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PATROL REPORT No. 3-70-71.

By.

D. P. SHOWELL.

KUNUA.

BOUGAINVILLE

DISTRICT.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of BOUGATHVILLE Report No. KUMUA NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71.
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Director of District Administration, PORT MORESBY.
Forwarded, please.
/ / 19 District Commissioner
Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

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District Headquarters, Bougainville District, Box 123, P.O., ARAWA

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23 September 1971

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER
HAHON CENSUS DIVISION

Further tomy memorandum 67-1-4 of 26 August 1971 forwarding Kunua Patrol No. 3 of 1970/71, I forward herewith corrected Village Population Register.

W. T. BROWN DISTRICT COMM ISSIONER

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6th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner, Bougainville District, KIUTA.

KUNUA PATROL NO. 3 OF 1970/TL.

Your reference 67-1-4 of 26th August, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Census Report by Mr. D.P. Showell, Patrol Officer, to HAHON Census Division.

> (T.W. ELLIS) ~ Secretary

6711-301 TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA In Reply Please Quote No. 67-14 Department of the Administrator,

DISTRICT OFFICE, P.O. BOX 123/124, ARAWA BOUGAINVILLE

26th August, 1971

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator, KONEDOBU Papua

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KUNUA PATROL NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71 HAHON CENSUS DIVISION

Please find enclosed original and duplicate report of the above specified patrol conducted by Mr. D.P. Showell, Patrol Officer. Copy of covering memorandum 67-2-3 of 19th August, 1971 from the Assistant District Commissioner, Buka Passage Sub-district, is also enclosed.

- 2. Village Population Registers are not enclosed they have been returned to Mr. Showell for correction and will be forwarded when this is done. Delay in submission of this report was occassioned by the patrolling officer's transfer to Kieta and engagement on Territory & Census duties.
- 3. The Hahon is one of the quiter Bougainville areas, well patrolled and reasonably well serviced though economically restricted by lack of access. To overcome this a road from Soroken through the Hahon and Kunua to Koropobi (a distance of 49 miles) was designed and to date a little more than a half has been constructed. The outcome of a current submission recommending Stage 2 of this road to be constructed to completion at a cost of \$400,000, is awaited. The obvious economic effects of the road to date are well described in the report.
- 4. Survey of the Uraru extension has been halted pending the applicants advise whether he intends to proceed - I think it unlikely.
- 5. The matter of deteriorating relationships between the R.C. Mission and the Administration, particularly the Education Department, has been reported elsewhere. Apart from certain difficulties experienced in instituting the Unified Teaching Service (during which mission education agencies may have been temporarily disadvantaged), I feel the real issue is one of control. The Kotsawan school issue is but one of a number of similar instances throughout the district. The District Education Board hopes to resolve these at its September meeting.

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> Sub District Office, <u>HUTJENA</u>. Buka Passage, Bougainville District.

> > 19th August, 1971.

The District Commissioner, Department of the Administrator, P.O. Box 123, ARAWA, Bougainville.

KUNUA PATROL No. 3 of 1970/71

Attached please find three copies of a report of the abovementioned patrol conducted in the HAHON Census Division by Mr. D.P.W. Showell, Patrol Officer.

The main purpose of this patrol was to update the census preparatory to amending the electoral roll. Mr. Showell has submitted a good report which adequately covers the general situation in the Hahon census division.

The activities of the Hahalis Welfare Society in the northern portion of the Hahan have already been reported under seperate cover. The Society is not making any substantial progress in the area and the situation remains static. At Kunapopo village there are some staunch believers in Hahalis ideology, but in the main those who are affiliated with the Society have invested on a speculative basis, just to ensure that they do not missout in case there is some truth in Hahalis promises.

Forwarded please.

Assistant District Commissioner

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Patrol Post, KUNUA, Bougainville.

8th June 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner, Hutjena Sub-District Office, Buka Passage.

CENSUS FIGURES -- HAHON CENSUS DIVISION.

Please find attached four copies of the Village Population Register for the Hahon Census Division.

Please note that Matitsora Village is included in the statistics. This village is affliliated with PorapPora village in the Selau Census Division, and although included in the last census of the Hahon in 1969 the figures were not included in the grand totals. A certain amount of confusion lies as to whether this village is in the Hahon or Selau C.D's. As this village is less than an hours walk from Kunopopo this villageshould be administered from Kunua and included in the Hahon C.D. figures, and if this is the case it should be included in the Village Directory. For your information and consideration.

The Revised Census books include Uraru Plantation, that has a total of 42 residents and most of these are employed on a permanent basis. Plantation employees are not included in the census statistics as in many cases names would be duplicated. However most employees should pay council tax and names are recorded for the council carbon copy book.

For your information.

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(signed)
D.P.W. Showell
Officer In Charge

Sub District Office, KIETA. 26th July 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner, Hutjena Sub-District Office, Buka Passage.

KUNUA PATROL REPORT NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71

Please find enclosed four copies of the above patrol report, together with four copies of the Village Population Register for the Hahon Census Division.

The delay in completing and forwarding this report is regreted, the report being delayed due to my transfer to Kieta, and the fact that I have been occupied by the Territory Census since my arrival here.

With regard to Section 5, (b) it is believed that the demolition team from the Army has investigated this report.

Please find enclosed Camping Allowance for 15 days actually camped out, for your approval and funding and return to this office for payment.

Could you please advise whether a patrol report is required for the three days I spent accompanying Mr. S. Priestly and if I can claim for camping allowance.

(signed)
D.P.W.Showell
PATROL OFFICER

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OBJECTS OF PATROL

: KUNUA NO. 3 OF 1970/71.

: BUKA PASSAGE.

: BOUGAINVILLE.

: BUKA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL.

: D.P.W.SHOWELL.

: PATROL OFFICER, OIC, KUNUA PATROL POST.

: HAHON CENSUS DIVISION.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING PATROL : CONST. BINANGU 0957, (9 DAYS)
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: 13/5/71 TO 25/5/71 BROKEN 17 DAYS.

DATE AND DURATION OF LAST PATROL : 3/8/71 TO 3/12/71 BROKEN 17 DAYS.

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KUNUA PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1970/71.

Patrol Diary:

- 5/5/71 Departed Patrol Post at 1530 hours by tractor, accompanied by Mr. Donatus Mola M.H.A., Constable Binangu and cargo. Departed Govei by "Hazel" at 1600 hours arriving at Lalum at 1800 hours. Established camp.

 Slept Lalum.
- 6/5/71 Census conducted for the Lalum village group followed by discussions on road maintenance and other matters. Departed for Kunapopo at 1300 hours. Census conducted followed by informal discussions on the Hahalis Welfare Society and Council activities. Returned to Lalum.
- 7/5/71 Departed for Matrisora at 0800 hours and arrived at 0930 hours. Census conducted followed by village inspection and discussions. Returned to Lalum via Soraken Plantation which is the quicker route. Departed for Nambarosi by bicycle at 13.30 hours but census cancelled due to heavy rain. Discussed the function of the P.N.G. Development Bank to potential borrowers. Returned to Rest-House. Slept Lalum.
- 8/5/71 Departed Rest-house at 0800 hours. Arrived at Nambarosi at 0900 hours. Census conducted followed by usual talks. Completed census for the adjacent village Kakapara by 1230 hours. Effected repairs to small passenger punt on the Tsun River. Visited Morobe Construction and discussions with foreman, Returned to Inlum by bicycle. Slept Lalum.
- 9/5/71 Census books re-written. Visited Soraken Plantation to complete a Statutory Declaration for the District Plantation Manager. Returned to Ialum. Slept Ialum.
- 10/5/71 Departed Lalum Rest-House at 0730 hours. Visited Hahon Primary 'T' School and discussions with school-teachers. Arrived at Puto at 1100 hours. Brief talks given followed by the census for Goton and Puto. Discussions with land-owners re the proposed extension to Uraru Plantation. Departed for Rukussia at 1430 hours. Census conducted and village inspection. Thence to Uraru. Established camp. Slept Uraru.
- 11/5/71 Census conducted for Petspets village who lined at Kurur.
 Discussed the feasibility of constructing a road from
 Kunokomok to Petspets. Discussions with Rural Development
 Officer re the newly completed cocoa fermentary at Kurur.
 Inspected ground for the proposed extension of Uraru
 Plantation and further discussions with the owners of the
 ground.
 Slept Uraru.
- 12/5/71 Census conducted at Kurur village for both Kurur and Kunokomok village groups. Discussions with villages re road maintenance. Commenced surveying land for proposed Uraru extension, but hampered by heavy rain. Slept Uraru.

- 13/5/71 Census books re-written and figures compiled. Census conducted for Uraru Plantation for the Buka Local Government Council records. Departed Uraru at 1400 hours by Wong You's workboat. Arrived Buka 1700 hours. Slept Hutjena.
- 14/5/71 Attended Buka Local Government Council Meeting and finalized certain outstanding Council matters. Slept Hutjena.
- 15/5/71 Saturday observed at Hutjena. Slept Hutjena.
- 16/5/71 Departed Buka by canoe at 1300 hours and arrived at Uraru at 1500 hours and due to heavy rain and big seas slept
- 17/5/71 Departed Uraru by canoe at 0700 hours. Arrived at Patrol Post at 930 hours. Attended to outstanding station and office matters. Visit by PWD Supervisor Mr. D. Cameron and District Works Engineer. Discussions re the NW-Coast road, and walked through to road with them. Returned to Kunua at 1800 hours. Slept Kunua.
- 18/5/71 General station and office duties. Slept Kunua.
- 19/5/71 Departed Patrol Post by tractor to Govei and thence by "Hazel" to the Hahon Primary 'T' School at Kotsawan.
 Unloaded building materials and then proceeded to Lalum arriving at 1600 hours. Established camp.
 Slept Lalum.
- 20/5/71 Departed rest-house at 0800 hours. Arrived at Kotsawan at 0900 hours. Supervised construction of frame and completed galvanized iron roof. Returned to Ialum visiting the Aid-Post en route.

 Slept Uraru.
- 21/5/71 By bicycle to Uraru and returned to school by hired tractor with gravel for tank-stand. Completed cement tank stand. Volunteer villagers completed two walls of the building.
 Slept Ialum.
- 22/5/71 Departed Kotsawan at 0830 hours. Soldered sections of guttering and erected tank. Returned to Ialum. Census books re-written and figures compiled. Slept Lalum.
- 23/5/71 Sunday observed. Visited Soraken Estate and eld discussions with plantation manager. Slept Ialum.
- 24/5/71 Departed for Kotsawan at 0800 hours. Building and tank completed. Supervised 'clean up' of school ground. Attended a meeting where the Hahon Primary 'To School Parents and Citizens Association was founded. Returned to Ialum. Slept Ialum.
- 25/5/71 Departed rest-house by hired canoe at o800 hours. Arrived at Govei at 0930 hours and thence by tractor to Patrol Post and patrol stood down.

End of Diary.

SITUATION REPORT.

(1) INTRODUCTION.

The patrol was mounted to conduct a census and revise census books for the Hahon Census Division, the last census having been conducted in July 1969, to make preliminary investigations to determine whether the land-owners of Puto village were prenared to sell additional land to extend Wong You Company's Uraru Plantation, to complete, for the Buka Local Covernment Council, the 10,000 gallon water tank situated at 'Benmat', to erect a small store and 1,000 gallon water tank at the Hahon Primary 'T' School, and to addend to any routine administration matters.

The Hahon Census Division has been extensively patrolled during the past year by field officers from various departments and numerous visits have been made by the Officer in Charge at August that are classified as field days. The Rural Development Officer at Kumua has conducted several general patrols and devoted a considerable amount of his time assisting the Hahon Rural Co-operative Jociety, whilst routine agricultural duties are carried out by a D.A.S.F. field-worker who is permanently stationed in the census division.

The overall situation is much the same as it was six months ago and reported in Kunua Patrol Report No. 1 of 1970/71. The only notable changes have been brought about by the establishment of the Administration School at Kotsawan and by the North-West Coast Road and the presence of the contractors, Morobe Construction.

The village economy has benifitted greatly by the roadworks in progress. Morobe Construction and P.W.D. employ directly and indirectly thirty Hahon residents who spend several months working and then return to their villages. Wong You Company's trade store has increased its turn over to approximately \$1,000 per week and has expanded its stocklines to include luxury items. With the completed road bicycles are being utilized and are no longer merely status symbols.

Social change has be n a side effect of the road, and the presence of Morobe Construction workers, both expatriate and Papuan and New Guinean who have made their impact on the villager, who has been to a certain extent bewildered by the different attitudes of certain european workers. Alcohol was thought to be something that belonged exclusively to europeans, but now with a surplus of money the villager can afford this luxury. Clothing fashions have changed amongst the young from the traditional laplap to mod-gear and mini-skirts. Finally social change has been bought about by the social event of the week, saturday night at the cinema. Wong You has been screening pictures for the past six months. The screen has shown the villagers various facets of our culture and civilization, which he far from fully understands. Cowboy films have proved to be most popular and it is not uncommon to see children playing cowboys and indians.

With the completion of the North-West Coast Road to Kunua Patrol Post later this year all villages except PetsPets and Matitsora can be reached by vehicle from Kunua in less than an hour and the present system of patrolling will ceace, and communications will no longer be a problem.

(2) PCLITICAL.

(a) General:

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There has been no significant changes or developments since the area was last patrolled. The people are becomming more and more aware of political development, but believe that the process of learning and developing should be a gradual one. The village elders still hold the power, and although the young radicals may verbally dominate political discussion, it is the village elders with their moderate approach who have the following of their villagers, and who make the important decisions.

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(b) Local Government:

All villages in the census division with the exception of Matitsora are members of the Buka Local Government Council. Discussions were held with Matitsora village residents who stated that they are not ready to be absorbed into the Council complex and they could not afford to pay tax as they are basically subsistence farmers, and do not engage in cash cropping.

The patrol saw the completion of a small store (to be used as a catchment area) and the erection of a 1,000 gallon tank at the Hahon Primary 'T' School at Kotsawan. The "ouncil assisted the project by supplying certain materials and the people appreciated the Council's assistance. This project only cost a few dollars but enhanced the Council's image far more than the project detailed below.

This project, on the other hand, the 10,000 gallon water tank at Benmat (refer Kunua Patrol Report No. 1 of 1970/71) remains a white elephant. The writer supervised the construction of this tank for the Council nearly a year ago. However no outlet reduction tap was available, and despite repeated requests and letters from the Councillor for the area and the Officer in Charge, Kunua, the Council does still not have the tap on hand, and thus the tank was not completed during the patrol, and indeed many village residents are wandering if it will ever be completed.

(c) House of Assembly Member:

The Member for North Bougainville, Mr. Donatus Mola, M.H.A. has visited the census division recently, and with the 1972 elections approaching he is making a real effort to visit his constituents. His popularity in the census division has not suffered like it has in Finua and Keriaka Census Divisions.

(d) Hahalizs Welfare Society:

During the patrol a spokesman from the Selau Census Division, accompanied by his 'hentchmen' visited and held meetings at Kunopopo, Puto and Kurur. The chief spokesman said that he was collecting money for the "Credit Union Fund" and the membership fee was one dollar. Then inturn the individual or the village could borrow from this fund and purchase a truck or a tractor. The 'Credit Union Fund' is an eff-shoot of the Hahalis Welfare Society. All meetings that were held were poorly attended and no monies were collected. The only village which still remains under the shadow of Hahalis is Kunopopo where Council versus Hahalis discussions took place. The villagers, who have each paid their \$10.00 membership look at the venture as a long term project, and still believe that their money 'invested' will be returned multi-fold.

(a) General:

Although world cocoa and copra prices have dropped considerably in recent months, the effect has not yet really been felt by the village farmer. In fact in many cases, due to native vagueness when selling copra and wet cocoa bean he has not noticed a price drop of from 5 cents to 3 cents per pound, whilst/several of the more astute farmers have accused merchants of cheating them. In several villages the writer driefly and simply explained why world prices continually fluctuate.

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(b) Hahon Rural 60-operative Society:

The fermentary which was constructed near Kurur village nearly two years ago has now finally been completed and is in operation. This fermentary will operate in conjunction with the parent formentary and store at Benmat. The new fermentary will have to compete with Wong You and try to give better service to growers, even if it initially runs at a loss. This will be an uphill battle. It is thought that villages will favour selling produce to Wong You who uses his tractor and trailer to cart village copra and cocoa then to carry it themselves to the Co-op's fermentary and copra store. Closer supervision of the Society's activities and the purchase of a tractor and trailer are the obvious remedy to this problem, the latter depending on the Society's finances.

(c) Wong You Company's Extension - Uraru Plantation:

A preliminary investigation was conducted during the patrol to determine whether the land-holders from Puto village were prepared to sell a tract of land adjoining Uraru Plantation to extend Wong You's cocoa and copra plantation.

Although the principal, but aged and somewhat senile landowner JAREI is prepared to sell the land, his family and all
village residents who have certain land rights are not in favour
of parting with this ground, stating they are short of ground
and that the land rights of their children and grandchildren
must be protected. Both these reasons are valid points and are
fully endorsed. A third factor, namely that the villagers resent
Wong You's massive wealth and his racial origin, and would, thus
regardless of other factors refuse to sell ground to him.

The new Officer in Charge at Kunua, Mr. S. Priestly will complete and forward the necessary formal land investigation report.

(d) North West Coast Road:

The North-West Coast Road is now approaching the Kanua Patrol Post and it should be possible to drive from Kunua to boroken Plantation before the end of September 1971. Problems has been well behind schedule for the past four months, and plant hire, with the exception of the Fiat Bulldozer has been down for various reasons which include staff turnover and friction within the Morobe camp, lack of skilled operators and vehicle breakdown, wet conditions, friction between the contractors probe Construction and P.W.D. and finally the difficult sterrain Which has now been traversed. Nearly three months have been spent traversing a steep gorge with a swamp at the bottom and were it not for this section the road would have reached Kunua several months ago. However, now this section has been crossed the going is comparitively easy and the road should be through to Sipai R.C.M. early in the new year.

The road has given access to thousands of acres of good land between Kurur village and the Kunua Patrol Post. This uninhabited land could possibley be purchased by the Administration and leased to certain village residents in the area that are short of land.

Road maintenance is a problem that must be overcome. In places the road is completely over-grown and is little more than a track. This matter has been discussed with all villages in the census division, and although an attempt has been made by some villages by cutting grass on Mondays, the task, due to the small population and the length of the road is beyond them. To maintain the road regular grading will be necessary and P.W.D. should be approached to give their recommendations.

(4) SCCIAL.

(a) Education:

The Hahon Primary 'T' School situated at Kotsawan between the Roman Catholic Mission at Tsimba and Goton village was completed and ready to open shortly after the commencement of the school year. The villages did an amirable job in completing the task of building three teachers houses and three classrooms in six weeks.

The school is functioning excellently and has complete support from village residents. It has a current enrolement of 110, 60 boys and 50 girls from all villages in the area with the exception of Matitsora village. The school caters for all six standards and operates as a "plocked up" school. It is staffed by three male teachers who teach three classes standard 1, Standard 2, and Standards 3, 4, 5 and 6.

During the patrol a 1,000 gallon water tank was erected and a small store constructed with a galvanized iron roof to act as a catchment area. Thus the school new has a limited water supply, which must be supplimented as soon as possible. Also during the patrol a Parents and Citizens Association was established and the inaugral meeting held and office bearers elected.

The only bitter note concerning the school has been the attitude of the Priest in Charge at Sipai, Father Bourgea. He is very bitter over the new unified Territory Teaching Service and has been a severe critic of the new school. The Mission at Tsimba previously operated a school, but this was closed in 1969. Father Bourgea wanted the Administration to utilize the old Mission School buildings at Tsimba, but the people wanted a school of their very own and chose the present site at Kotsawan. A number of pupils who attended the Mission school at Sipai last year are now pupils at the Hahon School, and this added "further fuel to the fire". It is believed that Father Bourgea lost a certain amount of respect and influence in the area due to an open disagreement with the Education Officer (Inspector) for North Bougainville, Mr. Carrol and has a personal vendetta against him ever since which was gradually spreading to any Administration Officer directly or indirectly involved with the Department of Education. However, now that Mr. Carrol has been transfered from the District his. Father Bourgea's attitude towards the school and the Dept. of Education has improved somewhat and further incidents are not expected.

(5) MISCELLAMEOUS.

(a) Census:

The census for the Hahon Census Division was revised and new census books compiled. No significant population trends were apparent.

The village of Matitsora was included in the census. This village is affiliated with Pora-Pora village in the Selau Census Division, but as it is less than an hours walk from Kunopopo it should be administered from Kunua and included in the village directory.

Village population registers are enclosed.

(b) Unexploded bombs:

A report was recieved from Mr. Myer, Plantation Overseer at Soraken Estate that a number of unexploded morta bombs and handgrenades are located behind the plantation near Matitsora village and are being used by plantation labourers and villagers to extract explosive to "bomb" fish. Time did not permit investigation but it is suggested that an Army demolition team visit Soraken when next in the area.

(c) Army Patrol:

A platoon from the First Pacific Island Regiment patrolled through the census division in mid-April. The patrol only spent one night in the census division and was without incident.

(6) CONCLUSION.

Kunua Patrol Post now has a new Officer in Charge, the writer being on transfer after being station for one year at Kunua. Concern has been expressed by Hahon-Kunua residents by the fact that very few officers have completed a full term at Kunua, which they believe has impeded development. It is hoped that the new Officer in Charge at Kunua will not be transfered after a short period, but complete his term so that long term projects and developments can be completed and the continuity of development can be maintained.

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