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PATROL REPORT OF: KIRUKU

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CENTRAL DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

1958/59

KAIRUKU

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
<u>KAIRUKU</u>		
1 - 58/59 (Special)	D.J.Lawrey	Nara
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2 - 58/59	E.V.Smith	Waima Kivori Census Division
3 - 58/59	K.A.Brown	Kabadi Census Division
4 - 58/59	E.V.Smith	Kuni Census Division
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9 - 58/59	D.J.Lawrey	Kuni Census Division
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11 - 58/59	D.J.Ayling	Bush Mekeo Census Division

Lawrey D. 1958/59

KAIRUKU PATROL REPORTS 1958/59

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU Report No. KAI 1 / 58-59 (SPECIAL)

Patrol Conducted by D. J. LAWREY, C.P.O.

Area Patrolled NARA

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.

Natives 4.

Duration—From 23 / 9 / 19 58 to 3 / 10 / 19 58

Number of Days 10.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 30 / 5 / 19 57

Medical DECEMBER / 19 54

Map Reference 4 miles to 1" strat. series.

Objects of Patrol 1. To repair the OROI bridge.

2. To repair the DELENA → OROI road.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ /19

District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £ NIL.

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund NIL.

Pop

Per 13	Females in Child Birth	M
F		

30-1-94

2nd December, 1958.

The District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESEY.

Special Patrol Report No.1. 1958/59.
Kairuku.

Receipt of the abovementioned
Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

The report calls for little
comment other than that Mr. Lawrey has ob-
viously done a good job and has displayed
initiative and a capacity for hard work.

A.A.R.
PT (A.A. Roberts.)
Director.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 31-4/490

District Office
Port Moresby

28th October, 1958.



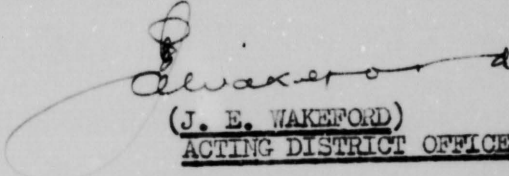
JEN/MR

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

SPECIAL PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU NO. 1 - 58-59

Attached please find Special Patrol Report KAI.No. 1-58-58.

Mr. Lawrey has done a very good job of work and no doubt will benefit from the experience.


(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT



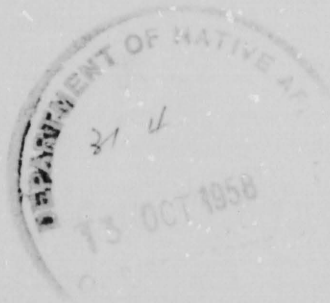
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply
Please Quote*

No. 31-1-2

Sub District Office,
Kairuku.

9th October, 1958



District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

SPECIAL PATROL KAI.1 OF 58-59

Attached is report by Mr. C.P.O. Lawrey
for your information and comment please.

2. The object of the patrol was achieved in
that OROI bridge was rebuilt and a section of the 30 mile
motor road regraded.

3. Mr. Lawrey will benefit by experience he
gained in handling native labour and camping out.

4. Camping Allowance Claim is attached for
approval.

5. Could the Camping Claim for the last RORO
patrol by Mr. Lawrey be returned please (No. 5 of 58/59).

(K.A. Brown)
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply
Please Quote

No.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

6th. OCTOBER, 1958.

Assistant District Officer
KAIRUKU.
Central District.

SPECIAL REPORT.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU No.1 1958 - 59.

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL. D.J.LAWREY. C.P.O.
AREA PATROLLED. NARA.
PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING PATROL. POLICE: 9419 Const. MUDAI.
 DRIVERS: JOE BRAY.
 WILLIE MIRIA.
 BENI MIRIA.
DURATION. From. 25.../. 9.../. 58.
 To .3.../. 10.../. 58./

INTRODUCTION.

- The object of the patrol was:-
 (a) to repair the flood damaged OROI bridge; and,
 (b) to repair the road from OROI to DELENA.

DIARY

TUESDAY, 23rd. Sept.

Left KAIRUKU 0800hrs. by launch for DELENA.
Arrived DELENA 0830hrs.
Thence by tractor to OU'OU
Arrived 1000hrs.
Equipment transported; road inspected.

WEDNESDAY, 24th. Sept.

Left OU'OU 0800hrs. by tractor and trailer.
Arrived OROI 0930hrs.
Equipment transported; Bridge inspected.

THURSDAY, 25th. Sept.

Petrol arrived OU'OU; tractor sent to collect.
2 ~~xxx~~ 60' hardwood logs hauled to bridge site.
Old decking removed; old bearers left in position
to aid movement of new bearers.

FRIDAY, 26th. Sept.

Remaining logs hauled to bridge site.
Buttress laid on ~~wast~~ bank.
Two bearers moved into position.
Grading of road on OU'OU side commenced.

DIARY (contd)

SATURDAY 27th Sept.

Assistant District Officer arrived and inspected bridge.
Returned with Mr. Brown to KAIRUKU.

SUNDAY 28th Sept.

At KAIRUKU.

MONDAY 29th Sept.

Returned to OROI.

TUESDAY 30th Sept.

Constructed buttress on OU'OU bank.
Laid remaining two bearers.
Work continued on road.
Adzing begun on bearers.

WEDNESDAY 1st Oct.

Bearers adzed and decking laid.
Wires secured in case of floods.
Runners laid.
Bridge completed.
Approaches ploughed; grading commenced.

THURSDAY 2nd Oct.

Approaches completed, work continued on roads.

FRIDAY 3rd Oct.

Returned KAIRUKU.

END OF PATROL

GENERAL INFORMATION

The DELENA-HISIU road is important for easy access to the plantations between OU'OU Creek and KANOSEA where trouble frequently occurs. All plantations are accessible by launch but the journey is slow especially when low tides limit times of arrival and/or departure.

THE OROI BRIDGE

In 1947 Apanaipi Prospecting Company constructed a culvert across the OROI Creek using 6' Armco's and filling in with earth. This proved unsuccessful. The Armco's were not large enough to take the volume of water when the river was in flood.

The site was shifted one hundred yards downstream where the banks were not as high but consisted of sedimentary rock. Here, the Department of Native Affairs built a bridge to span the creek. Again ~~it~~ it was washed away. It was temporarily repaired at the same site.

On this current patrol the original site was examined but rejected for the present site on the grounds that neither the allocation nor the equipment was large enough to complete the work successfully.

Four bearers sixty feet in

THE OROI BRIDGE (contd)

length were cut and hauled to the site of the repaired bridge. On both sides four posts were sunk four feet into the rock and filled in with coconut trunks, rock, and earth, thus raising the ~~of the~~ bridge approximately four feet. The four bearers were laid in position, adzed and decking of twelve feet by five inches by three inches nailed to them. Across the decking runners of 14' X 6" X 1 1/2" were laid.

For the work 19 OROI village ~~WBRKAX~~ people were employed at a total cost of £33/9/0 for five days.

THE ROAD

Previously, the approaches to the bridge were dangerous after rain due to the steep declines on both sides of the bridge. These were leveled out using a Ferguson ~~rough~~, a blade terracer, and a 15' grader. The road was cambered to prevent erosion and so minimize damage to the road in the wet season.

The intervening road between OROI and DELENA was repaired in the same manner.

Although work has been done on the road consistent attention will be necessary to maintain it. If however, equipment was available to transport loads of crushed, decomposed coral found in large deposits near OU'OU Creek, to seal the road, maintenance would be reduced to a minimum.

END OF REPORT.

David J. Lawrey
 DAVID J. LAWREY.
 (Cadet Patrol Officer)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/11/58

Amount
Returned
to

In Reply
Please Quote

No. 31-4/506

District Office
Port Moresby

31st October, 1958.



JEM/1R

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

SPECIAL REPORT NO. 2 - 58/59 - SUB DISTRICT KAIRUKU

Please find attached Special Report from the Assistant District Officer, KAIRUKU.

- x 24-3-2 Road Report. This has been noted and work is proceeding on the grading and laying of runners on the three bridges.
- x 24-3-1 The District Commissioner has been asked to have £250 made available.
- x 14-2-6 This has been passed to you for information.
- 17-4-1 The District Agricultural Officer has promised action on this matter.
- 24-1-1 Advice from the District Commissioner is awaited.

*correspondence
not yet received*

J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT.

District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

APPENDIX A

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

SPECIAL

PATROL NO. 2 OF 58/59 SUB DISTRICT: KAIRUKU. DISTRICT: CENTRAL

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL: K. A. Brown, A.D.O. 1

CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED: MEKEO

- OBJECTS OF PATROL:
1. Visit to three Agricultural Stations.
 2. Road maintenance.
 3. General administration and observation.

DATE COMMENCED PATROL: 21.10.58

DATE COMPLETED: 27.10.58

DURATION: 6 days.

24-3-2 Road report, District Officer.

24-3-1 Angabunga Breakthrough, D.O.

14-6-2 Mekeo Situation, D.O.

17-4-1 Labour Quarters D.A.S.F. Stations, D.O.

24-1-1 Heavy Equipment, D.C. copy D.O.

(K.A. Brown)

Patrolling Officer

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District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA

PATROL DIARY KAIRUKU SPECIAL PATROL NO. 2 OF 58/59
MEKEO CENSUS DIVISION
K.A. Brown, A.D.O.

Tuesday, 21st October, 1958.

Left Kairuku noon by launch. Unloaded road machinery and transported it to INAUAIA.

Wednesday, 22nd October, 1958.

Inspected ANGABUNGA breakthrough. Supervised work parties on road work.

Thursday, 23rd October, 1958.

To ORIOPETANA, EBOA and INAUAIA villages. General administration.

Friday, 24th October, 1958.

Supervision breakthrough and road work. Discussions with Agricultural Officer, Mr. Mulder, and Father Verjus.

Saturday, 25th October, 1958.

At JESUABAIBUA village. Routine tasks.


Sunday, 26th October, 1958.

Left D.A.S.F. INAUAIA 8 a.m. Inspected BEIPA'A station and new residence site. Arrived EPO 1 p.m. Discussions with O.I.C.

Monday, 27th October, 1958.

Met Mr. Kletcham D.A.O. Visited BEIPA'A. Discussion with O.I.C. EBO and D.A.O. Arrived Kairuku 8 p.m.

End of Diary


(K.A. Brown)
Assistant District Officer

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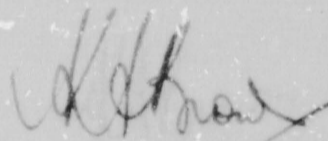
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(K.A. Brown)
Assistant District Officer

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CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED: MEKEO

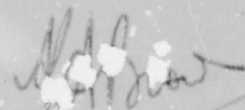
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(K.A. Brown)

Patrolling Officer

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District Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS
23 JUL 1958
Appendix A
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MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. 1 of 58/59 Sub-District KAIRUKU District CENTRAL
Officer Conducting Patrol K.A. Brown, AD, gr 1
Census Division Patrolled Waima-Kivori and Mekeo (parts only)
Objects of Patrol 1. Open Co-operative store at Kivori
2. Inspect Waima bridge.
3. Visit Agric station Epo.
4. Visit Agric stations Beipa and Inausia
5. Inspection of breakthrough (Angabunga)
Date Patrol Commenced 23.6.58 Date Completed 27.6.58
Duration—days 4 days

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL

1. The primary object of patrol was opening of Kivori
Co-operative store with Co-Operative Officer Mr Pyne.
This was successful.
2. Agricultural stations were visited to familiarise myself
with work carried out since departing on leave.
3. Accessing of work to be carried out on Angabunga breakthrough
(The District Officer has already obtained funds to
commence this project)

DNA.

*Mr Pyne will report to the Registrar on the Kivori Co-op store.
no comment is warranted on the other aspects of patrol.*

*D.K. Black 100
24/7/58*

K.A. Brown

Patrolling Officer's Signature.

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D.K. Black

District Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS:

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. ^{2-58/59} Sub-District KAIRUKU. District CENTRAL.

Officer conducting Patrol E.V. Smith P.O. II.

Census Division Patrolled WAIMA KIVORI

Objects of Patrol

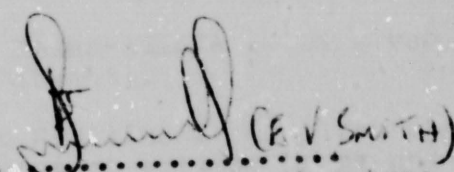
1. Census revision.
2. Tax Collection
3. Land (WAIMA) Enquiry.
4. Routine visit.

Date Patrol Commenced 15/10/58 Date Completed 27/10/58.

Duration - days Thirteen (13) Days.

Summary of Correspondence Arising from Patrol.

1. WAIMA Land Memo 34-2-6(4) of 21/10/58
2. BEIPA Land Memo 34-3-4(1) of 5/11/58.
3. MEMO to D.E.O. - EDUCATION WAIMA Dated 19/11/58 to A.D.O.
4. " to A.D.O. - TAX COLLECTION - WAIMA/KIVORI dated 19/11/58
5. " to A.D.O. - NATIVE DEATHS IN HOSPITAL dated 19/11/58.
6. Five(5) MEMOs on "MATTERS FOR ATTENTION ON PATROL" File.


 (E.V. SMITH)
 Patrolling Officer's Signature.

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 District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA:

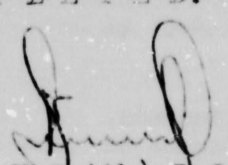
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WAIMA-KIVORI Patrol by E.V. Smith, P.O. II.

- 15-10-58: Kairuku to KIVORI per M.L. "Ruby". Slept Rest House Kivori-Poe.
- 16-10-58: Census and Tax collection Kivori-Poe. 35 given time extension to pay tax (including 11 absentees on trading trips to Moresby).
- 17-10-58: Census and Tax collection Kivori-Kui. 33 given time extensions (as above)
- 18-10-58: Census and Tax collection HEREPARU. 4 given time extensions. Walked onto WAIMA 1½ Hrs. Arrived 1630.
- 19-10-58: Rested at WAIMA.
- 20-10-58: Enquired into Catholic Mission land application at WAIMA. Traced old Crown blocks and marked them. These blocks coincide with Mission application. Natives now admit that land had already been purchased by Government. Informed A.D.C. Kairuku of this. (Vide Memo 34-2-6(4) of 21-10-58). Census at WAIMA-HAURAMIRI. 20 given time extensions (including 10 absent trading Moresby).
- 21-10-58: Census at WAIMA-ERERE. 29 given time extensions (8 absentees included).
- 22-10-58: Census and tax collection at WAIMA-AVIARA. 24 given time extensions (includes 5 absent).
- 23-10-58: Census and Tax collection at ROROAIARA. 45 given time extensions (includes many absent on trading trips and local employment.)
- 24-10-58: Onto EPO and BEREINA. Census and tax collection at AVIARA (Beach village). 8 given time extensions (includes 5 absent on trading, etc.) Remained EPO.
- 25.10.58: To BEIPA'A Village. Marked out 2 acre block (BALOPE) for new D.A.S.F. (Extension) residence. This land recommended for 50 Year Lease with option of renewal as advised by D.O. Moresby. (Vide Memo to D.O. 34-3-4(i) of 5/11/58 already fwded.) Some minor courts, etc. at BEIPA'A and AIPEANA.
- 26.10.58: At BEIPA'A village and AIPEANA. Routine visit. Returned to Bereina p.m.
- 27.10.58: Returned KAIRUKU per tractor and trailer to ARARANA thence per launch to Yule Island.

... FINIS ...

P A T R O L C O M P L E T E D.


(E.V. Smith) P.O. Gr. II.

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KAL.P.R.NO. 3-58-59/
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District Office,
FORT MORESBY.

9th October, 1958.

AJH/MR

Assistant District Officer,
KAIHUKU.

PATROL REPORT KAIHUKU NO. 3 OF 1958-59 - MR. E. A. BROWN

Receipt is acknowledged of the above mentioned patrol report.

I am pleased to note that taxation collection went smoothly. This is most gratifying.

Census figures show a satisfactory increase - 68 in 2 years approximately i. n increase of 2% per annum.

You have received by now replies to your 3 memoranda to this office. Headquarters has been advised of their contents. Please keep me informed of Jehovah's Witnesses' activities.

Your certified contingency for camping allowance is returned herewith.



A. J. HUMPHRIES
(A. J. HUMPHRIES)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

MINUTE
DATE
FILE

9/10/58
KAL.P.R.NO. 3 -58-59

ATT
The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

The above patrol report is forwarded herewith.

The matters raised in the 3 memoranda have been brought to your notice under my file references 34-6/311 (of 25/9/58), CONFIDENTIAL J.W. of 25/9/58, and 13-4/316 (of 25/9/58). In view of the additional interest in the mixed blood situation (consequent upon the recent article in the South Pacific Post) I attach hereto a copy of the Assistant District Officer's original memo (1j-1-1 of 12/9/58) resulting from his observations on this patrol, and my 13-4/317 of 25/9/58 in reply.

Mr. Brown is to be commended for his interest and concern for the welfare of the mixed blood people, especially when one considers the already exorbitant demands upon his time.

A. J. HUMPHRIES
(A. J. HUMPHRIES)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

PATROL NO. 3 of 58/59 SUB DISTRICT. KAIRUKU. DISTRICT. Central
OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL. K. A. BROWN. ADO 1.
CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED. KABADI.

OBJECTS OF PATROL. 1. Tax Collection.
2. Visit Galley Reach Plantations
3. General Administration.

DATE COMMENCED PATROL. 19.8.58 DATE COMPLETED. 6.9.58

DURATION. 18 days.

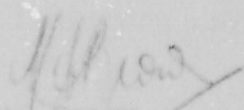
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K. A. Brown.
Patrolling Officer

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District Officer.

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

PATROL NO. 3 of 58/59 SUB DISTRICT. KAIRUKU. DISTRICT. Central
 OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL. K.A. BROWN. ADO 1.
 CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED. KABADI.

OBJECTS OF PATROL. 1. Tax Collection.
 2. Visit Galley Reach Plantations
 3. General Administration.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

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PATROL DIARY KAIRUKU PATROL No.3. of 58/59
KABADI CENSUS DIVISION
K.A. Brown. ADO.

Tuesday 19th August, 1958.

Departed Kairuku noon with Mr Dowell EMA arrived Aroa Estate 4 pm. Constructed raft to take landrover over Aroa river. Work completed 11 pm.

Wednesday 20th August, 1958.

Crossed Aroa 8 am. Arrived Kanosia noon. Met District Commissioner.

Thursday 21st August, 1958.

Accompanied District Commissioner to Mariboi and Rubberlands Estates.

Friday 22nd August, 1958.

Investigated activity of Jehovah Witness at Keveona and reported to District Commissioner. Inspected possible site for patrol post with District Commissioner and Mangger Kanosia Estate. District Commissioner departed 11 am. At Keveona rest of day arranging patrol itinerary.

Saturday 23rd August, 1958.

Collection of tax from casual labour at Lolorna Estate and attention to minor matters.

Sunday 24th August, 1958.

Observed at Lolorna.

Monday 25th August, 1958.

Census and tax collection general administration MATAPAILI.

Tuesday 26th August, 1958.

Census, tax collection, general matters KEVEONA & KOPUANA.

Wednesday 27th August, 1958.

Census, tax collection, general matters UKAUKANA.

Thursday 28th August, 1958.

Census, tax collection, general matters PINU.

Friday 29th August, 1958.

Left Keveona noon slept Kanosia after arranging itinerary for collection of tax from casuals.

Saturday 30th August, 1958.

At Catholic Mission Boismenu. Mixed blood census tax collection and renewal of permits. Slept Mariboi.

Sunday 31st August, 1958

At Mariboi.

Monday 1st September, 1958.

Collection of tax and attention to minor labour matters.

Tuesday 2nd September, 1958.

At Catholic Mission Boismenu and thence Kanosia. Attended to several minor matters and thence to Keveona arriving 6 pm.

Wednesday 3rd September, 1958.

At Pinu until 10 am. Crossed Aroa. Collected tax Aroa attended to minor matters and slept there.

Thursday 4th September, 1958.

At Hisiu village, census tax and general matters.

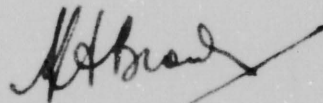
Friday 5th September, 1958.

At Hisiu village. Heard three cases in CNM.

Saturday 6th September, 1958.

Left Hisiu Estate 6 am for Kairuku arriving 10 am by station workboats.

End of Diary.



K. A. Brown.
Assistant District Officer.

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13-1-1/317

District Office,
PORT MORESBY.

25th September, 1958.

AJH/MR

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

MIXED RACE : RECOGNITION

Your 13-1-1 of 12/9/58 refers.

I attach hereto, for quick reference, extracts from the Ordinances Interpretation Ordinance, giving definitions of the term "native". As you know, there are other definitions in other legislations, but I recommend generally adherence to the attached definitions. Application of the tests disclosed in the definitions will, of course, serve to classify a person as "non-native".

On the basis of the definitions attached, the answer to your query, in the third last par. of your memo., is that it matters not how far back or how close is the original Malay or Filipino ancestor. A first generation product of a Malay/Filipino/Papuan union who lives after the manner of a native (i.e. in conditions no better than a native) is a native. (In fact, by the definition attached, a full-blood Malay or Filipino who lives after the manner of a native is a native). Your statement in 1. would alone almost certainly classify these people as natives, however much or little Malay or Filipino blood remains.

The comment in your penultimate para. I do not wholly agree with. Is it that they have no claim or is it that they have made no claim? I do not profess to fully understand the system of native customary land inheritance, but I feel that people who leave their home to marry do not automatically relinquish their claim to inheritance. If his line of descent is long, a person might find difficulty in proving a claim to inheritance, but I think it exists. In any case, I feel that the mere fact of not having customary native rights to land is not a basis on which a person can claim to be a non-native.

I know only too well that your statement in para 4 is correct. I shall again try to effect alteration to the present system of issue of the "liquor permits".

By all means seek to improve the living conditions of these people. Try to encourage them to improve their leases. You might investigate the possibilities of financial assistance inducing them to make some improvements on their leases, without actually promising it. Find out if there is any real barrier to their improving their conditions; it may well be that they are merely apathetic, from poor living conditions, and such a frame of mind is cumulative - because their condition is poor, they are apathetic, because they are apathetic their conditions remain poor. Technically, the Native Regulations could be used, but I would save them as a last resort. Mixed bloods or not, we have a duty to them, and I am most keen to see these people improve themselves. As (or if) you have time, I would like some idea of their land holdings, with their possibilities for development.

signed.....A. J. HUMPHRIES
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

13-1-1

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

12th September, 1958.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.MIXED RACE PROBLEM IN KAIRUKU SUB DISTRICT
PATROL No.3. of 58-59

I am still in process of compiling a list of people who class themselves mixed bloods. During my patrol of Galley Reach area I visited two settlements and saw about 200 of them. I estimate there are over 400 originating from the sub-district spread throughout the Territory. At least 300 trace their origin from Galley Reach through the family name of SARIMAN, SOLIEN, AND KASSMAN. The main settlements are OLD MARIBOI, KASIABADINA, TETEINA, HEDOA, MIRI, MAUKANA, ROSS POINT, TOUTOU, TAVUNA, RAKITANIA AND RANIDOKO.

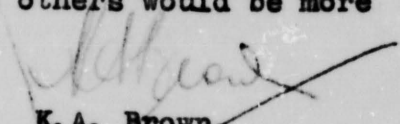
The position in Galley Reach is as follows :-

1. The settlements seen were below average native standard and as many as 5 families are living in the one house.
2. Although there are plenty of jobs offering on the Galley Reach plantations only three have permanent employment there. For the most part living is obtained by shooting crocidiles or working copra from Old Mariboi (originally 200 acres of coconuts but now completely overgrown)
3. Young men spend most of their time in Port Moresby and return to reach only when they run out of money.
4. Quite a few have no claim whatsoever to being mixed bloods but they have managed to get liquor permits in the past.
5. There has been very little or no attempt to improved leases they hold.

My main concern is how far back is a mixed blood to be recognised. For instance if several generations ago a Filipino or Malay married a native woman and each succeeding generation married into local village, would todays offspring be classed mixed race.

In case of Galley Reach people very few have any claim to native land and this is strong point in their favour. However their standard of living is often not as good as the Kabadi natives.

I have already informed the Galley Reach people that I was going to make some move to see they improved their living conditions and I would appreciate your views on the situation. In many cases I am satisfied I can deal with this particular aspect under the Native Regulations but others would be more difficult.


K. A. Brown,
Assistant District Off

31-1-1

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

21st February, 1959.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT KUNI CENSUS DIVISION
KAI & Mr. E.V. Smith. P.O. 11

Attached in triplicate is above report for your information and comment please.

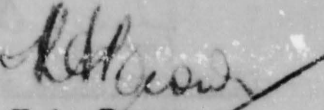
The patrol was of a routine nature but Mr Smith carried out a detailed analysis of population trends. His findings are outlined in memo 37-5-1 attached.

The Director requested information of plans for the development of the Kuni.

I understand Mr. Conroy intends to post an officer to this sub-district in the near future and he will endeavour to increase coffee production and introduce peanuts as a cash crop. Rice is being grown in increasing quantities and processed by the Catholic Mission at Obabba.

The biggest problem to the Kuni is communications. I intend to carry out some work on the bridle trail from Ikeike to Obabba after the wet season. It is possible to put a road to Etienne Gap about 2 hours by horse from Obabba but this would cost more than local road maintenance allocations would stand.

Another patrol of the Kuni will be undertaken about May this year.


K.A. Brown,
Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA:

File: 31-1-1.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU. C. D.

11th February, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

KAIRUKU PATROL MEMORANDUM 4 of 58-59:

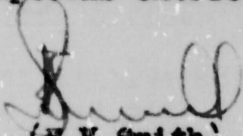
KUNI POPULATION:

Herewith Memorandum of Patrol, Patrol Diary and Special Report - KUNI POPULATION (Memo 37-5-1 with attached Appendices).

The special report was considerably delayed due to the fact that consequent upon completion of Patrol, word had to be sent out to all villages for return of their Village Books in order to obtain all the vital population figures from 1949 onwards. Records in this office did not allow a full analytical summary as now recorded in Memo 37-5-1, and as this was the major work of the Patrol, all other routine correspondence matters have already been forwarded. Appendix "A", TOTAL BIRTHS AND DEATHS RECORDED is the main part of the work.

Due to my transfer to MADANG, may the District Officer, Port Moresby be requested to hold my Camping Allowance Contingency at the District Office, Moresby please. I will collect same on my arrival in Moresby. Funds involved have been taken of KAIRUKU Fund Certificate Ledger.

The KUNI Tax/Census Register has already been completed and the Original has been forwarded to the Taxation Commissioner. All Tax Receipts and Exemptions entries are up to date.


(E. V. Smith)
Patrol Officer Gr. II.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA:

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APPENDIX A.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS:

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. 4. of 58-59.... Sub-District KAIRUKU District CENTRAL.

Officer conducting Patrol E.V. Smith, P.O. II.

Census Division Patrolled KUNI

Objects of Patrol

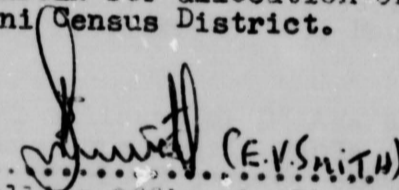
1. Census Revision with care to examine any depopulation.
2. Tax collection.
3. Goodwill and routine administration.

Date Patrol Commenced - 17/11/58 Date Completed 5/12/58.

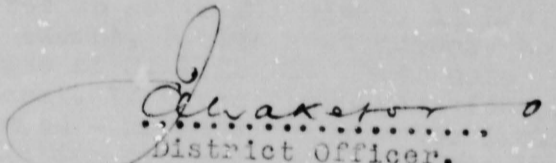
Duration - days Nineteen (19) Days.

Summary of Correspondence Arising from Patrol.

- (a) Matters for Attention on Patrol File;
- (b) Memo 36-4-2 of 18/12/59 to A.D.O. KAIRUKU (Requests for S.A.P.s)
- (c) Memo 21-1-2 of 18/12/59 to A.D.O. TUFI. (SGT. GONAI -R.P.C.)
- (d) Memo 37-5-1 of 11/2/59 to A.D.O. KAIRUKU (Statistics - Kuni Population.)
- (e) Tax/Census Register to Commissioner of Taxation. (through A.D.O. Kairuku).
- (f) Notation in WORKS COMMITMENT LEDGER for allocation of £300 Roads Maintenance money for Kuni Census District.


..... (E.V. SMITH)
Patrolling Officer's Signature.

I CERTIFY THAT all necessary local administrative action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol and that all correspondence above indicated by a "tick" has been forwarded to the Headquarters, Department of Native Affairs, Port Moresby.


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District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA:

PATROL DIARY KAIRUKU PATROL No. 1 of 58/59

KUNI CENSUS DIVISION
E.V. SMITH, P.O.

Monday, 17/11/58: Departed KAIRUKU 11a.m. per launch to AROFOKINA. Arrived 1345. By truck to UKUA, visiting WANONO and KUBUNA Mission. Arrived 1750.

Tuesday, 18/11/58: 1½ Hrs. walk to IDOIDOI (Debonina Hamlet). Census and Tax collection. £8.15.0 collected. 7 people granted Partial/Total exemptions. Population fell from 115 to 101. There has been a decrease of 12 (Migrations mainly) since March '49.

Wednesday, 19/11/58: To Wanono Mission. Walk to EPA Hamlet. Census. £3 tax collected. 2 exemptions granted. Population increase from 21 to 29. Decrease of 6 since March '49. Back to Kubuna Mission. 1½ Hrs. walk to LAPEKA. Census. £29-10-0 tax collected. 10 Exemptions granted. 2 given time extensions to pay. Population static. Increase of 36 since March '49. 2 Hrs. walk back to UKUA. Arrived 1700 Hrs.

Thursday, 20/11/58: £48 tax collected from UKUA Plantation labourers. Remained UKUA.

Friday, 21/11/58: 0730 to 0945 Hrs. UKUA to AMENA Rest House. Census of AIJAVEI. £3 Tax collected. 6 exempt. Decrease of 1 in population, increase of 3 since March '49. 2½ Hrs. walk to NIA Rest House. Census of MADIU. £13 tax collected. 5 exempt. Decrease of 2 in population, increase of 10 since March '49. Slept at NIA.

Saturday, 22/11/58: NIA to OBAOBA 3½ Hrs. IAIFA people all at Mission so did Census. £10-10-0 tax collected. 13 exempt. Decrease of 5 in population, 9 decrease since March '49. Many sick and aged in this village.

Sunday, 23/11/58: At request of local villages of DILAVA and YOUAKA, who had been waiting some considerable time for the patrol, I conducted their census. £19-10-0 tax. 13 exempt. Paid out £50 road contract for approx. 1¾ mile road stretch between APE Gap and AKUMURU River (diversion of landslide area and better grading of track). Dilava population static, with decrease of 11 since March '49. Youaka population increase 3, decrease of 5 since March '49.

Monday, 24/11/58: OBAOBA to WAFU Stream ½ Hr. 1 Hr. to POLIPOIDU Hamlet, 50 minutes to ANGABANGA River, 1½ Hrs. to MAI MAI Village. £3-10-0 tax, 6 exempt, 5 time extensions. Not much money here. Population decrease of 3. 1 Hr. 10 mins. onto ILAIIAVA. £4 tax collected. 17 exempt. 13 given time extensions, but doubt if money could ever be collected - no money here - too isolated. Many old people (4 mental!) Population decrease of 5. Since March '49 there has been a combined increase of 59 for MAI MAI and ILAIIAVA, but this figure is occasioned by heavy GOLLALA Migrations in.

Tuesday, 25/11/58: ILAIIAVA to KOAKA. About 5½ Hrs. including 1½ Hrs. rest. Very dangerous walk - no road - ascend a sheer 2,900 feet. Whole village exempt from tax. No hope of money for these people - too isolated. Population static, 21 increase since March '49 due to GOLLALA Migrations in.

Wednesday, 26/11/58: 3 1/2 Hrs. walk to DEVA DEVA. Census and tax of DEVA DEVA Villages and KEKAMANA. Total of £27-10-0 tax collected from these villages. 48 exemptions granted, 7 given time extensions to pay. Decrease of 1 in DEVA DEVA population, increase of 18 since March '49. Increase of 4 in KEKAMANA population, increase of 8 since March '49.

Thursday, 27/11/58: Completed all books and tax register for DEVA DEVA and KEKAMANA. 4 1/2 Hrs. walk onto OBAOBA. Very heavy rains in afternoon.

Friday, 28/11/58: Census and tax collection at VALE IV. £14-10-0 tax collected, 8 exemptions granted. Increase of 11 in population, increase of 17 since March '49. Remained at OBAOBA.

Saturday, 29/11/58: 1 Hr. 20 mins. walk to road site of JNAUMAKA. Census and tax. Many absent at work from this village. £9 tax collected. 7 exempt. 2 Hrs. walk onto VALE Group. Inspected coffee gardens on the way. Census of VALE I,II,III. All paid their tax, £23 collected. 40 exemptions granted - many old people in this group. Population increase 2 in Vale I, 3 in Vale III; decrease of 2 in Vale II. Since March '49, increase of 19 in Vale I, 7 in Vale II, and decrease of 6 in Vale III.

Sunday, 30/11/58: Rested at VALE. Revised old village books and prepared new Tax Census Sheets.

Monday, 1/12/58: 3/4 Hr. walk VALE to DILAVA River, 35 mins. onto BIONA Mission station. Census and Tax of BUBUNI. A few absentees from Census here. £9 tax collected. 14 exempt. Population increase of 8. Decrease of 1 since March '49. Remained night at BIONA.

Tuesday, 2/12/58: 1 1/2 Hrs. walk BIONA to IUMU Village site. £9-10-0 tax collected, 13 exempt. 2 absentee tax payers. Population increase of 3, decrease of 2 since March '49. 1 1/2 Hrs. onto OBU Hamlet rest house. Remained there overnight.

Wednesday, 3/12/58: OBU Hamlet to UKUA 3 1/4 Hrs. walk. Rested and paid off carriers.

Thursday, 4/12/58: Collected some tax from workers at KUBUNA Mission who had missed out in village collections to date.

Friday, 5/12/58: By truck to WANONO Mission farm. £29 tax collected from labour line. Onto AROPOKINA. Per launch return to KAIRUKU. Arrived 4.30 p.m. Patrol Completed.

DIARY ENDS

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR.....

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VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR.....

Govt. Print.—7403/10 55.

AGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL		
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU CENTRAL Report No. 5/ 58-59

Patrol Conducted by D. J. LAWREY CADET PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled NARA Tax District Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.

Natives 2

Duration—From 25./11./1958 to 12./12./1958

Number of Days 18

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services MAY /19 57

Medical No record /18

Map Reference 4 Miles : 1 Inch Strat. series - Yule Island.

- 1. Census revision
- 2. Tax collection
- 3. Preliminary investigations into court matters.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £ NIL

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund NIL

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Village Pop

Year... 1958

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												Females in Child Birth
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
OROI	25.11.58	4	10					1				1		1	1	
ALA ALA	28.11.58	2	4											1		
DIUMANA	1.12.58	1	4											2		
TUBU	1.12.58													1		
KAIHU	1.12.58	1	2											3	2	
VANUANAI	8.12.58	1	1											1		
TOTAL.		9	21					1				1		9	3	

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Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

28th January, 1959.

The District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

Patrol Report No.5. 1958/59 - Nara Census
Division - Kairuku.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol
Report is acknowledged with thanks.

The Patrol Report calls for no comment
from this office as the matters raised therein are
adequately dealt with in the covering memoranda, in
which I concur.

Mr. Lawrey I am pleased to note, is a
young man with the capacity to observe and record.

Advise him never to "prepare a strict
itinerary" ; he is dealing with human beings and it
may be necessary for him to remain in areas longer
than he might anticipate.

A.A.R.

[Signature]
(A.A.Roberts.)
Director.

30/1/59 ✓

KAL.P.R.NO. 5/58-59
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District Office,
PORT MORESBY.

31st December, 1958.

DDM/MR

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5/58-59 - NARA CENSUS DIVISION

Receipt of this report by Mr. Lawrey is acknowledged and the camping claim is returned with for payment.

I cannot reconcile the inability of these people to pay tax against the flow of NARAs in KOKI Market constantly selling garden produce. I trust the defaulters were given stipulated time in which to pay. U

The report does not include a notation on police, which is important in view of the double escape of the prisoner. Nor does the report include a map to indicate the roads and potential roads discussed in the report. Mr. Lawrey will appreciate that a sketch map is necessary for Headquarters if we are to give our argument for road development any weight.

And large, Mr. Lawrey has done a good job on his first solo patrol. Please inform him that at this stage of his career he would do well to keep his police under direct supervision.



[Signature]
(D. R. MARSH)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

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MINUTE

31/12/58

FILE KAL.P.R.NO. 5/58-59

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Copy of report for your information, please.

[Signature]
(D. R. MARSH)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

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Sub District Office,
Kairuku.

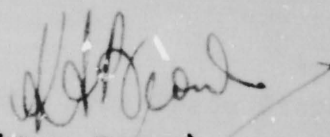
17th December, 1958.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5
NARA CENSUS DIVISION.

The above report, in duplicate with camping allowance claim for your comment and approval please.

2. Normally this patrol takes one week, but I gave Mr. Lawrey specific instructions to take things slowly.
3. As a result of his investigations, four natives were charged, two for indictable offences.
4. The Kukukuku referred to has been charged with the theft of £40. He escaped police custody on two occasions but was apprehended.
5. Two Kikori natives were charged and convicted of careless use of fire on Aroa Estate and another for a minor theft.
6. The NARA are poorly off agriculturally, but it is possible for them to obtain a steady income from nearby Hisiu Beach plantations. They have no great love of sustained effort and spend a great deal of their time as professional gamblers. For this reason I did not recommend a lower tax rate.
7. The natural increase of 16 is encouraging. The last figures showed an increase of 7.
8. The possibility of the area being opened to Soldier Settlement will materially assist these people. Proposed roads will pass the main village groups.
9. The question of resiting NARA has been discussed in previous reports and was the subject of a question by Mr. John Guise in District Advisory Council. I am sure this will resolve itself if the area is developed by settlers.
10. The mistakes referred to by Mr. Lawrey were concerned with the escape of the KUKUKUKU and the actual route of the patrol.
11. The main purpose, tax collection, was achieved and I am quite satisfied with the effort.


(K. A. Brown)
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply
Please Quote

No.

Sub-District office,
KAIRUKU.

15th. DECEMBER 1958.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU No. 5 of 1958 - 59.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

D. J. LAWREY, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED

NARA Census Division/Tax district

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

9309 Const. KANAI.
Interpreter: ARI SEPA.

DURATION OF PATROL

25th. NOVEMBER 1958 to
12th DECEMBER 1958.
18 days actual patrolling.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

1. To revise the census.
2. To collect the tax.
3. To conduct preliminary inquiries into court matters.

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DIARY.

TUESDAY NOV. 25th.

Departed Kairuku 1000 hrs. by 'Ruby' for Delena.
From Delena to Oroi 1330 hrs. By tractor.
Census revised.

WEDNESDAY NOV. 26th.

Tax collected Oroi.
Departed Oroi 1000 hrs.
Arrived Obu Est. 1100 hrs.
Departed Obu 1330 hrs
Arrived Aroa Est. 1430 hrs.
Preliminary investigation into theft Aroa Trade Store.
Stayed night Aroa.

THURSDAY NOV. 27th.

Kukukuku escaped custody the Palms.

(DIARY CONT.)

Departed Aroa for Obu 0730 hrs.
Arrived Obu 0845 hrs.
Policeman sent Kanosea to inform plantation owners of escape.
Talked to Obu deserters.
Organized search for escapee.

FRIDAY NOV. 28th.

Departed Obu 0800 hrs.
Arrived Ala Ala 0830 hrs.
Census revised; Tax collected.
Returned Obu Mission 1st.
Gave advice on compensation for slaying of goats.
Returned Obu 1500 hrs.

SATURDAY NOV. 29th.

Departed Obu for Hisiu 0800 hrs.
Conversation with Distroff concerning escapee.
Returned Obu 1000 hrs.
Worked on reports.
Police sent to search for Kukukuku.

SUNDAY NOV. 30th.

Police reported second escape of Kukukuku.

MONDAY DEC. 1st.

Departed Obu for Diumana 0730 hrs.
Tax collected and Census revised, Diumana, Tubu, Kaiatu.

TUESDAY DEC. 2nd.

Departed Diumana for Aroa 0930 hrs.
Arrived Aroa 1400 hrs.
Further investigation into theft.

WEDNESDAY DEC. 3rd.

Departed Aroa for Palms 0830 hrs.
Arrived Palms 0930 hrs.
Further investigation.
Departed Palms 1330 hrs.
Arrived ~~Obu~~ 1400 hrs.

THURSDAY DEC. 4th.

Worked on reports.

FRIDAY DEC. 5th.

Escapee captured sent to Kairuku with witnesses.
Worked on reports.

SATURDAY DEC. 6th.

Figures entered in census books.

SUNDAY DEC. 7th.

Departed Obu 1100 hrs.
Arrived Oroi 1200 hrs.

MONDAY DEC. 8th.

Departed Oroi 0700 hrs.
Arrived Vanuamai 1000 hrs

DIARY (contd).

Census revised.

TUESDAY DEC. 9th.

Tax collected
New V.C. appointed.
Departed Vanuama 9000hrs.
Arrived Oroh 1300 hrs.
Departed Oroh 1400 hrs.
Arrived Obu 1500 hrs.

WEDNESDAY DEC. 10th.

Road inspected Ala Ala

THURSDAY DEC 11th.

Completed Tax/census sheets.

FRIDAY DEC 12th.

Departed Obu 1000 hrs.
Arrived Oroh 1200 hrs.
Departed Oroh 1400 hrs.
Arrived Delera 1600 hrs.
To Kairuku by canoe.
Arrived Kairuku 1715 hrs.

END OF PATROL.

INTRODUCTION

This patrol was for the specific purposes mentioned above. No thorough examination of villages or the indigenous population was carried out.

It is the intention of the ADO. to commence thorough routine patrols early in the new year following the completion of tax collecting.

GENERAL.

Throughout the Nara Tax/District the tax collection offered no trouble nor problems. Although the people are comparatively poor in terms of native wealth, they appeared to have accepted the fact that they must pay tax and have tried to meet their payments without question.

From a total population of 569 \$140 was collected while on patrol thereby constituting a total of 72 who have now paid their tax.

These figures, without further investigation appears bad. However, there are perhaps 165 of the total population who are compelled to pay tax, which leaves 93 still to pay. Of this number 46 were working outside the village at the time of collection. This consideration brings the number of men who could not meet the stipulated tax to 47.

This figure is reasonable as cash crops are practically non-existent in the area and gardens are poor due mainly to a poor quality soil.

CENSUS STATISTICS.

The population of the six villages is 569 showing an increase of 27 on the 1956-57 census figures. Total births have increased by 11 on the same census figures.

Deaths show an increase of two over the period but at the same time indicates a natural increase in population.

The movement of population shows a large increase as indicated by the following figures.

	migration in	migration out
1956-57	7	4
1958-59	30	18

Very few children from the Nara attend schools in the Sub-District. This can be put down to the inaccessibility of 50% of the villages.

Overall, the census statistics prove favourable. But when considering villages separately Tubu shows a decrease in population of one. During the period between 1956 to 1958 no births have been recorded and deaths total one.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Roads in general in the area are not good.

The Delena - Arca road, fortunately a road that can be bypassed by boat, is constantly in need of attention. It is a road which is particularly open to damage by rain. Although much work has been done, it will never be an all-weather road unless it is sealed in some way. Large deposits of decomposed coral lie near this road but even so the cost of transporting and labour would be far above the amount available from the Sub-District Office.

At present this road is in two sections. These two sections are linked by approximately two miles of beach. This latter section is impassable at high tide. Apart from this factor, depreciation of vehicles is doubled while using this way of reaching the important plantation area.

Work is still in progress on a new road leading from Obo plantation which will eventually join the original road thus avoiding the damaging beach section.

The clearing of this road has moved to within approximately one mile of the old road. Progress is slow but the estimated time of completion is late February. The Ala Ala village people are small in number, but with the help of supervision and machinery progress will go ahead rapidly. The reason for the present slow progress may be put down to clearing difficulties. The road is being cut approximately thirty feet wide and many large trees have to be wholly removed by primitive methods.

Apart from two villages which are situated on the main road, all villages can only be reached by small foot tracks. Vanuamai is isolated because no vehicular road leads to it. During this patrol observations were made concerning the possibilities for a vehicular road. It was found that such a road can be constructed from the western side.

The villages of Duimana, Tubu, and Kaiau, can also be made accessible by vehicle.

The plantations in the area have contributed much toward the upkeep of the existing roads.

VILLAGES.

Villages in the area are clean with well constructed houses. These houses are spaced widely, a feature not often seen in this Sub-District.

Although most of the villages have very little food the inhabitants will not move to new sites where coconuts and cash crops such as peanuts grow plentifully. This problem has been thoroughly discussed in previous reports.

HEALTH.

Health in the villages is poor. Skin diseases are common due mainly to a poor diet with not much day to day variety. Water is the main problem in the area. On this patrol it was noticed that many of the people were reduced to water-holes. These had become wash places as well as a place from which they can draw their drinking water.

Again, this problem could be overcome by a completely new village site. The water table at the present sites is not high enough to give a constant water supply throughout all seasons.

One Medical Aid Post situated at Croi is doing good work, but for the more remote villages of Vanuamai, Tubu, Diumana, and Kaiiau, access to Croi is not easy and is seldom visited by the people of these villages.

LAW AND ORDER.

Preliminary investigations were made on several cases of stealing. As a result of these investigations two men were held on suspicion and sent to Kairuku for further questioning.

Not of time was wasted through the negligence of police in allowing a person to escape custody on two occasions.

CONCLUSION.

In general, the patrol went smoothly. Several mistakes were made and time was wasted through not preparing a strict itinerary. However, it was my first patrol to this area and thereby one of instruction rather than one of efficiency.

In my opinion, the problems of the economy of the Nara community would eventually be solved if they were willing to move to a new site. But; as they have no desire to move, the constructing of a vehicular road to all villages would do much to improve their economy. Apart from their own use the roads would enable government patrols to visit the area more frequently.

D. J. Lawrey

D. J. LAWREY. (C.P.O.)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU CENTRAL Report No. 6/58-59

Patrol Conducted by P. V. DWYER CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled SECTIONS OF RORO AND WAIMA-KIVORI TAX/CENSUS DIVISIONS.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.

Natives 3

Duration—From 30/1/1959 to 10/2/1959

Number of Days 8

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 25/10/1958.

Medical No Receipts /18.....

Map Reference 4 miles; 1 inch strat series; Yule Island

Objects of Patrol 1. Investigate disappearance of native child at Bereina.

2. Survey proposed mission lease - Weima.

3. Collect overdue tax.

4. Investigate general native complaints.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

24/2/1959

Chaxeyor
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £. NIL.

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund NIL.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/1/109 ✓

File : KAIRUNI P.R. NO.6
- 58/59/1177

District Office,
PORT MORESBY.

4th March, 1959.

JEN/MR

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUNI.

KAIRUNI PATROL REPORT NO. 6 - 58-59

Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned report.

During my recent inspection I recall your remarks about this missing child. Please let me have a report on the matter with regard to the holding of courts and the inflicting of fines. I suggest that you deal very severely with offenders. This sort of thing could lead to some thing really serious.

How are your funds on repairing of bridges? If they are low, let me know and I will endeavour to get you an allocation. The bridge near KIVORIBUI can then be repaired.

Mr. Dyer had a good patrol but be sure and follow up the three incidents he brought to light.

Signed Contingencies are returned herewith.



J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT
MINUTE TO:

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Patrol report attached.
No correspondence arises as yet out of this report.

J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT.

PR 6 58-59

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

21st February, 1959

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT KAI 6
WAIMA)KIVORI)RORO.

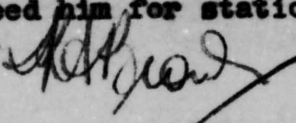
Above report by Mr. P. Dwyer CPO for your information and comment please.

Primary object of the patrol was to investigate the disappearance of a male child of Bereina. The child was a cripple and his complete disappearance is a real mystery. Since Mr Dwyer made his investigation I have questioned several people from Bereina but with ut any light being thrown on what could have happened. If the child had met with an accident or died near the village his corpse would have been located within several days. It is vaguely possible that the boy may have been taken by a crocodile. The Village Constable Beata was away from the village at time of disappearance hence the matter was not reported earlier. The case is still open.

The death of ~~that~~ the women from Pipi village is still under investigation. I am arranging for some of the potion to be analysed. It may be necessary to order a post mortem.

Mr Lawrey commences first of this years tax patrols of WAIMA KIVORI on Monday 23rd February. Es will follow up all matters of native administration that he is empowered to handle.

Mr. Dwyer commences Roro patrol early next week. With few exceptions Roro villages can be seen in one day trips from station. Should I need him for station duties he can be conveniently recalled.


K.A. Brown.
Assistant District Office

DIARY

THURSDAY FEB. 5th

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.
17th. February, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU No.6 of 1958-59.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

P.V.DWYER. C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED

SECTIONS OF RORO AND WAIMA-KIVORI
TAX/CENSUS DIVISIONS.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

2 MEMBERS OF THE R.P.&N.G.C.
1 INTERPRETER - ARI-SEPA.

DURATION OF PATROL

30th. January to 10th. February, 1959.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

1. Investigate disappearance of native child at Bereina village.
2. Survey proposed mission lease-Waima.
3. Collect overdue tax.
4. Investigate general native complaints

DIARY.

FRIDAY JAN. 30th.

Departed Kairuku 0600 hrs. by launch for Aviara Beach. From Aviara Beach to Bereina village by tractor and trailer arriving 0900 hrs. At 1500 hrs. proceeded to Epo by landrover and remained the night.

SATURDAY JAN. 31st.

Further enquiries at Bereina village and then walked to Mou village. Proceeded from Mou to Finupaka by canoe; then to Kairuku by ferry. Arrived Kairuku 2200 hrs.

THURSDAY FEB. 5th.

Departed Kairuku by launch at 0750 hrs. Arrived Ararana 0930 hrs. and proceeded by tractor and trailer to Maiera Plantation. To Epo by landrover arriving 1430 hrs. To Bereina village at 1530 hrs. Collected tax and carried out investigations until 1800 hrs. Returned to Epo for the night.

FRIDAY FEB. 6th.

To Hauramiri village by Landrover arriving 0700 hrs. Heavy rain delayed start of tax collection until afternoon. Investigated suspected poisoning. Remained Hauramiri.

SATURDAY FEB. 7th.

Heavy rain until 1630 hrs. prevented land survey until 1700 hrs. Disputes heard 1000 hrs to 1430 hrs. Unsuccessful search for survey pegs 1700 hrs. to 1830 hrs. Remained Hauramiri.

SUNDAY FEB. 8th.

Sunday observed.

MONDAY FEB. 10th.

Departed Hauramiri 0900 hrs. in heavy rain and walked to Bereina village and then on to Epo, arriving 1030 hrs. Collected some tax. Unable to proceed to KAIKAI Beipa due to condition of road, so remained Epo.

DIARY (cont.)

TUESDAY FEB. 11th.

Investigated complaint of attempted pig stealing. Two suspects taken to Kairuku to magistrate. Departed 1330 hrs. and walked to Maiera Plantation arriving 1430 hrs. Departed 1530 hrs. for ~~XXXXXX~~ Arerana by tractor and trailer arriving 1700 hrs. Departed 1750 hrs. by launch. Arrived Kairuku 1900 hrs.

END OF DIARY.

INTRODUCTION

Due to the nature of this patrol and the adverse weather encountered very little in the way of native agriculture and health was observed.

TAX.

Twenty four pounds in overdue tax was collected and several defaulters were sent to the magistrate at Kairuku. These have since paid their tax or have been granted exemptions. The opportunity was taken to explain to the people of Bereina and Hauramiri the object of taxation. This was very well received, although some men claimed to have been led to believe that the £2 was the sum tax for life and not a yearly contribution to Territory expenses. This, I think, can be taken with some reservation.

LAND.

The people of the Hauramiri village denied the existence of crown land near their village, and this seems to have been the case with each officer on his first visit to this area.

The Catholic Mission at Waima has offered me a copy of the map of their lease and from this it should be possible to establish the position of the crown land in question.

Roads and Bridges.

The roads in this area are good in dry weather, but quickly become impassable in wet weather. Macadamized or sealed roads seem to be the only solution for good all-weather roads in this area, but this would impose an impossible burden on existing finances. The re-decking of a small bridge near Kivorikui village would open up a good deal of country to vehicular traffic in dry weather. The local people are at present discussing the repairing of this bridge.

Village Officials.

The village officials encountered on this patrol seem to be doing a fair job, although the councillors tend to overshadow the village constables. The one exception to this is BIATA-AITSI of Bereina village.

The only criticism I have to offer concerns the existence of village courts. (See below-Native Affairs.)

LAW AND ORDER.

Disappearance of male native AITSI-KAIPA.

The abovementioned was approximately twelve years old and a cripple.

On about the 27th. October, 1958 some native workers ~~XXXXXX~~ employed at Epo Agricultural station asked the manager, Mr. Ryan, for time off to search for this boy as he had disappeared from the village.

In January, 1959, Mr. Ryan, who had taken an interest in this boy, asked to see him again. It was then that it was reported that AITSI-KAIPA had been missing since October, 1958.

After extensive enquiries over the 30th. and 31st. January, during which I spoke to a gathering of the village people, village officials and relatives of the missing boy, I gathered the following facts.

On the 25th. October, 1958, AIVA-MIRIA, (foster mother of AITSI-KAIPA), went to her gardens and left her son, AITSI-TUBU, to look after AITSI-KAIPA who was playing with some small children near his house.

LAW AND ORDER(cont.)

Between 3p.m. and 4p.m. AITSI-TUBU went about thirty yards from his house to gather coconuts. From this position AITSI-KAIPA would have been clearly visible. After about twenty minutes AITSI-TUBU returned to his house, but did not bother to see where AITSI-KAIPA was playing. About 4.30 p.m. AVIA-MIRIA returned from her gardens and asked where AITSI-KAIPA had gone.

After searching in vain for about half an hour AITSI-TUBU reported the disappearance to village councillor UME-KAIPA. The people then searched the village and surroundings but failed to find the missing boy. Each day for a week search parties were sent out around the village but met with no success.

When asked why they had not reported this incident to the A.D.O. the village councillors replied that they considered it to be a purely internal village affair.

I am not satisfied with the information given me by these people for the following reasons.

1. AITSI-KAIPA was a cripple and in such a short time he could not have dragged himself more than fifty yards from the edge of the village.
2. At the time of his disappearance there were no water holes or streams near the village, so his body would have been found had he met with some accident.
3. When I asked to see the children with whom AITSI-KAIPA was playing on that day there was not one person in the village who would tell me who they were. When I insisted on being told I was shown one small girl about two years of age.

Death of TOTAL-AITSI.

AIHI-PARU, a village councillor of Pipi village, reported that on Monday, 26th. January, 1959, this woman died at Hauramiri village from the effects of a potion administered to her by ABEO-TARUFA of Hauramiri.

ABEO-TARUFA admitted the offence and was brought back to Kairuku.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

A disturbing fact that was evident in many of the disputes brought before me was the existence of village courts. These courts have been set up by village constables and councillors and are imposing fines of up to twenty pounds on village people.

The officials concerned were told that their duties do not include those of a magistrate, and that in the case of any serious matter it was their duty to bring the parties concerned before a magistrate.

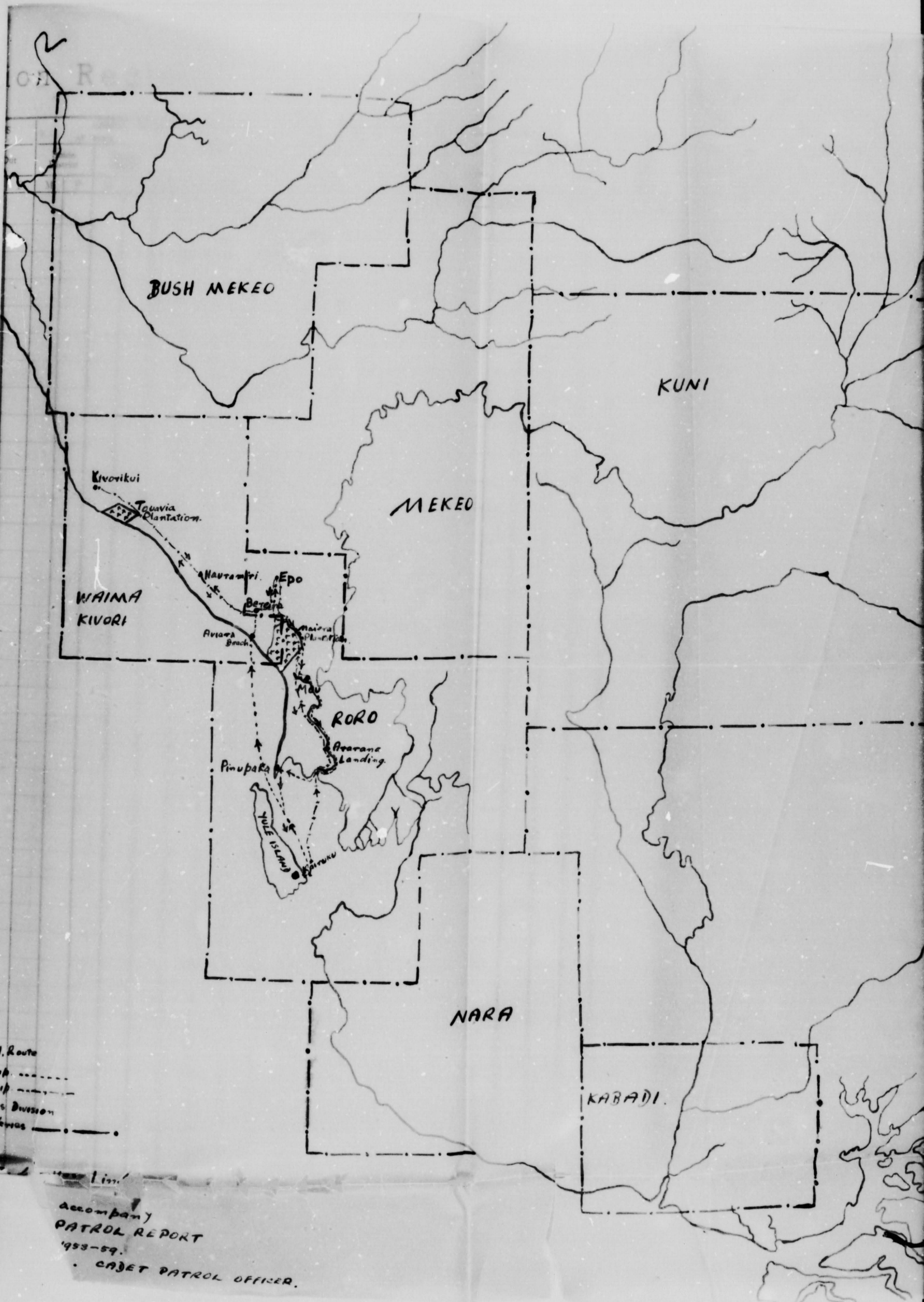
CONCLUSION.

This patrol was in the nature of an orientation course for myself in this area.

Due to adverse weather and shortage of staff at Kairuku I was unable to carry out an extensive patrol of this area, but in the near future the 1959 preliminary tax patrol will be sent out.

P.V. Dwyer
(P.V. DWYER.)
Cadet Patrol Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU C.D. Report No. 7/58-59.

Patrol Conducted by D. J. LAWREY (Cadet Patrol Officer)

Area Patrolled WAIMA/ KIVORI Tax District / Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

Natives 2

Duration—From 23./2./1959 to 6./3./1959

Number of Days 12.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 10./2./1959.

Medical 25./10./18.58.

Map Reference 4 miles to inch strat series.

Objects of Patrol
1. To revise the census
2. To collect remaining 1958 tax.
3. To grant exemptions 1959.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund ... nil.

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17th April, 1959.

The District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. 7 - 1958-59 -
KAIRUKU.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report
is acknowledged with thanks.

I am gratified to note that Mr. Lawrey carried
out his instructions satisfactorily.

I agree in your remarks that some enquiries
should be made into the native courts alleged to have
been operating. Will you please let me know the
outcome of such enquiries.

The problem of land has been receiving con-
sideration of the Administration for a number of years
but it appears people are not prepared to rationalize
their land tenure system at this stage to allow individual
ownership with inheritance rights.

Has any thought been given to the introduction
of spear head pumps to provide water for villagers.

I am gratified to note the positive action
being taken or recommended by the officer conducting the
patrol in the matter of roads and bridges.

A very good patrol report.

R/S 15/6/59
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a.e.r.
pR (A. A. Roberts),
DIRECTOR.

20/4/59 ✓

KAI.P.R.NO. 7-58-99/
1354

JEW/MR

1st April, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

KAIRUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 7 - 1958/59

Thank you for the patrol report submitted by Mr. Lawrey, who has done an excellent job.

Again I am concerned with the remarks in this report as in that of Mr. Dyer's. I mean the reference made to native courts. I would, if I were you, have some enquiries made on this.

The Co-operative effort in this area appears to be a success.

Warn Mr. Lawrey of the law in Papua regarding land and also Regulation 101 (11) may assist him in the matter of wells and drinking water in villages.

I can have more money made available to you for bridges if you wish.

Again, Regulation 106 (1) would have assisted Mr. Lawrey in his quest for the woman suffering from peritonitis through venereal disease.

It was a good report, but I suggest that Mr. Lawrey would do well at this stage to start studying his law.



J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT

MINUTE TO:

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESEBY.

For your information, please.

ATT

J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No.31-1-1.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

18th. March, 1959.

District Officer
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL No. 7 of 1958-59 to WAIMA-KIVORI.

Mr. C.P.O. LAWREY.

Two copies of the above report for your information and comment please.

The main object of the patrol was to bring tax records for 1958 up to date.

The report indicates a normal native situation.

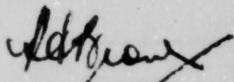
1. I will see that efforts are made to repair the pump at Kivorikui.

2. The question of education at Waima has already been discussed with the District Education Officer who is on the station at the present time. He will follow up the question of a proposed Administration school and other matters.

3. The bridge referred to will open up the area as far as Cape Possession to vehicular traffic. It is not intended giving contracts for work of this nature merely so villagers can pay their tax. Where public works are to be carried out, local natives will be offered the contract.

4. Census figures are encouraging.

Mr. Lawrey carried out a good patrol and all instructions were carried out satisfactorily.


K.A. BROWN.
(ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply
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No.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

15th. MARCH 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU. C.D.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU No 7 of 1958-59.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

D.J. LAWREY, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED

Waima/Kivori Census Division/
Tax District

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

8735 Const. BAIAI.
Interpreter: ABI SEPA.

DURATION OF PATROL

23rd. FEBRUARY 1959 to
6th. MARCH 1959.

12 days actual patrolling.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

1. To revise the census.
2. To collect the remaining 1958 tax, and
3. To grant exemptions for 1959.

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DIARY

MONDAY FEB. 23rd.

Departed Kairuku 0530 hrs by chartered launch
for Kivoripo'e.
Arrived Kivoripo'e 0915 hrs. Census Commenced.

TUESDAY FEB. 24th.

Census completed.

WEDNESDAY FEB 25th.

Corrections made to Tax census sheets.
Exemptions 1959 issued.
Complaints heard.

(DIARY CONTD.)

THURSDAY FEB. 26th.

Departed Kivoriho 0920 hrs.
Arrived Kivorikui 0940 hrs.
Census completed.

FRIDAY FEB. 27th.

Tax completed.
Complaints heard.
Departed Kivorikui 1610 hrs.
Arrived Hereparu 1620 hrs.

SATURDAY FEB. 28th.

Books brought to date.
Census/tax completed.
Departed Hereparu 1705 hrs.
Arrived Aviara/W 1755hrs.

SUNDAY MARCH 1st.

Departed Aviara/W 0900 hrs.
Arrived Kivorikui bridge 1000hrs.
Bridge inspected.
Returned via Roroaiara 1200 hrs.

MONDAY MARCH 2nd.

Census revised.
1958 tax collected
Exemptions granted. 1959.

TUESDAY MARCH 3rd.

Departed Aviara/W 0800 hrs.
Arrived Roroaiara 0815 hrs.
Census revised.
Tax collected.
Exemptions granted.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4th.

Departed Roroaiara 0745 hrs
Arrived Hauramiri 0800 hrs.
Census. Tax. Exemptions.
Returned Roroaiara 1200 hrs.
Books brought to date.

THURSDAY MARCH 5th.

Departed Roroaiara 0745 hrs.
Arrived Ere Ere 0800 hrs.
Census. Tax. Exemptions.
Returned Roroaiara 1300 hrs.
Departed Roroaiara by Land Rover 1700 hrs
Arrived Epo 1740 hrs.

FRIDAY MARCH 6th.

Departed Epo 0900hrs. Arr. Aviara/B
1000 hrs. Tax. Census. Exemptions.
Returned Epo 1500hrs. Dept. Epo 1700 hrs
Arrived Kairuku by launch 2000hrs.

END OF PATROL

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol is the first of a series of patrols through the Kairukū Sub-District designed to clear a path for the 1959 tax collection by collecting all remaining 1958 tax and granting exemptions for 1959. It is believed that it will prove effective.

OBSERVATIONS.Native agriculture and livestock.

Suitable agriculture and livestock flourishes in this area. Their staple food consists of yams and bananas. Pigs, goats, and poultry are plentiful. The goats were donated by the present Assistant District Officer several years ago to two Waima villages and have since doubled their number. In a few years these animals will prove a valuable source of income thereby contributing to their village economy.

Cash economics.

The main source of income at the present time is from people locally employed or from those employed in towns outside the Sub-District.

Sun-dried copra forms another means of obtaining cash. The dried copra is sold through the Co-operative Organisation. Fifty pounds a month is earned in this manner.

Previous reports have explained the combining of all stores in the Waima-Kivori into two large stores, one at Kivorikui, and one at Hauremiri. The Co-operative Officer, Mr. Pyne has explained that there has been no startling results as far as the profit is concerned.

The main advantage is the increased efficiency of the managers who now have their capital consolidated, and the supervision of individual stores has been reduced.

The store at Kivorikui is an excellent example of a store. Here, profit over the past six months was £112. The managerial staff consists of one chairman and eight committee men, three from Kivorikui, three from Kivoripoe, and two from Hereparu, thereby representing all Kivori villages.

A similar store at Hauremiri serves the Waima area.

VILLAGES.

Before proceeding to the Waima-Kivori area I was informed that the village officials had been imposing fines of up to £20 on persons who were brought before them. There was no evidence of this practice being continued.

However, there were many indications all pointing to the fact that the majority of village officials are not doing their job as well as it could be done. During ~~a part~~ the course of the patrol, a letter was received stating in effect that the younger men were eager to replace the numerous aged councillors. It was decided that the problem required deep consideration. If it were treated lightly serious consequences might occur in the village concerned. Therefore no immediate action was taken.

Houses throughout the area are not as a whole up to standard. Some are excellently designed and constructed. Several have two stories. On the other hand, many are in a bad state of repair. A list of names was made and notations written in the village books for a check to be made on the next patrol to the area. Apparently these houses have been condemned for a long time. Some attempts are being made to rebuild houses.

Frequent minor complaints concerned pigs damaging gardens. It was explained that very little help could be given while their pig-fences both around the village and ~~in~~ around their gardens were practically non-existent.

Likewise, little help can be given in land disputes until they decide who owns the land and establish definite land boundaries.

If each plot of land was marked by cairns of stones and agreed upon by the village as a whole individuals would be less likely to plant crops on another person's land.

Food.

Food is not a source of worry to the people of the Waima-Kivori. In the off-seasons, when the gardens are being re-planted, crops can be substituted by seafoods. The only problem they spoke of was

In the village schools pupils are taught to starve their children desiring

that of birds eating the fruit before it was ready to be picked. As an aid to this problem they were told of the use of scarecrows in Australia. However, the problem is not a new one to these people and it is doubted whether the abovementioned would show even the slightest effect. Learning is shown by the number of Water.

Here lies a problem which must be solved.

The source of water in all villages is from 'wells'. Some resemble wells but in the main they are only holes dug in the earth.

Situated as they are, inside the villages, they must after a time become contaminated. Although the people say they have no sickness caused through bad water, evidence was seen in many young children who had diarrhoea or who were vomiting during the census. A model well was explained to the people of all villages who were also told that drums could be obtained from the Sub-District Office. For advanced people such as the Waima-Kivori inhabitants the lack of a good water supply shows they are lazy where village matters are concerned.

Major Thompson sunk a suction pump at Kivorikui while he was in charge of the Sub-District. On examination, it was found that with a little maintenance this pump could be put into working order. It would, no doubt, act as an incentive to other villages, not so much as a means of obtaining good water, but to the village people it would mean far less work, and therefore, all villages would be encouraged to purchase similar pumps.

The Kivorikui people agreed to a proposition that they would repay the Government in some manner if it would repair their pump.

The water problem is further discussed in the medical report attached.

EDUCATION.

Schools in Waima-Kivori are well constructed and supervised. Both the Catholic Mission and London Mission Society maintain schools in this area.

In the village schools pupils are taught to standard four while children desiring

to go further may attend higher primary schools at Mainobara (Catholic Mission) or at Delena (London Mission Society). Higher education is then available for Catholics at the De La Salle College Yule Island.

The enthusiasm for learning is shown by the number of teenagers attending Australian schools. At present there are two. One boy has just returned after completing his course.

The teacher at the L.M.S. school at Kivorikui Willie Kone is to be commended. His school and pupils reflect his enthusiasm.

At the time of this patrol a separate patrol was being carried out by Sister Fairhall who is in charge of the L.M.S. in the Sub-District. Therefore the schools were seen at their best.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

One minor object of the patrol was to make a survey of the bridge which links Walma with Kivori.

The method and materials to be used was discussed with Father Burl. The following was agreed to:-

1. Method.
 - (a) Dispense with piles.
 - (b) Use two large bearers. These would be sufficient as the distance is only 20 feet.

2. Materials.
 - (a) Two ti-tree bearers 30' in length.
 - (b) Strips from coconut trunks for decking.
 - (c) Bridge spikes to be supplied by

Father Burl.

These materials are to be obtained by the Kivorikui people who will receive a contract for the construction of the bridge.

In giving this contract it will achieve two aims. In the first place it will open up Kivori to vehicular transport, and in the second place the money given for the contract work will help the tax payers to pay their tax. This was explained to the people concerned.

The contract workers were told to have this timber ready within one month or the work would go to another village.

Considering the patrol was carried out during the wet season the roads and existing bridges are in good condition.

Roads along the beach area consist of porous soil and rain has little effect on them.

The road leading to Bereina which by-passes the Waima Hills is still passable but in need of repair.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL.

There is nothing of anthropological importance to report.

Much anthropological information was gathered by the writer for his knowledge including a wider vocabulary in the vernacular and the common language, Motu.

MISSIONS.

The Catholic Mission and London Mission Society are very much in evidence in the area as is portrayed by the people's religious knowledge. Churches are scattered throughout the Waima-Kivori.

CENSUS.

Due to the additional work imposed on the Department by tax collection a combination tax/census patrol was carried out earlier than usual. The period between patrols to this area was approximately six months. Therefore, any comparison made between the current and previous census figures can only be regarded as half the yearly figures if the increase or decrease remains uniform.

The total population has increased on the last census figures by 46, a substantial increase for only six months. Male births for the period were 23 and female 18 showing a birth total of 41. Females in childbirth total 3.

On the other hand, deaths recorded total 10, 2.5% of the total population.

Migrations in exceed migrations out by 9. This could be a direct result of the availability of food in the Waima-Kivori area.

The figures show that males employed outside the district exceed males employed inside by 50%. The total number of males at work is 91. This indicates a comparatively high standard of education due mainly to the proximity of schools.

The number of males at school is 83 while females at schools total 41.

It is apparent that the population trends in the Waima-Kivori as a whole are favourable. This is true except in the case of Aviara/B - (see attached map).

This village is slowly being washed away due to the sinking of the Papuan coast. As a result there is a gradual migration from this village to other Waima-Kivori villages and also to Bereina a large inland Roro village 20 minutes walk from Aviara/B.

Overall, the population trends are favourable.

TAX.

There is very little to report on tax collection.

Except for those employed outside the district, only three from this area have not paid their tax. It is expected that they will pay with-in the next few days.

The issuing of 1959 exemptions prior to the actual tax collection will indicate to those who did not receive exemptions that they must pay tax thereby giving them ample time and warning to save money.

No trouble occurred in connection with tax collection from this area.

LAW AND ORDER.

One inquiry was held at Kivorikui concerning an adultery case. The man concerned was sent to Kairuku along with witnesses. The Assistant District Officer has since heard the case and dealt with it accordingly.

Law and order in the area is as a whole, favourable, although these people seem to delight in bringing petty complains to the visiting Patrol Officer. All such matters brought before this patrol were successfully dealt with.

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END OF PATROL REPORT.

D. J. Lawrey
D. J. LAWREY
(CADET PATROL OFFICER)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

15th. MARCH, 1959.

Assistant District Officer
KAIRUKU. C.D.

MEDICAL REPORT.

To accompany PATROL REPORT 7/58-59.

HEALTH.

The number of old people in all Waima-Kivori villages points to the fact that health, in so far as 'life expectancy', in this area is good. Nevertheless, during the census in each village several people were absent due to fever. It is regarded as a direct result of the many mosquitoes which abound in this area. Further, it was noticed that the ratio of anopheles mosquitoes is very high and in some areas they are in the majority.

Swamps are the cause of the day and night supply. During the South-East season the mosquitoes are practically non-existent. There is little that can be done towards the removal of the cause at the present time for the people hold the water back with numerous banks constructed to form fish traps.

DISEASE.

In August 1958 an Anti-Yaws patrol was conducted by the Medical Assistant Mr. Dowell. No fresh signs of this disease were noticed while patrolling the Waima-Kivori area.

WATER SUPPLY.

The means of obtaining water in all villages is definitely a cause of severe suffering by small children. During the census in most villages many young babies showed signs of diarrhoea and several children up to the age of 12 years vomited while the census was being taken.

The water is sometimes taken from crudely constructed wells. These so-called wells are never anything more than two 44 gallon drums in depth, sunk into the porous soil where there is a depression in the ground. Mostly, they are little more than holes dug in the ground. These examples are neither fenced nor covered. Furthermore, they are situated within the village which adds one more factor to the conclusion that the water obtained from these wells must be contaminated. Even as hard as the older people are, their children must suffer as a result of consuming the water.

The natural thoughtlessness and laziness of the village people is helped by the high water table in bringing about the construction of these simple water holes but which is proving detrimental to the people's health.

RELUCTANCE TO HAVE PROPER MEDICAL ATTENTION.

On the professional advice of Sister Fairhall, a member of the Police Force was sent to Kivorikui to bring a woman, suspected to be suffering from peritonitis caused through venereal disease, to hospital. Sister Fairhall, who is in charge of the London Mission Society in the Kairuku Sub-District, believed the woman would die if she did not go to hospital. The woman would not go to hospital.

AID POSTS.

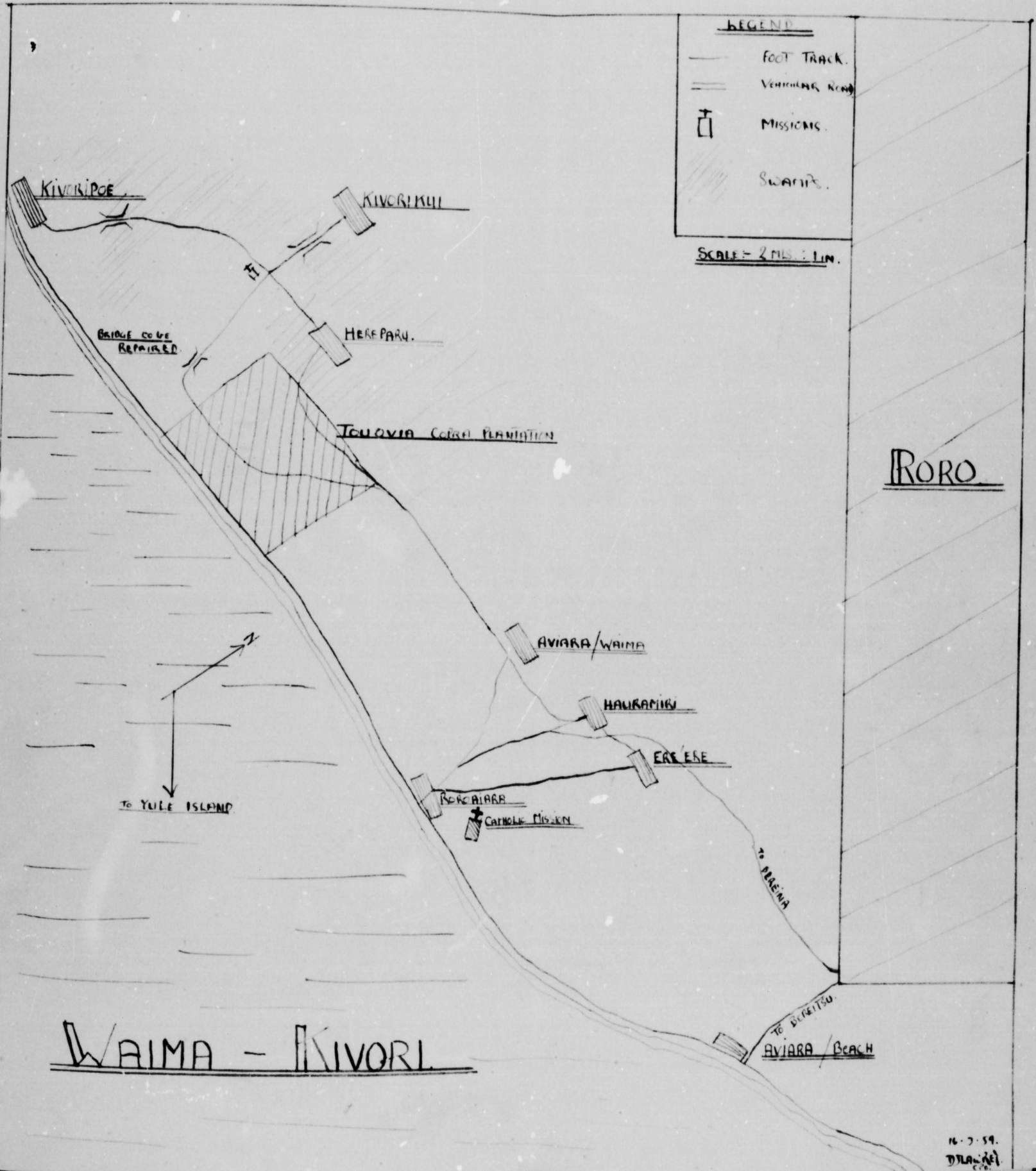
While on patrol a letter was received from the Roroaiara people stating that they wanted the Medical Orderly to remain in the area. The Orderly has been shifted to Kairuku. The letter has been passed on to the Medical Assistant Mr. Dowell and he is taking the necessary action on the matter.

END OF REPORT.

D. J. Lawrey
 D. J. LAWREY
 (Cadet patrol Officer.)

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PATROL REPORT KIVORIKU 7/58-59.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL - KAIRUKU S.D. Report No. S.F. 1 58/59.

Patrol Conducted by P. V. DWYER. CADET PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled RORO CENSUS DIVISION / TAX DISTRICT.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.

Natives 1. R. P. & N. G. C.
3. INTERPRETERS.

Duration—From 23 / 2 / 1959 to 5 / 3 / 1959.

Number of Days 9

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services JUNE / 1958.

Medical FEBRUARY / 1958.

Map Reference 4 MILES : 1 INCH STRAT. SERIES YULE ISLAND.

Objects of Patrol 1. CENSUS REVISION. 2. COLLECTION OF OUTSTANDING 1958 TAX.
3. CONSIDERATION TO APPLICANTS FOR 1959 TAX EXEMPTIONS. 4. HEARING OF
GENERAL NATIVE COMPLAINTS.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund ... NIL.

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Year.....1959.....

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												Females to Males
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
KEABADA	23.2.59	4	4	1							1				1	
DELENA	23.2.59	2	3	1								1			1	
POUKANA	24.2.59	1	4							1					2	1
PINUPAKA	24.2.59	2	2												3	
BIOTOU	25.2.59	2	4				1		1						1	3
NIKURA	25.2.59		1													
TSIRIA	26.2.59	6	3			1									1	
RAPA	27.2.59	4	3					1								
MOU	2.3.59	6	2							1					1	
BABIKO	2.3.59	2	1													
BEREINA	4.3.59	3	4			1		1							4	2
TOTALS.		32	31	2		2		3	1	3	1				12	6

Over 13			Females in Child Birth
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The District Officer,
Central District,
PORT Moresby.

17th April, 1959.

PATROL REPORT NO. 8 - 1958-59

KAIRUKU

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report
is acknowledged with thanks.

I am gratified to note that a much more
accurate census has been possible with the introduction
of tax registers.

There is at least one good result from the
introduction of taxation in that the people requiring
it are now receiving medical attention.

Particular attention should be given BIOTOU.

Mr. Dwyer's remarks on the feast at Rapa
have been passed to the Anthropologist.

The Patrol appears to have been very well
performed and the recording is intelligent and well set
out.

A. A. Roberts
(A. A. Roberts),
DIRECTOR.

KAI. P. R. NO. 8-58-59/
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JEW/MR

2nd April, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU NO. 8 - 58/59

I thank you for the patrol report submitted by Mr. P.V. Dwyer.

The report contains some remarkable statements. I should, if I were you, give some attention to these "Native Courts".

In the matter of yarding pigs, this is something that should be approached with care. Natives, as you know, are notoriously slack in providing regular meals for animals when yarded. Consequently you get foul areas, poor stock and hosts of intestinal parasites. Personally, I am in favour of fencing the garden.

Roads. As you know, you have been allocated £3,000 for roads in the last quarter, and I am fighting hard to get you either a grader or a bulldozer. This will enable you to boost your road programmes. If you are of the opinion that you can spend more than £3,000, I may be able to have a further allocation made.

Village Officials. The remarks on these make them appear rather a poor type. This, however, does not surprise me as I have no doubt the Administration V.C. would hardly be the powerful chief. No clan or class are likely to risk having their chief bawled out by a European official in front of people because the latrine was dirty or there was no water in the Rest House. If you can persuade the real chief to take the position, I should do so.

I am concerned over your remarks and those of Mr. Dwyer on the BIOTOU people. I fully realise how short of staff you are and therefore you are forced to send out a Cadet Patrol Officer without magisterial powers. I always find it better, if you have a case to deal with it on the spot rather than threatening to take or send the people to the magistrate or station. I would suggest that the next visit to these people is made by an officer with powers and that any breaches of the law be dealt with at once. I too feel we are heading for trouble over that DA 330 and the matter has already been reported on.

The account of the feast at RAPA was most interesting and will be passed to the Anthropologist.

Please thank Mr. Dwyer for his interesting report and advise him not to generalise but to be specific and support his statements with facts. These can then be dealt with.

J. E. Wakeford
(J. E. WAKEFORD)

ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

19th. March, 1959.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESEBY.

PATROL REPORT KAI. No. 8. 58/59 RORO.
MR. DWYER. CADET PATROL OFFICER.

The above report in duplicate for your information and comment please.

1. The general native situation as reported by Mr. Dwyer is typical of Roro. Biotou is a notoriously un-cooperative village, both to the Administration and Mission. Fortunately they have no village unity and their "anti-European" tendencies are not dangerous at this stage.

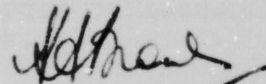
The real test will come if attempts are made to lease any portion of DA 330. A common cause such as land could unite INAWABUI and BIOTOU into an extremely troublesome group. Violence against authority would then be a real threat.

2. The position of village constables in the Roro group will be reviewed this year and if suitable men can be found appropriate recommendations made.

3. The attitude to tax is typical but to date there has been no trouble. Collection of tax in villages such as Biotou creates another problem in attempts to win the people over. Tax collectors in any part of the world are not very popular. The imposition of the task on field officers, in this area particularly, has reduced very considerably the confidence the native people have gained.

4. Mr. Dwyer's report indicates his power of observation and I am pleased to note he is not discouraged by an extremely exasperating people.

5. The notes on the Rapa ceremony will be of interest to the Anthropologist.



(K.A. BROWN.)
Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

17th March, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT - KAIRUKU No.8. OF 1958-59.

Patrol Conducted By:

P.V.Dwyer. C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED:

Foreo Census Division.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY:

9902. Const. Daupa.
Interpreters. Henry Onai.
Gilbert Charlie.
Bera Baupua.

DURATION OF PATROL:

23rd. February, 1959 to
5th March, 1959.
9 days actual patrolling.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

1. Census Revision.
2. Collection of outstanding 1958 Tax.
3. Consideration to applications for 1959 Tax Exemptions.
4. Hearing of general complaints.

DIARY.

MONDAY. 23/2/59.

Departed Kairuku by launch 0900 hours, arrived Keabada 1000 hours. Tax/census until 1400 hours. Left 1430hrs. and walked to Delena, arriving 1515 hours. Tax/census from 1530 hours to 1830 hours. Departed by launch 1900 hours and arrived Kairuku 1930 hours.

TUESDAY. 24/2/59.

Departed Kairuku by launch 0915 hours, arrived Poukama 0940 hours. Tax/census 1000 hours, to 1130 hours. Left Poukama 1200 hours and walked to Delena to investigate a complaint. Departed Delena by launch 1250 hours and arrived Pinupaka 1420 hours. Tax/census 1440 hours to 1645 hours. Departed Pinupaka 1720 hours arrived Kairuku 1815 hours.

WEDNESDAY. 25/2/59.

Departed Kairuku by launch 0915 hours, arrived Biotou 1120 hours. Tax/census 1140 hours to 1250 hours. Departed 1600 hrs. and arrived Nikura 1700 hrs. Tax/census 1710 hrs. to 1800 hrs. Departed 1820 hrs arrived Kairuku 2010 hours.

THURSDAY. 26/2/59

Departed Kairuku 0920 hrs. by tractor and trailer, arrived Tsiria 0940 hrs. Tax/census 1000 hrs, to 1720 hours
Departed Tsiria 1740 hrs, arrived Kairuku 1800 hours.

FRIDAY. 26/2/59.

Departed Kairuku 1020 hrs. by launch for Rapa, arriving 1240 hrs. Tax/census 1300 hrs. to 1600 hrs. Left Rapa 1720 hrs. Launch aground on mud bank so returned to Rapa ~~to~~ and waited for high tide. Departed Rapa 2120 hrs. Launch out of fuel 2300 hrs. so transferred to canoe.

SATURDAY. 28/2/59.

Arrived Kairuku 0130 hours.
Remained Kairuku.

SUNDAY. 1/3/59.

Remained Kairuku.

MONDAY. 2/3/59.

Departed Kairuku by launch 0830 hrs, arrived Mou 1140hrs. Tax/census 1220 hrs. to 1630 hrs. Left by canoe 1730hrs. Arrived Babiko 1900 hrs. Tax/census 1920 hrs, to 2115 hrs. Left 2230 hrs arrived Mou 2340 hours.

TUESDAY. 3/3/59.

Departed Mou 0030 hrs, and walked to Rapa, arriving 0115 hrs. Observed native dancing and then slept 0400 hrs, to 0830 hrs. Took part in feast with clan chiefs. Departed 1730 hrs and arrived Mou 1815 hours. Remained Mou.

WEDNESDAY. 4/3/59.

Departed Mou 0800 hrs. and walked to Bereina, arriving 0920 hrs. Tax/census 1010 hrs. to 1300 hrs. Departed Bereina 1340 hrs and walked to Maiera Plantation, arriving 1415 hrs. Departed Maiera Plantation 1700 hrs. and travelled from the Oreke crossing to Epo by landrover.

THURSDAY. 5/3/59.

Departed Epo 0730 hrs. by landrover for Aviara. No launch in site so returned to Epo. Departed Epo 0900hrs. by motor cycle with Mr. Asher, D.A.S.F., and arrived Ararana 1015 hrs. Departed Ararana 1030 hrs, by Catholic Mission launch, arriving Kairuku 1200 hours.

INTRODUCTION.

The nature of the terrain in this section of the Kairuku Sub-District makes it impossible to carry out a straight-forward patrol. It was decided to carry out the patrol with the use of the Administration launch, and to return to Kairuku most nights.

The census of one village, Babiko, was recorded at night. This was the wish of the people, as they hoped to attend the dance at Rapa the next day.

Much time was spent travelling along the winding rivers, and due to the inefficiency of the crewman unnecessary delays were caused. This man has since been reprimanded by A.D.O. Mr. Brown.

Three interpreters were used: Gilbert Charlie for one day, Bera Baupua for one day, and Henry Onai for seven days. Bera was very good, Gilbert had limited use as he is not a local, and Henry, although young and often silly, carried out his duties well except at Babiko, his village. Here Henry became involved in a dispute and failed to interpret correctly. The Mission teacher and the village constable gave me both sides of the dispute and the matter was cleared up.

CENSUS AND STATISTICS.

With the changeover from village books to the typed Tax registers it has been possible to record a much more accurate census than in previous years.

A natural increase of 33 for the past 9 months in the Roro Census Division was noted. Taking into account migrations in and out the increase is only 1.

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The figures in this case do not present the true picture, however, as several adjustments have been included in the migrations column. For example, several people were found to have their names recorded in two or more village books, and some migrations out over the past few years had not been noted. The actual increase over the past 9 months is approximately 30.

An error in the figures for the previous census has been adjusted and the total for Pinupaka village now reads 238 and the total for the census division 3,274.

The figures for students absent from their villages do not show the full extent of education in this area, as the Catholic Mission schools did not begin their scholastic year until the beginning of March due to a shortage of food for their students.

TAX.

Tax collection for 1958 was completed and consideration given to men applying for exemptions from 1959 tax.

Applicants for exemptions on the grounds of ill health were asked to visit the Kairuku hospital for examination by the Medical Assistant, as in most cases I was not sure of the man's condition. The response to my request was very good and many men received attention that they would not have sought of their own initiative.

The reasons for taxation were explained at each village, and on the whole they were well received. Several men complained, and I believe quite rightly so, that the £2 head tax is unfair. In this area, at least, we have many supporters for the introduction of income tax.

The Roro word for tax is "PAINI", a corruption of fine, and these people continue to regard taxes and fines as being very similar.

The people of Biotou have rather strong views on taxation, and these are given under Native Affairs.

LAW AND ORDER.

Several disputes were settled in each village to the satisfaction of the parties concerned. The majority of these consisted of outstanding debts or the compensation to be paid for damage done by pigs.

It was explained to the people of each village that the construction of yards in which to house their pigs would save them money and do away with the seemingly everlasting arguments over compensation. The men agreed with this theory but seemed loath to carry out the work entailed.

Several people, mostly women, were brought to Kairuku and fined by the Magistrate for being absent from the census.

One case of adultery was investigated, and the people concerned have now been dealt with by the Magistrate at Kairuku.

Native courts, as mentioned in my report Kairuku No. 6. of 1958-59, are also prevalent in this area. The officials concerned were advised to discontinue this practice and to lay complaints before a Magistrate.

MISSIONS.

The only European missionary encountered was Father Hubert at Rapa. I am indebted to him for supplying me with information about the feast and dancing at Rapa.

The work of the missions is discussed more fully in Education.

An L.M.S. mission station at Delena is run by Sister Fairhall who was away at the time of this patrol.

EDUCATION.

Eleven village schools were encountered, 9 Catholic and 2 L.M.S. Catholic children seeking higher education can attend the schools at Yule Island or Mainohana for a fee of £5 per year, and L.M.S. children can attend Lawes College, Samarai, free of charge.

The Catholic Mission has closed down its school at Biotou due to the lack of cooperation given by the village people in the construction of a new classroom. More detail of this is given under Native Affairs.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The road from Keabada to Delena needed re-grading and new drains. At present two tractors are being used to carry out this work.

From Ararana to Maiera Plantation the road is in poor condition, but open to tractors and motor cycles.

The section of road from Bereitsu to Bereina is cut by flood water as it is each year at this time. By following the road from Bereitsu to Maihnohana Mission it is possible to reach Epo in a landrover.

The new Epo - Avaita Beach road is impassable, but a detour exists from Bereitsu to Aviara Beach. This is barely passable. As mentioned in my last report these roads will never be any good until they are surfaced or sealed, and of course the cost would not justify this at present.

AGRICULTURE AND STOCK.

There have been no noticeable changes in this area since the 1957-58 patrol.

HEALTH.

To my untrained eye these people seem quite healthy, although cuts and sores tend to be neglected.

VILLAGE.

HOUSING.

Due to staff shortage at Kairuku I had to carry out this patrol with a minimum of delay, and subsequently I could not carry out a thorough inspection of housing. The majority of houses in most villages were in good condition.

VILLAGE CONSTABLES.

Beata Aitsi of Bereina and Naime Rai of Babiko were the only two village constables with whom I was impressed. Both speak good English and seem to have authority over their people. Beata is unfortunately losing power due to his inability to walk around very much.

Oa Taune of Biotou has no power over his people and no respect for the Administration. He is mentioned again under Native Affairs. To'oro Aisi of Mou seems to be always in trouble and is of little use. Mare Aitsi of Pinupaka seems to be carrying out his duties well enough, as are Aeaba Bure of Keabada and Koae Ai'a of Poukama. Iramu Taune of Rapa has not enough power in the village to be a good village constable, as is also the case with Warupi Koaba of Tsiria.

The Delena village constable, Nou Peri, is overshadowed by his councillors, who make his decisions for him. Koaba Rabau of Nikura was absent in Port Moresby at the time of this patrol.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Apart from Biotou there is nothing to report in this section. During my visit to Biotou I was treated as an unwanted intruder. The people made no move to assemble for the recording of the census, not even after four orders from the village constable. I commenced the census after warning the people that anyone failing to appear would be arrested by Constable Daupa. This produced the desired effect, but even then some names were called three or four times before the person condescended to answer.

It was reported that the Mission school had been closed, and that the people were not worried as they considered education by Europeans a dubious asset.

After the census a spokesman for the villagers told me that they were getting nothing back from the Administration for their tax. The Medical Services at Kairuku are too far away and the Administration has not built them any roads, he went on to explain.

The Biotou people are very anti-European, and their arguments against taxation provided an excuse to show their hostility towards us.

ANTHROPOLOGY.

The feast at Rapa was given by three clan chiefs for the following reasons:

Aitsi Parama wished to honour his deceased wife and son, and to appoint his eldest son to the position of chiefs' steward. Aitsi Mabai wished to honour his deceased wife and his son's deceased wife, and to appoint his son to the position of a minor chief. Tona Aitsi wished to appoint his son and his nephew to the positions of minor chiefs.

The three men selected to become chiefs, fasted for one month prior to the feast, and lived on two roasted bananas, ginger and one drink of hot coconut milk each per day. They lived for this month in a special house and were looked after by Tona Aitsi, who from time to time rubbed their skin with special herbs, and instructed them in the duties of a chief.

The man who became a chiefs' steward abstained from eating meat or drinking water for one month, but didn't live apart from his family. Chiefs from Rapa and several other villages were present on invitation, which is in the form of a betel nut given by an appointed messenger.

Dancing began on Monday night at 10 P.M. and continued on until 10 A.M. on Thursday with only two breaks.

On Tuesday the first feast began at 9 A.M. myself and Father Hubert were invited to attend. By 12 noon all the chiefs were ready and the chiefs' stewards presented all of us present with pork, yams, sago, bread and a cup of tea. The bread and tea were consumed in the men's house (DUBU) but the remainder of the food was carried to the houses where each of us were staying. This took several hours, and then twelve pigs were carried in front of the men's house and fastened to stakes. Ripe bananas and yams were then stacked near each stake.

One chief marked out the pigs and called the other chiefs to see how the meat should be distributed. The first break in the dancing, about half an hour, was at this time.

The pigs were then killed and cooked by the chiefs clansmen and feasting continued until about midnight.

Next afternoon at 6 p.m. all dancing and movement ceased in the village as nine chiefs, led by the elder chief, Abia Pekira, a woman, attended by nine men, assembled about 100 yards from the men's house. (This woman is one of the 3 female chiefs in the Sub-District).

Alternately walking two or three slow steps, and pausing, the chiefs came to the men's house. At each pause the three men giving the feast brought gifts of food to the parading chiefs. When the elder chief was satisfied the attendants took the gifts and handed them to the people living the route, and then the chiefs moved off. At one stage the chiefs remained in the one place for an hour sitting on chairs. Eventually a pig was killed and presented and the walk was resumed.

At 8.30 p.m. the chiefs reached the men's house and the gifts were brought by the people holding them and placed on a bamboo platform in front of this house. The chiefs then went inside the house and food was distributed as before. The three new chiefs were then formally installed in their new positions and their period of fasting came to an end. The dancing was recommended at this stage.

Relations of the dead people in whose honour this feast was held were then told that their period of mourning was over. Some people had been in mourning for five years.

All Rapa people and guests supplied food, but the pigs were supplied by clansmen of the three men giving the feast. Fourteen pigs were killed in all, and their prices ranged from £9 to £50.

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CLUBS.

At Keabada a women's club has been formed with the idea of helping the young women to earn some money.

The rules at present are:-

1. Meeting at the end of every month.
2. Members of Club to pay 10/- for work done by members.
3. Non-Members to pay 25/- for work done for them by members.
4. If garden distant more than one mile payment for non-members £2.
5. Funds to be divided after decision by general meeting.
6. Members of the Club must abide by the rules or be fined.

At Babiko some young men have formed much the same type of club.

Could some advice be given to me please so that I could help these young people. Copies of specimen club constitutions would be appreciated.

CONCLUSION It is pleasing to see that the majority of these people are now willing to accept part of the financial responsibility of running their country.

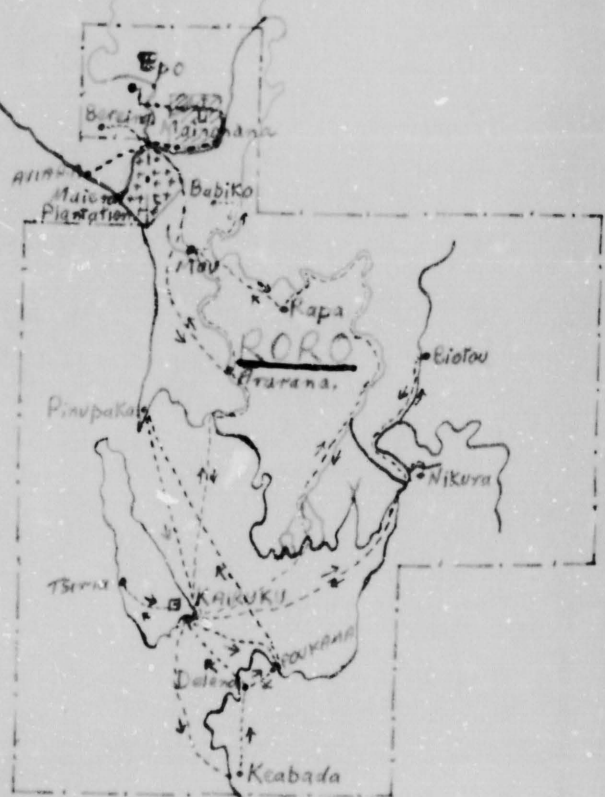
P. Dwyer

(P. Dwyer.)

Cadet Patrol Officer.

17/1/55

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KEY

- - - - - Census Division Boundaries.
- Patrol Route.

Report KAI No. 8 53/59.

SCALE 4 MILES: 1 INCH

P.V. DWYER, C.P.O. 17.3.59

on Register

Area Patrolled.....

Out	ABSENT FROM VILLAGE										LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES			TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL		
	AT WORK					STUDENTS					Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child bearing Age	Average Size of Family	Child		Adults				
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 Patrol



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU. C.D. Report No. 9/58-59

Patrol Conducted by D. J. LAWREY (CADET PATROL OFFICER).

Area Patrolled KUNI CENSUS DIVISION/TAX DISTRICT.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 4

Duration—From 20/4/1959 to 5/6/1959

Number of Days 47

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 17/11/1958.

Medical No. RECORD /19.....

Map Reference 4 MIL. INCH. STRAT SERIES.

- Objects of Patrol
1. To revise the Census.
 2. To bring TAX RECORDS up to date
 3. To repair existing AROPOKINA - UKUA road and clear horse-trail from IKEIKI to SBAOBA of bush and widen road to allow tractors to work.

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £ NIL

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £ NIL.

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Village Po

Year 1958 - 59

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												Females in Child Bed		
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IDOIDO	4.5.59	1																
LAPEKA	5.5.59	4	3															
EPA	6.5.59																	
AIJAVEI	21.5.59																	
IAIFA	23.5.59	2	2															
MIADU	25.5.59	2					1										1	2
DILAVA	26.5.59																	2
YOUAKA	26.5.59	1																1
MAIMAI	27.5.59		1															1
IKAIKAVA	27.5.59	1																
VALE IV	28.5.59																	
KEAKAMANA	28.5.59	1	1															1
KOAKA (2. II)	29.5.59																	
DEVA DEVA	30.5.59		3															3
INAUMAKA	1.8.59		1				1											1
VALE III	2.6.59	4	4															1
VALE II	2.6.59	1																
VALE I	2.6.59																	1
BUBUNI	3.6.59																	1
IUFU	4.6.59		1															
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The District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

1st September, 1959.

PATROL REPORT No.9 - 1958/59

A patrol of the Kuni is certainly an introduction to traversing the more arduous areas of the Territory.

Unless these people have suddenly become more educated in recent years, it is possible that they are precluded from Local Government by more than the lack of communications.

I agree that any animal cunning was engendered by the desire to avoid the forced labour of the not so distant past.

It would seem that the V.C. of Bubuni is not very interested in his job and would be better employed full time in his garden.

The report is a record of hard work efficiently executed.

(A.A. Roberts)
Director

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KAIR. PR. NO. 9-58-59/
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13th July, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIKORU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 9/58-59 - C.P.O. LAWREY

Your problems in the KUNI are basic.

Firstly, we must establish a road link and, if possible, an airstrip. Secondly, we must encourage permanent tree crops such as coffee which can withstand the high costs of cartage. I do not consider that we should encourage them to enter the vegetable trade but variety and size in subsistence gardening is important. The lack of animal protein needs consideration. Encourage pigs and investigate the possibilities of running goats on the open range principle.

Mr. Lawrey will have to develop his own animal curing to counter these people. It is to be remembered that the Mission have used these people as carriers for years with very little benefit to the people and their curing is understandable.

Please encourage the E.K.A. to foster health services in the area.

(D. R. MARSH)
DISTRICT OFFICER

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↙ The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
KONEDOBU.

For your information, please.

These people are temporarily precluded from joining a Council because of lack of communications. They are a likeable people and we are now reaching a stage where we can see our way clear to be of some practical assistance to them.

[Signature]
(D. R. MARSH)
DISTRICT OFFICER

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Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Ref; 31-1-1/41

Sub District Office,
KAIRUKU
Central District.

6th July, 1959.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY

Patrol Report No 9 of 1958/59 -
Patrol of KUNI Census Division by Mr CPO Lawrey

Above report in duplicate for your information and comment, please.

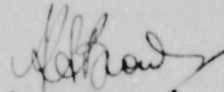
In addition to routine patrol matters, the patrol was intended to give Mr Lawrey experience of patrolling in difficult terrain.

The road tasks set covered 40 miles, and I expected no more than establishment of three road camps and general clearing in readiness for the TD6. Due to labour troubles (sickness in the KUNI), some sections were hardly touched. Recent reports indicate that the road is now in fair condition.

Action has already been taken by sending medicine to Aid Posts and the mission. Mr Dowell, EMA, will patrol the area shortly.

I cannot agree with Mr Lawrey's remarks concerning the 'animal cunning' of the KUNI people. In this case I believe Mr Lawrey's keenness to get the job done quickly was frustrated by the sickness among the people at the time.

The patrol was a long one, and Mr Lawrey has encountered new problems in patrolling. I believe this will prove invaluable to him.



(K.A. Brown.)

Assistant District Officer



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Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

20th. JUNE 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU. P.D.

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU NO. 9 of 1958-59.

<u>PATROL CONDUCTED BY</u>	D. J. LAWREY, C.P.O.
<u>AREA PATROLLED</u>	KIMI Census Division/Tax District
<u>PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY</u>	2155 Sp/1. (Lance) VASENUFA. 8105 Const. GEWEGET. 7414 " POTE. Interpreter HENRY ONAI.
<u>DURATION OF PATROL</u>	20th. APRIL 1959 to 5th. JUNE 1959. 14 days actual patrolling.
<u>OBJECTS OF PATROL</u>	1. To revise the census. 2. To collect remaining 1958 tax. 3. To grant exemptions for 1959. 4. To repair and extend road from AROPOKINA to OBAOBA.

DIARY

MONDAY APRIL 20th.

Departed Kairuku 0930 hrs. by chartered launch.
Arrived Aropokina 1230 hrs.
Departed Aropokina 1700 hrs. by Mission truck
Arrived Kubuna 2000 hrs.

TUESDAY APRIL 21st.

Departed Kubuna 0745 hrs.
Arrived Ukus 0835 hrs.
Road inspected - bad condition.

Arrived Kubung 1530 hrs.
Discussed road work with Village
Officials.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22nd.

Departed Kubung 0800 hrs.
Arrived Ego 0900 hrs.
Road inspection.
Departed Ego 1115 hrs. via Wonono.
Arrived Kubung 1530 hrs.
Clearing begun on Lapaka stretch.

THURSDAY APRIL 23rd.

Departed Kubung 0745 hrs.
Arrived Ukuu 0845 hrs.
Returned Kubung 1300 hrs.
Airstrip site inspected.
Returned Kubung 1630 hrs.

FRIDAY APRIL 24th.

At Kubung supervision.
Road work supervision.

FRIDAY MAY 8th.

SATURDAY APRIL 25th.

Road-work supervision.
Wages paid off.
At Kubung.

SATURDAY MAY 9th.

SUNDAY APRIL 26th.

Discussed the building of an airstrip
with Lapaka people.
Departed Kubung 1400 hrs.
Arrived Ikaiki 1530 hrs.
Road work supervision.

MONDAY APRIL 27th.

TUESDAY APRIL 28th.

Road work supervision.
To Likiep via Ukuu.
Returned Kubung 1600 hrs.
Took note of work on road.
Departed Kubung 0700 hrs.
Arrived Wonono 0745 hrs.
Departed Wonono 0900 hrs.
Arrived Ikaiki 1300 hrs.
Discussed contract road work.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 29th.

MONDAY MAY 11th.

TUESDAY MAY 12th.

THURSDAY APRIL 30th.

Departed Kubung 0700 hrs.
Arrived Ikaiki 0745 hrs.
Departed Ikaiki 0730 hrs.
Arrived Bioutou 0820 hrs.
Discussed contract work.
Departed Bioutou 0900 hrs.
Arrived Aropokina 1040 hrs.
Departed Aropokina 1245 hrs.
Arrived Kubung 1545 hrs.

WEDNESDAY MAY 13th.

FRIDAY MAY 15th.

Road work supervision.
Wages paid off.

SATURDAY MAY 16th.

Departed Kubung 0800 hrs.
Completed roadwork inspected.
Arrived Wonono 0900 hrs.
Returned Kubung 1200 hrs.
Lapaka contract paid off.

SATURDAY MAY 16th.

SUNDAY MAY 17th.

At Ikaiki.

MONDAY MAY 18th.

Departed Kubung 0815 hrs.
Arrived Ikaiki 0920 hrs.
Census Tax Exemptions.

TUESDAY MAY 19th.

Departed Ikaiki 0900 hrs.

DIARY (contd.)

Departed Idoido 1240 hrs.
Arrived Kubuna 1345 hrs.
Road-work supervision.

TUESDAY MAY 5th.

Departed Kubuna 0800 hrs.
Arrived Lapeka 0920 hrs.
Census. Tax. Exemptions.
Departed Lapeka 1230 hrs.
Arrived Kubuna 1400 hrs.
Road-work supervision.

WEDNESDAY MAY 6th.

Departed Kubuna 0800 hrs.
Arrived Epa 0945 hrs.
Census. Tax. Exemptions.
Returned Kubuna 1230hrs.
Brought books up to date.

THURSDAY MAY 7th.

Road-work supervision.

FRIDAY MAY 8th.

Road-work supervision.
Epa contractors paid off.

SATURDAY MAY 9th.

Discussed the building of an airstrip
with the Lapeka people.
Departed Kubuna 1400 hrs.
Arrived Ikeike 1530 hrs.
Road inspected.

SUNDAY MAY 10th.

Departed Ikeike 0700 hrs.
To Dieni via Amana.
Returned Kubuna 1600 hrs.
Took note of work to be done on road.

MONDAY MAY 11 th.

Road-work supervision.

TUESDAY MAY 12th.

Departed Kubuna 0700 hrs.
Arrived Ukua 0745 hrs.
Departed Ukua 0900 hrs.
Arrived Aropokina 1030 hrs.
Road-work supervision.

WEDNESDAY MAY 13th.

Road-work supervision.

THURSDAY MAY 14th.

At Aropokina.
Bad section of road repaired.

FRIDAY MAY 15th.

Road-work supervision.
Departed Aropokina 1530 hrs.
Arrived Kairuku 2000 hrs.

SATURDAY MAY 16th.

At Kairuku.

SUNDAY MAY 17th.

At Kairuku.

MONDAY MAY 18th.

Road-work equipment prepared and
loaded on barge.

TUESDAY MAY 19th.

Departed Kairuku 0900 hrs.

Arrived Aropokina 1300 hrs.
Departed Aropokina 1415 hrs.
Arrived Kubuna 1615 hrs.

WEDNESDAY 20th. MAY.

Idoido contractors paid off.
Departed Kubuna 1130 hrs.
Arrived Ikeike 1330 hrs.
Departed Ikeike 1505 hrs.
Arrived Amena 1345 hrs.

THURSDAY MAY 21st.

At Amena.
Tax. Exemptions. Census.
Coffee inspected.

FRIDAY MAY 22nd.

Departed Amena 0800 hrs.
Arrived Madiu 1000 hrs.
Talked with village people.

SATURDAY MAY 23rd.

Departed Madiu 0720 hrs.
Arrived Isifa 1050 hrs.
Census. Tax. Exemptions.

SUNDAY MAY 24th.

Returned Madiu at leisure.

MONDAY 25th. MAY.

At Madiu.
Tax. Census. Exemptions.
Departed Madiu 1045 hrs.
Arrived Obaoba 1405 hrs.
Talked with V.C. Dilava.

TUESDAY MAY 26th.

Dilava and Youaka Tax, Census, and
Exemptions completed.
Departed Obaoba 1245 hrs.
Arrived Maimai 1700 hrs.

WEDNESDAY MAY 27th.

Maimai, Ilailava.
Tax. Census. Exemptions.
Departed Maimai 1230 hrs.
Arrived Obaoba 1645 hrs.

THURSDAY MAY 28th.

Departed Obaoba 0820 hrs.
Arrived Vale IV 0850 hrs.
Tax. Census. Exemptions.
Departed Vale IV 1120 hrs.
Arrived Keakarana 1420 hrs.
Tax. Census. Exemptions.

FRIDAY MAY 29th.

Departed Keakarana 0820 hrs.
Arrived Koaka 1020 hrs.
Tax. Census. Exemptions.
Departed Koaka 1600 hrs.
Arrived Deva Deva 1900 hrs.

SATURDAY MAY 30th.

Tax. Census. Exemptions.

SUNDAY MAY 31st.

Departed Deva Deva 1040 hrs.
Arrived Obaoba 1440 hrs.

DIARY(contd)MONDAY JUNE 1st.

Departed Obaoba 0830 hrs.
 Arrived Inaumaka 1000 hrs.
 Tax. Census. Exemptions.
 Departed Inaumaka 1150 hrs.
 Arrived Vale III 1320 hrs.
 Census commenced.

TUESDAY JUNE 2nd.

Vale I, II, III
 Census, Tax, Exemptions,
 completed.
 Heavy rain stopped onward
 movement to Bubuni.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 3rd.

Departed Vale III 0800 hrs.
 Arrived Bubuni 0930 hrs.
 Tax. Census. Exemptions.

THURSDAY JUNE 4th.

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 Departed Bubuni 0700 hrs.
 Arrived Iumu 0730 hrs.
 Tax. Census. Exemptions.
 Departed Iumu 1100 hrs.
 Arrived Obu 1230 hrs.
 Departed Obu 1345 hrs.
 Arrived Urua 1645 hrs.

FRIDAY JUNE 5th.

Departed Urua 0900 hrs. by truck.
 Arrived Aropokina 1045 hrs.
 Departed Aropokina 1100 hrs.
 Arrived Kairuku 1600 hrs.

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END OF DIARY.Introduction

The main objects of this patrol are divided into two sections.

(a) To organize and supervise the clearing of bush from the existing vehicular road from Aropokina to Urua and along the horse-trail from Urua to Obaoba also forming the latter section of the road to allow heavy equipment to work, thereby opening up the northern villages of the Kuni to vehicular transport.

(b) To bring tax records up to date.

At the time of the patrol approximately 95% of the total population of every village was suffering from Echo '6' or some form of influenza making both aspects of the patrol hard to carry out effectively.

Apart from this stumbling-block, the Kuni people as a whole were found to be primitive but possessed animal cunning underneath an apparently law-abiding, friendly attitude toward Europeans.

Nonetheless, the patrol went smoothly in a geographically chaotic area inhabited by people who, at the present time,

have no inclination to advance or to be helped to advance.
 These statements will be clarified under further headings.

Observations.

Native Agriculture and Livestock.

Before this patrol began it seemed common knowledge that food in the Kuni area was scarce. Although the hazardous nature of the terrain is against large and well cropped gardens, the gardens at present were found to be over-cropped for the needs of the people. Planted on the slopes of mountains these gardens have excellent drainage and a reliable rainfall all the year.

The soil is fertile and crops such as, pumpkins, bananas, sweet potato, cucumber, tomatoes, sugar cane, taro, sweet corn, citrus fruit, and okari nuts, do exceptionally well.

As the Kuni area covers approximately 500 square miles and present population figures register a total of only 2178 land availability is no source of worry.

With the introduction of rice some years ago and more recently coffee the potential of agriculture in the area is practically unlimited. Furthermore these recent introductions have given the people a more balanced diet, but the lack of oil and protein is still a problem.

But; herein lies a major factor which is retarding agricultural progress in the Kuni - namely the general laziness of the inhabitants as a whole.

In December 1958 Mr Mulder, Agricultural Extension Officer, transported peanuts as far as Obaoba with the intention of distributing the seed among the villages and showing the people how to sow the seed and care for the young plants. The outcome was that no person was willing to carry the bags of seed to the villages. Several people took small amounts of seed from Obaoba but no evidence of peanut plants were seen during the current patrol except at the mission stations of Wenono and Kubuna. Very little seed was ever planted, more likely it was quickly consumed.

Livestock in the area consists solely of pigs and a few fowls except for one domesticated cassowary at Vale IV.

Cash Economy.

Owing to the hazardous ^{difficult} nature of the country remuneration from the sale of cash crops at present is small. However, small plots of rice and coffee have been sown and are doing exceptionally well. Rice production for the Kuni is expected to total 6 tons for 1959. The varieties of rice most commonly used are either white or yellow. The seed is planted all the year round and weeds are of no consequence. Sale of the hulled rice is generally to the mission which is situated locally but can consume only small amounts. If crops expand, new markets must be opened up to them.

Coffee.

Coffee in the area, is a variety known as Arabica, is confined to small plots up to a $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre. Large areas are being cleared near many villages with the intention of planting coffee. But; the only market at present comes from the mission which can buy only small quantities at a time. Occasionally, local Europeans purchase a bag, but, apart from these two, there are no markets for the quantities produced, with the result that many good crops have been abandoned and the berries allowed to rot. This was evident near Vale IVI. Coffee is used purely as a cash crop.

Mechanization in the form of rice and coffee 'hullers' is being used instead of the ancient 'water and pestle' method. This was evident at Amena a hamlet of the Aijavei village where the people have purchase both rice and coffee machines from the mission and are showing material enthusiasm uncommon in the Kuni. These are the people who should be given any assistance District Services can provide. Help in this direction would not be wasted as it would if given to those who show only a superficial interest.

Coastal villages have easy access to Port Moresby where a ready market is available for almost any produce. The Kuni on the other hand, have no means of communication with Port Moresby other than by paying freight on coastal vessels. They have very little initial capital and therefore cannot make this trip very often. To overcome the lack of income the people become employed locally or in the larger towns. As a result nearly one third of the total population are absent from their villages including many for periods up to eight years. Very little money ever finds its way back to the villages and income is reduced further by the decreasing home-labour potential.

Had the Kuni inhabitants the interest of the Chimbu people the Mekeo might have competitors to be reckoned with.

Villages.

Prior to 1904 villages were few but large with houses closely grouped together. Since 1904 families have separated from the village and built small hamlets sometimes 3 to 4 hours hard walking from the original village site. Consequently, social life has waned until now contact between separate hamlets is sometimes years apart and only then in the form of ceremonial feasts. Therefore, social intercourse plays only a small part in their isolated existence.

As a result houses are rudely constructed and are rebuilt only when they collapse altogether. The foundations of two houses at Iumu all but collapsed during the census. The village Officials were told to have them rebuilt before the next patrol and notations made in the census book.

Discussions were held with people of several villages concerning the establishing of large compact villages rather than hamlets widely dispersed over a large area. But notations made in census books by patrolling officers explain that attempts have been made to gain this objective but without success. These recent discussions brought the same results. No agreement could be reached as some were for the movement and others against. If this aim could be achieved social intercourse could be strengthened affecting better relationships within the villages and aiding discussions on village improvements. Furthermore, patrolling would be made much easier and much more effective.

Village Officials.

Village Officials were found to be cooperative and eager to help the patrol as much as possible. Their standing with the people is favourable.

On the contrary, the V.C. from Bubuni was absent from the census although he had been warned in advance that the patrol was coming to his village. The Councillor of Iumu went and asked the V.C. if he were coming to the census. The V.C. replied that he was too busy making a garden. This man was formerly employed with the Royal Papuan Constabulary.

The V.C. along with 18 others is to be brought to Kairuku under police escort to be put on trial.

Pigs.

Pig fences are non-existent in the area. To overcome the problem of damage to gardens the pigs' eyes are blinded so they cannot wander far from the village. A typical lazy and cruel method of keeping crops intact. Otherwise pigs are well cared for and often constructions are erected for the specific purpose of allowing pigs to sleep in the houses at night.

Rest Houses.

Rest houses throughout the Kuni are the best house in each village and quite adequate.

Through the courtesy of the Catholic Mission its rest houses were made available to the patrol.

Before the commencement of the patrol contracts were given to the V.C. of Idoido, Aijavei, Iumu, Madiu, and Inaumaka to build good houses from one to two hours apart on the Ukua-Obaoba trail in readiness for easy supervision of roadwork and accommodation for labourers.

Only the house at Ukua had been ~~built~~ completed. One at Amena built by the Aijavei people was completed but did not come up to standard. The people were told that they would have to do a better job before receiving their pay.

All five rest houses have been commenced and are expected to be

completed before the end of June. This will be discussed further under the heading 'Roads and Bridges'.

Education.

The Catholic Mission have two large schools in the area which serve the Kuni.

The Kubuna Girls' School is a pre-entry school for the girls' school on Yule Island which teaches fourth fifth and sixth standard. Some Kuni children attend the school but the majority are from the coastal area.

Also a small school with a native teacher serves the villages of Lapeka, Idoido, and Epa.

At Obaoba a large school run by a European Sister serves the northern villages of the Kuni and pupils can advance to standard two. During the Patrol this school was visited upon request of the Sister-in-charge. Attendance on the day was 100% , But examination of rolls revealed poor attendance over the past months.

To overcome the long hazardous walks for the children the Mission has adopted a system whereby the pupils come to school on Tuesday and return home on Saturday - food and sleeping quarters provided by the Mission. Nonetheless, attendance is poor, which strengthens the previous statement that the indigenies are too lazy to do what cannot be done for them.

The Mission has been in the area for 52 years which leaves the Kuni people no room for excuses.

It was carefully explained to all people present at the census that now they were paying tax they were indirectly paying for the education of their children and to reap any benefit from their contributions of the education the schools offered. All present verbally agreed; but whether they will follow the advice given remains to be seen.

A Government school is situated at Deva Deva, a village with a population of 271 the largest in the Kuni. But in such a remote area the teacher has a very difficult task and practically no help in the form of a European officer to whom he can go to seek advice. However with an A.E.S. having been posted to the Kairuku Sub-District a much needed patrol will no doubt be carried out in the near future.

Roads and Bridges.

General.

Considering the climatic conditions and the topographical nature of the country roads in general are good. Sections of village roads had been cleared prior to this current patrol, and where landslides had carried part of the road away detours were made thus keeping the roads open.

Cane bridges over the Arabure (St. Joseph) and Dilava rivers and

tributaries provide access to the villages of Iaifa, Maimai, Ilailava, Koama, Deva Deva, and Bubuni. The cane bridge to Iaifa which is constantly in use by hydrographers, is to be replaced by steel cables. One minor object of the patrol was to measure the length of the cane spanning the river. An accurate measurement is hard to obtain as the canes extend for several yards beyond the trees which must be climbed before gaining access to the bridge.

Furthermore, a heavy cable will sag far more than cane. This factor will have to be considered.

The true measurements of the bridge as it stands are as follows:-

Length of cane from anchorage to supports - Iaifa side.....	32' 3"
Anchorage to supports Nea side.....	14' 4"
Actual span from support to support.	157' 8"
Total length of cane.....	<u>204' 3"</u>

It would be wise to assemble the new bridge at the site rather than at Kairuku.

Major Work.

Aims.

1. To repair the existing road from Aropokina to Ukua.
2. To form a vehicular road from Ikeike to Obaoba along the existing horse-trail.

The first aim refers to a road which is a life-line to mission stations at Wonono and Kubuna and a flourishing combination rubber and coffee plantation at Ukua.

The second aim is the first move toward a vehicular road to connect the coast with Tapini. Apart from this factor, patrols will be made easier and more frequent. Also, transportation of vegetables and fruit to a ready market in Port Moresby will become a possibility.

Prior to this patrol, heavy rain had had devastating effect on the road from Aropokina to Ukua leaving it little more than a rock studded drain during the wet season and a physical torture in the 'dry'.

As this area will soon become plantations according to the Soldier Settlement Scheme, the road will have to be constantly maintained as Aropokina is the only outlet for produce.

A land surveyor, Mr Zeik, surveyed a proposed road to by-pass the treacherous Peka Hill section but this was found impracticable.

Work Done.

Owing to the shortage of labour through illness mentioned previously, work is slow. Up to date work completed is as follows:-

- (a) Clearing of road from Aropokina to Ukua.
- (b) Repairing of road from Aropokina to the top

of Wonono Hill.

(c) Camps for road supervision and labour quarters at Ukua and Amena.

Work on Ukua-Obaoba section is being carried out but progress is very slow and no sub-section has been completed. Rest houses are under construction at Dieni, Madiu, and Yakaluma River. Work is expected to be completed by the end of June, but an inspection will be necessary before contractors are paid off.

Difficulties.

Several months before this patrol commenced contracts were made for houses to be erected 1½ hours apart along the Kubuna Obaoba road to allow for thorough supervision and accommodation of labour. Unfortunately, influenza had reduced labour to only a few from each village. Consequently, the proposed houses were not completed and effective supervision could not be carried out owing to long distances between camps.

Similarly, with a reduced labour force work in general is slow; but all work should be completed before the end of June.

Apart from these difficulties, are unwilling to work on roads even for money. This unwillingness can eventually be overcome by diplomatic reasoning.

During the first two weeks of this patrol a two day trip was made from Kubuna to Inuwabui and Bioutou. The object of it was to organize contracts for the Aropokina - Wonono section of the road.

It is common knowledge among officers of the Kairuku Sub-District that both the people of Inuwabui and Bioutou villages are hard to handle and that no love is lost between the two. This patrol was no exception and it was two weeks before work began on their section of the road.

However, the work has been completed successfully and the contractors paid off.

Anthropological.

There is very little of anthropological importance to report. All information collected was considered only of interest to the writer. ?

Missions.

The only Mission active in the area at present is the Roman Catholic Order of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

There are three permanent stations, namely, Wonono, Kubuna, and Obaoba.

Wonono is the agricultural station which supplies the Mission on Yule Island with food.

The stations of Kubuna and Obaoba are concerned with education.

Their activities extend throughout the entire Kuni area.

Of the 21 villages Obaoba is concerned with 18 excluding the southernmost villages of Idoico, Lapeka and Epa. The latter coming under Kuouana.

Praise for the work done by the Mission cannot be too high. It is a pity the indigenies were not more co-operative, or as it seems, a little more inclined to accept the good work the Mission is doing, especially after 52 years of contact with this particular mission.

Census.

There is very little to add to the already much discussed problem of population in the Kuni except to stress the fact that poor communications due to the hazardous nature of the country is the foremost reason for unfavourable figures.

The total population has remained static at 2178 since patrol number four of 1958-59. However over a period of only six months since the previous patrol there has been a natural increase of 5. Male births for the period were 15 and females 18 giving a total of 33. Deaths recorded were 28 ~~and~~ male 12 and female 16.

Migrations out exceed migrations in by 2. Migration figures fluctuate considerably in reports from this area which could be influenced by the dissatisfaction caused through lack of social life mentioned previously under the heading 'Villages'.

Tax.

There is little to report on tax collection.

A major object of the patrol was to bring 1958 tax records up to date, thus clearing a path for an efficient 1959 collection.

At the completion of the patrol £10 had been collected and with the exception of those absent from the villages, all tax has been paid.

Lists of absentees have been compiled as accurately as possible which will aid checking.

The tax imposed on the Kuni people at present is £1 due to a poor economic system. Nonetheless, this system of tax could act as an incentive to improve their economic situation and to take a keener interest in the Government's work.

No trouble occurred in connection with tax collection from this area.

Law & Order.

The Kuni people are law-abiding and little trouble occur in this area. Very few complaints were brought before the patrol and these that were were of minor importance and successfully handled.

The number of persons absent from the census, and thus contravening Section 101A of the Native Regulation Ordinance and Native Regulations of the territory of Papua, was large and in keeping with the

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

KUNI.
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MEDICAL REPORT

To accompany Patrol Report No 9/58-59

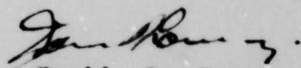
A/ patrol must be carried out in this area as soon as possible.

People from the Kuni area, an area which has been described by a missionary as 'Ce chien de pays', cannot come to the hospital at Kairuku if they are weak from sickness. Therefore the hospital must go to them.

The recent epidemic of Influenza affected 75% of the total population and two persons died at Deva Deva on the day of the census.

Tropical Ulcers are prevalent and skin diseases are much in evidence.

The people of this remote area require constant medical attention.


David J. Lawrey
(CADET PATROL OFFICER)

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Police Report

<u>No</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>CONDUCT</u>	<u>COMMENTS.</u>
2155	VASENUFA	L/cpl.	Excellent	An asset to the patrol
8105	GEWEGET	Const.	Good	A capable policeman
7414	POTE	Const.	Fair	Does not take his work seriously.

David J. Lawrey
David J. Lawrey
(CADET PATROL OFFICER)



KUNI

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	VEHICLE ROAD
	HORSE TRACK
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	MISSION STN.
	RUBBER
	COFFEE
	RAPEE PLANTATION
	VILLAGES & LAND MARKS





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU, Central District. Report No. KAI.No.10 of 1958-59.

Patrol Conducted by P.V. DWYER, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled NARA and KABADI Tax/Census Divisions.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 3 members of R.P.&N.G.C.

Duration—From 27 / 4 / 1959 to 8 / 5 / 1959

4 / 6 / 1959 to 5 / 6 / 1959
Number of Days 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Sept. 1958 NARA

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services December 1958 Kabadi

Medical February / / 1958 Nara and Kabadi.

Map Reference Yule and Aroa sheets. 4 miles : 1 in. h.

Objects of Patrol 1. To revise census, 2. To hear applications for tax exemptions,
3. Collect outstanding 1958 tax, 4. General administrative matters.

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 £.....

Village Pop

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												Females in Child Births	
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13th July, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
VALENTIA.

PARROT, BERGER NO. 10-58/99 - G.P.O. DEW/AN

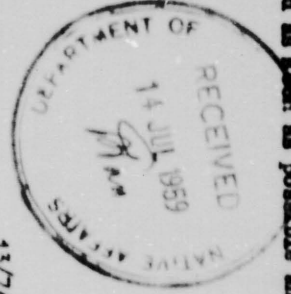
Thank you for this report. Mr. Dwyer is showing considerable aptitude for the job.

Please give me a confidential list of Jehovah's Witnesses and their occupations and addresses.

Please also encourage migration to the area. From our recent discussions it is obvious that they need some new blood. Care will have to be taken that newcomers get proper land rights from the people.

I expect by now you have examined the local Government Council Survey of this area. It may be that you could recall Mr. Ayling when it is partly done and let the second officer finish it. This would free Mr. Ayling for the VALDA survey and the MEXCO survey.

It is of the utmost importance that these surveys are conducted as soon as possible and the draft proclamations forwarded.



13/7/59

(D. P. MERRILL)
INSPECTOR GENERAL

KI 12 VAL.P.R. NO. 10-58/99

KINUYA
The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
KISUMU.

For your information, please.

Mr. Plant should see this as this area is one in which we hope to establish a council shortly.

(D. S. MERRILL)
INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Ref: 31-1-1/42

Sub District Office,
KAIRUKU.
Central District.

6th July, 1959.

District Officer,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY

Patrol Report KAIRUKU No 10 of 1958/59
NARA - KABADI by Mr CPO Dwyer.

Attached report in duplicate for your information and comment, please.

Mr Dwyer carried out a good patrol, and his report indicates that he has taken an interest in village affairs.

The Jehovah Witness people are still causing some bother in the area, but there seems little we can do about it. They thrive on persecution, so I believe it best to ignore them at this stage.

The ROI BENI affair was attended to on your recent visit.

I have already written on roads and bridges in the area. I suggested that contracts be let to HISIU Plantation and Mr Adamson of OU OU Creek.

K.A. Brown

(K.A. Brown.)
Assistant District Officer

Sub-District Office,
Kairuku,
16th. June, 1958.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
Kairuku.

Kairuku Patrol Report No. 10 of 1958-59.

Patrol Conducted By. P. V. DWYER, CADST PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled. Kabadi and Nara Census Divisions.

Patrol Accompanied By. 8372. Const. EVO'G.
9902. Const. DAUPA.
9309. Const. KANAI.

Duration of Patrol. 27th. April - 8th. May.
4th. June - 5th. June.
14 days.

Objects of Patrol. 1. To revise the census.
2. To hear applications for tax exemptions.
3. Collect outstanding 1958 tax.
4. General administrative matters.

DIARY

Monday 27th. April. Departed Kairuku 1500 by launch, arrived Delema 1530 hrs. to Obu Plantation by landrover arriving 2130 hrs.

Tuesday 28th. April. Departed Obu 1300 hrs. for Hieia village. Census 1330 to 1800 hrs. Returned Obu.

Wednesday 29th. April. Departed Obu 0930 hrs. for Hieia village. Census 1000 hrs. to 1200 hrs. Departed 1215 hrs. and arrived Arua Plantation 1240 hrs. ~~1400~~ Left Arua 1400 hrs by canoe. Arrived Pinau village 1530 hrs.

Thursday 30th. April. Census 0830 - 1200 hrs. Talked with village people and mission and Administration teachers. Police runner to Kerebona.

Friday 1st. May. Departed Pinau 0800 hrs. by canoe. Census of Uatukana, Kopuana and Kerebona at Kerebona. Then ~~to~~ to Marapanda for census. Departed by truck for Kerebona Estate at 1600 hrs. arriving 1700 hrs. Then to Iona Iperona arriving 1730 hrs.

SATURDAY 2nd.MAY.

Departed Doa Estate 1200 hrs.by truck.Changed trucks near Boismenu Mission station and proceeded to Mariboi Estate arriving 1700 hrs.Remained the night at Mariboi.

SUNDAY 3rd.MAY.

Left Mariboi by truck 1330 hrs.Changed trucks near Boismenu Mission station and proceeded to Pinu village arriving 1530 hrs.

MONDAY 4th.MAY.

Departed Pinu by canoe 1045 hrs.Arrived Arca Estate 1200 hrs.And waited until transport available at 1830 hrs.By truck to Obu Plantation arriving 1900 hrs.

TUESDAY 5th.MAY.

Departed Obu 0900 hrs.by tractor and arrived Ala'ala village 0930 hrs.Census and inspection of work done on new road.Departed Ala'ala 1230hrs.and walked to Obo Plantation arriving 1245 hrs.Departed Obo 1330 hrs.by truck and arrived Obu Plantation 1400 hrs.

WEDNESDAY 6th.MAY.

Departed Obu Plantation 1015 hrs.and walked to Diimana village arriving 1145 hrs.Census of Diimana,Kaiiau and Tubu 1300hrs. to 1615 hrs.Departed Diimana 1700 hrs.and arrived Obu Plantation 1845 hrs. Radiogram sent to Kairuku for landrover.

THURSDAY 7th.MAY.

Remained Obu Plantation.Landrover arrived 1930 hrs.

FRIDAY 8th.MAY.

Departed Obu Plantation 1300 hrs.and arrived Croi village 1400 hrs.Census 1415 to 1530 hrs.Departed Croi 1600 hrs.and arrived Delena village 1640 hrs.Departed by launch 1800 hrs.and arrived Kairuku 1845 hrs.

SATURDAY 9th.MAY to WEDNESDAY 3rd.JUNE.

At Kairuku.

THURSDAY 4th.JUN.

Departed Kairuku by launch 0810 hrs.arriving Rerena hamlet 0910 hrs.Walked to Vanuamai arriving 1055 hrs.Waited for villagers to assemble.Census 1700 to 1815 hrs.

FRIDAY 5th.JUNE.

Left Vanuamai 0800 hrs.and walked to Delena village arriving 1045 hrs.Departed Delena by launch 1200 hrs.and arrived Kairuku 1240 hrs.

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was for the specific purposes mentioned above. A visit to Doa and Mariboi Estates was made in order to interview two applicants for naturalization.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The Nara people were found to be very friendly and with very few complaints. They are however a very unenergetic people with little or no ambition. The majority of the young men evidently spend their time either eating, sleeping or parading in their finery, with no thought of working. The Vanuamai people are in favour of taxation as a lever to get the young men to do some work and ease being liabilities to the village.

The Kabadi people varied from village to village; the best being at Pinu and the worst at Ukaukana. The Ukaukana people are squabbling between themselves and with other people in the area and were the most disorganized rabble that I have ever had to census. The Pinu people on the other hand are a much happier group. The villagers combined with the school children one evening to produce a very interesting concert. The display of drill and marching by a squad of "troops" armed with wooden "rifles" was as good as anything I have seen in the Territory, and is evidently the product of much training. A play dealing with the introduction of the shotgun to these people was well done, and laughs were equally distributed between the simple native who failed to master the art of shooting, and the attitude of the white man who reclined in his chair and told his interpreter to "Hit the fool boy." It was good to see Papuans who can laugh at their own mistakes, as well as ours.

A less happy side to the picture is the presence of members of the Jehovah's Witnesses sect in the area. A deputation of L.M.S. pastors and village officials from Keveona, Ukaukana and Kopuana asked me to have these people removed from the area as they are causing unrest among the people with their teachings. They were also allegedly preaching to children on the way to and from mission schools.

I spoke to the leader of this sect in the area, a very smooth type from Porebada, and noticed ^{his} "school" where he allegedly has three pupils. He denied this of course, saying that it is only a Sunday School. This man was warned against starting a school without Administration approval. Two other preachers of the J.W. sect were seen. These two men are

/locals and are of the street-corner, shining-eyes/preacher type. This area is well known for trouble caused by "home-grown" sects of this type, and it is more than likely that more trouble is on the way, as feeling is running high at present.

At the time of my visit to Hisiu village the people were living in dread of the return of the infamous ~~XXXXXXXX~~ sorcerer, ROI BENI. This man has the Hisiu people terrified, and they have asked more than once to have him returned to his own village. The Village Constable told me that Roi has been responsible for many deaths in Hisiu and hinted that the next death may be Roi's. This is more than a possibility as Roi has once before suffered shotgun wounds in the head. The people were warned against violence and told that sorcery is not to be feared. This of course was not believed as these people have "proof", in the way of deaths, of the results of sorcery.

CENSUS AND STATISTICS.

Due to Tax registers being used last year the census of the Nara and Kabadi areas was quite accurate. This in turn made my task this year much easier.

A natural increase of 19 in eight months was recorded in the Kabadi Census Division. The overall increase was 16; from 1,709 to 1,725. This rate of increase has remained steady over the last three years. The only great change is the number of people absent from the villages and employed inside the Sub-District. The increase, 42 males and 29 females, is mainly due to a seasonal demand for casual labour to perform clearing work on the plantations.

In the Nara Census Division the natural increase in five months was nine, with an overall increase of 13; from 569 to 582. Migrations to and from this area, as mentioned in Kairuku Patrol Report No. 5 of 58-59, are continuing at a great rate, with migrations in still exceeding migrations out.

TAX.

On this patrol outstanding 1958 tax was collected and consideration given to applications for exemption from 1959 tax. There seems to be little or no opposition to tax in these two areas by the local natives.

From Obo Plantation down to the Mariboi-Rubberlands area there are rumours that plantation labourers may refuse to pay tax in 1959.

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At present there does not seem to be an organized opposition to taxation but trouble may occur when the tax collectors arrive. The bone of contention is that many of the labourers will be caught twice for tax during their term of employment. The opposition is not to tax as such, but to its severity.

During this trip I was brow-beaten several times by Europeans on the subject of tax. This was mainly in a good natured sort of way, but it is evident that there is more opposition to tax amongst the Europeans of the area than amongst the natives of the same place.

LAW AND ORDER.

A few minor disputes were brought to my notice, but on the whole these people, especially the Nara's, seem to have very few serious troubles, compared to other parts of this Sub-District.

Follow-up action was taken on disputes previously heard by a magistrate.

MISSIONS.

Mission Both the Catholic and London Missionary Society have spheres of influence in these two areas, and in only a couple of places do you find both missions. This tends to do away with many petty disputes found in other areas.

The fly in the ointment may well be the presence of a small but fanatical group of Jehovah's Witnesses at Keveona.

EDUCATION.

Mission schools in these two divisions offer very little in the way of education, and the Administration school at Hiaia is not a great deal better.

If the mission schools are unable to send trained teachers to this area the Administration must establish their own schools.

Philip Aravure, the teacher in charge of the ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Administration school at Pina, is making progress in the face of general apathy of the people. He is very keen and is continually asking more people to send their children to school. He has his school grounds neat and tidy and his enthusiasm and hard work is beginning to show results.

AGRICULTURE AND STOCK.

The Kabadi villages are typical of coastal villages in this area, having the usual garden crops, pigs, and a cash crop: copra.

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Pinu is an exception, as the people some time ago killed all their pigs in order to do away with the disputes that pig damage brought about. They are still well pleased with this decision, and their diet does not suffer, due to the availability of fish and birds.

HEALTH.

At the time of my visit about half of the people were suffering from either influenza or the "Echo 6" virus.

The new aid-post under construction at Hisiu village will fill a pressing need in that area.

Reports that the medical orderly at Keveona was rarely on duty were investigated and found to be untrue.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The road from Delena to the beach between Ala'ala and Oroi is quite good except for one very wet section near Delena and one soft section inside the Ou Ou Plantation boundary.

A contract has been given to the Ala'ala people to construct a road from their village to link up with the Delena road. At present vehicles have to wait for low tide to use the beach from the Delena road to Obu Plantation. The manager of Obu Plantation is rebuilding a road through the swamp between his plantation and Obo Plantation. He is also doing good work on the causeway between the Obu and Hisiu Plantations. The Obu Plantation roads are by far the best cared for in this area, and the Hisiu and Aroa ones are also well kept.

In the Kanosia area the road from Pinu through Keveona to Kanosia Estate is quite good, as also is the Doa road system.

From the boundary of Kanosia through to Mariboi the road is in a shocking condition. The area is harder to maintain than the Hisiu and Kanosia areas, but the general picture shows that more effort is put into the last two mentioned areas than in the first mentioned.

As instructed I investigated the possibility of constructing a road from Delena to Vanuamai. From time to time mission trucks go from Delena to Nikura for timber, passing near Rerena. In earlier times the mission used to send a horse drawn dray from Rerena to Vanuamai, and this road is in fair shape. With the construction of about four culverts and one causeway very little extra work would be needed to form a well-drained road to Vanuamai. Sufficient rock is present at the site of the

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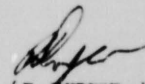
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Report on Police.

<u>Number and Name.</u>	<u>Conduct.</u>	<u>Comments.</u>
8372 Const. EVO'0	GOOD	Worked well but lacks discipline.
9902 Const. DAUPA	FAIR	Dislikes work and is slow to obey orders.
9309 Const. KANAI	GOOD	Very moody. With me for only two days. Luckily in one of his good moods.

Kairuku Patrol Report No. 10 of 1955-59.


(P. DWYER.)

Cadet Patrol Officer.



KEY.

- - - - - Census Division Boundaries.
- Vehicular Roads.
- Proposed New Roads.
- ☐ Air Strip.
- ☐ Copra Plantation.
- ☐ Rubber Plantation.
- Patrol Route.

Kairuku Patrol No. 10 of 1958-59

By P.V. DWYER, C.P.O.

Scale. 4 miles:1 inch.

on Register

Area Patrolled NARA & KABADI

		ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL
		AT WORK				Govt.		Mission		Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child Bearing Age		Child		Adults		
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU, Central District. Report No. KAIRUKU No 11 of 1958/59

Patrol Conducted by Mr D.J.Ayling, Patrol Officer Gr 1.

Area Patrolled BUSH MEKEO Tax/Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr E.G.Dowell, Medical Assistant

Natives 2 members RP&NGC; 1 interpreter.

Duration—From 10/6/1959 to 19/6/1959

Number of Days 10

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Yes

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services May/1958

Medical October/1858

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol (1) Census revision (2) Collection of Personal Tax
(3) Routine native administration.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund

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KAI.P.R.NO11/58-59/
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10th July, 1959.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO.11/58-59 - P.O. D. AYLING

You have been selected to attend a Local Government course in FORT MORESBY from 10th to 28th August. In view of this you should endeavour to conduct your Local Government Council Survey of the area almost immediately, and at the same time attend to outstanding matters raised by Mr. Ayling.

This is a very good report. It gives a clear picture of the area and above all else it is gratifying to see that the Native Affairs aspects have been blended with the needs of Agriculture and Health.

It is important that the road be extended to ENGEFA and ultimately AMIEAKA. Do you think you could organise the people to cut the timber along this route so that we will be able to form the road with machinery? I gather from the BUSH MEKEO people that they don't want to be left out of the Council for too long and to me this road is the key.

Let me have a report on the attitude of the APANAIFI Village Constable in due course.



(D. R. MARSH)
DISTRICT OFFICER

ATT. Contingencies.

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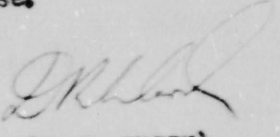
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The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
KOROROEBU.

There are 22 essential points for ferrymen in this sub-District. Will you please ensure that we have sufficient funds this year.

Copy of report for your information, please.


(D. R. MARSH)
DISTRICT OFFICER

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Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Ref: 31-1-1/43

Sub District Office,
KAIRUKU.
Central District.

6th July 1959.

District Officer,
Central District,
FORT MORESEY

Kairuku Patrol No 11 of 1958/59.
BUSH MEKEO Mr PO Ayling.

Above report in duplicate for your information and comment, please.

The dispute between AIPEANA and BABANONGA is an old one. The matter was referred to the Chief Native Lands Commissioner (My 34-1-4 of 22nd July and 9th October, 1958 refer.)

A letter will be written to OIC KUKIPI about payment for canoe logs.

It was pleasing to read some words of praise for the village officials. I concur with the appointment of Councillor.

I feel that any move to encourage the Bush Mekeo people with cash crops should go hand in hand with road development in the area. If the Ma'Akunga River can be bridged it may be possible to put a road through, possibly higher up than the position of the present ferry service. The road would connect ENGEPA, AMELAKA and PIUNGA. APANAIFI, MAIPA and IOI would have contact by canoe. I have further discussed this with Mr Ayling, and he agrees that it has possibilities. I reiterate that I consider it pointless to encourage economic development in an area unless we can bring roads in at the same time. It was a fundamental fault with every economic venture in this sub-district.

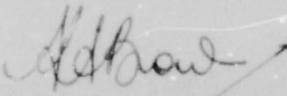
Absentee figures are high, but as explained by Mr Ayling, there is a good reason for it. Population figures indicate a healthy state of affairs.

The failure to get sago out from APANAIFI before Xmas was the result of several factors. Firstly the Harbour Master refused to let the RUBY make the trip up the Ma'Akunga, and I could not persuade local launch owners to make the trip. I contacted Mr Green at BEIPA and he agreed to send tractor and trailer to the ferry point on the Ma'Akunga. Representatives of APANAIFI agreed to canoe the sago to this point, but they apparently received no village cooperation and the tractor returned empty. They were well informed each time we attempted to get the sago out.

Mr Ayling has carried out a good patrol, and all matters outstanding were attended to. It was an excellent opportunity for the Medical Assistant to make a survey of health, which was much needed.

I intend patrolling both Bush Mekeo and Mekeo at the end of July.

Mr Ayling's claim for camping allowance is attached for your approval and return to this office for payment.


(K.A. Brown.)
Assistant District Officer

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Sub District Office,
KAIRUKU
Central District.

24th June 1959

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU

Patrol Report KAIRUKU No 11 of 1958/59

Preamble

Officer conducting Patrol; D.J.AYLING, Patrol Officer Gr1.

Area patrolled; BUSH MEKEO Tax/Census Division.

Objects of Patrol; (1) Census revision.

(2) Collection of Personal Tax.

(3) Routine native administration.

Duration; 10th June to 19th June, 1959. 10 days.

Personnel accompanying; Mr E.G.Dowell, Medical Assistant.

OVU OVU, interpreter (employed casually
for this patrol)

1593 Corporal MOROHAPE , RP&NGC
9308 Constable KAOWI-WILAMU, RP&NGC

Introduction

The area patrolled was that in the vicinity of the AKAIFU/
MA'AKUNGA river system, which drain the KUNI MAIPA area of the
GOILALA sub-district. The villages in the Division are all either on,
or on the flat land between, the river system.

Large stretches of swamp country are found near the lower
stretches of the larger rivers. The remainder of the country is covered
with rain forest, in which big timber is plentiful, with some extensive
areas of induced kunai and cane-grass country. It is a very fertile area,
and abounds with game of all descriptions.

The patrol was of a purely routine nature, and completed without
any exceptional incidents.

Diary

June 10th (Wednesday) Departed KAIRUKU 0900hrs by charter
launch TANTIBI, towing barge load of timber
for EPO agricultural station. Arrived
ARARANA landing 1100hrs, thence to EPO by
road, arriving 1215 hrs. Dep for BEIPA
by road 1545 hrs, arriving 1615 hrs.
Remained overnight at BEPIA agricultural
station.

- June 11th. Dep. BEIPA 1015, 0.30 by tractor, 1.30 walking to BABANONGA village.
Revised census, collected tax, heard complaints, inspected village, etc. Remained overnight in resthouse.
- June 12th. Dep. BABANONGA 0810, four hours downstream by canoe to APANAIFI village.
Moderate rain during entire afternoon; heard complaints, inspected village, etc. Overnight in rest-house.
- June 13th. Revised census, collected tax at APANAIFI in the morning.
Departed APANAIFI by canoe 1300 hrs, arrived PIUNGA village 1720 hrs. Remained overnight in resthouse.
- June 14th (SUNDAY) In morning (after people returned from Mass at AMEIAKA) revised census, collected tax, etc at PIUNGA.
In afternoon to AMEIAKA (about 20 mins walk) revised census, collected tax, etc. Returned to PIUNGA and remained there overnight.
- June 15th. Departed PIUNGA 0730, dep AMEIAKA 0830, walked to INAUKINA village, arriving 1000hrs.
Revised census, collected tax, etc.
Departed INAUKINA 1540 hrs, to MAIPA 1.20 hrs walking on sloppy track, last 30 mins in heavy rain. Spent night at MAIPA rest-house.
- June 16th. Revised census, collected tax, heard complaints, inspected village at MAIPA.
Dep MAIPA 1320 hrs, arr IOI 1430 hrs.
- June 17th. Revised census, collected tax, etc at IOI.
Dep IOI 1210 arr ENGEFA 1440 hrs (wet track.)
- June 18th. Census revision, tax collection, etc at ENGEFA.
Departed ENGEFA 1240 hrs, arr MAKUNGA River crossing 1345. Thence by tractor to BEIPA agricultural station, arriving 1600 hrs. Remained overnight.
- June 19th. Police investigation into theft at BEIPA.
Departed BEIPA by tractor 1030 hrs, arrived EPO 1100 hrs. Departed EPO 1315, by road to ARARANA landing. Launch to KAIRUKU arriving 1800 hrs.

Native Affairs

These people are well settled and friendly. With the exception of APANAIFI (see later under 'Taxation') the patrol was very well received, and overburdened with gift of foodstuffs. The general attitude towards the Administration and its functions leaves little to be desired; no doubt their comparative isolation is a large factor here, especially when they are compared with their more worldly-wise brethren of the Mekeo proper.

Complaints brought to the patrol were not numerous, and mainly concerned with land boundaries, trespass and recovery of trading debts.

The BABENONGA/AIPEANA boundary has apparently been the bone of much contention among these two villages for some time, and the matter was brought up to the patrol. The BABENONGA constable and councillors examined the situation was developing where the matter could well lead to open clashes between the villages. They were informed that settlement of the land boundaries would have to wait for the intervention of the Native Lands Commission, but that in the interim any open clashes would be dealt with by stern measures.

Also in dispute is the boundary between AMEIAKA and ENGEFA lands, although in this case the ENGEFA people told me that there is no actual boundary, the ground concerned being hunting lands more or less used by both village groups. I was not able to check this point with the AMEIAKA people, whose village I had visited several days before. I suggested to the ENGEFA officials and chiefs that it might be possible to agree with AMEIAKA on a defined boundary recognised by both villages; doubtless it is unlikely that they would agree, but it could be worth trying.

Other land complaints concerned trespasses on land, the boundaries of which are not in dispute. The details have been noted on the patrol pending file, so that the matters can be looked into on the next visit to the offenders' villages.

The people of some Bush Mekeo villages, especially APANAIFI, PIUNGA and AMEIAKA have trading relations with people from down-river in the KEREMA sub-district. Numbers of logs for canoe building are sold by these villages to KEREMA natives, and complaints concerning payment for these logs have been made to me. The people selling the logs have suggested that the KEREMA natives should come upstream and purchase the logs before taking delivery, rather than they themselves take the logs down, and then be at the buyer's mercy as regards a fair price. They do not appear to have inflated ideas about what is a fair price for the logs, and the matter is of considerable importance to them, as it is one of the few avenues of economic endeavor at present open to them without leaving the village. I suggest that the matter could be taken up with the Officer in Charge, KUKIPI? by memorandum. I understand that individual natives from the Bush Mekeo have approached that officer on the matter, and he promised them his help to get a fair deal.

Village Officials

As usual, the village officials visited were a mixed bunch, but for the most part must be given credit for their apparent endeavors in keeping villages, etc, in good shape, and helping to maintain law and order.

At all times, when hearing minor village disputes, I endeavored to encourage the constables and councillors in their efforts to arbitrate in trivial village disturbances and squabbles.

Two or three constables complained of lack of cooperation

from the village natives; in these cases a brief talk on the duties and powers of the village constable, and the penalties which the law imposes for non-compliance with his lawful orders, was given to the village assembled for census revision. No prosecutions appeared necessary at this stage.

IKANGO-AURI, previously a councillor in PIUNGA village, has migrated to ANEIAKA and thus resigned his appointment. The clan he represented nominated ROBO ITAUWA as successor, and I endorse that appointment. I took the liberty of assuming your approval, and invested him with the badge of office.

Agricultural and Economic Development

Large subsistence gardens, with a wide variety of vegetables, were a feature of this area. Villages forced to plant gardens along the river banks, especially APANAIFI, often suffer as a result of floods during the wet season, but plenty of sago is available as a stand-by. The abundance of game and fish in the area make for a reasonably well-balanced diet, and on the whole the people looked well fed.

The soil in the area generally appears excellent, and just about any economic crop would do well in the area. The poor communications system to shipping or air-strip points is the big stumbling block in the economic development of the area. Any improvement of the roads system, to the point where produce could be brought out of the area in any quantities, would involve large-scale expenditure on bridging.

All the villages visited grow considerable quantities of rice as part of the subsistence diet; except for IOI village, where they have a small Bentall hand huller, the rice is husked and winnowed by primitive hand methods. Transport precludes its development as a commercial crop.

Citrus fruit is a possibility for commercial production in the area; oranges sampled from trees at MAIPA and IOI were the equal of Australian-grown fruit, and without doubt would command good prices in Port Moresby. The only attempts at marketing citrus fruits has been a few canoe loads taken down river to the KEREMA district, and by reports the return did not justify the effort in transportation.

A native assistant from the Agricultural Extension Station at BEIPA is at present working in the INAKINA-MAIPA-IOI area with coffee seed, helping these people establish nurseries and teaching coffee-planting methods. I understand that Mr Green, Agricultural Extension Officer, intends visiting the division shortly; this will be, as far as I can ascertain, the first visit by an officer of D.A.S.F. to the area, and his report and recommendations for agricultural development in the area will be awaited with interest.

I believe that these people would respond well to assistance in the establishment of economic crops, especially as they appear rather jealous of their more fortunate neighbours in the Mekeo proper.

Medical and Health

Mr E.G. Dowell, Medical Assistant, accompanied the patrol and examined all those assembled for census and tax collection. He is preparing a full separate report on his work and observations during the patrol.

Housing and Villages.

Housing on the whole was of a fair standard and reasonably well maintained. With large numbers of men away working in Port Moresby, each village has a number of houses unoccupied, in many cases for a number of years. Constables were advised to pull down and clear away these places, as they decay to the point of becoming uninhabitable.

Rest houses are maintained in all the villages, and provide reasonable accommodation for patrolling officers.

Villages and their environs were, without exception, clean at the time of the patrol's visit.

Roads and Bridges

Intervillage walking tracks were clean and for the most part in fair condition. The heavy rainfall, dense bush and very big timber makes it nearly impossible to keep the tracks dry.

All of these tracks could be enlarged to take motor transport, but the problem of bridging the wide AKAIKU, IOI and MA'AKUNG Rivers, to say nothing of many smaller creeks, would be a very formidable one, completely uneconomical at the present time.

Much of the intervillage travel and river crossings are done by canoe, and a number of ferrymen are employed by the Administration in this division. Unfortunately, at present they are not being paid due to lack of funds. They appear to be carrying on as usual, doubtless on an individual fare basis. Several complaints were received about ferry services.

The ferryman at the MA'AKUNGA crossing, on the ENGEFA - BEIPA road, is reported as being often absent from his job, and his work done by another native who gets an occasional 'cut' from the ferryman's wages. I recommend that this latter native be given the job, and have told the BEIPA constable to bring him into KAIRUKU, with the present ferryman, at the end of the financial year. In the cases of other complaints, the ferrymen concerned were warned that failure to provide the services they are paid for would result in them being replaced.

The provision of a ferry service down-river from APANAIFI was investigated, as instructed. A separate report has been placed on the appropriate office file for your information.

Census

Census revision of the Bush Mekeo Census Division for 1959 was completed during the patrol.

Total population of the Division increased from 1,235 to 1,280 in the interval of about 13 months since the previous census revision; the natural increase during that period was 3.5%, indicating a healthy population trend.

Census revealed that 45% of the adult male labour potential is absent from work, the majority employed casually in Port Moresby. Absentee figures for the individual villages are;

BABANONGA	22%
APANAIFI	42%
PIUNGA	42%
AMAIKA	44%
INAUKINA	60%
MAIPA	52%
IOI	48%
ENGEFA	47%

While these figures are high, it must be appreciated that employment is virtually the only avenue for cash income open to these people at present, and the casual labourer forms an integral part of their economic structure. The majority of them are away for only a year or two at a time, and most of them are young, unmarried men. The men in the village appear to have no difficulty in keeping the population increasing and well fed.

Taxation

Total or partial exemptions were issued to 140 males, mostly old men and those with large families. Tax collected totalled £55-10-0, which represents very nearly a full response from taxable males in the villages, with the exception of APANAIFI.

When the patrol arrived at APANAIFI, the resthouse was found to be stacked with about 1½ tons of sago. The village constable informed me that it had been prepared after Mr Gibbins' patrol last year, for sale to the Administration. Apparently transport arrangements broke down, and the sago has been stored in the rest-house for about nine months. The sago is now unfit for human consumption, and the people expressed to me the opinion that they had been 'let down' by the Administration.

Next day, on assembling people for census and tax collection, each male person due to pay tax claimed that he had no money; in each case they were given a time extension of two months. Four men who had been away from the village last census, and owed tax for two years, were informed that proceedings would be commenced with a view to prosecution for non-payment, whereupon the money for these natives was found in a few minutes.

Later, while at PIUNGA, I heard from POPORI PATA, an ex-village constable of APANAIFI, that the APANAIFI constable and councillors had organised the mass refusal at a meeting the evening prior to the patrol's arrival, as a protest against the Administration's alleged failure to take delivery of the sago.

I understand that the failure to deliver the sago was the fault, at least in part, of the APANAIFI people themselves; I have no doubt that they are well able to pay their tax, being wealthier than many other Bush Mekeo villages, and suggest that a visit to the village should be made by the Assistant District Officer inside the next two months, if at all possible.

Proposed APANAIFI Village Trade Store

During the patrol I was approached by IPOA OALA, Catholic Mission teacher at APANAIFI, and PAUL ONGA, medical orderly at the PIUNGA Aid Post, about the possibility of opening a store at APANAIFI, which would also serve PIUNGA and AMELAKA villages. They told me that they have an APANAIFI native, at present working in Port Moresby, is able and willing to return and act as storeman.

I told them that there would be no difficulty in getting the necessary licenses, provided the Administration was satisfied that the capital available and spending potential of the villages in the area was sufficient to make the venture reasonably assured of success. I have suggested that they endeavor to estimate the capital they could collect to start the venture, and have a talk with the Cooperatives Officer next month, when they will both be coming to KAIRUKU on other matters.

IPOA OALA has, I understand, approached the TOARIPI Association of Native Societies, who would be willing to supply goods by river.

Law and Order

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No cases were heard in the Court for Native Matters during the patrol.

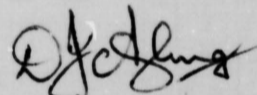
Investigations were made into an alleged case of INCEST at AMELAKA village, and one of theft at BEIPA. Separate reports will be submitted.

The two investigations which you required me to undertake at EPO experimental station, could not be undertaken, due to Mr Ryan, station manager, being in Port Moresby for medical treatment at the time of the patrol's visit.

Conclusion

The Bush Mekeo people are peaceable, friendly, and respond well to Administration activities.

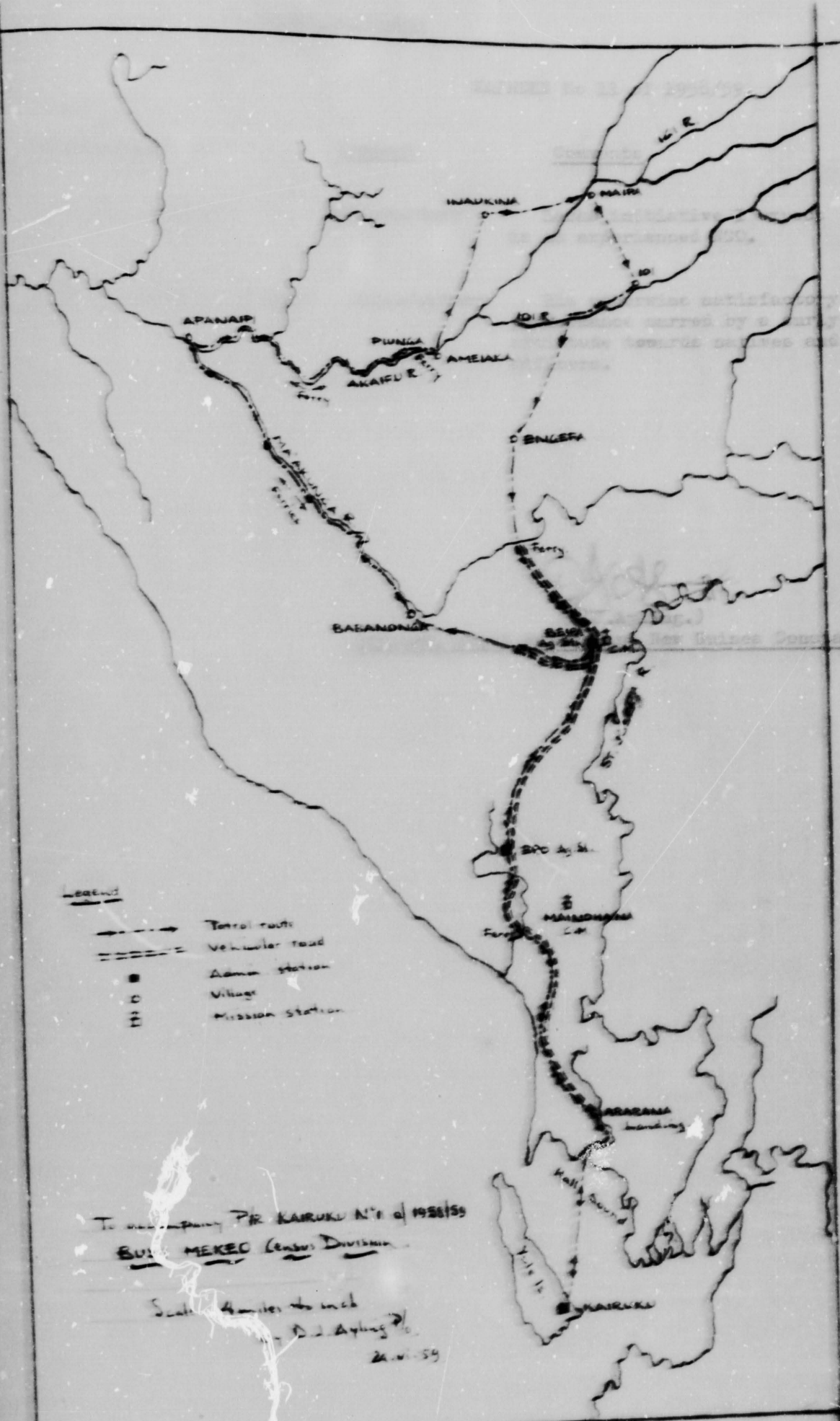
Their area generally has a high agricultural potential, but the development of economic crops is hampered by considerable difficulties in transportation; consequently, their economic structure at present built around a high percentage of the younger men in casual employment in PORT MORESBY.



(D.J. Ayling.)
Patrol Officer Gr 1.

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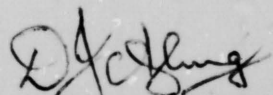
Village Population Register
Patrol map.
Report on police.



Report on Police

KAIRUKU No 11 of 1958/59.

<u>Number and Name</u>	<u>Conduct</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1593 Cpl MORAHAPE	Satisfactory	Lacks initiative I expect in an experienced NCO.
9308 Const. KAOWI WILAMU	Satisfactory	His otherwise satisfactory performance marred by a surly attitude towards natives and his officers.


(D.J. Ayling.)

Officer, Royal Papuan and New Guinea Constabulary