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SELIK DISTRICT

LUMI PATROL REPORTS 1953/54 - 1954/55- 1955/56

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer</u> Conducting Patrol.	<u>Area Patrolled.</u>
Special Report	R. G. Orwin	South of Lumi
1-1954/55	S.S. Smith	Wapei, South East Sub Div. Wapei, North West Sub.Div
2-1954/55	S.S. Smith	Wapei, North West Census Sub. Div
3-1954/55	S.S. Smith	Wapei- Lumi Sub District West and South -East Cen- sus Div.
4-1954/55	S.S. Smith	Wapei-North East & No Wapei Census Sub. Div
5-1954/55	S.S. Smith	Wapei- West Wapei Census Sub Div & South East Cen- sus Sub. Div.
Lumi Special Report 2 & 3 1955/56	S.S. Smith	Lumi
1-1955/56	G.F. Cooke	North East Wapei South East Wapei
2-1955/56	G.D. Oakes	Wapei- West Sub. Div
3-1955/56	F.D. Jones	North East Wapei

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The District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
NEWIAK

17th Dec, 1953

Patrol Report - WEM. No. 2/53-2.

The Report of Mr. Patrol Officer, R.G. Grudin's Patrol to apprehend YUKK natives alleged to have murdered a repatriate labourer of MANGGURI village, south NAPE, is acknowledged, with thanks.

The objective of the Patrol has been achieved successfully despite Mr. Grudin's injury and illness. I hope he is now fit and well again. The sending of native policemen on their own to effect arrests of this nature, is generally undesirable and should not under normal circumstances be done.

*A.A. Roberts*  
(A.A. Roberts),  
Director, D.S.S.A.

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Special Report 2/53-54

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

7th December, 1953.

The Director,  
Department of District Services  
& Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

SPECIAL PATROL REPORT - LUMI 2/1953- 1954  
PATROL OFFICER R.G. ORWIN - SOUTH OF LUMI  
PATROL POST.

The above report is forwarded, please.

The report does not supply any details of the murder which precipitated the patrol or of the accused persons or witnesses concerned. No doubt the Officer-in-Charge, Lumi, will institute the necessary legal action immediately.

The action taken in sending a police party to effect the arrests appears to have been successful in this instance, although generally undesirable, and was probably justified in view of Mr. Orwin's injury and illness.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A.T. Timperley".

(A.T. TIMPERLEY)

District Commissioner

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

WKL. 30-3.

Patrol Post,  
LUMI.

Sepik District.

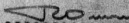
20th November, 1953.

District Commissioner,  
WEWA K.

PATROL REPORT - LUMI No. 2 OF 1953/54 - YILUI Village

Attached please find 4 (four) copies of Special Report to YILUI village to apprehend the murderers of a repatriate labourer of MAKERERI village, South WAPEI.

Forwarded, please.

  
.....O.I.C.  
R. Orwin Patrol Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Patrol Post,  
LUMI.

Sepik District.

20th November, 1953.

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District.  
NEW A K.

REPORT OF A SPECIAL PATROL - YILUI VILLAGE

Patrol Conducted By:- R.G.ORWIN Patrol Officer

Personnel:-  
Reg.No. 5141B L/Cpl. HAURANGA  
Reg.No. 5199B L/Cpl. GAVI  
Reg.No. 6114 Const. KAINENE  
Reg.No. 7702 Const. KOIKOI  
N.M.O. IGERC  
30 Carriers

Duration of Patrol:- 9-11-53 to 17-11-53 inclusive

Object of Patrol:- Apprehension of YILUI NATIVES responsible  
for murder of repatriate labourer of  
MAMERERI village, South WAPEI.

Last D.D.S.Patrol:- 2-12-52 - YILUI village

Personnel:- C.G.LITTLER Patrol Officer

Last Medical Patrol:- 16-1-53 to 21-1-53 - YEMNU-YILI area

Personnel:- G.N.BLYTHE Medical Assistant

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### INTRODUCTION

The report of the murder of the MAKERERI native was first received at LUMI from two YILUI natives on the 20th October last. The patrol was unable to leave at that time as the O.I.C. was required in WEWAK for the sittings of the Supreme Court.

Owing to a wrenched ankle followed by a bout of malaria, after leaving WITWEIS village, the O.I.C. was himself unable to proceed to YILUI but returned to the station after spending 3 days recuperating at YEMNU Catholic Mission.

However a Police party under L/Cpl. GAVI was despatched to YILUI and returned to LUMI, via YAKANDIM and BULAWA, on the 19th November after successfully apprehending the murderers and bringing with them several witnesses.

### PATROL DIARY

- Monday 9th November Patrol to NAKIL village via MILIOM, TELOTEI, KEIBAM and BIEN. Slept night at NAKIL.
- Tuesday 10th November To WITWEIS via PUANG and WITITAI. Camped WITWEIS.
- Wednesday 11th November From WITWEIS in a southerly direction along a bush track. O.I.C. wrenched ankle and ill from bout of malaria. Camp made in bush about 6 hours from WITWEIS.
- Thursday 12th November Police party under L/Cpl. GAVI proceeded on to YILUI. O.I.C. still ill and remained at camp. L/Cpl. HAURANGA with O.I.C.
- Friday 13th November O.I.C. returned to WITWEIS. Father ANTON O.F.M. of YEMNU Catholic Mission met patrol here. At WITWEIS for night.
- Saturday 14th November To YEMNU Catholic Mission.
- Sunday 15th November Observed at YEMNU. Advice received from L/Cpl. GAVI of apprehension of murderers at YILUI without trouble.
- Monday 16th November Patrol remained at YEMNU. O.I.C. recovered from effects of wrenched ankle.
- Tuesday 17th November To YILI Catholic Mission - Father GILES O.F.M. in charge. Thence to LUMI via KEIBAM, TELOTEI and MILIOM - 9½ hours walking.
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NATIVE AFFAIRS

YILUI village was last visited by Mr. C. G. Littler on 2nd December, 1952 (vide P/R 2 of 1952/53). It appears that the alleged murderers have been a source of annoyance in the village for some time and this, their latest crime, caused the other natives to complain to the O.I.C. at LUMI. The natives will be interrogated and appropriate action taken.

No reports of misdemeanours were received from the other villages visited in the course of the patrol and general conditions of sanitation and cleanliness were good.

Roads throughout the area are, for the main part, good. Stretches of road between BIEN and NAKIL, MILLIOM and TELOTEI are poor but the natives are now engaged in road work to rectify this state of affairs. Several alternative roads, to obviate steep climbing, were inspected and work is in hand to have these in good condition for the next census patrol of the area early in the New Year.

The track from WITWEIS to YILUI is a recent one and it is estimated that 3 days travelling is necessary to reach YILUI by this route from WITWEIS. It obviates the necessity of following the rivers along the normal route through SEINAM, BULAWA and YAKANDIM.

No census was conducted in any of the villages visited.

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APPENDIX TO PATROL REPORT LUMI No. 2 OF 1953/54

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF NATIVE CONSTABULARY

Reg.No. 5141B	L/Cpl. HAURANGA	Performed his duties capably.
Reg.No. 5199B	L/Cpl. GAVI	Good member, Experienced bush worker.
Reg.No. 6114	Const. KAINENE	Keen type. Rather impulsive at times but quite satisfactory in his work.
Reg.No. 7702	Const. KOIKOI	Good type. Solid worker.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

# PATROL REPORT

District of SEPIK Report No. 1 - 54/55

Patrol Conducted by S. S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Area Patrolled WAPET, South-East Census Sub-Division  
" North-West Census Sub-Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans ---

Natives 2 Constables and 8 carriers (average)

Duration - From 24/11/1954 to 8/11/1954  
22/11/1954 to 24/11/1954

Number of Days eight (8)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by - District Services 15/4/1953 - S.E. Sub-Division  
17/2/1953 - N.W. Sub-Division

Medical ... 25/9/1952 - S.E. " "  
7/12/1953 - N.W. " "

Map Reference Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch

Objects of Patrol (i) Census Revision (ii) General Administration

(iii) Inspection of Road Work and villages.

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. Trust Fund ... .. £.....

*Remand file noted*

# Village Population

Year.....1954.....

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	DEATHS														MIGRATIONS						Inhab. District	
		BIRTHS		0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		In Child Birth		In					
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F				
Miliom	22-11	4	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	3	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
Orutei	✓	1	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	4	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	1	.
Telotei	✓	7	9	.	.	1	1	1	.	.	1	.	.	3	5	.	.	4	.	.	.	1	.
Keibam	23-11	5	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	4	.	.	6	1	2	.	.	.
Nemenbin	✓	1	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	1	.	.	.	2	.
Pingil	✓	2	1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.	4	.	.	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
Nakil	24-11	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	5	7	.	.	.	.
Lipoam	✓	2	5	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	5	.	.	3	2	.	.	.	.
Totals.-		22	27	.	.	2	3	5	2	.	2	.	.	18	18	.	.	4	20	3	16	.	.

# Population Register

Area Patrolled: Wapei - South-East / Census  
North-West / Sub-Div.

MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK								LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES			TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL			
In		Out		Inside District				Outside District				Govt.		Mission		Males		Females	Pregnant	Number Bearing Children	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults		
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45	M				F		M	F	M
	1					10								7	25	8	12		15	4	5	17	18	19	17	81
	1		1			13					1			11	24	8	21		20	5	0	18	11	19	34	96
	4		1			15								10	40	12	45	1	45	4	0	31	29	45	57	177
	6	1	2			11								16	41	9	37	3	40	5	0	23	24	46	47	151
	1		1			22								17	32	7	31	1	30	4	0	28	25	23	35	133
	1	1	2			6								11	24	6	20	2	18	4	1	21	16	26	21	90
	1	5	1	7		3								11	49	15	42	3	40	4	0	32	30	52	54	171
	1	3	1	2		7								14	54	13	48	2	50	4	3	52	43	56	56	214
4	20	3	16			87					1			97	289	78	256	12	258	44	222	196	286	321	1113	

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27th July, 1955.

District Officer,  
WEMAK.

Patrol Report No. 1 of 1954/55 - Juni

Report. Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned

*Thurk Br*  
(J. L. McCarthy),  
A/Director

(8/11) *Br*  
*delj.*

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No.



P.R. Lami Nos. 1 and 2/54-55/1380

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
NEW A.K.

21st June, 1955.

The Director,  
Department of District Services  
and Native Affairs,  
FORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORTS ) LAMI NUMBERS 1 AND 2, 1954-55

Our P.R. Lami Nos. 1 and 2/54-55/1340 of 18th June,

refers.

The Patrol Report Covers are forwarded herewith.

*J. Preston White*  
.....  
(J. PRESTON WHITE)  
District Commissioner.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply Please Quote

No.

F.R. Lumi Nos. 1 and 2/54-55/1340

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WENAE.

18th June, 1955.

The Director,  
Department of District Services  
and Native Affairs,  
PORT MUESBY.

PATROL REPORTS - LUMI, NUMBERS 1 AND 2, 1954-55.

The above two Patrol Reports are forwarded please. Both reports cover routine patrolling in a primitive area, the population of which is evincing a desire for progress, and with it is beginning to realise the magnitude of the task, and the need for self-help in the matter. The Assistant District Officer with the co-operation of the Christian Missions in the area, has interested the natives in road development as the first step towards meeting the problem of economic transport of any cash crops grown in their area to the market. The ultimate aim of the well-graded network of roads at present being developed under the direction of the Assistant District Officer, is an outlet to the coast. The most suitable outlet will probably be Aitape. Roads are now being pushed inland from Aitape towards the Lumi area.

Neither road-making nor agricultural projects are simple tasks in the vicinity of Lumi, due to the fact that the country consists mainly of precipitous ridges which are part of the inland fall of the Torricelli Mountains.

The reported game and fish shortages in the Wapei Sub-division where the population is both heavy and concentrated, are being taken up with the District Medical Officer from the health angle, and an opportunity to discuss this matter with the Director of Health will be taken when he arrives on his expected visit to the District in July.

The Chief of the Division of Agricultural Extension, Mr. J. Lamrock, who visited the District recently, advised that the urgent demand for agricultural guidance would be met by the posting to the District of two young officers in the near future. The District Agricultural Officer will be requested to examine the Lumi native agricultural situation and to arrange follow-up work through one or other of the new officers upon the basis of his observations.

Patrol Report folders to cover the two Reports will be forwarded when received from the Assistant District Officer.

*J. Preston White*  
(J. PRESTON WHITE)  
District Commissioner.

Copy to:  
A.D.O. Lumi (2)



District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

LUM 50-3  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District  
4th June, 1955.

PATROL REPORTS

Herewith five copies each of Patrol Reports Nos. 1 and 2 of 1954/55.

The delay in forwarding these reports is regretted. Compiling the census figures took somewhat longer than anticipated due to the pressure of other duties inevitable on a one man station.

All other Patrol Reports outstanding will be submitted on my return from the present patrol in about ten days time and in future reports will be submitted within a fortnight of termination of the patrol.

*S.S. Smith*  
(S.S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. LUM 30-3  
Sub-District Office  
LUMI, Sepik District

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT NO. 1 - 1954/1955

Area Patrolled: **WAPPI, South-East Sub-Division**  
" **North-West Sub-Division**

Officer Conducting Patrol: **S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer.**

Objects of Patrol: i. Revision of Census  
ii. Inspection of Road Work  
iii. General Administration.

Duration of Patrol: **22 4th November/8th November, 1954 - 5 days**  
**22nd " /24th " " " - 3 "**

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: **No. 6474 Const. SEKO, R.P. & N.G.C.**  
**No. 7702 Const. KOIKOI "**  
**No. 7010 Const. ASIAS "**  
Carriers - average of 8.

Last Patrols to Area: **D.D.S. & N.A. - 15.4.1953 - S-E. Sub-Div.**  
" **- 17.2.1953 - N-W. "**  
**P.H.D. - 25.9.52 - S-E "**  
" **- 12.53 - N-W "**

Map Reference: **Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch**

PATROL DIARY -

4. 11. 54 - Departed LUMI (1750') 0900 hrs. Raining. Along new graded bridle track leading north. Reached FULU Creek Road Camp (11 houses) 1015 hrs. 1/Cpl. HAURANGA, supervising roadwork, reported. Inspected road work. Followed FULU Creek down to junction with SIPI Creek. Along bank of SIPI Creek. Arrived TOFUNGU Village at MIRE Ck. junction 1210 hrs. LULUAI KATAU reported. Says 22 men working on his section of graded track. Inspected village. Left 1330 hrs. for AMAITEM, arriving 1410 hrs. On to KARAIEM Gap road camp. 120 men from SOMORO Villages working on graded track here. Inspected road work. To KARAIEM Catholic Mission Station. Saw Father-in-Charge (Rev. Father Gentile) and discussed local matters. Left Mission and camped in KARAIEM Rest House 1545 hrs. Mr. G. Wunsch of Mission to Many Lands arrived 1645 hrs. and camped in Rest House with me. Discussed road matters.  
(2300 ft.)
5. 11. 54 - Left KARAIEM Rest House/1045 hrs. after waiting for Father Gentile and inspecting road. Raining. Mr. Wunsch accompanying patrol which is going to INABU where he has his station. Descended to WAILI (1690 ft.) Inspected village. Went on 1100 hrs. Crossed YILABE Ck. 1230 hrs (1300 ft.) Climbed to TEFATIM (Mokai) 1330 hrs. (1680'). Inspected village. Left 1455 hrs. Raining. Over muddy, forested track through broken country. Arrived INABU village 1700 hrs. Camped. Visited Mr. & Mrs. G. Wunsch. Discussed local matters. Ht. 2000 ft.
6. 11. 54 - Left INABU (2000') 1045 hrs. after inspecting village etc. Descended MANAM Ck. (1100 ft.) 1125 hrs. Climbed from MANAM Ck. to WIFE'WAFE (Kakai Group) village (1750 ft.) at 1300 hrs. Lunch at KAKOI. Inspected village and left at 1425 hrs. Descended to WENI Ck. (840 ft.) and climbed to TIMENI Village (1280 ft.) at 1525 hrs. Inspected village and on to YEBIL (1450 ft.) at 1615 hrs. Camped in YEBIL Rest House 1715 hrs. Visited Mr. & Mrs. R. Austen of Mission in Many Lands near Yebil.
7. 11. 54 - Sunday. In camp at YEBIL. Raining most of day.
8. 11. 54 - Left YEBIL 0740 hrs. (1450 ft.) arriving WABUF (Twaitem) 0820 hrs. Left WABUF after inspecting village at 0840 hrs. Descended SLANGU Creek (850 ft) at 0850 hrs. Climbed to BURU'UM 0935 hrs. (1630 ft.) Left after inspection at 1000 hrs. Descended to SIBI Creek (980 ft.) at 1020 hrs. Climbed to TALBIBI villages (1570 ft) 1150 hrs. Inspected and left for LUMI, arriving 1400 hrs.
22. 11. 54 - Departed LUMI for MILLIOM. Revised Census. Inspected village. Left 1005 hrs. for ORUTEL. Census revision and inspection. Left for TELOTEL, arriving 1210 hrs. Census revision and inspection. Camped in Rest House
23. 11. 54 - Left TELOTEL 0810. Heavy Rain. Arrived KALBAM (1300) 0910 hrs. Census and inspection. Left 1120 hrs. Arrived NEMENBIN 1210 hrs. Census and inspection. Left 1345 hrs. arriving NAKIL, PINGIL, LIPOAM Group 1600 hrs. Camped.
24. 11. 54 - Census revision and inspection NAKIL, PINGIL and LIPOAM. Saw Father Antonine, O.F.M. on visit here from YEMNU Mission Station. Discussed local matters. Left for LUMI, arriving 1530 hrs.

INTRODUCTION:

Routine patrolling, the main purpose of which was to revise census and inspect road work and villages.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

Village life appears to be normal. A number of matters were discussed and a few minor complaints dealt with. The natives from most of the villages seen are fairly frequent visitors to the station, however, and had little that was new to talk about.

The villages were clean and the housing fairly good. In a few places, such as NEMENBIN, the absence of young men under indenture showed in the housing. The provisions of Reg. 1125 of the Native Administration Regulations were invoked in four cases and demolition of the houses ordered. Rebuilding had commenced before the patrol left the area.

A number of village official appointments are under review and some changes will be recommended. Unfortunately some of the best men are away under Agreement and to avoid too many changes it is thought better in such case to wait until they return. The "hat" is not, on the whole, unpopular. Wives are inclined, however, to be somewhat dubious of the honour conferred on their husbands.

A request from the Assistant District Officer, Kokopo, to investigate the alleged death from sorcery of the wife and child of MELCHI, a Wapei native under indenture in the Kokopo Sub-District, was investigated and found to be false, both being alive and well. The A.D.O. Kokopo was informed by radiogram to this effect.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE:

The staple food in the area is sago, with secondary crops of taro, sweet potato and bananas, supplemented by breadfruit, pit, sugar cane, spioqa, fern tops, abika and coconuts. There was no shortage of food.

About two years ago natives of Lumi, Miliom, Orutei, Telotei and other villages in that area combined to cultivate a piece of flat ground approximately 10 acres in extent between ORUTEI and TELOTEI. The object of the venture was to grow rice and European vegetables for sale. The ground was cleared and planted and four large sheds 50'x 30' erected to hold the produce. The project failed for the land is stony and infertile having once formed the bed of the Gwenif (or Weni) River nearby. Its only advantage being, it seem, the fact it was flat - a somewhat rare occurrence in this area.

The WAPEI do not seem to be very good agriculturalists, depending to a large extent on sago with only small gardens for supplementary crops.

CENSUS:

Correction of the census - the main purpose of the patrol to the South-East - revealed that, taken as a group, the villages seen were not over-recruited, 30.4% of the males between 16 and 45 years of age being away at work, mainly outside the Sub-District.

Some of the villages were over-recruited e.g. NEMENBIN with 68.7% of the young men absent, MILIOM, with 83%, ORUTEI, with 54.2%, and TELOTEI, with 37.5%. Several men are expected back, however, and rather than recommend closure of these villages I have asked local recruiters not to accept men from these villages until such time as returning labourers correct the position.

The villages, taken as a group, show a slight increase in population - 4.3%. The increase appears to be due mainly to migrations and a number of "new names" for deaths exceed births.

There were no absentees and the attitude of the natives towards census work is good. I found it almost impossible, however, to find the number of children still-born or who died within a few months of birth.

ROADS :

There are no roads in the area. The country is mountainous and the villages connected by tracks. Some attempt has been made in many instances to drain these tracks and cut out particularly steep stretches, but without much success.

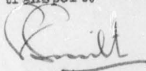
The construction of graded bridle tracks which will be suitable for pack animals, such as are in use in the Gailala Sub-District, was commenced last August and several miles of track has already been cut. All labour is voluntary and the natives are showing a considerable amount of enthusiasm.

The grading is first done by Europeans (the writer and local missionaries) by pegging the road through the bush, keeping grades to a minimum of 1 in 6. In most instances the grade does not exceed a rise of fall of 1 in 15. The natives then build huts at intervals along the line of pegs. This is mainly the responsibility of the people through whose bush the road is to be cut. When the huts are built natives from villages up to three days walk away come to assist in cutting the track, local natives contributing food, mainly sago. In many instances they bring their own tools. Over 200 spades, mattocks and picks have been supplied by the Station. Up to 400 men have worked on the road at one time, spending two or three weeks on the road before returning to their villages for a few weeks. Unfortunately, the advent of the wet season is making work more and more difficult and the numbers working has gradually dwindled. At the time of the inspection 300 odd were working but many declared their intention of waiting until after the wet season before commencing work again.

Progress at the time of my visit was, however, very satisfactory considering the nature of the country. Over five miles of road had been cut in three months and problems of housing, feeding and allocation of boundaries overcome by the natives themselves. A very commendable effort.

CONCLUSION:

It is planned to visit this group of villages again in the near future. The apathy noticed in some villages will be dispelled by the return of the young men from work (several are due back at NEMENBIN within the next few months) and by a more active interest in their affairs. The construction of graded bridle tracks is arousing general interest in the Sub-District. It is emphasised that good roads are essential in this broken country before any commercial ventures can be thought of. The natives are beginning to realise this, and the high cost of aerial transport, which they are aware of, serves to drive the point home. Hence the enthusiasm for a road to the coast - an outlet independent of aerial transport.

  
(S. S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.

# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Report No. 1-54/55

Year.....1954.....

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

Govt. Print—5713.20

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS										MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absent)		GRAND TOTAL										
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TELOTEI	22.11	7	9			1	1	1		1		3	5			4	1					15						10	40	12	45	1	45	4.0	31	2945	57	177		
KEIBAM	23.11	5	4			1						1	4			6	1	2				11						16	41	9	37	3	40	5.0	23	24	4647	151		
NEMENBIN	23.11	1		1	1							1	1	1		1						22						17	32	7	31	1	30	4.0	28	2523	35	133		
PINGIL	23.11	2	1			1				1		4				1	2					6						11	24	6	20	2	18	4.1	21	1626	21	90		
NAKIL	24.11	1	1				1					1		1	5	1	7					3						11	49	15	42	3	40	4.0	32	3052	54	171		
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

# PATROL REPORT

District of SEPLK Report No. 2 - 54/55

Patrol Conducted by S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Area Patrolled WAPEI - North-West Census Sub-Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans 1

Natives 1 Constable and 5 carriers - Total 6

Duration—From 9 / 3 / 19 55 to 13 / 3 / 19 55

Number of Days Five (5)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services / 9 / 19 54

Medical ... / 7 / 19 54

Map Reference Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch

Objects of Patrol (i) Revision of Census  
(ii) General Administration

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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*Personal file notes*



# Village Popul

Year 1955

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS														MIGR	
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child-Born			
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Miwantei	✓	11	12																5
Sarbotei	✓	6	6								1	1			2	2			5
Wabutei	✓	4	11					1							2	4			5
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Kamitei	✓	1	3					1											7
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Karatei	12-3	1	8												3				2
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Totals		152	130	1			7	15	8	9	10	2	1	41	57	3	90		

# Population Register

Area Patrolled... Wapei - North West Census  
Sub-Division

MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK								LABOUR POTENTIAL								FEMALES			TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL
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27th July, 1955.

District Officer,  
WENAK.

Patrol Report No. 2 of 1954/55 - Iumi

Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned Report.

*John E.*  
(J. K. McCarthy),  
A/Director

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P.R. Land Nos. 1 and 2/51-55/1380

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WERMAK.

21st June, 1955.

The Director,  
Department of District Services  
and Native Affairs,  
FORT MURSEY.

PATROL REPORTS 1 LAND NUMBERS 1 AND 2, 1954-55

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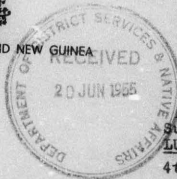
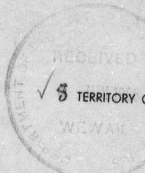
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*J. Preston White*  
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District Commissioner.

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No. LUM 30-3  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District  
4th June, 1955.

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
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PATROL REPORTS

Herewith five copies each of Patrol Reports Nos.1 and 2 of 1954/55.

The delay in forwarding these reports is regretted. Compiling the census figures took somewhat longer than anticipated due to the pressure of other duties inevitable on a one man station.

All other Patrol Reports outstanding will be submitted on my return from the present patrol in about ten days time and in future reports will be submitted within a fortnight of termination of the patrol.

(S.S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. LUM 30-3

Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
NEWAK.

PATROL REPORT NO. 2 - 1954/1955

Area Patrolled: WAPEI - North-West Sub-Division.

Officer Conducting Patrol: S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Objects of Patrol: i. Revision of the Census  
ii. General Administration.

Duration of Patrol: 8 9th to 13th March, 1955 - 5 days.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: No. 6474 Const. SEKO, RP & MGC.  
Carriers - average of 5.

Last Patrols to Area: DDS & NA - September, 1954  
PHD - July "

Map Reference: Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch.

INTRODUCTION:

A routine patrol the main purpose of which was to revise the census.

DIARY:

- 9. 3. 55 - Left LUMI (1750') at 0730 hrs. Descended and crossed GWENIF Creek (1300') and climbed to OTE village at 0825 hrs. Raining heavily and people had not gathered for census, not expecting patrol in rain. Left 0825 hrs. Climbed to FLOBUM villages. Inspected and amended census. Left 1015 hrs. Descended to ERITEI. Visited Mr. & Mrs. W. Sim of Mission to Many Lands. Called census ERITEI group. Left 1500 hrs. for SIGAITE. Raining. Left SIGAITE 1600 hrs. arrived RAUWETEI 1625 hrs. Camped in Rest House.
- 10. 3. 55 - Called RAUWETEI census 0745. Left at 0855 hrs. for MIWAUTEI (2900'). Called census and inspected village. Heavy rain at 1205 hrs. Left 1330 hrs. Arrived WABUTEI 1400 hrs. Census and inspection. Left 1445 hrs. Called at FATIMA Mission Station 1515 hrs. Went on to KUMNATEI and KARATEI. Called census to 1700 hrs. Inspected villages. Camped.
- 11. 3. 55 - Left FATIMA 0930 hrs. for TANGEI group. Amended census and inspected villages. from TEANGEI to FATIMA - MABUL, LINGI, TUAREI, WILUM, and SAINDEI - arriving back at FATIMA at 1800 hrs. Camped.
- 12. 3. 55 - Left FATIMA 0800 hrs. Arrived KARATEI group of villages 0910 hrs. Called census and inspected

DIARY (cont.) -

12. 3. 55 - Arrived KARATEI Group of villages 0910 hrs. Called census and inspected villages. Left at 1215 hrs. and arrived MATSITE at 1250 hrs. Revised census and inspected village. Left MATSITE at 1405 hrs. for LUMI, arriving 1600 hrs. OTE census revised en route

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

There is nothing of unusual interest to report. Village life through the area visited is normal. There were no complaints. Village housing and hygiene is satisfactory and there appeared to be no shortage of food or epidemic illnesses.

CENSUS:

The main purpose of the patrol was to revise the Census. Over 3,000 people living in 24 villages were seen. Two hundred and ninety three - or 32% - of the males between 16-45 were absent under indenture outside the Sub-District. Thirteen were away at work within the Sub-District - making a total of 33.4% absent at work. The area has therefore been fully recruited.

Total population of the villages as a group shows an increase of 10.5% over previous figures. The average size of villages is 150. The area is fairly densely populated, the villages being no more than an hour - sometimes only a few minutes - apart.

The attitude of the natives towards the census is very good. There were no absentees. Very few "new names" were recorded

ROADS & Bridges:

There are no roads in this area, all villages being connected by native tracks along ridges and across valleys. The tracks were cleared of grass and undergrowth. Only one bridge of any size was seen - that below LUMI Station which was built of kwila piles under a Patrol Officer's supervision. It is roofed against the weather, is about 50 ft long spanning the GWENIF River, and is in good condition.

Natives in this area are keen to commence cutting graded tracks. It is planned, when I have the time, to start grading a track to Mt. TISUF (3000'). This will serve about 3000 natives living in villages along the route. It will also pass through two Mission Stations - at ERRETEI and FATIMA - where there are in all 12 Europeans, including 5 women and 3 children. Native tracks are too steep in many places for the European women and children who venture on them only very occasionally.

HEALTH:

General health of the natives in this area appears to be very good. Catholic Mission Sisters at FATIMA and Miss V. Goff of the Mission to Many Lands at ERRETEI conduct Aid Posts and I understand the natives take full advantage of the assistance offered. N.M.A. SAWENI had just completed a very good building for his Aid Post near MIWAUTEI. The natives in this area live at an altitude of nearly 3000 ft. and are comparatively energetic.

MISSIONS:

Two mission stations were visited and local affairs discussed with the missionaries.



MISSIONS (cont.):

I also made a point of visiting their schools and stressing the need for regular attendance. Needless to say, everybody was present during my visit.

The Franciscan Mission at FATIMA have 250 pupils enrolled in the day schools - conducted by three Sisters - and 42 in a new boarding school. The Rev. Fathers (2) conduct the boarding school which is for youths sent for further training by other Mission stations in the WAPSI, MAIMAI and PALEI areas. This school has only recently been opened and consists of eight 'dormitory' huts, a refectory/kitchen building, and a school building, all arranged around a quadrangle. As irregular attendance is the main complaint the missionaries have, it will be interesting to see the results of a boarding school. All agree the natives are very intelligent.

The Mission to Many Lands school at ERITEL, conducted by Mr and Mrs Dale, is attended by about 50 natives.

CONCLUSION:

The general impression gained on this patrol is of a contented native community living in clean villages in reasonably good houses with plenty, but not an overabundance, of food. Their only complaint is the lack of game due to the dense population.

A number of leading men are keen to do something constructive or progressive. MAUS, a leading man in the area, has already grown quite a lot of rice. This was some time ago now and I think he, and others of his type, realize the need for roads in this broken country before many commercial ventures. It is planned to direct their energies to this end.

*S. S. Smith*  
(S. S. Smith)

Assistant District Officer.

# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Report No. 2-54/55

Year..... 1955.....

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

Govt. Print.—4391/16.51

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES (Number of children aged 0-14)	Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL											
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RAUWETEI	10.3	12	7							1				2	3			2					14									10	46	5	45	1	45	4	6	40	28	42	51	175	
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

# PATROL REPORT

District of SEPIK Report No. LUMI No. 3 + 1954/1955

Patrol Conducted by S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Area Patrolled WAPEI - Lumi Sub-District - West and South-East Census Sub-Divisions.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans one

Natives eight - 2 police  
6 carriers

Duration - From 15/3/1955 to 17/3/1955  
and 21/3/1955

Number of Days four (4)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by - District Services November 1954

Medical ... September 1954

Map Reference Aitape - 4 miles to 1 inch.

Objects of Patrol (1) Revision of Census

(ii) General Administration

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES  
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
FORT 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 ... .. £.....

*Personal file noted*

# VILLAGE POPUL

LUMI Sub-District

Year.....

Year. **1955**

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS													From Child Birth	M		
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AMATEM	15.3	2	2															1		
VAL-SLEI	16.3																			
KARATEM	16.3	7	2																	
PAI	16.3	3	4																	
HAIWATEM	17.3	4	4															1	1	
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OTEMGI	21.3	4	2						1		1	1						3		
ALI	21.3	4	2							2								1	3	2
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WABUP	21.3	3	4								1	3							2	1
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# AGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Report No. 3-54/55

LUMI Sub-District, SSPIK District

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DEATHS						MIGRATIONS						ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				TOTALS (Including Absentee)							
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27th July, 1955.

District Officer,  
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Patrol Report No. 3 of 1954/55 - Luni

Report. Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned

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No. LUM 30-3

Sub-District Office,  
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District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3 - 1954/1955

Area Patrolled: WAPEI - West and South-East Census  
Sub-Divisions.

Officer Conducting Patrol: S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Objects of Patrol: i. Revision of the Census  
ii. General Administration.

Duration of Patrol: 15th/17th March and 21st March, 1955 - 4 days

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: No. 6474 Const. SEKO, RP & NGC  
No. 8944 Const. HAPA,  
Carriers - average of 6.

Last Patrols to Area: DDS & NA - November, 1954  
PHD - September, "

Map Reference: Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch.

INTRODUCTION:

A routine patrol the main purpose of which was to revise  
the Sub-District Census.

PATROL DIARY:

- 15. 3. 1955 - Left LUMI 1010 hrs. Along new graded track to FULU Creek Road Camp 1130 hrs. MIMBITEI people, who are working on the road, gathered here. Census amended (village inspected 17.3.55). Left 1220 hrs arrived TOFONGU 1410 hrs. Census amended and village inspected. Left 1515 hrs. arrived AMAITEM 15150 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left 1615 hrs. and arrived KARAITEM Rest House 1735 hrs. Camped.
- 16. 3. 1955 - At KARAITEM. Visited WAIPELLI and PAI villages inspected and amended census. Inspected road work. Returned to KARAITEM and amended census. Raining most of the day. Camped at KARAITEM.
- 17. 3. 1955 - Left KARAITEM 1000 hrs. after amending census of MAIWATEM. Climbed to MINATEI 1150 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left 1345 hrs. Arrived SUGOITEI 1430 hrs. Census and village inspection. Left 1515 hrs. and arrived YONGITEI. Amended census and inspected village and left for LUMI 1620 hrs. inspecting MIMBITEI en route. Arrived LUMI 1800 hrs.



DIARY (cont.)

21. 3. 1955 - Left LUMI at 0800 hrs. for OTENGI. Amended census and inspected village. Left at 1000 hrs. Arrived KLELEBU, WABUF and TALBIBI Group of villages. Amended census and inspected villages. Left for MAUI village 13130 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left for LUMI Village 1530 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Returned LUMI station 1700 hrs.

CENSUS -

Eighteen villages with a total population of 2021 and an average of 111 were censused on this patrol.

Taken as a group the villages show an increase of 3.61%. This can be taken as a natural increase, birth exceeding deaths 138 to 86 and migrations in being balanced by migrations out (49:50).

As a group the villages have not been over-recruited, 137 males of a labour potential of 497 being absent under Agreement, (131 of them outside the district) - or 27.5%.

Four villages - MIMBITEI with 50% absent, MAIWATEM with 44%, ALI with 42% and LUMI with 37.9% - are over-recruited. Local recruiters have been asked not to accept natives from these villages until returning labourers adjust the position.

There were no absentees and the natives attitude towards the census is very good.

NATIVE AFFAIRS -

Village life in the area is normal. The natives are frequent visitors to the station and only three complaints were dealt with on patrol. Two concerned marriage payments and the other the accidental killing of a pig. All were satisfactorily settled out of court.

Village Officials are a little above the average in this group of villages - being close to the Station. No changes have been recommended.

Housing is fairly good on the average. MIMBITEI, where most of the people moved down to the road camp at FULU Creek, needs almost completely rebuilding. Orders were given for this to be done.

The people of TOFUNGU plan to move from their present site on low ground at the junction of the SIPI and MIRE Creeks to a good site just above the graded track a few hundred feet higher. This is a tendency to be encouraged - the more villages along graded tracks the better.

ROADS -

All villages are connected by native pads along ridges and across valleys. They had been cleared of grass and undergrowth, some only recently.

A graded track suitable for pack animal transport is under construction. Work was suspended during the wet season (December/February) because of landslides. Several villages are again resuming work on their sections and making good progress. (see Lumi Patrol Report No.1-54/55)

ROADS (continued) -

The graded track should be through to KARATEM village on the northern slopes of the Torricelli Range before June. Mr. G. Wunsch and Rev. Father Gentile, O.F.M. have both given enthusiastic assistance in pegging the road, Father Gentile as far as the KARATEM Gap (i.e. where the road crosses the Torricelli Range at 2000' A.S.L.) and Mr. Wunsch from the Gap on.

REST HOUSES -

The Rest Houses in this Sub-District generally can hardly be called elaborate structures but they are adequate. The Rest House at TOFUNGU was in a dangerous condition and repairs were suggested. Otherwise the buildings were satisfactory.

HEALTH & HYGIENE -

Because of their proximity to LUMI Native Hospital the natives from the villages visited are well looked after medically. No native had to be sent to hospital for attention. All villages were reasonably clean, no flies, excreta being in evidence.

AGRICULTURE -

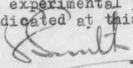
Natives are taking advantage of the fact the new graded track is opening up large areas of bushland. They are building large gardens on the slopes above the track. Normally the WAFBI people are not enthusiastic gardeners, depending largely on sago. I understand some of the produce of the new gardens in the form of sweet potato, taro and yams are earmarked for sale to the Administration and recruiting establishments at LUMI.

I warned the natives about the dangers of erosion and denudation of forest land along the graded track - land which might be suitable for coffee - the crop recommended for this area under the District Agricultural Policy. The time is now ripe for a survey by an Agricultural Officer and, possibly, the establishment of a coffee nursery.

CONCLUSION -

The impression gained on the patrol was of a healthy and happy native community with a friendly attitude towards the Government and a strong desire in some quarters to better their lot by some form of business venture e.g. in the KARATEM area, the growing of European vegetables - mainly cabbages - for sale; the new gardens along the graded track.

At the moment the natives energies are being channelled into roadbuilding - the first thing necessary being good roads in this mountainous terrain. When the roads are built the natives will want a cash crop. The Dept. of Agriculture has recommended coffee but no move has yet been made to establish a nursery or an experimental plot. A move in this direction seems to be indicated at this juncture.

  
(S.S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.

# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Report No. 54/55

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

1955

Year.....

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS 1955	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES Pregnant Number of children born Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL			
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TOPUNGU	15.3	2	3										1	3	3	2			3						5	10	9	16	1	17	6.1	1718	9	20	67	
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KARAITEM	16.3	7	2										2	1	26	8	35	2	31	4.6					7	26	8	35	2	31	4.6	2233	32	36	127	
PAI	16.3	3	4										1	2	2	4		7							18	32	4	28	2	28	5.0	3313	29	29	111	
MAIWATEM	17.3	4	4										1	1	2	5		11						1	12	25	17	22	1	26	5.1	1420	29	48	123	
SUGOITEI	17.3	2	1										2	1	2	1	2	3							8	19	4	15	2	18	5.0	1913	14	20	71	
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OTENGI	21.3	4	2			1		1	1				3			2		5							9	20	6	21	3	23	4.9	2519	19	22	90	
ALI	21.3	4	2			2			1				3	2	1	2		8							5	19	14	28	2	37	4.0	1336	18	45	220	
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# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District.

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LILAL	12.5	6	3							1	1	1		1		1	2					2	2	2				5											
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EIKIL	13.5	2	7							1				2		6	2						3	4					13	1							3		
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LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

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LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District.

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27th July, 1955.

District Officer,  
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Patrol Report No. 4 of 1954/55 - Jumi

Report. Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned

*John E. McCarthy*  
(J. K. McCarthy),  
A/Director

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Sub-District Office,  
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PATROL REPORT NO. 4 - 1954/1955

Area Patrolled: WAPEI - North-East Census Sub-Division  
No.2 Wapei " "

Officer Conducting Patrol: S.S.Smith, Assistant District Officer

Objects of Patrol: (i) Revision of the Census  
(ii) General Administration.

Duration of Patrol: 11th to 17th May, 1955 - 7 days

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: No.5369B Const.GAINAN, RPANGC  
No.5124 Const.TUGERI, "

Carriers - average of 10.

Last Patrols to Area: DDS & NA - North-East Wapei - May, 53  
No.2 Wapei - Sept. 52  
PHD - No.2 Wapei - Jan. 53  
North-East Wapei - May, 50.

Map Reference: Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch.

DIARY -

11. 5. 1955 - Left LUMI Station 0835 hrs. Descended steeply to bridge across GWENIF River. Climbed through OTE to FIORUM. Descended to BRITEL. Called on Christian Mission to Many Lands Station at BRITEL at 1020 hrs. Left after inspecting school at 1100 hrs. Climbed to MIWAUTEL and camped in Rest House 1310 hrs.
12. 5. 1955 - Left MIWAUTEL 0720 hrs. and descended through SARBOTEI to KEIFANGI River gorge 0810 hrs. Climbed from KEIFANGI River to TOLGETI 0850 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left 0950 hrs. Arrived WIGOTE 1030 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left 1300 hrs. Arrived HAPSEI-IM in heavy rain 1330 hrs. After rain cleared amended census and inspected v village. Camped in Rest House.
13. 5. 1955 - Left HAPSEI-IM 0910 hrs. after amending census YAMOUN. Arrived BIKIL 1045 hrs. Amended census BIKIL, WUBLAGIL, MAMBEL, PIMON, YILIL. Camped in native hut - no rest house here.
14. 5. 1955 - Left BIKIL 0730 hrs. Descended and crossed YELEU Creek 0740 hrs. Climbed to MIMBEL and LALWI. Amended census. On to PIEM, arriving

DIARY (continued) -

14. 5. 1955 - arriving 1135 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Left 1420 hrs. Arrived TUMENTONI 1520 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Camped in Rest House.
15. 5. 1955 - Left TUMENTONI 1305 hrs. after finishing census. Arrived at YEMNU 1315 hrs. Large number of people greeted patrol - 17 village officials. Amended census until 1700 hrs. when it rained. Visited Rev. Father Antonine of Catholic Mission 15 minutes from village. Inspected small airstrip. Camped in YEMNU Rest House.
16. 5. 1955 - Left YEMNU after amending census and inspecting village, at 10 15 hrs. Through TUMENTONI (1030 hrs.) and PIRM (1130 hrs.) Crossed YELBUE Creek 1200 hrs. and climbed to possible airstrip site. Met Rev. Father Giles, O.F.M. of Yili Catholic Mission 1230 hrs. Left YILI 1450 hrs. Descended and crossed PIANGLI Ck. 1500 hrs. Climbed to YEBEN hamlet 1525 hrs. Left YEBEN 1535 hrs. Down to KAIFANGI River at 1545 hrs. Along KAIFANGI R. to junction with ANGIBE Ck. Climbed gradually to KEIBAM, 1655 hrs. Camped in Rest House.
17. 5. 1955 - Left KEIBAM 0830 hrs. in heavy rain. Arrived TELOTEI 0920 hrs. MILLIOM 1010 hrs. and LUMI 1115 hrs.

CENSUS -

The main purpose of the patrol was to revise the Sub-District Census.

Nearly 5000 natives living in 26 main villages were seen on this patrol. Taken as a group the villages are not over-recruited, 290 men, or 21% of the male labour potential, being away at work, the great majority outside the district. Only two villages were over-recruited - PIRM with 35.7% absent, and TUMENTONI, with 46% absent.

The total population of 4,953 shows an increase of 284 over the previous total. This is mostly accounted for by 51 males and 52 females who had not been censused previously, having been absent or hidden in the bush. Thirty 'new names' were recorded in one village - LAINGIM No. 2 - an indication of increasing confidence in the intentions of Administration patrols.

Allowing for the 'new names' (which were recorded as Migrations In) and actual migrations, the natural increase was only 3.17%. Only two villages showed a slight decrease in population - MAMBEL 85:84, and MUSU 135:134.

The general attitude of the natives towards the census is very good. There were no absentees although there are still no doubt still a number of natives who have not presented themselves, but the numbers seem to have decreased considerably during the past three or four years. There are probably a number of female children still to be recorded - the difference of over 100 between males and females being possibly excessive



NATIVE AFFAIRS -

Village life appears to be normal throughout the area. There seemed to be no shortage of food or epidemic illnesses. Village housing was reasonably good and in only a few instances had orders to be given for the village environs to be cleaned or dilapidated houses demolished.

A few changes in villages officials are being recommended because of age or incapacity but on the whole the appointees are doing a good job. There is a good spirit evident amongst these villages and their officials are fairly frequent visitors ~~at~~ the station.

From the remarks of previous officers in the Village Registers it would seem this was not always so. Much of the improvement can, I think, be attributed to the influence of two mission stations in the area - at YEMNU and YILL.

HEALTH & HYGIENE -

Health of the natives seen was good - only twenty-five being ordered to report for treatment either to the Native Hospital at LUMI or the Aid Post at WUBLAHL. Of the 25 six had bad scabies, ten yaws tropical ulcers, and four yaws. Five children ~~whose~~ seems to be suffering from malnutrition (including twins) were sent to LUMI.

Only one village, PIEM, could be classed as bad from a hygienic point of view. Undergrowth had almost invaded the village itself and ~~excess~~ human and pig faeces and numerous flies were evident. The whole area was cleaned under supervision before the patrol left the area.

YEMNU, which had a bad report on a previous occasion, had made a big effort to clean the village area, evidently not long before the patrol's arrival.

ROADS -

In most instances the native pads joining the villages had been cleared of undergrowth and, because of a spell of dry weather, were reasonably firm underfoot. Orders were given where necessary to clear and drain the track i.e. between MEMBEL and LALWI and to and from PIEM.

There are no roads in the area. Work has commenced on a graded bridle track from Mt. Tisul (3000 ft.) down to LUMI (1750 ft.) - a distance of about seven miles. Graded bridle tracks should be possible in most of the area visited between YILL and YEMNU where there is a fairly large concentration of population.

MISSIONS -

There are two mission stations in the area visited - at YEMNU and YILL - both conducted by the Franciscan Mission.

I visited the Rev. Father's in charge at each station and discussed local matters with them. Both complained of the irregular attendance of pupils at their schools. They have an average of about 20 students each.

AIRSTRIPS -

Efforts are being made to construct a small landing ground near the mission station at YEMNU. At YILL also the forest is gradually being cleared off a strip of land which

AIRSTRIPS (continued) -

might prove to be suitable for a small landing ground. Father Giles of the VIII Mission Station informed me the natives themselves are very keen to develop the strip and it was mainly their own idea. He is assisting by marking out the area.

Much work remains to be done, however, and there is a lot of heavy timber on the site.

CONCLUSION -

A friendly spirit was evident throughout the patrol and I gained the impression of a people anxious to co-operate. Many of the men from these villages have assisted on the graded bridle track leading north from Lumi - walking several days in some cases to do so. Others - in the VIII area - are evidently eager to have an airstrip of their own and the Rev. Fathers in the area tell me they word "business" is often heard. The possibility of excesses in this direction is not great, however, and the Fathers are aware of the danger. A surprising result of the census was the fact that only 21% of the male labour potential is absent under indenture. Native Assistant Recruiters ~~are~~ from LUMI are constantly patrolling this area - apparently with only moderate success.



(S.S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer

# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Report No. 4-54/55

Year.....1955.....

LUMI Sub-District, SSPIK District.

Govt. Print. 2243/50

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS										MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL		FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)		GRAND TOTAL											
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	In		Out		Inside District	Outside District	Govt.	Mission	Males	Females	Pregnant		Average Size of Family	Child	Adults								
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KIKIL	13.5	2	7						1					2	6	2	3	4			13	1			3		2049	15	34	233	5.0	3634	52	47	186				
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# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Patrol Rept. No. 4-54/55

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

Year.....1955.....

Govt. Print. - 3143-56

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE STUDENTS						LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES 16-45	FEMALES 45-16	Females 16-45	Females 45-16	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

# PATROL REPORT

*Personal file notes*

District of SEPIK, LUMI Sub-District Report No. 5 - 1954/1955

Patrol Conducted by S. S. Smith, Assistant District Officer

Area Patrolled WAPAK - West Wapei Census Sub-Division  
South-East "

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans one

Natives 2 Constables  
10 carriers

Duration - From 6/6/1955 to 12/6/1955  
14/6/1955 to 16/6/1955

Number of Days 10.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by - District Services Nov./1954

Medical ... March/1955

Map Reference Titape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch

Objects of Patrol (i) Revision of the Census

(ii) General Administration.

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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# AGE POPULATION REGISTER

P. R. No. 5 - 54/55

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

Govt. Print.—4591/10.52

SEX	MIGRATIONS					ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL			FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL		IS Absentee		GRAND TOTAL			
	9-13		Over 13		Female in Child Birth	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.	Mission		Males	Females		Pregnant	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults		M+F		M	F	M+F
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# AGE POPULATION REGISTER

P. R. No. 5 - 1954/55

LUMI Sub-District, SEPIK District

Govt. Print.—1391/10.52

SEX	MIGRATIONS					ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL			FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL							
	9-13		Over 13		Female in Child Birth	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.	Mission		Males	Females		Pregnant	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults		M+F	M	F	M+F			
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27th July, 1955.

District Officer,  
MEMAK.

Patrol Report No. 5 of 1954/55 - Lumai

Report. Receipt is acknowledged of the above-mentioned

*John E. McCarthy*  
(J. E. McCarthy),  
A/Director

*(Signature) R. N.*

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/11/55 ✓



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No.

P.R. Lumi 3, 4, and 5/1954-55/1A

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
NEWAE.

3rd July, 1955.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORTS - LUMI, NUMBERS 3, 4 and 5 of 1954/55.

The above three Patrol Reports are forwarded, please.

The picture, presented by Lumi Reports Nos. 1 and 2, as covered by my comments of 18th June, is deepened and broadened by these further Reports, but the basic scene is unchanged. Each depicts a people moving forward from the primitive, with roads as the first step towards an economic development based on agriculture.

In stimulating the interest of the people, the Assistant District Officer has the full support and co-operation of the Christian Missions in the Sub-district and also of Mr. Simogun, M.L.C., on the occasions of his visits from Wewak. The results are most heartening.

The writer has conferred at length with the District Agricultural Officer Bainyik, on the subject of Lumi problems and development. The District Agricultural Officer has undertaken to visit Lumi in the near future for an on the spot conference with the Assistant District Officer. Plans are under consideration, as a start, for the introduction on a sound basis of coffee, suitable European vegetables, selected seed coconuts and possibly, rice. Plans are also being considered for the provision for purchase of a number of boars and sows and also poultry through Department of Agriculture channels for the people of the Wapel Sub-division. This should assist in overcoming any feeling on their part of being neglected in an era of District progress.

The necessity for the application of restrictions on recruiting has been avoided to date in the Lumi Sub-district due to a working arrangement between the Assistant District Officer and recruiters operating in the area through which over recruitment is avoided or corrected without the imposition of formal restrictions.

Improvement and a desire for progress is being shown throughout the Lumi Sub-district.

*J. Preston White*  
(J. PRESTON WHITE)  
District Commissioner.

Copy to:  
A.D.O. Lumi.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
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No. LUM 30-3

Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5 - 1954/1955

Area Patrolled: WAPEI - West and South-East Census  
Sub-Divisions.

Officer Conducting Patrol: S.S. Smith, Assistant District Officer.

Objects of Patrol: i. Revision of the Census  
ii. General Administration.

Duration of Patrol: 6.6.1955/12.6.1955 )  
14.6.1955/16.6.1955 ) 10 days.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: No. 5369B Const. GAINAN, RP&NGC  
No. 5124 Const. TUGERI, "  
No. 6732 Const. SAIGILO "  
10 Carriers.

Last Patrols to Area: DDS & NA - November, 1954.  
PBD - March, 1953.

Map Reference: Aitape Sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch.

DIARY:

- 6. 6. 1955 - Patrol left LUMI Station 0920 hrs. Arrived FULU Creek Road Camp 1030 hrs. Left 1040 hrs. At 1210 hrs. came to area still under construction (of graded track). Arrived KARAITEM Rest House 1315 hrs. Camped. Gathering of natives to hear SIMOGUN speak. Visit from Father Eugene, O.F.M. of Karaitem Catholic Mission.
- 7. 6. 1955 - Left KARAITEM R/H 0740 hrs. Passed through PAI village and followed track through scrub - along grading pegs. Pond MAIKINIS 0905 hrs. Arrived TEFATIM (Mokel) Rest House 1010 hrs. Amended census and inspected village and roadwork. Camped.
- 8. 6. 1955 - Left TEFATIM 0730 hrs. Passed through WURABO hamlet 0745 hrs. Arrived INABU 1000 hrs. Large gathering of natives from nearby hamlets. Amended census. Inspected village. Visited Christian Mission to Many Lands Mission station (Mr. & Mrs. G. Wunsch). Camped.
- 9. 6. 1955 - Left INABU 0940 hrs. Descended to and followed MANAM Creek 1010 hrs. Left MANAM Cr. 1115 hrs.

DIARY (continued) -

9. 6. 1955 - and climbed steeply to KAKOI hamlets. Arrived at KAKOI Rest House 1205 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Camped.
- 10.6. 1955 - Left KAKOI 0740 hrs. in heavy mist. Down long spur to NARARE Creek. Down NARARE to WENI River. Climbed steeply from WENI to TIMENI village. Amended census and inspected village. Left 1125 hrs. Along spur to YEBIL village. Visited Christian Mission to Many Lands (Mr O. McKirdy). Amended census and inspected village. Camped.
- 11.6. 1955 - Left YEBIL 0800 hrs. Down steeply to SALANGE Creek. Climbed to BURU'UM 0925 hrs. Amended Census and inspected village. On to TAUWTEI and LAU'UM. Amended census and camped.
- 12.6. 1955 - Left for LUMI 0800 hrs. Steep descent to SIPI River. Followed upstream for an hour. Swam before climb to OTEMGI village. Arrived LUMI 1200 hrs.
- 13.6. 1955 - At LUMI.
- 14.6. 1955 - Left LUMI 0845 hrs. Arrived TALBIBI No.2 0950 hrs. - inspected village. On to TALBIBI No.1 1030 hrs. - inspected village. Down long spur to SIPI River at junction with WAMINI Creek. Down WAMINI, crossing and recrossing for 1½ hrs. Climbed to KAMNUM village 1315 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Mr. L. Knight, missionary, camped here. Camped in Rest House.
- 15.6. 1955 - Left KAMNUM 0730 hrs. Crossed TAUNGEBE Creek 0840 hrs. Arrived SEINAM village 1030 hrs. Amended census and inspected village. Camped.
- 16.6. 1955 - Left SEINAM 0800 hrs. Passed through CRUTEI 0825 hrs., MILLIOM 0845 hrs. and arrived at LUMI 0935 hrs.

CENSUS =

The census of 27 villages with a total population of 2829 was amended on this patrol. Taken as a group and allowing for migrations the villages show a natural increase of 114 or 4.3% since the last census.

Four villages - MOKAI, KAMNUM, SEINAM, and WITEILI - show a slight decrease in population.

The area has been fully recruited, 272 out of a labour potential of 310 being absent at work - or 33.5%. The great majority are away outside the district.

Several villages are over recruited - KWAMTIM with 36% absent, WILKIL with 38%, YEBIL with 46%, WIUP with 46%, YEBALI with 42%, GUTA YA with 48%, ERETEI No.2 with 50%, KALINGUM with 58%, and KAMNUM with 82%.

Local recruiters have agreed not to take natives offering for work from these villages until such time as returning labourers adjust the position.

NATIVE AFFAIRS -

SIMOCUN, M.L.C., on a visit to the LUMI Sub-District, accompanied the patrol as far as KARAITEM where he addressed a gathering of natives from a rostrum erected near the Rest House and decorated for the occasion.

He spoke for two hours on a number of subjects - education, health, roads, rural progress - describing what he had seen in other districts, what was being done elsewhere in the Sepik District, and urging co-operation with the Administration and the Missions in their endeavours to assist the natives. He praised the work the local natives were doing by cutting graded bridle tracks and explained that roads were essential to the future development of the area.

He made a great impression and the local natives obviously regarded him with respect and awe. Should they follow his advice the task of the Administration and the missions in the area will be greatly simplified.

Village life in all the villages visited seemed to be normal. There were very few complaints and those were of a minor nature settled without difficulty.

Village Officials were generally keen but in some cases lacked the necessary personality for the job. A good spirit was noticeable in most villages, especially at INABU. I think this is directly attributable to the work and personality of Mr and Mrs G. Wunsch of the Christian Mission to Many Lands.

ROADS -

A graded bridle track now connects Lumi with KARAITEM, a distance of about  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to 8 miles. When the patrol passed through men from six villages were cutting the last 100 yards to connect the KARAITEM with the LUMI stretch. It was finished before the patrol returned to the station.

Although the track has only been cut as far as KARAITEM pegs marking the grade have been placed in position for a further  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles, to TEFATIM (Mokai).

Natives from TEFATIM assisted by men from INABU and other villages to the west, had commenced to cut the track, working towards KARAITEM.

Mr. G. Wunsch of Inabu Mission is responsible for the grading from KARAITEM, where he took over from Father Gentile, O.F.M. His enthusiasm for graded bridle tracks is infectious. He has already ordered a motor bike.

After leaving KARAITEM all tracks are native pads through mountainous, forested country. They are kept in reasonable order, the scrub having been cleared back, although some it only recently.

HEALTH -

Health of the natives seen was reasonably good, only 25 natives being ordered to seek medical attention for themselves or their children. They included 8 cases of yaws, 10 tropical ulcers, and 2 malnutrition (of children) and 5 scabies.

Medical Aid Posts are conducted at INABU Mission (Mr. & Mrs G. Wunsch) and YEBLU Mission (Mr O. McKirdy) of the Christian Mission to Many Lands. Both missions also conduct a baby clinic. Mrs. Wunsch has about 50 babies on her cards

HEALTH (continued) -

who are brought to the clinic regularly by their mothers to be weighed and, where necessary, to be fed on powdered milk.

Mr O. McKirdy of the Yebil Mission Station devotes a lot of his time to medical work. He also conducts a baby clinic and tells me he has at the moment 47 babies brought regularly to the clinic for weighing, advice as to feeding and, where necessary, feeding on powdered milk.

These mission stations are doing especially valuable medical work in an area where it is most needed.

Aid Post orderlies are stationed at KAKOI and TIMENI.

HYGIENE -

Although the village square of most villages was clean the undergrowth at the back of the houses did not bear inspection. A good indication was the presence of flies.

Several pit latrines were ordered to be dug and the undergrowth cleared back in some places. At Yebil, which was especially bad, two Constables were left to see that my order to dig six deep pit latrines, demolish four dilapidated houses and clear the undergrowth back, were carried out.

MISSIONS -

Four missionaries were seen during the patrol - Rev. Father Eugene, O.F.M. at KARAITEM, Mr. G. Wunsch at INABU, Mr O. McKirdy at YEBIL and Mr. L.K. Knight, at KAMNUM.

All conduct schools and aid posts with the exception of Mr. Knight who is at present building a house for his wife and family of three children, and Sister Aua-wardt. Mr He also intends to establish a school and Aid Post and baby clinic.

REST HOUSES -

None of the Rest Houses in this area are elaborate structures but are adequate. The people of YEBIL, where the Rest House almost collapsed during my last visit in November, were requested to build a new one.

FOOD -

There appeared to be no shortage of food. The area through which the patrol passed is, unlike other parts of the Sub-District, sparsely populated and game appears to be fairly plentiful. The patrol was presented with several fowls and two pigs and had no difficulty in buying other food stuffs - sweet potato, taro, yams, bananas etc.

CONCLUSION -

The natives in the villages visited have had less contact with Europeans than those to the north and east of Lumi. They speak a different dialect and there is a noticeable division. The village officials were not, until comparatively recently, often seen at Lumi where they had few friends. The graded track is having a good effect in this regard, bringing large numbers of natives together from different parts of the Sub-District.

Mission stations are doing good work and, at INABU and YEBIL especially, the air posts and baby clinics deserve every encouragement.

(S. S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.



# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

P.R. No.5 - 1954/55

Year.....1955

LUMI Sub-District, SEFIK District

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL					
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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WEM. 24-1-<sup>No.</sup> 1328

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

8th November, 1955.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

SPECIAL REPORTS - LUMI -  
NUMBERS 2 AND 3 OF 1955/56.

Special Report Lumi No. 2 by Mr. C.P.O.  
G. F. Cooke and Special Report Lumi No. 3 by Mr. A.D.O.  
S. S. Smith, both covered by Assistant District Officer  
Lumi's memorandum 31-1 of 17th October 1955, are forwarded  
for your information, please.

A year ago, following a conference between  
the District Commissioner and the Assistant District  
Officers, Lumi and Aitape, it was decided, due to the  
urgent economic needs of the Lumi Sub-district and partic-  
ularly those of the native people, to attempt within the  
District resources to push through a road from Lumi via  
Wantipi to the coast at Aitape. Air-freight rates, even  
backloading air-freight rates, are very high in the area,  
and the need for an economic road capable in the first  
instance of being used by light four-wheel-drive vehicles  
was apparent. The difficulties were in no way minimised,  
particularly when the lighter populations of the northern  
fall of the Torricelli Mountains were taken into account.  
However, the need was paramount, and the work was begun,  
chiefly from the Lumi end where the native people co-  
operated to the full.

The matter of Lumi-Aitape economic roads  
was covered at some length in the District Annual Report,  
and it is not necessary again to elaborate on them here.  
Some light was thrown on the attitude to roads in the Lumi  
area by Special Report No. 1 forwarded to the Director in  
August. Field Staff has been and is still an increasing  
problem, but following a conference in September between  
the officers concerned, Mr. Cooke was made available to con-  
tinue with the pegging of the Wantipi road ready for grading  
by the native people, from Lumi and working towards Aitape  
via Wantipi.

In the interim there has been some putting  
forward of the claims of the route to Aitape via Mount Somero,  
as an alternative to selected Wantipi route; various sugges-  
tions being made that it would be quicker and easier to construct  
a road by that route. As in any case, the native people who  
would construct such a road would not be engaged on the Wantipi  
route, it was decided to clarify this point, with a view not

of abandoning the selected Wantipi route, but of providing also an alternative route which the Somero people were keen to construct. Although giving support to the alleged claims of this Somero route, neither the Assistant District Officer, Aitape, nor the Assistant District Officer, Lumi, was in a position to say definitely that if the native people were committed to do this latter road project, it could in fact be put through using the reasonably available local facilities. (There appears to be little doubt that major road construction funds will not be available to the Lumi Sub-district for some years to come). Therefore, the Assistant District Officer, Lumi, who has had some considerable experience in the construction of graded tracks in rough mountainous areas, was instructed to cover the Somero route including the northern fall of Mount Somero to the Aitape coastal plain, and to advise firmly whether in his opinion, if the natives of the Somero area were committed to the construction of the road over the range, it would be a practical proposition, or would merely face the people with a frustrating failure. He was instructed to avail himself of the services of Mr. Cooke who had walked over the track previously on his return from Aitape. The result of this examination is that the Assistant District Officer, Lumi, has now stated firmly that with present facilities, the road across the range via Mount Somero is not a practical possibility. This intelligence has the advantage of eliminating the route from the current debate. Efforts will continue to be concentrated on the Lumi-Wantipi-Aitape road as previously decided.

Track plan Blasting equipment and explosives have been ordered through the Assistant Director of Works (Admin.) against suitable "B" Requisitions held here, and all possible speed will be made with this road. It is recognized, however, that progress will not be rapid under present staff strengths, and the conditions of terrain, but the aim of providing a light four-wheel-drive dry-weather vehicular road will be pressed in view of the native needs both in the Lumi and Aitape Sub-districts. Instructions have been issued to this effect.

The enthusiasm and drive of the native peoples of the Somero area will not be dissipated, as there is no reason why work should not proceed on the Mount Tisuf-Wilbeltei-Lumi road which has economic possibilities, and which would connect that area via Lumi with Aitape through the Wantipi road at a later date. In addition, the road beyond Mount Tisuf will open up agricultural areas in the general direction of Dreikikir, and has the ultimate possibility of being connected with that station, and thus providing a link along the inland fall of the ranges with District Headquarters itself at Wewak. (See Patrol Map.)

The situation is most interesting, and will be pressed. With the right amount of drive and enthusiasm by the officers concerned, valuable benefits will accrue to the Lumi and Aitape Sub-districts and the District as a whole. The attitude of the natives is laudable.

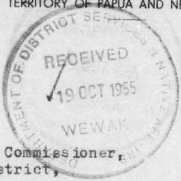
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(S. ELLIOTT-SMITH)  
District Commissioner.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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No. LUM 31-1  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District.  
17th October, 1955.

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

SPECIAL REPORTS NOS. 2 AND 3 - 1955/1956

Your memo. WEW.24-1-10/937 of 28th September, 1955, refers.

Herewith Special Reports Nos. 2 and 3 of 1955/1956 with maps.

From these reports it will be seen that the construction of a graded M/T road to the coast via Mt. SOMERO is not feasible but it should be possible to put a fair weather road through to AITAPE via WANTIPI.

Work on the LUMI-WANTIPI section has continued without interruption. Within a fortnight or three weeks the graded track should reach TEFATIM village, five or six miles from WANTIPI and about fourteen from LUMI.

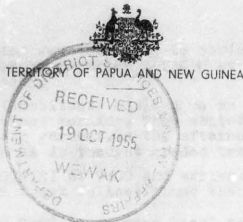
Grade pegs have been placed as far as WANTIPI and could be taken on to the FILABU River as you suggest. From TEFATIM to WANTIPI will probably be cut next year after the present wet season, which is expected to commence in earnest towards the end of next month.

Work is also progressing very satisfactorily on the LUMI/ Mt. TISUF (or Fatima) road and a day was spent correcting some grade pegs. (see Report No.3).

It is noted you have firmly decided on the policy of completing the road via WANTIPI through to AITAPE. Nothing has been said or done to indicate that this has not always been the intention.

Mr G. Cooke, C.P.O., has received tuition in road grading and location. Now that it has been definitely decided the Mt. SOMERO route is impracticable your decision as to his future posting is awaited.

(S.S. Smith)  
Assistant District Officer.



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No. Sub-District Office  
Sepik District,  
LUMI.  
16th October 1955

Assistant District Officer,  
Sepik District,  
LUMI.

SPECIAL REPORT No. 2 - 1955/56

INTRODUCTION :

The object of this Patrol was to reconnoitre the country between WANTIPI and AITAPE and to locate a route for a graded bridle track, returning to LUMI via Mt. SOMERO in the PORRICELLI RANGE. A secondary objective was to report on the possibilities of the Mt. SOMERO route.

DIARY:

- 24-8-55 Arrived LUMI from WEWAK.
- 25-8-55 Departed LUMI at 10:10, OTEI 10:40, FLOBUM 11:27 ERITEI 11:50 INEBUE 5:10. Spent time along the road looking at the work being done. Saw the natives cutting the road and also the type of country through which it had been pegged. Remained overnight at INEBUE (FATIMA) 4.
- 26-8-55 Departed INEBUE at 9:30, ERITEI 1:05 and arrived LUMI 4:50.
- 27-8-55 At LUMI.
- 28-8-55 Departed LUMI at 10:25 with one Policeman and twenty carriers MAMBITEI 11:20, UMBITEI 11:50, AMATIM 1:40, KARAITIM 2:30. Remained one hour and arrived TEFATIM 6:00.
- 29-8-55 Remained at TEFATIM till 3:00. Mr. G. WUNSCH and Mr. W. SIM of the Christian Mission to Many Lands arrived at 1:30. Departed TEFATIM in company with Messrs. WUNSCH and SIM and arrived WUKUBLE 3:55. Mr. SIM then departed for KARAITEM, and Mr. WUNSCH and self remained. WUKUBLE is in the AITAPE Sub-District.
- 30-8-55 Departed WUKUBLE at 7:45 with Mr. Wunsch, and arrived WANTIPI 9:55. At 11:30 Mr. Wunsch and self walked along the NUMU River, searching for a bridge site or ford. Then walked along the track site towards the FILABU River. Returned Rest House at 4:45.
- 31-8-55 Departed WANTIPI at 8:10. Mr. Wunsch returned to WUKUBLE. Crossed the FILABU River at 9:20. Arrived KALANDU at 12:05. Making enquiries concerning the local terrain in the afternoon.
- 1-9-55 At KALANDU. Reconnoitring possible road site. Heavy rain in afternoon. Policeman arrived with Altimeter.
- 2-9-55 At KALANDU. Departed at 8:00 to look at possible graded track site from the FILABU River. As the present native track follows the river beds it was necessary to cut our way through dense bush. Arrived at the top of Mt. AUBLEN (1030 ft.) at a point overlooking the bridge or ford sight selected by Mr. Wunsch. Arrived back at Rest House at 4:30.

- 3-9-55 After waiting for the river to subside due to heavy rain during the night, departed KALANDEU at 12:20 and arrived GOINIRI at 3:10.
- 4-9-55 The local inhabitants mislead me as to trackroute and so spent fruitless morning. They wanted the road to be diverted through their gardens. In the afternoon walked along the ridge which it is thought graded track would follow.
- 5-9-55 Departed GOINIRI at 9:00 and arrived WALWALI at 12:25. The the present track follows along the PIENNE River, bed.
- 6-9-55 Departed at 9:00 to examine local terrain. Once more we had to cut our way through the bush. The low lying hills on the left hand side of the PIENNE River (walking upstream) would seem to be the best place for the graded track site. There are no suitable bridge sites as the river is too wide but fords could be put at a number of points. Had a bout of malaria during the night despite all precautions.
- 7-9-55 Departed WALWALI at 1:20 and arrived NINGIAN at 3:20. From NINGIAN on the people have been instructed where road is to go. I was informed by the Lulais of these villages that they had been advised by AITAPE officers'.
- 8-9-55 Departed NINGIAN at 10:15 and arrived SIAUTE at 3:00.
- 9-9-55 Departed SIAUTE at 9:00 and arrived AITAPE at 2:00. Reported to Mr. J. Williams A.D.O. and gave him a short verbal report of my activities.
- 10-9-55 At AITAPE.
- 11-9-55 Departed AITAPE and arrived SIAUTE at 3:00 after 4 1/2 hours walking.
- 12-9-55 Departed SIAUTE at 9:55, WARININGI 10:20, LUPAI 1:25.
- 13-9-55 At LUPAI. Walked towards low line of hills where it was thought it would be possible to peg graded track. This range runs from SIAUTE to the base of the SOMERO Range.
- 14-9-55 Waiting for carriers from WILBEITEI to arrive. Making enquiries concerning local terrain.
- 15-9-55 Departed LUPAI at 9:45. Left most of the cargo at LUPAI. Arrived at camp site just above the SUGUM River at 1:00. Examined bridge sites and possible fording places in the afternoon.
- 16-9-55 Departed at 9:30 and walked from WANANURA (camp site) to a point just below Mt. SOMERO. Arrived at 2:30. A short walk to see type of terrain. Very difficult to ascertain from cursory examination, possibilities of graded track.
- 17-9-55 Departed SOMERO camp site at 9:00, WAU 12:00 and arrived WILBEITEI at 2:30.
- 18-9-55 Visited INEBUE (PATIMA) and discussed road matters with the Father in charge. Returned to WILBEITEI in heavy rain.
- 19-9-55 Departed WILBEITEI at 9:15. Arrived LUMI at 11:00 and discussed the road situation with SSM and Mr. Wunsch who was visiting the station. Arrived LUMI at 1:30.
- 20-9-55 to the 30-9-55 at LUMI.
- 1-10-55 Departed LUMI at 2:00, OTE 2:30, FLOBUM 3:00, ERITEI 3:45 remained till 4:30 and arrived MIWAUTE and WILBEITEI at 6:15.
- 2-10-55 At WILBEITEI distributing vegetable seeds and organising parties to go out and cut a track through the bush and to construct shelters at various points along the route.
- 3-10-55 At WILBEITEI. In afternoon had a look at the beginning of the track.

- 4-10-55. Departed WILBETTEI at 8:30 and walked through the bush along the newly cut track. This is just the bush cleared enough to walk through. Arrived at camp site at 1:30. The native name is TAU. I. Rained for over an hour. Supervised the construction of shelters.
- 5-10-55 Departed TAU TI at 8:30 and walked for 2 1/2 hours through bush then linked up with old track and arrived at SOMERO camp site at 11:40. Walked on to other camp site at TAUO. Heavy rain most of the afternoon.
- 6-10-55 Departed TAUO at 8:45 and arrived at WANANURA at 11:30. Thunder storm during the afternoon. Finished building the shelter at 6:15.
- 7-10-55 Departed WANANURA at 9:40, TAUO 12:00, SOMERO 12:20. Departed SOMERO and arrived WILBETTEI at 4:05.
- 8-10-55 At WILBETTEI, Mr. S. S. Smith A.D.O. LUMI arrived at 5:30.
- 9-10-55 to 14-10-55. On patrol with Mr. S. S. Smith A.D.O. LUMI. See LUMI Special Report No. 3 1955/56.

A clearer picture of the road work completed and what is what is yet to be done can be got by dividing the LUMI-WANTIPI-AITAPE road into sections.

LUMI - KARAITIM. There is a very good graded bridle track linking these two places. This road was commenced in August 1954 and completed in May this year, with an interval of three months during the wet season. The grading of this road was done by Mr. S. S. Smith A.D.O. LUMI, Rev. Fr. James O.F.M. with the YALIN and Mr. G. Wunsch. The road is about 8 to 8 1/2 miles long. Once the road was pegged the local natives cut the road.

KARAITIM - TEFATIM. After leaving Karaitim the road is out for a short distance and then follows the native track to within three-quarters of an hour's walk from Tefatim. This whole section has been pegged and work can commence at any point without interfering with the grade.

TEFATIM - WUKUBLE. Wukuble is the first village in the AITAPE Sub-District. This section of the road has also been pegged but owing to the small population in the area the cutting has not yet commenced, as the natives are working on the other section of the graded track.

WUKUBLE - WANTIPI. This section has also been pegged. But because the people in this section are helping the other people cutting has not commenced.

WANTIPI - KALANDU. Mr. Wunsch after careful reconnaissance has planned the direction of the road as far as the FILABU RIVER. This section has not been pegged as pegging is still continuing in the other section.

After crossing the FILABU River the road would possibly follow along the Mt. AUBLEN ridge. Would cross the MARHLEN River at 890 a.s.l. then continue along the ridge to the old Kalandu village a place called MENGU (890 ft.). Then along the range to Kalandu (850 ft.).

KALANDU - GOINIRI. The road would possibly follow along the KONFOLA Range, which passes on the left hand side of the village. The road on leaving the village would seem to follow this tentative route. INUFOLA River (855'), WANFELA River (860'), Ridge (910'), Top of Ridge (950'), WANFELA River (890'), Mt. FAIBLEN (1010'). This is the boundary mark between Goiniri and Kalandu. NENI River (855'). Then along flat ground to a small stream

RAUFULA (9855'). Then up a slope to RAUIKA Mount. (975'). Up to (1060') still on Mt. RAUIKA. The KUPUN River (860') . GOINIRI (860').

GOINIRI - WALWALI. Once again the tentative road site follows along the left hand side of the PIENNE River. This line of hills is not very high being an estimated (850'). There are no streams, except the PIENNE to be crossed in this section of the road.

WALWALI - AITAPE. I was informed by Luluais along this route that they had been instructed to begin cutting a road by Officers from Aitape. There are no pegs and in general it just seems to follow the old native track, and little if any attention has been paid to grading.

In general the terrain is fairly flat but there are occasional rises, and it is at these points that they need advice and direction. If this is not given then their inherent tendency to go straight up and down prevails.

#### CONCLUSIONS.

The second phase of the patrol was to examine the possibility of putting a graded track of Mt. SOMERO in the Torricelli Range. There would appear to be little difficulty in cutting the road from AITAPE to LUPAI. The first part would follow the same track as the LUMI-WANTIPI - AITAPE route. From LUPAI it would pass along the hills behind LUPAI and come to a possible bridge site at SUMEIO (840' A.S.L.) Here the range dips down on either side and there is a narrow section of the VALINGI River (75 ft. approx.) Then it winds around a hill and would once again have to cross the SUGUM River near the junction with the YALINGI. There is no possibility of a bridge but a fording site is available.

Once over the rivers it would appear to climb along the northern side of the SOMERO Range. There are some steep climbs in parts. Not having made a complete study of the whole area it would be difficult to give a definite answer as to the possibility of putting a reasonable grade. However it would appear that there may be a possibility of putting in a graded track. The mountain is covered with bush and a good view of the surrounding country could not be obtained.

At the times I did leave the track it seemed that it may be possible to put in a road.

Once over Mt. Somero and to WILBITI there is a nearly completed graded track nearly to LUMI itself.

#### NATIVE ATTITUDE TO THE ROAD.

All the way along both routes great interest and enthusiasm was shown by all the natives. It is the procedure for the natives in the area where the road is then being cut to build houses and stores for the natives from surrounding areas. Even natives whose villages are not along the new road will come and work. I was informed on numerous occasions by the natives themselves, that they were always well provided for when working away from their own sections of road work. Once the houses are built the women come and prepare the meals.

One of the main difficulties along the WANTIPI section is the sparse population. It is not uncommon to see natives working on the road from villages two or more days walk away.

The native have been told that the road is their road and at no time was mention made of payment (either monetary or in kind) for work done.

It is interesting to note that many villages are shifting from their old sites and moving to positions closer to the new road.

It is also found that the women can carry larger

quantities of food from the gardens and so do not have to spend time making trips to the gardens. The result is that they are able to spend more time in the village looking after the children and in keeping the village clean. This is not generally apparent but it is so in a number of cases.

The GOINIRI people were very keen to have the road diverted through their gardens, because they realized the benefits of having a graded track from their village to the garden.

Where the road has already been cut, the people have begun to plant vegetables and certain kinds of fruit trees along the side of the road. This serves a dual purpose. The first being to hold the soil, and the second is that the people have a plentiful supply of vegetables and fruits.

#### CONCLUSION.

On this patrol two routes were examined; namely the LUMI-WANTIPI-AITAPE and the MT. SOMERO routes.

From my enquiries and first hand observations and with some assistance from certain Europeans and Natives it would appear that a graded track could be cut from LUMI to AITAPE through WANTIPI. This route has been pegged as far as WANTIPI in the AITAPE Sub-District, which is approximately Twenty miles from LUMI. A little over half of this distance has already been cut. This leaves the section between WANTIPI and WARININGI to be pegged. The country between WARININGI and AITAPE is fairly level and should present no difficulty except for short stretch of swampy ground. However I have been informed that a member of the Franciscan Mission has commenced to fill in this section.

Work has begun on the NINGIAN side of WARININGI. However there are a few hills which need to be graded. The pegging of the section WANTIPI to WALWALI would take between three and four months.

Along this route there are eleven large rivers. It would be very difficult to bridge most of them so possible fording sites were noted. As this road would be unusable in the wet season when the rivers would be in flood, only fords would be necessary.

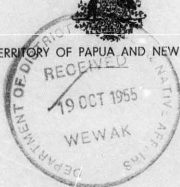
The population in this area is very small and therefore some outside assistance may have to be provided so as to alleviate the burden of work placed on these people.

The Mt. SOMERO route require a more thorough examination. However the natives are very enthusiastic and would like to see a road put over the range. There is a very small population on the LUPAI side of the range, but the WILBEITEI people have stated that they are willing to provide any assistance to the LUPAI people. The road has been pegged from a point the LUMI side of ERIFEI to WILBEITEI and beyond to INEBNE (FATIMA) a total distance of about five miles. Nearly one and a half miles has already been cut.

*G. F. Cooke*  
 .....  
 (G. F. Cooke, Cadet Patrol  
 Officer)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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No. LUM 31-1  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District.  
16th October, 1955.

District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

SPECIAL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1955/1956

INTRODUCTION -

The object of this patrol was to carry out the instructions contained in your memorandum WEW.24-1-10/937 of 28th September, 1955, namely -

- (a) to examine the Mt. SOMERO area of the TORRICELLI Mountains and to report on the practicability or otherwise of constructing with local native labour a road from LUMI which, with blasting, would eventually be suitable for light 4-wheel drive vehicles, and -
- (b) to train Mr. G. Cooke, Cadet Patrol Officer, in road grading and location.

DIARY -

- 8.10.1955 - Left LUMI Station at 1240 hrs. Saturday. Raining. Arrived OTE village 1310 hrs., FLOBUM 1405 hrs., BRITAI 1455 hrs. Called on Mr. W. Sim of Christian Mission to Many Lands to collect Altimeter. Arrived WILBETE Rest House 1730 hrs. Met by C.P.O. Cooke.
- 9.10.1955 - Sunday. In camp at WILBETE preparing gear, engaging carriers etc. for move tomorrow. Visited by Rev. Fr. Valentine of Franciscan Mission, Fatima.
- 10.10.1955 - Left WILBETE (2,900 ft.) with C.P.O. Cooke at 0805 hrs. Descended to MURUM Creek (2340 hrs.) at 0830 hrs. Crossed to SINGI Creek (2320 ft.) at 0845 hrs. Crossed to headwaters WENI Creek (2400 ft.) Ascended WENI and climbed steeply up southern fall of TORRICELLI Range to 'lookout' at 4180 ft. at 1025 hrs. - Wilbetei bearing 194° M. Climbed a short distance to SOMERO Pass (4350 ft.) Descended northern fall of TORRICELLI Range. Sighted coast at 4140 ft. - Aitape and off shore islands bearing between 40° and 52° M. (TUMLIO 41°, ALI 48°, SILIO 52° Magnetic). Descended northern fall of range to camp at 3320 ft. Camp site known as SMCORO. Raining.
- 11.10.1955 - Spent day examining spur from SOMERO Pass (4350 ft.) down to 2760 ft. level. Mist and rain made work difficult during afternoon.
- 12.10.1955 - Broke camp (3320 ft.) at 0730 hrs. leaving part of gear in charge Constable KOKIKOI. Descended along narrow stony spur to camp on right bank of SUGUN (Sumun) Creek (840 ft.) Camp site known as WANANUA. Examined possible bridge sites on

DIARY (continued) -

- 12.10.1955 - SUGUN (Summ) Creek and YALINGI River. Very heavy rain during the afternoon.
- 13.10.1955 - Broke camp on SUGUN Creek 0700 hrs. Climbed to 3300 ft. (SOMERO Camp). Packed gear left SOMERO camp and continued climb to SOMERO Gap, taking altimeter readings at 10 min. intervals. Descended from Gap (4360 ft.) steeply to WANKITI Creek on the southern fall (3540 ft.), MULMUI Creek (2680 ft.), SINGI Creek (2400 ft) and WILBETEI (2970 ft.). Left WILBETEI 1335 hrs. and followed graded track to RAUWITEI, arriving 1430 hrs. Camped RAUWITEI (2500 ft.) Raining.
- 14.10.1955 - Graded and located track between WIBOTEI and RAUWITEI. C.P.O. Cooke did most of the grading under supervision. Left RAUWITEI 1350 hrs. and arrived LUMI (1750 ft.) at 1620 hrs.

REPORT -

As mentioned in the introductory remarks, the object of this patrol was to report on the possibilities of constructing a graded M/T road from LUMI to AITAPE via Mt.SOMERO in the Torricelli Range.

via WANTIPI

A graded bridle track from LUMI to AITAPE is already under construction. The SOMERO route would, however, serve a large native population (between 3000 and 4000) who already have a native track over this route. Because of their keenness to cut a graded road C.P.O. Cooke was asked to make a preliminary reconnaissance of the area. This patrol, using the experience gained by Mr. Cooke to make a closer examination of the terrain, was able to arrive at more definite conclusions. These were, unfortunately, not favourable.

CONCLUSION -

A thorough examination of the southern fall of the Torricelli Range revealed -

- (i) that the spur down which it was hoped to find a route was in parts very narrow and composed of a large proportion of hard rock;
- (ii) the spur rose, in a distance of four miles, from 840 ft. A.S.L. to a pass at 4,350 ft. A.S.L. - or 3510 ft. This would necessitate a grade of at least 1 ; 5. In many places however, because of the formation of the spur, the grade would have to be considerably greater, e.g., from the 3300 ft. level to the Gap at 4350 ft. the grade would be in the vicinity of 1 ; 3 (see map).
- (iii) several large landslides which would make it impossible to zigzag the road on either side of the spur, thus reducing the grade. Two of these slides on the southern fall on either side of the Gap are at least 1000 ft. long and almost sheer. To attempt to cut a road across them would be extremely dangerous and out of the question.

Because of the above factors I have reluctantly come to the conclusion that it would not be possible to construct a graded M/T road suitable for light 4-wheel drive vehicles from LUMI to AITAPE via Mt.SOMERO.

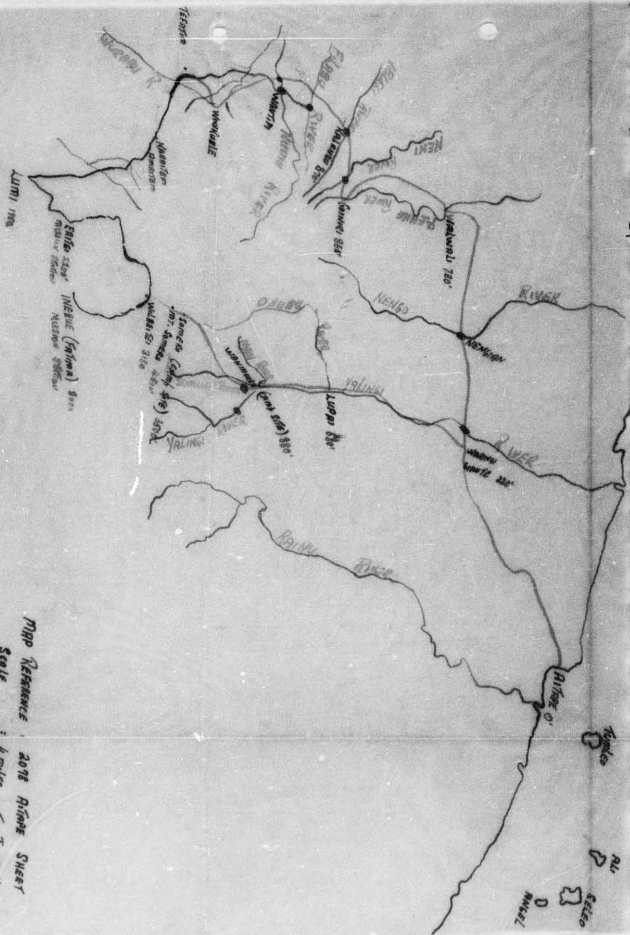
Mr. G. Cooke, Madet Patrol Officer, was instructed in the grading and location of roads. He carried out his duties with enthusiasm.

Assistant District Officer.  
(S.S. Smith)

*Smith*

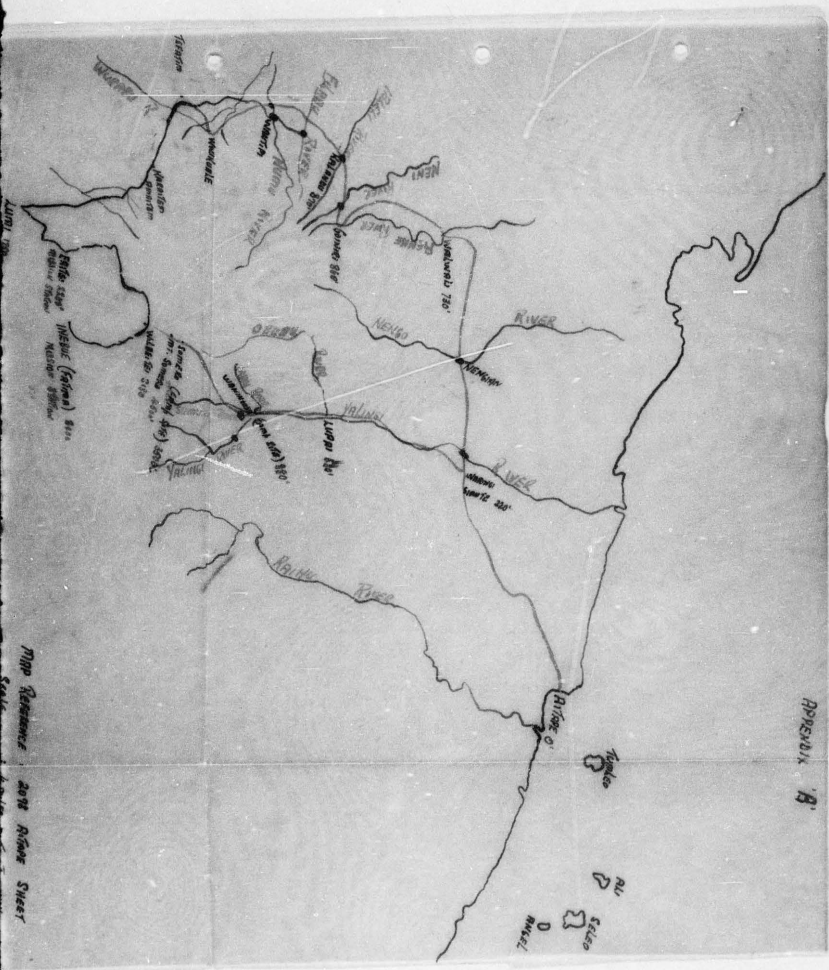






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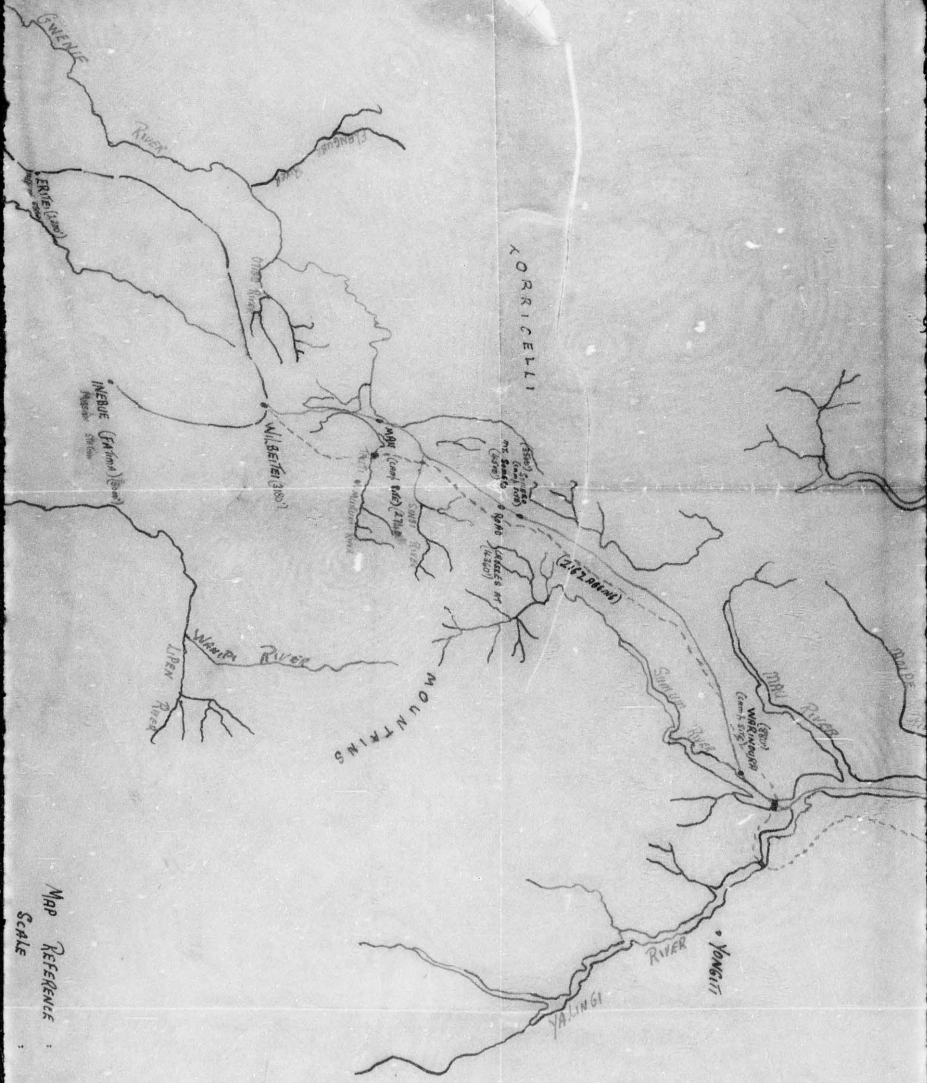
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Appendix B

Map Stations and River Shear





MAP REFERENCE : GENO WEST  
 SCALE : 1 mile to 1 inch





MAP REFERENCE : GEND WEST  
 SCALE : 1 mile to 1 inch

LEGEND :

- Thick Solid Line Completed
- Double Thick Dashed Lines for Carriage
- Single Thick Dashed Lines to be Rebuilt
- Thin Dashed Lines Proposed Reconnaisance
- Thin Solid Lines Proposed Routes
- Thin Dotted Lines Bridges or Pass Sites



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

# PATROL REPORT

District of SEPIK, Lum! Sub-District Report No. No.1 1955/56  
 Patrol Conducted by G.F.Cooke, Cadet Patrol Officer  
 Area Patrolled North-East Wapel, No.2 Wapel  
South-East Wapel  
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No.  
Natives 5 Constables, 2 N.M.O's, 20 Carriers  
 Duration - From 27/2/1956 to 13/3/1956  
 Number of Days Sixteen (16)  
 Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.  
 Last Patrol to Area by - District Services NOV/1954 S.E.Div  
MAY 55 N.E.Div. No.2 Wapel  
 Medical ... 1955  
 Map Reference AITAPE SHEET 4 Miles to 1 inch  
 Objects of Patrol (1) Revision of the Census  
(11) General administration.

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES  
 AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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*J. C. Cutler*  
 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 ... .. £ .....

MA.30.11.20

20th December, 1956.

The District Officer,  
Serik District,  
Wewak.

Patrol Report I-55/56 IMMI.

Please submit on all Patrol Reports two sets of  
census figures - one on the cover and one on the V P Register.

(This was certainly a whirlwind of a patrol and I  
cannot see how object No. 2 of the Patrol viz. "General  
Administration" could have been achieved.

(A.A. Roberts)  
Director. JIM

(71A)  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



WH.P.A.R. No.1/55-56/816 - Lumi

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
HEMAK

21st May, 1956.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY

PATROL REPORT No.1/55-56 CENSUS - LUMI

This is a highly concentrated population and directions have been given that it must be continually patrolled. This constant contact will eliminate the possibility of the so called "Cargo Cults".

Native Affairs: Remarks concerning abundance of food, housing and Village Officials are of interest. Native local Government Councils can perhaps be implemented in more sophisticated areas. Patrolling appears to be well conducted and I concur in the Cadet Patrol Officer's remark that good roads are of paramount importance.

*T. G. Atchison*

(T.G. ATCHISON)  
DISTRICT OFFICER

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



P.R. 1/55-56

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SUB DISTRICT OFFICE  
LUMI  
SEPIK DISTRICT  
19/4/56

The District Commissioner  
Sepik District  
WEWAK.

Patrol Report LUMI No.1-25/56.

P.R.1/55-56 of 12/4/56 refers.

Attached are two copies of figures left by Mr. CPO Cooke as census figures for the area patrolled.

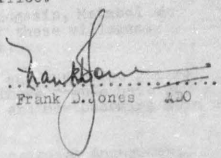
A study of the figures shows discrepancies and it appears as though the columns showing Totals (excluding absentees) really show Grand Totals including absentees. TEBALI village shows 46 males in the 16-45 age group yet has a total of only 32 males adults. It has been possible since the patrol to check some of the Village Books concerned and some discrepancies appear particularly in the number of males away under indenture. It would appear that the patrol was too hurried for accuracy.

According to a "record of recruits" book which is held at this office, a copy of which is held by each Recruiter in the area, a total of 22 villages from those censused by Mr. Cooke have been unofficially closed by mutual consent under the one third agreement system, and no more recruits can be taken from those villages without some repats being returned. It will be noted that Mr. Cooke found only 12 villages to be closed. It is unfortunate that figures for the whole Sub District are not as yet available, but it is hoped that the remaining villages can be censused and the system at present in force in the area will then control the whole Sub District.

It is hoped that in the near future some definite decision may be given so that recruits for J.A. Corrigan of Wewak, recruited in this Sub District may be engaged at this office.

For your information please.

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Frank J. Jones 430

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

LUM 30-3

Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, Sepik District.

16th March, 1956.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sepik District,  
LUMI

PATROL REPORT No.1 - 1955/1956

GENUS

- 27.2.56 Departed Lumi, and walked to Fatima (Inebul). Discussed matters with the people along the road. The graded track is unbroken from Rouvetel to Fatima. Remained overnight at Fatima.
- 28.2.56 Departed Fatima after inspecting the school. Amended the census at Kuruum, Wilium, Lingi, Mabud and Tange. Remained overnight at Tange.
- 29.2.56 Departed Tange after conducting a Census of Sainged and Tuara. On to Yili. Census amended and remained overnight.
- 1.3.56 Departed Yili and amended census of Bikil, Pimon, Ausini, Mabel, Yamoun, Laingim No.2 Musu and Wublakil. Remained overnight at Wublakil.
- 2.3.56 Departed after amending census of Lilal, then on to Soloku, Laingim No.1 Sikel and Mupum.
- 3.3.56 Departed Mupum and amended the census at Yemla and on to Yuwil. Remained overnight.
- 4.3.56 Remained Yuwil, amended Census of Auang, Nunsil, Weipln. Discussed and settled land dispute between Yuwil and Weigin.
- 5.3.56 Departed Yuwil and on to Brugap. Along the road amended the census of Mingil and Yankok. Slept at Brugap.
- 6.3.56 Departed Brugap and on to Bogasip, Maimbel and Rait. Conducted census at these villages. Remained overnight at Rait.
- 7.3.56 Decided to remain at Rait and supervise general clean up of the village. These people have had a bad reputation in the past but are now becoming more used to patrols.
- 8.3.56 Departed Rait and amended census at Anguganak, Winaluk, Witital and Yemnu. Remained overnight at Yemnu.
- 9.3.56 Departed Yemnu and censured Tumentoni and Puang. Remained Puang hearing complaints and inspecting Aid Post.

- 10.3.56 Departed Puang and conducted census of Witikin, Lipoam, Pingil and Nakil.
- 11.3.56 Remained Nakil, various complaints heard.
- 12.3.56 Departed Nakil and census Nemenbin. Complaints heard. Remained overnight.
- 13.3.56 Departed Nemenbin. Conducted Census of Karaite, Sibitel, Keigam, Witeili, Yutabi, Teballi, Teloteli, Milicom and Orutei. Then on to Lumi.

CENSUS

The main purpose of the patrol was to revise the Sub-District Census.

Over 9000 people living in 54 main villages were seen during the course of the patrol. Taken as a group there are 2185 men of recuitable age and of these 690 have been indentured; only a small number of these are working inside the district. There are thirteen over-recruited villages in the three census divisions visited.

New names were recorded in some of the more backward villages, such as RAUIT and MAIMBEL. This is a good indication of the increasing confidence in the intention of Administration patrol.

The attitude of the people to census is very good, and there were no absentees. It is thought that there are still a few who have not yet presented themselves for Census.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

Village life appears to be normal throughout the area. There is no shortage of food in any of the villages visited. Actually there is an abundance of foods such as sago, kau kau, taro, mame, yams and in a number of areas wild fowl and pig seem to be in plentiful supply.

The housing on the whole is satisfactory and there is evidence that the people are trying to improve their living conditions by building better houses and planting flowers in the villages.

The village officials seem to be aware of their duties and responsibilities and in general receive co-operation from their villages.

There are mission schools in most of the villages, and the children are at least getting some little schooling.

With reference to WEW.14-15/245 of the 9/2/56. Concerning the setting up of Native Local Government Councils, it is obvious that at present no attempt should be made in this area to set up Councils. A period of some years will be needed to bring these people up to the standard needed to commence Councils.

HEALTH AND HYGIENE

The health of the people in this area was good. However numerous people were ordered in to the Hospital at Lumi with ulcers and scabies.

Also some malnutrition cases were ordered to Lumi.

Over forty people with sores had to be ordered in to Lumi from the Aid Post at Puang.

The majority of the villages had good latrines and only a few had to be ordered to be rebuilt.

ROADS

The roads and tracks used by the patrol were all in reasonable condition. As most of the terrain is mountainous, the drainage of the tracks was good, and therefore firm underfoot.

No work has been carried out on the Lumi to Fatima road during the wet season, but work is due to begin early next month. The people are still very enthusiastic and I was informed that the villages near the parts of the road already out, sweep the road every week. The surface is very good and hard underfoot. A motor cycle could be ridden along it now.

MISSIONS

I visited the Christian Mission of Many Lands school at Eritei and Mr. Sim said the attendance was fairly regular with a daily average of about 30.

The Catholic Mission schools at Fatima, Yemmu and Yili conducted by the Franciscan Fathers have a good attendance. There are 240 pupils at Fatima, where there are four Sisters.

Attendance at school is becoming more regular and the benefits of Education was stressed on this patrol.

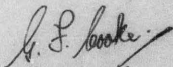
CONCLUSION

The friendly spirit was evident throughout the patrol. In nearly every village the writer was asked to recommend that schools and agricultural stations be opened in their areas. It was explained that at present a teacher and two Agricultural Assistants were at Lumi, and that it was impossible for each village to have one.

They are all enthusiastic to improve their conditions and if directed could be of invaluable assistance in the future expansion of the sub-district.



They were told that good roads were of paramount importance and I think their enthusiasm in this direction will not wane for some years. They can now see some return for their labour along the Lumi-Fatima and Lumi-Aitape roads. They were told not to build roads anywhere, but to wait for advice before commencing.



(G.F. Cooke)  
CADET PATROL OFFICER

# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR.....

Govt. Print.—7038/7.55.

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS														DEATHS		MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL			FEMALES			TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL			
		0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth		In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission	Males	Females		Pregnant	Number of Number of (percentage)	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults				
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NEMENSIN	12.3.56	9	5														1	2	3	2	7					12	38	13	33	1		32	32	47	36	147			
KARATEI	13.3.56	8	2			1	1							2	2		1	1	3	2	20					20	79	18	51			57	51	86	66	254			
SIRATEI	13.3.56	4	4					1	1					2			2		2	13						17	58	10	46	1		40	30	66	50	186			
KEIBAM	13.3.56	6	3					1						1			1	4	1	3	13					8	45	8	38	1		27	27	53	43	150			
TELOTEI	13.3.56	4	4					1						3			1	1	3		18					7	47	6	46			23	25	60	58	166			
TEBALI	13.3.56	1	3											1	5		1		1		23					14	46	15	31			40	54	32	38	164			
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NO FIGURES.







TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....Sepik..... Report No.....Lumi No. 2 - 55/56.....

Patrol Conducted by.....George D. Oakes, Patrol Officer......

Area Patrolled.....Wapei - West Sub-division......

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....-.....

Natives.....21.....

Duration—From.....30/4/1956.....to.....9/5/1956.....

Number of Days.....10 days......

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....No......

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../.....6/1955.....

Medical ...../.....3/1953.....

Map Reference.....Aitape sheet 4 miles to an inch......

Objects of Patrol.....1. Revision of Census......

.....2. General Administration......

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES  
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

2316 / 1956

*Stodd-Ornith*  
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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HA. 30.11.22

20th December, 1956.

The District Officer,  
Sepik District,  
Wewak.

Patrol Report 2-55/56 LUMI.

I agree that the patrol was hasty.

Mr. Cakes presents a neat report.

I am glad to see that construction of roads is proceeding well in the Lumi Sub-District.

(A.A. Roberts)  
Director. JAM

(2/A)  
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DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.

20th December, 1956.

Commissioner of Police,  
FORT MORESBY.

P/R. LUMI NO.2 1955/56.

The attached is forwarded for your information,  
please.

*A.A. Roberts*  
(A.A. Roberts.)  
DIRECTOR

*Lee Away*

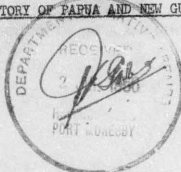
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.



WEW.P.R.No.2-55/56/937/Lumi.

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

14th June, 1956.

Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY

PATROL REPORT No.2-55/56 - LUMI

CENSUS

The vital statistics show satisfactory trends.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

A close watch should be kept on natives who are away from their villages for long periods. Further enquiries are to be made into the case mentioned in Para 1 under heading - Native Affairs.

ROADS.

The Officer writing this Patrol Report will, in the near future proceed again to this area and assist in Road locations. Further encouragement and assistance should be given Mr.Wunsch.

HEALTH

The area appears well provided for with Mission and Aid posts.

MISSIONS.

The Missions appear to be making a real effort in this area to assist with Education.

AITAPE - LUMI BORDER.

Adjustments to Sub-District Borders are being made.

The Patrol was of a routine nature. The fact that 29 villages were visited in a matter of ten days, leads me to believe that the Patrol was not a particularly thorough one.

In future routine Patrol Instructions will be given to Officers proceeding on patrol in this District.

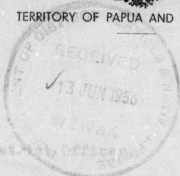
*T. G. Atkinson*  
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(T.G.ATKINSON)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

LUMIP.R. 2/55-56



In Reply  
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No. 30/1-55/56

Sub District Office,  
Lumi,  
SEPIK DISTRICT.

2nd June, 1956.

The Assistant District Officer,  
LUMI.

The District Officer,  
Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

Patrol Conducted by:

Area Patrol Patrol Report - Lumi No. 2 - 55/56.

Sub Info: Attached please find two copies of the above report.

Remarks: This patrol covered West Wapei area and appears to bear out the fact that the mutual agreement between the Recruiters and the Administration is working satisfactorily. Only 1 village, namely, MAIWETEM is .33% over recruited.

The patrol was very satisfactorily carried out and the native administration position in the area is good.

For your information, please.

Revalued by:

Next Patrol to Area:

Remarks of Recruiters:

DO.

(P. Jones)  
Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub District Office,  
Lumi.  
SEPEK DISTRICT.

9th May, 1956.

The Assistant District Officer,  
LUMI.

Patrol Report No. 2 of 1955/56.

<u>Patrol Conducted by:</u>	George D. Oakes, Patrol Officer.
<u>Area patrolled:</u>	Wapei - West Sub-division.
<u>Map Reference:</u>	Aitape sheet - 4 miles to 1 inch.
<u>Personnel Accompanying Patrol:</u>	Reg. No. 5141B L/Cpl. Huaranga. " " 7010 Const. Asias. " " 7624 " Duari. " " 8962 " Erieripi.
	N.M.O. Matape.
	Carriers - average 16.
<u>Duration of Patrol:</u>	30-4-56 to 9-5-56 - 10 days.
<u>Last Patrol to Area:</u>	D.N.A. - June, 1955. P.H.D. - March, 1953.
<u>Objects of Patrol:</u>	1. Revision of Census. 2. General Administration.

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DIARY.Monday, 30th April.

Left Lumi at 0855 hours. Along graded track to FULU CREEK ROAD CAMP, arriving 1010 hours (alt. 1600ft.) The people of MIMBITEI, YONGITEI, MINATEI No.2 and SUGOITEI Villages had gathered here for census revision which was carried out. Raining in afternoon. Made camp.

Tuesday, 1st May.

Departed from FULU CREEK ROAD CAMP at 0750 hours. Retraced our steps along the graded road towards LUMI until we came to the MIMBITEI turnoff. Inspected MIMBITEI Village (alt. 2000ft.) and then proceeded to YONGITEI at 0815 hours arriving at 0905 hours. Inspected village (alt. 2900ft.) and departed at 0935 hours. Arrived SUGOITEI Village (alt. 2900ft.) at 1000 hours and after inspection departed at 1005 hours. Arrived MINATEI No.1 (alt.3100ft.) at 1030 hours. Lined, inspected and censused the village before departing at 1230 hours. Reached the Roman Catholic Mission Station (Father Eugene, O.F.M.) at KARATEM (alt. 2300ft.) at 1330 hours after being caught in a heavy shower of rain. Reached the new AMAITEM Village, which is under construction at 1510 hours. Lined and revised the census of the inhabitants and inspected the new village. Arrived at KARATEM Rest House at 1600 hours, when KARATEM, PAI and WAI-ELI villagers were lined and censused. Made camp.

Wednesday, 2nd May.

Departed KARATEM Rest House at 0755 hours arriving at the new TOPUNGU Village which is still under construction, at 0850 hours. Lined and revised the census of the inhabitants of TOPUNGU before departing at 0940 hours. On the return journey to KARATEM Rest House inspected AMAITEM (old village) KARATEM and PAI.

Thursday, 3rd May.

Departed KARATEM for MAIWETEM at 0830 hours. Lined and revised the census of the inhabitants and inspected the village. After returning from MAIWETEM, departed from KARATEM for MOKAI at 1430 hours. The latter was reached after 2½ hours walk along a graded road. Made camp (alt. 1700ft.)

Friday, 4th May.

Departed MOKAI for INEPU after the village had been lined, the census revised and inspection completed. Followed a graded hand track for about 5 minutes before descending into the valley along a native pad. We were travelling on the bush track for 1½ hours before we reached the graded hand track which led us into INEPU. Made camp at INEPU Rest House (alt. 2000ft.) During the afternoon villagers from SIAMA and PURUABO were censused. At night discussed the state of roads in the area with Mr. G. Wunsch of the Christian Mission to Many Lands Mission, INEPU.

Saturday, 5th May.

Lined and revised the census of villagers from ALKUIA and INEPU settlements and settled a marriage dispute out of court before departing at 1130 hours. Descended about 1000 ft. to the MANAM River along a recently cleared track. Spent a pleasant hour walking along the banks of the MANAM River before climbing to KAKOI which was reached at 1400 hours. Lined and revised the census of KAKOI and KWAMPIM and inspected KAKOI Village. Made camp.

Sunday, 6th May.

Broke camp at KAKOI at 0825 hours. Descended along a cleared

track, forded the WENI River, and then climbed steeply to TIMENI Village. Villagers from TIMENI and KWATUM were here lined and censused and TIMENI Village was inspected before proceeding onto YEBIL (alt. 1550ft.) Reached the latter at 1105 hours. Made camp. Spent the afternoon in discussion with Mr. C. McKirdy of the Christian Mission to Many Lands, YEBIL.

During the afternoon sent L/Cpl. HAURANGA to WILKILI Village to investigate rumours that a native had been buried in a village house there yesterday.

Monday, 7th May.

Departed YEBIL at 1030 hours after lining and amending the census of the local inhabitants. Reached TWAITEI (alt. 1500ft.) at 1100 hours where the villagers were lined and censused and the place inspected. Departing from here we climbed on a native track to ERITEI No.2 (alt. 2150ft) which we reached at 1240 hours after an hour on the road. The village was lined, census amended and inspected before we moved onto URUTEI (alt. 1750ft.) over an unmaintained rough native pad. During this stretch we were drenched by a downpour of rain. Lined, amended census and inspected URUTEI Village before returning to YEBIL over another unmaintained native pad reaching the latter at 1645. Lined and amended the census of KALINGUM on arrival at YEBIL.

Tuesday, 8th May.

Broke camp at 0800 hours. Inspected the seven YEBIL Hamlets and then proceeded to WILKILI - 1½ hours walk from YEBIL. Lined, amended census and inspected the village. Heard a court case on burying a villager in a native dwelling before proceeding onto TAUWITEI ½ 40 minutes walking away over a reasonable track. Lined and amended the census then proceeded to LAU-UM and BURU-UM. Made camp BURU-UM - 1735 hours.

Wednesday, 9th May.

Lined and amended the census of the LAU-UM and BURU-UM natives and then inspected BURU-UM Village. Departed at 1130 hours for IUMI via WABUP.

END OF DIARY.

### Census.

The census of 29 villages with a total population of 3196 was amended on this patrol.

Eleven villages namely, - TWAITEI, ERETEI No.2; TAUWITEI, LAU-UM, WAI-ELI, TOPUNGU, KWATUM, MAIWETEM, PURUABO, INEPU and KWAMTIM - show a slight decrease in population. In all the villages taken as a group, and allowing for migrations there is a natural increase of only 6. This is over a period of 11 months since the last census.

Five villages are over-recruited and these are all only very slightly. It appears that the "one third absent" agreement with the local recruiters is working quite well.

Several new names were recorded. These have been incorporated in the "Migrations In" column of the Village Population Register. Most of these were in URUTEI.

### Native Affairs.

Village life in all the villages seemed to be normal. A complaint over marriage was settled out of court at INEPU. Two days before the patrol reached WILKILI word was received that a deceased native woman and her dead child had just been buried in a native house in the village. The woman concerned had given birth to twins, the first had died soon after birth while the second is still living. The natives concerned with the burial in the house appeared before the Court for Native Affairs and were sentenced to LUMI Gaol.

At INEPU, several natives came to me inquiring about the whereabouts of several of their relations whom they would like to see. Apparently, the following natives - EPEEI, POKI, SONAI and AIDOU - have been away as indentured labourers for at least five years without having returned to their village. I believe, that if a careful check be made of village books in this sub-district, names of quite a number of natives in the same position would be found.

Most of the villages were keen to see the patrol. Village officials, were generally keen and there was a good spirit amongst the natives when they lined for the census revision.

### Roads.

The graded bridle track which has been constructed as far as TEPATIM Hamlet of MOKAI Village was inspected. Numerous small landslides and fallen trees have blocked the road in many places. In several places where the road crosses rivers, flooding has washed away sections of the road. These are all understandable as the natives have not been working on the road during the "wet" season. Now that the "dry" season has commenced again, it is expected that clearing and cleaning of the road will again get under way. After leaving TEPATIM a small hand road about half a mile long exists to the next hamlet of MOKAI - MURABO. From MURABO on, all tracks are native pads. Most of these were in quite good condition but some such as the ERETEI No.2 - URUTEI, URUTEI - YEBIL, and YEBIL - WILKILI tracks had not been maintained. Orders were given to clear the scrub away from these tracks and generally make them easier to walk over. The KARATEM - MAIWETEM track was also in a bad state.

While at INEPU, Mr. G. Wusch of the Christian Mission to Many Lands told me ~~that~~ of his proposal to construct a graded track west of INEPU which will link up the villages - PIAGO, GARA and MOIMO. Apparently the natives of these villages, which are in the ATAPEE Sub-district, are keen to help in the construction of this hand track.

Health.

The health of the natives seen was quite good. Only ten natives were sent to IJUMI Hospital, mainly with tropical ulcers, while 140 minor cases were treated by N.M.O. WATAPE, who was accompanying the patrol.

The area south of INEPU is well covered with Aid Posts etc., as both the missions at INEPU (Mr. G. Wunsch) and YEBIL (Mr. O. McKirdy) run aid posts while there are Aid Post Orderlies at KAKOI, TIMENI, and WILKILL.

Both the missions also run baby health clinics. Mr. O. McKirdy at YEBIL also runs a pre-natal clinic. It appears that most of the mothers-to-be from YEBIL and nearby villages are visiting him, sometimes, if not regularly.

These mission stations are doing valuable work and it appears to me that the natives are beginning to realise that it is for their good.

Hygiene.

The hygiene, of the areas visited on the whole was quite good. In several places dilapidated houses were ordered to be rebuilt. Several pit latrines which were seen were in a bad state and orders were given for new ones to be constructed.

At BURU-JUM it was found that one pit latrine existed but had not been used as the natives were excreting and urinating over a nearby steep slope. Orders were given for the hillside to be cleared and cleaned and new pit latrines to be constructed. Orders were given for several dilapidated houses in the village to be demolished and new ones constructed. It is expected that a police constable will visit the place shortly to see that the orders are being carried out.

All villages without rubbish holes were told to construct them.

Missions.

Three mission stations were visited during the patrol - the Roman Catholic Mission at KARAITEM (Father Eugene O.P.M.) and the Christian Mission to Many Lands stations at INEPU (Mr. G. Wunsch) and YEBIL (Mr. O. McKirdy). All of them are conducting schools with the following approx. attendances.

Roman Catholic	Karaitem	-	104	students.
	Minatei No.1-		45	"
	Yongitei	-	60	"
C.M.M.L.	Inepu	-	100	"
	Yebil	-	85	"

Rest Houses.

These are not elaborate but are adequate. In several villages instructions were given to repair the Rest Houses.

The BURU-JUM Rest House was in very bad shape. Orders were given to rebuild this in a site marked.

Several Rest Houses were equiped with buckets while one Iuluai said he was hoping to purchase a pressure lamp in the future for his rest house.

Food.

There appears to be no shortage of food in the area. The patrol was supplied with quite a number of fowls and two pigs as well as a number of wild fowl eggs. We had no difficulty in buying native food stuffs such as taro, bananas, sweet potatoes etc.

Aitape - Lumi Border.

While at TEPATIM a delegation was received from WUGUBLE Village which is in the Aitape Sub District. They said they wanted to be incorporated in the Lumi Sub-district. Recently they have moved their village to a new site only half an hours walk from TEPATIM (MOKAI). The proposed Lumi - Aitape road will pass very close to their new village. From their new site to WANTIPI it is apparently 1½ to 2 hours walk, where they have usually been censused. WUGUBLE, also, apparently belongs to the WAPEI Group. It is suggested that they be incorporated in the West Wapei Subdivision of the Lumi Sub district.

At INEPU a similar delegation was received from PIAKO. Apparently the following villages in the Aitape West Coast Inland Subdivision, would also like to be incorporated in the Lumi Sub District. - PIAKO, KARA, MOLMO, KABORI and WUNDU. From the accompanying map it will be seen that one village, WUNDU, and the larger hamlet of MOLMO already exist in the Lumi Sub district, geographically. These have apparently always lined for census at ISLOLI Hamlet of MOLMO. On examining the village book of PIAKO it was found that past patrols from Aitape have recommended that these villages be incorporated in the Lumi Sub-district. These include recommendations by Mr. Purdy, P.O., and Mr. H. West, A.D.O. who were in the past stationed at Aitape. Reasons given were difficulty in ascending NABU Cr. from KALAU and the relative distances the villages are from the sub-district headquarters - 5 days from Aitape and 2 days from Lumi. The natives concerned would appreciate some definite decision regarding their position.

Conclusion.

Two separate groups of natives were covered by this patrol. The group of natives in the KARATEM area have a capable and level headed leader in PAINEL, the luluai of KARATEM. They are keen to clean up the road now that the "dry" season has commenced and plant more gardens and rebuild their villages along the new road. They certainly appear a progressive people. On the other hand the villages south of INEPU have no distinct and capable leaders. They are a happy people but at present have no thoughts for the future.

The Mission Stations are doing very good work in their respective areas.

*George D. Oakes*

George D. Oakes.  
Patrol Officer.

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Appendix "B"

## VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

P.R. 2-55/56.

YEAR 1956

Lumi Sub District

Govt. Print-7038/745.

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	DEATHS														MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL				
		BIRTHS		0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	IN		OUT		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		MALES	FEMALES	Present	Nature of (working case)	Average Size of Family		Child		Adults	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					M	F	M	F
		10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45																													
Mimbitei	30/4/56	2	2						1	2			1				2			4		4			1		5	19	4	25	2	25	16	15	14	28	82	
Sugoitei	"	4	1				1														4							8	21	4	14	-	8	13	10	24	20	71
Minatei 2	"	1	1																	1	1					5	4	12	5	15	-	7	8	14	11	15	55	
Yongitei	"	2	1													2	2	1	3							2	20	58	10	43	1	28	34	27	63	54	199	
Minatei 1	4/5/56	4	3													2	2	1	1							15	17	46	15	39	3	31	39	27	44	54	180	
Amsaitem	"	-	-													2	1		1							3	4	13	4	16	2	12	5	4	14	20	50	
Karaitem	"	6	1																		9					2	5	31	9	36	2	24	25	27	28	44	135	
Pai	"	2	2	1																	12						13	40	3	29	1	22	24	11	35	31	113	
Wai-eli	"	1	1																		2						1	12	2	11	1	8	5	8	13	12	40	
Tofungu	2/5/56	2	-				1										1				3						5	11	8	18	2	16	16	8	12	27	66	
Maiwetem	3/5/56	2	1				1										1	1								9	9	26	13	26	2	18	18	30	27	35	119	
Mokai	4/5/56	1	2	1			1										1									1	11	27	5	29	2	20	15	15	32	34	103	
Puruabo	"	1	-						1	1											3						4	15	2	8	1	6	8	4	19	9	43	
Siama	"	3	-								2						1										5	20	2	8	-	7	9	7	27	10	53	
Alkula	5/5/56	2	1				1														1						10	25	5	24	3	24	22	22	34	29	108	
Inepu	"	5	5	1	1	2					1	1	3						1	1							21	17	85	10	68	6	57	44	44	86	85	280
Kwamtin	"	1	-				2	1									1										2	13	2	8	3	7	10	5	15	9	40	
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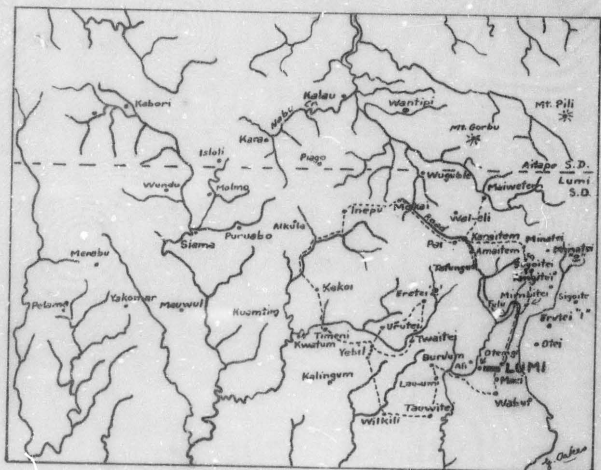
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# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1956

Govt. Print—7452/745

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL				
		0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		MALES		FEMALES		Number of Children	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			M		F	M	F	
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Timani	6-5-56	2	-				1				1			1	1			7								2	21	4	16	2	12	13	11	21	18	70		
Kwatum	"	1	-	1							1	1			1			3								2	14	4	12	3	9	7	10	15	13	48		
Yebil	7-5-56	4	1		1		2				1	1		3	1			15								21	54	15	59	8	55	44	30	67	80	236		
Twaitci	"	1	-			1					1			1	1			5								5	35	8	24	2	22	15	16	34	24	99		
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Uruti	"	1	-								1			3	3			1								-	16	3	17	4	13	18	11	20	19	67		
Kaliqum	"	2	2				1								1			9								4	36	9	24	3	19	23	15	31	30	108		
Wil'oli	8-5-56	2	2	1							3			2	1			6								10	37	5	33	5	29	19	12	42	38	117		
Tauwiti	"	2	1	1							1	3		1				15								14	59	12	46	3	41	32	28	72	59	206		
Lau-ven	9-5-56	1	-	1	1	1					1							9								6	34	8	26	-	24	20	12	33	32	107		
Bura-ven	"	2	1								1				1			8								3	29	1	25	1	21	18	14	28	27	93		
Grand Total		57	33	3	6	3	3	5	8	3	1	2	1	18	26			6	22	5	14	10	1	211			15	225	900	190	710	71	621	570	485	953	749	3196



LUMI P.R. 2-55/56

Scale - 4 miles to 1 inch

Patrol Route ----



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of..... SEPIK ..... Report No. 3-55/56

Patrol Conducted by..... Frank D. Jones ADO .....

Area Patrolled..... North East WAPSI .....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... Nil .....

Natives..... RP & NGC 2 NMO 1

Duration—From 31/5/1956 to 6/6/1956

Number of Days..... 7

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... March /1956

Medical .... April /1956

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol... (1) Census Revision (2) Inspection of Graded Bridle Track  
(3) Check Recruiting Situation (4) Routine Administration.

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES  
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

*23/6/1956*

*Stall-Smith*  
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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Year.....1956.....

## Village Population

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												MIGR.		
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Female to Male Births		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F
	1956																	
FLOBUM	May 31	4	3					1							1			2
TAUWETEI	31	3	1												1			
SIBOTEI	June 1	4	2											1			1	
EREFEI	1	8	8					1	1					1	2		1	
SIGAITEI	May 31	2	2						1					1	1		2	
MIWAOTEI	June 2	7	4			1		1			2	2		1			3	
WAGOITEI	1	1	5								1						1	
WILBEITEI	2	1	1														1	
WAUBOTEI	2	1	3			1						1				3		
SAROTEI	2	2	1					1		1					2			
HAPSEI-IM	4	5	4							1				2	3		1	
TOLGETI	4	6	4					1						2	2			
WIGOTEI	4	6	4					1		1	1			1	2			
KUPOAM	5	2	4												1		2	
KARATEI	5	7	1											1	2			
KIMWATEI	5	3	-											2				
RAUWETEI	5	1	5					2		1		1		1	3		1	
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# Population Register

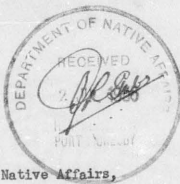
Area Patrolled... N.E. WAPI .....

In Child Birth	MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK								LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL			
	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		STUDENTS				Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Breast Feeding Age	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults				
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



WEN.P.R.3-55/56/952

District Headquarters,  
Sepik District,  
WENAK.

16th June, 1956.

Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY

PATROL REPORT - LUMI No.3/55-56.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The situation appears satisfactory.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

The Officers concerned are to be highly commended in the work they have done.

HEALTH

Cases of malnutrition should be sent to the Lumi hospital immediately.

GENERAL

The frame work for the Council will be set up in this area in the not distant future.

The census check of three villages a day does not allow much time for proper investigation of the difficulties of the people or their mode of living in the villages; or, a check on their gardens etc.

*J. L. Aitchison*  
(T.G. AITCHISON)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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Sub District Office  
LUMI  
SEPIK District  
11/6/56

The District Officer  
Sepik District  
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT - LUMI. No. 3-55/56.

Area Patrolled: North East WAPSI

Patrol Conducted By: Frank D. Jones ADO.

Patrol Accompanied By: Europeans - Nil

Natives - RF & NGC 2  
NMO 1

Duration: 31st May 1956 - 6th June 1956. incl.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany: No

Last Patrol of Area: IWA. March. 1955  
PHD. April 1956.

Objects of Patrol:

- (1) Census revision
  - (2) Inspect graded bridle track.
  - (3) Check Recruiting Situation.
  - (4) Routine Administration.
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DIARY:

- Thursday 31st. May: Left LUMI, checked census FLOBUM, TAUWETEI and SIGAITEI. Reached RAUWETEI. Slept.
- Friday, 1st. June : Visited ERETEI, SIBOTEI and WAGOITEI. Lines and inspected. Returned RAUWETEI. Slept.
- Saturday, 2nd. June: Visited WILBEITEI, MIWAUTEI and WABUTEI. Checked census. Also SARBOTEI. Returned RAUWETEI. Slept.
- Sunday, 3rd. June : Moved cargo from RAUWETEI to WILBEITEI. Slept.
- Monday, 4th. June: Lines and checked census, WIGOTEI, HAPSEI-IM and TOLGETI.
- Tuesday, 5th. June : Moved cargo back to RAUWETEI. ADO moved to KUMNATEI and KARAITAI at FATIMA Mission. Lines and checked census and returned via WILBEITEI to RAUWETEI. Slept.
- Wednesday, 6th. June: Left RAUWETEI on return route. Lines OTEI, checked census and reached LUMI.

Patrol Completed.

INTRODUCTION: The purposes of the Patrol were to check recruiting figures, to inspect the graded bridle track under construction between LUMI and FATIMA, and to attend to routine Admin. matters.

The area covered is fairly heavily populated and in close contact with Missions and Administration, consequently no difficulty in moving was encountered.

NATIVE AFFAIRS: The native situation appeared very satisfactory and cooperation and assistance were experienced in all of the eighteen villages contacted.

No evidence of the alleged "Cargo" outbreak near FATIMA was noted and it would seem as though the non appearance of Christ the Saviour, and Government intervention caused the likely uprising to collapse for want of substance. The whole thing was tamed to appear at Easter and was definitely tied up with Easter stories of resurrection etc. However the more level headed of the community gave no backing and the matter can be considered closed.

The LULUAI, AUWUK and the leader MAUS of RAUWETEI and WILBEITEI respectively are solid citizens and appear to realize that some work is necessary before results can be forth coming. The native Camillus ANEBE of SIGAITEI village is claimed to be an influential man although very eccentric. It is thought that this man with his mission schooling may have been behind the "cargo" story. The RC Father at FATIMA informed me that he was almost certain that the story had originated with ANEBE.

Very few complaints were brought before the patrol, but it was noted that in a number of cases where a man had two wives, either the first or the second wife was given to some other man in the village although the children remained with the father.

NATIVE AFFAIRS (cont.)

ROADS AND BRIDGES: The construction of the graded bridle track to connect LUMI with FATIMA is still causing some concern in parts. It is hoped that when the road itself is completed some blasting can be carried out on the rock faces to widen these small portions.

A further 2-3 months should see the road completed. With the completion of the road a population of more than 3000 people will be within one hour of the station by Motor Bike, and a requisition will shortly be forwarded for a Motor Bike to enable these people to be visited more easily.

The grading and siting of this graded track is a credit to these officers of the Admin. and the private people who were concerned with its commencement.

It is still a distinct possibility that a track can be graded through to Aitape and this will be looked into as soon as the present work is completed. At present the motor cycle at FATIMA covers a normal 3 - 3½ hour's walk in a very short time indeed, and it is interesting to see a missionary on a motor bike with headlight shining, cruising along the track at night.

A long stretch of road which cuts off the climb over Flobum Mountain still remains uncompleted.

CENSUS: With the exception of a few villages, a natural increase in population was noted (126 births as against 63 deaths). It is noted that a number of the old people are now reaching their limit, and over the next five years a number of deaths will be recorded in this group.

New books will have to be issued during the next patrol of the area and it is proposed to issue new books to all villages during the 1956-57 patrolling.

OFFICIALS: Officials on the whole were satisfactory with odd ones really efficient. The people are however co-operative and this takes a deal of weight off the shoulders of the official.

HEALTH: Health was reasonable throughout, although a certain amount of malnutrition was clearly noticeable amongst small children, whereas in nearly all cases the 0 - 1 year group were plump.

The area visited is served by the R.C. Mission and the Christian Mission to Many Lanas as well as by Admin. Aid Post Orderlies.

AGRICULTURE & STOCK: Food supplies are adequate and no shortage need be expected. A small area of rice is being grown by the leader, MAUS, of WILBATEI, but the area will have no commercial value. A good quality breed of pig is being obtained from Aitape and is much prized.

Dogs are particularly poor and a number will have to be destroyed.

Fowls appear fairly numerous, and are of all colours and breeds.

GENERAL:

As yet no Village Councils have been started in the area and it is thought unlikely that attempts to start a Council would be successful for some time to come.

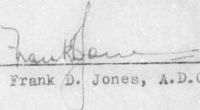
The people in the area visited appeared happy and co-operative with the main problem being the obtaining of wives. Some of the people favour an exchange of women and others favour a straight payment. However the system of an engagement period or testing period whereby the proposed bride lives with her mate's people for a long period to check whether the girl is a fit and capable worker to be their son's bride, is meeting some resistance from Missions. It will be some time before the effect of this can be noted, and some other form of finding a wife will then probably arise.

A separate memo has been written covering recruiting in this area, and it is hoped some steps can be taken to remedy the present position. A resume of the position will be attached to this report.

In general, the affairs of the area visited are satisfactory and it is hoped that within the next three months the remainder of the LWMI sub-Division can be covered.

A patrol to the SOUTH WAPRI commences on June 13th.

For your information please.

  
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Frank D. Jones, A.D.O.

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## APPENDIX "A"

## SUMMARY OF RECRUITING FIGURES.

Date.	Village	Total absent from Village.	Total Potential 16-45 age gr.
6/6/56	RAUWETEI	17	56
"	OTEI	25	52
"	KUMNATEI	7	27
"	KARAITEI	7	22
"	KUPOAM (KUPUUM)	25	66
"	WIGOTEI	43	103
"	TOLGETI	6	38
"	HAFSEI-IM	15	64
"	SARBOTEI	8	35
"	WABUTEI	8	34
"	WILBEITEI	8	40
"	WAGOITEI	7	34
"	MWAUTEI	11	61
"	SIGAITEI	18	41
"	BRETEI (No.1)	19	54
"	SIBOTEI	11	25
"	TAUWETEI	3	10
"	FLOBUM	4	19

It will be noted from the above list that 6 villages are over-recruited.

From our recruiting book these villages have been over-recruited for a time and have been closed by mutual consent of Admin. and Recruiters in this area.

However it is noted that over-recruitment of the villages of OTEI, SIBOTEI, KUPOAM (KUPUUM), SIGAITEI and BRETEI (No.1) are only over-recruited because of those people absent within the Sepik District. This is mainly caused by Mission recruiting both for local stations and for Aitape stations. The Mission people and the Aitape plantations do not consider it necessary to notify this office of labour recruited by them from the LUMI Sub District.

Since the above figures were obtained on 6/6/56, a further 10 males have gone to AITAPE from KUPOAM (KUPUUM) village to work at St. ANNA Mission. This raises the KUPOAM figures to 35 absent out of 66 who are available from the village for work.

This is a state of affairs which is not satisfactory from any point of view as a village which is closed to Recruiters should also be closed to Mission for the same reason.

It is intended to request the ADO at AITAPE to organise the return to their village of these 10 men and also to request the return of the man who recruited them, as he is believed to be a renegade teacher boy from KUPOAM village.

For your information please.

Frank D. Jones ADO.