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NORTH MARKHAM DISTRICT (MOROBE)

PATROL REPORTS:

1-44 of 43/44

(Missing nos. 13,16,17,19,20,21,
27,28,33.)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 1 of 43/44
 Patrol Conducted by W. H. A. L. Robinson
 Area Patrolled New Masi and Sigin villages
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 7/9/43 to 8/9/43

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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District Office,
NORTH MARKHAM
NADZAB 16-9-43.

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MARKHAM DISTRICT.

PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1943/44.

Report of Visit by: NGX263, WO II A. L. Robinson
for: NEW MARI and DAGIN villages. (Map ref (L) R3447 Markham)
Date left Station: 7-9-43 Date returned: 8-9-43.
Purposes of Patrol: Conveying instructions from District Officer
to natives; the recruitment of labour; ascertaining whereabouts
of Lt. Ireland and party, and ferry service across Markham.
Accompanied by: 4 A.Cs.

DIARY:

7-8-43. Left 0730 hours and proceeded to Sheldon's Crossing, on Markham River, met Lt. Ireland and party between runway and the crossing. No transport across river available. Some time spent searching banks for a canoe. Approx 1130 hours two Europeans and 1 native observed on opposite side of river and heard calling. Writer prepared to swim to them, but after crossing minor waterways and proceeding upstream some distance to allow for drift, word was brought by A.C. that a canoe had arrived so proposal was then abandoned. Eventually crossed Markham at 1400 hours. Found Lt. W. Carter of USA and WO II Seale of ANGAC.

Proceeded inland and arrived NEW MARI village 1800 hours. Camped. Very uncomfortable night due sunburn obtained negotiating waterways--preparation swim main current.

Village people addressed 2000 hours--Propaganda speech, general news and consolidation of Administration control.

8-9-43. Left NEW MARI 0700 hours, arrived DAGIN village approx. 0900 hours. Waited here for village people to be brought in. With the exception of a party absent carrying stores for the Army all had assembled by 1200 hours. Assembly addressed; DO's instructions and general talk delivered. Only twenty recruits available. Both this and NEW MARI village have been heavily recruited and even at the present time have the old men and a few others engaged through WAMPIT control relaying stores from WAMPIT to various points. Left DAGIN 1300 hours, arrived MARKHAM 1700 hours. Small canoe hired by natives, used to bring self and natives belongings across part of MARKHAM; natives swimming and supported by driftwood. Arrived NADZAB 1800 hours.

GENERAL.

DAGIN village people had dispersed following bombing of their area and live in small scattered groups throughout their garden area. Following the patrol, confidence should now be established and the people live with a greater sense of security.

FERRY SERVICE: Upon instructions received shortly after or before the Japanese invasion, all suitable canoes for this service were destroyed by instruction of an Administration Officer. In consequence of this no immediate ferry service is available. Natives brought to District Officer for instruction in this matter.

(sgd) A.L. ROBINSON. W.O.II
PATROL OFFICER.

ANGAU
District Office,
North Markham.
18th September, 1943.

ADLS
HQ ANGAU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1943/44.

Herewith Patrol Report submitted by WO II Robinson.

With the unsettled state of affairs here and as the District Office is not yet definitely stationed at any one place patrol officers have been instructed to submit reports of their trips even though only a few days are involved in order to give ANGAU Headquarters some idea of the work being done in this District.

COMMENTS:

1. It was not possible to obtain any recruits on the South side of the Markham as all are fully employed by Wampit Force, except a few from MARI village who have been put to work making canoes for a permanent River Ferry Service.
2. The leading men from the South side of the River, four of them wearing Loyal Service Medallions have visited me and the general position explained to them, and they are co-operating fully with our troops.

(sd) H. R. NIALL
Major.
DC NTR. MARKHAM.

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DS 1043/43-1043

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HQ ANGAU,
1 Oct 43.

ADMS.

Natives INUH, YASONG & NATA

The abovenamed natives were evacuated from North Markham District to hospital in Port Moresby and it is understood that they are now located at Gemo.

2. It will be appreciated if action may be taken to advise the CG RPC and this Section when these natives are due for discharge from hospital in order that necessary measures for their control and interrogation may be taken.

See full intelligence re natives

[Signature]
Lt-Col.
A/ADMS.

CG, RPC.

Memo (and Patrol Report) by DC Markham, forwarded herewith for your perusal and return.

2. On discharge from hospital these natives are to be detained, interrogated and then await disposal.

[Signature]
Lt-Col.
A/ADMS.

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DS 979/43-2245

HQ ANGAU,
30 Sep 43.

DC, NORTH MARKHAM.

Patrol Reports

Receipt is acknowledged of Patrol Reports Nos. 1, 2 & 3 of 1943/44.

2. The remarks contained in penultimate para of your memo of 18 Sep 43 (Patrol Report No. 2/43-44 by W9/II Robinson) have been brought to the notice of ADMS.

[Signature]
Lt-Col.
A/ADMS.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of *North Maitkham* Report No. *2 of 43/44*
 Patrol Conducted by *W. H. Robinson*
 Area Patrolled *Munum Ngasawapum villages*
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *10/9/1943* to *14/9/1943*.

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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 £.....

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PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1943/44.

Report of Patrol by: NOX263. A.L. ROBINSON. WO II.
 To: MUNUM and NGASAWAPUM villages area (Ref (L) R5556 and 5458 MARKHAM std Map)
 Date Left Station: 10-9-43. Date returned: 14-9-43.
 Purpose of Patrol: The location of natives of MUNUM and NGASAWAPUM villages who are in hiding, and their evacuation.
 Patrol accompanied by: 1 L/Cpl, 4 A.Cs., 5 carriers and 1 MUNUM Native.

DIARY:

10-9-43 Received instructions from DO at 1030 hours. Departed 1230 hours. Arrived MUNUM 1630 hours. Camped.

11-9-43 Reported Major Duchatel 0715 hours. Informed by Maj Duchatel that he required two MUNUM natives to augment his "line." MUNUM native SHARB accompanying the Patrol required permission to take two of carrier line and a couple of ACs with him in an endeavour to contact MUNUM natives. Asked that I (writer) not accompany him as natives would run away if such the case. Doubted his assertion but decided to let him have his way. Contacted Maj Duchatel again and returned to camp to find ACs had been sent back by SHARB. NGASAWAPUM natives contacted, had, upon sighting the ACs, run away.

SHARB returned at 1700 hours with the two carrier boys (WATUT natives who spoke the local tongue). Stated they had contacted various natives and sent word for all to come in. Balance of carriers and ACs engaged during the day in preparing a more suitable camp in bush.

Native KINGASA (old cook boy of Maj Duchatel) arrived in camp 1730 hours. Arranged that he report a.m. next day for forwarding to Maj Duchatel.

12-9-43. KINGASA arrived 0800 hours. Reported native from WIEN area had arrived during the night with talk of Japanese movements in that and BOANA area. Separate communication to Maj Duchatel, re this, despatched by hand of KINGASA at 0830 hrs.

Native SHARB (MUNUM native with patrol) and a few other MUNUM natives who had come in seemed put about by the intelligence received during the night and disinclined to move far from their houses. Irregular talk appeared to indicate that the natives felt the patrol would retire and that they themselves intended to go into hiding. After some discussion a young native, obtained to guide the patrol to where the Luluai of MUNUM was thought to be hiding. Patrol proceeded East to MUNUM River (really outside the limitation set by Maj Duchatel) and found abandoned dwellings. Proceeded up River and gradually gathered in all in that area, comprising the TULTUL of MUNUM and many of the village people. The Luluai was hiding some distance away in the hills but the patrol was fortunate enough to contact his son and another native from the Luluaib camp, both of whom had come seeking food. Word was sent by these two natives instructing the Luluai and his party to report at the Patrol's camp the following day. All natives assembled on MUNUM River proceeded at 1600 hours to their old temporary shelters and camped for the night. Self and AC returned to Patrol's camp. Arrived 1745 hrs. Found TULTUL of NGASAWAPUM and other natives of that village awaiting my return. Confidence being established it was arranged that all NGASAWAPUM natives available be brought to Patrol's camp the next day. Camped.

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13-9-43. MUNUM and EGASAWAPUM natives arriving all morning. Eight (8) MUNUM men selected and despatched in charge of an AC to Maj Duchatel. Names of all men taken and women counted. Arranged that whole party leave at 0800 hours 14-9-43. WO II S. Ashton arrived 1300 hrs and spent night.

14-9-43... 0430 hrs. Party left 0600 hrs. Transport in "Jeep" trailer obtained on main rd. for few cases unable to walk. AC despatched with note to DO advising arrival of approx 300 natives that PM and requesting arrangements for food, etc. to be made. Arrived NADKAB approx 1400 hrs. and reported to DO.

STATISTICS: Total number brought in:-- 312.
Recruit labour obtained:-- 79.

GENERAL.

Until 10 days ago these natives have been contacted by the Japanese some of whom every 4 or 5 days would visit the village seeking pigs, fowls, etc. Following the strafing and bombing of the area the natives ran away and have been leading a very poor existence since; many of them living in holes dug into the banks of the MUNUM River and under the roots of trees. They seem to have been afraid to light fires and cook during the day, visiting their gardens towards dark only. All were showing signs of the life they have been leading, some of them claiming "close up piccaninny e die finish" (shortly the children would die) was very prevalent and it is in the native's very best interests that they have been evacuated, apart from the matter of 79 labourers made available-- a vital necessity at the present juncture.

(sgd) A.L. ROBINSON WO II
Patrol Officer.

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District Office
NORTH MARKHAM
18 Sep 45.

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HQ ANGAU

PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1945/46.

Herewith Patrol Report by WO II ROBINSON.

As soon as I arrived at MADZAB it was our first objective to contact the villages between here and LAE and move them from their villages to a safe area, as it was anticipated that there would be heavy fighting, and these natives were between the opposing forces.

Prior to the Paratroop landing, the area occupied by these villages had been bombed and strafed by our aircraft.

Due to the efforts of WO Robinson and two other Patrol Officers we have been able to move all the natives to a village compound where they are being fed and looked after. It was a great relief to them to learn that Administration officers known to them were in the area, and that our troops were not attacking them. As matters become settled they will be returned to their villages, but in some cases it will be necessary to feed them for some time, as their gardens (mostly bananas) and coconut groves have been eaten out by troops and native labourers.

A.D.M.S. ✓
The health of the natives had greatly deteriorated since I last saw them fifteen months previously. The incidence of frambosia, especially amongst the younger children was very high, and it is suggested that large supplies of NAE(?) are ready on hand, for the time we will move into New Britain and New Ireland. In this area the enemy have not made any effort to provide any medical treatment for the natives, and I think that we must expect the same attitude in other Districts.

Adult fit men of the villages between MADZAB and LAE have been recruited for labour for the Army and Contracts of Service are being completed.

(sgd) E. R. NIALL.
Major.
DO NTH MARKHAM.

DS979/43-2245

HQ ANGAU
30 Sep 43

DO NORTH MARKHAM.

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sgd E. Taylor
Lt-COL
A/ADMS

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 3 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi N.M. Bid

Area Patrolled.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration - From 5/9/43 to 16/9/43

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
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District Commissioner

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Report by NG.2394 WO/II Bird, N.M.

Covering Period 5-16 Sep 43

HQ ANGAU,
NADZAB.

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- 5 Arrived NADZAB with small party natives attached to ANGAU H.Q. party and made camp approx 1930 hrs.
- 6 0715 accompanied Maj Niall to Nadzab strip and assisted in organizing and supervising native labour pending arrival of native labour overseers. 1215 returned to ANGAU camp area and had hut erected.
- 7 With W/O Ashton to endeavour to contact GABSONKEK natives who were believed to be hiding north of village. 0925 left W/O Ashton with Maj DUCHATEL at Gabsonkek, and with two native police went north to MIRI-MIRI and NUGAGARA villages. At this latter village contacted Lt. SNOOKS. Returned to Gabsonkek and guided W/O Ashton and Maj Duchatel to Nugagara. No natives were contacted.
- 8 With W/O Ashton to Nugagara and established camp 1000 hrs. Post a native police on all tracks near Gardens and approx 1500 hrs native police brought in Tultul and five other Gabsonkek natives. 1515 an American soldier accidentally shot. Set carriers to making stretcher while medical attendant gave aid to injured man. 1535 organised native stretcher party and sent injured man to NADZAB; carriers returned to Nugagara 1625 hrs.
- 9 W/O Ashton and self with native police guided by Gabsonkek Tultul left camp 0715 hrs and proceeding generally north of Nugagara found native hide-out at approx 1400 hrs. Natives were lined by W/O Ashton and self and instructed to be prepared to move to ANGAU compound at Nadzab early on morning of 10th. Camp was made up stream of native hide-out. This stream is not named on map and in its upper reaches carries a fair head of water, but is dry within one mile of Kunai area.
- 10 W/O Ashton left native hide-out 0715 in an endeavour to contact further Gabsonkek natives believed to be hiding in ARANANA Creek. I remained to escort natives to Nadzab. Left this hide-out 0830 with some 13 natives. After some four hours travel decided to camp natives who were in bad condition from exposure and hunger. Sent runner to Maj Niall requesting food and carriers. Sent native women with Tultul and police escort to nearest native gardens for food. These returned 1700 hrs and food was distributed and cooked by natives.
- 11 Left this camp 0715 and was met by carriers with food sent by Maj Niall. Meal of biscuits was given Gabsonkek natives, while carriers made stretcher to carry Luluai who was aged and unfit to walk. Reached Nugagara 1145 and natives were fed rice and meat. Left Nugagara 1200 reaching ANGAU compound and handing over natives to W/O Upton at 1330.
- 12 Went to native compound and checked up against Village Book and found that some 68 Gabsonkek natives still hiding in bush. Believed to be at ARANANA Cr., north of Camp Diddy. 1750 arranged to accompany American patrol to BOANA leaving Gabsonkek approx 0730 on 13th.
- 13 Left ANGAU HQ 0735 with Sgt Mackay, 4 native police and 6 carriers. Arr. Gabsonkek 0900 and found that American patrol had left 0630 hrs. Left Gabsonkek 0905 reaching Upper ARATEGI 1120 hrs. Lunched and fed police and carriers and reached Camp Diddy 1315 hrs. Contacted P.I.B. personnel and left camp 1320 in endeavour to contact American patrol. At approx 1550 heard shooting while on mountain track and pushed

Sep on ahead of my party to investigate.

- 13 contnd. Met Lt. Hall of P.I.B. approx 1720, bringing out Sgt Short who had been wounded. Lt Hall gave me particulars of engagement of enemy by American patrol, and, as Lt. Hall had arranged a carrying party for the injured man decided to return to creek at foot of mountain, it being only area possible for camp. Lt. Hall of PIB passed through my camp 0020 and gave me further information re engagement.
- 14 Concluded that enemy was occupying BOANA area so decided to return to ANGAU HQ for further instructions, endeavouring to contact balance of GABSONKEK natives in ARANANA Ck on my way. Left camp site 0730 arriving Camp Diddy 0900 leaving 0920 proceeding up N.W. branch of creek. Found native hide-out 1015. Lined natives and instructed them to be ready to leave 1030. Arr. Upper ARATEGI 1215 and fed carriers, police and natives. Sent runner with message to Maj Niall, 1240, left this camp at 1350 arrived Lower Arategi 1530. Fed natives 1750 and camped night.
- 15 Lined natives and counted at 0630; left village after natives had eaten approx 0745. Arr ANGAU compound 1050. Sent list of natives to Lt. Leahy 1120. Approx 1330 requested by Maj Niall to guide 2/14 Inf. Batt. to camp Diddy. Left ANGAU HQ approx 1345 by car, arr NUGAGARA 1420. Some considerable delay caused by non-arrival of sig. wire etc. and finally left NUGAGARA 1700 hrs. Cut Diddy track 1750 and Battalion camped at water half-hour from ARATEGI. Having no food or sleeping gear I went on to ARATEGI, dining on two roast bananas and a small paw paw, and spent a particularly uncomfortable night.
- 16 0500 hrs. Breakfasted on small paw paw and returned to Battalion and contacted 0530. Arrived at Camp Diddy ahead of Battalion 0930. Left camp Diddy 1030 on finding that one company of Battalion had not reached camp Diddy. Contacted this Coy in creek and put leaders on correct track. 1100 headed for ANGAU HQ "across country", arriving this HQ 1430.

(Sgd) WO/II Bird.

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ANGAU,
District Office,
North Markham.
18 Sep 43.

ADDS,
HQ ANGAU.

Patrol Report No. 3 of 1943-44

Patrol Report by WO/II Bird is attached hereto.

WO/II Bird is a native labour overseer, but due to his knowledge of natives, and the fact that he is well known in this area, he has been employed on patrol work since we began to re-occupy this District. This was necessary due to the shortage of District Service staff.

By his efforts WO/II Bird was able to collect all the GABSONKEK natives and they have been brought to a safe area where they are being fed and cared for by the Army.

(Sgd) H.L.R. Miall, Maj.
District Officer.

DS979/43-2245

HQ ANGAU
30 Sep 43

D2 NORTH MARKHAM.

Patrol Reports.

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2. The remarks contained in penultimate para of your memo of 18 Sep 43 (Patrol Report No 2/43-44 by WO 11 Robinson) have been brought to the notice of the ADMS.

sgd E. Taylor
Lt-Col
A/ADDS

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Lae (North Markham) Report No. 4 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Noii Ashton

Area Patrolled Madzab - Lae

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 12/9/1943 to 13/9/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services/...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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its occupation by the Company, the boys offering to obtain coconuts for the troops. There would seem to be no doubt that these latter boys were actively associated with the enemy. Eyewitnesses to use of black soldiers : Lt. Maxwell, Cpl. Nicholson and Pto. Kane all of 2/6th Independent Company.

10. Village of KAIAPIT : The possibility that the black soldiers referred to above were no more than the local villagers enthusiastically co-operating with the enemy is worth investigation. One native woman shot in a hut in the village was apparently in association with the Japanese soldier whose body graced her doorway. No inhabitants of the village of KAIAPIT have yet reported to W.O. Seale.

11. Evacuation of native villagers in the battle area : Brigadier of 21st Bde. is canvassing the desirability of removing all the villagers within one mile of the KAIAPIT-UMI River track for security reasons. It is possible that villagers will be temporarily moved as far back as SANGAN if rations can be provided to feed them.

12. The Hat True: In one of the huts at KAIAPIT was found a cheap black Jap. manufactured peaked cap with, in front, a five pointed gilt paper star. According to the MAIKHAM police boy this was the hat of the Japanese police boy.

13. Staff : As at 1400 hours on 24.9.43 :

District Services : Lieut. O'Lochlen and W.O. Seale at KAIAPIT.
W.O.ii. S. ASITON at AMFIRAGAN. Native
Labour : W.O. Budden and Sg. Bland at KAIAPIT.
W.O. Ryall forward to AMTIRABAN.

14. Police Pays : We had a false alarm last night with shooting goin on everywhere about. Our position if there had been an enemy agtack would have been rather precarious. Police boys put on quite a good show. We also managed to retain our native labour intact, which is no mean feat these days.

15. General : The road from hereon is long and tough. I recommend that you allot only the younger members of the staff in this direction.

(signed) C.C. O'Lochlen Lt.

ANGAU HQ.
District Office,
NORTH MARKHAM.
21st Sept. 1943.

ADOS
HQANGAU.

HEREWITH PATROL REPORT NO. 5. of 1943/44.
SUBMITTED BY W.O.II. S. ASHTON.

With the completion of this patrol all natives between NADZAB and LAE had been collected and placed in a safe area away from hostilities.

Following the collapse of enemy resistance at LAE they will be returned to their villages and settled down in the near future.

All were very pleased to see our return and know they need no longer fear the enemy.

The three natives INUM, YASONG and MATA have been evacuated to hospital in Port Moresby. Will you please ensure that on their discharge from hospital they be kept in some form of confinement so that they can be sent here if necessary.

The details of investigations have yet been carried out as to the activities of various natives assisting the enemy, but within a few weeks thorough investigations will be instituted and you will be kept advised as to the result.

The Chinese ex-residents of LAE have been located and at present are remaining in their hideout on BUMSI EK.

Please advise me as soon as possible whether you desire to evacuate these people to Australia or whether they should be permitted to remain in their present location.

W.O. Ashton's report is very brief, but this was necessary as he only had a few hours after he returned before packing up and leaving on another patrol to the MARAWASA Area.

(Signed) Major HALL
District Officer.

ANGAU HQ
District Services
North Markham.

19 - 9 - 43.

Patrol Report of W.O. II ASHTON.

Sept. 12 Sunday. Left on patrol, accompanied by 7 P.B.'s and 3 carriers, with object of contacting YALU people and bringing them in to NAOZAB. It was also desired to pick up some MUNUM natives who had been placed in one of the MUNUM Villages by Cpl. Fitzpatrick. Arrived at that village and found that W.O. Robinson had preceded me and had the matter in hand so proceeded on and camped.

13th. Moved off with 3 MUNUM guides. Contacted Major DUCHATEL who gave me disposition of troops then decided to make camp on MUNUM River, one hour walk from road. Arriving there sent three guides and 3 P.B.s to contact some YALU's up in the hills.

14th. One P.B. arrived in with about 70 natives. Two P.B.'s still out looking for more natives at headwaters of MUNUM.

15th. One of recently acquired YALU natives said he knew of some hideouts used by BUMBU-YALU natives. Decided to send 3 P.B. and 4 scouts to bring them in. Balance of scouting party returned with remainder of MUNUM headwater YALU natives.

16th. Awaiting results of BUMOU scouts.

17th. Three P.B.s. scouts and balance of BUMBU-YALU natives arrived in as darkness fell.

18th. In yesterday's party of YALU natives were three wounded boys. These I took down, and handed in to A.D.S. on main road. Returned to camp, and moved whole party on to MUNUM village. Camped the night.

19th. Returned to ANGAU HQ with 218 men women and children. About 35 of these natives will be fit for labour lines.

GENERAL COMMENTS.

The names of the three wounded natives are :

INUM Gunshot wound in right buttock and thigh
YASONG Gunshot wound in left forearm
MATA " " " " "

Included in the count of natives were four MADANG boys and one AITAPE boy. Names are as follows :

MADANG : SEMNEI; PELALA;
SIMARA; GABABI.

AITAPE : WASIAP.

Native Intelligence : YALU natives inform me that 5 MADANG and AITAPE natives have stayed with them all the time and have had no connection with the Japanese. This I was unable to disprove.

The wounded boy MATA, in company with another native boy, presumably an AITAPE, was found by the Americans in the first clash with the Japanese on the BUMBU River, MATA was filling water bottles for Japanese soldiers and was shot, after refusing to come forward when called upon by the Americans. This information was given me by TAMUDA of YALU and later verified by American soldiers. YASONG was wounded in mellee between Japanese and Americans, and, as related further on in this report, he was associated with the Japanese.

INUM. I have found no reason to suggest, to date, that he was associated with the enemy.

The following information was volunteered by HAGI of YALU. He said that he and two other boys, namely YASONG and PETERE, about a fortnight ago, were taken down to LAE by the Japanese to work in a cookhouse, and that during that time of heavier and recent bombing of LAE they ran back to their village. PETERE is assumed killed in BUMBU area. On information given me by NAPUNDUN (native of YALU) I learned that he had seen the three natives YASONG, HAGI and PETERE carrying rifles in that area. He said he had seen them with the Japanese and that the stories told me by him were lies. On the first visit of the American patrol to BUMBU, I heard that three natives were seen. One was very dark-skinned and was carrying a rifle - the other two were following him. When asked to come forward they ran away and so disappeared. Endeavouring to clear this matter up TAMUDA of YALU supplied the following three names as those of the three boys concerned :

TOIA of WAGAN (carrying rifle)
ARUNBA of "
SERUS of BOIUKUP (BUSAMA)

Chinese prisoners of Japanese :

It was told by TAMUDA that they were originally camped on the BUMBU River and later taken over to BUMSI CK. (a right branch of the BUSU River about 6 hours walk from YUNGA village situated on the mouth of the BUSU. These Chinese were not guarded by Japanese soldiers and were left to exist on what they grew.

NAPUNDUN requests that his name be not brought forward in connection with information supplied by him. He is a very intelligent boy and I think other information could be obtained from him if handled in the right manner.

It appears that when the Japanese occupied LAE, he and a OR boy and their followers numbering half of the mentioned YALU strength remained in and around their old village site, and refused to move over with the LULUAI, TULTUL group to the BUMBU. Consequently a little jealousy and distrust exists.

GURAU of TELESIA, who was captured by the Americans, and who arrived in with first 7 natives from BUMBU was suspected as a Jap. spy and sympathiser as he was first seen at the head of the Jap. approach to BUMBU village.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES — NEW GUINEA FORCE

DS 1048/43 2252

SAL/ED

Headquarters


HQ ANGAU,
1 Oct 43.

ADMS.

Natives INUM, YASONG & KATA

The abovenamed natives were evacuated from North Markham District to hospital in Port Moresby and it is understood that they are now located at Gemo.

2. It will be appreciated if action may be taken to advise the CO RPC and this Section when these natives are due for discharge from hospital in order that necessary measures for their control and interrogation may be taken.


Lt-Col.
A/ADMS.

CO, RPC.

Memo (and Patrol Report) by DO Markham, forwarded herewith for your perusal and return.

2. On discharge from hospital these natives are to be detained, interrogated and then await disposal.


Lt-Col.
A/ADMS.

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MADZAB-ERAP AREA
29.9.43.

A.A.G. (Districts)
ANGAU HQ
PORT MORESBY.

SUBJECT: JAPANESE NATIVE POLICE.

The following Japanese native police arrived here by plane
on 27.9.43:-

1. ROTI	MUSING Village.
2. ENARUYAR	MUSING "
3. SAGARAI	WOMPUA "
4. MARAN	GUANTISAP "
5. KANUM	KIAPIT "
6. MERA.	" "
7. OBUAP	ANTIRAGIN "
8. ONGA	KIAPIT "
9. KAISA	" "
10. MOTART	WOMPUA "
11. KOWN	ANTIRAGIN "
12. DANUM	MAMARINGAN "
13. BIANG	BAMPIAFAN "
14. YUPI	ANTIRAGIN "
15. MARIAN	SAGARAK "
16. BOYANG	WOMPUA "

It would appear that these natives were being trained
by 1st class private NAKANISI of the Japanese army at Kiapit.
They were with the Japs when our troops contacted the enemy at
Kiapit. They deny having been issued with rifles and ammunition
but state that they were given instructions while using sticks
as rifles, and used stones to represent hand grenades.

They were handed to me for questioning as Prisoners of
War, by DAAG, 7 Aust Div. I consider them to be British subjects
turned traitor.

They are being forwarded to Port Moresby by plane at first
opportunity to be handed over to you.

They will be accompanied by a loyal Aitape native IMU who
is to proceed to Port Moresby at your request. I understand to
be attached to Sgt. R. Barnett.

The list, forwarded by ANGAU Kiapit, covering the Prisoners
of War is attached. It shows 15 names and native shown as "1"
on list did not arrive here. The two extra natives appear to
be KANUM and MERA.

(Sgd.) H.R. NIALL M.J.
per Geo Whittaker. Lieut.

YOSKE (AITAPE)
LOSONG (MILAWASA)
ETSITSIA (RABINIBON)
KUSKUS (LABISUMUNG)

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(a) CP. ORDER NO. 2, MARKHAM POINT, 11th AUGUST

Natives

1. The Division will carry out the pacification of the left bank of the MARKHAM River, and besides will expand the native army in order to gather more information on the enemy on the right bank of the MARKHAM River. For this purpose the LAI Jendarawrie (KEMPEI) TAI Comdr. in NAWAWABAM, in addition to continuing his present duties, will complete the training of the native army and form a roving defence of the left bank of the MARKHAM River. He will send the native army forward in the right bank sector and will be responsible for the directing of the harrasing of the enemy's rear.

(b) EXTRACT FROM A DIARY OF A SERGEANT BELONGING TO 51 DIV.

12 July - According to yesterday's intelligence report, enemy strength is approximately 8,000. Our strength is approximately 0 - thousand. I cannot write our strength because it is a secret.

0.2 BUTAI (66 Inf. Regt.) escaped the enemy encirclement and withdrew to KOMIATUM.

KITAMOTO Pl. is training 150 native troops.

ANGAU,
MORESBY NATIVE BASE HOSPITAL,
GEMO ISLAND.

18th Nov. 43.

REF. 43/11/33.

The A.D.M.S.,
H.Q., ANGAU.

NATIVES : INUM, YASONG & MATA.

- (1). INUM still has a large surface wound medial upper third right thigh about 3 x 2 inches.
- (2). YASONG a large granulating wound flexor surface left elbow with fixing of joint.
- (3). MATA healed, fit for discharge.
- (4). I consider the first two may be another month before ready for discharge. Mata could be discharged now but has been held with the other two as it was understood they were all wanted together.

S.H. Christian
..... Lieut.
(S.H. CHRISTIAN.) O.C.

Ref. 43/12/15.

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ANGAU,
MORESBY BASE NATIVE HOSP.
GEMO ISLAND.

13th December, 43.

A.D.D.S.
ANGAU.

Village Native MATU-IAKOBO of Yala.

Ref your DS 1046/45 - 2252.

The above named native is now fit for discharge.

Please advise, at your convenience what action we are to take.

S.H. Christian
..... Lieut.
(S.H. Christian.) O.C.

Copy to;
O.C. RFC.

Police Station, Port Moresby.
17th December, 1943.

MATJ :- States as follows.

I am a native of Yalu, Markam District.

I was in ~~the~~ my village at Yalu when the Japanese first bombed Lae. During the evacuation of Lae, and after the bombing, I assisted the N.G.V.R. in carrying cargo out of Lae.

When the Japanese invaded Lae on Sunday the 8th March, 1942, they came straight to my village and with other natives I ran into the bush. On the same night we returned to our village. The next day some Japanese again came to the village and asked for pigs, fowls and taro which we gave to them. The Japanese threatened us with rifles and gave us a little money and some tobacco for the village goods.

Whilst the Japanese were at Lae I was employed by them carrying food and cargo.

When the para-troops landed at Madzab I was in my village. On the Wednesday following the landing of the para-troops I went to my garden to get taro. At the edge of the Bumbu River I saw three American soldiers sitting down, one was sick. I saluted them and one of them asked me to sit down and gave me a cigarette. He asked me for a match but I didn't have any. One of the American's shirts were open and I saw that he had a lot of tattoo marks on his arms and chest. I then saw two Americans escorting a native and upon seeing me they fired and one shot hit me in the left fore-arm. The native who was with them named INUM, of Yalu was carrying Japanese water bottles. When the Americans shot me INUM ran away and one of the Americans fired at him but INUM ran on and disappeared up the creek. The same Americans that shot me took me to the doctor and he attended to my arm. I stayed around the hospital for one day. The next day they gave me a white piece of cloth and also informed the machine gunners that I was going into the bush to fetch the women and children out, as they expected some fighting to take place. I went into the bush and got all the natives together and slept in the bush with them that night. The next day I brought all the natives out of the bush with me and took them to where the Americans were camped. One American told me to take all the natives back further behind the

MATU's statement continued.

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lines. I took all the natives back to MUNUM where I saw Mr. Ashton. Mr Ashton sent me to the doctor where I had my arm dressed and was later sent to Port Moresby.

I know a native named TAMUDA of Yalu. He is a countryman of mine but he was not present when I was shot by the Americans. The statement that I was carrying Japanese water bottles is not true.

Witness:-

Albion
O.C. Port Moresby Police District.
17th December, 1943.

Police Station, Port Moresby.
17th December, 1943.

C.O.
Royal Papuan Constabulary.

Forwarded for information, please.

Albion
O.C. Port Moresby Police District.

Capt

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NADZAB,
30. 9. 43.

The District Officer,
ANGAU HQ, LAE.

Subject: Native YASOM of YALU

The abovenamed native, a Japanese police boy, attached to a Jap named KEMPIE, and always seen with a Japanese rifle and armband complete with star, and who frequently patrolled to BONIA, is reported to have been wounded and sent to Port Moresby.

Would you please have our HQ at Moresby make inquiries there and when discharged keep him under observation until further information is obtained.

(Sgd) Geo. Whittaker, Lieut.
O i/c NADZAB.

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ANGAU
District Office,
L A E.
6.10.43

ADDS HQ ANGAU,
PORT MORESBY.

Native YASOM of YALU

Ref att memo from Lieut Whittaker, ANGAU, NADZAB -

This native was one of those evacuated from NADZAB approx. 11 Sept by M.D.S. of 7th AUST DIV.

3. Will you please ensure that on his discharge from hospital the native is returned here under escort.

4. The Japanese named KEMPIE referred to means the Japanese military police, by which name they were known to the local natives.

(Sgd) H.L.R. Niall, Maj.
District Officer.

DO NORTH MARKHAM.

HQ ANGAU,
19 Oct 43.

Native YASOM of YALU

Receipt is acknowledged of your memo of 6 Oct 43, covering copy of memo by Lieut Whittaker dated 30 Sep 43. This HQ memo DS 1046/43-2251 of 1 Oct 43 refers.

2. Action will be taken to return the natives YASOM (YASONG), INUM and MATA to Lae on their discharge from hospital.

Copy to CO RPO.

Copy memo (and enclosure) from DO attached + ref DS 1046/43-2252 of 1 Oct 43.

Lt-Col. ADDS.

Lt-Col. ADDS.

Amount
Returned
to Store



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of *North Mankham* Report No. *5 of 43/44*

Patrol Conducted by *W. A. L. Robinson*

Area Patrolled *Exp river headwaters*

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *17/ 9/19.43* to *26/ 9/19.43*.

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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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ANGAU,
NADZAB.
Sep 26, 43.

The DO,
MARKHAM DISTRICT.

Patrol Report No. 5 - 1943/44.

Report of Patrol by NGX263 A.L. Robinson WO/II, Patrol
Officer, to ERAP River headwaters.

Date Left Station - 17/9/43; Date Returned 26/9/43.

Purposes of Patrol - Recruitment of Labour.

Patrol Accompanied by:

- (a) European personnel - Sgt Mackay
- (b) R.P.C: 9 ACs
- (c) Natives Carriers: 8

Last Patrol to Area made by: (Not known)

Diary:

17.9.43 - Left NADZAB 0900 hrs, arr BILVA village gardens (Luluai's place) 1230 hrs - Deserted. Potting fruit in houses testifying to continued absence of natives - See remarks under "General" at conclusion of Diary. Arr BILVA village 1530 hrs - Deserted - camped.

18.9.43 - Left BILVA 0930 hrs arr SINTOGORO village 1500 hrs, visited AROPAK village 1630 hrs. Rtd SINTOGORO 1730 hrs - camped.

19.9.43 - Lined village people 0700 hrs - 15 recruits obtained. To AROPAK village; some people still absent.

To DUMPU (hamlet of AROPAK) - 25 recruits obtained. To ARAWANDEI - many people absent. Main party with Sgt Mackay to BUNKEI village. Self awaiting arrival villagers at ARAWANDEI - 11 recruits obtained. Arr BUNKEI 1700 hrs - deserted. Sgt Mackay reported no sign of life about the place. Self by good fortune contacted one BUNKEI village native who returned to camp with me - camped.

20.9.43 - Lined village people who had returned during night - 11 recruits obtained. Then sent to bring in the balance of the villagers. Self and Sgt Mackay to MANEGO village - deserted. Two natives sent out to locate people. Waiting MANEGO until 1600 hrs. One of the natives sent out returned 1530 hrs and reported he had contacted one MANEGO native only. Left AC to bring this native to BUNKEI (see separate remarks under "Bombing"); Village people still absent. Self and Sgt Mackay returned to BUNKEI - camped. One police constable with MANEGA native arrived 1645 hrs. Instructions issued for WULTUL of MANEGA (Luluai died) to bring all his people to MANEGA and then to await the arrival of patrol. Camped.

21.9.43 - Sgt Mackay requested that he be allowed to remain BUNKEI to bring in the absentees. This agreed to and arranged that Sgt Mackay then proceed to MANEGA and FU villages (TINIRU optional). NCO and 3 native constables allotted to him for this purpose. Village people lined and addressed. Self and 5 native constables then to USOP village (KAPEMPAE); 20 recruits obtained. Delayed here awaiting arrival of few who failed line. Native constable sent to bring them in. Camped.

22.9.43 - Left USOP 0545 hrs. Arr SIANG village 0915 hrs. Lined people; 27 recruits obtained. LULUAI and Dr. boy of SINTOGORO, who to this stage had accompanied the patrol, remained SIANG, this being as far as they proposed to come. MUNKIP carrier line left here, also. Dr. boy on MUNKIP in charge of line wished return MUNKIP and volunteered visit BADIBO village in endeavour recruit natives. This agreed to, suitable reward being offered Dr. boy if he succeeded in recruiting labour. Self with SIANG carriers to MAMA village, a long climb from a tributary of IRIMU village. Arr 1300 hrs. Awaiting arr some villagers. Lined people at 1400 hrs, 27 recruits obtained. To GAFAN village with MAMA recruits. Arr 1730 hrs. Lined people. 26 recruits obtained. Camped.

23.9.43 - To FINUNGWA village 0630 hrs, lined people. This is a very

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large village; many of young men absent hiding; no desire to work. Only recruits obtained. Rtd to GAFAN 0830 hrs. Left for GAFANWONG village 0845 hrs. Position of this village as shown on map taken with village (District of Morobe - 4 mile to 1") is incorrect. To avoid a possible climb word sent to natives line below. Lined people 1530 hrs. 1/2 recruits obtained. To TORUWAR village. Arr 1845 hrs. Found Sgt Mackay there. Reported 13 BUNKEI recruits obtained. Camped.

24.9.43 - Lined village people. 54 recruits obtained. Sgt Mackay left for FU and TINIBU villages then to proceed to BILUA village and meet me there. Recruits to BUNKEI village via MANEGA. Self MANEGA awaiting arrival of me absent at work.; 9 recruits obtained. To BUNKEI village - arr 1730 hrs. Camped.

25.9.43 - Left 0600 hrs. Recruit line instructed proceed non-stop to SINTOGORO village. Self with car iers and 1 native const to ARAWANOEI village. Checked people previously absent. Some additional recruits obtained - 20 AROPAK and SINTOGORO - same procedure. To BILUA village arr 1400 hrs. Met Sgt Mackay who had arr the previous afternoon with 23 recruits (FU-17; TINIBU 6). Two native const with letter from DO reported to patrol between SINTOGORO and BILUA villages. Native police sent off 1400 hrs with letter to Lt. Whittaker, NADZAB, advising arrival A.M. next day of 381 natives and requesting that food arrangements be made. SIANG and USOR recruits not arrived. TULTUL of BILUA reported 1500 hrs. Some BILUA people living in garden area, but whereabouts of LULUAI not known. TULTUL suitably addressed. MONKIP line arrived. Dr. boy reported BADIJU village deserted. Unable to find even one native.

26.9.43 - SIANG and USOP recruits arr 0700 hrs. 7 failed to report. Left BILUA 0800 hrs. Arr NADZAB 1200 hrs and reported to Capt Ormsby and Lt. Whittaker.

General

The recent unfortunate "Hayes" affair, with which you are familiar, has had far-reaching effects and has been responsible for no little fear in some of the villages. However, this has been eliminated in the villages visited and confidence restored. Unfortunately, the whereabouts of the BILUA village LULUAI could not be ascertained but no doubt he will be contacted before long by some of the BILUA village people, after which he should return to his village. Both this and the fear of bombing occasioned some delay in a few of the villages - notably BILUA and MANEGA, but otherwise word sent in advance of the patrol found the villagers ready to "line".

Native Administration - LULUAI and TULTULS - In a number of cases the LULUAI has died, but no action was taken to replace him at the present juncture (BUNKEI village excepted) for the following reasons:

(a) The TULTUL is carrying on and with the recruitment of labour and the uncertain times it is problematical whether both are at present required.

(b) Sooner or later with the amalgamation of the two Territories, the whole question of village constables as appointed in Papua and the LULUAI and TULTUL here will have to be considered. With the spread of "Pidgin" the office of TULTUL will become superfluous and could be done away with where the LULUAI is able to speak good "Pidgin".

Further, the Papuan scheme of "Worth" and not "Birth" comes to the fore in our democratic times. Possibly the overlooking of who has the "inherited authority" is a little early for introduction here, but sooner or later it must come and this would bring the two policies into agreement.

Medical - Framboesia was not prevalent although some cases were seen. Odd cases of very bad tropical ulcers were noted but as it was not known whether the time was opportune or the facilities available at NADZAB no action was taken to have the natives sent in. Conjunctivitis was very evident at GAFAN village. Unfortunately the small bottle of Argyrol writer had got broken and it was not possible to afford any relief in these cases.

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Enemy Activity - Particular care was taken to assure the natives that no blame was attachable to them for any assistance (if any) they might have been forced to render the enemy. However, all were emphatic that no Japanese had visited their villages. As the main Mission road from BOAMA passes between FINUWA and GAFAN villages this seems rather remarkable in view of current opinion on the Japanese movements. However, I feel that the natives were telling the truth.

Statistics:

Labour obtained:

From Sintogoro village	18
Bibera (not visited)	2
Aropak	36
Arawandei	19
Bunkei	25
Usop (5 failed to report at Bilua)	15
Siang (2 ditto)	25
Mama	27
Gafan	26
Finungwa	14
Total -	207
Plus Gafangwong	31
Toruwar	54
Manega (1 sick left)	8
F1	17
Tinibi	6
Total -	323

Report on Personnel Accompanying Patrol

Sgt Mackay - Willing to assist at all times and with the experience gained from this patrol might be allowed to operate on his own. Two officers to a patrol is not a particularly satisfactory position for either party.

References - Map references have not been made as the map used does not show the villages mentioned. As no facilities exist here for map making, no map is submitted. District of Morobe map (scale 4 miles to 1") shows most if not all the villages mentioned.

Bombing of Villages or Areas Adjacent - The patrol was at some pains to impress on the natives that they had nothing to fear from our planes; that they were to reside in their villages and follow their normal walk of life. In many instances they have been in hiding and afraid to light fires during the day. I believe confidence has been restored. However on 20/9/43 the patrol, when returning from MANEGA village to BUNKEI village, observed about 50 yds from BUNKEI village the devastation wrought by a bomb dropped during our absence. Those of the police boys who had been left in BUNKEI village avow that the planes were ours - a flight of eight 4-engine bombers heading away from NADZAB area. Unfortunately, I did not observe the planes myself. The incident occurred about 1200 hrs. Police and village natives all went bush but the police later brought the natives back. No harm has been done and no one was injured, but incidents like this (if done by our planes) are to be deprecated. Instructions should be issued that only when pilots are certain that the enemy are in or about a village should any villages in this area be bombed. On the day in question a little washing had been done and the patrol parties spread out to dry.

Food Supplies - Gardens are plentiful and ample food is available for the requirements of the natives.

Recruitment of Labour - All the villages covered with the exception of FINUWA have been heavily recruited and no further labour should be expected of them.

Deserters - Natives OOMA, WAM, ANSI, PUPMASA, GI-IABE of USOP village and SIFU and ANSIK of SIANG are offenders. Having been selected for work they absconded. Possibly some future patrol may be able to pick them up.

Loyalty of Natives - All seemed relieved that the war situation

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was progressing so favourably for us, but whether this was real appreciation of our administration or just relief from the sense of fear of bombing is problematical. I believe a little of both.

Summarised, the results of the Patrol are as follows:

- Enemy Activity - No sign.
- Food Situation - Adequate.
- Attitude of Natives - On the whole loyal - naturally one could hardly expect them to back a losing side.
- Health - Good; odd ones had ulcers and in GAFAN conjunctivitis - balance O.K.
- Labour - 323 recruits brought in.

(Sgd) A. L. Robinson, WO/II
Patrol Officer.

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ANGAU District Office,
NORTH MARKHAM,
L A E.
29 Sep 45.

ADDS HQ ANGAU.

Patrol Report No. 5 of 1943-44

1. Herewith copy of Patrol Report by WO/II Robinson covering patrol of the Erap Area, mainly for the purpose of recruiting native labour, re-establishing contact with the natives and informing them of our re-occupation of the area.
2. Due to information being received that the enemy who evacuated from Lae were passing through the area, the two patrol officers were recalled, as it was considered too dangerous for them to operate with only a few native police.
3. However, the enemy (area ?) now appears to be free of enemy troops, and after a few days' rest the same two patrol officers will leave to patrol the remainder of the area, and it is anticipated that at least an equivalent number of recruits will be obtained. These two NCOs are to be commended for the work they have done on this patrol.
4. It is a little early to decide on the native reaction to our return. I agree with WO Robinson that the natives have had practically no contact with the enemy, and in their secluded river valleys the war has more or less just passed them by with little or no interruption to village life. In all cases of our fresh return to their villages our first object has been to obtain as many labour recruits as possible from the village. The enemy has not made any attempt to recruit and no doubt they will compare our methods, especially when the recruits are sent well away from their villages for an indefinite period. This cannot be avoided, and whilst the patrol officers are recruiting they are at the same time spreading propaganda, and the fact of our return means that the natives can settle down to their normal way of life and the feeling of "freedom from fear" is welcomed by them.
5. As operations are completed, regular patrols will operate and such matters as appointment of village officials and treatment of sick, census check and maintenance of roads will be attended to.

(Sgd) R.H. Niall, Maj.
District Officer.

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HQ ANGAU,
1 Oct 43.

DO. NORTH MARKHAM.

Natives INUL, YASONG & MATA

Ref your memo of 21 Sep 43 and Patrol Report No.5 of 43-44 -

The abovenamed natives are in hospital at Gemo, Port Moresby, and on their discharge from hospital will be detained, interrogated and await disposal.

*Copy & attach file
re: file Intelligence re natives*

Lt-Col.
A/ADDS.

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P/R No. 5/43-44, Erap River Area,
North Markham, by WO Robinson A.L.

1. The purpose of the patrol was:
 - (a) Re-establishing contact with natives.
 - (b) Restoring Administration influence.
 - (c) Recruiting labour.
2. Results were highly successful considering the conditions prevailing in the area following enemy activity in neighbouring areas.
3. Now that the initial contact has been made and confidence regained the resumption of normal village life will gradually follow, the influence of which should be felt in more distant areas yet to be patrolled.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 6 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by W. N. Bird

Area Patrolled Main area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 18/9/1943 to 27/9/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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District Office N. Markham.
L A E. 27.9.43.

The District Officer,
N. MARKHAM.

Patrol Report 6 of 1943-44 - WO 11 Bird.

Personnel: WO 11 Bird and 5 Native Constables.

Duration: 18th Sept to 27th September 1943.

Lost patrol to area: Not known.

Diary:-

Sept 18th. Under instructions from Major Miall left ANGAU Hqrs, Nadzab, 0820 and reached Camp Diddy via MIRIMIRI and NUGAGARA villages 1150. Contacted HQ Coy 2/14th Batt & met Capt Lyon ADHL 1200. Left Camp Diddy at 1335 after feeding carriers and reached foot of mountain 1440, contacting rear sig maintenance personnel. Made camp for night.

Sept 19th. Broke camp 0640, reached enemy ambush position at top of mountain 0850 contacting sig party and Capt Holly 2/14th Bn. Rested carriers and left 0930 passing through line of native carriers attached to 2/14th Bn and contacted watching patrol on kunai spur above BUNZOK River 1130. Waited 30 minutes for carriers, and after feeding and resting them moved on at 1415 contacting Col. Honner of 2/14th at junction of BUSIF-BUNZOK Rivers at 1615. Informed me that Battalion was held up by Bunzok River, enemy having destroyed the bridge. Made camp at junction. Saw a line of natives coming along river bank, but on sighting Capt Holley and party, they turned downstream and ran away.

Sept 20th. Left camp 0715 and proceeded up road parallel to BUSIF R. towards NIAGIET village and after turning off on several newly made tracks which ended in gardens, reached NIAGIET at 1100. The village had been deserted within two days previous to my arrival and natives were at particular pains to conceal track taken in evacuating the village. Found the track after thorough search at 1145, and followed it in direction of BUSIF River & upstream to small newly constructed hide-outs. Signs indicated that they had been occupied the previous night. Followed new and well concealed track upstream to a new garden, saw one native, but owing to very thick bush was unable to capture him. I followed his track and found further hide-out houses, near newly made garden areas. Posted notice here to effect that our troops had captured Lae and were in occupation and that all enemy troops had been cleared from Lae area - that the Government was still in operation as previously and a Government patrol officer was in BOANA area and was endeavouring to contact natives. Also that Luluais and Tultuls were to wear their caps again and were to lead their people back to reoccupy their villages: that they were not to be afraid of patrols and were to cease hiding from patrol officers. Proceeded further West and North up BUSIF River for some distance, quartering the area in search of further hide-out houses. Owing to bout of malaria was compelled to return to camp, posting two more natives (?) in conspicuous positions in gardens. Reached camp 1720 and found note had been left by Col. Honner of 2/14 Bn to effect that Battalion had been recalled and had left area 1420 but that bridge over BUNZOK had been completed.

21st. Apart from police watch on main roads from concealed positions no activity owing to bout of malaria. Remained in bed all day.

22nd. Sent letter to Major Miall at 0615 and left camp 0630 in endeavour to locate natives and to scout BOANA area for possible presence of enemy troops. Found that bridge put in by bat alion was a very

small log some twelve inches above water. Owing to possibility of this being washed away in first small rise in river decided not to move camp from its present position at junction owing to danger of being cut off from "DIDDY" track. Crossed BUNZOK River on this bridge and turned up stream west and north of west intending to cut main BOANA-GUMBUK road. On way through bush followed several newly made native paths ending in newly cut garden areas. Left notice as above in one garden. Followed another newly made but particularly well concealed track, came on hide-out houses evidently occupied by LULUAI. These houses had not been occupied for at least three days. Left notice as above on post of house and cut main BOANA-GUMBUK road 1200. This road in good condition. Grass etc. newly cut and showing signs of regular and recent use. Followed road to GUMBUK bridge position, finding on way three enemy ambush positions. Each position was for four men and covered road and bridge approach from GUMBUK side of river. Bridge had been destroyed completely. Returned up road to BOANA finding four more ambush positions on road. One excellent gun position on KUNAI spur covering approach to BOANA from direction of GUMBUK. From condition of Mission house and other buildings estimate that a party of 60 to 100 had been stationed at BOANA mission for some time but were living exclusively on native foods. No sign of rice or tinned food was found. Gun positions were under construction at Mission house and a strongly barricaded house evidently used to confine natives. This last showing signs of very recent occupation. Indications pointed to withdrawal of enemy troops early on Monday morning after Sunday nights rain. Although there was no indication at BOANA that troops other than the party above-mentioned having slept at BOANA Sunday night. Condition of road from direction of BONZAIN and road to GUMBUK indicated passage of a considerable number of enemy troops. Enemy troops were preceded by a large party of natives either escaping from area or in company of enemy. One of enemy wore hob-nailed boots and was last to leave area. On my return trip to my camp posted notice in garden near main road and another on main BOANA-GUMBUK road. Found very well constructed and well concealed small house containing 8 trade boxes. Reached camp 1755.

23rd. Left camp 0700 following track made the previous day but turned north and found further newly made hide-out houses. Arrived BOANA-GUMBUK road Lo30 and went direct to mission house crossing 'drome and went direct by main road to BONZAIN. This village deserted by natives some time previous but showed signs of occupation by a party of approx 20 enemy troops. Followed several newly made tracks up mountain north of BONZAIN all ending at gardens or garden store houses with one exception leading to concealed hide-out houses. Posted notice on main road near BONZAIN and another at hide-out houses. Proceeded over mountain towards WAPAGNAM and quartered area between BOANA and a small creek near WAPAGNAM in search of hide-out houses. Found one only but this had not been recently occupied. Returned down creek to WAPAGNAM-BOANA road. Did not enter WAPAGNAM owing to limited time at disposal but appeared to have been deserted for some time. Returned to BOANA along main road and cut through bush toward BUNZOK River finding two more hide-out houses. Posted notice at one of these. Saw smoke from native fires this afternoon for first time since arrival in area on 18th. Reached camp 1805.

24th. Sent 8 carriers back to NADZAB - one with letter and stone block for Major Niall 0530 and left camp 0550 and cut through bush to BOANA-DIDDY road and reached this road about midday between BOANA and BUNZOK river. Went through bush to BONZAIN passing fresh track much used by enemy. Reached main road at BONZAIN and walked for one hour, then turned south towards BUNZOK river and quartered thoroughly area between BUNZOK River and main road. No hide-out houses in this area but several newly cut garden areas. Coming again on to fresh track cut by enemy as mentioned above found that it cut main BOANA-DIDDY road about 100 yds from bridge position and continued on to enemy ambush position down stream road. Posted two more notices.

In freshly cut garden and returned to camp 1715 hrs.

25th. Left camp 0715 and reach BOANA-GUMBOK at 1000 hrs after further search of area between this road and BUNZOK River. Crossed road to North and quartered area between main road and BOANA and BUNZOK to north of area perviously searched. This area particularly rough and two small hide-outs only were found, neither having been occupied for some days. Reaching point on river below BOANA and opposite WASIF found small bridge had been destroyed. Climbed to BOANA and observed WASIF for some time from enemy lookout at mission house. Village appeared deserted. Left mission and again quartered the area south and west of BOANA between main road and BUNZOK River as every indication of number of natives hiding in this area. Laid ambush on small creek at which natives had recently been watering. Unfortunately police boys succeeded in capturing a young native woman only. This woman understood pidgin but did not answer questions owing to extreme fright when captured by police boys. Gave her stick tobacco and sheet of Guinea Gold newspaper and packet of service biscuits and while talking to her wrote usual notice in pidgin and gave it to her and told her to find her people. She was released at 1320 but I considered it a waste of time to follow her to hide-out as her screams when captured by native police would scare off any natives in the area. Reached camp 1750 after further detours to new garden areas, where I posted further notices. Police boy waiting at camp with recall orders from Major Niall.

26th. Broke camp 0730 and reached camp "DIDDY" 1325 and contacted Coy of Pioneers. Made camp below this party on NGARAFUP creek.

27th. Broke camp 0715 for LAE via NGASAWAMPUM and contacted Major Niall on main road. Reached ANGAU District HQ approx 1600.

(Sgd.) N.M.BIRD. WOll.
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Patrol Report No. 6 of 1943-44

1. Herewith copy of Patrol Report by W/O Bird. This N.C.O. is a Native Labour Overseer, but due to the shortage of Field Staff & the necessity for obtaining Labour Recruits, he has been solely employed on patrol work since arriving in this District, and has carried out several patrols in a very satisfactory manner.
2. W/O Bird has twice endeavoured to recruit in the WEIN area. On the first occasion he left with a company of U.S. Paratroops, but they had only gone a few hours before encountering enemy resistance necessitating their return. On the occasion of this patrol, a Battalion of our troops next to occupy the WEIN area and the opportunity was taken to commence recruiting.

2.
As will be seen from the Report, the Battalion was recalled before any recruiting could be commenced.

3. After consultation with GOC. 7th Aust. Div. it was decided to recall W/O Bid, and he reported back to District Headquarters.

4. This morning W/O Bid left again for the WEIN area, with three other NCOs to commence active recruiting, and it is anticipated that on this occasion he should be able to contact the natives and gain a large number of recruits.

5. Due to lack of office facilities e.g. typewriters etc., it is regretted that the report is not in the correct form as required by Circular Instructions.

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J. H. Hall
Major
District Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of *North Markham* Report No. *7 of 43/44*

Patrol Conducted by *Woi AE Pauley*

Area Patrolled *Yahim area*

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *4/10/1943* to *15/10/1943*

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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Assistant District Officer,
FINSCHAFEN.

REPORT ON PATROL TO YABIM AREA.

Herewith brief report of patrol carried out by myself and I.O. Manrahan in the YABIM area.

We left FINSCHAFEN on 4 Oct 43 accompanied by three members of the R.P.C. (including Sgt IWASU of the area to be patrolled) and several carriers, who were also used to contact the natives of the area.

All villages between LA GEMAK Bay and the area around the mouth of the MONGI River were visited and contact established with little difficulty, even though the enemy evacuated the area only two days previously. It was found that most of the natives between LA GEMAK Bay and BUTALA had had very little contact with the enemy and were living well in the bush.

Approximately 200 able-bodied male natives were recruited during the patrol and these included about 50 from the north-east SUKANA area, adjacent to the mouth of the MONGI River.

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On the morning of 14 Oct 43, a native policeman and local natives reported a large enemy patrol active between BUGA and KAMING villages. As all fit natives had by then been recruited, and the natives being rather uneasy, the patrol returned to Finschhafen, arriving on the evening of the 15th.

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MURDER OF NATIVES BY JAPS AT BUTALA.

Enquiries were made into the reported shooting of natives near the mouth of the MONGI River, and the following information was elicited:

KAMING

Six natives from KUKUKUK (ref. strat 4m to 1in HUON Penin. (L)S 3957 and one from BUTALA (L)83144 were bound in pairs to an artillery gun and a nearby tree. All were then bayoneted and shot. All nearby villages had previously been warned by the Japs to keep away from the beach area as our troops were advancing on their positions. As it appears that the natives killed were going in the direction of our troops when detained by the enemy, it is apparent that the Japs were afraid of their passing information.

Native information is that the victims were apparently on the way from KAMING to collect more dry coconuts and were returning when caught. Evidence of this was seen in the presence of several bundles of dry coconuts near the scene of the shooting.

Our troops buried the KAMING natives on the spot and the BUTALA boy was buried by his father at his village.

The natives informed us that the Jap. administrative officer who was at PADENGKO had asked all KAMING and SAMBIANG natives to proceed there so that an enquiry could be held into the matter.

The natives killed were:

- ISOMI of KAMING
- KOH KON "
- KABA "
- SAKAN "
- KAPUA "
- NALAGEN "

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All natives seemed pleased with the re-occupation of the area.

Native foods, although not too plentiful, appeared to be sufficient to sustain the natives. The Japs were accused of stealing pigs, fowls and any food they found in the gardens. X

The prevalence of sickness and sores seemed to be above normal. It is considered that this is largely due to the unsatisfactory living conditions whilst sheltering in the bush.

A. R. Paul

(Signed) A. R. Paul, W.C.S.

*Dep. G. G. ...
28/10/43*

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D. O. ANGAU,
NORTH BARNIA.

Subject: PATROL REPORT - YABIM area.

1. Forwarded herewith is copy of report of patrol conducted by W.O's Pauley and Manrahan to the YABIM area (ref. strat HON Benia. 4m to 11m - from FINSCHAFEN to south of HONGI River), for the purpose of:

- (a) Contacting natives of the area;
- (b) Recruiting labour for 9 div requirements;
- (c) Investigating reported atrocity at mouth HONGI River;
- (d) General administration.

2. The patrol was successfully conducted and practically all able-bodied males in the area were recruited. W.O's Pauley and Manrahan have reported to 9 div Intelligence branch and have been interrogated by them. All information of operational value acquired on the patrol has been therefore submitted.

3. The shooting of the natives at HONGI River was typical of the enemy attitude towards the natives. Prior to the commencement of our operations in the area, they did not interfere much with the local inhabitants. Any foodstuffs purchased were paid for in money or kind, and labour performed was noted for future payment. Immediately on the commencement of operations, however, the attitude was changed. The natives' gardens and domestic stock were immediately considered as a source of food to be acquired without payment and, if necessary, by force, whilst the natives themselves were immediately suspected as possible informers if they were anywhere in the same vicinity as our troops.

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4. Natives of the YABIM area and of nearby KOTTE villages went 'bush' to previously prepared hideouts and gardens immediately on the commencement of operations in this area. Contact by this patrol was established mainly by the use of natives of the area already at this HQ prior to the commencement of the patrol.

5. The Japanese administrative officer referred to is probably one who has signed himself as K. MURATA in a village book issued by him to the natives of KOLEM village (near FINSCHAFEN). The book was a T.M.H. one and contained the names of the villagers in family group system used by our administration. Names were in both Japanese and English, whilst the only entry translated read:

"We made a successful landing in this vicinity on 19 Dec 42 and completed hopping up operations."

6. Concentration of enemy troops in the near KOTTE hinterland prevent extension of patrols by this unit into the KOTTE and HURE areas, which will eventually be the main source of labour. The Paramount Juluai SIBUBI of FIO (Strat ref (I)S 5273), KOTTE, has reported together with a few of his villagers and foreign natives living with him and he has supplied some valuable information regarding enemy dispositions. However, apart from the dissemination of propaganda through this channel, it will be necessary to await successful operations to allow entry to these other areas.

[Signature]
Capt.
Assistant District Officer.

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ANGAU,
North Markham District,
District Office, M.E.
24 Oct 43.

ADDS, HQ ANGAU.

Patrol Report No. 7 of 1943

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Attached please find Patrol Report submitted by W/O Pauley, together with covering memo by ADO Finschhafen area, Capt. Dishon.

2. WO/IL Pauley is a Native Labour Overseer, who has been temporarily attached to Capt Dishon, mainly to assist in obtaining labour recruits. The other member of the patrol, WO Hanrahan is in the same category. As neither are members of the District Services staff, it will be appreciated that they are not au fait with the correct form in which Patrol Reports are to be submitted. As more patrol staff becomes available, these W/Os will be relieved, though I understand that they both intend to apply for transfer to District Services.

3. You are no doubt aware that the enemy appears to be reinforcing his troops in the Finschhafen area, and it appears to me that it will be some considerable time before the Moon Peninsula will be cleared of enemy troops. Until this is done we cannot do any really effective native administration, nor obtain a great number of labour recruits, as the present position is that the enemy is between our troops and the majority of the native population.

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4. The enemy contacted near the Kongi River are now being attacked by troops from 5th DIV, and Patrol Officer Lieut Hoggard is with this party of troops to assist them in obtaining information, and for supplying carriers. Already he has obtained 100 recruits, which have enabled the party to move inland.

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5. Capt Dishon has been instructed to forward the village book issued by the Japs to KOLEM village, as soon as possible, and it will later be forwarded to you. This is the first occasion to my knowledge that the enemy have issued village books, though the census was apparently checked at Tami Is. and deaths recorded in the book.

6. From information I have received from other sources it appears as if the natives are readily swivying to our cause, but of course it all hinges on the success of our operations. I think that he must be getting some assistance as regards native carriers in maintaining his L of C from Sio to Sattelberg. It is interesting to note his different attitude to the natives since our landing, and you may consider this information worth passing on to FELO for propoganda purposes.

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7. WO Davies, Medical Assist. is with the ANGAU party at Finschhafen, and all natives who have been contacted have been advised to seek medical treatment from him.

(Sge) H.R. Niall, Maj.
District Officer

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30 Oct 43.

DC NORTH MARKHAM.

7/10/43
Patrol Report No. 7/43-44 - W/O Pauley A.E.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report received under cover of your memo of 24 Oct 43.

2. In regard to para 6 of your memo, action has been taken to inform F.E.L.O.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 8 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by No's. A.L. Robinson and J. Mackay

Area Patrolled Exap.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 1/10/1943 to 16/10/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES-NEW GUINEA FORCE.

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PATROL REPORT NO. 8 OF 1943/44.

Herewith Patrol Report No. 8 submitted by Patrol Officer W.O. MACKAY covering a patrol conducted by himself and W.O. ROBINSON.

2. I have thoroughly perused the report but in many ways it is more like a mystery story and I would not like to comment on the native attitude towards us or the Japanese. Some of the natives were contacted by myself whilst at NADZAB and were most emphatic that no enemy troops had ever been in the ERAP Area.
3. The main objects of the patrol were to obtain labour recruits, re-establish contact with the natives and obtain information as to enemy movements.
4. In all 284 recruits were obtained on this patrol and the same two Patrol Officers had previously recruited 330, so a total of 614 recruits is a very creditable effort. It may be necessary later to return some natives to their homes, but the whole labour position should be stabilised within two months and then this question can be dealt with. In the meantime every available labourer is required.
5. The Luluai of OLD MUKIP referred to is the one ill-treated by CPL. HAYES, who was mentally unstable at the time. W.O. MACKAY is to make suitable compensation to the relatives of the natives killed. It is good news that he has been located and this will help to settle the area.
6. The good road referred to in the report is no doubt portion of the track ~~of the track~~ constructed by the enemy from BOANA to KAIRPIT and first reported by W.O. RYAN some months ago. I am of the opinion that the road was being constructed both to reinforce LAE and as a means of escape if necessary, and the huts were to be used as staging camps. W.O. MACKAY will be asked if he learned whether the road was built on Jap. instructions or on orders from Mission Teachers. The new Mission House at KISENGAN may have been constructed by the same people.
7. It is too early to say how the natives regard our return. As previously reported, our first contact with them, has always been to obtain labour recruits, whether they like it or not, and this was not done by the enemy. It is considered that P.E.L.O. should somewhat revise their propoganda. Actually the enemy have treated the natives fairly well and have more or less left them alone and many of our leaflets have turned out to be wrong. I know of only one case to date in this area where a Jap soldier had intercourse with a native woman, and she was a consenting party.
8. No native was returned to the ERAP from LAE, and I suspect that the natives who said this were probably here assisting the enemy at the time of our landing and made good their escape.
9. Lieut. Whittaker leaves today for a trip through the ERAP Area with an intelligence officer. He will submit a report on his return which should help to make the native attitude more clear. They will be also given a purely routine Administrative Patrol in about three weeks time, to settle the natives back in their villages.
10. W.O. MACKAY did a good job on this patrol. It will be appreciated that the two men had to be on their guard the whole time against roving bands of enemy troops, and anybody less keen on his work would hardly have made a poor effort and obtained very few recruits.

Dep. to G. H. 10. 10. 43

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(H.L.R. NIAM) District Officer.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES-NEW GUINEA FORCE.

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NADZAB 21-10-43.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER,
NORTH MARKHAM DISTRICT.

REPORT ON ERAP PATROL BY W.O'S ROBINSON A.L. AND MACKAY J.

1-10-43. Left NADZAB for the upper ERAP via BILUA and MUNKIP. On the road to BILUA close to the road near the bank of the ERAP we found a dump of new Japanese ammunition. (Reported to Army authorities). At BILUA the Tultul WAIBUN was asked if he knew of any enemy movement that would explain the dump; but he denied any knowledge of any movement in his or any area. We asked if he had contacted the Luluai of GABMORGORAM (OLD MUNKIP). He said no, the the Luluai had not been seen and his whereabouts were still unknown.

This was not believed; but he stuck to his story for sometime before breaking down and telling us that the Luluai was hiding close to BILUA and that he would get him to return to the village before night.. He returned in about an hour with the Luluai who was obviously distressed and frightened. In view of this we refrained from asking questions until the following morning.

2.10-43. The Luluai presented himself early in the morning and was given some lava lava and a few sticks of tobacco; he seemed to be a lot more at ease than the day before and when questioned said the Cpl. HAYES had shot and killed three natives of BILUA. Two men had died outright and the third, a native woman, had been shot in the finger and had died a couple of days later in the bush. HAYES had wounded one other in the leg; this man had since recovered. We said the Government regretted HAYES'S mental "sick" and would compensate him, at least financially, for his loss. The Luluai appeared to recover his spirits quickly and organised the carrying of our gear to MUNKIP accompanying the line himself. We reached MUNKIP at midday. This village is clean and well cared for and has never been visited by the Japanese, as far as we can ascertain. MUNKIP and BILUA were fully recruited on our first patrol.

We reached BADIPO early afternoon, and found the village deserted. It had been deserted for from four to five months by the condition of the village. Attempts to contact the natives were a failure although the Police found cooking fires burning and signs of recent occupation in houses in the gardens close to the village. We stayed here overnight.

3-10-43. We left for TIFERAN. It was here, in sight of GOIN on the edge of the WAIN country, that we first came on the good track, that we learned afterwards was the Japanese road from BOANA to KAIAPIT via TIFERAN, LUGU, LABISAP and TIMUNGKANG. Tracks on this route are for the most part beautifully graded walking tracks cleared in places to a width of six feet and more. All water crossings have been bridged by the Japanese themselves or by natives under Jap. overseers.

Natives in this area denied that they had been told to do this work. They admit that only a month or so before that the tracks had been overgrown and offered no explanation for the new grading. Throughout this patrol in the absence of volunteered information we had to proceed warily as a move or a word in the wrong direction would have sent them flying back to their hideout. We took the view that establishing contact was the first essential and did not press for information regarding the enemy. It is certain that had we tried to force talk we would have had neither recruits nor information. On reaching TIFERAN we found it deserted. Not a sign of life. Here we struck what was to prove to be the first of a chain of houses, practically identical in size and construction which I believe, without proof, have been constructed to stage small parties of Jap troops through this area.

The houses have woven bamboo floors and earthen fireplaces inside; this is a cold country and the Japs do not appear to carry bedding. This may explain the fires. There was plenty of evidence of Jap. occupation but not of recent date. The Police went to contact natives and were away over two hours. One W/C found three monkeys from BADIPO whom he brought back to camp, the M.T.T. of MUNKIP acted as interpreter and we found that the BADIPO people had deserted their village some five months before because of an epidemic of 'strong' sores. That they had been away and remained in hiding because they were afraid of us; no reason was given for this fear. They said they could get the BADIPO and TIFERAN natives to line at TIFERAN when we returned. We let two of them go to find the rest of the village and kept the third in our party.

4-10-43. Left for LUGU. Road varies from very good to short patches of indifferent surface, but shows evidence of care, particularly on the long grade that is the approach to LUGU. LUGU was deserted. Police were despatched to find the villagers and returned with stories of natives who had run away

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N/C GWAMBELA returned with a woman late in the afternoon, found on the bank of the ERAP river. M.T.T. of MUBHIP again interrogated her and after some persuasion she agreed to lead him to a hideout of portion of the village.

5-10-43. We remained here in GUGU waiting for the M.T.T. who had not returned overnight. Investigation of the village disclosed an O.P. in a tree. This O.P. gives an excellent view of No. 2 Strip at Hadzab. The O.P. is well constructed with a banana leaf roof and has had trees cut to clear the view. The M.T.T. returned with the Luluai about 1400 hours. This Luluai had for his hideout a hole in the rocks which was entered by climbing a cane rope. Questioned he was dumb. said he didn't know anything, but told us that he would have his men lined in the village on our return. He had been hiding from us since the Paratroops dropped at Hadzab. Asked about the O.P. he looked blank then light dawned on him and he said it had been built by the children of the village to watch the planes on the drome. If he is lying he is a good actor. I think he is a good actor. We stayed the second night at GUGU.

6-10-43. En route to KISENGAN we passed through three deserted hamlets of GUGU, reaching KISENGAN about midday. KISENGAN too was deserted but beautifully kept and clean. GUGU and KISENGAN both have Jap. houses. Police were sent to find the natives and two of them pursued and caught a man and a woman and a couple of children who had been observed running away. The man was sent with police to find the Tutul. We waited three hours till they returned bringing the medical T.F. They were unable to find the Tutul. The M.T.T., who was very nervous, said that they were hiding from the planes.; that the missionary had been out of the village for five months. KISENGAN has a new missionary house of planks, freshly cut and nailed with new nails the heads of which have not had time to rust. The M.T.T. was instructed to have his line in the village when we returned. He said he could do this.

7-10-43. We left for LABISAP passing through YUNGARAM which was deserted. At LABISAP the Luluai and Tutul were waiting for us, but they only had a few natives with them. They had been warned in advance of our coming by a PININGWANG native who had been sent on to have the PININGWANG and intervening villages ready for our arrival. Questioned the Tutul said most of the natives were still away at their work, that they were afraid to line because there was a strong rumour of unknown origin in the district, that it was our intention to line the natives lock them in their houses then burn the houses. I assured him patiently that same was not our intention and asked him to produce the inhabitants quickly. During the afternoon we had visits from officials of the surrounding villages. They were all curious but not informative.

8-10-43. Lines Labisap natives and found a fairly complete line but a number of males were still absent. We instructed that they be found by evening and then left for LOWAS about an hour away. LOWAS had nearly a full line up; their village is very dirty but the Jap road in their area is first class. The health of the natives in this area and in the whole area patrolled was of a much higher standard than the Lower ERAP, covered in our first patrol. The natives did not receive our talk with much enthusiasm. Recruits were selected and ordered to be ready to accompany us on our return, which we expected would be in about three or four days. We returned to LABISAP visiting NIBERA and KAPORA in the afternoon. Both these villages had fairly full lines natives were told to contact the missing. These two villages are in good health and we got many recruits. The villages in this area suffered a surprising number of casualties returning to their villages when indentured labour was told to go from WAU early in the war. The Markham has nearly fifteen victims in the LABISAP area alone. This explains their fear, frequently voiced, that the labour we were recruiting would be used on the south side of the river, and that they would eventually left to fend for themselves. I gathered that their opinion of us had suffered somewhat in the early stages of the war. Then again we had painted a terrible picture of the Jap.; raping women, killing pigs and otherwise behaving badly. In contrast his behaviour in the ERAP has been exceptionally good. He has not made unreasonable demands on the natives. These things have helped his acceptance by these natives. Recruits were told to wait in their villages until we returned.

9-10-43. Proceeded to PINUNGWANG over a good wide track. We were well received here. The whole village with few exceptions made line and they seemed not to mind being recruited. PINUNGWANG said that they had not seen Jap troops; in spite of a remarkably well constructed bridge over the JUDA river and the so well cared for road. This village is healthy and appears to have an abundance of food.

10-10-43. Proceeded to GON over a vile track. GON is an insanitary, filthy decaying place built on a beautiful sight. They lined almost without absentees; but a number of otherwise eligible males had to be rejected because of goitre which is prevalent here. There are some 15 cases of severe enlargement here and almost as many more with slight enlargement. We were met here by IYAB Tutul of GIPANGWANG. He was of great assistance to us on the patrol. Instructions were left here that they were to clean their village.

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11-10-43. Returned to FINUNGWANG with recruits from GON and arranged to send the GON and FINUNGWANG natives to MADZAB via BUNKI.

12-10-43. After getting the natives on their way W.O. Robinson took IYAB to one side to try and clear up some of the things that were becoming more and more of a mystery on this patrol. IYAB told Robinson that the Japanese had patrolled to FINUNGWANG at least three times and they had gone on to KAIAPIT using a road that went into the hills behind GON (not the GON road). He said the Japs were making a round trip of it because each time they brought the same CHINESE interpreter and on no occasion had they come back on this road. They had come from BOANA and gone to KAIAPIT, he thought. He had no idea how the Chinese got back to BOANA. He said further to that that the Japanese had recruited natives in that area for unspecified work, and that even now three boys from FINUNGWANG and GON were hiding from us in the hills with bullet wounds in them, that they had been shot when with a party of Japanese who had been ambushed by our troops while crossing the BUSU River. Unfortunately time did not permit further investigation, and having promised the Tul Tul that his information would be treated as confidential Robinson did not feel disposed to go into the matter more fully just then.

On the way back to LABISAP, at the bridge crossing the JUDA River we found a native. He was GRAMAN of PINUNGWANG. He said he had been recruited by the Japanese and that he had been working for them for 6 or 8 weeks when the "trouble" arrived. He said he with a party of Japanese fleeing from BOANA to MADANG He ran away from them somewhere in the WAIN country. He claimed that he had returned to Lae and reported to the Police Master there, who had given them food kept him there for one night then sent him back to his place as he was unfit for work. Asked if he had been given a pass he said yes, but it was in his shirt pocket which he had lost. He had in his rucksack a Japanese sock (new) full of Jap rice and two new red machine stitched lavalava and a few worthless trinkets in a string bag. He was put under guard of the policeto accompany us to LABISAP. On the way I managed to scare out of him an admission that he had another native with him - a boy WAGIMAK of LOWAS - . At LOWAS the TulTul was very reluctant to produce the boy. Denied having him until faced with undisputable evidence. Then I had nearly an hours wait before he reported back with the runaway. Sent the PINUNGWANG boy on to LEA LABISAP and kept the boy WAGIMAK with me. This boy was a much stronger character, and had his story ready, but it only vaguely resembled the story told by IRAMAN. He said that they both had a pass which had been taken by another native. He said he had spoken to a Kiap in Lae; he didn't know his name but he was in the SEPIK before (Captain ORMSBY ?) In Lae he had been given meat and rice, since finished. Both bore out the story of the CHINESE interpreter and said that the work on the road was of recent origin, that the tracks were overgrown when they left for YALU when they had been taken by the Japs. This native broke away from the Police during the night. IRAMAN was permitted to return to his place by W.O. Robinson and myself. A feature of his departure was a deep bow to Robinson and myself. On reaching LABISAP we found half the natives who were supposed to be ready then had taken fright at the planes that had dropped leaflets and had made for the bush again.

13-10-43. We spent all this day collecting the natives who had run away but by late afternoon had them all in and arranged for them to leave the following morning for Madzab, via IRUWA. We used these different routes to relieve the strain on the food fronts.

14-10-43. Left for LANGARAN where we found a full line, bursting to assist in every way possible. We recruited 21 natives here and moved on to KISENGAN where we expected a big line; but found nothing; and no sign that there had been natives in the village in our absence. In view of the time wasted here trying to find the natives on our first visit we decided not to wait and pushed on to KANGARAN where we stayed overnight. KANGARAN people were not living in their village. This applies to all natives in the area; but in most cases they are living in houses in their gardens. KISENGAN has constructed a collection of hovels in which they wallow in filth leaving their village as a decoy for bombing. All natives were sure we intended bombing them. Only portion of the village lined; the tulul was away sick the lulai was away at his work over the top of a range of mountains etc. The medical Tul Tul appeared to be in charge of the balance of the village; we recruited 10 from the line up and as in every other village we told them that there Government had come back stronger than ever and that they were to return to their village and live there.

15-10-43. Left for LUGU where LUGU and adjoining hamlets were lined. There were only a few absentees. We did not ask for but selected our own recruits without comment, addressed the village and moved on to TIFERAN where we found a full line of BADO and TIFERAN Natives. We gained another 25 recruits. As we had no objection for the big line with us we decided to make the deserted BADIBO village our night.

We moved back to BILUA where we found five natives of FONG. FONG is the area covered by our first patrol and these natives had been hiding in the bush. They said they had come to BILUA to report for work. We made MADZAB at 1600 hours on this day.

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Further recruiting in the ERAP is impossible with the exception of KISENGAN. All villages have been recruited to such an extent that after a period of from 4 to 6 months at the longest some of the ERAP labour will have to be returned if we do not wish to impose definite hardship on the natives in this area. It should also be considered that these natives will eventually return to their place and that there must be food there for them.

ERAP natives with few exceptions have been living in a state of chaos through no fault of their own, for over a year. Gardens have become small places scratched out near their hideouts. It was noted that in the few days grace allowed some of the villages that the men worked really hard cleaning and clearing new ground to be planted in their absence. I would suggest a patrol of that area in about 10 to 12 weeks to investigate and report on the food position.

Signed. J. MACKAY W.O.11
Patrol Officer.
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NATIVE POLICE.

- N/C HAU A Papuan boy who is doing an exceptionally good job.
- N/C BUKI Plenty of courage but no brains.
- N/C YAVINGU Plenty of brains but no courage.
- N/C GWANBEILA Has done a good job on both patrols Is exceptionally observant and cautious without being in the least afraid.
- N/C KUNUNU No Rope.
- N/C AITAWAI A good N/C but out of his depth in New Guinea. Is apparently not anxious to learn pidgen. This is a pity.
- N/C WURURU Has done well on both patrols.
- N/C LOUEN Varies from very good to indifferent. Too often indifferent.
- N/C TOMBWI A hard trier.

Signed. J. MACKAY W.O.11,
PATROL OFFICER.
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That the natives first contacts were enjoyed to see us, is beyond doubt. It maybe our recruiting activities are somewhat tempering their attitude. Then again it may be that as we penetrate into the back areas, the natives are afraid that we will punish them for any assistance they may have rendered to the Japs. X. It must be instructed to release propaganda regarding our attitude towards this. Lt Whittaker knows this area well, & his report should throw some light on the subject. 1/11

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HQ ANGAU,
3 Nov 43.

F.E.L.O.

Native Situation, ERAP Area, North Markham Dist.

Set out below for information is an extract from a report by DO North Markham District, dated 28 Oct 43:-

"It is too early to say how the natives regard our return. As previously reported, our first contact with them, has always been to obtain labour recruits, whether they like it or not, and this was not done by the enemy. It is considered that FELO should somewhat revise their propaganda. Actually the enemy have treated the natives fairly well and have more or less left them alone and many of our leaflets have turned out to be wrong. I know of only one case to date in this area where a Jap soldier had intercourse with a native woman, and she was a consenting party."

Lt-Col.
for DA & CIG, ANGAU.

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HQ ANGAU,
3 Nov 43.

DO NORTH MARKHAM.

Patrol Report No. 8/43-44 - WO/II Mackay J.B.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report.

2. The matter raised in para 7 has been brought to the notice of F.E.L.O.
3. That the natives first contacted were overjoyed to see us, is beyond doubt. It may be our recruiting activities are somewhat tempering their attitude. Then again it may be that as we penetrate into the "back" areas, the natives are afraid that we will punish them for any assistance they may have rendered to the Japs. Action should be taken to intensify our propaganda in this respect.

Lt-Col. ADDS.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 9 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Wolli S.L. Ashton

Area Patrolled Isapiba area.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 19/ 10/ 19. 43 to 24/ 10/ 19. 43

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS.
PORT MORESBY.

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

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PATROL REPORT No 9 of 1943-44 - WO/11. S.L.A. ASHTON.

Herewith Patrol Report No 9 submitted by WO/11 ASHTON S.L. covering his activities with 2/7 Aust. Cav. Commando Sqn forward of 7 Div. H.Q.'s at DUMPU.

2. This area has been under complete enemy domination for the past nine months and enemy patrols have been active in that area - both offensive and reconnaissance parties for their projected M.T. road.

3. Operations are more or less static at present in the Rama Valley and we must not expect any sudden swing to our side until the enemy have driven back to the coast.

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Warrant*

Since our hasty evacuation of the WESA post early in the year, the natives have been very pro-Jap, and I am certain they willingly co-operated with the enemy, and the fear of reprisals by us will lessen the possibility of obtaining recruits and assistance from them whilst, in their opinion, the outcome of hostilities is doubtful.

7 Div H.Q.'s have agreed to ANGAU Patrol Officers accompanying each of their forward patrols, as they are realising the value of fresh contacts with the natives, both from an intelligence and a labour point of view. The natives more readily contact our troops if they know they are accompanied by a "KIAP".

11/11/43

H.L.R. Fiall
.....Major.
(H.L.R. FIALL) District Officer.

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DUMPU.

Herewith a summary of events since receiving your instructions on the 18th inst. to proceed to the 7th Ind. Coy at KESAWAI with a view to contacting the ISARIBA groups and other natives if possible.

DIARY

- 19.10.43. Moved off with 6 R.P.C and carriers and camped with 7 Ind. Coy near KAROPA.
- 20.10.43. Capt. Lomas informed me he was moving a section of men forward to KETOPA tomorrow. I obtained permission for my party to accompany them.
- 21.10.43. Moved on to KETOPA, passing through KAROPA and ISARIBA. These three places have been unoccupied by natives for some months, perhaps a year. The Japs built rear KAROPA, but occupied the House Kiap at KETOBA.
- 22.10.43. Contacted Tul Tul of ISARIBA and he informed me that all villagers were hiding in groups in different parts of the bush. He was told to return and bring in all he could.
- 23.10.43. No native food stuffs available. Carriers sent back for Rice, Biscuits, Meat and Sugar. P.B's out scouring the country side for natives. Returned with some Marys, Lapoons and children. Returned the Marys and children and detailed the Lapoon to contact KETOBA Tul Tul and BUNUGUMU Doctor Boy. Tul Tul of ISARABI returned with two recruits. Sent him back to find the Luluai of KAROPA and more recruits.
- 24.10.43. Received signal of recall for leave. Decided to remain and make best use of present native contact and incidentally to await return of my carriers that left yesterday.
- 25.10.43. Tul Tul of ISARIBA returned with Luluai of KAROPA and three recruits from that place. Sent Tul Tul off to round up some more recruits, also Luluai to contact Tul Tul of KETOBA.
- 26.10.43. Tul Tul of KETOBA and two recruits and Doctor Boy of BUNUGUMU with four recruits arrived in. Tul Tul of ISARIBA also arrived with two more recruits. Sent Doctor Boy of BUNUGUMU to bring in KARONA and SAUSI "Hats". My carriers returned.
- 27.10.43. No KARONA or SAUSI contact yet and decided to return DUMPU tomorrow.
- 28.10.43. Handed over 13 recruits to 7 Ind. Coy to feed and hold until further notice. Returned as far as Lieut. Ireland's camp No.2. Strip.
- 29.10.43. Arrived DUMPU.

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Generally, they appear timid, unhealthy, underfed and sceptical (or give me that impression) that we are in complete control of the Jap situation. They have no reliable information of Jap positions and activities. Kanaka talk has it that the Jap lorries go as far as YAULA and plenty of mules or horses carry to KISA and return, with the exception of 2 or 3 who carry on down through KETOBA, ISARIBA, KAROBA and KESAWAI. I saw no signs of horse tracks at any of the villages passed through - Kanakas only, the last time they saw them was from 2 to 3 months ago. They heard ORGORUNA, KISA, KOBA and MATALOI were occupied by Japs. Japs, as usual, interfered with village life and habits, hence them taking to the hills.

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GENERAL

In all, I recruited 20 odd boys, but passed out all but 13 - the others would have needed too much attention to have been of any use for quite a while. Until the troops advance much further inland and occupy those areas, there is little prospects of recruiting any large numbers of boys. The WAIMARIBA natives are supposed to be in the hills on the other side of the RAMU. I sent across P.B.'s but made no contact.

N.L.

Signed. S.L.A. AShton WO(i+).
Patrol Officer.

The District Officer,
North Markham.

This report is forwarded as an indication of WO Ashton's work.

The Capt. Lomas, mentioned in the Diary, is CO, 7 Aust. Cav. Sqdn. who are operating forward.

In successfully contacting these forward people, WO Ashton has performed an excellent piece of work. I fully anticipated that he would experience great difficulty, and I would not have been surprised had he reported failure. Naturally, they are timid, for reports which I obtained in the Ramu-Markham Valley last March led me to believe that ~~the majority of the groups of that area had been carrying cargo for the enemy etc.~~ the majority of the groups of that area had been carrying cargo for the enemy etc. The Kesawai group, not far distant, had threatened the Kaigulins at that time, of the probable consequences if they failed to co-operate with the enemy. However, a start has been made, and WO Dooner has gone forward to carry on where WO Ashton left off. Meantime, Lieut. Rae reports that he is making some contacts with the Kesawai 1, 2, & 3, groups. He is operating in the area patrolled by the 2/6 Aust Cav Coy.

Few recruits are obtainable at the moment, but the value of the work done lies in the fact that it will make our approach to recruitable natives, not much farther forward, all the easier. WO Gow, accompanied by Lieut. Elliot, will also be operating in the vicinity shortly, and all these parties will be able to push ahead immediately the enemy is forced back. WO Seale, accompanied by WO Hayes, will for the time being, do a patrol in the Rauwa area.

This report has been made available to Div. Intelligence, and they are desirous of receiving any information of a similar nature, if only for checking purposes.

It is to be hoped that WO Ashton will be available for this type of work, in which he shows an intense interest and for which, by experience, he is admirably suited, when he returns from leave.

H.E. Hamilton
(H.E. Hamilton) Capt.
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 10 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Lt. G. K. Whittaker

Area Patrolled Gap area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 26/10/1943 to 3/11/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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PATROL REPORT No. 10/43-44 - ERAP AREA
(Lieut G.K. Whittaker)

A patrol of the ERAP area was carried out from 26 Oct 43 to 3 Nov 43.

The party consisted of Capt Hedley, Cpl Nicol, Pte Williams, and myself and 4 native constables. A party of 20 native carriers also accompanied us.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

To obtain any available information about the enemy in the area patrolled with special reference to a mule track from BOANA to KAIAPIT reported from captured documents, and mentioned in WOII Ryan's report of June this year.

PART I.

1. Although information received showed that the Japs had intended repairing the track, it is quite obvious that no definite programme was followed and that the natives, although instructed to do certain work, were not supervised or hurried in any way.
2. It is not considered possible, in view of distance, track times, grades, and general terrain, for the enemy to launch any but a small attack by 50 or so troops along this route in its present condition.
3. The journey from FININGWA - BOANA would take loaded troops at least 6½ days, and their maintenance would be most difficult.
4. Only three or four parties of approximately 50 troops have passed along the track to KAIAPIT, and on one other occasion a party proceeded to KISENGEN only and then returned eastwards.
5. Supply by air dropping would be possible but no particularly good grounds were located, KISENGEN and LABISAP being the most suitable.

PART II.

1. In the villages en route to FININGWA various stories were heard about the Japs moving through FININGWA to KAIAPIT.
2. Extensive enquiries made at FININGWA showed that on three or four occasions, Japs in parties of approximately 50 had moved through to KAIAPIT and on one occasion a party had moved to KISENGEN on a recruiting expedition and sent the tul tul of that village to FININGWA and GOFAN to recruit, which he did, and was successful. That Jap party returned to BOANA and finally LAE.
3. In passing through to KAIAPIT carriers had only been recruited to carry packs and two sick Japs (see statement by Cpl AWESOR taken by me at Bulolo in June re WOII Lumb's death) and not for large supplies of food. However, two natives found at FININGWA and one at GOM had bullet wounds.
4. When questioned the boys said that the tul tul of KISENGEN had recruited them to carry cargo for the Japs from LAE to BOANA. While doing this, and getting away from LAE with the Japs, they were wounded by our troops at LUMBIAP in WAIN area. They deny having helped the Japs evacuate LAE saying they were on their way home after reporting to an ANGAU representative at KUMKUMUN near LAE. If they were on their way home why were they north of the BUSO River?

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It does not appear to me that they were on the way home, being on the north side. The main road from LAE is along the south side of the river.

5. The fact that the tall of KISENGAN recruited labour for the Japs may have been the reason that his natives were absent from their village when WO Robinson and WO Mackay passed through on a recruiting patrol while in the ERAP area. They were still absent when we passed through. Possibly they carried for the Japs.

6. One native from the village was found, who could speak Pidgin, having worked in Rabaul, and was sent to tell the natives to return to the village, but he did NOT return before the patrol moved off. It is not considered that much information could be obtained from a military point of view, even if these people were questioned.

7. Although the natives stated that the Japs had told them to repair the track to KISENGAN and FININGWA, and some work had been carried out, it is quite obvious no definite programme has been followed.

8. The track further east towards BOANA had been cleared a little in places. I covered this track eighteen months ago, and I can assure you it is in worse condition now than it was then.

9. No new bench cutting has been done, and grading remains the same. Very rarely has the track been widened.

10. The following facts were noticed:-

- (a) The general terrain was particularly difficult at times.
- (b) Grades very steep in many places, at least twice each day, and on one occasion from LABISAP to SUGU, five gorges were crossed in a day, very steep grades were climbed.
- (c) Distances between villages (which would have to be used as staging posts) were long, and the time to move from FININGWA to BOANA would be at least $3\frac{1}{2}$ days for troops very lightly clad and loaded, $6\frac{1}{2}$ days would be the very minimum walking time.
- (d) The track is for the main part beneath trees and continually wet. Within three days troops would cut it up seriously and times would lengthen as a consequence.
- (e) Rations would need to be carried as vegetables are not in good supply.
- (f) Although air dropping could be used there are no particularly good grounds for it.

11. Considering these facts, I have drawn the following conclusions:-

- (a) The motor road spoken of is an impossibility.
- (b) To make the track suitable for mules (as mentioned in a captured document) 100 boys would be needed for at least 60 days. Bridges, grading, bench cutting, and general repairs would have to be carried out, and then it may be suitable for a hard mule track. Maintenance would be considerable.
- (c) If the route was to be used as an L of C., great difficulty would be experienced in finding sufficient natives to operate it. It would be definitely inadequate to provide supplies for a force of any size.
- (d) A small force of approx. 50 could move along the route and possibly strike at NADZAB, but the weight of any such attack would be governed by the difficulties already stated, and is not considered likely that the enemy would attempt such a difficult task.

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12. No information could be obtained about the route from FININGWA to KAIAPIT, except that it was similar to the one covered by this patrol. No information whatever could be obtained about the route from PTOAT over the FINISTERRES to the RAI COAST area.

13. I am attaching a statement by MERAMEN of FININGWA. You will note that it differs from my report in places. I consider he could be more truthful. He was one of the natives wounded by our troops.

14. As Capt Hedley of 15 AUST INF BDE kept a record of topographical information covering this patrol, he will write this report, and has promised me a copy which will go on to you in due course.

(Sgd) G.K. WHITTAKER Lieut.

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MERAMEN, duly warned, states:-

I am a native of FINUNGWA. My father was TUMONGAR. He is dead. I worked at Edie Creek for Mr. Hadley.

The Japanese arrived at LABISAP and sent the tal tul KEBARGI to FINUNGWA to collect boys to carry cargo to LAE. Four of us went on this occasion:- MENTEN, WARKIMAP, TOMUMGAN, and myself. We went to LAE and carried cargo to BOANA. This was done on three occasions. Your troops then came to LAE and I ran away with the Japs to the WAIN mountains near KEMIN. I carried their sick and rucksacks. I ran away from the Japs and returned to your troops at KUMKUMAN to the Kiap. He told me and WARKIMAP to return to his place. He gave us rice and tobacco (why did he not keep them to carry cargo?). We left KUMKUMAN and travelled to WAIN over the KEMIN road and met many Japanese. Many were dead and not buried. They asked us for pawpaws but we did not give them any. We then met some of your troops near KEMIN. They asked if we had come with the Japs, and I said we had been with Europeans. They searched our rucksacks, and found we had European rations and let us go. They asked if we had seen any Japs on the road and we told them there were many in the houses and on the road. They took us to LUMBIPE to carry cargo and the tal tul of KEMIN went to the masters there and asked permission to let us go home. They let us go and we returned to FINUNGWA. The Japs who lived at BOANA ran away from there early in the LAE operations and proceeded to KAIAPIT via ERAP/LERON road. There would not be very many, because they only lived in three European constructed buildings at the Mission, and they stored their cargo in portion of the villages. Some of the natives who carried cargo for the Japs were shot by your troops. In my village MINIMENG was one. He was wounded (examined:- certainly not bullet wounds, could be very small fragments of hand grenades). The other boy was from GOM. His name KIATSORGAR. There was another boy wounded at the same time - he was from KUMORYI of IRUMU area. I was in my village when the first line of Japs passed through FINUNGWA for KAIAPIT. They filled two of the Mission boys' houses. The Mission boy was not here at the time. There was one Chinese who acted as interpreter with them. He was a young man. The Japs only stayed for one night. The second occasion the Japs came through there were only five on their way to KAIAPIT. The Chinese interpreter was with them again. The third occasion there were 10 Japs and the Chinese interpreter again. On the fourth occasion the Japs visited the area they did not go to FINUNGWA. They did go, however, to LABISAP, and it was on this occasion that they sent for me. The Japs did not return from KAIAPIT to LAE over the ERAP road. They only used it when travelling from LAE to KAIAPIT. They never had any foreign boys with them when they passed through our village. ERAP natives only accompanied them. The Japs sent shovels to GAIN village and told them to make the road through towards ERAP and when they completed their section the shovels were passed to SUGU and so on until the road was completed. The Japs told us to make the road, and the natives made it.

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Patrol Report No. 10/43-44

Herewith Patrol Report by Lieut G.K. Whittaker.

2. The object was primarily to guide Intelligence Officers on an investigation of the proposed Jap mule track.

3. I agree with Lieut Whittaker that the track is not a likely one to be used by enemy troops, and the original report by WO Ryan must be put down to his inexperience, as he had not previously been through country where the Lutheran Mission Teachers invariably constructed new tracks and improved existing ones.

4. In consequence of discussions with Lieut Whittaker since his return from this patrol, it has been decided to station WO Mackay, J., Patrol Officer, in the ERAP area, so that the people can be settled and rehabilitated under supervision.

J.P. Adams
Major
District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 11 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi M. Bird

Area Patrolled Main area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 1/11/1943 to 13/11/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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 £.....

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Patrol Report No. 11/43-44
(WOII Bird, N. - WEIN Area)

Herewith progress report covering period 1 - 13 Nov. 43.

- 1 Nov 43: At BUMBUN, awaiting WO Neumann's return from BAINDUANG. Sorted out carriers etc for 24th Battalion.
- 2 Nov 43: After getting carrier lines away retired to bed with a violent attack of diarrhoea, and remained there at intervals. WO Neumann returned from BAINDUANG.
- 3 Nov 43: Remained in bed at short intervals.
- 4 Nov 43: As above.
- 5 Nov 43: do.
- 6 Nov 43: Left GUMBUN for BANGDAP as start of patrol of villages and recruiting trip. Owing to weak condition did not arrive BANGDAP until late pm. Slept in village.
- 7 Nov 43: Lined natives of BANGDAP, checked the census, and gave a talk. Left for KORANGANDOANG after lunch. Arrived at 1330 hrs after leisurely climb over divide. Lined natives and gave talk. Slept in village.
- 8 Nov 43: Left KORANGANDOANG at 0830 hrs., arriving MITHALAMBA 1130 hrs. Good line-up of natives, and good type. Checked census and gave a talk. Slept in village that night.
- 9 Nov 43: Left MITHALAMBA at 0830 hrs, arrived DOKALONG 1000 hrs. Lined natives and checked census. Village book destroyed by enemy action, but in order that records be not altogether lost, compiled census in old book of another village, and this can be transferred to a new book when available. A poor lot of natives, though the tul tul is a good lad, and has been very helpful throughout. Gave talk as usual. Left at 1305 hrs and arrived KASANOBE 1400 hrs. Lined and checked census. Village book for this village also destroyed - provided an old book in its place. Very poor line-up for such a large village - took officials to task pretty sharply, and ordered them to get the rest of the natives in. Slept in the village.
- 10 Nov 43: Owing to a recurrence of bowel trouble was unable to leave KASANOBE. Lined natives again - still not satisfied with number, and demanded more. Slept in the village.
- 11 Nov 43: Lined natives again - much more satisfactory line-up, but still far from complete. Checked census as far as possible, and warned officials that the stragglers MUST appear on my next visit. Gave usual talk. Slept in village.
- 12 Nov 43: Left KASANOBE at 0800 hrs., Arrived KISITOWEM 1010 hrs. Lined and checked census. A very poor lot. Here again the village book had been destroyed, and a census was compiled in another old book. Gave the usual talk, and retired to bed at short intervals. Slept in village.
- 13 Nov 43: Left KISITOWEM at 0830 hrs and proceeded to the top of the divide and then down the other side to AVE, arriving at that village at 1038 hrs. The village was deserted, so sent out scouts and brought in the Luluai at 1130 hrs. The enemy had destroyed his hat and book. Sent him out to bring in his people to line tomorrow morning. Retired to bed at intervals.

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I am compelled - after two years - to admit (very unwillingly) that I am not as good as I used to be. My health seems to have broken down finally. I suppose there is a limit to which one can drive one's body. The fact remains that I have fallen down on the job, and must ask you - again unwillingly - to send me relief that I may get medical treatment and take my leave. Believe me, it is a bitter blow that I must ask for relief in the middle of a job, but I am physically unable to carry on, and must ask for relief as soon as can be arranged, as I consider it dangerous in my present state of health to carry on for any length of time. I will remain at GUMBUN until relief arrives, and hand over to him.

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I am sending herewith a copy of the talk given at each village - I know the thing off by heart, so do not require the draft any more - in fact I find myself quoting the thing in my sleep. It will give you an idea of what I have done in the area.

FOOD SITUATION IN AREA:

The villages visited on this patrol seem fairly well off for gardens and food. Gardens close to the road have certainly been cleaned out by the enemy. Pigs are conspicuous by their absence, but I have a shrewd suspicion that these people are not so badly off for pigs as they make out. Discreet enquiries elicited the fact that quite a number were removed to the vicinity of old DIMINI village. Quite a few young men from these villages are also in that vicinity - looking after the pigs, I suspect. I have told the village officials that these young men MUST return to their several villages. There are quite a few prospective recruits amongst them.

Native TETRO in that area I suspect. At any rate I have offered a reward of one small axe for information re his whereabouts, and should get results shortly.

Wein Area: Gardens in this area are not so good, particularly as regards those villages in close vicinity of BOANA. The enemy had a standing patrol at BOANA for some time, with the result that the natives neglected to cut new gardens to any great extent. Villages WAMPAGNAM, BANZAIN, KWAMBELENG, GANZANGANG, WASIM, DZENZAIN, KWAIPMUNUM, and SOKAM seem to be pretty badly off for gardens. Gardens close to the road have been completely cleaned out, and gardens higher up neglected.

The food situation in the villages named above may become acute in the near future, and in my opinion the villages should be kept under observation for a couple of months, but unobtrusively - so that natives do not realise why - and start "putting it over". There is no occasion yet to supply food to these villages.

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(Sgd) WOII Bird, N.M.

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Pidgin Address Delivered by WO/II Bird, P.M. to Villages in WEIN AREA and which Conforms to the Usual Form of Address given to Villages of North Markham District.

All listen to this. In the good times all boys could make contracts with their own Masters. They received blankets, shirts, tinned meat, rice, biscuits - a good ration - and at the end of their contract received their money and could go home. In those good times there were schools and there were things in plenty.

The Germans attacked our friends so we went to help them. We sent our ships, our aircraft, our soldiers and everything we had to fight the Germans. We had nothing left with which to fight. The Japanese knew this and thought "Now is the time to fight Australia." They thought that they could capture Australia and New Guinea easily. Australia had nothing with which to fight.

The Japanese captured Rabaul, Lae, Salamaua and part of Papua. As I have said before we could not stop them because we had sent everything to help our friends - all our ships, our aircraft and our soldiers. For a time the Japanese won easily. There were very few soldiers and only a few of us who were civilians before.

We called for our ships, aircraft and soldiers to come back. They are all back now. We have been able to fight back at the Japanese. First we drove them from Papua and killed all the Japanese and then drove them from Salamaua and Lae. We hammered them properly. You saw the big line of Japanese who ran away from Lae because they were afraid of our soldiers. They ran like wild pigs trying to get to Sio and Madang. They were afraid of us. We caught the Japanese at Finschhafen and Madang and hammered them again. It is our turn now and we are going to make the Jap understand that he cannot kumbug us or you.

The Kiap wants to see your village and to make sure that you are all right, that the Japs have not hurt you. The Kiap has come so if there are any Japs in your land let me know and soldiers will come to kill them. When there are no more Japs in your place the soldiers will go looking for the Japs in other places. It won't be long now.

You are not to be afraid of the aeroplanes flying around. They are our planes searching for the Japs. They have destroyed so many of the Jap planes that the Jap has not time to bomb and strafe the kanakas. He is too busy trying to hold his own against us. There is nothing for you to be afraid of. All the planes you see our ours.

You must return to your villages, clean them, build new houses, make gardens, look after your pigs and fowls and live your normal life. The Kiap has come back and will help you with your troubles. He will move about among you as before. The Doctor will come and heal your sores and your sick.

Do not think that when the soldiers and the Kiap goes that you can forget everything and remain in the bush. If you remain in the small bush houses your children will get sick. They will have sores, coughs and colds and many will die. All must go back into the village as before. You will have good houses where you can have fires and get away from the cold and the wind. That will be the good time.

It won't be long now and we will beat Japan and then the good times will be here, but it is hard work beating the Japanese. We have driven the Jap from your place and you need no longer be afraid. In return, you must help us.

I will mark boys for work. They will work at Nadzab or Lae carrying cargo and food for the soldiers. I am not taking boys without reason. They are to work on contract but I cannot say that the contract will be for one year, two years or three years. This is something for the No. 1 Kiap. The contract is with the Government. You will not be working for nothing. You will get your pay

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES — NEW GUINEA FORCE

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District Office,
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Patrol Report No. 11/43-44
(WOII Bird, N. - WEIN Area)

Herewith Progress Report by WOII Bird, at present patrol-
ling in the WEIN area.

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1. Prior to receipt of the report, Patrol Officer K. Jones, WOII, had left to relieve WO Bird, who will return here and then no doubt proceed on leave. He has done a very good job, and is well overdue for leave. ✓

2. To date his party have recruited approx 500 natives for the various labour gangs, and it is expected that he will bring in about 200 more when he returns.

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3. Reports on the native food situation are conflicting, and Patrol Officer Jones has been instructed to thoroughly investigate the position, and where necessary he will draw and issue supplies of rice, and at the same time encourage the natives to make bigger and better gardens. A supply of corn seed has been requisitioned for, and it is hoped that it will arrive in the very near future. The bulk of it will be distributed in the WEIN area.

4. The "piggin" lecture given at each village is attached in its original form as written by WO Bird. It conforms to the usual form given in all villages throughout the District, and with a few alterations could be almost used as a guide in other Districts.

*W. Bird
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Major
District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 12 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. R. G. Osmey

Area Patrolled Bukana & Momolili

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 17/10/43 to 20/11/43

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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PATROL REPORT No. 12/43-44
(Capt R.G. Ormsby - BUKAUA and MOMOLILI Areas)

Date left Station: 17 Oct 43
Date Retnd Station: 20 Nov 43

Purposes of Patrol:

- (1) Supplying carriers for operations MONGI River
- (2) Recruiting all available labour in area
- (3) General administrative work.

Patrol accompanied by:-

- (a) Cpl Leyden, A.J. (P.O.)
Cpl Foley, M. (P.C.)
WOII Irving (Military History Section)
- (b) L/Cpl and nine Constables, RPC.

DIARY:

17 Oct 43: Embarked LAE 1000 hrs and after some delay set out in convoy 1215 hrs. Disembarked 1530 hrs. Runners sent out to nearby villages. A few natives came in towards evening.

18 Oct 43: Village natives reported early, and with some difficulty 36 were selected and passed over to Lieut Home, who left forthwith. Self shifted camp to HOPOI Mission. Further runners sent out.

19 Oct 43: Most of the day spent in interviewing village officials, inspecting school children and generally estimating labour resources.

20 Oct 43: Checked census for BUKAUA group of villages, also UKILIM and MUNDALA.

21 Oct 43: Through JAMBU and WIDERU to E-E, checking census and recruiting.

22 Oct 43: Through BUENGIM, BUA, and TAMIGUDU to ULUGUDU. Also lined BANINOM and BUGANG. Located Rev Becker.

23 Oct 43: Listed and checked recruits to date. Passed over 47 recruits to Lieut Hodgson. AM4 anchored 1400 hrs. WO Wales ashore. Left 1600 hrs for MALASIGA.

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- 24 Oct 43: Obtained three recruits MALASIGA and left for Tami Is. Lined both villages. Obtained 7 additional recruits. Village now completely recruited. Returned MALASIGA.
- 25 Oct 43: From MALASIGA to BUTALA. Conferred with Lts. Jarman and Home re various matters. Disembarked ULUGUDU. Visited TAMIGUDU and ULUGUDU hideouts to collect Rev Decker. Also old Mission station - very badly battered by bombs and machine-gun fire.
- 26 Oct 43: Visited troops at MONGI River. Visited crashed American bomber. Human relics collected and identity disc found.
- 27 Oct 43: AM 4 returned. Loaded recruits, Decker, and misc. cargo for LAE. Self and party disembarked HOPOI.
- 28 Oct 43: At HOPOI. Routine re recruits etc. Visited BUKAUA and hideouts, crashed aircraft, and Blue Beach.
- 29 Oct 43: At HOPOI. Village Officials arriving - discussions etc.
- 30 Oct 43: At HOPOI. Mass meeting all Village officials. Lieut Montgomery called in.
- 31 Oct 43: WO Irving to LAE. Cargo received ex AM 45.
- 1 Nov 43: Through BUKAUA hideouts to BUARU. Lined village etc.
- 2 Nov 43: Through BUSU, WAGANLUHO and ALUKI to APO. Villager lined and some recruits obtained. Visited various military installations.
- 3 Nov 43: Through to former TIKERENG Village. Recruits despatched LAE by road. Self to LAE per afternoon barge.
- 4 Nov 43: Conferring with DO and various other matters connected with patrol.
- 5 Nov 43: Returned TIKERENG and sent word to various villages. Visited Military camps.
- 6 Nov 43: Inland to TALI village, now situated on BUNGA River. Lined and checked TIKERENG and TALI natives, also WAGAN and YANGA native evacuees from LAE area. Continued through to APO Village.
- 7 Nov 43: Cpls. despatched to inspect crashed 'plane. Self by coastal route to BUSU River, visiting camp and discussing re trading etc. Cpls. rejoined patrol and party proceeded to BUARU.

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- 8 Nov 43: Left BUARU and proceeded to Blue Beach. Carriers direct HOPOI. Help limited party salvaging 'plane.
- 9 Nov 43: Visited beach area inspecting Jap dumps etc with a view to possible salvage.
- 10 Nov 43: Cpl Foley left to supervise salvage operations. I proceeded to JAMBO. Inspected sunken pinnace and commenced salvage operations. Vessel floated.
- 11 Nov 43: Cpl Leydin sent to inspect a crashed Catalina. Self to WIDERU. Village lined. Cpl Leydin returned, and patrol proceeded through E-E to BUENGIM.
- 12 Nov 43: Lined BUENGIM. Continued on through BUA to TAMIGUDU. Visited U.S. vessel APC in re conduct of parties visiting shore.
- 13 Nov 43: Routine administrative matters.
- 14 Nov 43: Cpl Leydin despatched HOPOI per AM 45. Self visiting hideouts in area.
- 15 Nov 43: Various minor native disputes settled. Compensation paid for minor damage caused by visiting soldiers and sailors. Police sent to locate Jap 'plane crashed near BUA.
- 16 Nov 43: Cpls Leydin and Foley reported, accompanied by Lieut Chapman, OC troops stationed at HOPOI. Discussion re various matters.
- 17 Nov 43: With Lieut Chapman to mouth of MONGI River. Visited old Jap positions looking for possible salvage.
- 18 Nov 43: Proceeded to WIDERU. En route visited and inspected crashed Japanese 'plane near BUA.
- 19 Nov 43: Continued on to HOPOI. Discussions with Lieut Chapman re various matters.
- 20 Nov 43: Returned to LAB per AM 45.

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As can well be imagined, village life has been considerably upset by recent operations. Following on the dropping of pamphlets, most villages had already prepared hideouts in the bush, and those natives that were still living in their real villages abandoned them immediately they realised that Allied troops had landed.

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Thus all along the coast there is a chain of abandoned and partially demolished villages. Retreating Japanese pulled roofing off houses to provide themselves with shelter; many of them have been strafed by Allied planes; and in some cases our own troops have pulled houses down to get the materials.

Many gardens, too, have suffered from troops - both enemy and Allied. Others have been abandoned as too near the danger zone, and are now completely overgrown. Nevertheless there does not appear to be a serious shortage of staple foods. I think that this is due to population changes.

During the last eighteen months, for probably the first time in thirty or forty years, villages have had practically all their able-bodied men at home, and consequently much larger gardens than usual were planted. With so many of the village natives now recruited, it is anticipated that despite the damage to crops, there will be no serious shortages.

Getting the natives back into their villages will present a few problems. In some places military installations in the vicinity make it inadvisable for the natives to return at present. In all cases the rebuilding of the villages will be a problem, more particularly so as almost all of the men are away at work. However, the case for each village is being dealt with on its merits, and there does not appear any need to rush the matter. At present natives have been advised to re-occupy any houses still in good condition (with a view to preventing further depreciation) and gradually re-build for a family at a time to move back.

Good.

Enquiries were made in all villages as to deaths or injuries resulting from Allied strafing. Casualties were very low - perhaps a dozen in all. If necessary a complete list can be prepared.

(2) Recruiting:

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The areas patrolled may now be regarded as completely recruited. There will be a few additional labourers available as their minor ailments are cleared up, but not very many.

Recruiting was on a hundred per cent basis in so far as A class labour was concerned, but some B class natives with large families were allowed to remain in their villages. This should be enough to maintain village gardens, etc.

Full particulars of the percentage of recruits to male population have not been compiled, but the following figures are given for BUENGIM and WIBERU villages, which may be taken as an indication of the position throughout the whole area:-

	BUENGIM	WIBERU
Total No. of males over 12 years of age -	61	46
Indentured Labourers -	28	24
Temporarily unfit -	4	-
Indentured Labs. April '41	14	7
Taxpayers April '41	13	10

In both these cases the number of recruits obtained is higher than the total of I/Ls and taxpayers in April 1941.

The total number of natives recruited from the BUKAUA and MOMOLILI areas is approx 330. One hundred and thirtyseven recruits were obtained by the patrol - the others had been recruited earlier by PO's attached to 9 Div.

Excellent.

No difficulty was experienced in obtaining the recruits. The natives did not exactly rush in to volunteer their services, but at the same time there were only a few applications for exemption received, and these were usually genuine.

Three deserters were apprehended by the patrol. It was very pleasing to see that village officials had, on their own initiative, taken action to return them to their employment. It would appear that desertion is not likely to be a serious problem in these areas.

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(3) Reactions to Japanese occupation:

The matter of acts of disloyalty during the Japanese occupation is being made the subject of a separate memo.

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It has been very difficult to form definite opinions as to native re-action to the invasion. It is too early to decide how much credence can be placed in native stories, and it will probably be some time before an accurate picture is obtained.

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Personally, I think the native is genuinely glad that we are back, but I am not so sure that he was sorry to see us go.

Careful questioning as to Japanese methods of administration was carried out, and their policy seems to have been along the lines set out in the translated document previously circularised. The KEMPE TAI or Military Police seem to have kept good control over their troops.

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X Only one case of serious ill-treatment by Japanese was reported to the patrol. A TAMIGUDU native formerly employed on the launch ROAMER was shot by a Jap soldier for suspicion of concealing some of the engine parts. The native recovered, and has since been recruited. Threats of violence, however, were very common.

Demands made on villages for labour were not severe - natives were employed casually at LAE for a month at a time. Payment for this was made in food only.

Food was only stolen from gardens when natives did not bring in sufficient quantity - in such cases payment was usually left to cover it. Pigs and fowls were taken with or without consent, and usually paid for in money or small articles of equipment. The Jap does not appear to have had any special native trade stocks. An interesting example of the Japanese trading is the report that they used to trade rice to BUTIBUM natives in return for European clothing looted from LAE.

The main native objections to the Jap occupation appear to have been:-

- (1) Feeling of insecurity
- (2) Unsatisfactory payment
- (3) Lack of commodities.

With the return of former administration, and the sight of familiar faces, the native appears satisfied that law and order is back to stay.

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(4) Village Officials:

As was to be expected, the outstanding Village Official in the area is Paramount Lulual DAHU. Although an old man, he is still fairly active, and accompanied the patrol for a portion of the journey. He has a very dignified manner, and improves upon acquaintance. There is no doubt that he is a man of great influence, and he seems very level-headed.

Most Officials have retained their caps and books, and those without them blame their loss on the confusion ensuing upon the Allied landing. Apparently caps were not worn during the Jap occupation, being replaced by arm bands, particulars of which have already been supplied. Some additional arm bands have now been collected.

The Japs do not seem to have made any changes in Village Officials, but it is said that representations were made to them by TAMIGUDU natives that the Paramount Lulual should be replaced by a TAMIGUDU chief. Details will be supplied to Capt Upson.

It is also said that on one occasion DAHU was accused of aiding the Allies, and was threatened with a half-drawn sword. No actual example of loyalty can yet be attributed to DAHU, but it is considered that his failure to co-operate eagerly, and attitude of neutrality, was in itself extremely meretricious. His acceptance of Japanese arm band was possibly more for protection of native rights than as an indication of pro-Japanese feeling. I am inclined to believe that if our patrols had contacted him he would have assisted them.

Other officials are a good average type without any outstanding men. Tul Tul TAMATE of TAMIGUDU, a former Constable, is very efficient, but seems inclined to be a trouble-maker. He will be watched.

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ROADS and TRACKS:

From LAE to HOPOI the coast is flat, with much swampy ground and mangroves. The beach can be followed for the whole distance, and is jeepable much of the way. Alternative routes run a short distance inland, but have no particular advantages. There are two main river crossings: the BUSU, which is always troublesome to ford, and the BUSO, which is not particularly difficult except in flood.

From HOPOI to the MONGI River low coral cliffs are encountered. Road varies between the beach and a few hundred yards inland. Between YAMBO and WIDERU the beach route is impracticable, except at low tide, but there is a possible detour over a bad road with a stiff climb. River crossings are not a problem except in flood.

FOOD SUPPLIES:

✓ Vegetable supplies as mentioned elsewhere in this report are considered adequate.

There is a definite shortage of meat in the area. Many village pigs and fowls were taken by the Japanese, and those that are left have mostly gone bush. At HOPOI, village natives asked police to shoot runaway village pigs.

Also, the natives are hungry for fish - much of their fishing was done at night, and by canoe, and now their canoes are rotten, and they are afraid to use flares.

It is suggested that this diet deficiency may be a contributory factor in some of the ill-health noted in the area.

At present some villages have done very well for themselves by trading vegetables for tinned meat with parties of troops, but all villages have not benefited to an equal extent and it will not continue. Much of the payment done by the patrol was ~~for~~ foodstuffs, and it is intended to maintain this policy where thought advisable.

It is hoped to establish regular market days for coastal villages when barges can pick up any available native produce, and this should enable natives to get a sufficiency of meat.

MISSION ACTIVITIES:

Two Lutheran Missionaries were in the area during the Jap occupation - Lehner of HOPOI, and Decker at TAMIGUDU. Lehner was sent in before I visited the area, but Decker was located living in the bush, and sent in to LAE.

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It is very difficult to get any definite facts about their behaviour during the period, but at present there is no evidence of any hostile acts. Natives say that both men preached a doctrine of strict neutrality.

The Japanese had occupied the old mission buildings and church at BUKAUA, but the HOPOI settlement had not been interfered with. Decker's house at TAMIGUDU had been used by Japs, but only after the Allied landing, and Decker himself had already vacated it. Village churches were regularly used by Jap patrols as sleeping quarters.

Natives report that both missionaries did not go out of their way to associate with Japs, but were periodically visited by patrols. Their movements were restricted to within a very short distance of their stations.

It would seem from the above that the Japs followed the set policy laid down in the document captured earlier. They did not go out of their way to interfere with the missionaries, but at the same time had no hesitation in using their churches.

A native report says that Decker sheltered the TAMIGUDU native shot and wounded by a Jap soldier, as previously mentioned. A search was made for him, but natives denied knowledge of his whereabouts, and apparently Decker was not suspected.

The only reported case of disloyalty by a mission teacher was acting as guide to the Japs. The native involved was a teacher in the Atzera area, and is said to have been reprimanded by Lehner for his activities. No information could be discovered of organised spying by teachers, and it is thought that so far as the coastal villages are concerned, nothing of the kind existed.

Effects of Lehner and Decker have been passed over to Mission natives for safe custody. Both have suffered from looting.

Most of the students fit for work have been recruited, but teachers are carrying on with the smaller boys. They were informed that stationery will be distributed when available. Requests were received for diaries for 1943. These mission diaries are small, month to a page, books, but are of great assistance to patrolling officers. Births and deaths and other significant events are logged; dates on which planes crashed in the area were obtained from this source. It is suggested that a couple of hundred be printed and made available for distribution.

All village teachers were encouraged to re-open their schools and the senior mission teacher from HOPOI authorised to visit them and report monthly to LAE on their progress.

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VITAL STATISTICS:

Where in existence, village books were checked, but no complete figures for the area are available as yet. A natural result of so many men being at hcms is an increased birth-rate, and number of deaths is not considered high.

MISCELLANEOUS:

WO Irving, Military History Photographer, accompanied the patrol for part of the time, taking photographs of village life, recruits, etc. Copies are to be sent to the writer for checking of captions: some may be of use for propganda purposes. One in particular, of Paramount Luluai DAHU lighting his pipe with a Japanese invasion note should be worth publication.

Japanese money was collected from all villages and publicly destroyed during the meeting of village officials held at HOPOI. This was done to check the trading in same which had already reached fantastic proportions, with Allied troops bidding against each other. A carton of cigarettes was commonly exchanged for a sixpenny note. It was explained to natives that Japanese money had no cash value, but was only sought as souvenirs. While Japanese troops held out in force in the mountains, it would be possible for natives to obtain invasion money from them by sale of food or information. Therefore every effort was made to guard against this contingency.

A number of crashed aircraft were sighted by the patrol, and a separate report has been submitted concerning them.

Former Japanese positions were examined for possible salvage and articles of intelligence value. A quantity of Japanese rice was obtained, and dumps have been made of benzine drums. This benzine is said to have come ashore following the sinking of a Japanese vessel at LAE many months ago.

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Native Reactions:

Report as requested in your L SOE of 15 Dec 43 herewith.

2. The policy pursued by the enemy in relation to the local native population as set out in Capt Ormsby's report was also followed in this area.
3. Any instances of illtreatment, threats, or theft by Jap troops seem to have been by individuals, and if and when same were reported to Jap officers by the natives, disciplinary action was taken against the offender.
4. At least two officers were operating for the sole purpose of liaison with the natives. Particulars regarding these have already been reported.
5. Since the landings at LAE and FINSCHHAFEN, however, enemy's attitude has changed. All natives were instructed to keep clear of enemy concentrations or L of C. Instances where this instruction was disregarded resulted in severe action being taken. Report has already been submitted of Jap killing in vicinity of MONGI - other more recent reports concern three KOTTE natives: BOSINA of MAS-NGKO, DAMINGAN of SILILIO, and DOPEKE of SILILIO. These were all detained by Japs when found near their lines, and taken prisoner. The former had his hands tied, was blindfolded, and taken away. Nothing more has been heard of their fate. Rumours are also reaching here by devious means that a number of killings have taken place in WAREO area as well, but no confirmation is held.
6. Actually, the change in his attitude towards the natives began with the concentrated air attacks on barges. The Jap was apparently convinced that Allied intelligence parties were active, and were, in conjunction with certain natives, reporting barge movements. The tendency towards harsh treatment also seems to have been greater by Army troops who were rushed down via SIO as reinforcements than by the longer established naval troops. The incident which culminated in the deaths of nine BONGA natives accused of working for the allies was an example of this.
7. Since the commencement of operations in the area, however, the Jap has been systematically looting gardens, killing fowls, pigs, and native owned cattle, and using native building materials for his own shelters. No offers of compensation have

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been made for these depredations.

8. As a result of his earlier policy, a fair amount of co-operation - in providing food and labour for making gardens - was obtained. A few natives seem to have been more active and enquiries are at present proceeding in this connection.

9. Even now, a number of natives stationed in the areas in which the fighting is taking place, do not seem to realise which way or the extent to which events have turned in our favour. Natives of KAUNKO and LAKOWA informed native PIRIS (who was working under WO Hanrahan's directions) that they could not come through to this HQ because they had not received permission to do so from the Japanese kiap. A report has also just been received that natives of BASULUO attacked some of our carriers with spears. Particulars are not to hand, nor is the reason for the attack known. WO Hanrahan is enquiring.

10. X A more recent factor affecting native reactions is the expression of threats by some of the native members of the PIB to local natives to the effect that they, as PIB, are privileged to shoot the locals if they feel so inclined, because the latter have been friendly with Japs. This is rather anomalous, as it is understood that quite a number of said personnel, accompanied Jap on his BUNA expedition. It has definitely created a feeling of unrest amongst the natives, and is likely to hinder the work of establishing contact. OC "C" Coy PIB has been informed of the above. X

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11. It can definitely be stated that the return of the Administration is welcomed by the natives, after the first few dubious moments, when contact is first established. As Capt Ormsby states, they realise that we have something more tangible to offer.

(Sgd) W.R. DISHON Capt

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Native Reactions

Attached is copy of a report by Capt Dishon, ADO
FINSCHHAFLN, as required by para 3 of your memo DS 30/10/42 of
10 Dec 43. *folio 17.*

2. Our main trouble in that area has been to make
contacts with the leading men, but from now on the situation will
improve. Our patrols are pushing forward, and at the same time
four natives are crossing the SARAWAGED RANGE from the WAIN area
to spread the news of our return, and it is also hoped that this
party will obtain information of intelligence value.

3. Cpl Lega, Patrol Officer, is with the forward PIB
troops, and it is hoped that this will somewhat restrain their
enthusiasms. I quite realise how such natives get out of hand
with officers inexperienced in handling natives, and suggest that
part of their training should be to learn how vitally necessary
it is to obtain the willing and friendly co-operation of the
native peoples, as in this district most of the forward patrolling
has been done by the PIB.

5. As comments are received from other officers they
will be forwarded.

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Major
District Officer.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES-NEW GUINEA FORCE.

ANGAU
DISTRICT OFFICE
LAE. 2. Dec 43.

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PATROL REPORT 12/43-44 of CAPT. R.G. ORMSBY.

Attached is a patrol Report of the DUKAJA area by Capt ORMSBY ADO, Lae 3/District.

2. This is really the first area where we have been able to really establish the control formerly exercised by Civil Administration, and the area is more or less back to normal. These natives were fully under Japanese domination and their reactions and attitude towards our return can be used as a yardstick for assessing other areas in the future.

3. A Medical Patrol left this morning to visit all villages between FINSCHHAFEN and LAE and give necessary treatment to the natives.

4. A junior Patrol Officer will be stationed at HOPOL, as long as staff are available. The natives are making sago roofing material and arrangements are also being made for them to supply Papaws and bananas to the local hospitals. These two measures will assist to re-establish their economic life and will be supervised by the Patrol Officer at HOPOL.

H.L.R. Niall
Major.
(H.L.R. NIALL) DISTRICT OFFICER.

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Best information - Good work of Capt Ormsby - *[initials]*

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Have we any other evidence from other officers this point. It is so far just a very general statement.

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Patrol Report No. 12/43-44 - Capt R.G. Ormsby

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report. The report is most informative and shows good work on the part of Capt Ormsby.

2. Copy of memo forwarded to FELO is attached for your information.

3. Reactions to Japanese Occupation - Ref remarks of Capt Ormsby under this heading - page 6 of the report - particularly paras 2 and 5. Is there any other evidence from other officers on this point? As indicated in a questionnaire forwarded to you recently this question is of particular interest.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 14 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Cpl. A. J. Leyden

Area Patrolled Tamigudu to Lal

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration--From 22/11/1943 to 27/11/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by--District Service...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

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REPORT OF PATROL FROM TAMIGUDU TO LAE! (P/R. 14/43-44)

DATE LEFT STATION 22.11.43. DATE RETURNED 27.11.43

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY: Cpl. LEYDEN, A!J! Patrol Officer.

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NATIVE CARRIERS! 4.

PURPOSES OF PATROL: To note quantity and location of *Sago leaf Morata* and check census of BUKAUA villages.

PATROL DIARY:

- 22.11.43. Left TAMIGUDU 1000 hrs. Cpl. Foley remaining at TAMIGUDU. Met first patrol from HOPOI O.P. at E-E village. They should reach TAMIGUDU tonight. Camped at WIDERU tonight.
- 23.11.43. Left WIDERU ~~in~~ early to be able to reach YUMBO while tide was low. Rested at YUMBO and continued on to HOPOI. Spoke to Lieut. Chapman of HOPOI O.P. who informed me that the natives left at HOPOI were working satisfactorily and he had no complaints. Camped at HOPOI.
- 24.11.43. Made a one day patrol to BUARU. Lined natives and checked census. Examined stores left on beach by soldiers. Stores consist mainly of ammunition and blankets, but very little foodstuffs. Returned to HOPOI. A P.B. was waiting there with instructions from ADO LAE that I was to proceed to BUSO River and contact US Graves Registration party arriving 27.11.43.
- 25.11.43. Went to BUKAU-A and lined natives of BUKAU-A, MUNDALA, AWADI and UKILIM villages and checked census of each village. Returned to HOPOI.
- 26.11.43. Left HOPOI 1100 hrs. Arrived WAGANLUHO about 1700 hrs. Camped.
- 27.11.43. Crossed BUSO River 0900 hrs. and waited at US Camp for Graves Registration party. Party arrived just before lunch. Set out after lunch by jeep. A good jeep track had already been cut across the kunai by local natives. Left jeep at edge of bush and proceeded by well cut track to the plane wreck. Party examined wreck and exhumed bones of crew. Party returned to beach and were picked up by barge. Police, carriers and myself also returned to LAE with them.

MORATA.

310	Sheets sewn by	BUA, BUGAN and BANINONG.
320	"	" BUENG-GIM.
80	"	" WIDERU.
130	"	" YUMBO.
460	"	" BUARU.
850	"	" WOGAN and BUSO.
2,150	TOTAL.	

BENZINE.

All dumps have been marked by natives and may be picked up by barge.

STORES.

A quantity of stores were left by W/O Haines on the beach near HOPOI. Stores consist mainly of tinned fruit, vegetables, jam, milk but little meat. They are stacked in a tent for protection.

REST HOUSES.

New "Rest House" being built at TAMIGUDU is expected to be completed on 22.11.43.

MEDICAL.

Officials of all villages visited have asked for medical attention and were advised that a medical patrol would be carried out as soon as practicable.

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AC YAMBOA. Conduct good. Willing worker and very helpful.

AC BUKA. Conduct good. Ability fair.

A. Leyden
.....Cpl
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District Office,
LAE. 3 Dec 43.

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HQ ANGAU

16 DEC 1943

Patrol Report 14/43-44
(Cpl. Leydin, F. - TAMIGJDU-LAE)

This is the first report submitted by Patrol Officer Leydin. Both he and Cpl Foley have been given routine small patrols to give them a grasp of what is required of them, and training in the duties of a Patrol Officer.

2. He has shown keenness, and appears to be a good outdoor man.

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Major
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District Office,
LAE. 2 Dec 43.

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PATROL REPORT No. 14/43-44

Above report forwarded herewith.

2. Cpl Leydin is making good progress in learning his duties, and should develop into an efficient patrol officer.

3. Portion of the sago leaf has already been collected, and arrangements are in train re the balance.

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Capt
ADO - LAE.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 15 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Neil K. W. Jones

Area Patrolled Main area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 13/11/43 to 22/11/43

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES-NEW GUINEA FORCE.

GUMBUN!
22 Nov 43.

MAJOR NIALL
DO NORTH MARKHAM.

P/R. 15/43-44

Herewith Patrol Report covering period 13 Nov 43, to 22Nov 43, in the WAIN area.

DIARY.

- 13.11.43. Left HQ LAE at 0900 hrs. On arrival at Jeephead found that bridge had been swept away. Camped at Jeep head.
- 14.11.43. Lieut Dixon's line attempting to put logs across BUSU and engineers constructing Flying Fox.
- 15.11.43. ANGAU personnel succeeded in swinging log over river. I crossed river at 1600hrs with cargo. Camped at Lieut Dixon's camp.
- 16.11.43. No carriers available as all hands were moving 42nd Bn. back before flying fox was swept away. At 1300 hrs visited GWABADIK village about 1/2 a mile from Dixon's camp. These natives are from MUSOM. Doctor Boy APAI and another native are in charge. Village is very clean; houses in good order and they have extensive gardens. They were evidently supplying Japs with food, of which they have an abundance. They have also been supplying Lieut Dixon's line and the Battalion with fresh vegetables so should be able to supply all ANGAU'S requirements in LAE provided they can get food across river. The GWABADIK and GAWAN natives will be putting a bridge up about 200 yds above junction of SUNWEP and BUSU. If the Army had put their wire bridge at this spot it would still be standing.
- 17.11.43. 0930 hrs left Dixon's camp and arrived GAWAN 1230 hrs. A good track. Questioned woman GOINUM about the alleged rape by PIB natives. Only one P.I.B. had interfered with her. I think the woman must have been a student of Confucious. The woman and her husband, rather than make court, assesses the damage at 10/-. This sum was collected from P.I.B. and payed to injured party. Left GAWAN at 1330 hrs and arrived at MUSOM at 1430 hrs.
- 18.11.43. ANGAU and P.I.B. moved out of area. I was waiting on carriers from KEMEN and BAMBOK. Five carriers from KEMEN with Tultul arrived late in afternoon.
- 19.11.43. At 0900 hrs left MUSOM. One Police Boy left at MUSOM to take care of remainder of cargo. Arrived KEMEN 1600 hrs and sent runner to get BAMBOK carriers.

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20.10.43. Nine BAMBOK carriers sent to MUSOM to collect remainder of cargo.
Left KEMEN 0900 hrs for GUMBUN via BAMBOK, MOANKASET, and arrived GUMBUN 1430 hrs.

21.11.43. AT GUMBUN. WO BIRD has given me the set-up and outlined what has been done in this area to date. The 24th Bn labour problem is a bit involved but WC BIRD is returning via BOANA and will straighten matters up on his way through.

22.11.43. I have received the notification of my appointment as a Magistrate of Native Affairs.
The Luluai of KEMEN came in yesterday with an old man from BAMBOK who is supposed to have said that the Luluai had no right to the hat, and had also made sorcery against the Luluai.
I gave the old man a talking to and threatened to gaol him if I received any more complaints. However I think his statements about the Luluai will have to be looked in to. Personally I think the Luluai has been appointed too hastily and without sufficient consultation with the old hands. However that is a matter which will have to be looked into thoroughly.
I would appreciate your advice as to what is the most suitable method to employ in handling any cases of sorcery etc. What are the usual terms of imprisonment for an offence of this nature?
Would it be possible to obtain one or even two Blue Ensigns. I feel sure that the hoisting of the Flag in native villages will do more good as propaganda than half an hour's talking.
I intend starting out on Wednesday morning.
So far I haven't had time to run into any big worries but I know that I shall be seeking your advice upon completion of my patrol.

(Signed) K.W. JONES WO 11.
P.O. GUMBUN.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES — NEW GUINEA FORCE

Ref: L 127

ANGAU, ^{Headquarters}
District Office,
LAE. 2 Dec 43.

ADDS,
HQ ANGAU

Patrol Report 15/43-44
(WO/II Jones KW - WAIN Area.)

Herewith is first Patrol Report submitted by WO/II Jones, K.

2. Until he becomes more conversant with patrolling, he has been instructed to submit a weekly report on his activities in the WAIN area, showing the villages visited and the progress being made, and at the same time seeking advice on matters of which he may be in doubt.

3. It is pleasing to see that he is not taking any hasty action, and his treatment of the case of the alleged rape by PIB shows sound judgment and commonsense.

4. Capt Ormsby will be visiting the area to see how things are going, and will assist the two junior officers with advice on handling native disputes.

5. Can you please arrange for a supply of Blue Ensigns? I agree with WO Jones that the saluting of the Flag in each village has a very good effect. Since the enemy occupation the local natives have become more "flag-minded", as the enemy at all times were very keen on displaying their "rising sun", and nearly all their patrols were led by a flag-bearer.

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Major
District Officer.

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District Services,
ANGAU.
2 Dec 43.

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Patrol Report No. 15/43-44 - WO/II Jones K.W.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report.

2. The matter of the supply of Blue Ensigns, both as an item of Patrol Equipment and for use at District and Sub-District HQ, is receiving attention.

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Lt-Col. ADDS.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of *North Mankham* Report No. *18 of 43/44*

Patrol Conducted by *A. Noii A.F. How & Lt. C. Elliott*

Area Patrolled *Maimaiba area*

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *3/11/43* to *14/11/43*

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
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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 £.....

WAGAU, Dampu Sub-District,
North Markham District,
17 Nov 43.

The District Officer,
WAGAU.

PATROL REPORT No. 1943/44.

Area: Southern Bank of Ramu River from Dampu to Waimariba, including the groups of ASANOM, AISELIBA, SEVETTI, WAIMERIBA, and WEISA.

Objects: 1. To investigate alleged shootings by natives on 25Bde
2. To patrol ASANOM & AISELIBA area and through these groups obtain contact with WEISA-WAIMERIBA people.
3. To encourage the rehabilitation of groups in area.
4. To recover rifles and ammunition alleged to have been stolen by these natives from a store at WEISA about twelve months ago.

Personnel: A/WO(ii) A.F. Gow, Lieut. C.E. Elliot (attached), 4 RPO & 3 RPO recruits; 15 carriers.

Duration: 3 Nov 43 to 14 Nov 43 (12 days).

Map Ref: Mt OT20 I" Series, & Sketch Map (attached).

Date of Last Patrol
Patrol: Apart from WAGAU personnel activity in 1942 & 1943, last patrol by Capt. H.E. Hamilton in 1940.

Date of Last Medical Pat. Nil.

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- 3 Nov. Left DUMPU at 1800 hrs. and proceeded to BABEL. Camped at Lieut. A.P. Ireland's Native Labour Compound, 25 Bde.
- 4 Nov. To DID EVANIA River and one week's rations drawn. Passed through KESAWAI No. 3 (deserted), and crossed Ramu River with some difficulty, and arriving at ASANOM at 1500 hours. Camped in village.
- 5 Nov. At ASANOM. Two constables sent to SEVETTI and AISELIBA to make known our arrival. One NC proceeded to AMBIGHARI group which is opposite to and across the Ramu from 25Bde, to investigate shooting. Four AISELIBA natives arrived in camp.
- 6 Nov. To AISELIBA. (one & half hrs) and then by precarious road to ridge overlooking Old Sevetti village, where some SEVETTI natives were contacted. Camped 2 & half hrs. from AISELIBA.
- 7 Nov. Six more SEVETTI's arrived at camp. Now using 20 local natives to assist in carrying. Broke camp and arrived at scene of recent fighting between Japs and 2/2nd Aust Cav (command Sqn. Passed old WEISA Fox moth drone (overgrown but could easily be repaired); crossed MARBA River to WAIMERIBA, (deserted), and set up camp. (Four hours from last camp). Contacted party of 2/7 Cav Sqn. who reported having seen a party of frightened natives 1 hour further down the MARBA River, near an old garden.
- 8 Nov. At WAIMERIBA. Carrier line sent back to DID for more native rations which are also being used to feed the undernourished local natives. With Lieut. Dunshes of 2/7 Cav Sqn. and US Navy technicians, visited site of crashed "Oscar".
- 9 Nov. Four constables sent to investigate fires seen in foothills behind old WEISA. Lieut. Elliot and self proceeded down MARBA River towards KORIGEL. Passed large garden en route. Fires seen in foothills behind KORIGEL. Police returned with one WEISA native.
- 10 Nov. Two police with WEISA native to mountains to attempt further contact. One constable with Tulul of ASANOM sent towards ASANOM to attempt contact WAIMERIBAS. Two police to investigate fires seen previous day, behind KORIGEL. Police returned with several WEISA natives and four from ISURUMU.

- 11 Nov Two police sent to collect luluai and medical tultul of WEISA. Two police sent to KORIGBI to attempt further contact. Const. and tultul of ASONOM RETURNED, reporting no WAIMERIBA 's between camp and ASONOM.
- 12 Nov Police returned from mountains with luluai and med. tultul of WEISA. Thirteen more natives of ISURUMU returned. Tultul of WAIMERIBA and two other men of that village came across from KESAWAI side of RAMU R.
- 13 Nov Lieut. Elliott, with med. tultul of WEISA to foothills and up the WEI R. to investigate old village sites and native gardens. Tultul of WAIMERIBA sent to KESAWAI and returned with more of his people. Instruction from ADO to return to DUMPU. Arranged subsistence of local natives.
- 14 Nov From WAIMERIBA to ASONOM - 2 1/2 hrs. Crossed flooded RAMU opposite KESAWAI No 3 and st jeep-head nearby obtained ride to DUMPU.

2. GENERAL NATIVE SITUATION.

The objects of this patrol were NOT fully achieved owing to its short duration. However, in this time useful contacts were made with the natives and rehabilitation of the deserted villages already commenced. In the first phase of the patrol the tultul of ASONOM was of much assistance and, by staying a short time at his village, contact with the AISLILIA's was made easy.

The village of ASONOM had evidently escaped the attentions of the enemy and our own troops. Hidden in a patch of forest in the foothills, it appeared in fairly good condition and about 25 people including several babes, met the patrol. On the following day 42 men women and children were counted. When questioned, the people answered that only three men had died during the Jap. occupation of the valley.

The first AISLILIA and SEVERTI contacts were frightened, but on being assured that we were there to help them they became friendly and co-operative. Population of AISLILIA is approx. 40. These people have good gardens and also escaped the Japs. The SEVERTI's were NOT all contacted. Some are living in the hills with the ARWETTI'S. When the patrol is resumed these people should be easily contacted: already they may have come down to their old village of AISLILIA and heard "the good word". With the WAIMERIBA, WEISA, KOREGLI and ISURUMU natives we were on very friendly terms once they had overcome their initial fear. All the people have NOT yet been in, but this is only a matter of time.

The natives of the SEVERTI WEISA and WAIMERIBA groups have been affected, to no mean degree, by our own and enemy troops. This area had been little patrolled in the past and consequently the natives cannot well be accused of deserting to the enemy when they realised his strength and our obvious. The WAIMERIBA's are reported to have led Jap. patrols to our WEISA outposts, resulting in several casualties, including the death of Sgt. GOLDEN. The WEISA's broke the store at WEISA and stole some rifles soon after the Jap. occupation of Madang, and had, in several instances, fired on our troops and carrier lines. As a result of the shooting our troops naturally considered these natives hostile. Most of them, except for those few who were actually helping the ~~xxxxx~~ foe, were hiding in the mountains away from their main gardens, afraid of all troops. These natives report many deaths, mostly by sickness and some by shooting.

3. PROPAGANDA

Of the war the natives knew little except fear. Hence the first points must be that the war has passed their area, we are strong and have driven the Japs. from LAB NADZAB MALAPIT DUMPU towards MADANG. There is plenty of evidence of our great air strength for almost xxx days.

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Almost every day hundreds of ~~planes~~ bombers can be seen in formation. The ~~named~~ OBCAR was a useful sidelight.

Through the stomach to the heart is always impressive and we were liberal with food, as was also the case with trade.

Except for a few odd parties of soldiers there are NO troops in this area. While this remains so and a P.O. is stationed in the area there is every reason to expect rapid rehabilitation. Many of the natives are suffering from guilty consciences and continually need to be reassured that all is well.

Gradually the ~~villages~~ will be reestablished, the gardens fenced and worked, and the roads cleared. Text know that good times are come again, is all they want for the present. There is plenty of time in the future to inquire into disloyal dealings.

4. STOLEN RIFLES.

No mention had so far been made of the stolen rifles. The time will NOT be opportune until the villages are again settled. However, by using a few police as listeners amongst the villagers the information was gained that the tultul of WEISA, who so far has NOT been contacted, has several rifles hidden in the bush. Mleut Dushca (2/7 Cav. Sqdn.) also reported he had seen the burnt remains of five rifles in old WEISA village. At no time during the patrol was there evidence or report of any use of firearms by natives.

If there is any record of the number of rifles which were originally ~~xxxxxx~~ in WEISA store, this information would be useful; some idea could be obtained of the number to be accounted for.

5. GARDENS!

Most of the gardens in the WAINEMIBA ~~area~~-WEISA area have been broken and small crops such as taro, kowkew, tapiac and yams are extremely scarce. In other areas the gardens have been neglected. Consequently it will be some ~~time~~ months before the old gardens are producing again and, in ~~part~~ part, the Army will need to supply rations. A few small bush gardens may be hidden away, but judging by the under-nourished condition of the natives, such instances are few.

6. RECRUITING.

The original carrier line was replaced by locals. These latter consist mainly of young men who, after six weeks or more on good food, will be suitable for ordinary labour line work. The prospects of recruiting "A" class labour in this area are, at present, poor.

7. MEDICAL.

The general health is poor; under-nourishment is common; ulcers and yaws are numerous.

8. ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY.

Four constables accompanied the patrol.

2058 KILON as acting boss-boy did satisfactory work. He has a very fair sense of command and is capable of accepting responsibility.

- SAMOIA is a steady worker and carries out his duties satisfactorily.

2775 SISIK gives the appearance of great energy and show, but is generally unreliable.

3279 MOK is a poor walker and lacks enthusiasm. He is too small.

RECRUITS: - ABALARY, KAMSOP, and ANUKI! All three are fine physical specimens with fair intelligence and initiative. They are keen and precise well.

9. VILLAGE BOOKS AND CAPS!

In this area there are NO books, those previously issued being lost or burnt. There is only an odd ~~one~~ remaining. It is ~~pro~~ recommended books and caps be reissued, so far as practicable.

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10. CARELESSNESS BY TROOPS

At two of the WEISA posts and in the bushes nearby were found several of our primed grenades and one set booby trap. These are dangerous and probably could have been easily removed by the troops on leaving the area

11. MAP.

Amended map is attached. Aust. Div. has been informed.

(sgd.) A.F.GOW.
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A.F. Gow

Actg. P.S.

Sub-District Hq.,
 ANGAU, North Markham District,
 DUMFU, 8 Dec 43.

The District-Officer,
 DAE.

Patrol Report on Waimariba Area
 by WO A.F. Gow.

I forward herewith a report by Patrol Officer Gow which covers an excellent piece of work. The attached sketch map was drawn by Lieut. Elliot, who accompanied the patrol for experience, and was thus given an opportunity to observe the tactful approach to a rather difficult native situation, as distinct from ordinary routine type of patrolling.

The situation in the Waimariba-Weisa locality has been unhealthy ever since the outbreak of hostilities with Japan. This was brought about by a succession of events culminating in the over-running of the locality by the enemy and the acquisition of firearms by people of Weisa.

Although the locality is strictly in the Ramu District, the patrol was planned in order to contact and recruit natives on both sides of the River. The closest liaison was maintained with the District Officer, Ramu. The despatch of the patrol was hastened by the action of the 25 Bde, who proposed to send a punitive party to clean up the mystery of a few stray shots, which had found their way into their area, and for which they accused the surrounding natives. I was able to have this action withheld, and WO Gow proceeded to the area. As his report indicates, the shots were probably stray bullets from army hunting parties, and had no relation with native activity.

Unfortunately, as the Patrol Officer points out, the type of native encountered is not physically capable of being recruited immediately. However, it is hoped to get some of them to work at a later date. Since the patrol's return, the Luluai of KORIGEI, further down the Ramu Valley has visited this area, and a good native relationship has been built up.

It is extremely unfortunate that Patrol Officer Gow has not been able to follow up the work started. I had to withdraw him from the job, to conduct a school in "Pidgin English" and the handling and approach to natives for personnel of 21 Bde, having no other Officer available at the time for the work. He then contracted malaria, and has since been evacuated either to Dobodura or Fort Moresby. While I very much regret losing his services, perhaps it would be as well if he now proceeded on leave, as he is already four months overdue. Now that the first contacts have been made in the Weisa area, I hope to employ less experienced personnel on a continuation of the work. In time we should have the mystery of the stolen rifles cleared up, and at the same time be able to re-establish a satisfactory native situation from where recruits will be available.

I would like to see WO Gow commissioned, in view of his consistent good work. He has a complete grasp of his work, both inside and out. He was attached to me on Field work in the Benabena area before proceeding to this District, and he showed an aptitude to handling some of the most difficult people of that sub-division, namely the Kafe people. He is a hard worker and a competent one, and I would like to see him suitably recompensed for his diligence.

H.E. Hamilton
 (H.E. Hamilton) Capt.
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PATROL REPORT NO 18/43-44 OF WO 11. GOW!

Attached is Patrol Report by WO Gow together with comments by ADO RAMU RIVER, who has been asked to explain the delay in forwarding the Report, which apparently has been held by him for three weeks.

2. The latest information is that the enemy have re-occupied KESAWAI and the area opposite WAIMERIBA and my opinion is that he will endeavour to push back our troops towards the URUA RIVER. This will upset the Native situation, as they have begun to regain confidence in us and the eventual outcome of the War.

3. WO GOW was evacuated from NADZAB on 19 Nov 43 and no word of him has since been received though we are trying to trace him. If he has reached Moresby it is suggested that he be allowed to proceed on leave.

24. It is reported that WO DOGNAR has been cut off with the 2/5th Cav. Commando Sqdn. patrols who are at present out of touch.

5. No more recruits can be expected as the enemy have apparently established a line from KESAWAI to their M/T Road-head and thus severed any contact with the ^{patrols} inland from BOGADJIM and MADANG.

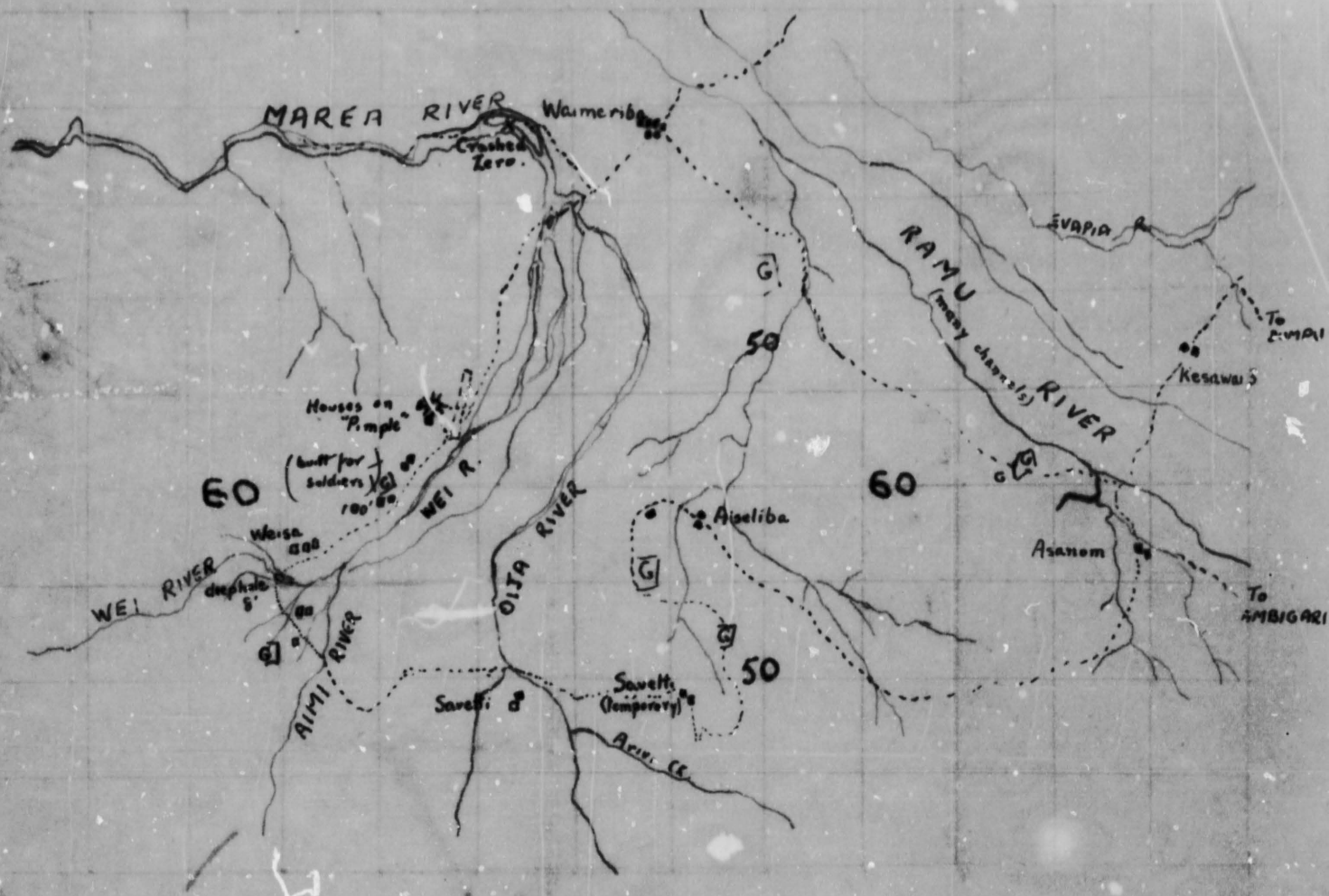
6. The area West of the RAMU RIVER should be left to Field Officers of the RAMU District, but this patrol was undertaken to prevent a punitive patrol from 7 Aust Divn.

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Form lines on OTTO 1" show general formation of ground, but elevations very inaccurate.

N.B. Correction WEI and AIMA rivers
 WEISA strip overgrown. Little work would be needed to prepare 800-1000 yds.
 Corrections and Additions to MT. OTTO (Provisional) 1"

13 Nov 43.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 22 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. R. H. Boyan

Area Patrolled Yabim area south of and including Kasanga village

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 9/12/1943 to 12/12/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

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28th. December 1943.

District Officer,
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Patrol Report No. 22/43-44

Date of Patrol: 9th. to 12th. December 1943. *Copy forwarded to G Branch with dup. report 9/12*

Area Patrolled: Yabim area south of (and including) KASANGA Village. *Copy passed to G Branch*

Personnel: PX 150 Capt. Boyan R.H., A.D.O. accompanied on outward journey by Sgt. C.D. Wilkinson, Medical Assistant; A.C.s 1817 GWANOP, 2626 PORTIGAN, 2753 GORIS, 3159 AINAI-OWA, -- BEIU. *Subscribed APC top*

Objects of Patrol: (i) Revision of Census;
(ii) Investigation of Food Situation in respect of each village;
(iii) Investigation of effect on Native Situation of late enemy control of area;
(iv) Investigation of availability of "marotte" for thatching.
(v) Medical inspections by Sgt. Wilkinson.

DIARY.

- 9.12.1943: Left Camp and proceeded through KWALSAM village to KASANGA village. Villagers were assembled here from the hills and revision of census and medical inspection concluded. Moved on to MALASIGA village. Inhabitants of WANAM and KALAL villages on the Tami Islands temporarily dwelling in the hills behind MALASIGA were medically inspected and revision of census attended to. Moved on to BUSEGA where camp made in a native house which still boasted a good roof.
- 10.12.1943: Usual routine following on which the patrol moved on to MANGGE and BUKAUSIF where respective villagers had assembled for census and medical inspection.
- 11.12.1943: To BUSENG, FIGEDU and BUTALA usual routine being carried out at each. Sgt. Wilkinson made camp at BUTALA preparatory to moving on to Lae via coastal track and Capt. Boyan returned to BUSENG to camp.
- 12.12.1943: Returned to Camp.

CENSUS:

Census figures are shown on a separate sheet. The last revision was made in January 1941.

Information as to Births and Deaths was available in respect of 8 of the 9 villages concerned. The Luluai of BUTALA stated that the Japanese had taken away his Village Book and did not return it.

These figures merit comment. The number of deaths exceeds that of births by 45% - this despite the fact that the respective figures for the Tami Island villages of WANAM and KALAL are:- Deaths 7 Births 22. Apparently their residence on the islands saved these people from the ravages of what appears to have been pneumonia epidemics in 1941 and 1942.

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In the three years under review 17 deaths in the village of BUSENG reduced the population to 59.

Three deaths from violence were reported. A Tami Island woman was killed during a strafing run by Allied aircraft over the Islands. One young man of BUTALA was shot by Japanese troops (together with six from KAMING in the KOTTE sub-division) in September last while the enemy was retreating along the coastal track towards Finschhafen. This has been previously reported.

A native constable of BUTALA is reported to have been killed following the 1942 disturbances at ANGORAM and the Sepik River area.

All men recruited by A.N.G.I.A.U. representatives are counted as Indentured Labourers. Otherwise, the figure would be practically nil.

Three additional men were culled from their villages and sent to Finschhafen for signing on. All able-bodied men of the villages concerned have now been recruited.

DESERTERS:

One was apprehended at BUTALA and sent to Finschhafen.

FOOD SITUATION.

The situation is, on the whole, highly satisfactory. Although the enemy parties moving along the main coastal track between Finschhafen and Lae ravaged native gardens near the track most villagers had planted gardens in or near the hills and these were untouched. As practically all men who had civil Contracts of Service had returned to their villages these gardens are, in many cases, most extensive.

These remarks do not apply to the Tami Islanders and the villagers of BUKAUA-ASIP. In the past the former largely relied on the trading of carved bowls etc. for food. Depletion of stocks of carving has largely closed this means of subsistence. But the small amount of food that does exist plus available sago palms and concentration now on planting activities should carry them through. This applies also to BUKAUA-ASIP whose plight was caused by the absence of good garden land in the hills.

It is said by the natives that a type of Taro (locally known as Mordam) becomes ready for consumption 4 to 5 months after planting. X

THE NATIVE SITUATION:

The people of the area do not appear to have had very extensive relationships with the enemy these being mostly confined to contacts with parties travelling between Finschhafen and Lae and vice versa or with the Japanese "Administration Officer" PERUDA.

I have no doubt whatsoever these people were glad to see us back. They greatly resented the looting of their means of subsistence by the enemy; in a few odd cases they received pay or some compensation. Two cases of the killing of a Japanese by a native have been reported. The Tul Tul of NASINGALATU was responsible for one straggler who attempted to shoot him when the native accosted the Japanese soldier and asked for pay for food being taken from his garden. In the other case a Japanese is said to have been fatally impaled on a deliberately placed stake when he jumped from the entrance into the garden.

Apart from their actions regarding food the Japanese interfered little with the natives. They partly destroyed some houses by removing edged boards from houses for building or firewood. No case of interference with women has been reported.

Although SIMBANG village was outside the scope of this patrol record is made here, as indicative of an unexpected action of Japanese administration, that they made the native they appointed Luluai of SIMBANG cast off one of his two wives.

On one occasion, following destruction of barges in the area by U.S. P.T. boats, Japanese threatened the natives alleging that there must be an Allied Spotter in the hills to whom the natives were supplying information. This the natives denied and pointed out, according to their own story that the Japs should not use those waters for the barges when the U.S. Navy controlled them.

The Japanese indulged in propaganda to the effect that they had captured all New Guinea and had invaded Australia which would soon be in their hands. The natives say that the presence of Allied aircraft and the stories from natives who escaped from the enemy in the Buna area stopped them swallowing the false yarns.

Before the Japanese invaded Finschhafen most of the natives moved inland from their coastal villages following the dropping of leaflets by Allied planes telling they may bomb the area (particularly shipping at anchor or near the coast). At present they are rather disinclined to return to the coastal villages, fearing yet further bombing activities. Up to date specific instructions to return have not been given them though they have been told that there is now little danger of them finding harm thereby.

A general impression gained in the BUKAUA area remains - viz. that in the area of 9th. Division operations our prestige is higher than ever it was. The people instantly and readily accorded recognition of the authority of the Administration Officer.

The coastal village houses, generally speaking, were found to be in a bad state of repair; village sites were much overgrown, but cemeteries were fairly clean.

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Old and unfit men, women and children have prepared much of this thatching material for use at Finschhafen.

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X In conjunction with the census revision, Sgt. Wilkinson, Medical Assistant medically inspected and gave N.A.B. Injections.

General health was fair. Two youths with swellings in the neck ("millet seed glands"), a condition which natives had said had caused other deaths after a long illness, were taken back to Camp and examined by U.S. Doctors who diagnosed infected tonsils with a possibility of Tuberculosis in one case.

The Japanese did not supply Medical Tul Tuls with medicines, though recognising their position. U.S. Medical Units have been assisting.

It is presumed that Sgt. Wilkinson has submitted a full Report on his findings. As the M.I.T.'s of BUSENG, TIGIDU, and BUTALA are deceased a man of BUTALA proceeded with him to Lae for training. X

VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

A satisfactory bunch. Some have gained "hats" since Allied evacuation of the area. They've been told they may continue in office on trial. AKURUNG, of TIGIDU was given the Tul Tul's hat on trial. It would appear that the allotment of hats to replace deceased Officials was made by assembled villagers and headmen rather than by the Japanese - embryonic group self-government.

References to ADMS

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The Paramount Luluai of YABIM refused to co-operate with the enemy and his hat was given by the Japanese to TAMI, Luluai of KOLEM, apparently at the instigation of the North Yabim people. The hat was restored to the former holder by the District Officer during his recent visit to Finschhafen.

The successor to the Tul Tul's office at KWALANSAM gives indication of being one of the outstanding Officials of the area.

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ROADS AND TRACKS.

Roads have crept southward to just past KWALANSAM village. Tracks from KWALANSAM to BUTALA have been neglected but as they were well-made originally, were found to be in fair condition.

Construction of a heavy duty or Jeep road would be difficult. Barriers are swamp areas between MALASIGA and BESEGA and MANGGE and BUKAUA-ASIP and two streams which would probably require bridges of up to 75 yards. The two streams concerned are the BUSIGA (map reference at mouth 557433) and the BUSINI (map reference on 1" = 1 mile series, Finschhafen 463433). The latter is crossed about half-a-mile upstream where there is a strong stony bottom and a depth at high tide of about 4'6". The BUSIGA was crossed near the mouth in a depth of about 4'6". In flood it is deeper. Swamps may not prevent a narrower crossing upstream.

Smaller streams could be forded or crossed by a single bridge.

Much of the track has been built up with coral. In stretches the beach is used.

REST HOUSES!

In most cases these no longer exist. Satisfactory native houses were used for camping.

MISSION ACTIVITIES.

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Insufficient information is available as to the effect of events of the last two years on the natives' attitude towards mission teachings. However, small incidents and remarks indicate there is no slackening in their allegiance - which, post-war, was very strong.

I am certain they will be glad to see European missionaries return but will be content if such be American or Australian citizens instead of the familiar German.

RELATIONS WITH SERVICE PERSONNEL!

So far there have been unimportant, chief contact being at MALASIGA (the mainland village of the WANAM-KALAL people of the Tami Islands), where barges and small boats have anchored and the crews and passengers received nuts and fruit from the natives. Relations, it is understood, have been good although some time ago the natives asked for a memo requesting visitors not to destroy coconut palms by shooting at nuts. Some damage was done by persons unknown to a partly-completed sea-going canoe at MALASIGA.

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MAP ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS!

The following additions and corrections to the Finschhafen 1" = 1 mile Map are recorded. These are also shown on an accompanying Sketch Map.

(Cont.)

Map Reference of
River Mouth.Name of River.

654493	BUGAIM.
641480	BUKUMBI (Shown as BUGAIM on existing maps)
628469	BURA
566436	BUSONG
557433	BUSIGA
546428	BUBORO
521424	BUSEPI (Small stream not shown on map)
506427	EUMAI
502427	EUKUMBA
486427	BUSING
453433	BUSINI
450436 (not 448437)	BUBINGIM
446437	BUKUM
442433	Does not exist
438420	BUKAUWA (Small stream not shown on map)
437428	BUSENG (Small stream not shown on map)
417425	BUNAM

Map Reference of
VillageName of Village.

594438	MALASIGA (Tami Islanders' mainland village)
449438	BUKAUA-ASIP
436429	BUSENG (named TIGEDU on map)
424422	TIGEDU

All the above map references refer to the
Finschnafen Sheet B55/11 1 inch equals 1 Mile.

P O L I C E!

With two exceptions are men with short terms of
service. The other two have had practically no experience of
bush work. Thus, they need very close supervision. None
appear to be potential NIGIOL'S.

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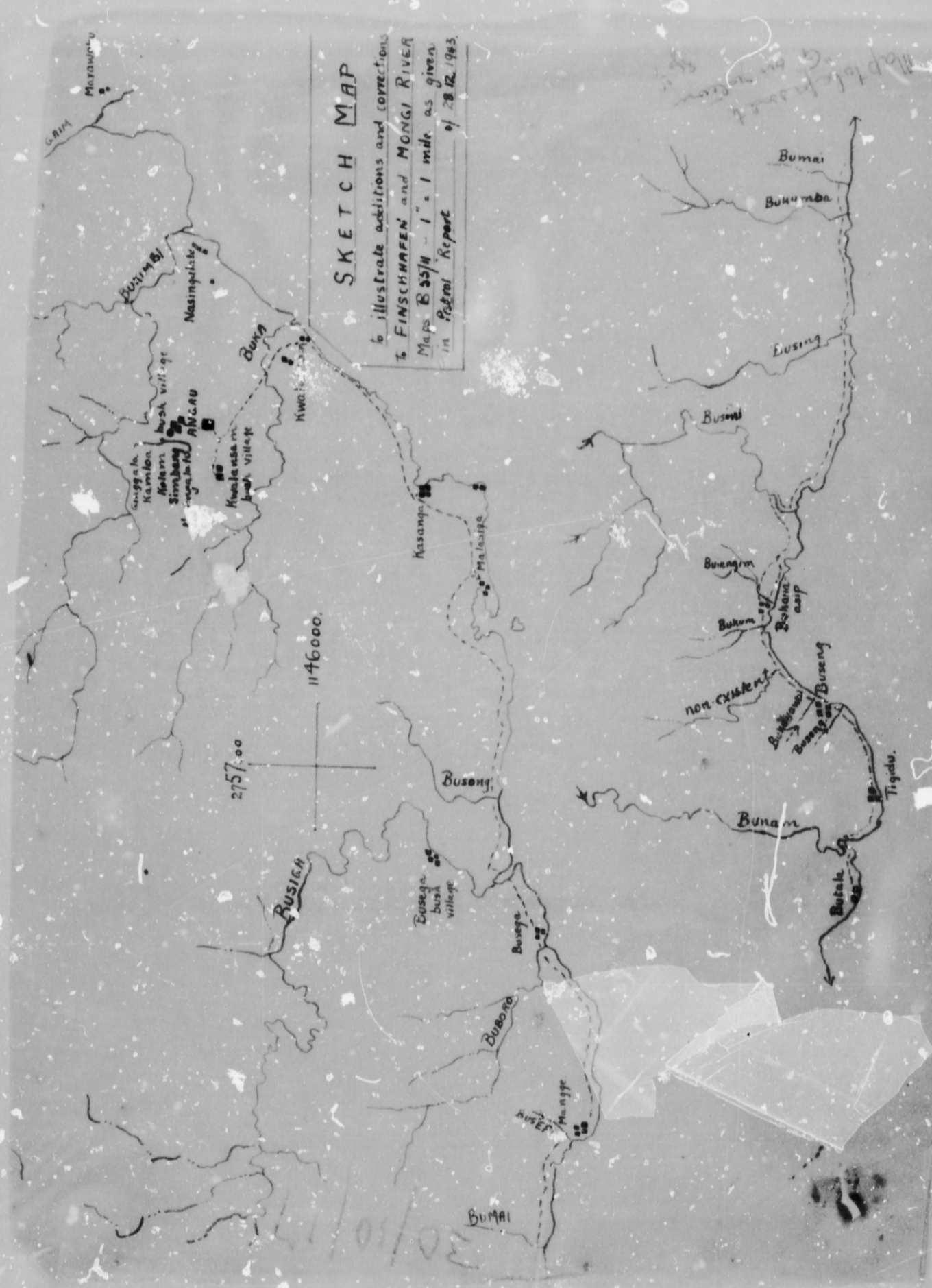
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Village.	BIRTHS		DEATHS								Totals		New Names			
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KASANGA	6	2			1	1			1		6	1	7	3		
WANAM	5	8								5	1	5	1			
KALAL	5	4								-	1	-	1			
EUSEGA	6	5			1	1	1			3	6	5	7			
MANGGE	-	2			1	1				5	5	7	6			
NUKUA-ASIP	2	-			1				2	5	3	8	3			
BUSENG	2	1			1	2			1	5	8	7	10			
TIGIDU	3	2							2	3	3	3	5			
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Village.	Inter-Dist. Migrations				I/L's		Child ren		Adults		Males	Fems.	TOTALS	
	In		Out										Excl	Incl
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	I/Ls	I/Ls	I/Ls	I/Ls
KASANGA					12	-	23	10	13	21	36	31	67	79
WANAM					25	-	19	35	23	42	42	77	119	144
KALAL					8	-	17	19	15	18	32	37	69	77
BUSEGA					10	-	25	21	22	25	47	46	93	103
MANGGE					6	-	11	17	10	11	21	28	49	55
BUKUA-ASIP					9	-	16	11	13	22	29	33	62	71
BUSENG					7	-	17	15	8	12	25	27	52	59
TIGIDU					5	-	10	15	12	22	22	37	59	64
BUTALA					6	-	10	9	21	16	31	25	56	62
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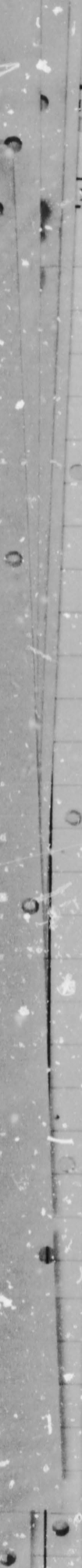
SKETCH MAP

to illustrate additions and corrections
to **FINSCHAFEN and MONGI RIVER**
Maps B 5574 - 1" = 1 mile as given
in Patrol Report of 28.12.1943.

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Territory of PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 23 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by W. H. K. W. Jones

Area Patrolled Sanem River area - Maba

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 25/11/1943 to 8/12/1943

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

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WAIN,
26 Dec 43.

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Patrol Report No. 23/43-44
WOII K.W. JONES - SPNEM River Area (NABA)

Date left Station: 25 Nov 43

Date Returned: 8 Dec 43

Purpose of Patrol: To get natives to return to villages and obtain recruits.

Patrol accompanied by: (a) S/Sgt THREEMER, F.
(b) RPC (five)
(c) 20 carriers (village to village)

DIARY:-

25 Nov 43: 0900 hrs left station. 1100 hrs arrived MONAKASET.
1230 hrs left MONAKASET. 1430 hrs arrived BAWAN. WOII Neumann on station.

26 Nov 43: 0930 hrs left BAWAN. 1130 hrs arrived GEWAK. Natives of MISOK lined at GEWAK.

27 Nov 43: 0900 hrs left GEWAK. 1000 hrs arrived ORIN. Luluai GASARUK of ORIN, who is deaf and very old, requested that he be relieved of his office. Native TAIKOP recommended as Luluai. 1200 hrs left ORIN. Arrived 1520 hrs at TEWEP.

28 Nov 43: At TEWEP. Lined natives of TEWEP and APOEMENG.

29 Nov 43: At TEWEP. MC TONGWI sent out to bring in natives of KIAKUM. KIAKUM natives lined in afternoon. KIAKUM off main track.

30 Nov 43: 1000 hrs left TEWEP. 1200 hrs arrived SOKULEN. SOKULEN natives have reoccupied their old village. Rest house in good order.

1 Dec 43: At SOKULEN. Sent out for MOGOM people. These people had three men killed by Japs, and have gone back into the hills. Not sighted. Officials of SOKULEN - YALUMBANG instructed to contact MOGOM natives and bring them back to village.

2 Dec 43: At 0900 hrs left SOKULEN. 1130 hrs arrived YALUMBANG. SEPERAGAMAN natives living at YALUMBANG. Two luluais do not speak pidgin. No one suitable for tul tul. Retreating Japs did not pass through this village.

3 Dec 43: At 0900 hrs left YALUMBANG. 1200 hrs arrived AVEN. This track very bad, and not previously used by patrols.

4 Dec 43: At 0900 hrs left AVEN. At 1015 hrs arrived TUKWAMBET. At 1215 hrs left TUKWAMBET. 1300 hrs arrived BAINDOANG.

5 Dec 43: 0900 hrs left BAINDOANG. 0945 hrs arrived KWAMBELENG. AKANDANG natives lined at KWAMBELENG. 1230 hrs left KWAMBELENG. 1345 hrs arrived HANOEMAN.

6 Dec 43: 0900 hrs left HANOEMAN. 1015 hrs arrived BANGDAP. 1230 hrs left BANGDAP. 1345 hrs arrived KORANGANDANG.

7 Dec 43: 1215 hrs left KORANGANDANG. Passed through BANGDAP 1300 hrs. 1445 hrs arrived BAMBOX.

8 Dec 43: Lined BAMBOX and KATING. 1100 hrs left BAMBOX. 1230 hrs passed through MONAKASET. 1430 hrs arrived GUMBUM.

VILLAGES AND GARDENS:

MONAKASET: Old houses in bad state. Building new houses close to old village. Gardens not extensive - may need assistance until new crops are ready.

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BAWAN: Old village burnt, to rebuild on new site. Not short of feed.

GEWAK: Village in bad condition, natives living at MISOK. Feed sufficient.

ORIN: Village burnt - to build new village. Feed not plentiful but sufficient.

TEWEP and APOBENG: Both villages have been destroyed, and to build new houses. KAIKUM village has extensive gardens, and can supply TEWEP and APOBENG if they are short of feed. KAIKUM to be cleaned and reoccupied.

SOKULEN: These people have reoccupied village, and have a good supply of feed.

YALUMBANG: Natives have remained in village, and have a plentiful supply of feed, and can supply neighbouring villages if necessary.

AVEN: Village not fit to be reoccupied. It will be quicker for these people to build new village. Good site nearby.

TUKWAMBET: Village to be rebuilt and reoccupied. Feed not plentiful, but can be assisted by YALUMBANG.

BAINDUANG: Village being reoccupied. Feed supply is sufficient.

KWEMBELENG: Village mostly burnt. To rebuild. Feed is sufficient.

AKANDANG: Village not visited by Japs. Gardens are OK, and can supply KWEMBELENG.

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HANOBIAN: Being reoccupied and cleaned up. Feed sufficient.

BANGDAP: These people will need assistance of feed, otherwise village is back to normal.

KORANGDANG: This village has been partly reoccupied and rebuilt. Gardens near road are bare, but these people have extensive gardens on DIMINI side of NJMBA River.

NATING and BAMBOX: are building new houses together on new site. Old places not worth rebuilding. These people are short of feed, and will need assistance until new crops come on.

RECRUITS: Only 49 recruits were obtained, due to the fact that in every village a large number of young men were absent.

ALLEGED OFFENCES BY PIB:

Korangandang: An old woman was supposed to have been raped, but investigation revealed that it was only attempted. The injured party decided to let the incident drop. No proceedings.

Bangdap: Wife of Luluai was frightened by PIB native, and ran into bush. Had child only three days old. Woman died a few days later. Insufficient evidence to suppose that PIB was indirectly cause of death.

Menakasat: Alleged that young girl was raped by two PIB natives. Evidence taken, and will be forwarded with witnesses to LAE.

Submitted to AS 20/8
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GENERAL:

At all villages a propaganda speech was given: that our armies were bound to beat the Japs, and it was to the natives' advantage to give us every assistance with labour, and that the natives need have no fear that the Japs might return.

All villages were ordered to reoccupy and rebuild, also to extend all gardens, as all surplus food would be bought by the government for the troops.

JAPANESE EQUIPMENT:

Some Jap equipment was handed in, including five rifles. Natives were ordered to bring any further Jap gear they may find to the Government.

RPC ACCOMPANYING PATROL:

L/Cpl	MOROBÉ	Reliable but far from brilliant. Not assertive enough.
NC	WARA	Keen and reliable.
NC	IVOREA	Fairly intelligent and reliable.
NC	TOWGI	Very keen but a bit too talkative. Good for escort duty.
NC	AMO	Efficient and reliable. Takes good care of equipment.

MEDICAL:

Considering it is over two years since these natives have had medical attention, their general health is quite good.

There have been a few deaths from dysentery in most villages, but nothing very serious, and only a few cases reported to me.

Tuberculosis and Pneumonia account for the greater part of the deaths in this area.

A number of the natives have Kuss Kuss, and the usual grille. The percentage of sores is very small. No cases of yaws were seen. All villages were ordered to construct latrines and to clean up around villages.

(Sgd) K.W. JONES WJII

Patrol Officer.

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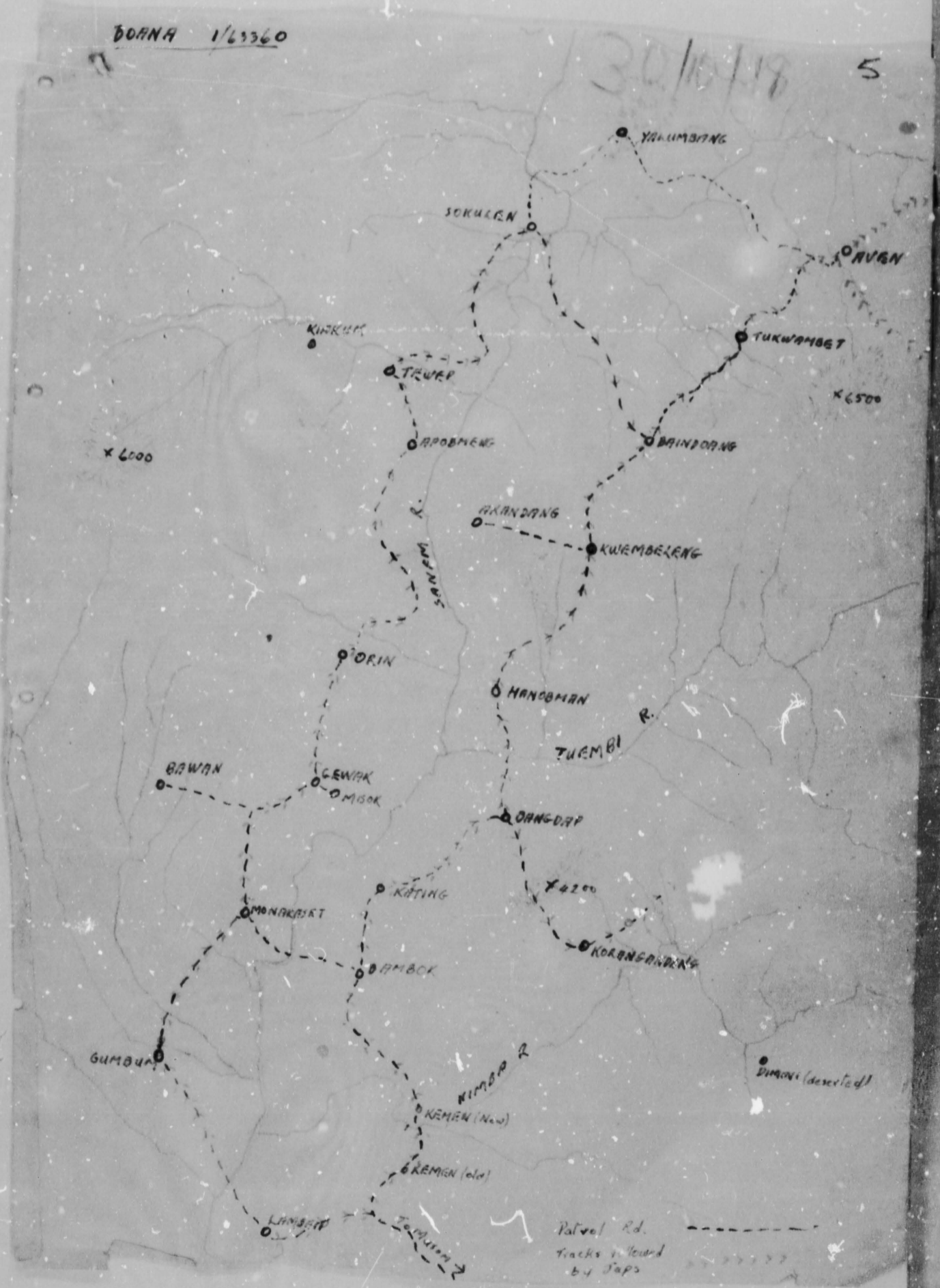
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ANGAU,
District Office,
LAE. 29 Dec 43.

LAE
Forwarded is report of patrol by WO K. Jones to the NABA area 25 Nov 43 - 8 Dec 43.

2. The patrol was very badly needed, and seems to have had a good effect in bringing these natives back to a normal state of life. The following matters require comment:-

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Villages and Gardens: Some food has already been issued to these villages in need, and arrangements have been made for regular issues to be made until such time as they are able to provide for themselves.

Extract to NL
Recruits: An additional 252 recruits have now been obtained from these villages. It is expected that in future all natives will line without trouble.

Pass file
PIB Offences: WO Jones has done very good work in investigating these cases. It would have been easy for him to have been prejudiced by previous reports, and looked for cases rather than try and find the real facts. A separate report is being submitted concerning PIB conduct in this area.

[Signature] Capt
ADO - LAE

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District Services,
ANCAU.
9 Jan 44.

DO LAE.

Patrol Report No. 23-43/44
WOLL JONES K.W.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned Patrol Report forwarded under cover of your memo L 309 of 31 Dec 43.

The proposal to establish a Police Post in the area is concurred in.

✓
Henry Bee

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Lt. Col.,
ADDS.

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ANGAU, *Headquarters*
District Office,
LAE. 31 Dec 43.

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ADDS:

Patrol Report No. 23/43-44

Attached is patrol report by WO1 Jones, KW, covering a patrol of portion of the WAIN area, together with comments by the ADO, LAE.

2. The WAIN-NABA area has a population of over 10,000 natives, who have had a pretty tough time over the last six months, and they will require careful handling to prevent complete disruption of their social and economic life, especially as we have recruited approx 900 natives from that area.

With this in mind, it is proposed to keep at least one patrol officer in the area until normal conditions return, and at the same time use it as a training ground for newly appointed patrol officers.

Good ✓

3. Apart from the rehabilitation angle, there is sufficient population to maintain a police post in the area, and with the large number of men employed by the Army, there is bound to be lots of work in connection with desertion, deceased estates, etc.

4. WO1 Jones will remain in charge, and a Medical Assistant is now with him thoroughly patrolling the area.

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Major
District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 24 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. G. W. Tegeed

Area Patrolled Seve (Finisterre Range)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 27/12/1943 to 6/1/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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ANGAU,
North Markham District.
22 Jan 44.

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Patrol Report 24/43-44 (NORTH MARKHAM)

By: Capt G.W. Toogood, ADO.

To: SEWE (Finisterre Range)

Duration of Patrol: 27 Dec 43 - 6 Jan 44.

Object of Patrol: Accompanying 6 M.G. patrol with object of investigating possibilities of new site for spotting station on northern slopes of the FINISTERRE Range. Also to establish friendly relations with natives en route, former patrol having been forced to withdraw when attacked by natives who fired about thirty arrows.

DIARY:-

27 Dec 43: Left GUSAP camp area at 0900 hrs, and proceeded by car to the jeep head, accompanied by two native police - both Papuan, there being no others available. Joined Major Pickett and his Company, then followed the native track up the creek and across the foothills to GUSAP Village, now deserted, where a halt was made for lunch. Time from jeep-head approx two hours. Continued on for another hour and a half to the native labour camp at WATABONG. Sgt Keenan, the NLO, reported all in order there, but that a further ten carriers were required to handle the cargo required to go up the line. OIC, NZ at GUSAP was advised accordingly.

28 Dec 43: Continued on up the main track for about three and a half hours to BANKOKONO, which is as far as the carrier line operates. Found natives had deserted this village only recently, so native constables were despatched to contact the Luluai or any of his people, with instructions that they were to return to their village.

29 Dec 43: Tul Tul reported later in the morning, and was asked why he and his people had left the village, and where were they now? He stated they had left the village because they were afraid, and were now living in the bush. Tul Tul instructed to bring all his people back to the village immediately, and that every assistance was to be rendered the Australian soldiers operating in this area. By evening about half the population had returned to the village.

30 Dec 43: Accompanied by Lieut Parker and six other ranks, with the two police and ten carriers, left BANKOKONO and continued on up the native track for about three hours to BUTEMU. This village was also deserted. Eventually the Luluai was contacted, and said he and his people had left the village, as they were afraid of any repercussions from the earlier shooting of a native constable at WAMUNTI Village. Instructions were issued for the people to return to the village immediately, bring in food, and recondition the house previously used as a rest house. Quite a number of people returned to the village, and a fair quantity of food brought in.

31 Dec 43: After persuading the Luluai to accompany the patrol, left BUTEMU at 0800 hrs and climbed to the top of the very steep ridge above the village, this is a climb of about 1800 feet. Continued over and down the far side to DURU, a dilapidated three-house village - about a two-hour walk. On down and along, in a westerly direction, the side of the feature for another hour, and a half, to the river, where a halt was made for lunch. Crossed the river, which flows into the GUSAP, and proceeded along and up the ridge on the other side for about two hours' walk to KOKO, a small village of four houses on an

31 Dec 43 (cont'd):

2. exposed ridge
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The village was empty on arrival, but the Lulwai of BUTEMU, having been sent on ahead to contact the people, soon arrived at the village with the majority of the inhabitants. A very small quantity of food was brought in, and after a "pep-talk" the villagers were instructed to build a lean-to for the patrol. This was quickly erected. Two of the older men of the village were then despatched to the next village, KALAPASI, with instructions to contact the people and endeavour to have them in the village on the following day.

1 Jan 44: Left KOKO and proceeded up the higher spur of the ridge, thence across on to the next ridge to KALAPASI, a distance of some three hours. Found the people all in the place, with the men from KOKO, and after a good talk with them through an interpreter, asked them why they had attacked the earlier patrol. As usual they blamed the natives in the villages further on, but admitted having taken part in the attack - for this they expressed regret, and stated they wished to remain friendly with the Government. They were then persuaded to carry a few of the men's packs, also to bring food on to the next group of villages, in case none was available there. There does not appear to be any great quantity of food in this area. Pushed on across a very deep and steep gully, and round the main rise for about two hours to DANA, a group of three small hamlets. These people were also persuaded to come in and be on friendly terms. After a short "pep-talk" several of the natives were encouraged to go on to the next villages, and spread the news that the Government Officer was on the way and that there would be no trouble for them if they remained in their villages and were willing to be friendly. Others were instructed to build a lean-to.

2 Jan 44: As native food was scarce, and little had been brought, it was decided to leave most of the patrol here, this being as far as the earlier patrol had been. Left DANA with Lieut Parker and one other rank, and accompanied by the Lulwai from BUTEMU and some villagers, continued up and along the range for about two hours to the large village of HAMBIA, consisting of about forty houses. This is one of the last villages south of the main FINISTERRE Range, the other villages of MORO and SEWE, both big villages of twenty and thirty houses respectively, are situated slightly north and west of HAMBIA across very steep gorges, SEWE being on the main feature of the range. Most of the HAMBIA people were in the village together with the chiefs and a few other natives of MORO and SEWE. There has been little contact with these natives in the past, and there are no Lulwais or Tul Tuls appointed. A good hearing was obtained from these people, and they were given a good insight into the general principles of the Administration, also told to assist at all times Australian and American soldiers and airmen should they be in the vicinity. These natives stated no Japs had crossed the range at this point, or been in any of their villages, but indicated that some Jap activity, in the form of patrols, had been observed on the far side of the range, emanating from the village of MATOKO. Natives did not appear favourably disposed towards the Japs, but would give no reason for their attitude. People of SEWE will not cross the range now, their reason being that it is too cold. This is undoubtedly correct, but they have been over many times before, and it may not be their only reason for refusing to cross now.

The Chiefs of HAMBIA and SEWE have been told that should they look after their villages and pull their weight with the Administration they would, in due course, be given hats and official status.

Returned to DANA, accompanied by several of the village people, who are strong and active, but harbour a not unusual dislike for work, and could only be persuaded to carry the very lightest of articles.

3 Jan 44: Returned to KATAPASI in torrential rain, which made the steep climb up to the village very difficult. A wet night was spent here.

4 Jan 44: Returned by the same track to KOKO, still accompanied by several natives from the villages visited. Here two natives from WAMUNTI, a village further west, on the GONOMU track, were seen, and, although decidedly frightened, volunteered the information that a patrol of Australian soldiers had visited their village the previous day, but the natives had all kept to the bush, and there had been no fighting. This village recently became hostile after killing one of WO Seale's native constables. The two natives were advised to return to their village and induce the rest of the inhabitants to do likewise, then report to WO Hayes, who would shortly be stationed in that area. If this was done there would be no more trouble for them. Continued on back through DURU and over the range down to BUTEMU, arriving late in the afternoon. Found on arrival that all the people of BUTEMU had returned to the village and village life was proceeding normally. Ample supplies of native food brought in.

5 Jan 44: Returned to BANKOKONO where the people had also returned to the village and were leading their normal routine lives.

6 Jan 44: Left BANKOKONO and returned down the main track, through WATABONG and GUSAP to the jeephead, where a car waited for conveyance to the camp area.

GENERAL REMARKS:

The object of the patrol was attained - the re-establishing of friendly relations with the natives. Also, it was learned that it would be impracticable to put a spotting station on the far side of the range, owing to the great difficulty to be encountered in maintaining supply routes.

Although the local natives were unwilling to cross the main range, and food was scarce, an attempt would have been made to push on farther had not a signal been received from the DO with instructions to return GUSAP at earliest.

Although the people in the DANA, HAMBIA, and SEWE groups are now quite friendly, and apparently willing to co-operate, future patrols should handle them with care for a while, until their confidence in us is strengthened. They are willing to bring in the small quantities of food available, but do not take kindly to the idea of carrying. Salt, belts, knives, and cloth would all be good trade in this area.

The villages of HAMBIA and SEWE are beautifully kept, and very fine types of mountain villages. The people are well-built, strong, and healthy, and much cleaner than the average, and a far more robust native than those lower down in the DANA, KOKO, BUTEMU, and BANKOKONO groups.

All villages are built on steep riser or shoulders above the river, and situated at between 6,500 and 7,000 feet. Few gardens are near the villages, many being as far as two days distant. The people do not appear to be ardent agriculturists, though their crops are good and various.

The MG patrol, who were fired at with arrows by these natives, are to be commended for their restraint in not returning the fire, but withdrawing. This action probably saved a great deal of trouble.

W. J. Langford
Capt

ADO.

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ANGAU,
District Office,
L.A.E. 25 Jan 44.

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Patrol Report 24/43-44 - NORTH MARHAM

Attached is Patrol Report submitted by Capt G.W. TOOGOOD,

ADC.

2. This officer is now au fait with TNG methods of administration, and has handled these natives in the correct way.
3. WO HAYES is now stationed in the area with the aim of completely re-settling them. The platoon of machine-gunners will be remaining there for some time, as part of the GUSAP local defence. Their presence, together with the AWW spotters will help to make these natives used to European contact.

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Major
District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 25 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Srs. J. Rae and C. Elliott

Area Patrolled Dumpu to Taika

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 2/1/1944 to 15/1/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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Sub-District Hq.,
ANGAU, 7 Aust Div.,
DUMPU, 23rd. Jan 44.

The District Officer,
LAE,

Patrol Report from Dumpu to Faita - by
Lieuts. J. Rae and C. Elliott.

I forward the attached report on a special patrol carried out by the above two Officers. Its main purpose was to conduct Sgt Carnell of F.E.L.O., for whom transport was not available, through doubtful country. It was undertaken at a time when Divisional Operations were rather static, and it was my intention for the patrol to conduct consolidation work on its return journey. However, the change of Brigades near Dumpu brought about a slight increase in activity nearer home, and I was forced to recall the patrol at short notice, before it could commence administrative work proper. Since then Lieut. Rae has entered hospital, and my intention to post him to 15 Bde Area and Lieut Elliott to 2/6 Cav. Sqn. has not been given effect to, as yet.

The patrol brought back a lot of useful information of local interest as to the activities of 2/2nd. Cav Sqn, based at Faita, and the activities of Angau personnel under command of DO Benabena, attached thereto. It enables us better to co-ordinate our work in the forward areas of the respective units, which, as the campaign goes on, will sooner or later converge.

It was unfortunate, in civil days, that to all the intents and purposes, the limit of administrative influence in the Ramu Valley, controlled from Madang, ended on the North Bank of the River. The Uncontrolled area boundary commenced about five miles on the South side of the river. This left a belt of scattered swamp people, not very numerous, on the flats on the Southern Bank, who to all practical purposes, were as unaffected by Civil Administration as were the people above them, extending from the imaginary five mile Uncontrolled Area Boundary up and over the Bismarck Ranges to the Benabena Sub-District. A Patrol Officer based, say at Waimeriba, should be able, in about six months, to consolidate all the swamp people, and also bring under influence all the people on the slopes of the Bismarcks between Mt. Helwig and the adjoining sphere of influence, namely, the Faita-Gueibi Area. Of these people, those in the locality of Mt Helwig are Benabena Speaking Dialect, while those on the slopes of Mt. Otto are Gafuka dialect people. It is rather formidable country, but no more so, I think, than the Rai Coast Fall of the Finisterres, or the Rauwa Area. The main benefit would be to link up our controlled area with the semi-controlled Benabena-Garoka Area, and so open this country to any itinerant prospectors.

This is the first report submitted by Lieut Rae since he has been working in this Sub-District during the last three months. That is not to say he has not been doing effective and sound work. Earlier in the campaign he was posted with forward elements of the Division contacting scattered groups of natives, which work he left to complete the bringing under indenture of the bulk of the labourers attached to the Division. I have found him to be a most conscientious Officer. I consider that Lieut Elliott has now had sufficient experience to enable him to be employed on independent work, but that will be a matter for my relief, Capt Fienberg.

H. E. Hamilton

(H.E. Hamilton) Capt.
Assistant District Officer.

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Sub-District HQ
DUMPU
17 Jan44

ADO DUMPU.

PATROL REPORT No 25 of 43/44

Area: DUMPU-WAIMERIBA-FAITA and return.

- Objects: (i) To escort Sgt. Carnell FELO to FAITA, on his way to join Smythe's patrol.
(ii) On return to WAIMERIBA to continue the work commenced by WO GOW (vide report dated 17 Nov 43) of settling the natives of this area.
(iii) To investigate the general native situation without encroaching on or interfering with the work of the ANGAU staff of the DO of BENABENA.
(iv) To establish liaison with ANGAU personnel.

Personnel: ~~Lieut.~~ J. I. RAE, Lieut. C. E. ELLIOTT, Sgt. Carnell.

RPC--One NCC and nine constables.

Carriers 23 natives.

Duration: 2 Jan 44 - 15 Jan 44 (fourteen days).

Ref. Maps: MT OTTO, URIGINA, OBULU I" Prov. Series, and attached sketch map.

Last patrol ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ by Administration in 1940 by Capt H. F. Hamilton.

Route has been traversed at least once by a patrol of 2/2 Cav Sqn.

DIARY

- 2 Jan. Departed DUMPU 1030 hrs. for jeep head at Evapia B. where PIB were contacted. Took two hours to cross RAMU and camped at ASANOM village. Talked with tultuls of ASANOM, KESAWAI 3, which is temporarily situated near ASANOM and WAIMERIBA, the last being detailed as guide for the next day.
- 3 Jan. Three bogy carry down RAMU distributaries, as inland tracks were very boggy, arrived WAIMERIBA (deserted). These people have started a new village nearer the Marea R. After two hours along muddy bush track arrived KORIGEI (des.), a well-laid out village with a good mission house. The luluai, tultul, med. tultul and Rai coast mission boy met us on track.
- 4 Jan. Using luluai of KORIGEI as guide reached KAIRIBA (des.) after two hours. Crossed MARIA R with difficulty. One hour later crossed shallow TAILI (TEI) R. After two hours arrived HUGRAHU (des). The track was overgrown and required cutting. Lieut. Elliott with two police and luluai of Korigei visited the bush houses of the KAMA natives in the hills behind HUGRAHU but was unable to establish contact though some fires and two fleeing native women were seen. Some tobacco was left in payment for a few sticks of sugar-cane cut from their well stocked gardens.
- 5 Jan. Using same guide reached TAUJA R after two hours on good narrow track. This stream was a raging torrent and with much difficulty was crossed after three hours by means of a kunda rope. Camped on PAI Ck. At TAUJA met two old men of HUGRAHU who said their people had split into many small groups.
- 6 Jan. Luluai of Korigei brought in a man NIUMA of WAU who guided us along a good track to WEI R. Contacted a pidgin speaker BIL of KAUSI village. Track along WEI R to the INBRUM very rough over rounded stones and through Cane grass. INBRUM was easily forded but the track there after is over a fallen forest which made carrying slow and difficult.
- 7 Jan. A clear but muddy track brought us to the RAMU R and so on to join the main Bundi road to FAITA. Camped with Sgt Strahan NLO Capt Black and WO England being on patrol. Contacted CO 2/2 Sqn.

- 8 Jan. Decided to escort Sgt Carnell to Bundi and contact the District Services representative in the area. Left FAITA at 1500hrs and after three^{1/2} hrs climb arrived at FAITA village. Guide returned.
- 9 Jan. Dried wet rice and stores and rested the carriers.
- 10 Jan. Departed FAITA village 0745 hrs and after a long climb up a wet track arrived at DAIGUMI (des.) on top of a ridge overlooking BUNDI across the Inbrum River, which was later crossed by a kunda suspension bridge. The road up to Bundi is very steep but well graded and kept. A police constable with local natives brought native foods to the carriers who had experienced a hard day. The road leads on past the strip, which is at present unserviceable, to the mission station where ~~is~~ established WO J. Graham and three AWW signallers. ^{ARE}
- 11 Jan. Sgt Carnell remained at BUNDI. Sent signal to ADO DUMPU informing him of the movement of the patrol. Left Bundi 1015 hrs and after four hours along a good track came to UA 2 which was easily forded. Another three and a half hours over a poor track KAUSI Camp was reached. The Bundi guide was returned.
- 12 Jan. Left camp at 0900 hrs and ^{1/2} arrived KAUSI village after twenty minutes descent. The WEI was easily forded, but the TAUJA, somewhat swollen, presented difficulty. Camped after crossing.
- 13 Jan. With light loads and a clear path, quick time was made. Marea R was flowing slowly, and KORIGEI was reached by 1500 hrs.
- 14 Jan. Contacted the village officials who guided the patrol along the old road which they had caused to be cleared in our absence. Arrived at WAIMERIBA where the tultul presented a note from the ADO ordering the return of the patrol to Dumpu. Camped at ASANOM.
- 15 Jan. Forded Ramu and returned to DUMPU.

2. VILLAGES AND GARDENS

Many gardens were passed through, but only in the hills behind HUGRAHU were any seen in any state of repair. Elsewhere there appears to be a great shortage of small crops which require attention. The ASANOM, KESAWAI, and WAIMERIBA natives have begun to work new gardens.

Some of the Waimeriba's have settled down on a new site, but many are still away. This tultul is young and his word probably does NOT carry much weight. However he has always been most helpful to any patrol and was of great assistance to soldiers of the 2/6 Cav Sqn in their withdrawal last month.

The tultul of Asanom had built a new rest house and police quarters, but on return to his village the patrol found the houses had become the pig-sty and his own mansion respectively. He has promised to build a new rest house! He is a lazy man and NOT an influential official among his people.

At Korigei the mission boy appears to ^{rule} order the village officials and is a man with a strong butcunning personality. These people have said they are no longer afraid and want to return to their old village. Most of the villages in this area are divided into many small groups and unless a patrol officer makes frequent visits these people will probably be quite content to remain as they are.

There is but slight possibility of obtaining more than a very few recruits until the area is again settled.

3. ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY.

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On this patrol there was little opportunity for observing the individual constables. As a detachment they worked and behaved satisfactorily. The newer members have had little experience ~~on~~ on patrol as yet. They promise well.

L/Cpl KUNYUNGEN No2578 is an able NCO; he showed good control.

Const. MIEA No2320 and Const. SEIOK No2771 are two very reliable natives possessing experience and enthusiasm.

Const. IRAKAU No2647 developed lung trouble at Faita village and was unable to carry any equipment. He has had this trouble before. ~~On arrival at Faita hospital his suitability for further service was determined by the.~~

Other constables with this patrol:

Const	YALINGU	2725
"	SANINBAR	2603 2603
"	AIWARA	2529
"	KIMIL (POMAI)	-
"	WANI	2547
"	LAUATAK	2834

4. CARRYING TIMES.

RAMU CROSSING	2 hrs.
ASANOM-WAIMERIBA	2" "
WAIMERIBA-KORIGEI	1 1/2 hrs.
KORIGEI- KAIRIBA	2 hrs.
KAIRIBA-HUGRAHU	3 "
HUGRAHU-TAUJA RIVER	2 "
TAUJA CROSSING	2 - 3 hrs.
TAUJA R. - PAI Ck (camp 4)	2 1/2 "
PAI Cr. - WEI RIVER	1 1/4 "
WEI R. - VANIMO CA. (camp 5)	4 hrs.
VANIMO Ck. - FAITA Strip	4 1/2 hrs.
FAITA Strip - FAITA village	5 1/2 3 hrs.
FAITA village - DAIGUMI	5 hrs.
DAIGUMI - INBRUM RIVER	2 1/2 hrs.
INBRUM R. - BUNDI	2 hrs.
BUNDI - UA RIVER	4 1/2 hrs.
UA R. - KAUSI Camp	3 1/2 "
KAUSI Camp - WEI RIVER	1 hr.

Sketch map shows camp sites. There is good accomodation available at WAIMERIBA, KORIGEI, FAITA village, KAUSI camp.

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Sgd. J. I. RAE Lieut
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Patrol Report No. 25/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

Attached is patrol report by Lieut RAE.

2. Most of the country patrolled is in the RAMU District, but the presence of enemy patrols caused the patrol to operate on the other side of the River, where the villages from this side are being re-established. With future operations pending forward of KESAWAI, it may be necessary to move other villages over there away from the battle areas.

3. Lieut RAE is at present recuperating in LAE from a recent illness, and it was intended that he return and be attached to 18th Bde, whom it is hoped will shortly be contacting new groups, but unfortunately advice has just come to hand of his transfer to another District.

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Major
District Officer.

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16 Feb 44.

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PATROL REPORT 25/43-44 - DUMFU to FAITA.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned report.

2. This area is one which appears to have been neglected in the past possibly because of the difficulty entailed in crossing the Ramu and the swampy nature of the country. Some attention might be given to it when operations permit, and as suggested by Capt. Hamilton, the people on the slopes of the Bismarcks between Mt. Helwig and Faifa could at the same time be brought under influence.

Lt. Col.,
ADDS,



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 26 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. R. H. Boyan

Area Patrolled Finschhafen and Kubungtupe (Hube)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 4/1/1944 to 15/1/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY POPONS - NEW GUINEA FORCE.

A.N.C.A.U.,
Headquarters,
Finschhafen sub-district,
NORTH WATKIN DISTRICT.
23rd. January 1944.

Assistant District Officer,
FINSCHHAFFEN.

Patrol Report No. 26/03-44

Dates of Patrol: 4th. to 15th. January 1944.

Area Patrolled: FINSCHHAFFEN to KULUNGUPU (HUBE sub-division)
and return.

Personnel: PX 150 Capt. Royan R.M. (A.N.C.A.U.),
QX 52498 Sgt. Parry B. (N.S.A.W.W.C.),
--- Cpl. Powderham J. (N.S.A.W.W.C.),
A.C.s -- SANGOGORE (in charge), 2846 WIK,
2626 PORTIGAN, 2354 SAMANA, 2588 HAUWEN,
2753 GOMIS, -- BEIU, 3159 ANAIUVA,
2528 KABUN.

Objects of Patrol: (i) To establish a temporary base for census
and general administrative patrols
through the HUBE sub-division.
(ii) To escort New Guinea Air Warning Wireless
Company personnel to Hube area to
establish a spotting station.

D I A R Y.

- 4.1.1944: Left Finschhafen 0935 hrs. and proceeded via
TIMIMORA, CURUNKOR, and KUMAWA villages to NARARUO
arriving 1715 hrs. Found W.O. Manreben here and
that he had made arrangements for carriers for the
morrow. At ~~KUMAWA~~ observed that natives had just returned
to village to live.
Net walking time for day - 5 hours.
- 5.1.1944: Proceeded through BODINGBANENG to NANDUO. Net
walking time 3½ hrs. Evidence of former village
of accurate bombing including apparent 1,000 bombs
which caused very extensive craters in the clayey
ground.
Met at each of the two villages by the natives
thereof. Villagers of BODINGBANENG filling in bomb
craters and repairing houses; those of NANDUO repairing
houses.
Rest House at NANDUO found to be in fair condition.
- 6.1.1944: Moved on to Old JUNZAING and camped in well-built
native houses. Natives have abandoned this site in
favour of another about 1 mile on but Village Officials
met patrol having been warned of its coming. Old
JUNZAING is about ½ mile off the main road to
KULUNGUPU and the track through it carries on to
New JUNZAING thence across the MASAWENG RIVER.
Large areas of new gardens visible in the Upper
Masaweng watershed.
Net walking time 4 hours.

- 7.1.1944: Moved on over MASAWENG-MONGI Divide to JOANGENG. Subsequent to arrival Sgt. Stutchbury of 1st. Papua Infantry Battalion ("C" Company) arrived from KULUNGTUPU, occupied in marking names of surrounding villages on ground for aerial photography. Camp made in houses formerly occupied by Mission Teachers as Rest House had been demolished by bombs. Net walking time 3 hours.
- 8.1.1944: Moved on to KULUNGTUPU. Net walking time 2 1/2 hrs. Met Major Jesser 2 i/c P.I.B. and Officers and N.C.O.'s of "C" Company. Made camp at abandoned Mission Teacher's houses half-a-mile beyond KULUNGTUPU village. Ample evidence of accurate bombing. Portion of police stores were left at JOANGENG on account insufficient number of carriers.
- 9.1.1944: In company with N.G.A.W.W.C. personnel reced for site for spotting station and patrol base and decided on site above ZENGURU village - on MONGI-KUA Divide. Balance of stores arrived.
- 10.1.1944: Move to ZENGURU arrested on receipt of advice that enemy patrol sighted near AWENGGU village following ambush of P.I.B. patrol which had crossed Cromwell Range to KOMBA area.
- 11.1.1944) Remained at KULUNGTUPU awaiting news of enemy
12.1.1944) activities. 2000 hrs. 12th. advice received from A.D.O. Finschhafen for Capt. Boyan to return with Police to Finschhafen.
- 13.1.1944: Arrangements made with W.O. Lega to take over patrol of Hube area and then proceeded to JOANGENG with 25 recruits some of whom assigned to carry to Holdsbach an injured P.I.B. native.
- 14.1.1944: Left JOANGENG 0810 hrs. and arrived NANDUO 1630 hrs. JUNZANG turn-off being passed at 1200 hrs. En route passed by Paramount Lu'uai of HUBE returning to his area after a visit to Finschhafen. Found NANDUO had been visited by W.O. Pauley earlier in the day.
- 15.1.1944: Left NANDUO 0815 hrs. At ROLINGBANENG 0915 hrs. and ASC Dump near Sattelburg at 1200 hrs. Met by Capt. Dishon and proceeded by Jeep to A.S.C.A.U. H.Q. Injured P.I.B. native taken to P.I.B. Pear H.Q. thence C.C.S.

THE NATIVE SITUATION.

Little can be said by way of comment under this and other headings as the patrol was not in the nature of a regular administrative one. So, there is no attempt at a detailed survey under specific headings.

On the outward trip W.O. Hanrahan was found to be exercising supervision over Kotte villages in the BUMI-KWOIYA-SONG-MASAWENG watersheds. By the time the patrol returned, W.O. Pauley ~~had~~ had taken over from him.

The villages of that area have been almost fully recruited i.e. all, or practically all the able-bodied men of each village have now been indentured to A.N.G.A.U. The two Warrant Officers mentioned were engaged in re-establishing normal conditions in the area. Houses, generally, were seen to be in bad condition - either through neglect, enemy vandalism or Allied bombing. Natives were seen to be repairing these or building new ones; also, filling in bomb craters and cleaning up villages generally.

It is reported that little food is available in the gardens of these Kotte villages - on account of the depredations of the Japanese. The villagers are being supervised in the planting of new gardens.

Judging by the readiness of carriers for the patrol and the general activity of the natives, W.O.s Hanrahan and Pauley have established good control.

These two Officers, together with W.O. Lega have patrolled the HUBE area for the purpose of recruiting natives. It is understood that W.O. Lega will be submitting a Report on his activities at an early date.

This patrol passed through a very small portion of the Hube area but judging from what was seen plus activity on the construction of a "Cub" landing-field and conversations with W.O. Lega, the Native Situation is fairly good. In places, (in the KUA River Valley in particular) some of the able-bodied men have evaded the recruiting Officers, but it is considered that further intensive work by W.O. Lega will remedy this.

It is suspected that some natives of the Upper Kua Valley may have been responsible for conveying to the enemy information which led to the ambush of the R.I.B. patrol across the Cromwell Ranges. Up till the time of my departure from the area nothing definite in this connection had been established.

There was little enemy activity in the HUBE area and this is reflected in the abundance of food. Both JOANGENG and KULUNGUFUFU were bombed by Allied planes (the latter most effectively) necessitating some reconstruction.

ROADS AND TRACKS.

The following are times for native carriers for stages between KAKAKOG (A.N.G.A.U. H.Q. Finschhafen) and KULUNGUFUFU. It is to be taken into account that adherence to such figures would be affected by track states and fitness of carriers. On this patrol carriers were well-loaded and were mostly not A-class people. Track states are indicated below. Times shown do not include rest periods.

<u>STAGE.</u>	<u>TIME.</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
KAKAKOG-TIRIMORA	1 1/2 hrs.	Intermittent climbing mostly through bush; good surface; suitable for horse traffic, unlikely to be jeepable.
TIRIMORA-GURUNKOR	1 1/4 hrs.	do.
GURUNKOR-KUMAWA	3/4 hr.	do.
KUMAWA-MARARUO	1 1/2 hrs.	Intermittent climbing mostly through bush; track rather wet and muddy; suitable for horse traffic, unlikely to be jeepable.

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<u>STAGE.</u>	<u>TIME.</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
MARARUO- BOLINGBANENG	2 hrs.	Some level going, some climbing, some descending. Track very wet and badly cut up for first hour; then improves but still wet and slippery; suitable for horse and jeepable though natural surface unlikely to provide a permanent jeep track.
BOLINGBANENG- NANDUO	1 1/2 hrs.	Gradual descent of perhaps 400' followed by steady climb to NANDUO which is of approximately the same altitude as BOLINGBANENG. Track a little slippery; suitable for horse and jeepable.
NANDUO- JUNZAIING (Old)	4 hrs.	First half fairly steady climbing then more or less around hill-side crossing many small creeks in last hour, including the headwaters of the SONG R., finishing on SONG-MASAWENG Divide. Track fairly good for first hour then very muddy and cut-up. Suitable for horse and jeepable, though natural surface (red clay) still suspect so far as permanence is concerned.
JUNZAIING- JOANGENG.	3 hrs.	Half-hour climb then up and down slope of crest of divide for 1 1/2 hrs. then down about 750' or more to a creek running into MONGI then up a similar height; finally, down to JOANGENG. Track in good order and well-graded; excellent for last half-hour. Suitable for horses and probably jeepable by some diversion for crossing of creek.
JOANGENG- KUMUNGTU V	2 1/2 hrs.	Descent of 2000' 3000'. Fairly steep in places to cross MONGI by rough log bridge which utilise a large rock mass about the centre of the river. Then a climb of a similar nature to the descent. Track in fair order and fairly well graded. River crossing at present a barrier to horses and is only real bar to the construction of a Jeep track; no indication of an alternative track.
KAKAKOG- KU JEGTUFU.	18 hrs.	The track followed from KAKAKOG to MARARUO is a patrol track; the the main one runs through SATTEBERG. Jeeps and trucks can now run almost to SATTEBERG and Jeeps have gone right through to MARARUO though the present state of the road does not permit this. The grade of the track would permit of its conversion to a Jeep road nearly as far as the MONGI but this would probably be the limit. The surface would be a problem; the plentiful rain in the hills and the red clay do not make a good combination. The existing road through SATTEBERG is, of course, very open. Beyond there the track passes mostly through bush, but the wide nature of the track renders it easily visible from the air. The final stages of the climb to KUMUNGTUFU are through grass.

AERODROME.

When the patrol left KULUNGTUFU, a landing strip approximately 220 yds. long and 30 yds. wide was nearly completed. This is intended for "Cub" use and has been built by local natives under supervision of the P.I.B. It is situated on a shelf westward from and below KULUNGTUFU which is reached after about 30 minutes climbing from the strip. Approximate map reference is 299721 (KULUNGTUFU Sheet B55/11 North East New Guinea 1:63360) - form lines are incorrect.

The mountainous nature of the whole countryside covered is not favourable to aerodrome construction, though an extensive investigation may disclose a site somewhere in the HUBE suitable for "Moths" or C.47 transports.

MAPPING.

There was insufficient opportunity to check and correct maps. Members of the P.I.B. were found to be working on map corrections. x

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(R.H. Boyan) Capt.
Assistant District Officer.

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ANGAU, Finschhafen,
25 Jan 44

District Officer,
ANGAU,
NORTH MARKHAM.

Subject: Patrol Report.

Forwarded herewith is report of patrol undertaken by Capt Boyan to the HUBE area.

2. It was intended that this officer remain in the area until the natives had been completely re-organised and recruiting completed; however, advise was received that he was on seven days' notice for movement elsewhere. As it might have eventuated that it would not be possible for him to report back here from some portions of the HUBE within that period, it was considered necessary to recall him so that he could perform duties in the area adjacent to FINSCHHAFFEN whilst awaiting summons to proceed elsewhere. W O Lega, who was to have been relieved in HUBE by Capt Boyan, now remains in the area to continue native administrative duties there and also arrange for delivery of supplies and rations to NGAWW Coy personnel.

3. Little comment is called for - main rehabilitation problem ~~xxxxxxx~~ in this area at present is the rationing of natives whose gardens have become depleted owing to Jap depredations. This problem does not exist in the HUBE and arrangements have been made in this connection in the KOTTE area, as already advised.

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(W. R. Dishon) Capt
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District Office,
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Patrol Report No. 26/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

Attached is patrol report submitted by Capt BOYAN, ADO.

2. For operational purposes the PIB thoroughly patrolled the area, and Patrol Officer LEGA was working with them. It was intended to leave that PO in the HUBE area on a more or less permanent police post to be established at KULUNGTOFU, but unfortunately he has to be transferred as per your radio advice. It will be a struggle to get another PO to relieve him, and one is most necessary until the natives are re-settled, supplied with food, where necessary, and normal conditions restored.

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District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 29 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi W.D.K. Mossman

Area Patrolled Sialum area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 14/1/1944 to 22/1/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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 £.....

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCE.

PATROL REPORT. 29

REPORT ON SIALUM AREA. W.O.II. MOSSMAN W.D.K.

DURATION OF PATROL: 14.JAN. to 22.JAN. 1944.

NO. OF NATIVE CONSTABLES: 4 Members.

NO. OF NATIVE CARRIERS: 24.

OBJECT OF PATROL: To recruit all available natives in SIALUM area, reestablish and settle natives in villages, routine report.

DIARY

- 14.JAN. Left SIALUM early in the morning to contact P.O.DENNIS who is ill according to native reports. News of Japanese Patrol, between 30 & 50 travelling along KALASA TRAIL, was passed on to Lt. McGregor at SIALUM. Travelled all day and contacted P.O.DENNIS at NUZEN. Visited crashed Jap plane, total wrecked (Burnt)
- 15.JAN. P.O.DENNIS owing to illness proceeded back to SIALUM for medical attention. Patrol travelled to KUBULUM where I decided to establish my camp and patrol the surrounding district. The natives were nowhere to be seen and had to be found in the bush. Recruited ten natives.
- 16.JAN. Very severe dose of Malaria during night, will take it easy for next day or so. Signed on six natives and gave villages pep talk as well as instructions.
- 17.JAN. Proceeded to NANDA. Instructions given to natives to settle in villages again and increase garden areas. Settled minor native disputes. Recruited seven natives.
- 18.JAN. Proceeded to KIP and had great difficulty in locating natives, only four found this day. At about 7.p.m. near camp a shot was fired at me from what sounded like a Jap rifle. I am almost certain that a native fired the shot although I only caught a dim view of the culprit. Was unsuccessful in my attempt to shoot the unidentified person.
- 19.JAN. Left early for KANAMAR village. Ordinary instructions given to natives regarding returning to and cleaning villages. Twenty natives recruited.
- 20.JAN. Gradually the natives are arriving in although many of them are very frightened. Twenty eight natives suitable for work.
- 21.JAN. Another sixty natives recruited in this area and most of the day was spent making out contracts. Propaganda talk given to three villages
- 22.JAN. Proceeded back to camp via NANDA. Twenty natives signed on. Old camp deserted. Lt. Mcgregor left with DIV. H.Q. P.O.DENNIS Evacuated. Moved equipment and natives to Native Labour Compound.

W. Mossman
W.O.II.
(W.D.K. MOSSMAN)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCE.

PATROL REPORT.

SUMMARY.

FOOD. The food supply in villages visited was surprisingly satisfactory although pigs, fowls etc. have been eaten and some gardens destroyed. However the food is sufficient for local needs. In all villages visited orders were given to increase gardens.

Health. Owing to the conditions under which the natives have been living and to the filth left behind by the Japanese considerable sickness has been suffered by the natives although at the present time the general health is on the improve. In many streams dead Japanese are to be found and it was impressed upon the natives not to drink this water. The health of the natives is better than expected under the existing conditions.

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STATE OF Villages

All villages are in a bad state and will have to be rebuilt. These spots appear to have been popular with the Japanese troops and much filth has been left in the villages. Owing to this some of the natives have requested that the village sites be shifted. Permission has been granted in some cases although none of villages have been moved far.

Recruited Natives.

The area patrolled has been well inspected and all suitable natives signed on. About 320 natives have been recruited and this is a very large percentage for area covered. Some may be still hiding in the bush although I am very doubtful of this. These natives should be suitable heavy work after a short while on good food.

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Villages Visited

The following villages were visited and arrangements for the their reestablishment well under way; Propaganda talks given and orders for increase of garden areas.

Village of SIAMUM.	Village of NUZEN.
" " SIKIYA.	" " SORWENG.
" " WEINA.	" " NANDA.
" " KALASA.	" " RUA.
" " KAKUYA.	" " TUNGE.
" " BAKON.	" " GERUP.
" " KIP.	" " KARAKO.

W.D.K. Mossman
(W.D.K. MOSSMAN)

W.O.II.

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ANGAU, FINSCHLAFEN.
2 Feb 44

DISTRICT OFFICER,
ANGAU,
NORTH MARKHAM.

Subject: PATROL REPORT - KALASA Area.

Ref Map. LAE 4 miles to 1 inch.

Herewith report of patrol conducted by WO Mossman to the KALASA area, for the purpose of recruiting, rehabilitation, and survey of situation generally.

2. Patrol was of short duration as WO Mossman was placed on seven days' notice and was consequently recalled to work in the FINSCHLAFEN area, where he would be at hand if required. Total number of recruits obtained is very satisfactory. In view of conditions, position is satisfactory and not much difficulty is anticipated in restoring order in the area.

W. R. Dishon
(W. R. Dishon) Capt.
Assistant District Officer.

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District Office,
LAE. 8 Feb 44.

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Patrol Report No. 29/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM:

Forwarded herewith is Patrol Report No. 29/43-44, covering patrol by WOII Mossman to the KALASA area, together with comments by ADO FINSCHNAPEN.

2. Conditions in the area visited seem to be much the same as in other territory previously occupied by the enemy. The number of recruits obtained is very satisfactory.

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Capt. for Major
District Officer.
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HQ ANGAU
21 Feb 44

PO, LAE.

PATROL REPORT No. 29/43-44 N's Markham.

Receipt is acknowledged of abovementioned report, forwarded under cover of your memo No. 30 of 8 Feb 44.

2. Diary 18 Jan. All members of patrol parties, etc., should be warned to be on their guard against being fired at by natives who have acquired firearms.
3. Are searches being made for firearms? For some time to come this should be just as much a matter of routine as the checking of census and inspection of villages.

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Lt. Col.,
DDES.

27 FEB 1944
ANGAU,
District Office,
LAE. 24 Feb 44.

Ref: 18/1/1

Adm HQ, ANGAU

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Firearms

Ref DS 30/10/22 of 21 Feb 44 -

1. All villages are being searched for firearms. Relevant sections of the Arms, Liquor, & Opium Ordinance were recently supplied to ADO FINSCHNAPEN, with instructions to prosecute any natives who failed to hand over firearms after reasonable opportunity had been given.
2. In addition to firearms, other explosives, both Japanese and Allied are being collected, and arrangements made for their adequate disposal.
3. ADOs and OaIC sub-districts have been instructed to warn all patrol staff of the possibilities mentioned in your para 2.

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Capt
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of *North Mankham* Report No. *30 of 23/44*

Patrol Conducted by *S/Sgt. F. H. Shreshet*

Area Patrolled *Lae / Samiginidu*

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From *24* / 19 *44* to *31* / 19 *44*

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - NEW GUINEA FORME.

TAMIGUDU,
2/2/44.

DISTRICT OFFICER,
NORTH MARKHAM,
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PATROL REPORT NO. 30

DATES OF PATROL: 24th to 31st JANUARY, 1944.
AREA PATROLLED : LAE / TAMIGUDU
PERSONNEL : NX 100451 S/SGT THRESHER F.H. (P.O.)
SGT RICHARDS (PRO CON)
VX 121042 CPL MCKELLIN D. (F.S.SEC)
NX IC5862 L/CPL DUGGAN J.W. (" ")
FOUR NATIVE POLICE.

DIARY

- 24.I.44. The patrol left LAE and proceeded to BUTIBUM, where census were taken of BUTIBUM, ANGARI, KAMKAMUN, and portion of the inhabitants of YANGA & WAGAN.
- 25.I.44. Patrol at TIKERING, census checked of TIKERING and portions of YANGA & WAGAN villages, patrol to SINGAUA plantation, via TALI, MUSOM and APO villages.
- 26.I.44 INSPECTED SINGUA plantation. SEPARATE report attached.
- 27.I.44 Patrol to EULU. Inspected BULU plantation, report attached hereto. Sgt RICHARDS returned to LAE. Lined and checked census of BUSO & WAGAN villages.
- 28.I.44 Patrol proceeded to EUKAUA BUKAUA, AWALI, UKILIM and MUNDALA natives lined and census checked.
- 29.I.44 Patrol to HOPOI.
- 30.I.44 Patrol proceeded to YAMBO village lined and census checked.
- 31.I.44 Patrol to E-E via WIDERU, census checked at both villages.
- I.2.44 Patrol proceeds from E-E to TAMIGUDU via BUA and BUIENG-GIM checking census in whole.

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MEDICAL:

The general health of natives in all villages visited was from fair to good, though in several villages some severe cases of "YAWS" were noticed and it is suggested that a medical assistant be sent into this area as soon as possible.

The general health of the patrol has been fair, all members having suffered with or from after effects of DENGUE fever whilst on patrol.

ROADS & BRIDGES:

All roads traversed were in fair condition but some repair work is necessary to bridges.

FOOD POSITION:

Native foodstuffs are in plentiful supply throughout the district.

(Sgd) F.H. [Signature] S/SGT.
Patrol Officer.

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APPENDIX "A" P/R 28/43-44
NORTH MARKHAM.

TAMIGUDU,
2/2/44.

DISTRICT OFFICER,
LAE.

REPORT ON SINGAU PLANTATION.

1. This estate was visited on 26 January, 1944.
2. The condition of the estate is very dirty with thick undergrowth to 15 feet.
3. It is estimated that approximately 130 tons of copra could be taken off the estate at the present, with an approximate future monthly production of 30-32 tons.
4. With the exception of the piles the white staff's residence has been completely demolished and removed from the estate.
The copra driers are also considered to be useless and valueless while the copra stone needs considerable renovation before it could be used for the storing of copra. The native labour quarters also need rebuilding.
5. The rubber section of this estate is also in a very dirty state and would need considerable attention before it could be put into production.
The rubber mill is considered to be useless with the exception of the rollers which are in a reasonably good repair.
6. It is estimated that approximately 100 native labourers for from two to three months would be necessary to clean this estate and bring it back into production and that thereafter 60 to 70 labourers would be necessary to maintain production at its peak.

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(Sgd) F.H. THRESHER S/SGT,
Patrol Officer.

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APPENDIX "B" P/R 28/43-44
NORTH MARKHAM.

PAMIGUDU,
 2/2/44.

DISTRICT OFFICER,
LAE.

REPORT ON BULU PLANTATION.

1. THIS ESTATE was visited on the 27th January, 1944.
2. Condition of this estate is extremely dirty and and would require a considerable number of natives to clean it.
3. It is estimated that approximately 50 tons of COPRA could be taken off the estate at the present time and an approximate future annual production of 80 to 90 tons could be anticipated.
4. The bungalow on this estate has been subjected to M.G. fire but it is considered that the structure could be easily and inexpensively repaired. All other buildings on the estate are considered worthless.
5. Under present day conditions it seems impracticable to reopen this estate on a profitable basis as a separate entity. Therefore it is suggested that any reopening of this estate be done in conjunction with the reopening of "SINGAUA" plantation, or that the nuts from "BULU" be used for supply to the "MARKHAM" valley natives.

(Sgd) F.H. THRESHER S/SGT,
 Patrol Officer.

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Patrol Report No. 30/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

Forwarded herewith is patrol report No. 30/43-44, from S/Sgt F. THRESHER, covering the BUKAUA area, also reports on SINGAUA and BULU plantations.

2. The patrol was a routine one, with special reference to obtaining population totals, which are not yet forwarded, as a few additional details are still required.
3. S/Sgt THRESHER will remain stationed at TAMIGUDU, making frequent patrols of these villages.

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 Capt. for Major
 District Officer.

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 HQ ANGAU
 21 Feb 44

DC, LAE.
PATROL REPORT No. 30/43-44 - North Markham.

Acknowledgement is made of abovementioned Patrol Report and attachments forwarded under cover of your memo 30 of 8 Feb 44.

2. The reports on SINGAUA and BULU plantations have been passed on to Production Control Board.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 31 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woj K.W. Jones

Area Patrolled Seumbi River - Mimba R.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 14/1/1944 to 9/2/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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ANGAU,
GUMBUM,
13 Feb, 1944.

D.O. LAE.

PATROL REPORT BY WOLIE JONES KW

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AREA TEUMBI R - NIMBA R.

DATE LEFT STATION 14 Jan 1944

DATE RETURNED ?

OBJECT To contact Capt ORMSBY and inspect villages of area.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY R.P.C. 5
Carriers village to village

DIARY

- 14 Jan 0900 hrs left GUMBUM. 1030 hrs arrived MONAKASET. New site chosen by natives no good. Ordered them to clean up and rebuild old village. 1100 hrs left MONAKASET. 1210 hrs arrived KATING. 1300 hrs left KATING. 1430 hrs arrived BANGDAP. 1600 hrs left BANGDAP. 1730 hrs arrived KORANGANDANG. Village deserted and filthy. A few natives rounded up, who said there had been a number of deaths in the village. Ordered people to return and clean up immediately.
- 15 Jan 0800 hrs left KORANGANDANG. 1040 hrs arrived MISALAMBAMAN. 1200 hrs left MISALAMBAMAN arrived DOKALONG. 1400 hrs left DOKALONG. 1500 hrs arrived KASANOMBE. KASANOMBE reoccupied also DOKALONG but need cleaning, in spite of orders from WO BIRD. 3 deaths at MISALAMBAMAN day before my arrival. 1630 hrs runner arrived from Capt ORMSBY. 1630 hrs runner sent to GUMBUM to pick up sig wire for Capt ORMSBY.
- 16 Jan 0900 hrs left KASANOMBE. 1020 hrs arrived crest of range. 1130 hrs arrived NIMBA R. 1230 hrs left NIMBA R. 1400 hrs arrived crest of range. 1445 hrs left crest. 1600 hrs arrived BUNGARUMBA. Capt ORMSBY at BUNGARUMBA.
- 17 Jan 1400 hrs left BUNGARUMBA for LAE with 3 police. 1630 hrs arrived MILILUGUAN. Village filthy. Natives ordered to clean up.

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- 18 Jan 0300 hrs left MILILUGUAN. 1000hrs arrived KWAPSANEK! more deaths reported at KWAPSANEK. 1015 hrs left KWAPSANEK. 1100 hrs arrived GAWAM. Village clean but ordered to build more latrines. One constable left with troops at GAWAM to assist in obtaining carriers. 1130 hrs left GAWAM. 1200 hrs arrived MUSOM. One constable left at MUSOM to contact natives for carrying for troops. 1230 hrs left MUSOM. 1500 hrs arrived BUMSI. 1530 hrs left BUMSI. 1700 hrs arrived LAE.
- 19 - 25 Jan At HQ ANGAU LAE
- 26 Jan 0900 hrs left LAE. 1030 hrs arrived BUMSI. Inspected Chinese camp and gardens. Some houses in need of repair. Gardens progressing well. 1300 hrs left BUMSI. 1430 hrs arrived GWABADOK.
- 27 Jan 0900 hrs left GWABADOK. 1210 hrs arrived MUSOM. 1400 hrs left MUSOM. 1440 hrs arrived GAWAM. There have been 7 deaths from dysentery since Xmas. One during present week. Constable from GAWAM to accompany writer. Leaving one constable at MUSOM only. 1600 hrs left GAWAM. 1715 hrs arrived KWAPSANEK. 15 deaths in village from dysentery since Xmas. 3 during this week.
- 28 Jan 0830 hrs left KWAPSANEK. 1040 hrs arrived MILILUGUAN. Village much cleaner and additional latrines dug since my last visit. 1150 hrs left MILILUGUAN. 1430 hrs arrived BUNGARUMBA. 1600 hrs left BUNGARUMBA. 1645 hrs arrived MELAMBI. Capt ORMSBY at MELAMBI.
- 29 Jan At MELAMBI.
- 30 Jan 0900 hrs left MELAMBI. 0950 hrs arrived BUNGARUMBA. Village lined by Capt ORMSBY, who left for SAMANZING 1100 hrs. 1100 hrs left BUNGARUMBA. 1230 hrs arrived crest. 1300 hrs left crest. 1400 hrs arrives NIMBA R. 1500 hrs left NIMBA R. 1715 hrs arrives KASANOMBE.
- 31 Jan Lined village and, checked census. No sickness except for a number of colds. Village has been cleaned and more latrines have been dug. Patrol arrived from BUNGARUMBA troops.
- 1 Feb 0900 hrs left KASANOMBE. 1015 hrs arrived KISITUEN. Lined village and checked census. Village fairly clean and latrines dug. There are two hamlets to this village. Have ordered the people of hamlet near river to move to top hamlet and the build rest house there instead of lower hamlet.

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- 2 Feb 0900 hrs left KISITUEN. 1100 hrs arrived AVEN. Inspected village which is very clean and is being rebuilt. The good results due to efforts of four police who have been stationed at BAINDUANG.
- 3 Feb Lined AVEN natives and checked census. There have been 27 deaths since Xmas, mostly from dysentery. At present only one case in village, but a large number of colds. Approximately 60 more natives lined than on writers previous visit on 4th Dec 43! 1200 hrs left AVEN. 1300 hrs arrived TUKWAMBET. Lined natives and inspected village. Village has been cleaned and houses rebuilt. One recent death of dysentery. 1430 hrs left TUKWAMBET. 1545 hrs arrived BAINDUANG. Cpl LEYDON at BAINDUANG.
- 4 Feb Lined BAINDUANG natives and checked census. Total population 814. Only sickness is a few colds, village clean.
- 5 Feb At BAINDUANG. Cpl LEYDON left for GUMBUM.
- 6 Feb 0830 hrs left BAINDUANG. 1100 hrs arrived KASANOMBE.
- 7 Feb 0900 hrs left KASANOMBE. 0940 arrived DOKALONG. Lined natives and checked census. Additional roll up of 40. Village much cleaner and latrines dug. 1115 hrs left DOKALONG. 1200 hrs left MIS LAMBAMAN. Lined natives and checked census. There have been 20 deaths from dysentery since beginning of December in this village. Natives were put to work rebuilding and cleaning up.
- 8 Feb 0900 hrs left MIS LAMBAMAN. 1100 hrs arrived KORANGDANG. Lined natives and checked census. 27 deaths since Dec 7 43. Natives were back in village and had cleaned it up. Burnt old buildings and rebuilding others. Tul Tul TAPET has died and native KOKOSI to replace him as Tul Tul. 4 cases dysentery in village.
- 9, Feb 0900 hrs left KORANGDANG. 0945 hrs arrived BANGDAP. Lined and checked census. 1030 hrs left BANGDAP. 1145 hrs arrived BAMBOK. 1215 hrs left BAMBOK. 1430 hrs arrived GUMBUM.

NATIVE GARDENS .

The majority of villages were fairly well off for food. KORANGDANG and MONAKASET will need assistance with food till their crops are ready about the beginning of March. Also BANGDAP and BAMBOK. All natives have been busy planting and large gardens are well in evidence.

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HOUSES.

Some villages have been slow in rebuilding owing to the reluctance of natives to come back to the villages where there has been sickness, but all villages visited have now set to work in earnest. It is intended to send police out regularly to check up on progress.

REST HOUSES

Are in good condition.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Are in fair condition, but it is not intended to carry out improvements until the villagers have really settled in and their gardens are in full production.

R.P.C. accompanying Patrol.

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Reg No	2160	L/Cpl	MORAFEBI	Reliable.
" "	1847	Const	AUKER	A bit slow, not much use on patrol work.
" "	2538	"	SIGRUPOI	Good on patrol work, Reliable on his own.
" "	2509	"	SABAGAI	Wants to do too much talking and bashing.
" "	3137	"	TSOMBI	Does a good job.
" "		"	AKIA	Not much good.

MEDICAL.

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There have been a large number of deaths from dysentery during Dec and Jan. Approximately 100 in the villages visited by the patrol. GAWAM, 4 adults, 3 children: KWAPSANEK, 3 adults, 7 children: AVEN, 10 adults, 17 children: MISALAMBAMAN, 10 adults, 10 children: KORANGANDANG, 13 adults, 14 children.

Have got all villages to concentrate on cleaning up and building more latrines. It is hoped that this will have some effect on reducing the death rate.

There are a number in all villages suffering from colds.

Owing to shortage of medicines no treatment has been given except in a few dysentery cases.

W.O.II. JONES, K.W.

O.I.C. WAIN.

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Patrol Report No. 31/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

Forwarded herewith is patrol report No. 31/43-44 for patrol to the TEUMBI and NIMBA Rivers by WOII K.W. Jones.

2. Figures for deaths from dysentery are much higher than had been anticipated, and although it is possible that village natives have exaggerated the position, it is still very serious.

3. This dysentery dates from the Japanese retreat from LAE, when large numbers of enemy troops died along the overland route from LAE to SIO. In December 1943 it appeared that the outbreak had died down, as natives advised that only a few cases were still suffering.

4. Since then short sharp outbreaks have occurred in a number of villages. The usual case has been that a number of deaths have occurred before the matter is reported. On visiting these villages it is frequently found that although the deaths have definitely occurred, and dysentery is presumably the cause, only a few natives are still suffering, and these respond quickly to treatment.

5. There is no doubt in the writer's mind that the principal factor in forwarding these continued outbreaks is faulty village hygiene and sanitation. WOII Jones is doing very satisfactory work in forcing village natives to clean up their villages and instal and use pit latrines.

6. As the area affected is so large, it is extremely difficult for one man to cover all the territory. Unfortunately the majority of field staff are required for work in areas recently evacuated by the Japanese, and it does not seem that an additional PO can be sent to assist WO Jones.

7. Originally Sgt Aitchison, Medical Assistant, was stationed temporarily in the WAIN area, and it was hoped that he could remain at GUMBUM, thus being in a central position from which to proceed quickly to any affected village. Unfortunately he had to be withdrawn for other duties.

8. It is recommended that an additional patrol officer and medical assistant be made available for work in this area. An intensive campaign during the next three months would probably clear up the epidemic completely.

9. Other affairs in the WAIN area are very satisfactory, and WO Jones has matters well under control.

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4 Mar 44

DO, LAE.

PATROL REPORT No. 31/43-44 - Nch. MANKHAM - PO Jones.

Receipt is acknowledged of the mentioned Patrol Report forwarded under cover of your memo 30 or 13 Feb 44.

2. Ref para 3 of memo, owing to operational requirements, an additional Patrol Officer cannot be made available at present; however, this matter will receive attention as soon as possible.

3. The provision of a medical assistant should be taken up with MO now stationed in area (Capt Pevet).

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 32 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. J. K. Black

Area Patrolled Area west of Sepu crossing, Ramu river

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 3/1/1944 to 29/1/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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Patrol Report No. 32/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

OBJECT:

Search of the area west of the SEPU Crossing contiguous to the RAMU River for signs of the four Mitchell bomber survivors who parachuted from the aircraft before it crashed in the vicinity of the SOGRAM River, WEST of MUSAK.

PERSONNEL:

Capt J.R. Black.

RPC - Consts. SOPI, KANAU, TIMAY, MIRANDI, GUNAMBA, MAKULI, KOMINUAN.

|| Special Consts: TAROSI, BENE, APO, PUNI, PUREI, SIO, AGAIYO, SUNI.

12 patrol carriers.

MAP REF:

OBULU 3615 1 inch Provisional Series and MUSAK-Map dated Sept 1943.

The area visited west of SEPU, bounded by the WEST MARUM River and the RAMU River to the north as far west as the ANDALARAM River had not previously been examined by a ground party. It is a virtual unexplored area that had only been traversed in the past by small native hunting parties. It consists of virgin rain forest with swamp forest and impassable pandanus swamp in areas contiguous to the RAMU River.

It was not possible to determine position with any degree of accuracy whatever as it was not possible to obtain bearings in the heavy timber generally encountered. Sketch attached has no pretensions to accuracy, and only serves to indicate the approx route of the patrol.

DURATION OF PATROL:

3 - 29 Jan 44.

ROUTE:

FAITA-LAPLAP-SEPU-AROGMAN Hamlet - MARUM River Crossing. From a temporary camp at MARUM Crossing the area enclosed by the MARUM ANDAL RAM and RAMU Rivers was thoroughly examined. The RAMU was crossed at SEPU, near its junction with the MARUM, and also near the mouth of the ANDALARAM tributary. The south bank and areas contiguous to the three crossings made over the RAMU were examined. No sign of European or Japanese west of SEPU was found. In fact, most of the area is not even traversed by native hunting tracks. No natives were encountered. Native rafts were found, tethered to both banks of the RAMU River east of the ANDALARAM junction. Natives had recently constructed and used them.

No defined tracks were located on the north RAMU bank.

Accompanying sketch indicates camp sites and route followed:

Of special interest for future patrols proceeding to ASEMBLE is the timbered ridge running parallel with the RAMU. It extends from MARUM crossing to the ANDALARAM. It is an excellent dry route, and avoids the tortuous route along the river bank and the difficulties involved in crossing swamp country. The ridge was seen by WO England in a flight over the area, and its possibilities pointed out. It was decided to locate it and use it to get as far west up the RAMU in limited time stores carried allowed.

INFORMATION GAINED:

No trace of Mitchell survivors found, and no indications of

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present or recent enemy presence.

However, signs of natives were encountered in the vicinity of the ANDALARAM River and rafts were found in use across the RAMU River in this area. Game was notably wilder to the west in contrast with tameness of animal life in the MARUM country. This indicated the near presence of man.

No evidence to prove or disprove enemy presence further west was to be had.

RAIAR STATION LOCATION:

A possible site for a radar station exists on the long timbered ridge described above. It is protected by the natural barrier of the RAMU and swamps to the immediate south of the river. It is an uninhabited zone.

RUBBER BOATS:

It would not have been possible to visit the above area without some means of crossing the various streams, swamps, and lagoons encountered. A rubber boat from the crashed Liberator air craft on the RAIPA 'drome was carried and proved invaluable. It was a little bit on the heavy side to be convenient for normal patrol work. However, inflatable combat rubber boats and weighing only 18 lbs of American pattern are available in the Divisional Engineer store at DUMPU. This type would be suitable for patrols as it is light and is blown up by mouth and not by a pump.

NATIVE STORES:

Insufficient supplies were carried for native personnel. It was thought that sago palm was to be found along the RAMU. Not a single palm was found. Rations were augmented with the leaves and fruit of the edible tree - 'Two leaf'. This was plentiful. The bark of the tree is used to make string and rope. It is a poor but useful emergency food.

(Sgt) J.R. BLACK Capt
ENGAU Attached 2/2 Cav Com Sqn.

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(Sketch map attached to original with
CO 2/2 Cav Com Sqn - J.R.B.)

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Adm HQ,
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5 FEB 1944
Patrol Report No. 32/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

1. Forwarded herewith is Patrol Report No. 32/43-44, NORTH MARKHAM, submitted by Capt J.G. Black.

2. I am unable to comment adequately on this report as I am not familiar with Capt Black's instructions. It does not, however, appear to have accomplished very much.

3. Capt Black has now proceeded to BINSCHLAFEN for special duty, and I am making enquiries as to whether the RPC and Special Constables listed in the report are attached to the NORTH MARKHAM or RAMU Districts.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 34 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Capt. D.M. Fienberg

Area Patrolled Amison area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 15/2/1944 to 20/2/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../19.....

Medical/19.....

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
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PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

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Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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 DUMPU, 26 Feb. 44.

District Officer
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Patrol Report - AMUSON Area.

Area Patrolled: MOSA R./KABENAU R. system, on coastal fall of FINISTERRE Range, i.e. country between advance elements I5 Aust. Inf. Bde. and AMUSON village.

Map. Refs. PAIPA - AMUSON Sheets, 1/25000. (2nd Edit.).

Objects Of Patrol: To accompany recce patrol of 58/59 Bn.; to contact and interrogate natives of AMUSON.

Personnel: Capt. D.M. Fienberg, ADO, and 6 R.I.P. Constabulary, with Lieut. D. Brewster and 15 ORs of 58/59 Bn.

Duration: Six days. From 15 Feb. 44 to 20 Feb. 44.

DIARY.

15 Feb. From Hq. ANGAU, DUMPU, to GUY'S POST by jeep. Thence 4 hr. walk to KANKYRO at head of FARIA R. Encamped police here and continued to Coy. Hq. on the watershed. Checked arrangements with Adj. 58/59 Bn. and slept.

16 Feb. Proceeded with police and 6 carriers to A Coy. Hq., contacted Lt. Brewster, loaded carriers with Fd. Op. Rations for party and left at 0930 hrs.

Descended rough precipitous spur to MOSA R (670668) and followed course of the stream. In one section the river rushes for a mile through a narrow gorge which would be impassable after heavy rains. Camped on MOSA.

17 Feb. Followed MOSA to 669706 then moved East to 680709 along a native pad. Thence to old native gardens at 678719 and 686726 and from there to DEDEBI hamlet, which showed signs of having been deserted for some time. Lunched and continued to a garden hamlet situated on a high spur overlooking junction of the MOSA and KABENAU rivers. No signs of enemy in the vicinity and police sent across the BANAGA tributary to endeavour contact natives.

Late in the afternoon Const. BUIGINAI returned with five natives, including two pidgin-speakers who had been contacted by 2/10 Bn. patrol a short time previously. Most of the natives seen had fled when the police approached, including one wearing a tultul's cap. One man had appeared with a Japanese rifle which he threw away when threatened by Const. KILL.

Camped in SISILI garden-hamlet.

18 Feb. Visited AMUSON, which has been abandoned for many months; old Jap. bivouac area nearby. Remainder of day spent in interrogating natives and endeavouring to contact others. Slept SISILI.

19 Feb. Returned to MOSA R. via slightly different route, bringing 3 local natives as guides. Passed through gorge and camped near site of old SASARI hamlet.

20 Feb. Climbed back to top of divide via Jap track passing through abandoned pill-boxes and trenches. Emerged at 58/59 B Coy area. Descended to KANKYRO. Very heavy rain for two hours. Returned GUY'S POST down the FARIA which was in flood and had destroyed large sections of the hamlet path. Rang for transport and eventually reached Dumpa 2100 hrs.

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Results Of Interrogation Of Natives:

Three natives were brought back by the patrol. Information gained from them has been passed on to local formation and published in Bde Intelligence Summaries.

2. It was learnt that the village known as AMUSON is actually GOREI, which was visited by District Service Patrols in civil times. AMUSON is actually beyond the west side of the MUNJEN (=MINDJIM) River.

Local population is scanty, the people living in garden hamlets scattered about the steep hill-sides. Some years ago they were grouped at GOREI but dispersed when the enemy occupied the Madang coast. The village has been deserted for more than a year. There does not appear to have been any fraternization with the Japanese, and plentiful supplies of bananas and other garden fruits indicates that few of the enemy have passed through the area.

The native DENE had been contacted by a 2/IO Bn. patrol two weeks ago, and had learnt from them of the killing of a Jap officer on the MOSA. He later heard from other natives that an enemy party of some strength had fled down the KABENAU as the 2/IO advanced, had camped for a few hours near GOREI and then moved on again during darkness, leaving behind some gear which included the rifle and 8 rds. retrieved by Const. KILON. (So far as it could be checked this story proved correct). The tultul of GOREI fled with other natives when the police approached. He is an elderly man named WABU, and is said to be an ex-policeman. No information was gleaned associating him or other members of the group with any pro-Jap activity, and though some contact has probably occurred, I am inclined to the opinion that the GOREI folk have concentrated on keeping to themselves and avoiding all belligerents. Their ^{inconvenient} position in relation to the Jap motor-road from BOGADJIM supports this view.

Apart from the troops mentioned above, it appears that only one Jap party had previously used the KABENAU/MOSA route to PAIPA - approximately two months ago.

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GOREI is estimated to be approximately 10 hrs. walk from the coast (where the hills allowed, the sea was plainly visible). Next village down the KABENAU (called by the natives KAVINOM) is BWOIBEI (probably marked on map as NANGAPO, which is also misplaced). BWOIBEI people said to be living in bush. From BWOIBEI to beach villages of BORAI, YANGORAM and KALIKO is approximately one day's walk. Owing to the time limit placed on the patrol, and the difficult difficulty experienced in contacting the GOREI natives, no messages were sent to BWOIBEI by this patrol.

Topographical: Details of native pads, travelling times etc. have been recorded by I5 Bde and, as they are not recognized routes, are not included here.

General The primary object of the patrol was to make a swift survey of what population was in this area, to gain information, and to establish contacts for future patrol operations. In so far as these objects were ~~achieved~~ attained, the patrol was successful. Talk that the "Kiap" was working in the area has already produced results from PAIPA (vide accompanying memo).

The three GOREI natives brought in will accompany the next patrol to the area.

D. M. Fienberg
(D.M. Fienberg) Capt.
A.D.O.

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ANGAU
District Office,
LAE. 5 Mar 44.

Adm HQ, ANGAU

Patrol Report No. 34/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

1. Forwarded herewith is Patrol Report No. 34/43-44 by Capt D.M. FIENBERG.
2. As Capt FIENBERG states, the patrol was successful in its main objects, but it is disappointing that these natives are not coming in more readily.

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District Officer.

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HQ ANGAU
14 Mar 44

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PATROL REPORT No. 34/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM -
Capt. FIENBERG.

Receipt is acknowledged of abovementioned Report forwarded under cover of memo 30/1 of 5 Mar 44.

2. It is noted that owing to the time limit placed on patrol, it was not possible to visit all villages in the area.
3. A follow-up patrol accompanied by the 3 COMET men brought in by ADC should produce good results.

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DDDS & MA.

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Object of patrol was to make a quick survey of native population in area, to obtain intelligence information, and to establish contacts for future patrol operations.

Being to the time limit placed on patrol, it was not possible to visit all villages in area. However, the main objects were achieved, and it seems clear that the population is scanty.

A follow-up patrol accompanied by the 3 GOREI men brought in by 1400, should obtain good results.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 35 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by S. M. Foley Cpl.

Area Patrolled Zagahemi, Haling-ai area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans S/Sgt. Beetham M.A.

Natives.....

Duration—From 29/1/1944 to 16/2/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
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 £.....

NATIVE SITUATION.

As elsewhere in this area the majority of these natives have deserted their villages and are living in temporary shelters and hide-outs in the bush. The coastal villages have been scenes of bitter action and so are totally destroyed. These natives have moved further up the streams their old villages were situated on and are now busy building new houses and replanting their gardens. The mountain natives were a little more fortunate as regards their houses although a great number of these have been destroyed or damaged by passing troops. At every point the patrol touched the natives were impressed with the urgency of returning to their former places and settling down as soon as possible.

Due to the acute food shortage of the Japanese in the final stages of the campaign in this area practically all native gardens have been stripped bare of all foodstuffs. However the mountain people managed to save some gardens and it is hoped that this will carry them over until the sweet potato and other fast growing plants are ready for consumption. The natives assured me that this would be so and that they would not need any assistance of rations. This is not so on the coast and these natives are in receipt of rations from this station. However about two months should see these natives independent of the ration issue.

Sgt Beetham, Medical Assistant who accompanied the patrol is submitting a report which will fully cover all medical aspects of this area.

✓ Census revision was made wherever possible and where the village books had been destroyed temporary books were issued. Approx. 3000 natives were contacted during the patrol.

Several new appointments were made amongst the Villages Officials. They were given to understand that the appointments were not permanent but confirmation depended on their future behaviour and work. There are very few Medical Tu' Tu's in this area. The remaining ones badly need a refresher course and several accompanied the patrol for this purpose.

Sgt IWAGO, RPC was left at LAKONA with approx three weeks rations for the coastal villages to supervise this issue and also the erection of the new villages and the planting of gardens.

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Sgt. S.M. FOLEY..... Cpl.
P.O., Einschlafen.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

30/10/27

Sub District Office,
ANGAU PINSCHHAFEN.
1 Mar 44

District Officer,
ANGAU,
NORTH MARKHAM.

Subject: Patrol Report - vicinity WAREO, KOTTE area a.

Forwarded herewith is report of patrol by Sgt. Foley to the coastal villages immediately to the north of PINSCHHAFEN and several villages inland from these, in the vicinity of WAREO.

2. Area patrolled was the scene of the most bitter fighting in the PINSCHHAFEN campaign and, as a result, the natives have been particularly unsettled. Contact had been previously established by W O Harahan and it was a result of reports by him of a dysentery outbreak that this patrol went in shortly afterwards. S/Sgt Beetham attended to the medical requirements of the natives and it was found that the reported outbreak was not as severe as first reports indicated. A few deaths occurred early in the outbreak, but it did not spread and concentration was mainly on routine treatments.

3. Native situation is as good as can be expected. Some assistance with rations is still being rendered, but natives are concentrating on the planting of quick growing crops so that they can again become self supporting as soon as possible - in accordance with District Services Instruction No 5.

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(W. P. Dishon) Capt. A.D.C.

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District Office,
LAB. 5 Mar 44.
7 MAR 1944

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Adm HQ, ANGAU:

Patrol Report No. 35/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

1. Forwarded herewith is Patrol Report by A/Sgt FOLEY, SM, to the WAREO, KOTTE Area, together with comments by Capt Dishon, ADO PINSCHHAFEN.
2. ADO PINSCHHAFEN has been instructed to keep a close watch on the dysentery situation, and take prompt action if it recurs.
3. As in other areas, these natives appear to be settling down again, but much rehabilitation work still remains to be done.
4. A/Sgt FOLEY now appears to have a good grasp of routine patrolling.

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D. P. Dishon Capt
District Officer
W. P. Dishon

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 36 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Noii S.L. Ashton

Area Patrolled Northern foothill, Middle Ramus

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 28 / 1 / 1944 to 4 / 2 / 1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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 £.....

ANGAU,
NORTH MARKHAM DISTRICT,
4/1/44.

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DUMPU.

Area: Northern foothill, middle RAMU
 Object: Liaison 57/60 Bn. Contact forward natives re Jap activity, recruit labourers and general welfare native inhabitants.
 Personnel: W.O.11 Ashton S.L., 10 R.P.Cs and 20 Carriers.
 Duration: 28/1/44 to 4/2/44
 Map Ref: URIGINA 2556 1 inch.
 Date Last patrol: W.O.11 Danner J Nov/44

DIARY.

28.1.44 Despatched R.P.Cs and carriers at 0830 hrs with instructions to await me at jeep head. Self move off at 1200 hrs in jeep. Collected R.P.Cs and carriers at EVAPIA R and walked on to native compound at KESSAWAI, a 70 minutes walk. At D.I.D. Jeep Head nothing was know of rations for my party ordered two days previously at DUMPU. However, arrangements were satisfactorily made whereby I collected native rations there the following day and my own at KESSAWAI.

29.1.44 Remained KESSAWAI and with Lieut J. Leahy ADNI reclassified native labourers of that compound. Carriers sent to jeep head for rations. Out of 102 native labourers inspected here 35 were evacuated to DUMPU as B Class. For names and number see appendix. Capt Blackshaw ASC at KESSAWAI suggested a RPC carrier service should be inaugurated between KESSAWAI and KENOBA where Bn HQ are. This would result in three RPC being stationed at KESSAWAI permanently, a matter for others than me to decide.

30.1.44 Moved on to KOROPA - a three hour journey on an extremely boggy road. As all carriers of this compound would not return from work till late afternoon, I made a camp and inspected compound which proved quite up to standard for time of existence.

31.1.44 Reclassified native labour of KOROPA compound, and out of strength of 34, 3 were found to be B class. Sgt Anderson was instructed to evacuate them to DUMPU. This was in accordance with arrangements made with Lieut Leahy ADNI at KESSAWAI. Proceeded on to KENOBA a two hour walk and reported in to Lt-Col Marshner of the 57/60 Bn. Decided to make this my HQ for time being. Sent 17 carriers back to KESSAWAI for remainder of cargo. N.T.T. of KISA brought in by forward patrol of 57/60 Bn. Results of interrogation handed Lt-Col Marshner. See appendix Native Intelligence.

1.2.44 RPC cut searching "hideouts" for Hats of KOROPA ISARIBA and KENOBA. They returned latex afternoon with T.T. and M.T.T. of KOROPA but could not locate ISARIBA and KENOBA or s. One Karaka a deserter 2931 of ISARIBA caught by carrier line and brought into me. My 17 carriers returned with balance of cargo from KESSAWAI.

2.2.44 Returned 10 carriers to DUMPU. Two RPC - MOK and BORA acting as guides to recon patrol, KOBA, ISARIBA rear road. Four RPC and M.T.T. of KISA cut to make contact KISA, KARAJNA natives, also to pass word on to MATALOI group to report in. MATALOI No. 1 is still under Jap dominance and one must trust to talk seeping through to them by contact with adjacent villages. Hence my signal. SLAL of 1/1/44 requesting M.T.T. of KISA be left with me. A Jap native carrier was caught yesterday by forward patrol of 57/60 Bn in KOBA area. Unfortunately he escaped in the night with a lot of information we would have appreciated.

He had sore shoulders from carrying and I would suggest he was carrying from YAULA side to MATALOI. A handy prize to have held. Tul Tul KETOBA, MPT ISARIBA and Luluai of KOROFA arrived in camp just before dusk. Luluai of KOROFA paid a \$1 for assistance rendered during Jap push through this area. MPT of ISARIBA likewise paid \$1. The wound in the MPT of ISARIBA forearm is very nearly healed although it appears to me to have the bone splintered. I offered to send him to DUMPU for medical examination, but he was more than satisfied to remain where he was.

3.2.44 All "hats" who reported in yesterday are out to-day to bring in recruits who "went through" from Will Dooner when Japs attacked ISARIBA. Two RPO are out looking for "hide-outs" of Luluai of ISARIBA. They returned with him and three runaway recruits in late afternoon. PT of KETOBA reported back with five runaway recruits.

4.2.44 Four RPO and MPT of KISA returned after a three day unsuccessful attempt to contact ORGARUNU and KISA people also to get "talk" through his MATALOI group. Jap footprints plentiful around KISA and MPT of opinion his people have moved on to URIGINA country. This area is out of my reach because the 57/60 Bn is to return to DUMPU on the 5th and that means that the whole area MATALOI to URIGINA will once again be under Jap influence and risky to get into. Luluai of KOROFA reported in with four runaway recruits. Two I have discarded as unfit for work and two have been put on strength.

NATIVE INTELLIGENCE

AUMIA M.T.T of KISA

Some 20 to 40 Japs in MATALOI No. 2 but more in MATALOI No. 1. Japs have gradually withdrawn from positions at ORGARUNA, KISA and MATALOI to a light feature overlooking MATALOI. This feature is astride the road leading out of MATALOI to YAULA.

A three strand barb wired fence extends some hundreds of yards each side of the road (diagonally) Well dug in and timbered positions are slightly below crest of mountain. On crest of mountain machine-guns cover approach to Jap defences. This new defence position of Jap was started around about Christmas time. Two three inch mortars were seen in defence positions by PT of Mataloi. Jap motor road goes as far as MABRUK below YAULA. No Japs are known to be in URIGINA, URIA KORIGINA, BAINBANA, WIYAI, or BIRI, but RAIGUBA, of WIYAI reported that Japs were at YABIA a village on a tributary of the MURU R. Japs have not used horses or mules from YAULA to KISA for a month or more. Japs and natives from KWATO YAULA area carry to MATALOI defence positions. No reliable estimate of numbers of Japs can be obtained. AUMIA stresses that this information is what he has heard and not what he has seen.

RED LAP LAPS.

The Army order that natives wearing red lap laps are to be treated as enemy helpers until proved otherwise, will and is causing concern and confusion among both classes. Thousands of these lap laps were issued pre-war and are still being used by natives unaware of the prohibition.

Two have already been brought in to me and did not realize that had they tried to evade their captors they might have been shot.

I understand one native near KOBA was wounded for wearing one because he did not answer the call to come in.

RECRUITING.

No new country has been opened up by Army since I left here three months ago, therefore recruiting remains at a standstill. I have got most of the runaway recruits back from KOROPA, ISARIBA, and KEOBA and I expect the KORONA SAUSSI and BUREGUNA to report in to-day. A complete check cannot be made until I receive a list of WO Dooner's recruits which I have asked for from TUMFU. I have on strength at present 12 recruits (runaways from 1st and 2nd line recruited here).

PROPAGANDA

I have not done much this patrol. My last patrol this way I made good use of it - WO Dooner did likewise. Unfortunately from subsequent events it boomeranged.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

It is noticeable that the boys originally recruited from the area and put to work on the carrying line and fed on ration scale food are much healthier and better conditioned than others of their tribe that remained as KANAKAS.

R.P.C.

Ten in all and a very good team to have with one.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

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ADO 7 Aust.Div.
DUMPU 27 Feb.44.

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Patrol Reports Forward KESAWAI Sector - WO II Ashton.

1. Enclosed are ~~two~~ reports of two short patrols by WO II Ashton of KETOBA/ ISARIBA area, forward of KESAWAI. Relevant information has been passed on to G III(I) 7 Aust.Div.
2. The areas patrolled were visited by WO II Ashton prior to his proceeding on leave, and the current trips followed up work then commenced. Matters re deserters in this sector have now been cleared up - those apprehended during the above patrols were included in the 71 labourers transferred to Lae on 24/25 Feb.
3. Withdrawal of 15 Bde forward elements to KESAWAI temporarily nullified my plans for exerting further influence in KETOBA area. Hq. 7 Div. advised that the future rôle of the Bde. would be of a holding nature only, and it was expected that Jap. patrols would soon become active. Since, to native eyes, any withdrawal is a sign of weakness, dissemination of further propaganda was useless, whilst the risk apt to be incurred by inadequately protected ANGAU patrols would not justify results. Accordingly, after consultation with G III(I) 7 Div., I transferred Ashton to 18 Bde. area to follow up work I had commenced on a recent patrol.
4. Two days ago the situation changed again. 18 and 15 Bdes. have changed areas, and the unexpected transfer of 2/2 Cav. (Com) Sqn. from GAROKA and FAITA to Forward KESAWAI ^{an expected move} re-opened the locality and created an urgent need for a District Services officer to be posted there. Transfer of WO II Hayes leaves me with WO II ~~Hayes~~ Ashton as the only patrol officer, and Lt. Elliott (relieving at RAUWA) attached. Without a clerk I cannot be absent from the station for any length of time.
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6. The red levalava myth dies hard, but is slowly fading into oblivion. Field Security now understands that although a native enemy agent may wear red, every native seen with a ~~red~~ crimson cloth is not necessarily a spy.

Ashton's report by G III(I) 7 Aust Div

G III(I) 7 Aust Div

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7 Mar 44.

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10 MAR 1944

Adm HQ,
ANGAU

Patrol Reports Nos. 36 and 37/43-44 - NTR MKEM:

1. Forwarded herewith are Patrol Reports Nos 36 and 37/43-44 by WOII S.L.A. ASHTON, together with comments by ADO, PUMPU.
2. WO ASHTON is continuing to do very good work in this area.
3. Re-establishing of contact with natives in this area appears to be more difficult than in the coastal area. It must, before long, become quite clear to all these natives that the Jap is hopelessly beaten, and a considerable improvement should result.

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Capt
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Amount Returned to Store



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Maitkham Report No. 37 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi S.L. Ashton

Area Patrolled Kesawai Sector

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Native.....

Duration—From 14/2/1944 to 18/2/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
FORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

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ANGAU
KESAWAI
18/2/44

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DUMFU.

On hearing that Kanakas were visiting Cpl Hanson at No. 1 SAIBA I decided to make a short trip in to him to see what could be gleaned from the contact.

The visit proved worth while as you will see from the heading "Native Intelligence".

DIARY

14/2/44. Left KESAWAI at 0800 hrs and climbed 5800 feature Map Ref URIGINA 3656 and descended to No.1 SAIBA where Cpl Hanson is situated and made camp. Feature 5800 is a heart-breaking four hour climb.

Cpl Hanson had already warned the natives of my intended arrival and a small group of men, women and children turned up shortly after my arrival. Only one of the group was physically A class.

15/2/44. Three natives in from NAIGU - recruited one, AINI, for work. A few natives in from ASA ASA - got some very useful information from native NAIGU - see intelligence.

As I could see no useful purpose being served by remaining longer I decided to return to-morrow.

16/2/44. Looking from No. SAIBA a good view of the RAMU valley near EVAPIA crossing could be seen and it looked as if a good road may be possible. I undertook the walk and it was easy walking until we had to climb down a precipitous spur to the main EVAPIA. It was an half hour more or less perpendicular descent. Then we crossed and recrossed numerous times the EVAPIA gorge right down to within ten minutes of the jeep crossing. It was a seven hour walk excluding rests.

17/2/44. Relaying some of my rations back to jeep head. Signed on two boys C/S 6672 and 6668. Apprehended four deserters from No.2 and 3 KESAWAI. Numbers are 2481, 2483, 2484, 2485. Deserter No. 2488 WIDABAU died at his place on or about the 14th inst.

Deserter No. 2482 GARA is still at large but KESAWAI T.T. has been ordered to bring him into DUMFU.

18/2/44. Returned to DUMFU.

NATIVE INTELLIGENCE - NAIGU OF ASA ASA.

States that he was assaulted by a Jap soldier with a curved knife and that it was drawn from a sheath. This happened about four months ago and the Japs came from USDAP which is No.2 SAIBA. They caught me in my "bush" and accused me of assisting and hiding white soldiers. I struggled and escaped. It was during the tussle that I was hit with the knife. The Japs went down to KESAWAI, fought and returned on same track (over 5800 feature). When Japs are dislodged from present position, at or around ARIOPA they have no other prepared defence positions until they come to SOGUBA. SOGUBA is Kanaka name for the bush on the summit of divide overlooking RAMU valley and YOKOPI (WAGOBI V). This defence position is strong and good. It covers three roads or tracks, one leading down to YOKOPI and WAGOBI, one down to ARIOPA V where 24 En is now fighting and another track down and through to feature 5800 - this track evidently by passes to the west ARIOPA V.

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The natural timber growth on Jap SOGUBA defence has not been disturbed. They have only cut sufficient brush underneath the big timber to allow trenches, dug-outs etc to be built and these are timbered and covered with ground.

Guns point at a very steep angle down the tracks and the whole position is surrounded by barbed wire fence. From description 4 to 6 strands.

Jap vehicles come as far as YOROPI or WAGOBI and they nearly always travel at night. Cargo is unloaded here and stored in timbered dug-outs. YOROPI and WAGOBI appear to be the distributing centre for outposts.

I have not seen all these things but have heard it discussed by kanakas but the T.T of ARIOPA told me of the SOGUBA place.

ARIOPA to SOGUBA from 2 to 4 hours walk.

NAIGU had a healed gash of about 4 inches long by $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep.

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ANGAU,
ADO 7 Aust Div
DUMPU. 27 Feb 44.

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(Sgd) D.M. FIENBERG Capt

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Markham Report No. 38 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by W. Cavalieri, Sgt. Healey

Area Patrolled Wantat

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 18/1/1944 to 9/3/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

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PATROL REPORT - REHABILITATION AND CENSUS OF WONTOAT

Duration of patrol - 18 Feb 44 to 9 Mar 44

Patrol accompanied by :- WO CAVALIERI
Sgt. HEALEY

RSC	L/Cpl	SAURA
	Const	MARAN
	"	GANKI
	"	YANGANT
	"	AVADA
Carriers		70

Last patrol this area by P.O. HARRIS. Semptember 1940

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- 18th Left KAIAPIT in the morning arrived DANTAP in evening
 - 19th Left DANTAP in the morning arrived MATAK in the evening
 - 20th Left MATAK in the morning and through feeling ill decided to camp at ATAU gap with Lieut WHITTAKER then on route NADZAB from WANTOAT.
 - 21st Left ATAU gap in the morning arrived NG AWW Coy Spotter Sta.
 - 22nd Attempted to check Census, but owing to heavy rain was unable to do so. However I checked all village and gardens etc, then returned to spotter sta.
 - 23rd Left for UMBAIBON its hamlets are YOBUGAN and UNBAGO, checked and revised census of same. NO complaints from this village, rds are in good condition. I then returned to spotter sta.
 - 24th Remained at sta and arranged for four day patrol from same.
 - 25th Left for MATAP its hamlets are BANIMAN and DONGENGWAK, checked and revised census. These natives had evacuated from this village and hamlets on account of a jap patrol having come to this village. They have now returned and I warned them not to desert again. Instns also given were to dig pit latrines and to make a proper cemetary.
- I then left for KUPANDU its hamlets are KWAIPTARAN and GAMEA. lines them and checked census. This village had also evacuated but have since returned and village clean, rds and rest house excellent. NO other complaints with the exception as in the former one.
- 26th Left KUPANDU for WANTOAT, its hamlets being MINGAMBAMANA and GANGTAKANEI, lined them and checked census, there were very few absontees and were a little difficult to line. This had just been reinhabited and a new suitable rest house built. When I was about to leave they put on a display of how they would handle a jap patrol that might come through again. The rds here need improvement. I then left for ARAWIK arr same late in evening.

- 27th Lines and checked census ARAVIK with hamlets GWAIYING, WASIK and EDUNG-GWOFUM. All of these were in bad state rds included, instructions re same were given.
- I then left for BAGUMBAM with hamlets GWAMI and KUMANDAGA these being in better condition. Checked and revised census, a good line up only two absentees. Gardens in order, but NO latrines or cemetery. Good rest house. Village book partially soiled with water, same was recompiled. Camped here.
- 28th Left for GWARMBON with hamlets GWAPJIKANA. Lines and checked census. A slight improvement here from previous villages I commented upon the cleanliness etc, much to their satisfaction.
- I then went on to GWENBUNGWOK with one hamlet GOSAPAN. Lined and checked census, a very large and well kept village, good sanitation and cemetery. NO complaints. Good increase in birth rate.
- 29th Rested in GWENBUNGWOK village and visited two near villages and issued instns that I would do a census patrol within a few days and that word of same was to be sent well ahead.
- Mar
1st Left for PWI-AGNA it hamlet being WANDAGA. Census checked and revised. This village in good condition and is very well kept. One Rte. native I have recommended as Tultul. This was approved by all his countrymen, and speaks pidgeon well. NO complaints from this village.
- Alum*
- Paid two casual labourers that have been working for the pers at SINTOAT spotter sta. For the past four months, at the rate of 10/- thus bringing the sum total to four pounds. Their names are KAPUNDIK and UTAK, both of GWENBUNGWOK village.
- Paid medical Tultul (Ye-ip) of WANGAT village for work rendered in Jan and Feb with Sgt HEALY, this natives work was outstanding and very keen to learn. He received the sum on one pound and a supply of medical stores and sent back his village.
- 2nd Received Binoculars and the two maps fwded via GUSAP. I went to KAIAPIT by L5 plane to arrange for rations and medical supplies to be fwded by carrier to GWENBUNGWOK for further patrols, and returned within two hours.
- 3rd Stayed at GWENBUNGWOK on account of very heavy rain all day
- 4th Left for SE-ENGABAN its hamlet being YIMEIM. Census revised village fair, rd good. Instns given re burial of dead. Also latrines to be dug. No other complaints.
- Then pushed on to TABUT the hamlet is WAMONG-GWAK. Lined and checked census. New rest houses built, rd good. Good sanitation and cemetery. NO complaints.
- Lined and checked census MOPIARPUN with hamlet DAGAGNA, condition of this village same as TABUT. Then returned to TABUT and camped there.
- 5th Went on to TARANGIN, its hamlets are TARANGINANA and GWAPJIK. Lines and checked census. Rd good. Rest house to be rebuilt. Had a little difficulty to line them, mainly on account of absentees.
- Went on to PIUNG no hamlets. Lined and checked census. Rd very well kept, village clean. Instns given re sanitation.
- Went to YENIUGIA with hamlet GUKAIYA, lined and revised census. and excellent line up, no absentees. No complaints with the exception of no sanitation. Camped here.

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Left for GHEKAN with hamlet YAVIN. Lined and checked census. All in order. Same very clean

Left for KESAN and hamlet MOKAN. Lined and checked census of same. Several native houses to be reconstructed as well as latrines. New LuluaI recommend in place of DECID.

Lined and checked census of ZANG-GU-YOK no hamlets, a few houses and latrines to be built in this village otherwise in fair condition.

Lined and checked census KWADWA with hamlets MIYUYUEN and KOMNUGANA. All in order except latrines. Camped here.

7th

Left for UYAM. Lined and checked census of same. NO hamlets. Rd in good condition. NO complaints.

Went on to YANG-GAI-AGA. Lined and checked census. NO hamlets. Village well kept considering it only has a very small population. NO complaints.

Lined and checked census TUMUNI with hamlets GABMAKABA, MAMACANAN, BADONGWAK, PIYUNGAGANEI and BAI-AT. Village very well kept, good sanitation and cemetery. NO complaints. Camped here.

8th

Left for DAIONDAGA and hamlet GAMPENE. Lined and checked census of same. All in order, sanitation etc.

Went on to BUMBUM with hamlet GUMBAGO. Lined and checked census of same. Instns given re latrines and cemetery. Rd excellent. NO complaints.

Lined and checked census of YIWONDAGA no hamlets. Latrines good as well as rds. NO complaints. Returned to BUMBUM and camped same.

9th

Went on to GAMPURBI (KWANIGATEN-GAMEN) there hamlets are DZAIMBAM, KWANAGAMEN and GWAKNAP. Lined and checked census of same. All in order. NO complaints.

Lined and checked census KWOWOIAM no hamlets. The houses in filthy condition. Gave instns re cleanliness and sanitation etc, and if my orders were not carried out they would all be punished on my return. (this I checked later and all was carried out satisfactorily.

Lined and checked census DOWONZIT no hamlets. This village is situated next to a swamp and a small stagnant lake from which many mosquitoes are breeding. I instructed them to rebuild their village on higher ground and with their aid a suitable spot was located and agreed upon.

Lined and checked census DAMUNDAGA with hamlets ZELIACWEN and BONEIAHNEH. No complaints. Everything as could be expected.

The small area that I did patrol which you will note, had excellent gardens and an abundance of fresh vegetables as well as a great variety of native goods, which is unlimited in quantity. The fresh vegetables are English potatoes, beans, cabbages, pumpkins, cucumbers and corn, and with a little assistance i.e. a supply of vegetable seeds issued to them their supplies would be unlimited. At present they could supply several hundred tps for at least two years.

The spotter sta pers at present stationed there are doing good work trading with the natives for vegetables which the Americans are flying out in L5 planes, approx 2000 lbs per week.

The present drome at GWENBUNGWOK can be lengthened to land tpt planes with very little difficulty, and the cost of same would be about 100 lb of salt in payment for their work. However I think this should be considered.

The whole of this area with the exception of AWARRA area is in need of very little medical attention, if any at all, as there is no illness and are very healthy, apart from the filthy customs that they still practice one in particular which I told them to abolish and that is placing the bodies of the deceased natives in a round shallow hole in a sitting position in their houses till ~~they~~ only the bones are left before completely burying them.

They were shown how to erect latrines and suitable cemeteries and encouraged to continue with their gardens.

The AWARRA area is in need of a medical patrol, several villages were done by Sgt HEALY on our return to KAIAPIT, but many out of the way places we could not do.

The YAROS area has been medically patrolled but I did not check census as this was intended on my return to KAIAPIT when WANTCAT and AWARRA had been completely finished.

The villages of YAROS only number 10 without hamlets, these are in good condition, especially the rds and rest houses. The total hamlets in 16 in all. Their food situation is what could be expected just enough and very little to spare. However the instns given to them is that the food problem will have to be improved by next patrol.

The health of the area in question has certainly improved since the medical patrol.

Att is full census report in full detail and figures.

signed C CAVALIERI WO 11
Patrol Officer.

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WANTOAT AREA	Births		Deaths		Total Population including I/Ls
	M	F	M	F	
UNBAIBON	9	3	5	4	147
MATAP	10	4	11	2	208
KUPANDU	1	3	7	10	106
WANTCAT	3	4	6	2	170
ARAWIK	14	6	19	19	188
BAGUMBEM	6	4	10	5	226
GWARMBON	8	8	9	8	147
GAWAN	8	5	4	9	134
GWENBONGWOK	15	14	12	6	229
PWI-AGNA	20	2	11	11	139
SE-ENGABAN	9	6	2	2	93
TABUT	7	8	11	12	151
MOPIARPUN	10	6	9	16	199
TARANGLIN	9	8	8	7	135
PIUNG	3	6	2	6	80
YENDUGNA	4	6	3	4	96
GEKAN	2	5	2	8	93
KESAN	5	6	3	2	100
ZANGUYOK	6	4	3	2	81
KWADNA	7	8	8	4	124
UYAM	6	8	3	4	117
YANG-GAI-AGA	6	2	1	2	77
TUMANI	11	5	5	9	166
DAIONDAGA	3	4	-	2	65
BUMBUM	14	18	4	8	206
YIWONBAGA	5	12	3	4	107
GAPMORBI	5	7	12	9	163
KWOWOIAM	4	4	8	3	91
DOWONZIT	4	5	2	3	69
DAMUNDAGA	3	1	3	4	80
	<u>205</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>187</u>	<u>3987</u>

These are from Sep 1940 till Mar 1944

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29 Mar 44.

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Adm HQ,
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Patrol Report No. 38/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM
WOII CAVALIERI, C. - WANTOAT

1. Forwarded herewith is abovementioned patrol report.
2. The report is not a good one, and it is believed that more results were obtained than actually indicated in the report.
3. WOII CAVALIERI is being advised as to information desired in reports.
4. The report makes only a brief mention of enemy activity, which was one of the main reasons for the patrol.
5. WOII H.P. SEALE, from GUSAP, is flying in to WANTOAT to check up on possible Japanese activity. It is hoped to pay regular visits of inspection to WANTOAT by plane from GUSAP.
6. I understand that one of the AWW personnel at WANTOAT is a particularly good type, and his relations with village natives are very satisfactory. The question of purchase of European vegetables etc will be gone into.
7. WOII CAVALIERI has now been transferred to DUMPU, and has been attached to 18 Bde for work in their area. Detailed instructions were given to him by Capt FIENBERG, and his work will be closely watched by Capt WHITE, who is proceeding to DUMPU in the near future.
8. A list of population totals has been appended to the report, but they are most incomplete, and consequently of little value. It is, however, particularly satisfactory to note that total births exceed the total deaths for the period.

[Signature]
Capt.
A District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 39 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi K.W. Jones

Area Patrolled Main area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 19/3/44 to 26/3/44

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
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 £.....

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PATROL REPORT

Report of patrol by WO 11 JONES K.W. of WAIN area, from 19 Mar to 26 Mar 44.

Patrol accompanied by -

WO 11 TUCKEY G.C.

RPC 1 NCO and 5 Constables

Purpose of patrol - to check census, inspect villages and check on health and sanitation.

19 Mar 0930 left GUMBUM. 1030 arr KARAU. 1100 left KARAU.
1200 arr BANZAIN. 1220 left BANZAIN. 1430 arr WOMPANGAN.

20 Mar 0830 left WOMPANGAN. 0900 arr KWEMBELENG. 1030 left
KWEMBELENG. 1200 arr GANZAGAN. 1330 left GANZAGAN.
1400 arr KAWAREN.

21 Mar 0830 left KAWAREN. 1000 arr BANDONG. BOSAGAN natives
lined at BANDONG. Col WAITTING and 2 constables sent to inspect
BOSAGAN village. 1300 left BANDONG. 1430 arr SIKEREN. 1530
left SIKEREN. 1600 arr SOKAM.

22 Mar. 1000 left SOKAM. 1030 arr KWAIPMUNUM. 1100 left
KWAIPMUNUM. 1200 arr DZENZAIN. During afternoon a cub
monoplane was seen to land on BOANA drome and took off
half an hour later. There were five American troops
living at Mission house. A deserter SANGIEN was brought
to me by Tul-tul of GUFIN. Tul-Tul and deserter sent
back to village to await arrival of patrol.

23 Mar 0900 left DZENZAIN. 1030 arr WASIN. 1100 left WASIN
1200 arr KASIN.

24 Mar 0900 left KASIN. 1100 arr SADAU. 1230 left SADAU.
1400 arr BOGOMAN. BIROMON village lines with BOGOMON.
1530 left BOGOMAN. 1900 arr GAIN.

25 Mar 0930 left GAIN. 1130 arr GUFIN. Deserter SANGIEN o/s
L1520 had committed suicide by hanging himself on morning
of 24 Mar. 1200 arr PUPUF. GUFIN lined with PUPUF.
1330 left PUPUF. Cpl WILSON of AWW at GUMBUK en route
NADZAB. 1700 arr NINGIET.

26 Mar Lined NINGIET. suggested that natives move village
nearer to water. 0930 WO JONES and WO TUCKEY left
NINGIET with three police and personal servants. Cpl
and 2 Constables returned to GUMBUM. 1400 arr Camp DIDDY.

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The census was checked at all villages, there have been no excessive deaths with the exception of SIKEREN. Since 1940, deaths have totalled 33, births 15. There has been a lot of malaria in this village and high infant mortality.

All villages visited were clean and sanitation good, with exception of BOSAGAN. Officials were reprimanded and ordered to clean up immediately. Villages of DZENZAIN and GAIN had been hastily cleaned for visit of patrol and were not up to the standard of rest of area. Officials of both villages lazy and were warned to take more interest in villages.

Roads and bridges throughout the area were clean and in good state of repair. Making for easy walking.

Food is sufficient and patrol was able to obtain a good supply of fresh food throughout patrol. Large gardens are in evidence throughout the area.

The WAIN natives have settled down in villages and have returned to normal activities. Villages of KAWAREN, BANDONG and BOSAGAN have a large number of mentally deficient people.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- KWEMBELENG native BESILING appointed for recommendation as Tul-tul, old Tul-tul having died some time previously
- SADAU native DONCULUNG elected for recommendation as Luluai cousin of previous Luluai.
- BOGOMAN native MANTON elected for recommendation as Luluai, cousin of previous Luluai.
- native YALIWA to be trained as M.T.T.

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- Cpl WAITIPING A good NCO - very useful
- Const. AMO Reliable and keen
- " YAGUMBAI Does a good job
- " WANDIMAI " " " "
- " JOGUN Not reliable to be sent out alone. Wants to knock natives about.
- " SUGRUPOI Can be relied upon.

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MEDICAL

NO dysentery in the area patrolled, although 4 deaths from dysentery occurred at GAIN about three months ago, and two cases at KWAIPMUNUM, one of which died about two months ago. WO 11 TUCKEY has submitted a detailed report covering medical matters.

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PATROL REPORT - WO.11 JONES
19 Mar to 25 Mar 44

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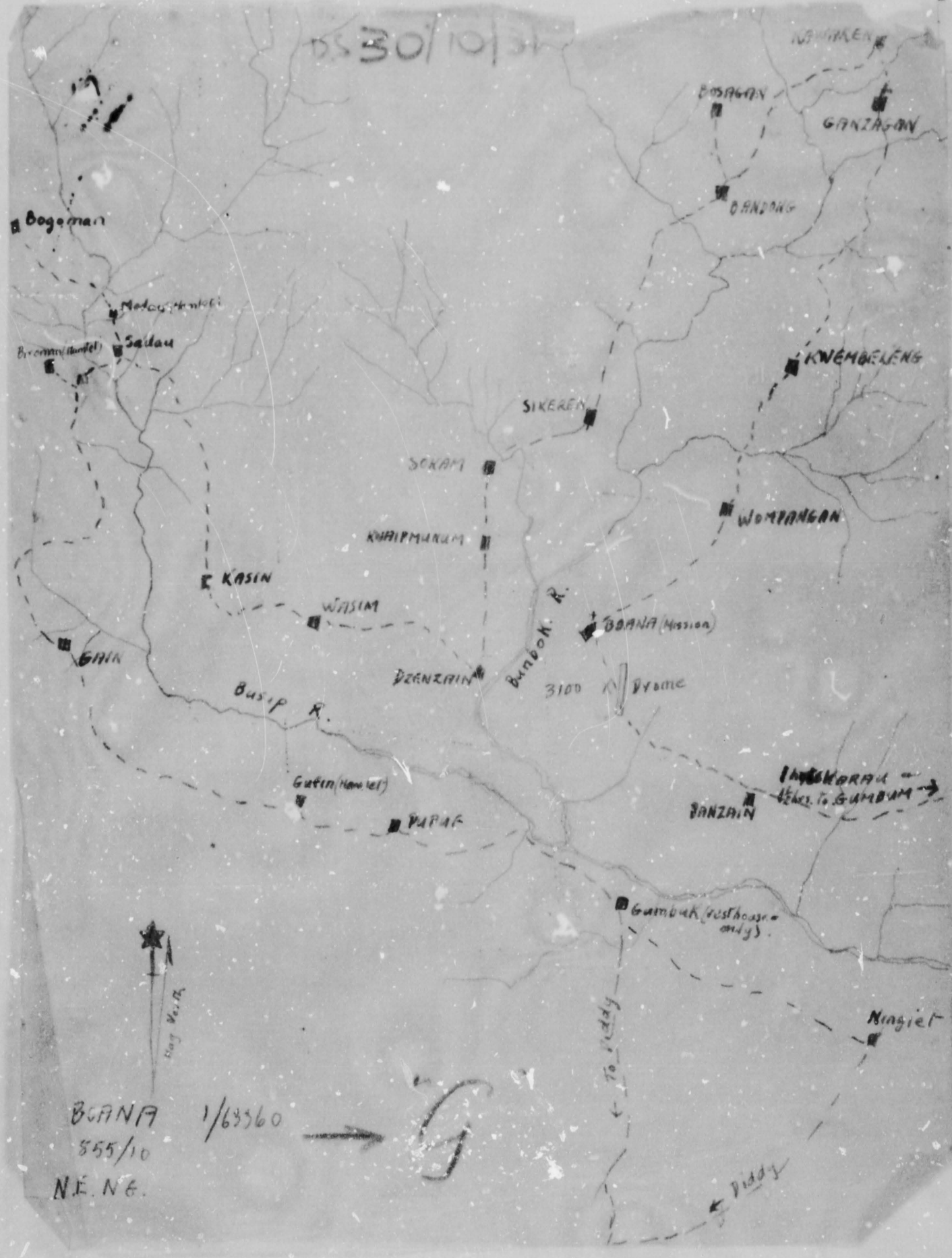
2. Journal Mar 25. The patrol officer reports info given by Tul-tul regarding suicide of SINGIEN, did not warrant further investigation. It appears the native went off to bath and when he did not re-appear, a search was made and the body found. The deceased was considered to be mentally unsound.

3. It is recommended that KWEMBELENG be appointed Tul-tul, SADAU and BOGOMAN as Lulais.

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Assistant District Officer

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BOANA (Mission)

WOMPANGAN

KHATIMURUM

SOKAM

SIKERAN

KWEMBELENG

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 40 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by W/O S.L. Ashton

Area Patrolled Amusan and Coastal area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 26/2/1944 to 2/4/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

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

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ANGAU,
District Office,
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10 April 44.



Adm HQ,
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Patrol Report No. 40/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM

Herewith report of patrol by WOII S.L.A. ASHTON to coastal fall region overlooking BOGADJIM, MOSA and KABANAU Rivers, together with Native Intelligence Summary and report on members of the RPC.

2. The patrol was arranged to accompany a party from the 58/59 Batt, and was to occupy a fortnight. From the diary it will be seen that it extended to thirtyseven days, in all.
3. Valuable work was done in making contacts with native groups which have been under Japanese influence for lengthy periods.
4. Reliable guides were obtained and made available to parties where required, and considerable military intelligence of value was gathered and passed to the patrol commander. This was the primary object of the patrol.
5. Fighting patrols, both our own, and those of the enemy, have continued to operate over the area since the date of the report.
6. Sections of the report of interest to "G" Section, Aust Div HQ, have been placed before the officers concerned.
7. The patrol was a difficult one, and was handled by WOII ASHTON in a capable manner.

W. S. Ashton Major
District Officer.

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District Officer.
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PATROL REPORT- AMUSON ~~xxxx~~ and COASTAL AREA

Area patrolled MOSA R./KABENAU R. and villages Coastal fall.

Map refs. Et Kubari, Amuson, Minjin, Melamu. 1- 25000 ^{3.341107}

Personnel. W.C. Ashton S/Lt. 6 RIF Constables and 5 carrier
and ~~250~~ party from 58/59 Bn. ^{3 of a the group.}

Duration. 25/2/44 to 2/4/44

Diary .

25 Feb. Moved to Guys Post by Jeep.

26 Feb. Shifted camp to Kankyrio. Called on Lt/Col. Marsten of the 57/60 Bn. re sending PAIPA natives home through his lines. He refused permission owing to Bdge order against it.

27 Feb. Reported to 58/58 Bn. in connection with "Beach Patrol". Was told of its object and asked to return tomorrow at 0930 hrs.
Lieut Leahy arrived in and asked him to inform Capt Fiendberg of position re native traffic through Bn. lines.

28 Feb. Up to 58/59Bn. "Beach Patrol" conference.

29 Feb. Awaiting Patrol movement. Ringfired Capt. Hedley of 15th Bdge, re movement of PAIPA natives. Told again that they could not move through the lines until further notice.

1 Mar. Returned 12 PAIPA natives with one Const. to DUMPU with note of explanation to A/DIO.

2 Mar. Up to 58/59 Bn. Beach Patrol conference.

3 Mar. L/c Lambogu, Const Buiginai, M.T.T., T. T. and 2 Kanakas of PAIPA returned from DUMPU. with note from Capt Fiendberg. Obtained permission from 57/60 Bn. for them to proceed to their "Hideouts" and contact their Mary's and children and return to a selected village site.

4 Mar. Got the Constables and PAIPA natives on their way. Self and party moved up to 12 platoon area and camped the night.
Const KUMASI too sick to move with us, told him to follow at leisure.

5 Mar. "Beach Patrol" moved off and arrived at SISILE at 1700 hrs.
Across intervening gully saw Kanaka life in Village. Made T.T. of Paipa yell out that Kiap was with soldiers and they were to remain and hear talk. They were there when we arrived in 30 minutes later. A good contact and a lucky break. This first native contact made it possible for me to have advance native intelligence right throughout the patrol. See Native Intelligence for further information.

6 Mar. Patrol moved downstream with T.T. and Kanaka of GOKMI acting as guides. Made camp in Sq. 69/80 AMUSON Sheet, at 1600 hrs.

7 Mar. Sent out 4 Consts and T.T. of GORI to find track over feature 4500 Sq. 68/81, and to try and locate the back track over that feature ~~xxxx~~ into BOIMBI (called NANGAPO on map). They returned late in afternoon reporting failure. Two Consts climbed to top of feature, but visibility so bad no information of value obtained. The other two constables scrambled around the bluff and came across two fresh Kanaka imprints, which they followed

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until it joined the main river track. Cpl Walpole returned with his line of carriers to DEDEBI. This ~~XXXX~~ man carried out his duties very efficiently and had a very good grip on his native carriers.

8 Mar.

Detailed 4 Constables and T.T. of GOREI to try and find "Hideouts" of the BOIMBI natives. They returned at 1800 hrs without natives but reported finding the wanted back track into BOIMBI over feature 4500. They followed this until it hit the main track south of Boimbi, then returned to camp by this route. No trace of Japs seen.

9 Mar.

Before leaving on this patrol, Tac R. reported Japs in BOIMBI and BURAM.

T.T. of GOREI and KANAKA volunteered to pay a social call on the BOIMBI people and bring back a native of that place to me for interrogation purposes. I agreed to the suggestion and they left before lunch.

An O.P. made on feature 4500.

10 Mar

Const KUMASI reported in from KANKYMO, well recovered from his sickness.

T.T. and Kanaka of GOREI returned with T.T. and M.T.T. of BOIMBI. A very pleasing piece of work. See Native Intelligence for further particulars.

11 Mar

Told the T.T. and KANAKA of GOREI they could return home. They were suitably thanked and paid in tobacco.

12 Mar

Detailed the T.T. and KANAKA of ~~ROBI~~ BOIMBI as guides to a Sig. laying patrol to YANGALUM. They were to "Scrub Bush" a direct course to BWANG Village thence follow the main track to YANGALUM. At YANGALUM an American patrol from the beach was to meet them. Without these guides I doubt whether our patrol could have reached the rendezvous on time, as they originally intended going through the almost impassable rough river. Patrol from BOIMBI returned just before dusk and confirmed the native story that the Japs had evacuated that place.

12 Mar.

Sent Const EIWARA off to catch up with YANGALUM patrol and to act as interpreter, friend and philosopher to them.

Detailed T.T. of BOIMBI to go to BURAM and bring in the "HATS" of that place for interrogation purposes. They were to meet me at BOIMBI, where I would be at lunch time tomorrow. Talk was also to be on by the BURAM people to the beach villages of KALIKO and MALE.

13 Mar.

Moved on to BOIMBI, about a 3 hours walk north. LULUAI of BURAM was there to meet me, and he said that he had passed word on to KALIKO and ~~MALE~~ MALE to come in and see me. He reported that the Nips had evacuated his village about a few days previously. See Native Intelligence.

Sent back 1 Const and 5 native carriers to assist soldiers in carrying forward foodstuff.

All living on Field Ops now.

14 Mar.

Supplied Recce patrol with one const and Luluai to act as guides to BURAM.

T.T. of KALIKO and LULUAI of GELIM reported in, see Native Intelligence for further particulars. Both the natives were paid in tobacco and told to return and pass talk through to the "HATS" of ALIBU, WENGI, MALE, BUGATI and JAM JAM. This group of officials were to report to me at BURAM.

PARIWA of BONGU Village who was shanghied by the Japs at Rabaul and taken to Buna, and now one of our indentured labourers, was for obvious reasons, included in my party of carriers. With the help of

14 Mar.

the T. T. of KALIKO, I sent PARIWA off to contact his people and bring back information of Jap positions and activity.

Managed to get together an assortment of Native carriers (18) to go to ~~BURAM~~ and assist Soldiers in carrying forward provisions. They were a bit touchy and "Windy" at first, thinking no doubt that should they be caught in the act by the ~~Japs~~ they would be severely punished. Their feelings were quite understandable, as we are the first "Masters" they have seen for two years.

Constable and 5 carriers arrived in after laying Sig. wire from Base 3. They returned to bring forward personal and other stuff tomorrow.

15 Mar.

Called in an AITAPE boy who married a BURAM Mary and lives at that place. See Native Intelligence for further particulars.

Constable and 5 Carriers reported in from ~~BUR~~ Base 3.

16 Mar.

Moved on to BURAM, a two hour walk in a northerly direction.

BURAM is only about 4000 yards from the beach, and is perched on a 1000' feature, overlooking the whole Astralabe Bay. A very satisfying sight, after being locked in the RAMU Valley for some time.

Arranged that 3 KANAKA guides take a Recce patrol into KALIKO Village on the beach.

MALE T.T. reported in, see N. I. Told him to keep his people clear of the beach in case the "Balloon" went up any time.

Kaliko T.T. came in and reported that he went to his Village yesterday afternoon for some coconuts, found no Japs there but mentioned that some frequently pass through there to BONGU and ERIMA. He also said that he followed 4 Nip ~~tracks~~ footprints right up to within 400 yards of our position, where they went into a garden, came back to road and sat down and ate some Sugar Cane. A patrol of 2 went out immediately, and verified his story. I wonder if it was a case of "so near and yet so far".

LULIJAI's of LUGATI, WENGI, ALIBU and T.T. of WENGI and JAM JAM, reported in. A fine collection, but surprisingly little news of recent Jap activities. They explained this away by remarking that since our Bombings of those ~~their~~ areas, they retired gracefully to the comforts of the "Bush". See N. I. for further information.

We now hold that dubious honour of being the most northerly Australian troops.

17 Mar.

Recce patrol and guides returned from KALIKO. Guides informed me that they first went into KALIKO VI to see if Nips were there, found none, returned and took patrol through Village and then back to their "hideouts" where they housed them for the night. Patrol reported advanced Native Intelligence supplied was correct.

An American patrol of 5 men towed in a rubber boat by a P.T.B., landed at MELAMU Plantation the night before last, passed through our camp en route to BOGADJIM Plantation. They were to be landed at KALIKO Village but were landed at MELAMU instead. They were very lucky, if they had landed just a bit further west towards BONGU Village they would have landed amongst a Jap garrison at that place. I gave them guides to take them onto MALE "hideouts", and arranged for MALE guides to take them on to WENGI, and the latter people were to take them on to JAM JAM thence to BOGADJIM. They were also responsible for the return of the patrol via that route.

18 Mar.

Attacked by a party of approx. 30 ^{Japs} ~~hiss~~ with Mortar, L.M.G.'s and rifles. Our patrol killed the 5 forward ~~Japs~~ scouts, then withdrew to BOIMBI. Our Recce patrol was too small (11 in all Europeans) to hold them off and insufficient ammo for sustained fire. It was most unfortunate, as we were to be strengthened to Platoon size the same day. Our casualties were nil.

19 Mar.

At BOIMBI.

Supplied guides to a Recce patrol to BWANG Village. Constable EIWARA returned from YANGALUM with a suspect native from ARAWUN Village. Could find no evidence to support this claim, other than that he had traded with the enemy, which nearly every native that has been under Jap dominance for the past year or so has done.

Our fighting ~~patrol~~ patrol entered BURAM Village in late afternoon and found it evacuated by the Japs.

The American patrol of 5 passed through it about 15 minutes before ours.

20 Mar.

Rounded up all available carriers and KANAKAS (14) and sent them with Ammo and stores to BURAM.

On request of Lieut. Brewster sent Const EIWARA back to YANGALUM, to accompany him to new American rendezvous at KUL, on RAI coast.

21 Mar.

Moved back to BURAM.

Supplied 5 KANAKA carriers for more ammo from BOIMBI.

All dug in here now, and Japs have done the same thing about 1000 yards ahead of us, both parties can see one another with binoculars.

LULUAI of BURAM informed me that my instructions about guides for the American patrol to BOGDJIM and back were carried out to the letter. A noble piece of work under the conditions then existing. He was thanked and congratulated.

Sent out talk to the BUGATI people that I was dissatisfied with the LULUAI'S visit, and that I inclined to the view that were the Japs way. I now await results of the ultimatum.

LULUAI of BURAM supplied some information passed on to him by the T.T. of BUGATI, see N.I.

22 Mar.

Managed to get together 10 KANAKA carriers and sent them back to BOIMBI for more stores etc. for garrison here.

T.T. of BUGATI turned up quite apologetic for the lack of information tended by the old LULUAI. My ultimatum bore fruit. see N.I.

Saw 3 Gun flashes on bearing of 346 Mag. Supplied 2 guides for Recce patrol into BONGO

23 Mar.

Sent T.T. of BUGATI off to contact natives west of the MINDJIM.

24 Mar.

Saw allied Destroyer or P-T-B. just off MELAMU Plantation.

25 Mar.

At ~~BONGU~~ Waiting to see Americans land on Bogadjim Plantation.

26 Mar.

PARIWA (indentured Labourer No 1719) returned from his Holiday at Village, see N.I.

Watched very effective bombing and strafing of Jap positions at BONGU Village area.

LULUAI and T.T. of BUGATI and a KANAKA of that ~~of that~~ place who have been living, on the western side of the MINDJIM River, reported in and tended some valuable information. See N.I.

Once again attacked by about 30 ^{Japs} ~~hiss~~ with Mortars L.M.G.'s and rifles. This time the attack took place about 1700 hrs and lasted spasmodically until late in the night. Our troops were too well dug in this time and had far too much fire ~~fire~~ power for the Japs. They were forced to retire without inflicting casualties.

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Our troops killed one and wounded others. We spent the night in slit trenches.

27 Mar. Watched Dive Bombing and strafing attack on Jap position in sq. 7I/9I. Strafing good, but Dive Bombing only just. Our fighting patrol followed the air strike, but met strong opposition and had to withdraw.

28 Mar. Patience worn out waiting for a beach landing, so home-ward bound for DUMPU.
Slept at BOIMBI.

29 Mar. Moved off and slept at DEDEBI.

30 Mar. Off again and slept at foot of mountain on bank of MOSA River.
Couldn't move any further as my dirty and wet trousers caused a most annoying and ~~very~~ painful chafe all along the top of the penis.

31 Mar. Arrived and remained at KANKYRIE for the night.

I April. Returned to DUMPU.

GENERAL REMARKS.

From a military point of view, the "Beach Patrol" was a huge success, and great credit must be given to the O. C. Patrol Capt. Cuthbertson, and his troops. Capt. Cuthbertson's great "push" and organizing ability, and his troops' great stamina and keenness for its success. Capt. Cuthbertson's reconnaissance patrols covered all the country west of the KABANAU River to the MINDJIM River and down to the beach at KALIKO Village. On the other side of the KABANAU River his patrols covered east as far as KUL Village on the RAI Coast. His troops on many occasions had to "White Boong" their own provisions forward to these positions. Notwithstanding the outstanding performance of Capt. Cuthbertson's patrols, I think ANGAU can justly claim a percentage of this success. In support of this, I submit in a condensed manner, the main points for such reasoning.

- (1) ANGAU supplied guides from GOREI to Base 3, Sq. 698/807
- (2) Four Constables were first to climb ~~feature~~ 4500 and find nearly obliterated back track into BOIMBI Village.
- (3) Contact of BOIMBI natives gave advanced information of Jap evacuation of that place.
- (4) Gave guides for reconce patrol into BOIMBI Village over almost indiscernable track.
- (5) Supplied guides to Sig. laying patrol that had a rendezvous with American patrol at Yangalum Village. Guides "Scrub bashed" a direct course to BWANG Village Sq 72/87, thus enabling patrol to reach objective at stipulated time.
- (6) Gave advanced information of Jap evacuation of BURAM Village sq 70/90
- (7) Supplied BURAM KAWAKA guide to take reconce patrol into BURAM Village.
- (8) Contacted KALIKO Village natives and supplied advanced intelligence of Jap positions from MALE Village to BONGU Village.
- (9) Gave KALIKO native guides, who took reconce patrol to within striking distance of that place - left them there - went in first to see if any Japs were there, found none, returned and brought the patrol into the village, shewed them around, took them back to their "hideouts" and sheltered them in hut for the night.
- (10) Gave and arranged for change over of guides to American patrol to BOGADJIM and back.
- (11) Contacted BONGU native and gave information of Jap position near that place.
- (12) Gave guides ~~for~~ to reconce patrol for O.P. of BONGU.
- (13) Contacted MALE Natives and gave information of Jap position on GIRA Point.
- (14) Contacted natives from villages, GOREI, BOIMBI, BURAM, KALIKO MALE, BONGU, WENGI, GELIM, ALIBU, JAM JAM, BUGARI, BWANG JUNGUM, YANGALUM, ARAWUN, and gave information of military importance.
- (15) ANGAU natives gave both warnings of near approach of Jap attacking force on BURAM Village.
- (16) Supplied information from ERIMA Plantation west of the MINDJIM River to Bau Plantation on the RAI Coast.

Good show!

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NATIVE AFFAIRS

On this patrol, I actually, only visited five villages, and they were, starting from the south of the KABANAU River, as follows. DEDEBI, a hamlet of about 4 houses, SISILE another small hamlet, and GOREI the main village. Gorei is wrongly called on the map as AMUSON. Gorei would have about 12 houses in it, and is no doubt the main village from which the two hamlets sprang. It is impossible to estimate the population of the three places, as most are still in hiding in the bush, but in a rough estimate, I should say, 100 men, women and children would cover it. The ~~land~~ area under ~~under~~ cultivation is extensive and far exceeds that required for the number of houses seen. Possibly other natives well back and in hiding in the bush exist on these gardens as well.

Except for Tropical Ulcers ~~and~~ Yaws and Elephantiasis, the villagers are in a fairly good state of health. Elephantiasis is more prominent in this group ~~of people~~ than I have seen ~~anywhere~~ elsewhere in the RAMU Valley.

BOIMBI the next place visited is also incorrectly named on the map. It is marked NANGAPO, and is a name quite foreign to those people. ~~This village is like a group of villages away from it.~~ The people of this village, like all others, live away from it. They have the usual T.U and Yaws but very little Elephantiasis. Their gardens are not nearly so extensive as the GOREI people, but no signs of malnutrition is evident.

BURAM the last place visited, are really coastal people, and look like them. Good clean skins, good build and intelligent. They also live away from their village, and appear to have all they want to eat. Both BOIMBI and BURAM are small places say, 10 and 12 houses respectively, and possibly would carry 60 odd people in either place. ~~Existence~~

I did not see signs of any yaws ~~or~~ T.U. or elephantiasis in BURAM.

I must record that I received instant respect and prompt obedience to all my orders. Possibly owing to my mature age, but more likely due to respect to the old time Master.

The Officials of all these places rendered willing and great assistance to the patrol, without them the patrol would have been "up hill". They are only too willing to assist us in any way, once they know that we hold the upper hand, but that has to be demonstrated and obvious before you can depend on them.

The LULUAI of BURAM put it in a "Nut shell" when he said, "We thought the Japs could beat you left these places, so we went their way. Afterwards when you bombed and bombed we were doubtful, so we made up our minds to sit in the middle, but when you hunt them from these places we will know that you are the stronger".

This same LULUAI decided that he had to do something to save their gardens from being continually robbed by the ~~Japs~~, so he called the clan together and made them ~~work~~ make a big garden for the ~~clan~~. He contended that it saved his people own gardens a lot but didn't stop ~~the~~ stealing altogether.

I have not yet heard a native voluntarily ^{says} disrespectful thing of the Japs. They certainly have complained of the killing of pigs, fowls and robbing of gardens, but of their manners, no. They explain most of it by saying "They have another kind law".

Most trading was done with coin, which they call, something that's not heavy, but like the leaf of a tree. I know of ~~know~~ store where they could spend this money, in fact they told me there wasn't any, therefore, they are well cashed up.

I spread no propaganda amongst these people, but told them just the truth and I think it was appreciated.

As my role was purely liaison with the 58/59 Bn. and native intelligence, I did not attempt to recruit natives. I ~~was told that the two would not mix~~ found from previous experience that the two do not mix.

[Handwritten Signature]
.....WO II
(S. E. ASHTON)
Patrol Officer

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ROYAL PAPUAN CONSTABULARY

I took 5 Constables with me and each one carried out his duties in a capable manner.
I append my classification of them.

<u>NO</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
2748	Const	URURU	Med. physique, intelligent, willing to accept responsibility, good shot. Heard he was <u>cpl</u> , peace time force.
2601	"	KUMASI	Big physique, good personality, intelligent boaster, conceited and good worker.
2557	"	GIRIS	Good physique, quite disposition, intelligent, lazy.
3279	"	MOK	small physique, intelligent, game and good toiler
1935	"	KAMBURA	good physique, intelligent, young, quiet disposition, softly spoken and good worker.
2529	"	AIWARA	small physique, intelligent, quiet, eager and good worker.

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S. L. ASHTON, W. O. 11
Patrol Officer

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NATIVE INTELLIGENCE.

T. T. WAFOR of GOREI Village, 5/3/44

States that no Japanese are this side of BOIMBI Village, but some are at BOIMBI and BURAM. BOIMBI natives on a visit here told me this. Japs at BOIMBI have built some huts and dug some holes. Jap soldiers stay permanently ~~there~~ and at BURAM, but not many of them. About 30 Japs hunted from KANKYRIO came down the MOSA River and ~~ERIMA~~ dumped some gear at GOREI Village, then continued on downstream. I have heard Japs have big station at BAU Plantation on RAI Coast and another big station on ERIMA Plantation, Astralabe Bay. KANAKA talk says that big guns are scattered along coast. Some have heard them fire up at or near BONGU Village.

T.T.KAMBALIANG & M.T.T.MIO of BOIMBI 10/3/44

States many months ago a patrol of about 30 ^{Japs} ~~hips~~ visited BOIMBI, stayed 2 days, then returned to KALIKO Village. Henceforth a 3 weekly patrol was maintained. About 5 to 6 weeks ago a permanent post of 6 Japs was stationed just off BOIMBI Village, mainly watching the road junction of KABANAU and GELIM. A post of two menx was also kept at BURAM Village. On Wednesday the 8/3/44 our Tac R. plane circled repeatedly over BOIMBI, the Japs were then cooking, they immediately doused their fire, threw everything to the four winds, and bolted towards BURAM. We heard later that they collected the 2 Japs at BURAM and went towards the beach. We have heard thatx the Jap big Station is at ERIMA Plantation. Japs have Naval and Ack Ack Gun on GIRA Point.

LULUAI, YANGARUNG of BURAM Village. 12/3/44

States that the Japs left his place the same day as they left BOIMBI, the same day as the Tac R plane flew so often over his village. He has heard that the Japs are at BONGU and MALE. but there are none between those places. Sometimes Jap stage at ~~INDU VILLAGE~~ KALIKO Village for the night, then move on towards ERIMA Plantation, or towards BONGU Village. Japs have position on GIRA Point near MALE Village. The two big guns on GIRA point have been removed and the next big guns are on ERIMA Plantation. Japs kept watch on BOIMBI - GELIM road junction and also patrolled SUNGUM and YANGALUM Villages. Japs killed pigs, fowls and robbed our gardens. T. T. of Bugati told me that naval gun was near a small creek flowing through BOGADJIE Plantation, and that the Jap garrison on GIRA Point has had its store replenished with fodstuff. This was done by a small boat.

LULUAI, IMBU of GELIM. 14/3/44

States that sometimes Japs passed through his Village. then on to DUMBU and YAULA. Japs do not stay permanently at his place. The road has been used from beach to YAULA and YAULA to beach.

T.T.TUGA of KALIKO 14/3/44

States that his Village was only used by the Japs as a staging camp, usually they moved on the next day. About 20 Japs passed through yesterday. Japs have a position at BONGU and one on GIRA Point. ERIMA Plantation is the Jap Main Station in this area.

KOVARA of AITAPE living with BURAM people 15/3/44

States that he knows very little of Jap activities at ERIMA plantation. He was at back of ERIMA Plantation about 3 weeks ago, but natives are hunted away from any Jap defence positions, and threatened with rifles. ERIMA is the biggest Jap, ~~xxxxxxx~~ place in this area. Barges bring cargo from Madang way in the night. I dont know what place they come from. Japs have position at BONGU and GIRA Point. KALIKO is only used by Japs passing through to either place. Worn out Japs retreating from the RAI coast stayed there recuperating for a day or so. Plenty of "Funk Holes" are there, mainly used for air raids. Naval Gun was at GIRA Point. it may be shifted further back, I dont know.

NATIVE INTELLIGENCE .

TST. BOLON of MALE Village, 10/3/44

States that GIRA Point is occupied by about 50 odd Japs, and that they are in good condition. It is a new garrison, the old one went back 10 to 14 days ago towards ERIMA. The Naval gun was removed from GIRA Point before the new garrison took over.

LULUAI, of Yambangi of ALIBU
" SAL-it of BUGATI
" KUMRI of WENGI
T. T. BERI of WENGI
T. T. KARA of JAM JAM

From above group very little information of value obtained. They remarked that since our air superiority, our bombing and strafing have frightened them and pushed them further back into the bush. They have been therefore, too scared to venture near the Jap positions. They did hear that the LULUAI of BILI BILI and YABOBI were killed by bombs. Japs have patrolled from BUGATI to JAM JAM, WENGI and ALIBU and back.

Indentured Labourer 1719 PARIWA of BONGU
URINUMBA of TAMBANUM - Sepik

States that there are no Jap defence positions on KABANAU, R. mouth, MELAMU Plantation or BONGU Village, but 200 to 300 yards west of BONGU Village, the Japs astride the main beach road, dug in with L.M.G.'s and rifles. There is no other Jap position except at GIRA Point. Barges from Madang way supply forces with provisions etc. It is about a week or two weekly service. Sometime ago Japs evacuated BOGADJIM Plantation and to ERIMA Plantation. I do not know if some have returned to BOGADJIM. ERIMA is big Jap station on this strip of the coast. A Naval gun was placed near the Jetty at ERIMA and covered by a roof. The Naval Gun at GIRA Point was removed by Jap launch some time ago.

GOLEKO of MRAWUN VILLAGE 19/3/44.

States that Japs evacuated MARAGUM and went west. Japs next position is near BONGU. A big gun was once at ENKE Point, but was removed by Japs somewhere else. American soldiers now occupy BAU PLAY Plantation.

T. T. KONDUM of BUGATI 19/3/44.

States that there are no Japs at BOGADJIM, but another naval gun is situated on west bank of GORI River mouth. There are no Japs in BAU-AK Village. Main Jap forces are in surrounding bush of ERIMA Plantation. Japs retreating from RAI coast, went through to GOGOL River. Many died en route. KANAKA PALU of BUGATI notices Japs hauling a gun of some description on a two wheel carriage towards MALE. Present position unknown.

I. L. 1719 PARIWA of BONGU, subsequent to a few days leave in place.

States that on the 22/3/44 when going for a swim in the KABANAU River, 15 Japs were encountered. They asked where the road to YANGALUM was, and if any of our troops were at that place. They replied in the negative and were accused of being "Black Soldiers" of ours and threatened with decapitation. On the 25/3/44 at 1700 hrs a party of Japs were again met at the same place, and were asked the same questions, identical replies were given. They carried Jap Bren Gun type, 2" Mortar and rifles. PARIWA later broke bush and returned to BOIMBI and therefore does not know where the Japs went to.

LULUAI, YAYA of BUGATI)
T. T. GAIYON of BUGATI) These three natives
KANAKA KOBO of BUGATI) have been in hiding
between BAUMONNA and
SINAGA

States that there are no Japs at BAU-AK, JAM JAM, KOKO, BUAI, SINAGA, BAUMONNA, UIA, LIU, nor in the near bush of those places. Japs have previously used the tracks between those places. Japs occupy

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NATIVE INTELLIGENCE CONTINUED!

AIYAU, KWATO, YAULA. Only parties 2 and 3 Japs have been seen walking up M.T. road to Yaula or KWATO. They carried their own rations in a stocking like bag. Japs moving back from those places pick up food at a dump in ~~xx~~ 668/993. KANAKAS think Japs ~~up~~ forward are eating reserve stocks previously taken up by M.T., because they have not seen any long carrier lines going forward. Jap reinforcements or replacements usually travel late afternoon and night. Japs started evacuating BOGADJIM and ERIMA in January, using the main beach road northward. Japs have used track from ~~ATX~~ ERIMA to ATO and GOGOL. The Naval Gun that was in position near the Jetty at ERIMA was bombed and smashed in January. The other two Naval guns, one at Ball creek in BOGADJIM and the other at mouth of GORI River were heard to fire up about 10 days ago or more. I do not know if they are still there nor have I heard them fire up since the time mentioned. I know nothing of Jap movements or positions north of ERIMA.

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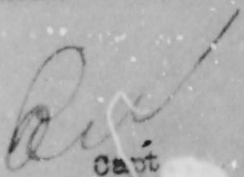
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PATROL REPORT No 40/43-44 - Nth Markham - WO Ashton.

Receipt of the above Report is acknowledged.

2. It is a very interesting report of a well-conducted patrol.


Capt
for DDEG & N
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 41 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by H. P. Seale Noii

Area Patrolled Manteat, Kwap and Burn Burn areas

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 17/4/1944 to 19/4/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
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 £.....

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SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE,
GUSAP.
21 APR 1944

D. O.
Hth. Markham,
LAE

PATROL REPORT 41/43-44 NTH MARKHAM DISTRICT

AREA : WONTOAT

OBJECTS : (i) General inspection of WONTOAT, IKWAP & BUM BUM areas.
(ii) To obtain information as to the location and strength of Japs in the area.

PERSONNEL : WO 11 SEALE H.P. Royal Papuan Constabulary - 1 NCO & 5 O'R'd

DURATION : 0900 hrs 12/4/44 - 1200 hrs 19/4/44

MAP REFERENCE : IKWAP sheet 1 inch - 1 mile

PREVIOUS PATROLS : WO 11 CAVALIERI patrolled the area about 2 months ago.

- DIARY 12.4.44 - To WONTOAT 0900 hrs - greeted by a representative gathering of village officials on the strip. Matters of native administration discussed, and all seem quite contented. 1800 hrs natives of TAPIN advised 8 Japs in hamlet near the IKWAP river above their village, and then further reports of other arrivals followed. ANGAU and 310 Bomb were advised. AWW Stn Cpl and WO KANKE with five natives to check up all roads watched by local natives.
- 13.4.44 - 0800 L 5 a/c brought first party of 11 Aust Div Carrier Coy. Continued to arrive until 1100 hrs. Native intelligence advises Japs still in village - so fighting patrol left 1200 hrs. We attacked at 1700 hrs and killed four Japs for certain - the balance escaped thru' the Kunai. Returned to station 2200 hrs.
- 14.4.44 - Continued vigilance exercised using native intelligence, together with spies and propaganda. At 1800 hrs Tul Tul of MOZIRPUM arrived and advised he had just speared a Jap near his village. He was advised to bring in the body.
- 15.4.44 - Saw Jap body - speared and battered about the head. Visited all local villages and discussed the situation with officials. All seem more than willing to cooperate.
- 16.4.44 - Reports arrived 0800 hrs of four Japs moving down the IKWAP River. Fighting patrol set out immediately and with the aid of five natives and under cover of automatic weapons captured all the Japs alive. These are ANGAU prisoners - and were handed over to 11 Aust Div Carrier Coy.
- 17.4.44 - Continued vigilance as one prisoner said there were five more Japs about in the immediate vicinity. Visited the local villages and impressed my pleasure at the local natives excellent work. At the same time I warned them not to relax their efforts to track down any Japs in the area.
- 18.4.44 - To 11 Aust Div at DUMFU to be present at interrogation of prisoners.
- 19.4.44 - Returned to GUSAP 1200 hours by L.5.

GENERAL REMARKS - As the presence of Japs in the area prevented my original itinerary of this patrol - I intend to return to the WONTOAT area about the 25th. April. However the whole attitude of these most primitive natives is one of loyalty and appreciation of our activities in dealing with the Japs - who have been stealing from their gardens, killing their pigs and using their houses and generally disrupting their community.

1. NATIVE INTELLIGENCE - The natives of the WONTOAT were responsible for liquidating 5 Jap units. Their information on 12.4.44 led to our fighting patrol shooting up four Japs for certain; and other possibles.

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NATIVE INTELLIGENCE - Conta

On 14.4.44, the Tul Tul of MOPIARPUM speared a Jap who was ravaging his gardens. On 16.4.44 native reports were responsible for the capture of 4 Japanese soldiers. The natives actually and actively assisted my police in effecting quite a difficult job. Police and five natives took food to the Japs and at a preconceived the Japs were seized and bound in a very short time. Natives throughout the area realise that the Jap is a menace and they are only too willing to cooperate in all matters. There are watchers on all roads within the radius of about 10 miles of the strip and I am sure all Jap parties moving down either the IKWAP or the WONTOAT rivers would be reported to the army command of the area. Natives armed with bows and arrows insist on accompanying patrols, but of course not as forward scouts. I have yet to see any natives so keen on the successful prosecution of the war and the annihilation of the Jap.

2. VILLAGE OFFICIALS - The village officials are all keen at their jobs and doing an excellent job in organising parties of scouts and watchers. All seem very keen to get really well established, and the excellent condition of their roads assisted our patrols in the speedy contact of the Japs. The Tul Tuls of MORIARPUM, BUM BUM and GWEMBUNGWEK are outstanding officials.

3. NATIVE FOODSTUFFS - All these villages have plenty of vegetables but very few pigs.

4. NATIVE HEALTH - Natives appear quite healthy and come to the AWW Stn for treatment as required.

5. R.P.C. PERSONNEL - L/Cpl SAWRA, N/C SIMBINDO SISSIK, MARAN and KANKE are very good and the capture of the 4 Jap prisoners was a praiseworthy effort, L/Cpl Saura is an especially good type of native constable.

6. A.W.W. PERSONNEL AWW personnel at WONTOAT are most cooperative, and doing all to assist the work of the unit.

Signed - H. P. SEALE,
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ANGAU,
District Office,
LAE.
28 April 44.



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ANGAU
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Patrol Report No. 41/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM
WOII H.P. Seale - WANTOAT

1. An interesting report of good work by WOII H.P. Seale.
2. The matter of rewarding the natives who were responsible for the capture of the four enemy prisoners is receiving attention.
3. In respect of rewards to natives, it is noted that though provision is made for the "handing over of enemy personnel" and "reporting of information of value concerning enemy troop movements" no provision is made for rewarding natives such as the tul tul of MOPIARPUM. Is it intended that such cases are not to come within the authority of the Admin Instruction No. 19?

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PATROL REPORTS - BUON DISTRICT - No 41-43/44 by
WO1 H.P. SHAIN.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report forwarded under memo of Acting DO, BUON District - 30/1 of 23 Apr 44. - *copy attached*

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2. COC has noted the reports in regard to the Tul Tuls of MOPIARPUM, BUM BUM and GRIBSINGUM and desires that consideration now be given whether awards of the Loyal Service Medal should be made.

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3. In regard to para 2 of memo of DO Buon District dated 23 Apr 44, copy attached, it is advised that ANCAU Admin Instrn No 36 (No 19 was cancelled by No 26) was not designed to cover cases such as that of the Tul Tul of MOPIARPUM. The question of the necessity to amend the Instructions will be examined and further advice forwarded in due course.

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PATROL REPORTS - HUON DISTRICT - No 41-43/44 by
Woi H.P. SEALE.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report forwarded under memo of Acting DO, HUON District - 30/1 of 28 Apr 44.

2. JOC has noted the reports in regard to the Tul Tuls of MORIARPUM, BUM BUM and GWEMBUNGWEK and desires that consideration now be given whether awards of the Loyal Service Medal should be made.

3. In regard to para 2 of memo of DO Huon District dated 28 Apr 44, copy attached, it is advised that ANGAU Admin Instrn No 26 (No 19 was cancelled by No 26) was not designed to cover cases such as that of the Tul Tul of MOPIARPUM. The question of the necessity to amend the Instructions will be examined and further advice forwarded in due course.

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LOYAL SERVICE MEDALS

Ref your DS 29/5/1 of 15 May.

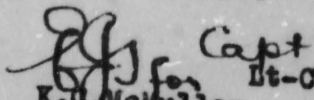
2. This matter has been referred to ADO GUSAP who has advised that he does not consider that the actions of any of these officials are sufficiently outstanding to justify their being recommended for awards.

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A/District Officer Capt

Forwarded for your information.
Your DS 30/10/33 of 5 May 44 refers.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Medih Markham Report No. 42 of 43/44.
 Patrol Conducted by Woi H.P. Seale.
 Area Patrolled Kaipit, Sengan and Enga areas.
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 5/4/1944 to 8/4/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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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District Officer
North MARKHAM
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PATROL REPORT No 42/43-44 - NTH MKHM

- AREAS - KAIAPIT, SANGAN and ONGA areas.
- OBJECT - (1) To make an introductory census of these areas, paying particular attention to the percentage of fit natives away at work.
(ii) General inspection of villages and gardens.
- PERSONNEL - NGX 348 WO.11 SEALE H.P.
- Map Reference - LERON and ONGA sheets 1 mile - 1 inch
- DURATION - Wednesday 0900 hrs 5 Apr - Saturday 1600 hrs 8 Apr 44.
- PREVIOUS PATROLS - (i) WO.11 CAVALBIRI has been patrolling these areas up to end of February.
(ii) I recruited and patrolled these areas Sep - Oct 1943.

DIARY

- 5-4-44 To KAIAPIT by L.5 arriving 1000hrs. Visited KAIAPIT, OFRAFACAN, CUNTISAP and BAGADOMPIAT villages in the morning and early afternoon. Later visited MARINGANTS MAMARINGIN and SOWI by jeep. Returned to mission and slept.
- 6-4-44 To SANGAN visited the villages and returned to KAIAPIT by jeep.
- 7-4-44 To ONGA via WOMPUK, SABU and ANGA, returning via INTUWAP after visiting AWAIN and NARABOIN.
- 8-4-44 Inspected the strips - visited ANTIRAGAN and returned to mission. Left by L.5 at 1500 hrs. Returned to station 1600 hrs.

REMARKS

(1) Recruiting

Under instruction from Maj NIALL, recruiting was intensive in the KAIAPIT, SANGAN areas. These two groups have almost been completely denuded of fit males population and a serious reflection of this is already manifest by the fact that there are very few native women pregnant in these areas. This lapse of the birth rate must detract from the strength of these Upper MARKHAM peoples, and as soon as operational requirements permit, I recommend the release of a percentage of these natives from their present work if a disintegration of village life is NOT to take place.

(2) FOODSTUFFS

The KAIAPIT people as a group have suffered in consequence of recent floods, but they are by no means starving. They must plant their gardens in the higher ground.

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SANGAN and ONGA groups are well supplied with foodstuffs.

(3) Native Health

Native's health appears quite fair following Sgt HEALY's good work. Cus cus is the only evident disorder. This has already been reported on.

(4) Native Administration

(a) Village books are practically non-existent in these areas, so as soon as WO HAYES has completed his work in PARAWASA Group he will write up the KAIAPIT, SANGAN and ONGA books.

(b) Village officials are doing a fair job, but some still need watching. However, their villages, cemeteries and roads are cared for generally speaking.

(5) The KAIAPIT AIRSTRIP

Must be maintained by the KAIAPIT and RAGATOMPIAT natives.

(6) Roads and Bridges

Roads in the area are quite fair considering the amount of traffic which passes over them.

(7) (a) I attach a small report on villages of these areas as Appendix "A".

(b) I attach census figures of villages of the two groups as appendix "B".

The KIAIPIT Villages

KAIAPIT.

This village is divided into two sections, all very closely clustered at the foot of the old mission. The areas are clean and sanitary rules are observed. There is NOT so much native food as when I was in KAIAPIT in Oct 1947 as considerable floods have swamped garden areas. However, the native have sufficient food to eat and the natives have been told to build on higher ground as well as irrigating present areas.

RAGADOMPIAT

The two(?) sections of the village are quite clean and well kept. These natives were NOT troubled by recent floods and so have plenty of foodstuffs available.

GUNTISAP

This village area is clean and sanitary precautions are observed. These natives are reconstructing gardens on the higher ground behind the mission and irrigating old gardens. They suffered considerably from recent floods.

OFRAFACAN

Village and cemetery areas good, but native gardens almost destroyed by the floods. They are also building gardens on the higher ground.

ORORI

Village and road to village very good except for several washaways. This village is perhaps the best of the group, the cemetery being particularly well cared for.

WOMPUR

The village was not clean to my satisfaction when I arrived there but under supervision it met with my requirements before I left the area, and on my return from OKGA it was quite good.

ARIFIRAN (includes SOWF)

The village was fair but cemetery NOT clean on my arrival. Both village and cemetery cleaned under my direction. Food adequate.

MARINGANTS

The village is clean and the road is quite good. The village people have quite enough foodstuffs and appear quite a healthy group.

SOWI

Only a small community who wish to retain their identity. They have NO Tul-tul nor do I consider one necessary.

ZUMIM

A fairly large community whose villages is clean and well kept

MAYARIGIN

Only a small community. The village is clean and gardens and cemetery well kept.

NARUAPUN

NOT visited. Lined at ANTIRACAN

ANTIRAGAN

Village NOT clean to my satisfaction on my arrival but was so on my departure. Gardens of this village have been spoilt by recent floods.

KAINARU

NOT visited. Lined at WOMPUR.

ANCA

Village clean and natives quite healthy. The village people have plenty of native foodstuffs.

RAGITOMOT

A small healthy community with plenty of food.

MARITSANIANG

Village people are quite content, as they have no complaints, and plenty to eat.

NARUMUTSUNG

Another small community who wish to remain independent.

2. SANGAN AREA

All these villages are grouped about the village SIRAWARUNG (or SANGAN)

All these villages are clean groves(?) well cut and gardens t tended.

The whole of this group have shown considerable improvement since last visit in Oct 1943.

Village officials are doing a good job with EMOI, the bearded Tul-tul of MANIANG being the leading native of th area.

The SANGAN are has not been affected as the KAIAPIT area suffered.

I am considerably impressed by the real efforts of SANGAN people have put into clearing up of their area.

3. ONGA AREA

The following ONGA villages were visited ONGA, AWAIN, MARABOIN and INTUAP. SINGAS and FUGUWAP lined at ONGA.

The villages visited appear to have plenty of native foodstuffs but as usual in these areas very few pigs.

The villages are clean and roads well cut. I instructed the natives to cut the old E.L.G. at ONGA

The ONGA natives are a very good group and proved loyal supporters all through the troublesome period up to September last year and also materially assisted me in the final clean up following the capture of KAIAPIT. There are about 20 fit natives left in the villages who could be impressed into service at the expense of further denuding the area. However, recommend that NO more recruits be taken from these villages both because of my above statement and because this whole group consistently carried ANGAU and AWW cargo, and were neither paid or fed on many occasions.

CONCLUSION

These areas are all well on their way to complete restoration. Careful attention by regular patrols will effect the complete rehabilitation of the area.

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APPENDIX "B"

(i) KAIAPIT AREA

VILLAGE	LULUAI	TUL-TUL	MEDICAL TUL-TUL	CHILDREN		ADULTS		I/L	TOTAL POPULATION
				MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE		
KAIAPIT	SAGIANG	ITE JUNG	UNGIANK	30	25	28	63	34	193
RAGADOMPIAT	ORIM	OBI	SATSUP	17	28	24	23	18	110
GUNTISAP	SELAGA	TATU	ASAM	32	18	25	27	19	121
OFRAFRAGAN	INGARUNGWA	WAMU	TINTING	14	12	20	25	15	86
ORORI	UTONG	MANUAN	ORIM	9	7	30	36	14	96
WOMPUR	SUAMU	PUAM	RUPIAP	25	18	24	53	37	158
includes DABU ARIBIRAN	WASU	METAN	BANAN	14	16	33	33	27	123
includes SOWT MARINGANTS	BIANUM	WONGAT	SIKOI	5	5	14	19	10	53
SOWI	SITSAL		MANTAM	4	3	6	8	6	27
LUMIM	MARUAFUS	ZAMU	WONGAWIL	50	62	35	58	26	231
MAMARINGIN	SORORUNG	IPUR	ORORA	11	8	25	15	6	65
NARUAPUN	GIA	WUNSAP, UTA	IO	13	17	27	40	34	131
KAINARU	UMI	AYU, SINOR	PUNGYONG	14	14	23	42	34	127
ANTIRAGAN	SARA	SARIA	ONGA	25	22	18	41	20	126
ANGA		SIRANT	IANNIFUN	17	21	20	26	13	97
RAGITAMOT		FINUANTS	IANT	5	5	8	9	7	34
NARITSANIUNG	RANGON	ATSUA	ATA	15	22	28	30	6	101
NARUMATSUNG	ZOAMU			3	8	7	9	5	52
TOTALS :				304	324	395	557	331	1911

(ii) SANGAN AREA

LIANIANG		EMOI	BABA	11	10	22	29	21	93
RAGITSURU	SUMIN	SAMUN	ZARUNG	21	18	9	29	20	97
BINIMUM		FANI	ANIS	13	14	21	40	25	113
SIRAWARUNG	KATU	WAMI	ARIKAK	12	11	18	29	28	98
INGEMFARUP	IKUWAN	MIRIT	BEBE (absent)	8	7	13	12	16	56
BOGABUN	GIRIAN	MICE	FARU	10	10	14	20	15	69
TOTALS :				75	70	97	159	125	525

(iii) ONGA AREA

AWAN	IOBI	BANAN	WAIYU	14	9	22	28	17	90
NARABOIN	GUAM	WONYA	NARUBLAN	18	18	33	43	17	129
ONGA	KUMABIN (Paramount)	YADZUP	MATSUNG	42	37	34	49	26	189
SINGAS	GORUF	LAKA	MIAS	24	31	28	33	20	136
TUTUAP	WARUNG	NARUSI	GURUP	13	11	14	20	14	72
PUSUNAP	DARI	MARABA	UTA	13	20	12	24	15	84
TOTALS				124	126	143	197	109	699

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Patrol Report No. 42/43-44.
(North Marham) KAIAPIT, SANGAN and ONGA. WOIJ H. P. Seale.

1. GCO has noted the remarks of the ADO in regard to recruiting and desires that the question of the necessity to repatriate a percentage of labour, be examined. This has already been discussed with you and any decision reached with BA & GCO will be put into effect forthwith.

2. It is noted that MARUAPUN and KIANARU Villages with a total population of 258 were lined, but the villages were not visited. Instruct Patrolling Officers in your District, especially those newly entering the service, that this practice is not permitted. The Patrol Officer must visit the village and line the natives for census purposes in their own village, and no exceptions are to be made.


Major.
H. R. Hall.
ADIS HQ NORTHERN REGION.

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PATROL REPORTS.

No 42/43-44 (North Markham) KAIAPIT, SANGAN and ONGA -
WOI H.P. SEALE.

Original copy abovementioned Patrol Report and covering memo by A/DO North Markham (Huon) District, dated 29 Apr 44, forwarded herewith.

2. GOC has noted the remarks of the A/DO in regard to recruiting and desires that the question of the necessity to repatriate a percentage of native labour be examined.

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Capt,
for DDDS & NA.
(AOD).

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29 April 44.

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Patrol Report No. 42/43-44 - NORTH MARKHAM
WOII HP Seale - KAIAPIT, SANGAN & ONGA

Ref report of patrol by WOII H.P. SEALE forwarded
herewith -

2. Recruiting: WOII Seale makes special emphasis on the heavy recruiting, and the figures submitted bear out his remarks, and make it obvious that action will have to be taken to repatriate some of the labour if village life is not to be seriously affected.

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It appears that a repatriation policy on lines similar to that being brought into effect in Papua will have to be inaugurated.

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I am not yet at all "au fait" with the District administration generally, but this matter will receive my early attention.

3. Native Crops:

I am obtaining further particulars in regard to this, as shortage of available manpower in the villages makes it difficult for them to recover from disasters such as the floods they have recently experienced.

4. General:

Several village or hamlet names are spelt differently to the way they are spelt on the map. The patrol officer is being instructed to follow the map spellings for the present, even though these may not be absolutely correct.

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I will be shortly visiting the GUSAP area, and will further investigate both the native labour and food position.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 43 of 43/44
 Patrol Conducted by Noii Jones
 Area Patrolled Main, Maba and part of Gwap.
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives.....

Duration—From 3/4/1944 to 9/6/1944

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for ~~W~~ Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....

WO 11 JONES
ANGAU,
LAE.

20 JUN 44

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HUON DISTRICT

PATROL REPORT 43-43/44 (HUON DISTRICT)

Report of patrol by WO 11 JONES to WAIN & NABA areas and part of ERAP.

DATE LEFT STATION - 3 APRIL 44 DATE RETURNED - 9 JUNE 44

PURPOSE of PATROL - Routine administration and medical patrol.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY : WO 11 JUDD, BMA.
R.P.C. 1 N.C.O. and 10 Constables
Carriers - usual.

- 3 APR 44 - Left HQ by jeep for BUMSI. Arranged for carriers to move rations to GUMEJM. Slept at GWABADIK. Const WANDIMAI left at BUMSI in charge of rations.
- 4 APR 44 -- Left for MUSOM 1100 hrs. Officials of GAWAM, MUSOM and KWOPSANIK arrived. More carriers obtained for carrying of rations to GUMBUM.
- 5 APR 44 - 0900 left MUSOM for MILILUGAN stopping at KWAPSANEK en route.
- 6 APR 44 - 1200 hrs left MILILUGAN for BUNGARUMBUNG. MELAMBI natives here.
- 7 APR 44 - At BUNGARUMBUNG. Natives ordered to build new village.
- 8 APR 44 - Left BUNGARUMBUNG. Inspected site for new village. Slept at MILILUGAN as natives had not returned after carrying rations from BUMSI. Instructed Luluai of MILILUGAN to send natives who were ex BUNGARUMBUNG to assist with new village.
- 9 APR 44 - 0800 hrs left MILILUGAN. Lined KWAPSANEK natives. Arrived GAWAM 12.15 hrs.
- 10 APR 44 - Left 0900 hrs at GAWAM for GUMBUM, stopping at LIWISOK and LAMBAIP. Arrived GUMBUM 1800 hrs.
- 11 APR 44 - At GUMBUM.
- 12 APR 44 - Lined village of GUMBUM and hamlets ZIMARINK and GANZARAN.
- 13 APR 44 - Left GUMBUM at 0900 hrs for LAMBAIP and KEMEN. New village of KEMEN nearing completion.
- 14 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left KEMEN for BAMBOK.
- 15 APR 44 - 0830 hrs left BAMBOK for BANEDAP. Arrived KORANGANDANG 130 hrs.
- 16 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left KORANGANDANG. 1050 hrs arrived MISALAMPAMUN. Natives now occupying new village. Arrived HANOBBAN 1500 hrs. A few cases of dysentery and village far from clean.
- 17 APR 44 - 1100 hrs left HANOBBAN arrived KWEMBELENG 1240 hrs. KORANGANDANG natives reported at KWEMBELENG. 1720 hrs arrived BAINDOUNG.
- 18 APR 44 - At BAINDOUNG. Heavy rain all day.
- 19 APR 44 - Lined natives of BAINDOUNG and ANKAMAP. L/Cpl WAITETE and Const LAGLASO found 1 jap rifle. Officials and police made search of houses and six more rifles were brought to light. Census compiled and new books made out.
- 20 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left BAINDOUNG - 1000 hrs arrived TUKWAMBET. 1330 hrs in AVEN.
- 21 APR 44 - AVEN census compiled - about 50 additional names since last visit. 1330 hrs left AVEN - 1515 arr YALUMBANG. L/Cpl WAITETE and two constables sent to AMIEN area to bring in natives still hiding in bush.
- 22 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left YALUMBANG - 0950 hrs arrived SOKELEN. Some natives of MOGOM line at SOKELEN. However many have never come in at all. Native NAI-ONG is tentatively appointed as spokesman for these natives and is to bring these wild people together under his leadership, as they take no notice of SOKELEN officials.
- 23 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left SOKELEN - arr. 1100 hrs TEWEP. Lined natives of TEWEP, KIAKUM and POBMENG.
- 24 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left TEWEP. 1130 hrs arr ORIN. 1300 hrs in GEWAK.
- 25 APR 44 - 0900 hrs left GEWAK. 1030 hrs arr MONAKASET. 1330 in GUMBUM.
- ~~26 APR~~

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ANGAU, LAE.

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HQ Northern Region,
ANGAU, LAE.

PATROL REPORT 43-43/44 (HUON DISTRICT)
WAIN AND NABA AREAS (LAE Sub-District).
By WO 11 K W JONES - Patrol Officer

Above report attached.

DIARY ENTRY 29 Apr 44

"American Pilot Case" This has been carefully investigated and from facts obtainable it is not considered possible to lay a charge against the natives concerned.

SENSUS

The WAIN Area is heavily over recruited and to have more than 30% of the adult males absent under indenture, it will be necessary to repatriate a total of 126 natives now under indenture from that area.

In the NABA Area, the position is not so acute. There are several villages their which have less than 30% of the adult males absent and recruits can be obtained from these villages. Not exceeding this 30% mark 63 new recruits could be obtained, but against this 66 labourers will have to be returned home to restore the villages to the 30% mark. In these calculations the villages of KIAKUN, SOKELAN, MOGOM, YALUMBANG, SEPERGAMAM, AVEN and BUNGARUMBUNG have not been taken into consideration as they are in high areas from which natives brought to the coast suffer detrimentally from malaria.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

The appointments of the officials mentioned in the report are recommended with the exception of the MTT KOKO. I do not agree with his change in status. There should be a suitable official in the village for appointment to the position of Tultul other than KOKO and this will receive the attention of the next patrol.

Approved by
HQ DS 30/10/44
7/7/44

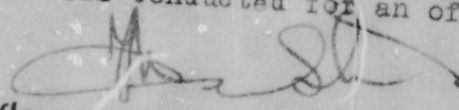
VILLAGES.

Further information is being obtained in respect to the move of BILAMANG Village.

MEDICAL

It would appear that the dysentery has now been brought under control in the WAIN and NABA Areas which is very satisfactory. The objects of this patrol was to deal with this epidemic.

The patrol was well conducted for an officer of Jones'


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NATIVE - Are on the whole good healthy types and seem to have recovered from their apathetic attitude which they adopted after the evacuation of the Japs. It was very noticeable that all natives of this area were very reluctant to speak about missions. Natives who were previously teachers and schoolboys at first even denying that they had any contact with missions at all.

GENERAL - WOM a native of WOMBANOM (WAIN) who received a Royal Service Medal some time ago accompanied the patrol to a number of villages. It was interesting to see the respect accorded to WOM by natives and officials of other villages.

NATAKU Luluai of KEMEN is a very capable official and has a great deal of influence among other NABA villages. This man would probably make a very good permanent Luluai.

Deceased estates of 21 I/L's were paid to next of Kin during the patrol.

Suicides are quite a common occurrence in the NABA area. At TWEF deceased estates of two I/L's were paid and the mothers of the natives immediately ran off and attempted to jump off the cliffs into the river, but were restrained by the other villagers.

A few weeks previously a young married couple committed suicide by jumping into the river, when their baby was accidentally killed.

Sgt K.W. Jones WO 11
(K.W. JONES)
PATROL OFFICER

MEDICAL REPORT (HUON DISTRICT)

MEDICAL - WO JUDB EMA accompanied the patrol and has submitted a full report. The spread of dysentery was caused by natives moving from infected villages to healthy villages. Officials have been instructed that any villages that has an outbreak must isolate itself from its neighbours and report the outbreak to nearest government official.

It has been found in NABA area that the best method of suppressing an outbreak is to station at least two police in a village to see that the place is kept clean and that natives infected take medicines when they are procurable.

Four police and two medical orderlies were sent to villages of HANOBMAN and KWEMBELENG to deal with outbreaks. When they arrived at HANOBMAN the natives had already built a coffin for an elderly woman who was dying. The Medical Orderly treated the woman with sulpho-quinizidine and a week later when the patrol arrived in the village the woman had completely recovered. All other cases in both villages had been cured and there were no new cases.

The dysentery outbreaks have been stopped at present and the area seems to be free of the disease.

Sgt K.W. Jones WO 11
(K.W. JONES)
PATROL OFFICER

VILLAGE STATISTICS - NABA Sub AREA

VILL	HAMLETS	I/L	CHILDREN		ADULTS		TOTAL incl I/L
			male	f'male	male	f'male	
TWERP		18	43	51	37	60	209
	APOBMEG	10	30	22	12	35	109
KIAKUK		8	37	29	44	48	166
SOKBEN	MOGOM	15	107	114	135	163	534
YALOMBANG & SEPERGAMAM		12	95	70	110	124	411
AVEP		8	94	81	94	106	383
TIKWAMBET		11	84	53	61	69	258
BAINDOUNG		31	119	115	87	127	479
	ANKAMAP	14	97	84	63	98	356
KWEMBELENG		19	57	49	55	85	265
AKANDANG		22	49	53	48	71	244
HANOBMAN		25	44	59	36	68	232
BAMPOK	VATING	30	90	55	51	101	327
KEKEN		45	92	83	57	123	400
DANGDAP		7	36	25	20	46	140
KORANGJANDANG - PIWEN		39	92	33	69	110	363
MYSALAMBAMAN		14	30	22	23	42	131
DOKALANG		22	69	68	30	65	254
KASANOMBE		40	167	139	81	143	570
ITUEH		17	104	86	83	95	387
GARJUMPUNG		11	50	43	42	44	190
ILUGAN		23	120	69	60	103	375
PSANEK		14	36	38	30	48	163
AM		13	31	27	33	42	146
MADIK		7	11	9	14	21	62
AEZING - BUNGAMBA		14	64	55	64	75	272
BLAMONG - SINSILING		7	45	53	48	57	210
TOTALS		497	1873	1692	1495	2169	7636

NUMBER OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS IN NABA Sub AREA - LULUAI 27 TULTUL 27 *in basis book*
 MTT's 25.

Village Statistics WAIN Sub Area

GEWAK	MISOK	30	84	76	81	130	401
ORIN		13	41	28	33	61	176
MONAKASET		29	44	39	31	68	211
BAWAT		32	62	55	42	94	285
LAMBAIP		12	23	15	18	37	105
MAUNGWAN		10	15	17	19	40	101
GUMBUM (ZIMERING GANZERAN)		35	50	36	44	75	240
RAU		25	28	32	28	44	157
INZAIN		13	19	20	12	24	88
INGYET		9	10	17	8	20	64
OMFANGAN		32	54	42	28	50	206
KWEMBELENG		22	37	36	25	55	175
JANZENGAN		17	31	30	19	45	142
AWAREN		23	51	50	39	63	226
ROSAGAN		24	61	36	34	73	228
ANDONG		23	53	46	56	85	263
KEKRY		18	38	24	19	37	138
OKIM		21	37	41	30	42	177
KWATMUNUM		20	33	21	19	41	134
DENZAIN		13	19	15	18	27	92
WLSN		9	17	28	19	26	99
KISH		18	36	24	20	50	148
MDU - MEDAU		22	70	63	44	79	278
OGMAN - SIROBO		19	65	50	50	74	258
II		8	39	28	24	50	149
PUP - GUPIN		21	30	25	19	35	130
SOM		16	21	19	32	33	121
TOTALS		534	1058	913	811	1466	4792

NUMBER OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS IN SUB AREA - LULUAI 25 - TULTUL 31 MTT's 27

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Patrol Report 43 of 43/44 (Huon District) - WAIN
AND NABA Areas - HOI Jones, K.N.

Receipt is acknowledged of abovementioned Patrol Report forwarded under the cover of your memo 30/1 of 28 Jun 44.

2. Diary Entry 16 Apr 44

It is presumed that the necessary instructions were issued to natives of HANOBMAN to have village thoroughly cleaned.

3. The food position appears to be satisfactory throughout the area, and it is of special interest that poultry and livestock were in evidence in all villages and that they are being allowed to breed.


4. Your recommendations for appointment of village officials are concurred in, and have been referred to HQ for approval.


Capt
For ADDE HQ NORTHERN
REGION

HQ
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The report, covering an extensive patrol throughout WAIN and NABA Areas is forwarded herewith.

Some areas have been heavily recruited to satisfy Army demands, and a survey is being conducted with the view of eventually returning number in excess of 30% of the adult male population to villages to permit of complete rehabilitation.


Lt-Col
K. G. McMullen
COMD. HQ NORTHERN REGION

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Patrol Report - Lae No 43 of 43/44.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned Patrol Report forwarded under cover of your memo DS 30/5/9 of 8 Jul 44.

2. Appointment of village officials as under has been approved.

MOGOM	native	NAIONG	to be	LULUAI
KIAUKUM	"	BIANGU	" "	TULTUL
ORIN	"	TAIKOP	" "	LULUAI
KORANGANDANG	"	KOKOSI	" "	TULTUL
KWEMBELENG (NAB)	"	SAMUT	" "	LULUAI
TURKWAMBET	"	KAMALI	" "	TULTUL
BUNGARUMBUNG	"	KOKO	" "	TULTUL

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Capt DDDS Lt Col.
for ADDS NORTHERN REGION & NA.

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- 26 APR 44 - At GUMBUM
28 APR
9 APR 44 - At GUMBUM. L/Cpl WAITETE sent to LAE with witnesses and village officials concerned in American pilot case.
10 APR 44 - Left GUMBUM for KARAU and MAUNGWAH. 1700 hrs returned to GUMBUM.
MAY 44 - At GUMBUM
1 MAY 44 - Left GUMBUM at 0830 hrs passed through KARAU. arrived MANZAIN 1030 hrs. WO JUDD left for NINGIET and WO JONES proceeded to GUMBUM Rest House.
3 MAY 44 - At GUMBUM. Natives of SIKEREN, SOKAM, KWAIPMUNUM, WASIN & DZENZAIN reported for injections. An AWW man and an American on en route GUMBUM.
4 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left GUMBUM - arr PUPUF 1000 hrs - 1245 hrs passed through GUFIN hamlet of PUPUF. 1430 hrs arrived GAIN.
5 MAY 44 - Left GAIN for TIFERAN. Natives of BADIBO and TIFERAN lined together. 1500 hrs arrived SUGU.
6 MAY 44 - Lined SUGU natives and a number of new names added from hamlet of GISI. Left for KAUALUNG and KISENGAN. AWW still operating.
7 MAY 44 - Lined natives of KISENGAN and SAUANNA. Tul-tul of SAUK reported to KISENGAN. Landing ground clean. Returned to KAUALUNG. Inspected village of SAUANNA and hamlet of BALAWANG. Slept at KAUALUNG.
8 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left KAUALUNG - passed through KWAREBO - arr SUGU 1030 hrs - arrived TIFERAN 1230 hrs.
9 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left TIFERAN - passed through SIROBO 1030 hrs - arrived SADAU 1130 hrs.
10 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left SADAU. 0900 hrs arr MEDAU - these natives lined with SADAU - 1030 hrs arr BOGOMAN - Lined natives and left for KASIN. Passed through SADAU - arr KASIN 1530 hrs.
11 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left KASIN. 1000 hrs arr WASIN. 1230 hrs in DZENZAIN.
12 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left DZENZAIN for SOKAM via KWAIPMUNUM.
13 MAY 44 - 0830 hrs left SOKAM arr SIKEREN 0915 hrs. arr BANDONG 1200 hrs. Slept in rest house at old village.
14 MAY 44 - 0830 hrs left BANDONG. 0900 hrs arr BOSAGAN - lined natives and left for KAWAREN and MANZAIN.
15 MAY 44 - 0900 hrs left GANZENGAN for KWEMBRIENG and WOMPANGAN. L/Cpl WAITETE reported back from LAE.
16 MAY 44 - Left WOMPANGAN for BAWAN and GUMBUM.
7 to 25
MAY 44 - At GUMBUM. 2 Medical orderlies and 4 police sent to KWEMBELENG and HANOBMAN to take care of dysentery outbreak. L/Cpl WAITETE proceeded to LAE with another witness.
26 MAY 44 - Left GUMBUM for MONAKASET. Const. YAGUMBAI to proceed to MUSOM with surplus cargo. Patrol left MINAKASET 1130 hrs for BAMBOK. Luluais of KEMEN and KWAPSANEK arr at BAMBOK. Luluai of KWAPSANEK reported five deaths from dysentery in this village - no further cases.
27 MAY 44 - 0830 hrs left BAMBOK for HANOBMAN. No deaths since arrival of police - all cases have recovered. arr BANGDAP 1300 hrs. arr KORANGANDANG 1500 hrs.
28 MAY 44 - Left KORANGANDANG for MISALAMBAMAN, DOKALONG and KASANOMBE.
29 MAY 44 - At KASANOMBE
30 MAY 44 - Left KASANOMBE proceeded to BAINDOUNG.
31 MAY 44 - Visited KWEMBELENG & AKANLAI - returned to BAINDOUNG.
1 JUN 44 - Left BAINDOUNG for SOKELEN - officials of TEWER and KIAKUM reported. Supply of sulpha quinidine arrived, also, instructions from Capt ANDERSON to return to LAE. Patrol proceeded to YALUMBANG.
2 JUN 44 - Left YALUMBANG for AVEN and VISITUEN. Letter from DO arrived per runner.
3 JUN 44 - Left VISITUEN proceeded to AVEN
4 JUN 44 - Left AVEN for BUNGARUMBUNG. L/Cpl WAITETE and Constable YAGUMBAI at BUNGARUMBUNG organising building of new village.
5 JUN 44 - Left AVEN proceeded to SAMANZING.
6 JUN 44 - Left SAMANZING for SANSILING - inspected hamlet of BUGAMBA en route.
7 JUN 44 - Left SANSILING for BUNGARUMBUNG via BILAMANG and BUNGAMBA. Signal from Capt Pitt. Patrol to return to LAE.
8 JUN 44 - Left BUNGARUMBUNG for MILILUGAN, KWAPSANEK and GAWAM.
9 JUN 44 - Lined natives of GAWAM and MUSOM at GAWAM left GAWAM 1000 for LAE.

VILLAGE BOOKS



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of North Mankham Report No. 4 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by Woi F. Shepher

Area Patrolled Yakim area

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans

Natives

Duration—From 22/5/44 to 14/6/44

Number of Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND 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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PATROL REPORT

YABIM AREA

No 44 of 43/44

BY

WO 11 F. THRESHER.

Report of Patrol to: YABIM AREAR
Date left Station: 22nd May 1944
Date returned to Station: 14th June 1944
Purposes of Patrol : To investigate the food situation, check on rehabilitation of the area and revise census.

Patrol accompanied by : (a) W/O WENSHER, T.H. Patrol Officer.
 (b) R.N.C. Four.
 (c) Native Carriers. Nil.

Last Patrol to Area Made by:

(a) District Service Field Staff : 10 Dec 1943
 (b) Medical Assistant : 10 Dec 1943

1. Diary.

22 May. Patrol left TAMIGUDU at 0830 hrs per AS22 (Angau Marine Sec) and arrived at BUTALA at 0930 hrs. Natives lined and counted and village inspected. Patrol then proceeded to TIGIDU arriving at 0950 hrs. Natives lined and counted and village inspected. Patrol proceeded to BUSENG arriving at 1040 hrs. Lined and counted natives and inspected village. Patrol to BUKAUASIP Natives lined and counted and village inspected. Some natives now residing in these villages but the majority are still living in the bush.

Patrol left BUKAUASIP and proceeded per AS22 to MANGGE. Lined village and counted natives. Patrol proceeded along coast per AS22 and dropped ship offshore opposite BUSIGA; proceeded ashore per whale-boat arriving BUSIGA 1505 hrs. Made camp on beach.

23 May. Lined and counted BUSIGA natives. Village uninhabitable and natives living in bush. Lined and counted those natives from TAMI Is and MALASIGA who are living in the bush in the vicinity of BUSIGA. Patrol proceeded to MALASIGA arriving at 1515 hrs. MALASIGA village area has been taken over by the U.S. Army. Patrol camped at MALASIGA overnight.

Note: As this is the first patrol of the YABIM Area conducted from LAM no instructions were given to any of the villages on this portion of the patrol, it being the intention of the writer to get an estimate of the number of natives in and the condition of each village before contacting Capt DISHON, A.D.O., FINSCHHAFEN., on matters relating to the previous running of this area.

24 May. Patrol left MALASIGA at 0815 hrs per barge for FINSCHHAFEN, arriving at 0955 hrs. Reported to Capt DISHON and discussed matters concerning the YABIM Area with Him.

25 May. To Regional H.Q. with Capt DISHON to interview Maj HIAL re food supplies to natives in the YABIM Area.

26 May. To Regional H.Q. to interview Capt ALCOCK re food supplies for natives residing at KEPENDU Evacuation Camp. Capt ALCOCK not available. Proceeded to Angau "SHAGGY" Dump and contacted W/O SENDALL. Arranged for supplementary rations for natives residing at KEPENDU; such rations to be drawn weekly by the natives. Patrol proceeded to KEPENDU Evacuation Camp.

- 27 May. Lined KAMLOA natives now residing at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
Lined KOLEM natives now residing at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
Lined SIMBANG natives now residing at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
- 28 May. Lined GING-GALA natives now residing at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
Lined SOKANING natives at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
- 29 May. Lined NASINGALATU natives now residing at KEPENDU; compiled census, issued new village book and school diary.
Lined KWALANSAM natives, who have built themselves a new village close to the Evacuation Camp, at KEPENDU. Compiled census, issued village book and school diary.
- 30 May. Lined KASANGA natives at KEPENDU and revised census. Issued village book and school diary.

Note: For particulars of all census returns see attached lists.

31 May. Inspected all houses and gardens at KEPENDU Evacuation Camp. Proceeded to GOINLABU, SOKANING and inspected village areas etc. Patrol returned to KEPENDU.

1 Jun. At KEPENDU. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

2 Jun. Patrol to KWALANSAN and inspected houses, gardens etc. Patrol proceeded to KASANGA and inspected village area and gardens. Visited Regional H.Q. to arrange tpt to 33 Div U.S. Army on 3 Jun, as per instructions received from Maj NIALL.

3 Jun. To Angau "SHAGGY" Dump. Contacted W/O SENDALL and supplied him with the following figures for the supply of rations to evacuees now residing at KEPENDU:

388 Adult Rations
522 Child Rations

4 Jun. Patrol left KEPENDU at 0800 hrs. Contacted 33 Div. U.S. Army re training areas allotted to the Div. The attached tracing shows the area already allotted and a further area now under discussion with 6th U.S. Army. It is understood that permission has not been granted by 6th Army for the use of firearms in the area already allotted.

Patrol proceeded to MALASIGA.

5 Jun. At MALASIGA. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

6 Jun. At MALASIGA. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

7 Jun. At MALASIGA. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

8 Jun. At MALASIGA. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

9 Jun. Patrol proceeded to MANGGE by barge during afternoon.

10 Jun. At MANGGE. Lined and revised census of MALASIGA, KALAL Is and WANAM Is natives. These natives are all TAMI Islanders KALAL and WANAM being the two villages on the islands and MALASIGA their village on the mainland for the purposes of agriculture

11 Jun. At MANGGE. Lined and revised census of MANGGE and BUSIGA natives. Issued village books and school diary.

12 Jun. At MANGGE. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

13 Jun. At MANGGE. W/O THRESHER down with fever.

14 Jun. Patrol proceeded to BUKAUASIP. Lined natives and revised

census, inspected village etc. Issued village book and school diary. Patrol proceeded to BUSENG thence to TIGIDU and BUTA-A. Natives lined and census revised, villages inspected. Issued village books and school diaries. Patrol returned to TAMIGUDU 18:0 hrs.

2. CENSUS Complete census figures for the YABIM Area are shown on the attached lists.
3. AGRICULTURE, FOOD SUPPLIES Etc.

As the whole of the beach area of the eastern YABIM area is occupied by Allied troops the natives therefrom, with the exception of SOKANING, KWA-ANSAM and KASANGA natives, who have rebuilt their villages in the foothills, have been moved to KEPENDU Evacuation Camp in the DREGGER Harbour area. At present these natives, including SOKANING, KWA-ANSAM and KASANGA, are obtaining little native foodstuff from their gardens and it is anticipated that another three months will elapse before they become self-supporting. Consequently arrangements were made for all these natives to draw, weekly, supplementary rations from Angau SHAGGY Dump. The TAMI Is natives from KASA, WANAM and MA-ASIGA have no native food or gardens, arrangements were therefore made for these natives to draw one month's supplementary rations from SHAGGY Dump and the question of further supplies to these natives will be discussed with the District Officer, -AE., at the termination of this patrol. The TAMI Is natives were also instructed to "trade" for foodstuffs as much as possible.

Native foods for the inhabitants of MANGGE are also in short supply and arrangements have been made for these natives to draw one month's supplementary rations from SHAGGY Dump. It is anticipated that it will also be three months before these natives become self-supporting. BUSIGA natives have sufficient native foodstuffs for their present and future needs.

With regard to the western half of this area the natives of BUKAJASIP, BUSENG, TIGIDU, and BUTA-A are all producing small quantities of native foods from their gardens but not sufficient for their present needs, consequently arrangements were made for these natives to draw one month's supplementary rations from SHAGGY Dump pending discussion on the question of further supplies of rations to these natives with the District Officer, -AE. As these natives have been making "sak-sak" for 6th U.S. Army it is suggested that any foodstuffs given them be used as payment therefore.

It is estimated that all natives in the YABIM Area have at least 6 months food supplies under cultivation at the present time but the position will need careful watching especially in the eastern half of the area where the natives are denied the use, through occupation by Allied troops, of the lighter soils of the beach area where it is customary for them to plant crops at this time of the year, in preference to the heavy clay soils of the foothills. In the western half of the area such is not the case and some natives have already commenced new gardens in the beach areas.

Although the natives living at KEPENDU Evacuation Camp are endeavouring to extend their gardens they state that they are running short of Taro root, etc, for planting. It is suggested that supplies of Taro root may possibly be arranged to be drawn from the BUKAJASIP Area.

4. REHABILITATION.

The TAMI Is natives have been instructed to return to and rebuild on WANAM Is until such time as KASA Is and the MA-ASIGA area are evacuated by Allied troops when these two villages are also to be rebuilt.

In the western half of the area the MANGGE, BUSIGA, BUKAJASIP, BUSENG, TIGIDU and BUTA-A natives have been instructed to return to their old village sites, clean the areas, rebuild their houses and commence new gardens in the beach areas.

5. GENERAL

All natives in the YABIM area have been instructed to

Keep their respective sections of the new LAE - FINSCHHAFEN tele-
phone line clean and to plant "seedy-grass" along the line to
prevent the further growth of vines, etc.

6. REPATRIATION.

With regard to the repatriation of natives in this area,
Regional H.Q. allotted 15 local natives to work as casual labourers
to Lieut R. WATSON, att U.S.A.A.M.O Scout Force, at MANGGE. Lieut WATSON
states that these natives are now no longer required, it is there-
fore suggested that Regional H.Q. be contacted with the view to
these natives being granted permission to return to their villages.

W. H. ...
P.O.

23 Jun 44

Att to Patrol Report No.....

YABIM AREA

MEDICAL

Although the general health of the natives throughout the YABIM Area is good a considerable number of natives are in need of injections for Yaws, etc. It is therefore suggested that a Medical Assistant be sent on patrol through this area as soon as possible.

W. H. ...

P.O.

23 Jun 44

Att to Patrol Report No.....

YABIL AREA

R.P.C.

- No.1948 YAMBOA. A keen and intelligent native and with more experience will make a good N.C.O.
- No.2809 TATAWA. A keen and intelligent native and of great assistance in this area.
- No.3044 DOGI Keen on his job but at a disadvantage through not being able to understand the local talk.
- No3692 GUMBAILU. Fails to take sufficient interest in his work.

W. H. ...
P.O.

23 Jun 44

CENSUS - YABIM AREA

VILLAGE	Total Adult male pop incl 1/L's	Total Adult Female Pop.	Total male children	Total female children	Total	Total absent under indenture
KAMLOM	37	36	28	27	128	18
KOLAM	18	19	21	17	75	8
SIPONG	30	30	37	23	110	9
GING-GALA	27	29	29	33	118	10
SOKANING	30	29	43	26	228	13
NASINGALATU	62	56	78	62	258	27
KWALANSAM	25	25	42	30	122	8
KASANGA	20	19	25	11	75	11
<u>PAMI Is.</u>						
WANAM Is	42	39	24	38	143	38
KALAL Is	21	19	18	19	77	8
BUSIGA	31	28	27	19	102	10
MANGGE	13	10	13	19	55	6
BURAUASIP	22	22	17	13	74	10
LUSENG	15	13	19	16	63	7
TIGIDU	17	23	10	15	65	6
BUTALA	25	15	10	9	59	10

<u>TOTAL</u>	435	408	440	377	1660	199
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HQ Northern Region
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PATROL REPORT No 44/43-44.

YABIM Area

By WO 11 Thresher Patrol Officer

Attached is above Report.

2. To enable any effective rehabilitation of the natives of the western portion of this area to be effected it is necessary to place an officer permanently in the vicinity of the main evacuation camp. This will be done by ADO FINSCHHAFEN.

3. It was intended that one man work BUKAWA and YABIM areas in conjunction but it is not considered practicable as YABIM must come under direct control of ADO FINSCHHAFEN for effective administration and BUKAWA under ADO LAE.

4. With the evacuation of TAMIGUDU Area of tps. the maintenance of TAMIGUDU which is at the end of the BUKAWA Area is considered unwise and it is intended to shortly to close down TAMIGUDU.

5. CENSUS - WO Thresher has been instructed in future census figures submitted will be in the form previously used.

6. AGRICULTURE - It is noted that within three months the majority of these YABIM people should be self supporting.

7. Due tpt. difficulties at the FINSCHHAFEN end the western half of YABIM will have to be supplied from here also TAMI Is. and arrangements have been made accordingly.

8. An endeavour is being made to ascertain how much sago thatching has been supplied. I consider that these natives should be paid for the thatching supplied by them in addition to the rations received by them.

9. WO Thresher has been instructed to obtain Taro root from POUKAUA Area and forward it to KEFENDU.

10. REHABILITATION - TAMI Islanders

Even though we may have to feed these people for some time it is considered advisable to allow them to return to the island and rebuild their villages there.

11. Whilst they have been on the mainland they have done little to rehabilitate themselves. Since their last move they have made no gardens and done little in the way of canoe building. Their return to their island will be an incentive to return to normal.

12. I have learnt that these people own a launch which is at TAMI Is. It is in disrepair. A report will be obtained as to the actual condition of this launch with the view to having it repaired if possible.

13. GENERALLY - As Lieut. Watson no longer requires the casual native allotted to him would you please instruct him to forward them to ADO FINSCHHAFEN for finalisation.

Handwritten notes:
Lieut. Watson
State that 15 casuals
were handed over to
HQ Islands Region on 26 June 44 for re-approval
through HQ District

Signature

Capt

District Officer

DS 30/5/20

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Patrol Report No 44 of 43/44 - YABIM Area -
WOJA Thresher, F.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is acknowledged.

2. It is pleasing to note under the heading "Agriculture" that the YABIM people should be self-supporting within a period of three months.

Sego thatching supplied by these natives to the 6th US Army has been over a considerable period. Satisfactory arrangements for payment to evacuee natives in other areas of Huon District were made by ADDS when at Lae, and payment will also be authorized in this instance when particulars of the quantities supplied are obtained by the Patrol Officer.

Suitable seed was distributed by the ADO previously stationed in the YABIM Area. These supplies were passed to O & S Section at Shaggy Dump by Regional HQ, and should be availed of by WO Thresher, if further distribution is considered necessary.

3. Report on the condition of the launch in disrepair at FAMI Island is awaited.

4. Lieut Watson advises that 15 casual labourers were handed over by him to HQ Islands Region on approx 26 Jun 44 for repatriation through ADO Finschhafen.

EJ
Capt
For ADDS HQ NORTHERN REGION

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A
Lt-Col
K.C. McMullen
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Patrol Report - No 44 of 43/44 - YABIN AREA
by WO11 F.H. THRESHER.

Ref your DS 30/5/IO of 5 Jul 44.

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Report.

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned

[Signature]
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