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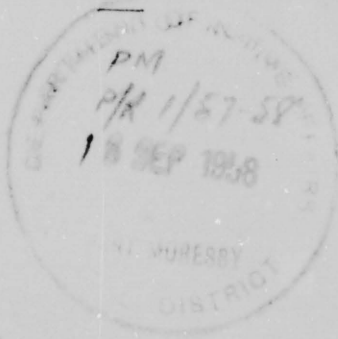
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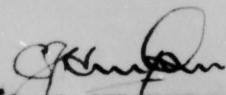
8th September, 1958

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
FORT MORESBY.

FORT MORESBY PATROL REPORT NO. 1 - 57-58

Forwarded, please.

The delay is regretted, but the report was mislaid.


(A. J. HEDGES)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. 1 Sub-District PORT MORESBY District CENTRAL
 Officer Conducting Patrol D. R. HOSKING
 Census Division Patrolled WEST COAST
 Objects of Patrol ROUTINE TAX CENSUS
 Date Patrol Commenced 10/3/58 Date Completed 3/4/58
 Duration—days 25

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL

To ADO KEREMA re allegation of wife desertion
 ✓ ✓ KAROKU ✓ ✓ theft
 ✓ ✓ PORT MORESBY ✓ JERUVAH'S WITNESSES
 ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ loan under Native Loan Fund
 ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ Sports Equipment for women's clubs

D. R. Hosking

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 Native Affairs, Port Moresby.

J. S. Nicholas

District Officer.

File.....

Sub-District Office,
Port Moresby,

18th April, 1958.

Assistant District Officer,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL DIARY

Coastal villages west of Port Moresby - 10/3/58 to 3/4/58.

Monday 10/3/58 :

Departed Port Moresby 5.45 am by M.V. Elevala.
Arrived MANU MANU 11.30 am. Clean well kept village of MOTU group -
extensive rebuilding in progress - excellent rest house. Afternoon
general discussion at resthouse. Matters raised included -
Aid for destitute (My 14/7/58V refers)
Improvement water supply (Purchase of tanks or drums by
village subscription for storage rain water using church
roof as catchment agreed on)
Two complaints - wife desertion (N.R. 77) (My
to ADO Kerema refers) and an alleged theft
from Fisheries section store at MANU MANU by Kairuku natives
(My ADO Kairuku refers)

6 pm flag parade.

Tuesday 11/3/58 :

Census fixed for Wednesday. Nearby gardens and
water sites inspected. At present only manioc - rest of gardens not
bearing till June - growth appears to have been retarded by dry year.
Water obtained from a hole dug in sand - unpleasant flavour, brackish
and salty. Large numbers canoes - sale of canoes at £10-£15 to
villages near Moresby forms part of village income.

Medical inspection - one advanced TB case
forwarded by Steamships vessel en route Port Moresby from Galley Reach
plantations, under escort Constable IAKOP.

Gifts of food - paid for. Witnessed activities
of women's club at basketball - tableaux display by LMS school.
V.C. returns with absentees.

Flag.

Wednesday, 12/3/58 :

Census and tax collection - a 7/10% increase in
population - medical inspection by N.M.O. in conjunction with census -
Health satisfactory - Mr. Walker of Jehovah's Witnesses arrived mid-
afternoon from GABADI for weekly bible class activities at MANU MANU.
Invited to rest-house - information volunteered on J.W. activities
this area (Confidential memo 3/1/58-1 refers)

Thursday, 13/3/58 :

Completion tax collection in morning. Compiling
roughs for typing. Mr. Walker departed midday having spent time
at V.C. ENO-AMAS house conducting classes - noted only seven
adherents including V.C.

6 pm flag parade.

Friday, 14/3/58 :

(Kororua group)
Departed 8 am by canoe arriving GOROHU, 10 am -
a KOITAPU village. Village housing generally poor - the poor sandy
site typical of villages in this area but worsened here by the number
of pigs that burrow and deposit filth in village precincts. Poor
rest-house - no barracks. Plentiful number of canoes. Gathering at
resthouse brought in current disputes for discussion and advice. These
included alleged raiding of gardens located outside village precincts
on other channels of the river estuary by natives of GAILI and
TUPUSULEI who come to cut canoe logs. Told the matter would be
investigated with the villages concerned, and /

... and to endeavour to identify culprits in future instances to enable dealing by CNM. However some doubt as to whether legitimate complaint because of friction here between KOTAPU and MOTU groups. Complaint that MANU MANU fishing in GOROHU waters similarly viewed - informed no fishing boundaries, no area the province of one village. Minor civil complaints settled.

6 pm, flag.

Saturday 15/3/58 :

Census take - a 3.8% increase - medical inspection - health satisfactory, no serious cases - distribution seeds from Agriculture department - Motu session patrol radio received with mild interest. Gifts of food - paid for.

6 pm flag parade followed by uniform & equipment inspection.

Evening - a 'concert' till 11 pm for benefit of patrol.

Sunday, 16/3/58 :

Sabbath. LMS services organised by deacons in absence of mission teacher. Inspected gardens and water site some three miles distant. A main effect of dry year evident, while water site extremely poor. Nevertheless has tracts of land inland with some better land that could tide over a lean period such as this. Drums to collect rain water from church roof subsequently obtained on patrol's return to Port Moresby.

6 pm flag parade.

Monday-Tuesday 17-18/3/58 :

Completion of tax collection. Compiling roughs. Erection of pig proof fence around village precincts commenced. Latrines to be constructed on supply of shovels and 44 gall drums from sub-district office. Rough seas - departure postponed.

6 pm flag parade.

Wednesday 19/3/58 :

7 am departure arriving ^(KOTAPU) KIDO 9 am. Village on narrow site backed by cliff face of KIDO Point. An attempt being made to fill in a water filled swamp area nearby - a loan of tools promised to assist them in this task. Rest house fair - Barracks inadequate. Housing satisfactory - no pigs - few canoes. Gardens some two miles distant on top of headland in good black soil - best seen yet - water site a well constructed well with good water. A coconut plantation adjacent gardens established about 20 years and bearing well, however apparently none in village experienced in copra production - no interest shown. A request for loan assistance through Treasury Loan Board for purchase of outboard motor (18 hp) to enable quick marketing of fish catches to KOKI market. On receipt of approximately third capital required - a Treasury requirement - to be taken up with Treasury Loans Board. Complaint re fishing out of crayfish grounds by LEA LEA women for purpose of marketing at KOKI. This matter later taken up with LEA LEA although denied by the latter.

Thursday 20/3/58 :

Census and tax collection - an increase of 4% in population since 1956-57. Medical inspection - a heavy incidence chronic malaria - 56 cases.

6 pm flag.

Friday 21/3/58 :

Completion of tax-census. 6 pm flag.

Saturday 22/3/57 :

Departed KIDO 8am - ^{Motu group} slow progress under sail in becalmed conditions and arrived LEA LEA 11 am - a large village with crowded often dilapidated housing on usual sandy beach site. However start has been made on erecting houses on firmer ground to rear - pigs fenced off - rest house excellent - barracks good - no latrine (subsequently erected on instructions) Assistance in purchase of outboard motor for a fishermen's group promised under same conditions as those for KIDO.

... Assistance in procuring of special type fish nets through fisheries section - to be investigated. Names of destitute obtained. 6 pm flag parade - uniform and equipment inspection.

Sunday 23/3/58 :

Sabbath. Parade by LMS Torchbearers and Guides, marching & drilling- gifts of food. Gardens only fair - manioc being the main product. Water - one well about 2 miles distant with good pump - request for financial assistance in provision of piping and informed loan impracticable in such a non productive venture - quote to be obtained from Public Works. Flag parade.

Monday 24/3/58 :

Tax and census - an increase of 5.5% on last year. An unusually high mortality rate among young people noted - cause unknown, possibly malaria. Two serious unidentified internal complaints by canoe to Port Moresby. Aid post has been erected - (Native medical Orderly since obtained from Taurama Hospital) Flag.

Tuesday 25/3/58 :

Tax - census completed. Meeting (unofficial) village council convened to elect replacement to council- assisted in conduct of election. General discussion on topical matters. 6 pm flag. Evening - traditional sing sing put on for patrol's benefit; Noted only known and performed by older members of community.

Wednesday 26/3/58 :

After being ferried across Lea Lea river departed at 8am on foot for PAPA arriving 8.45 am. Rest house very fair - recently patched up for patrol's visit - barracks good condition. Housing fair - village precincts clean - latrines constructed - good number of canoes. Minor disputes not requiring CEM action settled. Extensive gardens in red soil appear satisfactory for this period of year. Water from one well - requires coping of galv. iron or cement to prevent rubbish being washed in. 6 pm flag.

Thursday 27/3/58 :

Tax and census throughout day. Health satisfactory. 6 pm flag.

Friday 28/3/58 :

Departed 8am by canoe - an eventful trip due to near capsizing when outrigger almost tore loose - the roughest section of the coast so far due to presence of breakers. Arrived BOERA 10.30 am. A song of welcome by assembled village - marching display by scouts and guides - a suitable address given to the assembly - gifts of food presented - reciprocated. Rest house good condition - however no barracks (to be constructed). Gardens taking into account dry year are in good condition - good soil. Water sites - two wells of very good water. Rebuilding of village housing in progress using galvanised iron roofing and in some cases fibrolite walls - also painted. Materials purchased by community effort in which all subscribe funds and then draw lots to see who comes first on housing list - enterprise commended. This action no doubt precipitated by the absence of building timbers, which have to be obtained from the Brown river area behind GOROHU - and the shortage of 'kuro kuro' grass for thatching which has to be obtained i.e. purchased, from PAPA. A loan sought to assist in this venture - no promise given but told that possibility of obtaining building materials at cost price will be investigated. Also a village group sought assistance in purchase of truck with portion of initial capital to be subscribed by loan applicants - to be taken up with Treasury Loans Board (My 25/3/58) refers. Shovels promised to drain area stagnant water adjacent village, and, if possible, sump oil to be obtained to destroy mosquito larvae. Names destitute obtained.

6 pm flag parade. Evening - the usual programme for this tax patrol of concert and singing consisting of skits and Baratongan & Samoan songs and dances - till 11 pm.

Saturday 29/3/58 :

Census and tax collection throughout day. 6 pm flag.

Sunday 30/3/58 :

Sabbath.

6 pm flag.

Monday 31/3/58 :

Departed by canoe 8 am and arrived POROBADA (Motu and Koitapu popln.) Met by village officials - ara and mission school pupils lined for inspection - a heavily populated village and considerable congestion due to badly spaced housing - no rest house or barracks - self forced to stay at LMS pastor's house and police billeted in first aid post building. Due infrequency patrols that remain overnight here this does not represent an urgent matter and is not a matter for compulsion. However village officials given to understand that extent of village co-operation will frequently be gauged from facilities in this regard provided government officers

Gardens very scattered - those seen satisfactory for this time of the year. Poor water site consisting of one well of muddy water a mile distant from the village.

Matters raised on previous patrol but not completed, discussed, viz., hire of tractor and plough at beginning of season to assist in garden cultivation; purchase of pump for present well; provision of tanks for supply of drinking water. Considerable absenteeism of workers at Moresby and difficult to obtain representative opinion, also co-ordination within village on any venture seems to be adversely affected by clan dissension - such schemes to be talked over and decision to be referred to District Office later - though no optimism entertained as to the result. Census take - a 5% increase - health satisfactory.

6 pm flag parade.

Evening - general discussion of minor disputes and problems - petitioned by council to reduce tax - informed that 30/- max rate for all village natives to apply here.

Tuesday 1/4/58 :

Tax collection completed by 6 pm.

6 pm flag parade.

Wednesday 2/4/58 :

Departed 8 am by canoe arriving KODERIKA (Koitapu popln.) at 8.45 am. Very dry conditions and poor soil - gardens showing effects of dry season. Rest house adequate - no barracks. Housing satisfactory. Road now completed connecting up with Moresby - Porebada jeep road. One well with little water - in dry season water has to be obtained by canoe from BOERA. Council request for assistance in this regard, but informed cost of transporting water from Moresby prohibitive for such a small village, which have to defer running costs itself. To investigate possibility of drilling for water at another site using ABC drill on loan to sub-dist. office. Complaints re activities of Hula fishermen operating off DAUGO island - however does not appear to be a legitimate complaint as regard the supply of fish, since these plentiful while much of fish taken by Hula's is from open sea after having been carried over reef at high tide.

Tax and census completed at 1 pm - No increase in popln - some migrations out. Departed 3 pm arriving ROKU (Koitapu) 4 pm. Housing good - village precincts clean and in good order. Rest house good - no barracks. Gardens show effects dry spell - one well with poor water adjacent village. As at ~~KODERIKA~~ KODERIKA no co-operative store here, however enterprise shown by councillor who runs a small business within the village. Otherwise little enthusiasm towards improvement - an attitude of resentment detected in the complaints brought forward - complaint made that APC refuse to ferry ROKU workers from NAPANAPA to Moresby - informed that this company's ferry not a common carrier and could incur heavy liability in event of accident in such circumstances. Further complaint against Europeans, two of whom occupying land in Idler's Bay - this proved to refer to camp established on shore line, which with District Office approval were for three months engaged in beche de mer fishing outside reef. Subsequently arranged for this camp to be shifted to Crown land area located at MALAHA Point.

..... Flag Parade 6 pm. Small scouts corps here also drilled with police.

Thursday 3/4/58 :

Tax and census - population static, no increase - attributable to a few migrations out. At 2.30 pm truck arrived from District Office - gear loaded and eventually arrived Port Moresby 4 pm.

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Patrol Officer,
Sub-district Office,
Port Moresby.

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VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1958

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average size of Family	TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL			
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child in Birth	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		MALES		FEMALES		Present	Number of children under 15 years of age		Child		Adults
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MANU MANU	12/3	10	8			2	4	2	2				4	1			3		5	6			1				20	69	13	60	1	59	4	60	63	70	69	274
GOROHU	17/3	6	4										1				4	3	3				3	1			17	19	32	30	27	5.3	49	47	41	41	185	
KIDO	20/3	4	6								2						5	3	4	4			7	2			28	17	45	35	2	35	5.2	70	56	42	51	236
LEA LEA	24/3	14	15			1	1	3	2	2			9				4	1	3	21	16		3	11			45	54	110	105	3	95	4.8	139	149	100	134	573
PAPA	26/3	8	7							1			2				2	8	3		19	1	7	2	22	46	18	38	1	38	5	33	51	35	48	207		
BOERA	29/3	11	11								1						2	6	1	20	5		10	3			29	74	25	64	1	59	4.8	87	88	57	76	346
POREBADA	31/3	32	40			2	2	4					5	2			2	8	8	103	14		16	4	9	3	88	218	188	3	175	288	136					
KODER IKA	2/4	3	3				2				1						2	2	5	2			2				8	21	7	14	1	14	6.1	26	25	18	21	93
ROKU	3/4	6	4			1	1	1					3					1	2	2			1	2			16	42	19	30	1	30	4.6	52	48	50	40	197
Totals		94	98			1	1	8	11	9	2	1	21	9	1	15	9	19	22	168	50		62	5	35	5	273	346	560	564	13	532	804	549	776	716	3176	

Village Popuation

Year..... 1957

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13				Females in Child Birth	In	Out
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					
KAILAKINUMU	26-8-57	1	4				1										1			
LUBURU (MOROKA)	26-8-57	2				3													2	3
NGUBAIFA (D'OE)	27-8-57	3	2	1				2									4		1	
UFADIBEI	28-8-57		1																	
SABATANA	28-8-57		2													2	1	1	2	2
BEREBEI	29-8-57	1	3		1				1								5		1	
MOKONUMU	29-8-57		1													1	1	1	6	
OGOTANA	29-8-57	1	3				1												1	
YESILOGO	2-9-57	1	2								1		1			2	1		3	
GUBABEGAI	2-9-57																3			
VAIAVAI	3-9-57	1	1															1		
ME SIME	3-9-57		1															1	2	2
FAKONAMA	4-9-57	2				1		1									6		2	
MERIANI	4-9-57																	1	2	
MANURINUMU	4-9-57	3	1			1			1									1	2	1
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Population Register

Area Patrolled..... SOGERI VALLEY

er 13	Females in Child Birth	MIGRATIONS		ABSENT FROM VILLAGE								LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL	
		In	Out	AT WORK				STUDENTS				Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child Bearing Age		Child		Adults			
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MT SISOTE

Manumu

Maiava
(abandoned)

Dubi

MT FOSAVE

MT ANIA

Hailogo

Enivilogo

Elologo

Manarogoo

Manaria

Bohura
(abandoned)

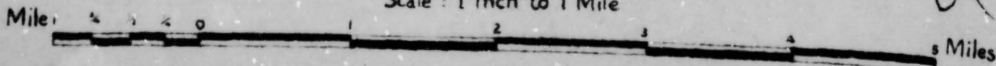
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Naoko RIVER

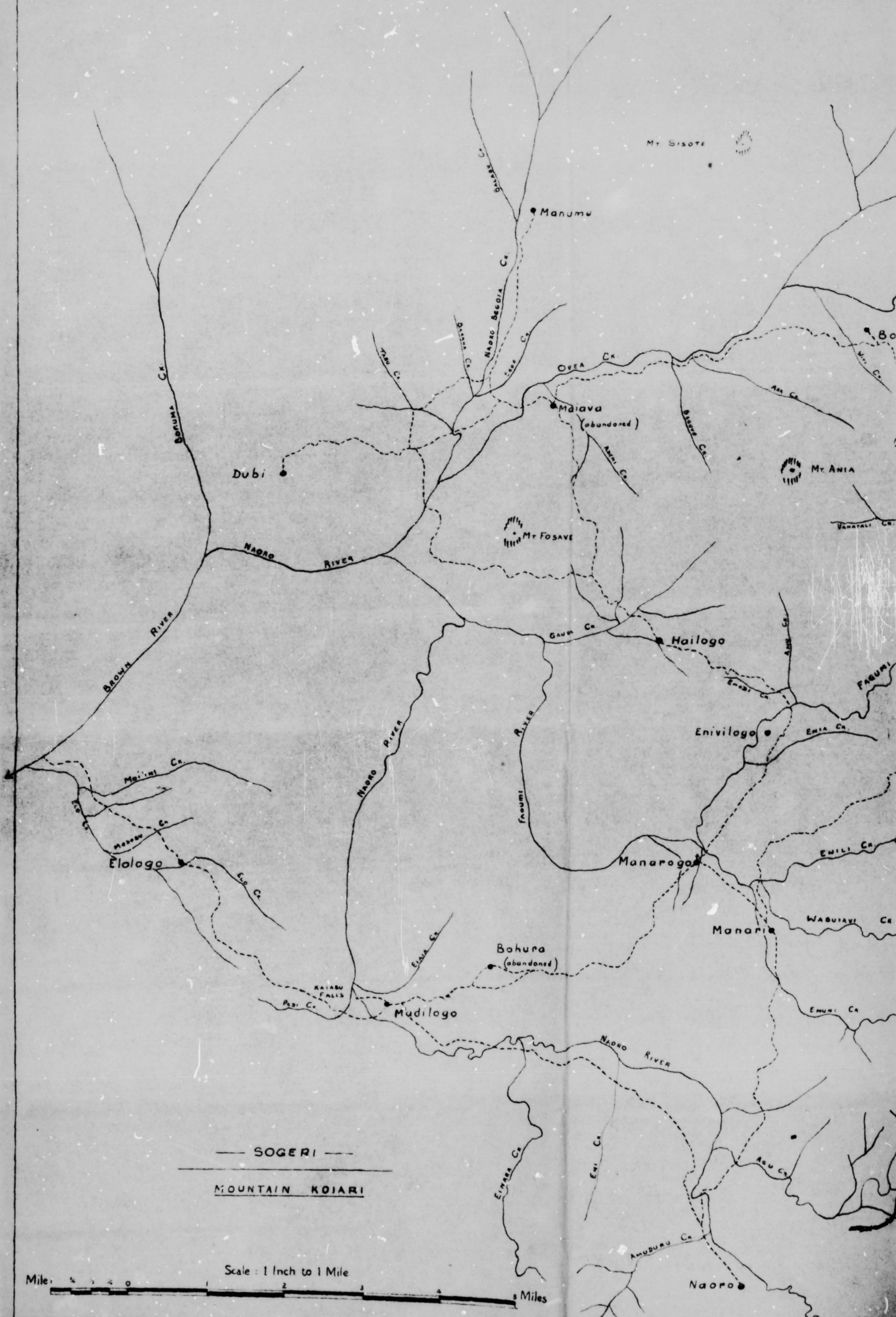
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MOUNTAIN KOIARI

Scale: 1 Inch to 1 Mile



Naoko



Mr NIGATO

OWEN

M. PUSAI

STANLEY

Mr. SISOTE

MT. HANUVE

Ma. sumu

EVI CA

OVCA CA

RANGE

Boridi

OSEA CA

Mr. ANIA

Maiava (abandoned)

FABUMI RIVER

Mr. FOSAV

VANATALI CA

Badinumu

Mecelo CA

SAWA CA

Hailogo

FABUMI RIVER

Odoaa

Eguru

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NAORO RIVER



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Mills

Naoro

AMUDURU CA

ASU CA

EVI CA