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APPENDIX "A"

REPORT ON THE MEMBERS OF THE R.P.&N.G.C ON PATROL.

MENYAMBA NO. 1 - 56/67.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Conduct.</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
9281 Const. 5. TIMINA	Good	Quiet and efficient.
9325 Const. 5. NATEI	Good	Reliable const on patrol.

[Handwritten Signature]
 I. K. McIntosh P.S.

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APPENDIX "B"

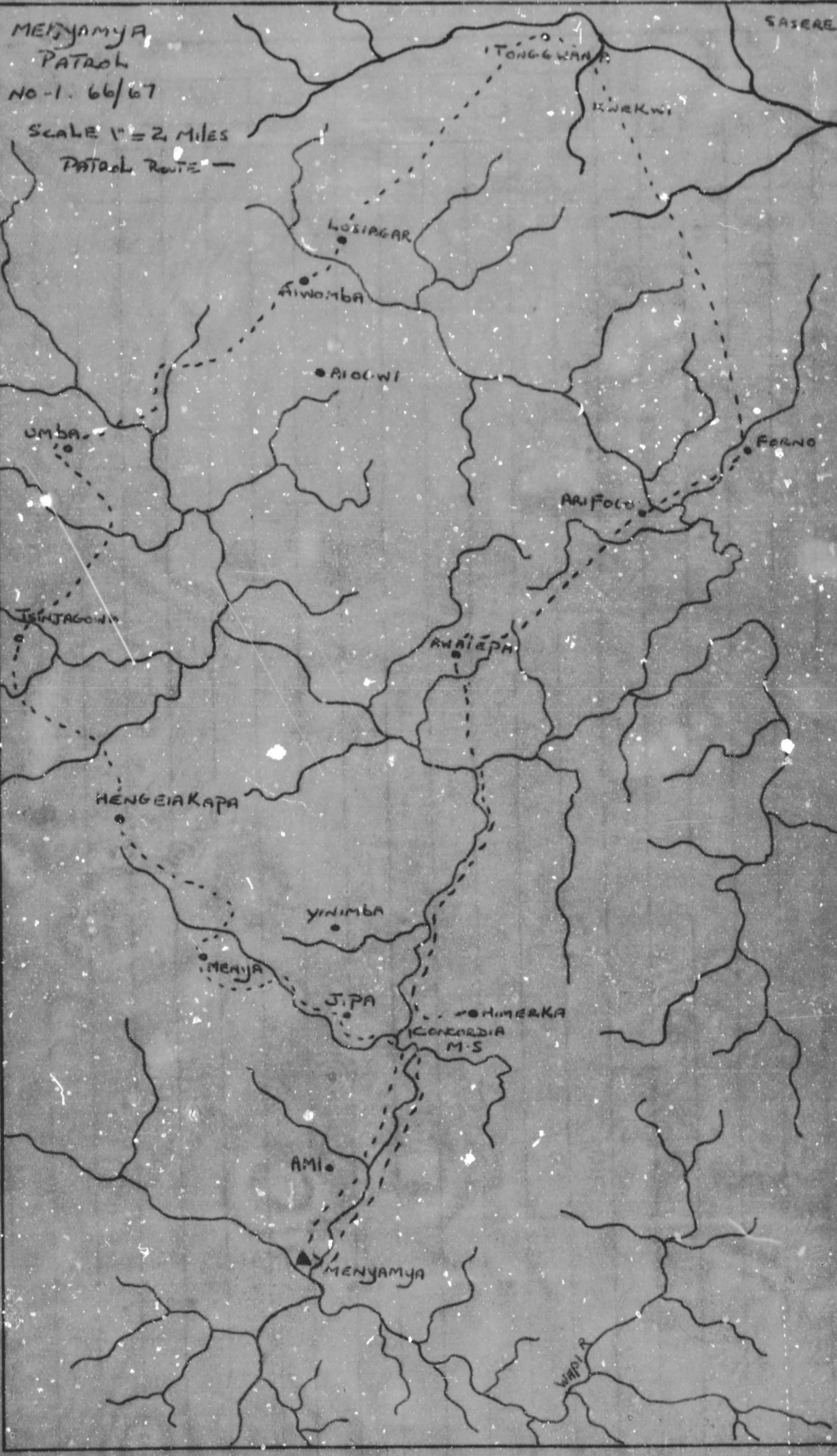
HEALTH.

As a Medical Patrol was carried out in conjunction with this patrol, a special report for submission to the Director of Public Health is not attached. All statistics on disease have been included in the report forwarded by Mr. D.S. Christian E.M.A.

As many of the hamlets as possible were visited and inspected by myself and the E.M.A., and in general these were found to be clean and tidy. Latrines were replaced at UMBA and AIWOMBA.

There are three Aid Posts in this C.D., situated at HENGLIAKANA, ARIFOFO and at AIWOMBA. While at AIWOMBA the old Aid Post was renewed. The E.M.A. is considering building another Aid Post at SESERE as the health of the people of this hamlet has always been poor. Population does not warrant the post, but isolation does.

A doctor boy accompanied the patrol, and when the people had finished polling, they were inspected by the medical staff, and sores and minor ailments were treated.



MENYAMYA
PATROL
NO-1. 66/67

SCALE 1" = 2 MILES
PATROL ROUTE

SASERE

TONGGWAN

KWEKWI

LOTIAGAR

AIWOMBA

AIOWWI

UMBA

FORNO

ARAFOLU

TSJATAGOW

AWAIEPA

HENGEIAKAPA

YINIMBA

MENJA

JIPA

KONARDIA M.S.

AMI

MENYAMYA

WAPIR



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MORobe Report No. Meryama No. 9 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by J. E. WHITE C.P.O.

Area Patrolled WAPI and LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISIONS

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans	Const. <u>L/C WAENGO</u>	Reg. No. <u>8149</u>
	Const. <u>POHAU</u>	Reg. No. <u>11195</u>
Natives	Const. <u>AKAIYAKO</u>	Reg. No. <u>9737</u>

Duration—From 3./5./1967 to 25./5./1967

Number of Days 23

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No October, 1966

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services / / 19

Medical / / 19

Map Reference No actual reference due to inaccuracy of previous maps.

Objects of Patrol 1. Revision of Common Roll
2. General Administration

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation	£
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund	£
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund	£
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Department of District Administration,
District Headquarters,
Morobe District,
L.A.E. T.N.G.

23rd June, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBUN, Papua.

PATROL MENYAMYA No. 9 OF 1966/67.

I attach copy of patrol report submitted by Mr. J. White, GPO, sketch map, patrol instruction and covering memo from a/Assistant District Commissioner.

Mr. White has conducted a routine patrol with successful attainment of its objectives.

The Council system is likely to be introduced to the Menyama Sub-District within a year and this Administration will have to rely heavily on the village officials, both to support this and to assist by not usurping the new appointed Councillors province. The attitude shown by Mr. White in describing village officials as "old characters" is not condoned and shows a lack of appreciation of their worth in their current and future roles.

D.N. ASHTON,
District Commissioner.

COPY.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office,
Manyanva.

1st May, 1967.

Mr. J. White,

Manyanva.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - WAPI/LANGIMAK.

On Wednesday you will depart for a patrol to the above census division for the sole purpose of amending the common roll for the forthcoming General Elections. The patrol should take up approximately three weeks. The sole purpose of the patrol is to compile the Roll and I do not want you to become involved in anything else except an emergency.

I will require you to visit each village and not have assembly points. You now realise that the people of Manyanva just will not come to a patrol when they have to walk.

You will have to visit two villages on some days - I suggest that you do this wherever possible.

You will make yourself thoroughly familiar with H.Q. Circular Instructions CEO.1/67 particularly para. 5. This becomes particularly hard at Manyanva because of the large number of people coming and going from the coast.

Please note that the voting age is 21 at the time of election. Once again you will have to anticipate this.

Utilise the old Common Roll and Village books in your compilation.

I will require a patrol diary only.

STATION MENYAMYA

SUB-DISTRICT MENYAMYA

DISTRICT MOROBE

PATROL NUMBER MENYAMYA No.9 of 1966/67

PATROL CONDUCTED BY J.E. WHITE C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED WAPI and LANGIBAR CENSUS DIVISIONS

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING PATROL Const.I/C WAENGO Reg.No.8149
Const.POHAU Reg.No.11125
Const.KAIYAKO Reg.No.9737

DURATION OF PATROL 3/5/67 to 25/5/67. 23 days.

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA October, 1966.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL 1. Revision Of Common Roll
2. General Administration

MAP REFERENCE No actual reference due to inaccuracy of previous maps.

INTRODUCTION

From 3/5/67 to 25/5/67 I have been patrolling the Wapi and Langimar census divisions for purposes of Common Roll Revision and General Administration.

The Wapi and Langimar census divisions lie to the east of Menyama station. The topography in the area is not unduly rugged as far as walking purposes are concerned. The vegetation cover varies from kunai grass in the area immediately surrounding the station to the usual trees and undergrowth to be found in higher and more distant places.

These two census divisions are the two most sophisticated of the Menyama Sub-District and will, I believe, be the "springboard" of any development that comes from the Menyama area.

All objectives of the patrol were accomplished. The common roll was revised for the coming House of Assembly elections, many discussions on various topics were held with the people, some disputes were settled, and time was made for constructing new resthouses and other general administration functions.

PATROL DIARY

3/5/67

Departed Menyama 10.00 AM
Arrived Tamoi 11.00 AM
Revision of common roll in afternoon.

4/5/67

Departed Tamoi 9.00 AM
Arrived Kumai 11.00 AM
Campsite repaired as it was in deplorable state.
People eventually rounded up and the Common Roll revised at night including appointment of Tul Tul and General Administration discussions.

5/5/67

Departed Kumai 8.00 AM
Arrived Himerka 10.00 AM
Passed through Concordia mission station which is close by.
Campsite repaired—People eventually rounded up.
Common roll revised and 12 men and 17 women sent to station for refusing to line.

6/5/67

Departed Himerka 3.00 AM
Arrived Kantogwei 10.00 AM
Burnt the resthouse down and built a new one.
Spent night in half finished resthouse.

PATROL DIARY (Cont).

7/5/67 Finished resthouse.
Common roll revised for Kanogogwei and Wapiakamaga.
Departed Kanogogwei 1.00 PM
Arrived Akwanje 2.30 PM
Discussions with village officials.

8/5/67 Common roll revised for Akwanje, Waituara, Makopa, Wangagonga.
Discussions with a new station and disputes heard.
Trouble obtaining carriers.
Departed Akwanje 3.00 PM
Arrived Yagopa 5.00 PM
Fight stopped between two old women.
Police Parade.

9/5/67 Common roll revised for Yagopa.
Departed Yagopa 11.00 AM
Arrived Napalala (Langimar census division) 3.00 PM (Passed through Akwangi 2.00 PM).
Common roll revised at Napalala.
Departed Napalala 2.00 PM
Arrived Otetei 2.40 PM
Discussions held.

10/5/67 Common roll revised for Bonula, Atepaure, and Otetei.
Disputes heard and instructions given for new Aid Post. General discussions.
Departed Otetei 2.00 PM
Arrived Akwangi 4.30 PM
Arrived with heavy cold and went to bed.

12/5/67 Common roll revised at Akwangi.
Departed Akwangi 7.30 AM
Arrived Kabeng 3.30 PM
Police Parade - Talks with village officials.

13/5/67 Common roll revised for villages of Kabeng, Mabukabu, Taupa and Metswopi.
Visited hospital and school to get names of staff.
Departed Kabeng 2.00 PM
Arrived Aiegi 2.30 PM
Spent evening with European schoolteacher.

14/5/67 Common roll revised for Aiegi and Kwaiguma.
General discussions.
Departed Aiegi 2.00 PM
Arrived Sikweng 3.00 PM
Usual police parade at 6.00 PM
Common roll revised for Wyekoi, Sikweng No.1 and Sikweng No.2.
Disputes heard.
Departed Sikweng 12.30 PM
Arrived Paniegi 1.00 PM
New campsite constructed at Paniegi.
Common roll revised for Paniegi and Tiwi.
General discussions and disputes heard.

16/5/67 Departed Paniegi 9.00 AM
Arrived Womei 9.45 AM

PATROL DIARY (Cont).

16/5/67 (Cont) Common roll revised for Hagita, Wemei and Mingopa. General discussions held and disputes heard. Some at night. Police Parade.

17/5/67 Departed Wemei 9.00 AM
Arrived Wauwega 9.45 AM
Common roll revised for Wauwega, Etaraipa, Hitagaipa, Kwagaga and Yamapa.
Many disputes and discussions heard during afternoon and night. Instructions given for construction of new Aid Post. Also to help APO with garden.

18/5/67 Departed Wauwega 9.00 AM
Arrived Piwi 10.00 AM
Common roll revised for Piwi. General discussions and disputes heard.

19/5/67 Departed Piwi 8.30 AM
Arrived Pakaipoinyi 9.30 AM
New campsite constructed. Common roll revised. Land disputes discussed.

20/5/67 Departed Pakaipoinyi 8.00 AM
Arrived Hanjua 8.15 AM
Spent morning dressing sores of many children. Some cases forwarded to Manyanya.
Common roll revised. General discussions held. New resthouse constructed. Discussions with APO and people on APO's functions.

21/5/67 Old resthouse pulled down.

22/5/67 Departed Hanjua 8.30 AM
Arrived Pangapu 8.45 AM
Common roll revised for Pangapu, Watana, Hangatera, and Katanga. Inspection of Aid Post and mission school.
Disputes heard.

23/5/67 Departed Pangapu 8.00 AM
Arrived Manyanya (Office) 10.15 AM
Unpacking cargo.

24/5/67 Starting common roll work. Collating figures.

25/5/67 Departed Manyanya 8.00 AM
Arrived Kabinyi 9.00 AM
Common roll revised. Disputes heard.
Departed Kabinyi 11.00 AM
Arrived Manyanya 12.00 AM.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTSRECEPTION OF PATROL

A reception was received in all villages, that was quite friendly. Better receptions were received in the latter section of the patrol where people seemed to show more interest in its activities.

Vegetables were brought from gardens and traded for with salt and I made a habit of presenting tobacco as a gift to the luluais and tul tuls.

VILLAGES

Standard of housing in the area, although varying from village to village, appears reasonable when considering the people involved, regards sophistication.

The type of housing varies and could be classed under two main types:-

1) The "roundhouse" which is a circular structure, generally very small, with a low floor. This usually has timbered walls with a kumai roof that doesn't have much of a slope.

2) Typical coastal house of pandanus or bamboo walls, constructed a couple of feet off the ground, with the sloping kumai roof. The material for floors varies from bamboo in some cases to the bark of certain types of trees in others.

Villages such as Tamei, Aiegi, Kwa'guma, Kabong, Sikweng and Kabanyi are situated near the Menyanya/Aseki road (under construction) which is advantageous to them in many ways.

Other villages have generally moved into valleys which here provide quite good sites and make for easier access.

Water supply for most villages is easily obtained due to the many creeks found throughout the area.

Sanitation conditions are satisfactory in most cases and latrines are covered and seen in reasonable condition.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

Most luluais and tul tuls were found to be quite useless. Some are too old and senile and others have not the firmness and ability to maintain law and order.

There were however, a few exceptions.

Yaena/Ramenakam, tul tul of Kabong, was an excellent helper during census roll revision call and is an excellent prospect for a future councillor.

One old character, probably the best found on the patrol, was Halanaka/Taustrakau, luluai of Paniegi. Very entertaining to talk to and also found to be quite efficient.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS (Cont).

The tul tul Yepekemekan/Pangikala, of Tanoi, showed interest and followed the patrol through the southern Wapi section.

The luluais and tul tuls of Himerka, Kanogegwei, Mapiakamaga, received a "shaking up" from me because of poor reception on arrival and the amount of time taken to round people up for common roll revision.

One appointment was made during the patrol at Kumai village. A tul tul, Yagegan/Matepiakaku, was appointed because it is a sizeable village and the luluai could do with some help.

An effort was made to try and inspire village officials but undoubtedly they have not the influence they should have and some are quite frightened to speak up when asked to help during arbitration of disputes.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION

The common roll was revised with some difficulty. People here have a habit of changing their names. The names they give are generally quite lengthy and sometimes hard to put down on paper.

The village census books are in disgraceful condition, untidy, dirty, torn, and impossible to follow. It makes common roll work harder when you can't work with census books.

265 men and 559 women were added as new names. A total of 824 names added.

Apart from this a number of missing names were added with their wives.

A few names were extracted from the lists as deceased or unknown.

Of the 824 new names some were people just coming of age to vote, but many old people were added in as their names did not appear at all on the common roll.

The village of Katanga was completely left off the electoral roll and I had to make a new list for this village.

There are some 340 men from the Wapi area absent in Rabaul. Apart from these I have recorded absentees in Mumeng, Wan, Bulole, Lge, etc., and these figures are on hand if required.

During the patrol I observed one significant trend in thought among these people.

I discussed many topics with them, Agriculture, Education, road construction, and built four new resthouses and it seemed the more interest I showed the more interest and co-operation they gave me. This to me, under my observation, and discussions held, leads me to believe these people are becoming more aware of problems facing them and are starting to want to improve their lot. A very good sign.

Those people still have many "marriage gift" problems. Especially regards repayment of money when the bride fails to satisfy the man involved.

I honestly can't see a way of overcoming this problem unless some sort of regulation is brought in to state the position definitely.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION (Cont).

People here seem now to be a little socially embarrassed regards dress. Some are clinging to the old pul pul and shells, while others who have been to Rabaul and places have accepted European clothing. The old dress and fashion is not dying out with the "tumbunas" but is being worn by younger people as well in quite large numbers.

These people are confused to some degree with village leadership. Although the luluais and tul tuls are in charge, there is also a "Toni Kaviti", under Mr. Tony Veutas, M.H.A., who have representatives in some villages. They display big white badges and I believe cannot help but clash to some degree with the luluai's authority. I honestly do not believe in such committees, especially amongst these very simple people. If any improvements or discussions are to be made, they should happen through the luluai.

The people from the Langimar still seem frightened of the Menyanyas. I was approached, when in the Langimar, by some people who wished to come to Menyanya with vegetables, but were afraid the Menyanyas would be looking out for them on the road.

Actually, the Langimars in my opinion are more sophisticated than the Wapis. Some wonderful work has been done by the Summer Institute of Linguistics and also a lot of them have spent some time in Bulolo.

AGRICULTURE

Some good soil was observed in the southern Wapi section, where I observed, apart from the usual crops, good potatoes, passionfruit, peas, beans. Also reports of reasonable coffee.

During my patrol I heard a radio broadcast from an Agricultural Representative, Mr. Murphy, on the establishment of essential oils in the territory. I would like to know from Agriculture whether these could be tried in Menyanya. I think they could succeed in some places, especially parts of the southern Wapi.

I also think it's time a European Agricultural Officer did some patrolling in the area. I believe parts of the area such as the southern Wapi need some reviewing and I believe some crops should be tried there.

The people are really trying, Agricultural wise, and if an Agricultural Officer had a look at certain sections of the area it would help to inspire these people and maintain their interest.

It's time I think that some crops, new to the territory, should be tried in this area. At least in an effort to try and give these people some sort of occupation.

There are areas around Yagopa, Akwanje, Akwangi, that have yet to be exploited for any Agricultural development.

I saw heavily timbered areas with plenty of rainfall that I believe could have some potential agriculturally.

FORESTS

During a five hour walk from Akwangi to Kabeng I passed through a belt of reasonable timber.

Two good points about it are the fact that it is situated close to the Menyanya/Aseki road (under construction) and some of it is tall and straight.

This is worth noting as it could have economic value later on.

COMPLAINTS AND COURTS

Many complaints and disputes were brought to the patrol.

I was able to settle some of these by arbitrating and getting them to discuss it.

However many of the disputes centred over land and of course this makes things hard. Two of the bigger land disputes centred around Pekapeinyi and Katanga villages in the southern Wapi section.

Pekapeinyi are still disputing over land with Titama village, Kaintiba Patrol Post.

Katanga are disputing land with Kaiuma village which also comes under Kaintiba Patrol Post.

The people from Pekapeinyi and Titama were imprisoned a couple of years ago over this but still trouble goes on.

Many assault cases and marriage disputes were heard and forwarded to Mr. Lancaster at Menyanya.

An adultery case was heard at Pangapu and all involved, witnesses, etc., are to come to Menyanya in the future at a date to be arranged.

People here also have a habit of bringing in disputes and troubles that occurred two, three or four years ago. Why they weren't brought up before is hard to say.

I've discovered in this area one has to be careful when taking action in disputes because these people are highly excitable. Not only in disputes but this can apply to most things. At Iagep a two old women were fighting when the patrol arrived and it took some moments to calm everybody down.

RESTHOUSES.

Four new resthouses were constructed during the patrol. At Kanogogwei, Pangiemi, Pekapeinyi and Hanjua.

The ones at Kanogogwei and Hanjua were replacements. The old ones were shacking and I decided to construct new ones on the spot. Its no use issuing instructions and moving on because nothing gets done. If you want a resthouse built stay there and build it. That way it also interests the people. The new resthouses at Kanogogwei and Hanjua were built from bamboo. I also don't believe in putting floors in resthouses. You always have trouble with legs of tables falling down between the bamboo. I prefer to work a bamboo blind and lay it over the top of the ground. As long as you remember to work a drainage around the outside of the house.

RESTHOUSES (Cont).

The resthouses at Pangieni and Petapoinyl were built for the first time. No Patrol Officer has ever slept here before because these two villages were close to other places. However I decided its about time someone did as they are fairly big villages and the people had problems that I wanted to listen to.

The resthouses at Pekapoinyl and Pangieni were built from pandanus. At Pangieni the resthouse is in an excellent position near a creek. Quite an attractive site.

CARRIERS

Carriers were reasonably easy to obtain except at Akwanje where everybody ran away into the bush.

MOUNTAINS AND TALK OF NEW STATION

During the patrol I carried with me an aneroid barometer. I worked and took a reading of two mountains I considered had significance. These were Mt. Hanokawawa, (5400') which separates the Wapi from the Langimar. The other near Yagepa was Mt. Sawanabi (5500'). The highest point during the patrol was about 6,000' between Akwangi and Kabang.

The people in the Akwanje and Yagepa areas have thoughts of a patrol post at the joining of the two rivers, Kenye and Yeko, near Yagepa. Mt. Sawanabi overlooks this section.

I myself am herewith forwarding this proposal but I can't see anything eventuating from it.

HEALTH AND AID POSTS

During the patrol I came across four Aid Posts and a mission hospital at Kabang. The Aid Posts were situated at Akwanje, Otetei (Langimar), Wauwega and Watana.

At Otetei, the APO Adungai/Aroro, informed me his aid post was in disrepair and that no one was helping him with his garden. I called all village officials together and I think I have now rectified the problem. A new aid post is being built under my instructions.

The same complaint was brought to me at Wauwega by APO Kaiman/Totatinka. I am also having a new aid post being built here.

At Manjus I spent some time dressing sores of children. Some were very bad and I sent some children with their skikama parents to the hospital at Menyanya. The people here tried to tell me the APO at Watana wasn't doing his job but on investigation I discovered it was just that the people were too lazy to take their children to have the sores dressed. I inspected the aid post at Watana and found the APO to be looking after it quite well.

The nursing sister at Kabang, Miss Jean Dutschke, was absent so I didn't have a chance to have a close look at this mission hospital.

EDUCATION

The only schools in the Wapi/Langimar area are the new mission school at Kabang and two small mission schools at Watana village.

EDUCATION (Cont).

The mission school at Kabong is run by Mr. Dean Hayne. He has 150 pupils teaching standards one and two. I spent one Saturday evening with him discussing education. We agreed that more should be done by the Administration to sponsor more schooling in the area.

There are too many children (nearly all) doing nothing and getting into mischief. After all, the future of the Menyanya area lies heavily on education for smaller children.

I therefore would like to know what can be done in the very near future to try and overcome this very urgent problem. If there are not enough teachers could it be possible to re-distribute some teachers from other areas. I believe education in this area should receive high priority. I found with discussions on this subject with the people of the area that they are conscious of this problem.

At Watama, both the Australian Lutheran Mission and the Seventh Day Adventist have a small school each. A complaint was made here that children were running away from school. The only way this can be rectified is for the Administration to promote more schools in the area.

MISSIONS

There are two missions active in the area. The Australian Lutheran Mission and The Seventh Day Adventist.

The Australian Lutheran Mission in the area is centred at Kabong and Kwaiguma. They have a hospital and school at Kabong, as mentioned previously, while at Kwaiguma they have a European missionary, Mr. Arthur Priebbenow, with two evangelists. He patrols the southern Wap. section quite frequently.

AIRFIELD

There is one airstrip situated in the Langimar census division near Otetoi and Benula villages. It is owned by the Summer Institute of Linguistics.

The airstrip has been cut out of the side of a knaki mountain. It is overgrown and in some need of repair and the one windsock at the bottom end is badly torn.

Apparently it is still used occasionally. All I can say is, I'm glad I'm not the pilot.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

The road under construction from Menyanya to Aseki is I believe the essential basis of any potential that could lead to any commerce or industry from the area. An effort was made during the patrol to interest these people to maintain the road section to Kabong hospital that has been completed. Also to look to the future and the work that remains in the section to Aseki.

This road suffers from many landslides after heavy rain because it winds around knaki mountains and gets all

ROADS AND BRIDGES (Cont).

the sliding soil from the top of the mountain. Especially where people have been working gardens.

The section near Kabeng needs widening in some places. The rest of the road is in reasonable condition at the moment due to a recent dry spell.

One thing that hampers the road's maintenance is the limited labour supply. The villages in the vicinity have absentees at Rahari and this puts pressure on the elder generation. People also complained to me about the fact that they have to maintain their gardens on top of this. I believe this excuse is very weak but I do sympathise with them over the labour supply.

The maintaining of this road is quite involved because of the many drainages that have to be kept clear and the extent of fallen and loose ground.

I tried to point out that it was their responsibility and that the road belonged to them but they're obviously in two minds about it. I also pointed out benefits to them if the road eventually got through to Bulele but this is really too far into the future for these people to visualise.

POLICE PARADES

I made a habit of having a police parade at 6.00 PM every evening. I made all village officials attend and line for this to take the salute.

At these parades the police were drilled with their rifles and bayonets, etc. I believe these parades are very good especially for keeping police on their toes.

John E. White

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John E. White
Cadet Patrol Officer

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA
CONSTABULARY.

MENYAMVA PATROL No. 9 of 1966/67.

Name	Conduct	Remarks
Const. I/C WAENGO Reg. No. 8149	Excellent	Excellent Patrolling Constable.
Const. PCHAU Reg. No. 11195	Good	Showed gradual improvement.
Const. AKAIYAKO Reg. No. 9737	Fair Only	Not very punctual. Complains too much.

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WAPI AND LANGIMAR

CENSUS DIVISIONS

MENTAMYA

SUB-DISTRICT

DRAWN BY:-

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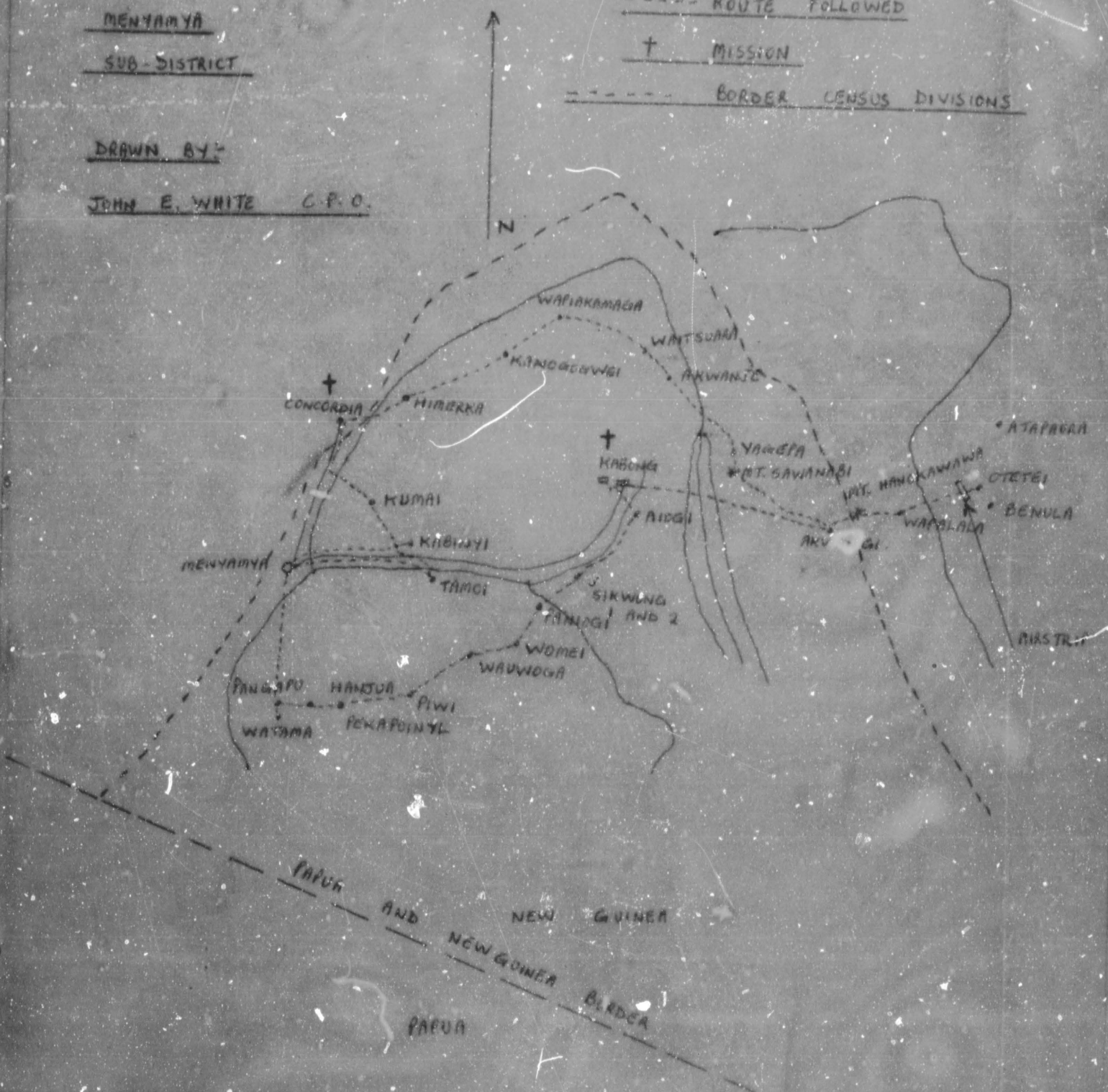
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— MAIN ROADS

- - - ROUTE FOLLOWED

+ MISSION

- - - BORDER CENSUS DIVISIONS





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MORobe Report No. Menyanya No. 11 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by J.E. WHITE C.P.O.

Area Patrolled NORTHERN CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Const. BONOMAN Reg. No. 7658
Natives Const. MATEI Reg. No. 9325
WOKALAYA/WENU APO (Acted as Interpreter).

Duration—From 7 / 6 / 19 67 to 20 / 6 / 19 67

Number of Days 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services April, 1967. / 19 67

Medical / 18

Map Reference Morobe District July 1963.

Objects of Patrol Revision of Common Roll.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

11/8/67

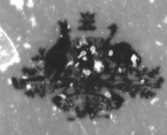
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Department of District
Administration,
Meroke District,
LAF.

1st August 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

MENYAMYA PATROL NO. 11 OF 1966/67
NORTHERN CENSUS DIVISION

Report on the above mentioned patrol conducted by Mr. John E. White, Cadet Patrol Officer of the Northern Census Division of the Menyamya Sub-District, is attached herewith, together with copy of Patrol Instructions issued and comments by Assistant District Commissioner, Menyamya.

2. The Patrol was purely for the purpose of revising the Common Roll. As such it was apparently conducted successfully.

3. Mr. Lancaster's remarks adequately cover this short report. Mr. White has improved the standard of his performance considerably since being posted at Menyamya, and I am particularly glad to note his keen interest in field work.

(D. B. [Signature])
a/District Commissioner

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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Sub-District Office,
Menyamya.
5th June, 1967.

Mr. J.E. White,
Sub-District Office,
MENYAMYA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - NORTHERN

On Wednesday the 7th of June, you will depart for the Northern Census Division to complete Common Roll amendments for this division.

You will use the same system adopted by yourself in the Wapi/Langimar Census Divisions with the instructions that I have given you previously.

I want you to be well clear of the Miwi Valley by the 14th of June as a Lands Commissioner and myself will be going there on that date. This should present no problems to you. Inform these villages that a hearing concerning their land disputes will be taking place on that date. I refer to, Hengelapa, Kalamyanapa, Tsinjanjogwi, and Aiogwei. Do not enter into discussions with them concerning the land under any circumstances.

I want you to take your time with the patrol after you get clear of the Miwi Valley and sleep in every village where possible. In particular I want you to walk and sleep in the village of Katsiong. I would suggest that you leave half your cargo at Porne to do this and pick it up on your return from Katsiong.

I will require a report.

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STATION MENYAMYA

SUB-DISTRICT MENYAMYA

DISTRICT MOROBE

PATROL NUMBER MENYAMYA No.11 of 1966/67.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY J.E. WHITE C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED NORTHERN CENSUS DIVISION

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING PATROL
Const. BONGMAN Reg.No.7658
Const. MATEI Reg.No.9325
WOKAIMAYA/WIWU APO (Acted as Interpreter).

DURATION OF PATROL 7/6/67 to 20/6/67. 14 days.

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA APRIL, 1967.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL Revision Of Common Roll.

MAP REFERENCE Morebe District July 1963.

INTRODUCTION.

From 7/6/67 to 20/6/67 I was patrolling the northern census division for purposes of amending the common roll.

The area could be called one of reasonably rugged topography with the usual trees and undergrowth to be found in the mountain areas.

The people in the area, show little progress in development of social habits and economic potential and this becomes more evident as you move towards the Banir River (northern most point).

The objective of the patrol, revision of common roll for coming House of Assembly elections was achieved. Co-operation of the people in this matter left a lot to be desired, except in the latter stage of the patrol where some interest was shown.

PATROL DIARY

Please note that no walking times are mentioned due to the fact that I had no watch.

7/6/67	Departed Menyanya and walked to Yinimba. Common roll revised and disputes heard - mainly disputes on pigs and people instructed to build fences.
8/6/67	Departed Yinimba and walked to Hengelapa. Common roll revised for Hengelapa and Kalanyanapa. Disputes heard. People here informed to report to Menyanya for hearing of land dispute.
9/6/67	Aid Post at Hengelapa pulled down and new one marked out. Departed Hengelapa and walked to Tsinjanjogwi. Common roll revised for Kwandagogi, Aigwei and Tsinjanjogwi. People told to report for court hearing at Menyanya.
10/6/67	Departed Tsinjanjogwi and walked to Umba. Common roll revised.
11/6/67	Departed Umba and walked to Aiwomba. Common roll revised for Sawetmwe and Kaipagwanipa at Aiwomba.
12/6/67	Departed Aiwomba and walked to Wabajika. Common roll revised for Wabajika and Lusiga at Wabajika.
13/6/67	Departed Wabajika and walked to

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13/6/67 (Cont).

Karapaiwi. Place deserted on arrival. Some people eventually rounded up and common roll revised.

Dep arted Karap aiwi and walked to Itongwana. Place deserted and repairs made to campsite in heavy rain.

14/6/67

Common roll revised for Itongwana and Sesare villages at Itongwana. Very few people present.

Dep arted Itongwana and walked to Kwekwi.

15/6/67

Common roll revised for Kwekwi. Departed Kwekwi and walked to Ponoguai - a long, hard walk breaking bush.

16/6/67

Bested at Ponoguai.

17/6/67

Common roll revised for Ponoguai. Attempted to walk to Katsiong but turned back after 2 or 3 hours. Arrived at Kwasimerga about 7.00 PM at night.

18/6/67

Common roll revised for Kwasimerga.

Departed Kwasimerga and walked to Arifogo. Common roll revised for Wakapa and Arifogo at Arifogo. Common roll revised for Katsiong at Arifogo.

19/6/67

Departed Arifogo and walked to Awai^{terpa}. Common roll revised for Awai^{terpa}.

20/6/67

Departed Awai^{terpa} and walked to Concordia mission station. Met landrover at Concordia and came back to Menyanya.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTSRECEPTION OF PATROL

Poor receptions were received in the Banir river section. In fact, to be mentioned later, some villages gave no reception at all.

The latter section of the patrol saw a marked improvement. Especially the villages of Ponoguai, Kwasiwerga, Arifogo and Awai'erpa.

Salt and money were used to trade for vegetables and the occasional chicken or pig was also purchased.

HOUSING

The type of housing is the same as in other areas. The variation of timbered walls roughly cut by tomahawk to pandanus on some occasions depending on its availability.

The floors of the houses were generally raised a foot or so from the ground. I noticed with the raising of floors in these houses depends largely on the ultimate size of the construction. In this area the houses are generally fairly small and therefore are not raised very far from the ground.

In the remotest section, the Banir river, the housing is of a poor standard. They are generally very small and built on the circular or "roundhouse" design. Most were old and needed rep lacing. By looking inside these houses one can see sometimes many people huddled together and most obviously sleep in the one house. This, I believe, is one main reason in itself for the poor health of this area.

The villages of Ponoguai, Arifogo and Kwasiwerga displayed the best standard of housing.

Kwasiwerga is a village worth noting. It is situated between Ponoguai and Arifogo on a fairly flat plain. It is a very picturesque village and seems widespread for such a numerically small number of people. Housing standards here were probably some of the highest observed in the northern area.

In the Banir river villages in the Kwekwi area do not have any sanitation. I saw no latrines in this particular village and coupled with their poor housing is a matter of concern.

Due to some of the villages being sited on top of ranges the water supply of these villages is not so easily obtained. One case in point is Nabajika village. The site of the village is in itself poor because of the rough nature of the ground.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Two appointments, one luluai and one tul tul, were made during the patrol.

The appointment of the tul tul was made at Karapaiwi village in the Banir river. His name is Sengo/Kwaplo,

VILLAGE OFFICIALS(Cont).

approximately 30 years of age. He replaces the former tul tul who apparently has gone permanently to Lee.

The other appointment was made at Arifogo village. Recently the luluai there, Katsiogo/Palamulakiva, died. The new appointment appeared a unanimous decision by the people. His name is Yamikam/Kemajagis. Aged approx. 35.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

The common roll was revised with some difficulty. This was due to non-co-operation on the part of the people, mainly in the Banir river area, regarding attendance for name calling. The villages at fault were Umbe, Karapaiwi, Itongwana and Sesere.

Itongwana village was deserted on my arrival, except for the luluai and a few women. The campsite had fallen away and was in disrepair. I slept the night there and the next morning held a meeting with both the luluai of Itongwana and of Sesere. It was learnt that the remaining men of Itongwana have "gone bush" and are reported to be somewhere up the head of the Banir river. On enquiry as to why they have left their village it was learnt that they had become frightened because some of them have been dying of unknown sicknesses in their sleep. The main problem here is the great distance to travel to the nearest APO at Kiwomba. Also sleeping in inadequate housing facilities and the obvious lack of hygiene practised.

Sesere village really doesn't exist as such any more. Of the small line involved nine deaths were recorded during the revision call. Of the others, nearly all have departed for towns, some presumably permanently. Most of the deaths appear to be caused by malaria due to the lower altitude. These people live fairly well down on the Banir river. I feel sympathetic towards the luluai, Reno/Lagandono. These people lack any sort of character or inspiration. I feel the luluai has made efforts in the past to carry out Administration policy but hasn't met with much success. Now he is faced with the situation of having no actual village. He told me he had intentions of moving the remainder of his group to a site near Kwekwi village. He informed me that village officials of Kwekwi were quite acceptable to this. I informed him myself that I thought it was a good idea because it would mean a higher altitude and would bring the village out of its remoteness and put this small group within some sort of reach of medical attention. I asked the luluai to stay with the patrol for purposes of further discussions on this and to bring him to the station at the completion of the patrol. However, when I had reached the next village I found he had disappeared. I do believe however this matter needs looking into.

On arrival at Karapaiwi village I found this village also deserted. Their excuse was that they have no village officials (luluai or tul tul) to give instructions. I discovered that the luluai and tul tul were both employed on the coast. I then appointed a new tul tul (see under Village Officials) to try and overcome this problem. I believe the tul tul

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OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION (Cont).

appointed will not turn out to be of great ability but it was a popular choice so I abided by the decision.

I was very surprised at the poor attendance at Umba village. The people here are really an obliging lot. Their excuse was that they were in the bush getting bark for making cloaks.

It was found that Kalamyanapa village was not on the electoral roll. All names were listed for this village. Kalamyanapa consists of the "salt squatters" from Wonenara and it was brought to my attention that some more have moved into the Mivi valley over the past couple of months. People are also migrating to Kalamyanapa from Aiogwei and Kwardagogi.

COMPLAINTS.

An adultery case was heard at Ponoguai and details with people involved were forwarded to Menyanya.

At Aiwomba village I was able to settle a complaint for the resident APO, Uwakam/Haisetakam. During a patrol there in April with Lancaster it was agreed that Mabawapsentio/Kaka'aya supply a month's sweet potato as compensation for damage caused by his pig to the APO's garden. I discovered payment had not been made, Mabawapsentio claiming he had no sweet potato due to pigs ruining his garden. A substitution in the equivalent in money was agreed to and Mabawapsentio came good with \$ 1.70. All parties agreed to this.

Other complaints during the patrol centred on pigs and marriage disputes.

With pig discussions I usually held general discussions in an attempt to get people to build pig fences. It's obvious that this has been discussed with them on many previous patrols but as yet nothing has "sunk in".

Marriage disputes seem to centre on bride prices and wives leaving their husbands. Although discussing these complaints with them, I generally tried to get the luluai to make a decision and the people to abide by it. I feel if nothing serious has happened, domestic troubles should be settled by village officials who themselves have an understanding of local marriage customs.

RESTHOUSES.

Throughout the patrol most resthouses were found to be in reasonable condition.

At Itongwana the resthouse was shocking. I intended to pull it down but there is no labour in the immediate vicinity (explained under Political Situation) to construct a new one.

At ~~Rungur~~ Awai'erpa I spent an uncomfortable night due to a leaky roof. The next morning I duly had the kumai roof removed with a new one to be put on.

A lot of the resthouses during the patrol had the fireplace situated inside the resthouse. I disagree with this because you always end up with smoke filling the resthouse. The cooking should be done in a separate construction.

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CARRIERS.

Because of lack of men in the Banir river section I kept a group of Wabajika people with me until I reached Penoguai. I also purchased food for these people as well as giving the normal rate of pay while they were with the patrol. Rate of pay for all carriers was ten cents per hour.

HEALTH AND AID POSTS.

On arrival at Hengelapa I found instructions issued previously by Mr. Lancaster, for the construction of a new Aid Post here, had not been carried out. I duly had the old Aid Post pulled down (made excellent firewood) and I marked another one and issued new instructions as to its construction.

All four Aid Post Orderlies contacted during the patrol were found to be competent. The Aid Posts are situated at Hengelapa, Aiwomba, Katsiong and Arifogo.

I found two serious situations regarding health. Six people from Kwandagogi village were reported dead from suspected pneumonia.

During common roll revision I recorded nine deaths from Sesere village (see under Political Situation). These deaths appear to be due to malaria, the long distance to obtain medical treatment, and poor housing conditions. Two women here were reported sick with malaria and I issued some tablets and gave instructions for them to be brought to the APO at Aiwomba. However I am led to believe that my instructions were never carried out.



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CONSTABULARY.

Menyamy Patrol No. 11 of 1966/67.

Name.	Conduct.	Remarks.
Const. MATEI Reg.No.9325	Fair	No comment.
Const. EGNOMAN Reg.No.7698	Fair	No comment.

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