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PATROL REPORT.

~~WEST~~ ^{EAST} SEPIK PROVINCE.

WEWAK. 1967-68.

8-1967/68 A.D. STEVENS YANKON EAST AU C/D.
9-1967/68 P.K. DONALDSON LUMI & SOMERO.
13-1967/68 A.D. STEVENS PORTION SOUTH WEST WAPEI
TO BULAWA AIRSTRIP SITE/RTN.
21-1967/68 J.E. FAUKE SOUTH WAPEI C/DIVISION.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEAPATROL DIARY:

Wednesday 13/9/67 Prepared to depart on a Land Investigation patrol to YANKOK village in the AU EAST Census division. Departed per TOYOTA vehicle at 1100 hours, arriving approximately 1200 hours. Spent the afternoon looking at prospective sites for a Police Post. Host owners arrived at the Yankok rest house for discussions in the evening. Slept Yankok rest house.

Thursday 14/9/67 Rose 0610.
0730 departed for the proposed site with the major owners and worked until 1230, cutting lines and surveying with chain and compass.
1240 - 1345 - lunch.
1345 - 1630 - spent building stone cairns as markers at survey points and counting food trees on the site.
1630-1638 - liaising with C.H.M.L. Mission ANGIKANAK, re their boundaries.
1635 - 2120 - obtaining information for Land Investigation Report - genealogical etc.
After dinner we slept YANKOK Rest House.

Friday 15/9/67 Rose 0555.
0700 - Began final investigations for the Land Investigation Report which continued until the TOYOTA Vehicle arrived from LUMI at 1230. When Investigation was finished we proceeded back to LUMI.

PATROL ENDS.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

LUMI Patrol No. 9 - 67/68 was mounted for the specific purpose of investigating the possibilities of purchasing an area of land as a pre-requisite to the establishment of a Rural Police Post in the East Au Census Division.

I arrived at ANJUGAHAE Mission approximately midday and discussions with the people of YANKOK village soon revealed that they were quite willing to sell the required land. So willing in fact, that three separate sites were offered. After inspection of each, the one referred to in Land Investigation Report (File: 35-2-16) was chosen.

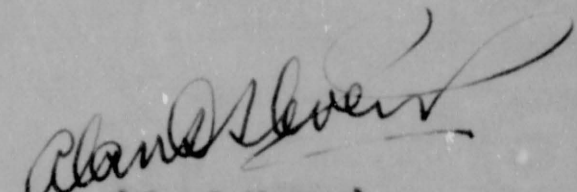
Most of the owners of the land congregated at the rest house in the evening for discussions. As well as discussing the proposed Police Post, the subject of the impending inclusion of the Au Census Divisions into the Wapei Local Government Council was also brought up. The people are quite interested in the council and wished to know when the elections are to be held. These questions opened the way for a certain amount of political or election education which was given to the people as revision of what they learnt during A.D.O. Mr Russell's patrol (LUMI No. 1-67/68) in May - June of this year.

On the following day, 14th September, the daylight hours were devoted almost entirely to the chain and compass survey of the chosen site. Extra time was taken to give Mr. James Koibe, Assistant Patrol Officer, his first practical experience with the chain and compass.

All survey lines were well cleared and all corners were marked with cairns of stones (obtainable in the river bed nearby).

For further information please refer to the Land Investigation Report - file: 35-2-16.

Claim for camping allowances ~~is~~ attached.


(Alan D Stevens)
Patrol Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. 2-67/68 Subdistrict IUMI District WEST SEPIK DISTRICT

Officer Conducting Patrol C.G. SANDERSON A.D.C.

Census Division Patrolled EAST OF EAST and WEST AU

Objects of Patrol Familiarisation, Political Education, General Administration

Date Patrol Commenced 11/7/67 Date Completed 18/9/67

Duration—Days Eight

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL

File	Subject Matter	Addressee	Date
51-1-1	Native Situation - An Area	D.C. VANIMO	20/9/67
	Camping Allowance Claim	C.G. Sanderson A.D.C.	
P.O.J.	C.G. Sanderson	Pages 9 & 10, paras 73 - 81	

C.G. Sanderson Patrolling Officer's Signature

I certify that all necessary local administrative action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol and that the correspondence above indicated by a "tick" has been forwarded to the Headquarters, Department of District Administration, Port Moresby.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

→ PATROL REPORT - *humi local*

District of *Melo Seik* Report No. *9-67/68*

Patrol Conducted by *P.K. Danabison*

Area Patrolled *humi a Sonoro*

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *29/9/1967* to *1/10/1967* *September 1967*

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19 *Feb 67*

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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

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Sub District Office,
LUMI.
2nd October, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
LUMI.

AIRFIELD SITE - SOUTH WEST WAPEI.

On the 29th September, 1967, I proceeded on a short patrol to BULUWA village in the South West Wapei Census Division with the express purpose of investigating an area of grassland previously mentioned as a possible site for development into a Category "A" Airstrip.

LOCATION

Situated approx. one hours walk south-west of the present BULUWA village in the South West Wapei Census Division at approximate latitude 3 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds south and longitude 142 degrees 01 minutes east, (as per Map SA54-15 Series T504 Army Survey). Present access by walking track for six hours from LUMI.

DESCRIPTION of SITE.

Located at approximately 600 feet above sea level the site is situated on a slightly raised ridge. The area was paced for a length of approximately 7000 feet along a magnetic bearing 155°. The northern end is approximately 350 feet wide with small hillocks on the western side at between the 2200 & 900 feet marks. There is a slight depression at the 5000 feet mark and the ground falls away at about .5% from the 6000 feet mark.

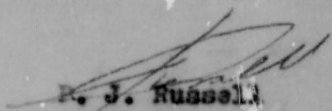
The C.M.M.L. Mission are presently engaged in constructing a light aircraft 'strip which commences at an area adjacent to the site under review and which runs at approx. 165° until it enters the perimeter of the site.

The site is all grassland. The topsoil consists of about 2-3 inches of black soil with several feet of clay, and areas of stone underneath.

SITE POTENTIAL.

It is considered that an aerodrome, Class "X", of dimensions of up to 6000 feet by 300 feet could be constructed on the site. There is no secondary growth to be removed and a Category "B" Airstrip could be easily constructed by hand, allowing heavy equipment to then be flown in. Alternatively, equipment could be placed on site by driving down the Gwenif River bed. This would normally be successful in the dry season. Sufficient surfacing material would be available in the Gwenif River, only one mile from the site.

For your information.


R. J. Russell
A.D.O.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA
DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

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Name RUSSELL P.S.

Station Lumi

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

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29/9 321 Departed Lumi 9.40 to Milioni T school. Carriers ready, to Ienaia village thence down to GWENIP River. Downstream to BULUWA village arriving 1715 hours.

30/9 322 ^{det} To Kuma ground with well of Bkawa on right bank of Gwenip river. Carried out preliminary investigation of area as possible strip. Returned to BULUWA at 1330 hours.

1/10 323 0600 Departed BULUWA direct to Milioni school, arriving 1030 hours. Carriers arrived 1430 hours.

Copy to Assistant District Commissioner

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Subdistrict

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub District Office,
Lumi
West Sepik District.
4th October 1967

The Assistant District Commissioner,
LUMI

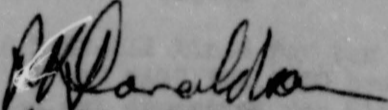
PATROL REPORT 4-67/68

Routine Patrol through the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions

Officer Conducting	P K Donaldson, Cadet Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions
Duration	28th September to 23th October 1967
Accompanying Personnel (in part)	Mr P Russell, A.D.O. Mr J Koibe, A.P.O.
Reasons for Patrol	Census revision and Political Education.
Area Map Reference	Army Fourmile, 1966 series

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Appendices	(a) Recognised Schools in the Area
	(b) Police Report
	(c) Patrol Map
	(d) Village Population Registers.


(P K Donaldson)
Cadet Patrol Officer

PATROL DIARY - LUHI PATROL 4/ 67/68

- 28-8-67 Patrol into the SOMORO, LUHI LOCAL Census Divisions commenced this day accompanied by Mr P J Russell A.D.O., G Bundari and S Sanankeoc, Local Government Assistants, and I Iamo, WAPEI Local Government Council Clerk. Departed LUHI 0930 hrs arriving 1030 MIMBITEI. Village lined for tax - census and Political education talks. Left 1230, arriving YONGITEI 1330 hours. Both Villages of YONGITEI and SUGOITEI tax - censused and talks given for political education.
- 29-8-67 Left YONGITEI 0800 hrs arriving MINATEI 0900, villages of MINATEI 1 and 2 lined for tax - census and political education
- 30-8-67 Left MINATEI 0800 arriving KARAITEM Catholic Mission station 0930. Villages of AMAITEM, KARAITEM, PAI, TOPUNGU and WAIELI lined and talks given. All except KARAITEM were tax - censused this day. Slept KARAITEM.
- 31-8-67 KARAITEM tax - censused this day, departed 1130 arriving MOKAI 1300. Tax - censused and talks given. Slept MOKAI.
- 1-9-67 Departed 0830 arriving WUGUBLI 0930. Planned visit to WUGUBLI on return journey, left WUGUBLI arriving WANTIPI 1130 hrs. Village lined for tax - census and talks; slept WANTIPI.
- 2-9-67 0800 hrs left for tax - census and political education at KALAU arriving 0900 hrs. Returned WANTIPI 1130 hrs then set off with personal effects for WUGUBLI 1230 hrs, arriving 1330. Village lined for tax - census and political education. Slept WUGUBLI.
- 3-9-67 Sunday spent collating census figures.
- 4-9-67 Left WUGUBLI 0745 hrs for MAIWETEM, arriving 1000. Tax - censused and political education talks given departing 1130 arriving Lumi Sub District Office 1437 hours; slept Lumi.
- 5-9-67 Replenished supplies and made ready to continue the Patrol. Set out 0945 accompanied by Mr Bundari and Mr Sanankeoc, arriving 0751 1100hrs. Village tax - censused and talks given, departing 1430 hrs for villages of KARAITEM and SABOITEI along the road. Tax - censused and talk given departing for FLOBUM; arrived on nightfall slept night.
- 6-9-67 FLOBUM and TAUWETEI lined for tax census and talks, departing for Siboitei and WAGOITEI 1130 hrs. Both villages lined and work carried out departing for RAWETEI 1530 arriving 1630; slept RAWETEI.
- 7-9-67 Villages of RAWETEI and SIGAITEI lined for tax census and talks which were extended due to rain delaying Patrol. Left rest house RUWETEI 1630 hrs arriving 1730; slept WABUTEI.
- 8-9-67 Villages of WABUTEI, SARBOTEI, WILBETEI and MIWAUTEI were lined for census, tax collection and political education talks. Work completed 1700 hrs Slept WABUTEI.
- 9-9-67 0800 departed for TOLGETI arriving 1000; carriers were sent on to the village of WILIUM. Villages of TOLGETI and WIGOTEI were lined for census, tax collection and talks before patrol departed 1630 hrs for WILIUM, arriving 1830 slept night.

- 10-9-67 Sunday spent collating census figures; slept WIDIOM
- 11-9-67 Villages of WILIUM, KUPOAM, TANGI, MABUL, LINGI lined this day at the rest house WILIUM. Work finished 1900 hrs, slept Wilium.
- 12-9-67 Left WILIUM 0800 for KUMNATEI arriving 0845 hrs at rest house. Villages of KUMNATEI, SEINDEI and KARATEI were lined at the rest house for tax, census and talks. Departed 1445, arriving 1530 hrs ERETEI No. 1. Work completed in this village, slept the night.
- 13-9-67 Departed ERETEI 0800 for KARATEI arriving 0845. Both villages of KARATEI and SIBOTEI were lined for tax, census and talks work finishing at 1430, arriving KEIBAM 1615. Personal effects were left at KEIBAM while the patrol continued on to the village of BIN, arriving back at 1900 hours after work in that village was completed. Slept night at KEIBAM.
- 14-9-67 0800 village of KEIBAM lined for tax, census and talks, Patrol departing 1130, arriving 1230 at TELOTEI. Villages of TELOTEI and TEBALI were lined at the rest house TELOTEI for tax collection census and political education talks. Departed TELOTEI 1700 hrs for Lumi Station.
- 15-9-67 Left station by car accompanied by members of the Council Tax Patrol for MILIOM village. Villages of MILIOM, ORUPEI and SEINAM were lined for tax census and talks; patrol returning Sub district office 1530, slept night on Station.
- 16-9-67 Morning spent with the villages of MAUI, KLELBUF and WABUF lined at MAUI village ten minutes walk from the station proper. Talks given and KLELBUF and WABUF were taxed and censused. Afternoon spent compiling census figures.
- 17-9-67 Sunday observed on the Station.
- 18-9-67 Morning spent in tax census work with the villages of LUMI and OTEHGI, both five minutes walk from the station. Remained on on Station for the afternoon of this day (New Guinea Day).
- 19-9-67 Received instructions that Mr J Koibo A.P.O. should accompany the Patrol for the remainder of its time in the field. Village of MAUI was tax, censused, patrol returning to the Station 1100 hrs. Made ready to proceed with the patrol. The tax patrol was forced to remain on the Station due to a shortage of tax receipt tickets. Routine Administration Patrol left Station 1615 hrs for the village of TALBIPI arriving 1800; slept night.
- 20-9-67 0800 village lined for census and political education talks. Left TALBIPI 1215 hrs arriving TAUWITEI 1330. Both villages of TAUWITEI and WILKILI were lined for talks; WILKILI censused, slept night.
- 21-9-67 Village of TAUWITEI lined for census revision, Patrol departing 1145, arrived LAUUM 1245. Village lined for census and election talks, Patrol departing 1400 for BURUUM, arriving 1430. Village lined for census and election talks; slept BURUUM.
- 22-9-67 0800 departed BURUUM arriving TWAITEI 0930 hrs, village lined for census and talks. Departed 1215 for ERETEI No. 2 arriving 1400 hrs. Village lined for census and election talks. Slept ERETEI.
- 23-9-67 Departed ERETEI 2 0800 arriving ALI 1145 hrs after inspecting gold workings and gardening businesses. Village lined for census revision and election talks. Departed Ali 1400 for Lumi Station arriving 1530 hrs.

Completion of Patrol

LUMI PATROL No. 4-67/68. TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

INTRODUCTION

Lumi Patrol No. 4 67/68 was conducted within the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions as a routine patrol with the additional aims of carrying out an Political Education Program in view of the forthcoming Local Government Council and House of Assembly Elections. Elections for the WAPEI L.G.C. have been given no fixed date at this time however they are due to occur in late October of this year.

Two Local Government Assistants, Mr G Bundari and Mr S Sanankeoc accompanied the Patrol and assisted in the collection of Council taxes being carried out by the WAPEI L.G.C. clerk Mr I Iano, and in the Council Health program being supervised by the President, Awok Numulo.

Mr P Russell A.D.O. and Mr J Koibo also accompanied the Patrol for brief periods of its duration

RECEPTION TO THE PATROL

The area covered by this Patrol is the most sophisticated in the Lumi Sub District and therefore perhaps more accustomed to the presence of a patrol. These people greet the patrol with the aim of gaining as much assistance and advice as they can. This does not mean that they are without reservation but that they do realize the purpose of such Patrols. Reference to this fact is the number of complaints brought before the Patrol and the advice asked for relating to economic matters.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION

One of the duties of the patrol was to carry out a Political Education program in view of the forthcoming Local Government Council and House of Assembly elections.

In the course of this program the people were caused to express their views and opinions, likes and dislikes, of the system of government now in operation.

The most apparent feeling in this area, and one which the people will voice freely, is that they feel that they have been deluded by the lack of progress being made, materially, in their area. This was almost unanimously attributed to the present MHA Mr Makain Mo. As a result he has drawn much ill feeling.

As a result of the recent visit, (early in June of this year) of the newly formed Christian Democratic Party through the Lumi Local and Somoro Censur Divisions, the people had a number of questions to put to the patrol. Two of the main queries concerned were:-

- (a) The principal of the Seventh State Of Australia. In answering this the advantages and disadvantages were pointed out and the people told that it was up to them to make the decision, for or against.
- (b) The principal of a political party.

One incident was brought to the attention of the patrol while at the village of WILIUM in the Somoro Censur Division. The Councillor and one MAKAIN, a mission appointed official of the same village, approached the patrol with the idea of discrediting rumors which allege that they are actively engaged in cargo cult activities. They admitted to being followers of one IANOBEI of Rauwetei village a former suspected cult leader. (Refer Lumi File 51-2-1/243 of 5th December 1963 and 51-2-1/274 of 10th January 1964). The extent of his activities have diminished over the past few years. Due mainly to his age he is supposedly beyond the stage of being able to incite the people any further. However according to the two informants he still retains his influence in the area and has a vast following not only in the Lumi area but also extending into the Aitape Sub District.

In attempting to discredit the rumors mentioned previously, the two informants named a former Lulual of TAUWETEI village who has been in the past, noted for cult activities, however this man is certainly not involved in any such activities at the present.

The concern shown in these rumors is groundless as there is no evidence to substantiate the presence of an active cult movement at present.

The main reason for the rumors and accusations is a result of a fierce political rivalry in this area, (the area surrounding the Fatima, Kamel and Erepei mission centres). There are two main parties in this rivalry. On the one hand there is the older generation who having been apparently deluded by the lack of achievement through their present MHA, would prefer to see a leadership with more spiritual guidance. One suggestion made was a form of Triumvirate with the aforementioned IANOBEI working in conjunction with two of the priests of the OFM Mission formerly in the area, to represent their interests in the House of Assembly.

The second following comes from the younger generation and although they have no predetermined leader they are united in their criticisms of their elders beliefs. These are the ones who have had some form of education and who have worked in various other parts of the Territory and seen for themselves what the establishment of a Purely Governmental body can do for the advancement of the community.

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Apart from the purely political problems there were certain social problems brought to the patrols attention which, it seems, are becoming increasingly important as there is a greater acceptance of the Government laws and those laws made by the people themselves through the Local Government Council.

The most significant problem is one involving the trade of pigs which still rates high in the local economy. The greater percentage of complaints concerning pigs involved the damage done to gardens by the animals.

Through improved communications the prestige of any one man is now not only recognized within his own clan but also acknowledged throughout an area in which there may be fifty or sixty clans. Consequently there is a continual increase in the standard of these things related to his accumulated wealth, which includes the number of pigs he owns and the size of his gardens. Therefore this serves to aggravate a problem which this community has always had to face.

In the particular area along the Fatima Loop road there are over 3000 people in an area of approximately fifteen square miles, this being the area affected most by the problem. (For further details refer to Complaints)

Another point brought to the patrols attention was one which is having an increasing effect on local trade. It evolves from the situation where goods are purchased on credit. Credit is also given, to a limited extent, in the local native owned trade stores. However the businesses concerned keep fairly tight rein on these transactions. It is the local trade amongst the villagers themselves which constantly result in disputes or complaints being laid. These disputes arise when a purely commercial transaction takes place based on credit given out of faith in social obligations. Confliction then arises between the Commercial Law of the Government and the laws of the people governed by social obligation. This problem is more acute when it involves older members of the community who place complete faith in the laws of their ancestors.

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If the people in this area as a community are to achieve further economic development then they will have to learn to restrict their social laws as they are confined to clan groupings therefore restricting trade. Possibly a more stricter commercial law could be enforced regulated by the people themselves through the Local Government Council. This has in some means already been achieved however there is little adherence to the decisions already made.

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AGRICULTURE

The climate in the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions is ideal for the production of vegetable gardens and in fact there are a number of small gardens already begun. The principal market gardener in the area is Awok Numulo, President of the Wapei LGC, who has done a lot to promote the idea in the area. Through his efforts the rest of the population has come to realise the potential (although only local) in this field and as a consequence there is always a small quantity of european vegetables on sale at the local market.

One particular enterprise which was started recently in March 1966 is already producing vegetables for market. This is a business formed by a group of men in the ERETEI No.2 and AMAITEM locality, on a joint gold mining venture and has now been extended to market gardening. At present there is a quarter acre of rice planted not yet matured, small plots of corn and tomato with beds containing potato, lettuce, cucumber, carrot, cabbage and two varieties of melons not native to the area.

It has been estimated that for the year 1966 a total of \$4,150 has been spent by the Administration and Missions on the purchase of native foods from the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions.

Cash cropping in the area is confined at present to the production

of rice and coffee both of which, as was indicated in patrol instructions are not to be actively encouraged.

There are several plots of coffee harvested on a very small scale (approximately 20lb per month) purchased privately through the OFM Mission. However this coffee is of such poor quality, due to lack of enthusiasm and sufficient care being taken in the processing, that it is frequently unable to be resold.

Although rice gardening is expanding in the Lumi Sub District there are no significant plots in the area covered by this patrol. There are however, several acres of ground being cleared for the planting of Paddy rice the most substantial being 10 acres belonging to the village of OTEI.

FORESTS

There is no commercial use being made of timber in the area. The Administration has established a milling site at PELOTEI on administration land where there is enough timber to supply the needs of building and maintenance for the present.

Use is also being made of local timber on a significant scale by the Lumi CMML Mission. The people of OTEI village have been given assistance in clearing the land for purposes of rice gardening. The Mission concerned has introduced a chain saw, tractor and timber mill to the site and in return can expect rights to all timber cut down.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

There are 19 trade stores in the area 7 of which are owned by Europeans; all employ a native store keeper.

Gold mining within the Lumi Administrative Area, is carried out only in the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions. There are an estimated 300 men working gold in the WENI and SITA creeks (refer Map) who over the past year have received in excess of \$850 in gold payments.

Recently started was a business (mentioned previously under Agriculture) which intends market gardening on a scale never before attempted by any single concern in this Sub District. It has a site organisation head, one Ludwig Yilawen from KARAITEM, a young man with a Standard Four education and no illusions as to the amount of work involved in making such a business profitable. The garden site is situated on ERETEI No. 2 ground and contains approximately 20 acres, 5 acres of which has been already cleared. There are two dwellings nearing completion and several more planned as well as one building intended to serve as a trade store which as yet is not operative. In all there are 128 men working on the project and financial backing for the purchase of seeds and material comes from several small gold mining businesses.

It is hoped that they will be able to market the vegetables to Missions and station personnel in both the Lumi and Aitape Sub Districts. There has already been \$8 worth of produce sold to the Mission in Aitape; this is hardly significant in itself, however as the business is still in the primary stages of development and if the present market is assured, then it shows promise.

LAND

Land in the area of the Somero and Lumi Local Censu Divisions is very unevenly distributed and although overall population density is 45 persons per square mile, there are a number of clans which own barely enough land on which to plant their food crops let alone attempting any cash cropping.

One particular case in point is the village of ERETEI No. 1 in which there is a total of 288 persons laying claim to not much more than one square mile of land.

At present the people of Eretei 2 have farming rights to several acres of land borrowed from neighbouring SAUWETEI and SIBOTEI villages which supplements their own. However the people of Tauwetei and Sibotei are pressing to repossess the land to meet their own expanding needs, and as Eretei lays no claim to outright ownership of the land it is obliged to relinquish the land. They intend gathering this year's crop from the land without replanting. Several food trees remain and will have to be forfeited unless settlement can be arranged.

The solution to this problem lies in the resettlement scheme on land just beyond the Lumi Sub District border, inside the Aitape Sub District not more than one days walk away.

COMPLAINTS

There were numerous complaints brought to the Patrol but all of these fell into three categories.

The first of these (mentioned previously under Outline of Political Situation) expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of work done by the present MMA towards helping the people. This was brought out through discussions on general politics and it was explained that it was up to the people to ensure that their Representatives were made aware of their responsibilities.

The second and most frequent complaint heard, concerned the loss of pigs and damage to gardens caused by pigs. At least twenty of the thirtytwo villages visited brought forward complaints involving pigs.

The Assistant Local Court Magistrate, Siau from WAGOITEI was on one occasion, named as the owner of pigs which had extensively damaged a nago garden belonging to a member of SIGAITEI village, the latter demanding compensation. After a short discussion, Siau admitted that he had refused to make any payment as he believed that the people of SIGAITEI village had, on numerous previous occasions, killed and eaten pigs belonging to him. Both parties were advised that if they wished to bring proceedings against the other then they should take the case before the Local Court Magistrate at Lumi.

This particular case serves to underline the problem of pigs, and possibly the only solution would be to place all animals in the area into enclosures. However this would prove a mammoth task as far as the locals are concerned not only in building the enclosures but also in caring for the animals.

The third complaint was directed at the Administration itself concerning the rate of pay afforded to carriers by its patrols. The rate for carriers in this area is 10s per man hour, however this rate is frequently exceeded where villages are situated less than an hour apart yet still receive payment for one hours carrying time. Also for long walks for long walks a bonus payment is usually made where

carriers may have to walk for several hours to return to their own village. Yet despite this, there frequent expression of open dissatisfaction at the rates of pay. The people in this area have said to the patrol that they would be satisfied with a rate five times that set down by the Administration.

There were no complaints brought to this patrol regarding bride prices, nor anything of that nature. The absence of such complaints is rather unusual as it is definitely one of the biggest problems of this area.

COURTS

There were no cases brought before the Patrol which warranted a hearing at the Sub District Office.

REST HOUSES

there are 28 Rest Houses between 61 villages in the area patrolled. As many as three or four villages may have a common Rest House which is usually situated on "neutral" ground. There was only one case, in the village of MIMBITEI, where instructions had to be given for the repair of a Rest House. In general the standard was very good.

CARRIERS

Generally carriers in the area will not volunteer freely and patrols may spend up to half an hour persuading the people to assist the work of the Government, their defiance is solely in protest of carrying rates; the walking times in this area never exceed two hours, weights are minimal and there is no anti government feeling behind these protests. (for further detail refer to "Complaints".)

HEALTH

There was no Medical Orderly accompanying the patrol as such services are not warranted in the area patrolled where there are adequate facilities for the care of health provided by both Mission and Administration.

At the KARAITEM OPM Mission station there is an Administration Aid Post in the care of an Aid Post Orderly. This Aid Post was erected with funds provided by the WAPEI LCC and is a semi permanent structure. The area surrounding the KARAITEM Mission is also patrolled by a qualified nurse doing infant welfare work.

There are two other Administration Aid Posts in the area, situated at the villages of MIWAUTEI and WILKILI. While the Patrol was in the area of MIWAUTEI a child was admitted to the health clinic at Fatima with 2nd degree burns, however not before receiving treatment from the Aid Post Orderly MIWAUTEI. His method of treatment was to apply adhesive plaster to the affected areas with consequent disastrous results. It could be that this particular Orderly is doing more harm than good in his job. The Aid Post itself appears to be running satisfactorily.

The Third Aid Post at WILKILI has only recently been established, as at KARAITEM, with Council funds, and is made good use of by the locals.

These are three other health centres in the area, the Fatima Mission Health Clinic staffed by 2 Sisters and 2 Trainee Infant Welfare nurses, an Aid Post at the Eretai CHML Mission, and the Lumi Hospital which has recently acquired an X-ray unit and the addition of a maternity ward.

EDUCATION

(Please refer to appendix for details of schools in the area).

One particular incident concerning education in the area was brought to the attention of the Patrol in the village of TAUWITEI, (Lumi Local Census Division). The head men of the village were concerned with the number of children continually absent from the local catechist school. There are three such schools in the area, operated by the Lumi Roman Catholic Mission, providing a limited form of education. These schools are at the villages of TAUWITEI, WILKILI and LAUM. Also close at hand are the villages of BURUUM and TWAITEI. Within these five villages there is a total of 118 males and 147 females between the ages of five to sixteen not attending any recognised school. Eight children from this area attend school at the Lumi OFM Mission however this school is already full to capacity with 250 pupils.

The parents in these five villages said that they would like officers authorised by the Council to round up all truants in the area. At present the Truant Officer for the WAPEI Local Government Council polices only the recognised schools in the area.

Mr I Iamo, WAPEI Local Government Council Clerk, accompanying the patrol made a check on all schools in the area. Mr Iamo is acting as Truant Officer for the Council. The number of truants in the area was sufficiently great to warrant action being taken by the council.

ROADS and BRIDGES

There is, at present, a road running between KARAITEM and YALUWAPE Missions under construction. This being the only work done at this time in opening up new vehicular roads. This particular road serves only as a communications link between the two Mission stations and does not look like being included ~~in~~ as part of the main arterial roads in the area. The reason for this is that the present road linking YALUWAPE to Lumi Station could never be used by heavy traffic due to excessive gradients. There is another route through to KARAITEM area as yet, impassable to any form of vehicular transport. Although a certain amount of work had been done on it in the past, when it was used as a motor bike track, it has now fallen into disrepair due to the absence of labour in the vicinity.

The Administration has spent almost \$1200 over the past year in improving the existing roads in the area while the WAPEI L.G.C. has spent \$1374 on maintenance of the Lumi - Fatima Loop Road. As a result of this, roads in the area are now in reasonable condition.

There is also a 200 yard section of road being worked between the villages of TOIGETI and WIGOTI. These people are now eager to build a road which will link them up with the Lumi - Fatima Loop Road and thus, with the rest of the area.

For further detail on roads in the area refer to Lumi Patrol Report N. 9 of 66/67.

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The importance of a useable road system in the area has increased quite significantly during the last six months when rice crops within the Lumi Administrative Area started producing. It has now become a necessity to keep the Lumi - Nuku road open in order to bring rice to the rice mill in Lumi. This has had some effect on the people responsible for maintaining this section of road, who can now appreciate the importance of such obligations.

There are only three bridges within the area patrolled, two of which are of only secondary importance; the third has a span of seventy five feet built to last at least ten years. The foundations of this bridge are well embedded in concrete footings and the structure itself is still sound. However there are several timbers, acting as braces, which are exposed to the elements. Consequently, as they are not hardwood, they have begun to rot. There is no immediate danger, however, should any real stress be put on the bridge it is doubtful whether these timbers would be able to add any structural reinforcement as was intended.

MISSIONS

The O.F.M. Mission (Order of Friars Minor) have five centres in the area. KARAITEM has one Priest and two lay workers who run a school and infant welfare services. Their influence is extensive and can claim the whole population of that area as adherents. YALUWAPE is a Mission school only and is run by two Lay workers. LUMI Mission is run by a Priest and a Brother who operates a boarding school. This establishment has limited adherence from the people around the Lumi Station. FATIMA and CANEL Missions are situated less than two hours walk apart. There is a Priest in charge of each station while Fatima, the largest in the area, has four Sisters and one Lay worker on the staff. These two Mission centres cover an overall population of some 3000 people some of whom are very strong followers of the Mission.

Also in this area are two Protestant mission centres, both C.M.M.L. (Christian Mission in Many Lands), who work in close proximity to the O.F.M. Mission. One is situated near the village of ERATEI no. 1 in the SONORO Census Division some 30 minutes walk from the Carmel O.F.M. station. The other is at Lumi. There are two Europeans at ERATEI and five at Lumi in the C.M.M.L. Mission of whom two Sisters and one doctor work at the Lumi Hospital.

The C.M.M.L. can claim only 3% (approx.) of the population in this area as adherents. Although the whole area comes under the influence of one or other of the two missions, it is doubtful that the O.F.M. Mission could claim all of the remaining 92% as adherents.

In many cases there are villages split between the two missions with each family belonging to one or the other. In one particular village, TELOTEI two hours walk from Lumi, there is quite an unusual split in which all male members are Protestants and all females, Roman Catholics.

AIRSTRIPS

There are three airstrips operative in this area, one more under construction and two proposed sites.

Two of the three operative airstrips belong to the OFM Mission at KARAITEM and FATIMA. Improvements are being made to both at present however neither will ever be better than category "D" airstrips. The third is the Administration airstrip at Lumi which has recently been lengthened by 400 feet to 2,400 feet and classed as a category "B" airstrip in favourable weather.

The airstrip under construction at present for the Carmel OFM mission is situated on the recent village site of WAGOITEI. The people of this village have agreed to move and help construct the airstrip which will be category "D" only.

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There is a proposed DC-3 airstrip site at TELOTEI, 10 minutes drive from the Sub District Office, on Administration land purchased for that purpose. At present the land is being used for a timber milling site.

Another possible airstrip site, north-east of the village of WANTIPI, is large enough for the construction of a category "C" airstrip. The reason for the interest shown in this site is due to the isolation of the area which at present has no other means of communication than a foot road to the KARAITEM of Mission five hours walk away. The people of the WANTIPI area are keen to start a cash cropping business, however they realise the futility of such a business without an outlet for their produce.

LABOUR

There are a number of society businesses owned and operated by the people themselves, however the only single indigenous employer of labour in the Sub District is the local Member for House of Assembly, Makain Mo, who owns two head of cattle, several acres of rice gardens and a trade store.

There is an adequate supply of labour in the area; men who are eager to find work but who are not prepared to work unless the wages are sufficiently high enough.

There is one European Recruiter in the area who recruits labour within the Lumi Administration Area, however declines to take recruits from the area covered by this Patrol (i.e. the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions) due to the fact that labourers from this area have a reputation for dishonouring contracts as indentured labour.

PERSONAL TAX

There were one or two instances where individuals at first refused to pay tax, however when threatened with court action, had no trouble in finding the money. It was not necessary to institute any court proceedings. Occasionally there were cases where tax payers paid their tax with obvious bad grace. The two villages in which the greatest number of complaints were registered were HOKAI in the Somoro c/d and KEIBAM in the Lumi Local c/d. generally the people in the Lumi Local and Somoro Census Divisions will pay tax to the Council without complaint.

Over \$4000 was collected in taxes, \$1000 more than was estimated. The Council rate of tax is \$1.50 per man and 50¢ for women. although people from the majority of villages visited could afford to pay a higher rate of tax, there were a few of the more remote villages which could barely manage to pay at the present rate.

GENSUS

One particular trend revealed by the census figures is the large number of people from the villages of KALAU, RAUWETEI, MIWAUTEI, WILBEITEI, TOLGETI, WIGOTI, AND WISUPEI, WHO ARE MIGRATING out of the Sub District. These villages all range along the border of Aitape Sub District where the greater percentage of these emigrants go. Whole families have resettled in the Aitape Sub District and find employment with the Administration and private concerns. The total number of absentees from these villages was 187 in 1962, it has now risen to 482 excluding absentee students

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CONCLUSION

The political education talks given regarding the forthcoming Local Government Council and House of Assembly Elections, were appreciated in only a very few instances. Only the fact that occasionally someone would ask a question or express an opinion, (generally of the form as in paragraph 3 of "Outline of The Political Situation") was any indication given that the talks were understood. Generally the attitude registered was one of boredom, as though they no longer had any interest in the ideas behind a representation in a Government.

In this the Local Government council drew more interest, however this interest, when raised, simply expressed the disappointment in its lack of achievement. In attempting to solidify their faith in the Council, the various projects it had accomplished, (and those to be attempted) were named, then it was pointed out that with the increase in the size of the council and change over to "Multi-Racial" they would see an even greater rate of development than before.

In the Political Education talks and in answering all questions put to the patrol on this subject, reference was made to the booklet "Government in Papua and New Guinea"

Census revision for the preparation of new Tac Census books was carried out and all names recorded in longhand as instruction.

Members of the Council Tax Tribunal and former President of the WAPEL L.G.C. accompanied the patrol. Mr Sarankeoc and President Awok made an inspection of each village as part of a Council Health Program.

The Council Tax Patrol completed the area one week after the stand down of this patrol.

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APPENDIX "A" - RECOGNISED SCHOOLS

LOCATION	NAME OF SCHOOL	TEACHERS QUALIFICATION	STANDARD	NO. OF STUDENTS
	Karaitem O.F.M.	2 A Cert.	prep. Std. 2 Std. 3	100
	Yaluwape O.F.M.	B.A. A Cert.	Prep. Std. 1 Std. 2	120
	Fatima O.F.M.	4 Sisters 2 A Cert.	Prep. to Std. 6	300
	Carmel O.F.M.	2 A Cert.	Prep. Std. 1	120
	Karate Govt.	2 B Cert.	Std. 1 to Std. 3	60
	Miliom Govt.	EO 1 3 B Cert.	Std. 1 to Std. 6	145
	Lumi O.F.M.	1 B Cert.	Prep. to Std. 3	230
	Erelei C.M.M.L.	N.Z. Qual.	Std. 1 Std. 2	28

APPENDIX "B" - POLICE REPORT

MANI - Constable 8901

Reliable, however shows very little initiative and commands only limited respect from the people.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of **WEST SEPIK** Report No. **LUMI No. 13-67/68**

Patrol Conducted by **ALAN D. STEVENS** *Patrol Officer*

Area Patrolled **PORTION OF SOUTH WEST WAPEI - TO BULAWA AIRSTRIP SITE & RETURN.**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **NIL**

Natives **THREE MEMBERS R.P. & N.G.C.**

Duration—From **22/1/68** to **26/1/68**

Number of Days **FIVE**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **NO.**

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

Medical **SEPTEMBER 1967.**

Map Reference **LUMI MILINCH - AITAPE FOURMIL**

Objects of Patrol **ASERTAIN FEASIBILITY OF ROAD ROUTES TO BULAWA, LOCATE POSSIBLE TOWN SITES AND COMPLETE A CHAIN, COMPASS AND ABNEY LEVEL SURVEY OF STRIP SITE.**

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 P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

PATROL DIARY

Monday 22nd January, 1968

0630 hours - commenced preparations to depart on Lumi Patrol No. 13-67/68. Departed from Lumi at 0930 with 12 carriers who proceeded direct to GUTAIYA, whilst myself and a policeman and guides followed possible road routes towards the proposed airstrip site at MAKUL, a hamlet of BULAWA.

In the afternoon I had a short ^{look} ~~visual~~ offer a section of land offered by the people of Kamnum as a possible township site. Patrol slept at GUTAIYA.

Tuesday 23rd. January

Rose 0600 and departed on further feasibility survey of possible road routes toward the airstrip site. Carriers followed the established tracks to Bulawa.

Rain for most of the day again today. Arrived at MAKUL late in the afternoon and spent the evening in discussions with men from Gutaiya, Bulawa, Galgatu and Yukilo who had heard of the proposed survey of the airstrip site and had come to offer assistance. Slept MAKUL.

Wednesday 24th January

Rose 0620. Heavy rain in the early morning reduced to a drizzle ~~for~~ which lasted most of the morning and early afternoon. Day spent doing a chain, compass and Abney level survey of the proposed strip site. The people quite willing to sell the land.

Thursday 25th January

Rose 0500. Departed from Makul approx. 0605 hours - Carriers went direct to YUTABI via BULAWA. I took guides from BULAWA and we cut our way along the main ridge line to the north of north east. At 1630, the patrol left the ridge line and proceeded to YUTABI where we had arranged to camp the night.

Friday 26th January

Rose 0450. Departed from YUTABI with first light at 0600. Carriers direct to Lumi whilst myself and a policeman and guides resumed following the ridge line. Two separate alternatives of connecting the road route with the LUMI - DREIKIKIK road were investigated - both were possible but not ideal - some steep slopes to be negotiated. Returned to Lumi during the afternoon.

Patrol ends.

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Sub-District Office,
LUMI,
West Sepik District,
T.P.N.G.
31st January, 1968

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
LUMI, West Sepik District T.P.N.G.

LUMI PATROL REPORT No. 13-67/68

The attached copy of Patrol Instructions, 67-1-1 of 19th January, 1968 and the Secretary, Department of the Administrator's 1-3-32 of 14th November, 1967, refer.

The patrol was mounted and departed from Lumi on Monday 22nd January, 1968. The first day was spent following ridge-lines (previously noted from the air) to ascertain the feasibility of a suitable connecting road from Lumi to the proposed airstrip site at MAKUL, a hamlet of BULAWA VILLAGE. In the afternoon of the first day, the Councillor from KAMNUM indicated an area of land of approximately eight hundred acres, which is owned by his family, who is quite willing to sell the land to the Administration for the purpose of setting up a headquarters. The people would make a larger portion of land available if necessary. The area averages approximately 1,100 feet above sea level and has well drained areas suitable for housing etc. and is also adjacent to abundant fresh water supplies.

The patrol spent the night at Gutaiya, where further discussions were held as to the availability of land and possible road routes. The people from Gutaiya also were willing, in fact enthusiastic, to make land available for a town site if required by the Administration.

However it was thought that the higher land owned by KAMNUM would make a more pleasant site for a township - being generally cooler and having more attractive views and sites for buildings. Nothing was taken past the discussion stage and it was impressed upon the people throughout the patrol that the patrol was only conducting a survey and that it may not progress any further - these people often believe what they wish to believe, so considerable time was spent convincing them that the investigation did not necessarily mean that the township and airstrip would follow.

The second day the patrol continued on along ridges to Makul, a hamlet adjacent to the proposed airstrip site. Quite a suitable road route exists from Lumi to Makul. Nowhere would the road have to cross a watercourse except two cases where it might be convenient to cross

the extreme headwaters of small creeks. These would require only culverts, not bridges.

The roadroute is indicated on the attached Patrol Map.

Further discussions with people from Galgatu, Giliato and Bulawa revealed that there are numerous sites for a township available adjacent to the airstrip site. The people are all willing to make sites available, but it was thought that the altitude of the airstrip site, approximately 700 feet above sea level, would not be as pleasant as the higher altitudes.

A chain, compass and Abney level survey revealed that the proposed airstrip site is quite ample for requirements: Commencing at a point approximately 200 yards on a bearing of $37\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ from the single tall coconut in Makul hamlet, the strip site extends for a possible maximum length of slightly over two miles at a fall of approximately half a degree over that distance and on a magnetic bearing of exactly 150° , or, roughly South south east.

The most suitable section for a 6,000' airstrip with the minimum amount of levelling or filling, is the section beginning approximately 3,000 feet from the south of south east, or lower, end of the entire two mile length. This would also give natural clearances without the felling of trees, of approximately $1'$ at the lower end and slightly less than $3'$ at the higher or northern end. Felling of the trees on the approaches from the north would bring the clearances to an estimated 1 - $2'$.

The greatest depression in the airstrip site is approximately $\frac{5}{8}$ chains long and about 10-12 feet in depth at the deepest section. At only one point - near the northern end would width be limited - and then only to about five hundred feet - a slight swinging of the southern end further south could eliminate this but would entail greater filling if the airstrip ever required extension past seven or eight thousand feet.

Drainage of the airstrip site seems relatively simple; it is on natural grassland which is elevated approximately thirty feet above the surrounding creeks. The only water draining onto the area comes from the ridge on which Makul hamlet is situated. This water could be diverted by constructing a large drain around the base or termination of the ridge and draining approximately north east into the Bura creek, that runs generally south east into the Gwenif river - refer to the attached sketch map. Surface water would be drained

off the airstrip in the normal manner of constructing the surface with a camber and perimeter drains.

On the day following the completion of the airstrip survey the patrol investigated the feasibility of another road route towards LUMI, by crossing the Gwenif river and following a ridge generally north of north east. The people of Bulawa indicated to me an area of approximately 950 acres of land that they would be willing to sell to the Administration. The road route followed by the patrol, and the approximate location of the land mentioned, are shown on the attached Patrol Map.

For several reasons, the first route investigated seems to be preferable to the second. The main reason is the crossing of the Gwenif river. The river is very suitable to fording in dry weather, but it is subject to frequent flooding and unless a steel and concrete bridge at least six hundred feet in length was constructed, people landing at the airstrip, or wishing to embark on an aircraft could be seriously inconvenienced. The cost of such a bridge would be great and in my opinion would not justify the expense when taking into consideration the fact that the alternative route requires no bridges at all. Also the first, or westerly, route is much more convenient and direct as far as the Sub-District Headquarters, Lumi is concerned.

The township site situated near Kamnum would be approximately eight road miles from the airstrip. This had the advantage of placing it as near to the population centre as possible while still allowing plenty of room for expansion i.e. further north the area becomes more densely populated and large areas of land are not readily available.

There are only 304 people living within five miles of the airstrip site, and 583 within five miles of the eastern town site - however there are 2,005 people within five miles of the KAMNUM site. The villages and their populations are:

GUTAIYA	102
KAMNUM	111
WIUP	56
TUBUM	41
PARISKO	80
GALGATU	45
WILKILI	133
TAUWITEI	202
TALBIPI	248
SEINAM	137
LAU'UM	116
WABUF	142
KIHELBUF	141
ORUTEI	891
TEBALI	200
YUTABI	86
WETEILI	74
	<u>2,005</u>

Within 15 miles of the Kamnau site there are approximately 17,818 people.

Therefore, in answer to the questions asked by the Secretary, Department of the Administrator, in his second paragraph of his 1-3-32 of 14th November, 1967, I wish to submit the following:

- (i) There is ample land available - far more than the Secretary stated as a requirement.
- (ii) The people are willing, even enthusiastic, toward the sale of the land for the construction of an airstrip and the establishment of a township.
- (iii) The population within five miles of the 'strip site is only 304, but within five miles of the proposed township site it is 2,005 and within fifteen miles of the proposed township site there are approximately 17,818 people.

Although the patrol encountered much rain and poor weather it received the utmost co-operation from the people, which made it a pleasant patrol.

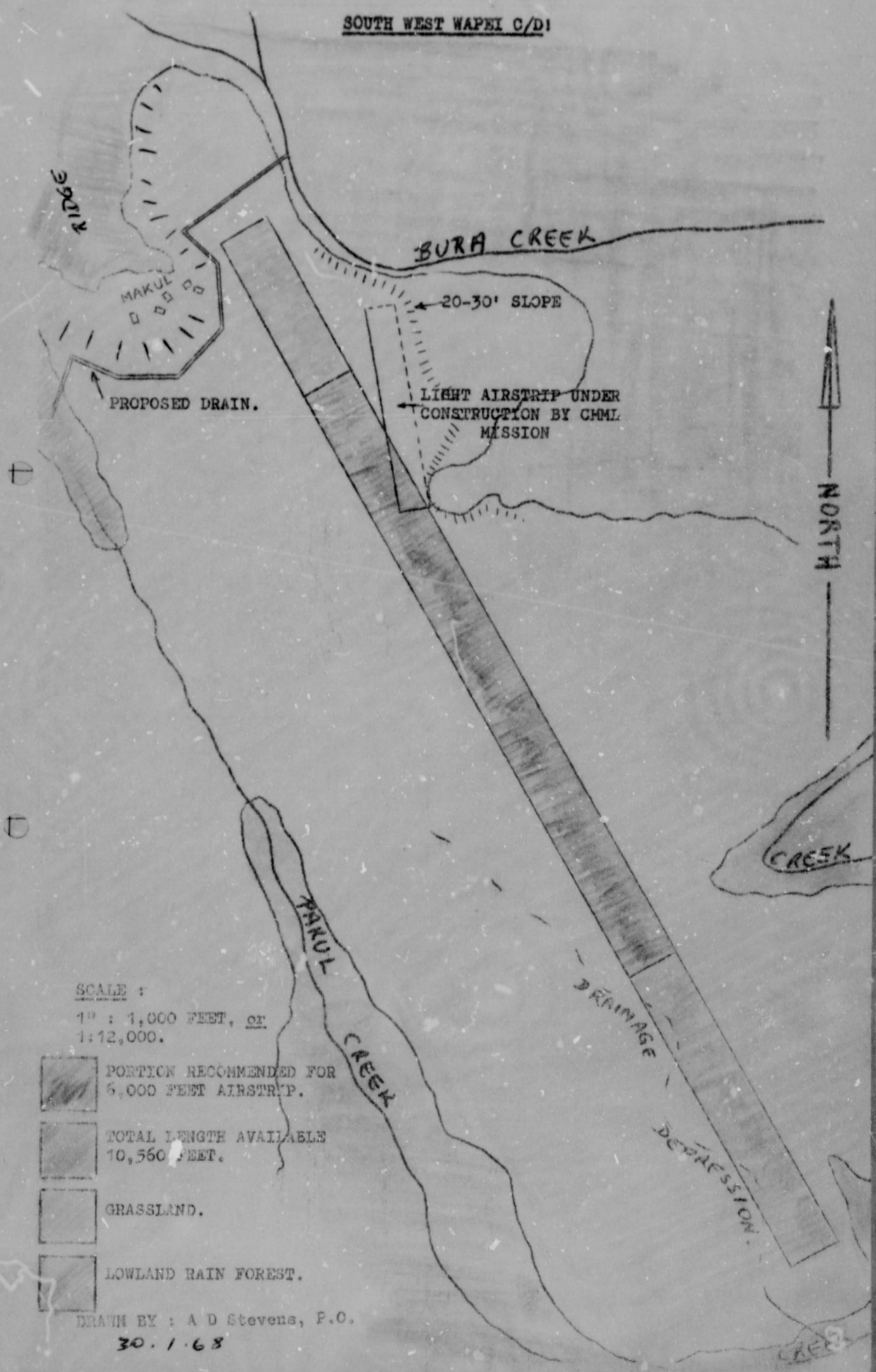
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Alan D Stevens
Patrol Officer





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

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District of WEST SEPTE Report No. 21 of 1967/68

Patrol Conducted by J.E. FOWLER A.D.C./ Assistant District Commissioner

Area Patrolled SOUTH WAPET Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

1 Patrol Interpreter

Natives 2 Members R.P. & N.S.C.

Duration—From 27 / 5 / 68 to 14 / 6 / 68

Number of Days 19

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by District Services 5 / 1967

Medical 6 / 1966

Map Reference New Guinea 1: 250,000 AIRAPE

Objects of Patrol General familiarisation and assessment of area potential.
Assist with setting out and location of Yellow River camp site.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

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Sunday: June 2nd.

De ay. Observed spent in repairing patrol equipment and dressing wounds and infected feet. SLEPT MAGALERI.

Monday: June 3rd.

Village hamlets and airstrip inspected. Lengthy discussions held with Yawa, Yakiltim, Magaleri and Abrau leaders who had moved ahead of patrol to collect at Magaleri. Patrol in sufficiently recovered condition to move on. SLEPT MAGALERI.

Tuesday: June 4th.

Departed Magaleri 0700 for Warukori arriving 1200. Track in fair condition through medium heavy bush. Camp set up. Proposed airstrip site inspected also village hamlets and gardens. A most marked change in language, house types and physical condition of people noticed. Discussion with village leaders to 1800. SLEPT WARUKORI.

Wednesday: June 5th.

Departed Warukori 0730 arriving Akwom 1030. Villages of Nami and Naum inspected en route. Track good through medium heavy bush. Patrol now well out of swamp area. Camp set up. Proposed airstrip site, Aid Post village, gardens and hamlets inspected. Discussions held with Nami, Naum and Akwom leaders to 1730. SLEPT AKWOM.

Thursday: June 6th.

Departed Akwom 0715 for Tipas arriving 0945. Track in poor condition due lack of maintenance. Tipas village is in the middle of the Sepik River on an island and the village owned powered canoe used to ferry patrol and equipment. Camp set up. 1300 by canoe to May River village of Panawei for inspection. The most depressing, filthy and fear ridden village on the whole patrol. Returned to Tipas, 1630. Discussions held with Tipas and Panawei leaders to 1800. SLEPT TIPAS.

Friday: June 7th.

Departed Tipas 0700 for Iwani ^{FRARY} arriving 0900. A good track through medium heavy bush. Village of Pabei and gardens inspected en route. Camp set up. Iwani village of some seven houses for 356 people inspected. Six only people seen, remainder living in bush at points not known to others. This group has a long history of fear, murder and sorcery. Discussions held with Pabei and Iwani leaders to 1600. SLEPT IWANI.

Saturday: June 8th.

Departed Iwani 0710 for Gwidami arriving 0910. Track good through light bush and small "Kunai" areas. Camp set up. Village inspected and minor repairs made to rest house. Patrol retired. SLEPT GWIDAMI

Sunday: June 9th.

Village of Aiendami visited and inspected. 30 minute walk from Gwidami. Discussions with leaders from both villages conducted from 1400 to 1700. SLEPT GWIDAMI.

Monday: June 10th.

Departed Gwidami 0710 for Yegarapi and Norembalip arriving 1300. Track fair through medium heavy bush and large Kunai areas. Norembalip village and gardens inspected en route. Camp set up. Volunteer labourers from Abrau were found awaiting the patrol at Yegarapi and afternoon spent in locating a new Rest House site near Yellow River CMML Mission station. Returned Yegarapi 1800. SLEPT YEGARAPI.

Tuesday: June 11th.

More volunteers from villages East of Yellow River had arrived in the evening of 10th June and morning of 11th. Day spent in clearing Rest House site and laying out of building positions. Returned Yegarapi 1630. SLEPT YEGARAPI.

Wednesday: June 12th.

Volunteer labourers dispatched to camp site 0630 while I moved to Alai village for inspection. Returned Yegarapi 1400. All village officials assembled and discussion held re future of the area to 1800. SLEPT YEGARAPI.

Thursday: June 13th.

With volunteers to camp site for laying out of a motor cycle track from Yellow River airstrip to camp site. Building materials being assembled and general clearing work continued. Afternoon spent in discussions of local problems with CMML Missionary at Yellow River. 1600 to 1800 discussions with leaders from Yegarapi and Norembalip. SLEPT YEGARAPI

Friday: June 14th.

Camp set at Yegarapi set in order and programme set out for Patrol Interp

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Patrol Interpreter Makau to be followed re building during absence of DDA Officer. Departed Yellow River per aircraft 0930 for Lumi.

END OF PATROL.

Friday: June 21st.

C.P.O. Hutchings dispatched with Constable to Yellow River to continue supervision of camp construction. Lumi Patrol No. 22 of 1967/68.