for other Councils. One man had paid £6-00 to the Wewak-But Council. Whilst working at Wewak and stopping in a village the Officer collecting Tax told him that he had to pay Tax. This is probably exaggerated but I feel that natives from this area should not have to pay tax to other Councils when considering how important this money is to people in this area.

Another man had a Tax ticket for the year 1966/67 showing that he had paid £6-00 to the Manus Council whilst he was there working on the airstrip. The people in the village had also paid his 66/67 tax to the Green River Council. £6-00 is a lot of money to these people and would have bought essential items for use in his village.

Conclusion.

A successful patrol. The people of this area are extremely co-operative and anxious to have a cash crop of some sort. Enquiries will be made through the Department of Agriculture to ascertain the types of spices that could be grown and all relative details needed for successful plantings. The Council will probably be able to subsidise the people in purchasing suitable seeds.



A. Plummer
Officer in Charge



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of West Spik Report No. 6 Green River 67/68

Patrol Conducted by A. Plummer a/District Officer

Area Patrolled Green River Local Census Div. Part Nagu C.D.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans •

Natives 1. R.P.N.G.C. 2. Councillors

Duration—From 7./9./1967 to 15./9./1967

Number of Days 7

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 3/1967

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Map Reference Atape Fournil

Objects of Patrol Council Tax collection and routine administration

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund ... \$.....

Amount paid from F.E.D.P. Trust Fund

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19th January, 1968.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VANUATU.

GREEN RIVER PATROL REPORT NO. 6 OF 1967-68.

Receipt of the above report with comments by Mr. O'Donnell is acknowledged with thanks.

2. Mr. Plummer seems to have done a good job collecting Council tax while the Council Clerk was indisposed. I think he could have submitted a more comprehensive and detailed report, as one of his aims on this patrol was routine administration.

3. I presume administrative action is being taken to have AMBII village included in the Green River Census Division as suggested by Mr. Plummer.

(T.W. Ellis)
DIRECTOR.

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB
West Sepik District

5th. October 1967.

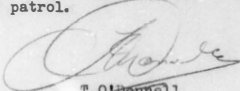
District Commissioner,
West Sepik District
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Patrol Report No. ⁶ A/67-68 Green River

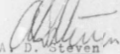
Please find enclosed Mr. Plummers patrol report of his visit to the Part Naga and Green River Lower Census Divisions to collect tax for the Council and carry out routine Administration.

2. The Council clerk at Amanab has been very ill with hepatitis and this is the reason he has not been able to patrol to collect tax. A similar situation exists at Amanab. When the clerk from Pagei returns from leave the S.L.G.O. has arranged for the clerk at Amanab to make a reciprocal transfer with the one at Pagei.
3. Amini is only 2 1/2 hours walk from Green River and now it is in the Green River Council area it is best if it be wholly administered from there and included in that Census Division. The people requested this at the time they changed from the Amanab to the Green River Council.
4. Mr. Plummer will submit his claim for camping allowance on his return from his present patrol.

Ref: 67-1-9
The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU


F. O'Donnell
Assistant District Commissioner.

8.12.67


A. D. Steven a/D.C.

Mr. Plummers report herewith.

DIARY

- Thursday - 7/9/67 - Departed 1330hrs for Abaru, arriving 1350hrs. Tax collected and village inspected. Departed 1530hrs, arriving back at station 1550hrs.
- Friday - 8/9/67 - Departed 0910hrs, arriving Usari at 1145hrs. Tax collected for Usari and Aua villages. Inspected village and departed 1340 hrs arriving station 1610hrs.
- Saturday and Sunday at station completing pays.
- Monday - 11/9/67 - Departed by tractor at 0950hrs arriving Dieru 1100hrs. Organised carriers and left for Ogru arriving 1350hrs. Slept.
- Tuesday - 12/9/67 - Departed 0830hrs, arriving at Rawei village at 1140hrs. Tax collected for Rawei, Busa and Auya villages. Departed 1445hrs, arriving back at Ogru 1755hrs. Slept.
- Wednesday - 13/9/67 - Tax collected at Ogru in the morning and departed 0910hrs, arriving Dieri 1150hrs. Tax collected for Dieru and Sugomoru villages. Tractor arrived and took patrol back to station, arriving there at 1535hrs.
- Thursday - 14/9/67 - Departed 0850hrs for Amini, arriving there at 1145hrs. Collected Tax and inspected village. Complaints heard. Slept.
- Friday - 15/9/67 - Departed Amini 0845hrs, arriving Samanai at 1210hrs after crossing through bush and small garden tracks to hit the main track from the station to Samanai. Tax collected at Samanai, village inspected. Departed 1500hrs arriving back at station 1710hrs.

End of Patrol

Introduction

This patrol was conducted to part of the Green River Local Census Division. The main object was for the purpose of collecting Council Tax. It is now over five months since a Council Clerk has been to Green River and Council work and Tax collection has to be done by D.D.A. officers.

The villages of Miniaburu and Iburu of the Green River Local C.D. will be visited on the next patrol, which is going to the Iuri C.D. and will visit the above two villages on the way back.

The three villages of Rawei, Busa and Auya, part of the Nagu C.D. were visited also, as they are the only three villages of the Nagu C.D. which are in the Council.

The patrol took the Council President, Anuwop as the member of the Council Tax Collection committee. Councillor Uniau of Usari went with the patrol as the representative of the Tax Review Committee.

Native Affairs

All villages were inspected and found to be reasonably well looked after. A previous patrol by myself to these villages had given various orders to the people and on the main these orders had been carried out. In those cases where necessary further orders were given so that all villages should soon be of a reasonably equal and high standard.

The village of Amini was visited. This village had joined the Green River Local Government Council in early 1966, but is part of the Nai-Faringa Census Division. This is looked after from Amanab Sub District Office. I would like to suggest that Amini be declared as part of the Green River Local C.D. so as to facilitate Census revision and general administration.

Now that the Council has purchased large numbers of gardening implements and building tools, etc., for loan to the villages it is expected that the Councillors will avail themselves of this opportunity to further improve their gardens and villages.

Some minor complaints were heard. None required court action and all were successfully arbitrated upon. These villages are all close enough to bring their troubles and problems to the station, which they generally do and nothing of a serious nature would ever be left to wait till a patrol visits their village.

Council Tax

Some £12-90 was collected during the patrol for the Council. This brings the total Tax collected so far to some £770, with the Iuri C.D. to be done next. This means that the Council should collect an amount, a final amount, very close to the estimated figure of £1200.

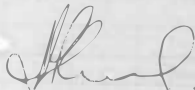
The only defaulters were those absent away working on plantations or the odd one who is absent but in the area. It is anticipated that these odd ones will come forth soon with their Tax money. As plantation labourers will not be prosecuted, the list of Tax defaulters after final Tax collection will probably be very small.

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Conclusion

Since regular patrolling has started in this area, ~~there~~ there has been a definite improvement in village conditions and in the people's attitude to the Administration. It is hoped that this situation will continue.

Whilst at the villages the Council President Anuwop gave talks to the people on what he had learned at the recent course held by the Public Health Department at Vanimo on village hygiene, etc.. These talks were in the local language and therefore should give the people some idea of the reasons for the constant requests to clean their villages.



A. Plummer
Officer in Charge

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of... WEST SEPIK Report No. GREEN RIVER NO. 7/67-68.
Patrol Conducted by G.L. DEWAR C.P.O.
Area Patrolled GREEN RIVER LOCAL & IURI CENSUS DIVISION AND PART NAGU C.D.
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... NO

Natives 4

Duration—From 8 / 1 / 19 68 to 18 / 1 / 19 68

Number of Days... 10

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? IURI CENSUS DIVISION ONLY.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... 10/19.67.

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Map Reference..... AITAPE FORMIL

Objects of Patrol LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

Director of Native Affairs.
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-16-30

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

6th March, 1968.

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VALEMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 7 of 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- * Memorandum of Patrol No.
- * Patrol Report No.7 of 1967/68

covering patrol by Mr. G. L. Dewar of 221 days duration.

No comments are necessary on this report of Local Council elections.

(S. W. Ellis)
(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

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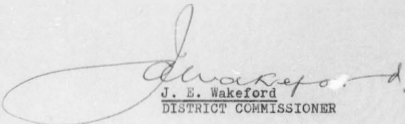
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Department of District Administration.

District Office,
VANIMO,
West Sepik District.

5th February, 1968.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBUGREEN RIVER PATROL REPORTSNo. ~~6~~ 7, ~~8~~ 67/68.Please find attached copies of the Green River Patrol
Reports Nos. 6, 7, 8, 67/68.No. 6 concerns the bringing of some coconuts and 7 and 8
on Council elections. These are for your records only as the
election patrols have been covered fully through the Commissioner
for Local Government.
J. E. Wakeford
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

8.I.68. Patrol departed at 0800 hrs for AUIA village arriving at 1045 hrs. Village inspected. Elections conducted in afternoon for the AUIA - USARI Ward. Good attendance.

Slept AUIA.

9.I.68. Patrol departed at 0800 hrs for IURI No I arriving at 1400 hrs. Carriers arrived at 1530 hrs. Camp set up in Rest Houses. Villages IURI No. 1 and IURI No.2 not yet assembled for Elections.

Slept IURI No I.

10.I.68. Elections conducted for the IURI No. I and IURI No.2 ward. Patrol departed 1000 hrs for MONGO via IURI No 2 arriving MONGO 1500 hrs. Village found to be in poor condition. Most of the people absent in bush due to fear of sickness (Broncho Pneumonia). Word sent for people to assemble next morning.

Slept MONGO.

11.I.68. Elections conducted for the MONGO ward. Attendance poor. Departed 0900 hrs for TENGUABU arriving 1100 hrs. Elections at TENGUABU. Departed for FUNGWINAM at 1230 hrs arriving at 1530 hrs. Elections conducted. Councillor stood unopposed.

Slept FUNGWINAM.

12.I.68. Departed FUNGWINAM at 0800 hrs for KAMBRIAP via PANANAGAN arriving KAMBRIAP at 1400 hrs. Elections conducted for the KAMBRIAP- TERAUWI ward.

Slept KAMBRIAP.

13.I.68. Departed KAMBRIAP at 0730 hrs for IBURU via TERAUWI arriving at 1230 hrs. Elections conducted for the IBURU ward. MINIABURU and SIMIA assembled at IBURU for Elections. Councillor stood unopposed for the MINIABURU - SIMIA ward. Patrol departed 1600 hrs for Green River arriving at 1820 hrs.

Slept GREEN RIVER.

14.I.68. Day observed at GREEN RIVER.

15.I.68. Patrol departed by tractor for DIERU village at 0830 hrs arriving at 930 hrs. Carriers hired and patrol departed for OGRU at 1000 hrs arriving at 1230 hrs. People assembled for elections. Councillor stood unopposed. RAWEI and BUSA assembled at OGRU for elections. AUYA not yet arrived. AUYA arrived late afternoon.

Slept OGRU.

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Green River Patrol -No.7/67-68.

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Elections conducted for RAWEI, B USA and AUYA wards. Councillor stood unopposed. Patrol departed 1000 hrs for DIERU village arriving at 1230 hrs. People assembled waiting arrival of Patrol. Elections conducted. Councillor stood unopposed. Tractor arrived late afternoon to carry cargo and personnel back to GREEN RIVER.

Slept GREEN RIVER.

17.I.68.

Patrol remained Green River to wait the arrival of District Commissioner Mr. J.E. Wakeford. District Commissioner arrived at 1130 hrs departed 1300 hrs. Remainder of day general office work.

Slept GREEN RIVER.

18.I.68.

Patrol departed for AMINI at 0830 hrs arriving at 1100 hrs. People waiting. Elections conducted. Councillor stood unopposed. Patrol departed at 1230 hrs for SAMANAI village arriving at 1530 hrs. People waiting. Elections conducted. Councillor stood unopposed. Patrol departed for Green River at 1700 hrs arriving at 1900 hrs.

END OF PATROL.