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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

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District of EAST CENTRAL Report No. MAGARIDA  
1/63-64

Patrol Conducted by D.G.L. WORLAND P.O.

Area Patrolled AMAZON BAY CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 5

Duration—From 4./7/1963 to 3./8/1963

Number of Days 26

Did Medical Assistant Accompany NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services MARCH /1963

Medical DECEMBER /1962

Map Reference .....

- Objects of Patrol.....
1. COUNCIL ELECTIONS
  2. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
  3. COUNCIL PROPAGANDA.

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 ....



Pop

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Females  
in Child  
Birth

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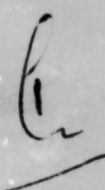
28th August, 1963.

The District Officer,  
East Central Division,  
Central District,  
FORT MORREBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. 1-63/64 -  
FAGARIDA.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol  
Report is acknowledged with thanks.

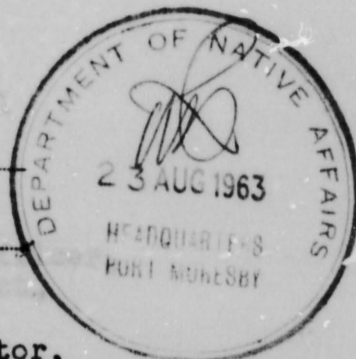
The patrol was of a routine nature and  
does not call for comment other than that contained  
in that provided by the Assistant District Officer,  
ALMA. The notes concerning local government have  
been passed to the Executive Officer.

  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Program  
Reference 67-6-1  
calling ask for



District Office,  
East Central Division,  
Central District,  
Port Moresby

20th August, 1963.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu.

PATROL REPORT NO.1/63-64  
MR. D.G.L.WORLAND, PATROL OFFICER.

Attached is copy of the above report together with voting statistics. It would be appreciated if you would pass voting statistics to Executive Officer, Local Government. The report was of a routine nature, very well conducted by Mr. Worland and he is to be congratulated on the work he has done in this area during his term there. There has been a marked improvement in the Amazon Bay Council area. The voting statistics are extremely high and indicate the type of propaganda carried out.

2. It is a pity that the Department of Agriculture cannot post a man permanently to the area. Sporadic postings only tend to make the people unhappy with this lot and with the relative department.

3. Claim for camping allowance has been attended to.

*F.G. Driver*  
(F.G. DRIVER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

Patrol Officer-in-Charge,  
Patrol Post,  
KASALIDA



NGM/KM

67-3-7/171

Sub-District Office,  
ABAU. C.D.

15th August, 1963.

The District Officer,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

Magarida Patrol Report No. 1/63-64

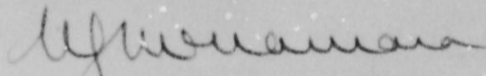
Forwarded herewith are three copies of the above Patrol Report submitted by Mr. Worland, Patrol Officer in Charge at Magarida.

The report covers all aspects not dealt with in Mr. Worland's two previous reports. Mr. Worland has done a good job at Magarida and on this patrol and the report is a good one, giving all necessary information. There is little comment necessary on it.

It is unfortunate that D.A.S.F. has insufficient staff to retain an officer at Magarida but this question has been discussed in previous correspondence. I feel strongly that as the people have been encouraged to plant cash crops, an Officer of D.A.S.F. should make regular visits to the area to give further advice and assistance and some arrangement should certainly be made for purchase of next season's crop of coffee.

The interest in the Council has been well demonstrated and much of the credit must go to Mr. Worland for his efforts and encouragement and assistance. The turn-up of voters was very good.

Claim for Camping Allowance is attached for your signature and return to Mr. Worland please.



N.G. McNamara  
A/Assistant District Officer

c. Patrol Officer-in-Charge,  
Patrol Post,  
MAGARIDA.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 67-4-1/151

Magarida Patrol Post,  
Amazon Bay,  
Papua.

9th August, 1963.

Assistant District Officer,  
Abau Sub-District,  
ABAU.

MAGARIDA PATROL REPORT 1/63-64

Officer Conducting	-	Mr. D.G.L. Worland P.O.
Area Patrolled	-	Amazon Bay Census Division
Patrol Accompanied by	-	1 member R.P.&N.G.C. Council Clerk 2 Council Constables Mr. Cliff Ianamu, President A.B.C.
Duration	-	4/7/63 to 3/8/63
Number of Days	-	26 days
Objects of the Patrol	-	(1) Council Elections (2) Routine Administration (3) Council Propaganda

INTRODUCTION

This patrol covered the entire Census Division and all people in the area were contacted. The patrol was well received in all villages and the people showed themselves willing and co-operative. This was the first patrol in the area for the 1963-64 year.

TOPOGRAPHY (See Fourmil attached)

The patrol covered the whole of the Amazon Bay Census Division which stretches from LABU village in Table Bay ( $149^{\circ}05'$  Long.) to GCBSIBA village in Orangerie Bay ( $149^{\circ}42'$  Long.) and from MAILU Island ( $10^{\circ}25'$  Lat.) to KOMANIA village in the Agaun Valley ( $9^{\circ}60'$  Lat.)

The Division is mainly mountainous with the land rising into the foothills of the Central Range about 6 hours walk in from the coast. Most Dimuga villages are set in isolated valleys which makes movement from village to village difficult. Tracks frequently use the old river beds and in the wet season these can become dangerous.

Large areas of land are unused but due to the distance involved and the broken topography these are probably unusable.

Valleys tend to run towards the coast in a south-westerly direction but the rivers, after leaving the valleys for the coastal plain tend to swing due south.

The entire Division is mainly covered with **T** Tropical Rain forest growth with the exception of small areas of savannah grasslands on the coastal belt and in the Agaun valley. The latter is man-induced due to the relatively large population of the valley.

Rivers tend to be fast-flowing and generally flow towards the southern coast.



DIARY

- 4th July, 1963. 8.00am departed to WOWORO. Arrived 8.30 thence by canoe to OROARO. On foot to NUNUMAI where elections were held for NUNUMAI/BIKAGA and DEKIA electorates. Slept NUNUMAI.
- 5th July Walked 1½ hours to MARA where elections were held for the MARA/GABURU/MODAULO electorate. Slept MARA.
- 6th July Walked 5 hours to DEIGAM. Held elections P.M.
- 7th July Sunday - Observed DEIGAM.
- 8th July Walked 4 hours to VEROI. NORA people came down to vote. Elections held VEROI and NORA. Slept VEROI.
- 9th July Walked 4 hours to KERIA where elections were held. Slept KERIA.
- 10th July Walked 4 hours to DOGON via DOVETA. Elections held for the DOVETA/DOGON electorate. Slept DOGON.
- 11th July Walked 5 hours to KOMANIA. Slept KOMANIA.
- 12th July Rested KOMANIA.
- 13th July Held elections for KOMANIA 1/ KOMANIA 2 electorate. Inspected both villages and airstrip.
- 14th July Sunday - walked to KAKAIA (some 10 minutes over the boarder in the Baniara Sub-District) to spend the day with John and Elizabeth Murane who are settling in there for a 15 year stay to translate the Bible into the DIMUGA language. A very pleasant



DIARY

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15th July

day - Returned and slept KOMANTIA.

16th July

Walked 4 hours to EVIAUWA where elections were held for the EVIAUWA/ TOPU electorate. Slept EVIAUWA.

17th July

Walked 4 hours to IOIOK via TOPU where elections were held. Had lunch there proceeded on to ARAU another 3½ hours down the valley. Slept ARAU.

18th July

Held elections at ARAU then by raft to MAGORI via LAUA 4 hours. Slept MAGORI.

19th July

Held elections for MAGORI/DEBA/LAUA electorate then proceeded on 5 hour walk to DARAVA village via DEBA. Arrived DARAVA. P.M. Slept DARAVA. Bona people arrived. Held elections for DARAVA/LABU. Walked to inspect LABU. Returned to hold elections for BONUA. Walked 6 hours to MAGARIDA.

20th July

MAGARIDA.

21st July

Sunday - observed Magarida.

22nd July

Proceeded by Council boat to LALUORO where elections were held. Thence to LOUPOM where elections were held. Returned and slept MAGARIDA.

23rd July

Walked to SELAI via WOWORO where elections were held for the SELAI/ WOWORO/OROARO electorate.

24th July

Magarida - Station inspection by Mr. McNamara A.D.O./ABAU.

DIARY

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25th July

Magarida - Station inspection by  
Mr. McNamara A.D.O./Abau.

26th July

Magarida - Station inspection by  
Mr. McNamara A.D.O./ABAU.

27th July

Departed by Council boat for ONIONI/  
GEAGEA via SABIRIBO. Arrived ONIONI  
12.30 slept ONIONI.

28th July

Sunday - observed. ONIONI.

29th July

By Mamai truck to Mamai Plantation  
after ONIONI/GEAGEA elections.  
Walked to ILAI where elections were  
held for ILAI/TANOBADA electorate.  
Slept ILAI.

30th July

Walked 3 hours to NABAI thence ORI  
where Papua ECCLESIA District Church  
was visited. Spoke to Assembly then  
held elections for the OIBADA  
electorate. One Court case held.  
Took the rest of the NORA votes from  
DAURO village. Slept NABAI.

31st July

Walked 3 hours to Mamai Plantation  
thence by truck to SABIRIBO road  
head. Arrived SABIRIBO 3.00 pm.  
Held elections and talked to people until  
8.00 pm. Slept SABIRIBO.

1st August

Proceeded to BOREBO by Council boat.  
Held elections for BOREBO/UBUNA  
and DOGOBO/UNEVI electorates.  
Inspected new Council Aid Post.  
Returned to Magarida by boat. Slept  
Magarida.

2nd August

Proceeded by Council boat to DEREBAI



3rd August

where elections were held.

Returned and slept MAGARIDA.

Proceeded by Council boat to

Mailu Island where elections were

held. Returned to Magarida.

### END OF PATROL

## NATIVE AFFAIRS

### 1. Census

This was revised earlier this year and a summary was included in my P.R. 2 of 62-63. Total population of the Division was 5,702.

### 2. Common Roll

This was completed early June 1963, with the exception of the non-indigenous entries which are to be done in the near future.

### 3. State of Villages

These were generally in good order. KOMANIA No 1 has almost completely been rebuilt since my first patrol early last year. The present village adjacent to the old one is a great improvement with a high standard of housing. The village of IOIOK has moved down the Bailebo River valley some 2 miles. This was reported in my P.R.N. 1. Unfortunately the standard of housing is not good due to the great number of adult males absent at work (44 in a total population of 119).

### 4. Environmental Sanitation

For Council schemes see under "Council Matters". Other villages are using traditional methods of sanitation and normally get water from nearby rivers and creeks. The villages of WOWORO and SELAI are in need of a better water supply. These may have to be included in the



Councils' water supply schemes for 1964.

### 5 Roads and Bridges

The patrol mainly used intervillages paths which were in good condition except for the sections where the people have made use of river beds. Many sections were steep and dangerous but the people have done their best to minimize this by building steps and providing handrails. Bridges mainly consisted of two logs lying side by side across the river with perhaps a cane hand support slung from bank to bank.

The vehicular road from MAGARIDA to NUNUMAI was not used due to the necessity of visiting JOCARO. However it had been recently cut and the Soil Survey Party at present in the NUNUMAI area have used it for the transport of their survey gear by the Administration Tractor. The vehicular road for MAMAI to ONIONI is in constant use by the Plantation truck and is kept in good condition. The extension to SABIRIBO is open to jeep traffic now that a small bridge of high standard has been completed by the people.

### 6 Native Disputes

Four court cases and a number of minor disputes were heard by the patrol. The disputes were usually settled by conciliation and the court cases were dealt with in the normal manner.

### 7 Welfare

During the present year the Amazon Bay Council has purchased 17 portable radio sets for use by the isolated Dimuga villages. These are extremely popular amongst the inland people and provide great entertainment each evening in the villages where people assemble to listen to the Motuan broadcasts.

COUNCIL MATTERS

1. Elections The Amazon Bay Census Division is also the Gazetted area of the Amazon Bay Council and the main object of the patrol was to hold elections in each of the twenty seven (27) electorates.

(a) Pre-Election Campaign The pre election campaign was held earlier this year when the nominations were taken. Particulars of the Nominees were forwarded with my P.R's 1 and 2 62/63. Voting demonstrations were given in all villages together with an outline of the responsibilities and duties of Councillors. Council meetings were used to advertise the elections and the fact that the people understood the system was shown by the complete understanding the people had of the voting procedure.

(b) Mode of Election It had been intended to introduce the "symbol system" of voting but time did not allow this and the old "whispering ballot" was used. This was quite effective and no informal votes were cast. An Election Statistics Register was used and balances checked at the end of each page of the Tax Register during the elections.

When a name was called the person came up to the table and said the name of his choice. This was marked according to gender under the name of the candidate. If a tax payer was not present he was marked according to gender in an "absent" column. People who were not eligible to vote for reasons other than being absent e.g. young boys on the Tax Register who do not pay tax and mentally retarded people who normally get a Tax Exemption were marked in a "<sup>Non-voters</sup> ~~Not Eligible~~" column according to gender. Thus at the end of the elections the totals of the columns in the Election Statistics Register equalled the number of people in the Tax Register. Voters were also marked with a "tick" in the latter.



For statistics see appendices A and B.  
A schedule of Councillors has been forwarded to the District Office for confirmation.

(e) Feminine interests All the women in the council area pay tax and are therefore eligible to vote. Two women stood for election, VEANI IANIDJURE of KOMANIA who polled nine (9) votes including three (3) males and MOGA GOSIBAEA from LOUPOM who polled ten (10) votes including two (2) males. Generally the women showed a great interest in the proceedings and it was noticed that frequently wives voted differently from their menfolk. In a number of instances where male absenteeism was high the female vote played a most important part in the final result.

(f) Absenteeism Of a electoral roll of 3639, absentees totalled 1385 at the time of the elections. This is 39% of the roll - most of the people are working in Port Moresby or other Territory centres. In the Dimuga villages many of the absent men are on the coast plantations working as contract labourers. More detailed notes regarding the effect this absenteeism is having on the community can be found in my P.R. 2 of 1962-63 which accompanied the census figures.

## 2. Council Aid Posts

During the last 3 years the Council has rebuilt four (4) of the five (5) Aid Posts in the division. These are at MAILU, ARAU, KOMANIA, BOREBO. The 1963 Estimates provide for the reconstruction of the fifth at NUNUMAI. All five Aid Posts were inspected and found to be satisfactory.



MISSION ACTIVITY

Three denominations of the Christian Church operate in the area.

The Papua Ecclesia which has its headquarters at IRUNA near Magarida, the Anglican Church which operates in KOMANIA and EVIAUWA and the QUATO Mission who operate a small school at BONUA village.

Although no move has yet been made to post a European Priest to KOMANIA, mission activity in that area has increased and Mission aircraft quite frequently use the Agaun Airstrip.

Whilst at ORI, the Council staff and I attended one of the sittings of the Mailu District Church Council under the Chairmanship of Mr. Cliff Ianamu. During the session expressions of good will were made towards the Amazon Bay Council and the Council was officially thanked for its past assistance.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT1. Mailu

The coastal Mailu villages rely mainly upon Copra for their cash income. All the large villages and many of the smaller ones have Co-operative Societies established which provide buying facilities for village - dried copra and store facilities for the purchase of basic home requirements.

Some villages e.g. SABIRIBO have greatly increased copra plantings over the last 3 years. These villages should reap the profits within the next ten.

Co-operatives are doing very well in the Mailu area at the present time. Copra production has maintained the same level as the first 6 months of this year. (My Annual Report refers). Large rebate payments have recently been paid to Mailu Island (£700) and KURERE (£600).

The sale of Armshells for bride-price payments is a most lucrative business for the Mailu Islanders, who control the market in Port Moresby. A thirteen - canoe shell-fishing fleet has recently returned to the area after a most successful trip to the eastern extremities of the Louisiade Archipelago. There is now great activity preparing the shells for sale in Port Moresby.

### 2. Dimuga

The problem in the inland is more complex than on the coast where coconuts are lazy to grow and have traditionally provided the people with income. Coffee has been introduced to most Dimuga villages but the lack continuity of supervision by the Agricultural Department has meant that many coffee gardens have been neglected and the required pruning has not been done. Now that the Agricultural Department has removed its Officer from the area the Council has decided to step in and give some help. They have already purchased two 2½ Coffee Pulpers to be installed at TANOBADA and have employed a first-rate trained Field Worker who will be continually on patrol helping people with their pruning and giving advice. However this is only half the problem. Within a few years this coffee will be in full bearing and will require some consideration as to transportation and marketing.

The present road to NUNUMAI is used infrequently by the Administration tractor and trailer to bring food down to be marketed on the coast. This infrequency is due to other commitments that the tractor must meet. The Amazon Bay Council has been given a subsidy of £100 to improve this road but this is hardly adequate. In the field of marketing we have taken a backward step in the last 9 months. The Agricultural Department no longer supply buying facilities for coffee at Magarida. How this will effect the next coffee season



is a question of great importance. The posting of a trained Field Assistant to Magarida would solve this problem as well as provide marketing channels for the English potato supply at KOMANIA.

A pleasing development in the Dimuga has been the recent introduction of flights into KOMANIA (Agaun) to uplift English potatoes for sale in the Milne Bay District. It is hoped that these flights can now be extended to Magarida now that STOL Air Services have a scheduled flight each week from Agaun to Amazon Bay.

CONCLUSION.

This was my final patrol of the area. The weather was unusually fine for the time of year making conditions pleasant. In a number of Mailu villages feasts and dancing accompanied the elections and my visit. The results of the elections were pleasing not only in that the people showed interest in, and knowledge of, the procedure but also I feel ~~in~~ that the new Council has more of the important men as members. This would tend to indicate that the Council has passed its trial period and has now gained the active support of the influential people who can do much in this area to improve and increase development.

*D.G.L. Worland*

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D.G.L. Worland, P.O.I.C.

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ns to	(6) No. eligible persons who voted.		(7) No. eligible persons who <del>voted</del> . failed to vote.		(8) % eligible persons who voted.		(9) Overall %
	F	M	F	M	M	F	
74	53	74	NIL	NIL	100%	100%	100%
22	27	21	4	1	87	95	91
41	33	37	2	4	97	90	93
53	43	51	7	2	86	94	90
49	51	49	NIL	NIL	100	100	100
38	32	38	3	NIL	94	100	97
51	57	49	6	2	90	96	93
35	25	33	4	2	86	94	90
18	12	15	3	3	80	83	82
38	30	38	1	NIL	96	100	98
111	76	104	13	7	85	94	90
70	46	66	5	4	90	94	92
30	17	30	4	NIL	84	100	92
32	27	32	4	NIL	87	100	93
20	27	20	1	NIL	96	100	98
32	20	31	3	1	87	97	92
49	34	49	4	NIL	84	100	92
85	80	82	1	3	99	96	97
45	35	45	NIL	NIL	100	100	100
41	33	41	4	NIL	89	100	95
29	30	29	NIL	NIL	100	100	100
33	31	33	NIL	NIL	100	100	100
30	23	26	2	4	92	86	89
24	24	23	2	1	92	96	94
24	19	24	NIL	NIL	100	100	100
48	46	45	7	3	87	94	89
33	24	32	5	1	83	97	90

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ELECTORAT  
 KURERE  
 DOGOBO/UNE  
 BOREBO/UBU  
 SELAI/WOWO  
 ORAORO  
 BEBA/MAGOR  
 LAUA  
 PARAVA/LABU  
 ROANA/DERE  
 UNUMAI/BIL  
 ERIA  
 OVETA/DOGO  
 ROMANIA No1  
 ROMANIA No2  
 WIAUWA/TOPE



## APPENDIX "A"

DISTRICT	NAME OF CANDIDATE	NO. OF SEATS	FINAL COUNT	SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE
MURERE	MALARI MORE TAPUA ARAVE	1	50 77	TAPUA ARAVE
DOGOBO/UNEVI	DAGO AEVA LUIA POURI AGAMO SINA	1	28 6 14	DAGO AEVA
MUREB/UBUNA	MATU MAEUA ONIO LAMA INI OI	1	44 24 2	MATU MAEUA
ELAI/WOWORO/ ORAORO	CLIFF IANAMU	1	94	CLIFF IANAMU
ERA/MAGORI/ LAUA	OGELA VELAVE LOBO BAILE DANI BAURO	1	7 9 84	DANI BAURO
ARAVA/LABU	GILA POPORI SARO MAGA BENIKI PILA	1	4 88 14	SARO MAGA
OGANA/DEREBAI	ORAI BAEA BELAVA DURAMA LOU SERENA	1	61 5 4	ORAI BAEA
MUMAI/BILAGA	BOBI GAUNET BILIBOUDA VEDO	1	25 33	BILIECUDU VEDO
ELIA	KAVISI LEVO	1	27	KAVISI LEVO
MERA/DOGON	DOUEKAI TARIAP UEGO TAWAWAT SEDI GEMPANI	1	29 13 26	DOUEKAI TARIAP
MANIA No1/ MANIA No2.	NITEA TARIAP ANINAM GITE DORIGO NOTOGI VEANI IANIBURE(F)	1	85 71 15 9	NITEA TARIAP
MUAWA/TOPU	IATA AUWAS REDIMO IAP	1	83 29	IATA AUWAS

ELECTORATE	NAME OF CANDIDATE	No. OF SEATS	FINAL COUNT	SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE
VOIOK	GEAGEA AUTANIM WOU DU GARIVI	1	41 6	GEAGEA AUTANIM
ARAU	UTA GINUN IDAU NON	1	43 16	UTA GINUN
ANOBADA/ILAI	KORIPA MUME DIBAI GAIRE	1	25 22	KORIPA MUME
MADAULO/GABURU	ONON BODOI MAIRA JACK	1	48 3	ONON BODOI
MOPUM	BUA LIBAI MIKI DAM LOBO LEMA MOGA GOSIBAEA (F)	1	8 46 19 10	MIKI DAU
MILU	DOUDO WUNUA KOARE OMAGA KENENE GODANA	1	88 60 14	DOUDO WUNUA
MUNUA	DIUAI NARIU WAIGAPAN SIPOMA	1	50 30	DIUAI NARIU
MABIRIBO	MARK BONIO	1	74	MARK BONIO
MONE	GIMINA KAIMOU WARAKANA BADAU INAU MAIAU	1	12 35 12	WARAKANA BADAU
MIBADA	TAVORA BUNE GENAIA ONE	1	55 9	TAVORA BUNE
MDEIGAM	OVIO EEBU GAIORI WANUMUT	1 1	35 14	OVIO VEBU
MORA	IGARA GEAGEA MAINO ARNOB	1	13 34	MAINO ARNOB



ELECTORATE	NAME OF CANDIDATE	No. OF SEATS	FINAL COUNT	SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE
VEROI	UPAGI KAINAUT PURALAU MODIRI	1	21 22	PURALAU MODIRI
LALUORO	KILI WAINENO BAGANAI WORO	1	43 48	BAGANAI WORO
KERIA	UTUAP WAIAWA UNSI WAIVERE	1	36 20	UTUAP WAIAWA

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MARSHALL ISLANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Officer Supervising Elections

Date Election Held: 1964

Date Election Held: 1964

1) VILLAGE	(2) TOTAL POPU.	(3) No. persons on roll		(4) No. persons on roll absent at election time.		(5) No. persc eligible vote.
		M	F	M	F	M
ZURERE	338	122	91	69	17	53
DOGOBO	173	52	39	21	17	31
BOREBO	173	62	58	27	17	35
SELAI	310	110	76	60	23	50
MAGORI	188	80	65	29	16	51
DEREBAI	178	76	49	41	11	35
DARAVA	254	93	58	30	7	63
NUNUMAI	127	51	43	22	8	29
DERIA	72	29	24	14	6	15
DOGON	182	62	46	31	8	31
KOMANIA	465	146	117	57	6	89
EVIAUWA	248	83	74	32	4	51
IOIOK	119	67	38	46	8	21
ARAU	112	51	38	20	6	31
TANOBADA	212	70	47	42	27	28
MADAULO	131	55	39	32	7	23
LOUPOM	269	86	74	48	25	38
MAILU	505	193	133	112	48	81
BONUA	185	72	53	37	8	35
SABIRIBO	252	75	68	38	27	37
ONEONE	164	54	47	24	18	30
OIBADA	196	74	60	43	27	31
DEIGAM	137	43	38	18	8	25
NORA	145	51	33	25	9	26
VEROI	154	35	35	16	11	19
JALUORO	283	93	68	49	20	53
KERIA	130	48	36	19	3	29
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AMAZON BAY NATIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

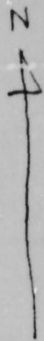
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Date Election Due: July 1963

Date Election Held: July 1963.



AMAZON BAY



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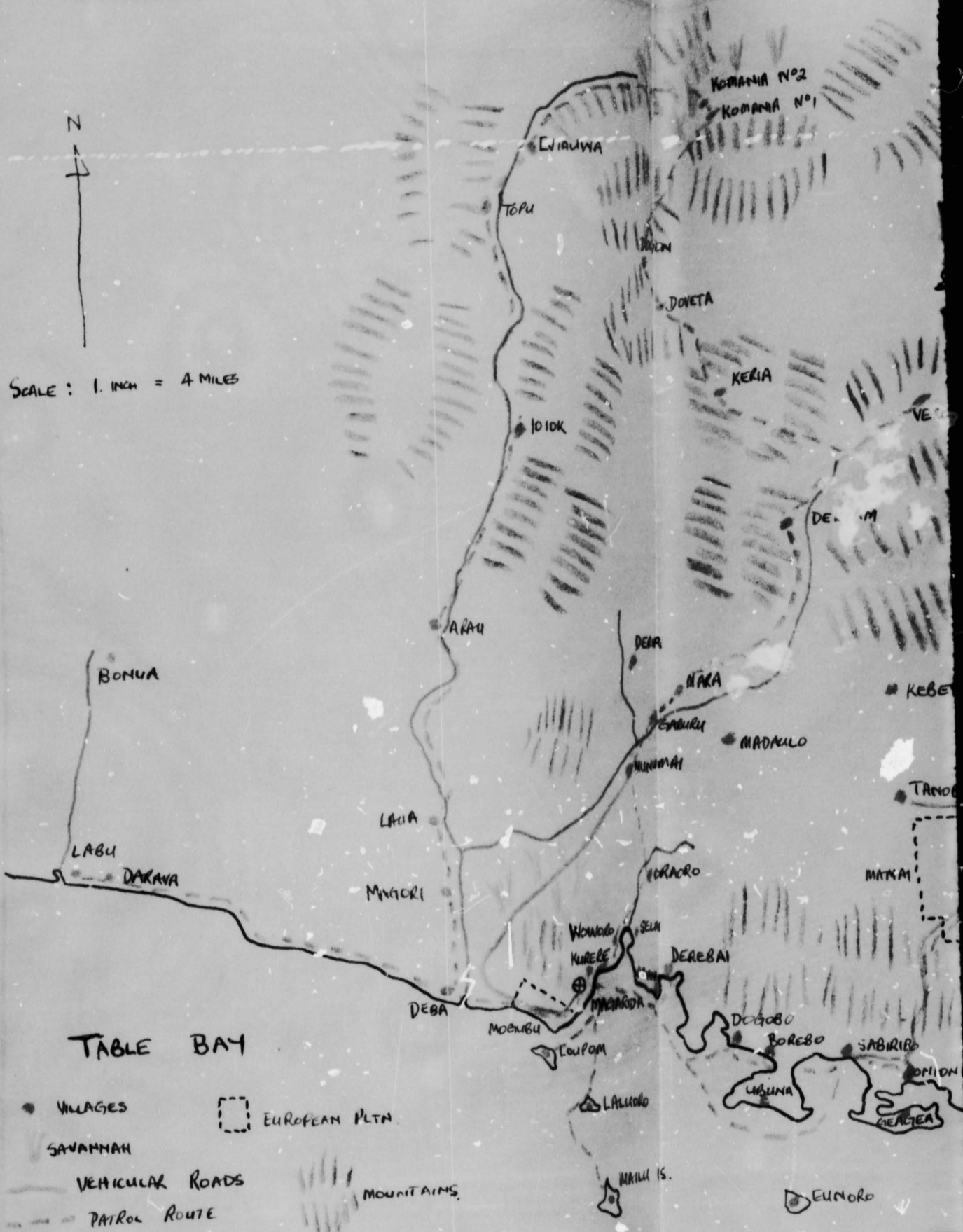


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- VILLAGES
- ▭ EUROPEAN PLTN
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# AMAZON BAY







TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of MARSHALL LAGOON, ABAU, CD Report No. 5 of 1963/64.

Patrol Conducted by J.P. WALSH, Patrol Officer, D.K. EDWARDS, Cadet Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Entire Coastal administrative area.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No.

Natives Constable POKE, R.P.&N.G.C.

Duration—From 20 / 1 / 19 64 to 31 / 1 / 19 64 From 4/2/64 to 6/2/64.

Number of Days 13.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services October 1963.

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

Map Reference .....

Objects of Patrol Final political education before House of Assembly  
elections routine administration. Land investigati

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 ....

Amount Returned to Store

Popul

9

67-1-37

22nd June, 1964.

District Officer,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5-63/64 - MARSHALL  
LAGOON.

Receipt of the abovementioned report is acknowledged with thanks. The covering comment accompanying the report covers most matters adequately.

I do not think that regular police patrols through villages would be of very great advantage as most complaints are of a civil nature in any case.

Too many visits disrupt the people's work pattern.

I am pleased that the political education programme was so successful.

A good first patrol by Mr. Edwards.

J. K. McCarthy,  
DIRECTOR.





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-5-5

District Office,  
Port Moresby

25th May, 1964.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu.

PATROL REPORT NO.5 of 63-64.  
Messrs. J.Walsh, P.O. and D.Edwards, C.P.O.

Copy of the above report together with  
A.D.O.Abau comments.

2. I am not at all happy about the land situation as against erection of buildings by the Department of Education in this area. We are experiencing continual difficulty trying to even lease land where considerable expenditure in the erection of buildings has taken place. Many thousands of pounds worth of Administration buildings have been erected on Native land.

3. The Wanigela people had a school at one time but due to failure by them to send their children and erect decent buildings the school was taken away from them.

4. All in all, a good presentation by Mr.Edwards.

*F.G. Driver*  
(F.G. DRIVER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

att.

67-4-10/882.

RHM/we.

Sub-District Office,  
East Central District,  
ARAU, C.D.

12th May, 1964.

The District Officer,  
Central District,  
FORT MORESBY.

MARSHALL LAGOON PATROL REPORT No.5/63-64

Attached are three copies of this well presented report of Mr. Edwards' first patrol with Mr. Walsh.

2. LAW AND ORDER - I don't think regular police patrols to the villages would achieve much as the people of the area are in general very law-abiding. As Mr. Edwards mentions most of their complaints are of a civil nature.

3. VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS. Mr. Walsh is doing a good job at Marshall Lagoon in organising inter-village sporting activities, and it is pleasing to note that the Council is taking an active part in promoting these by donating trophies.

4. HYGIENE The supply of serum to KEREKUNA, AROMA (PELAGAI) and KAPARI is a step forward in providing aid for snake bite victims. The serum must be kept under refrigeration, and is kept in the teachers' refrigerators. There is an Aid Post orderly at these places who can treat snake bite victims.

5. LAND MATTERS - It is becoming increasingly difficult to buy land in this Sub-District, and it even takes some time to persuade people to lease their land for a number of years. There are a lot of outstanding land investigations in Marshall Lagoon but progress is hampered by failure of all the owners to agree at the one time. Consequently an officer has to visit a site a number of times over a period of time before final settlement can be agreed upon.

6. EDUCATION - The Education Department once had plans for a school for the Wanigela people but these I understand were shelved in 1962. There is an urgent need for a school for the Wanigela people - perhaps the District Education Officer could be consulted about this. No doubt he would have formulated new plans by this.

7. GENERAL : Mr Edwards has written a good report of his first patrol.<sup>y</sup>

*RHM*  
(R.H. MELLOR)  
Assistant District Officer.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67/1/1

If calling ask for

Mr. DKE/AV.

Patrol Post,  
East Central District,  
MARSHALL LAGOON.

10th April, 1964.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
A B A U.

MARSHALL LAGOON PATROL REPORT No. 5/63-64.

1. Attached in triplicate please find the above patrol report for your information and onward transmission to the District Officer.

2. The delay in submitting this report is regretted. Due to the pressure of work caused by preparation for the House of Assembly elections and Mr. Walsh's absence from the station, both on patrol and in TAURAMA Hospital, I have been unable to completely finish the report until recently. ML. Patrol No. 5/63-64.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY: J.P. Walsh Patrol Officer,  
D.K. Edwards Cadet Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED: Entire Marshall Lagoon Administrative area with the following exceptions:-  
MAIAGOLO, DOM and OBAHA Villages.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY: Native Constable POKE. R.P.&.N.G.C.

DURATION: From the 20th of January, 1964 to 31st January, 1964. From 4th February, 1964 to 6th February, 1964.

NO. OF DAYS: 13.

OBJECTIONS OF PATROL: Final political education meetings to prepare the people for the House of Assembly elections. Routine administration. Land investigation.

( D.K. Edwards )  
Cadet Patrol Officer.

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PATROL DIARY.

Monday 20th January, 1964.

Departed KUPIANO 700 AM for LALAUURA village with Mr. Walsh by outboard dinghy. Arrived 8.10 AM. Political education meeting conducted. Departed for KAPARI village 9.45 AM. arrived 10.15 AM. Met by Co-op. Officer Mr. K. Trezise. Political education meeting conducted. Departed for KUPIANO 1200 PM, arrived 1.00 PM. Departed per outboard canoe 4.30 PM, arrived PELAGAI 6.45. Stayed here this night.

Tuesday 21st January, 1964.

Departed for KEREPUUNU 7.00 AM, stranded on reef 10 AM, walked to rest house at KEAPARA. Land work, enquiries and political education meeting conducted in the afternoon by Mr. Walsh. Council film shown this night. Stayed here this night.

Wednesday 22nd January, 1964.

Mr. Walsh conducted several courts, heard complaints. Self inspected site of Land dispute. Departed 11.45 AM, arrived ILIMORUPU 2.00 PM. Thence to PELAGAI and MAOPA No. 1, organising meetings - Meetings conducted at ILIMORUPU, PELAGAI. Stayed this night at MAOPA No. 1.

Thursday 23rd January, 1964.

Attended meeting at MAOPA No. 1. Departed 9.00 AM for KUPIANO to collect land files and supplies. Arrived 11 AM. Departed 12.15 for MAOPA No. 1. Due to heavy seas return trip extremely slow. Arrived 4.00 PM. Stayed at MAOPA No. 1 this night.

Friday 24th January, 1964.

Genealogy compiled. Land work at PELAGAI completed. Complaints and enquiries heard. Stayed here this night.

Saturday 25th January, 1964.

Land work at MAOPA No. 1 village completed. Departed for IRUONE 1.30 PM to conduct political meeting. People uninformed, meeting cancelled returned MAOPA No.1. Stayed here this night.

Sunday 26th January, 1964.

Departed AM for KELEKAPANA.- Political education meeting conducted. Stayed here this night.

Monday 27th January, 1964.

Departure for WAIRAVANUA delayed by heavy seas-arrived 10 AM. Mr. Walsh continued to council meeting at GAVUONE - self stayed at WAIRAVANUA. Inspected site of Primary "T" School. Conducted political education meeting. Stayed here this night.

Tuesday 28th January, 1964.

Departure for KELERAKWA delayed by heavy seas. Eventually arrived 9.30 AM. Conducted political education meeting. Land work started PM. Stayed here this night.



Wednesday 29th January, 1964.

Land work at KELERAKWA halted by owners refusal to accept written contract. Attended council meeting GAVUONE with Medical Assistant Mr. Brigden. Self and Mr. Walsh returned to KELERAKWA for the night.

Thursday 30th January, 1964.

Departed 8.00 AM for KUPIANO. Morning spent clearing up urgent office work. 11.45 departed per outboard canoe - Mr. Walsh to WAIORI - self to WANIGELA. Land work commenced. Stayed here this night.

Friday 31st January, 1964.

A.M. inspected disputed land on a hill near WANIGELA. Afternoon spent compiling genealogy of MARUGAI clan. Returned to KUPIANO 6.00 PM.

Saturday 1st February, 1964.

General office procedure at KUPIANO. Mr. Walsh departed for PELAGAI to conduct meeting with electoral officers.

Sunday 2nd February, 1964.

Observed on station.

Monday 3rd February, 1964.

General office procedure. Due to inadequate transport facilities and heavy seas, Mr. Walsh's return delayed until 3.30 PM.

Tuesday 4th February, 1964.

Departed 9.00 for WANIGELA. Day spent compiling genealogy of MARUGAI clan. Stayed here this night.

Wednesday 5th February, 1964.

Day spent compiling genealogy of MARUGAI clan. 4.30 PM departed for KUPIANO, Met Messrs Sharp A.D.O., McNamara a/A.D.O and P.O. Lewis - at station for final meeting of RIGO - ABAU electoral officers. Returned to WANIGELA for the night.

Thursday 6th February, 1964.

Day spent compiling genealogy. Returned to KUPIANO for the night.

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*D.K. Edwards*

( D.K. Edwards )  
Cadet Patrol Officer.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS:

The Native Affairs situation in the area patrolled is satisfactory. The patrol was at all times received in a friendly and co-operative manner and few complaints were brought forth. However, a slightly lethargic attitude was noticed in some villages, notably, ILIMORUPU and KEAPARA. Although the people were willing to attend the political education meetings, they displayed a tendency to arrive when they felt so inclined, at times up to an hour after the specified time. More frequent patrolling would probably help to rectify this attitude.

LAW AND ORDER:

Generally the people in the area patrolled are peaceful and law abiding. I was impressed by the entire lack of complaints of a criminal nature on this patrol. The people are certainly not belligerent and don't display any general criminal tendencies but it is reasonable to expect some form of crime over such a large area. Claims tendered were of a civil nature, relating to land disputes, debts, damage to property etc.

I feel that this unwillingness on the part of the people to bring their offenders before the proper authorities could be changed by a regular police patrol through the villages. Unfortunately the present police strength at Marshall Lagoon is barely sufficient to run the station, thus all thoughts of such patrols must be put aside.

CENSUS - No census Revision was compiled on this patrol.

VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

The Councillors in the villages visited were generally helpful and efficient. In several villages the degree of influence held by these officials left a little to be desired and the co-operation extended by the villagers seemed to suffer correspondingly. On the other hand TELAIAI was a prime example of a village under the supervision of a strong personality. Attendance at meetings was whole-hearted and punctual and the village was kept in good order.

Few sub-standard dwellings were found in the area. In fact I was impressed by the large numbers of buildings constructed partly or wholly from permanent materials such as corrugated iron and fibro sheeting. The people are interested in improving their houses in this manner and it is lack of finance rather than lack of interest holding them back.

Sports/Social clubs are an important part of the social life in the villages and some of the clubrooms are quite impressive. Inter-village sports meetings are being planned and trophies are to be donated by the Council. This tends to make life at home more interesting for the people and also fosters friendly relations with people from relatively distant villages.

ELECTIONS:

The election education meetings were a success in all of the villages and the people seemed to grasp the various aspects of the situation. The meetings held on this patrol were for polishing up purposes. Mr. Walsh had already spent considerable time and effort on this work and the people had a workable appreciation of the coming elections and their implications.



HYGIENE:

Health is of a reasonably high standard in the area and there are Aid Posts in most villages. Minor epidemics have occurred but regular patrolling by the Medical Assistant and Infant Welfare Nurses from Marshall Lagoon has done much to improve the situation. Wells and pumps subsidised by Public Health Department have been installed at KELERAKWA and LALAURA and more are being planned.

Pigs and snakes constitute a threat to the people in certain villages along the coast. The pig problem can be overcome to a certain extent by building enclosures for them or building and maintaining a wall (of sticks) around the villages. Snakes are a serious threat and are the cause of relatively large numbers of deaths in the Marshall Lagoon area. The snakes cannot be wiped out but instruction courses in how to treat snake bite cases could alleviate the problem to a certain extent. Serum has been supplied to villages where European teachers are stationed and this has relieved pressure on the Medical Assistant and given victims a fighting chance of recovery. These villages are KAPARI, the AROMA Coast and KEAPARA.

LAND MATTERS:

During initial stages of the patrol I was little more than observer as it was my first patrol. During this time Mr. Walsh compiled 2 genealogies and finished several partly completed surveys on the AROMA Coast.

I surveyed the school area at KELERAKWA and inspected a tract of land between the school and the beach with potential for development. However, upon trying to establish ownership I was informed that the villages weren't prepared to relinquish their rights to the land. They were prepared to let the Government use the land but they wished to retain the right to re claim it at will. Mr. Walsh spoke to them on the subject but they were firm in their wishes.

I inspected disputed land at WANIGELA and compiled a genealogy. They were some 1,800 names of owners in the list and it took 3 days to complete. The survey and compilation of the opposing clan genealogy is to be completed shortly.

Land work constitutes a large percentage of the work in this area as many people are keen to establish ownership according to European laws and because leases are needed for all Government projects in the area.

EDUCATION:

The amount of money being spent in the area by the Education Department is most impressive. The AROMA Coast has a concentration of 5 European teachers and others are situated at KEREPUKU, KELERAKWA, GAVUONE and KAPARI villages. In addition, there are indigenous teachers at all of the above mentioned villages and at WAIRAVANUA and WAIORI as well.

Mission schools are tending to be forced into the background by this focus of Government attention but are never-the-less doing considerable good in backing up.

Despite the attention given to education in this area, it is obvious that a great deal more is still to be done. WANIGELA, with a population of over 2,000 and a high birth rate, has only a S.D.A. Mission school and many of the villagers are seeking Government aid.

*D.K. Edwards*

( D.K. Edwards )  
Cadet Patrol Officer.