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Date 17-11-20

Patrol Report.

Object of Patrol. Inspection of Mative Labour at MIBU and MADIRI, to get sil samples from the Fly River, to investigate the report that the Middle Fly River natives and SUKI Creek natives were moving down the Fly making friends, and to pick up Mr F.E. Williams, Government Anthropologist and party at GUMAK, SUKI Creek.

- Nev lst. Left Darn at 7.20 A.M. with the Miknetenka and 4 A.Cs. anchored at Mibu at 1.30 P.M. Visited Mrs Cowking and held labour inspection, helding C.P.S. and collecting taxos from casual labourers.
- How. 2nd Left at 5.40 A.M. on the end of the rising tide, anchored at AUTI 8.45 P.M. paying out money from D.N.L. A/C. Left at 9.10 A.M. and anchored at GAIMA at 11.20, mr warned8 the next of kin of three deceases native labourers to be there on my return. Left at poon for Madiri, anchoring at 2.10 P.M. Inspected Madiri, where 28 cannal and free labourers are employed under the native loss boy HAIRO-I.
 - 3rd Left at 5.45 A.M. stepped at BARAMURA where I found V.C. ONA of ADURA with one of the Middle Fly River natives named RMASI, the V.C. had brought him down visiting. I was informed that four other Ex Davismbu matives were at SUWAMI. Picked up V.C. OHA and ENASI and continued up stream anchering at SUMAMI at 10.45 A.M. Left in the dingly with the outboard motor and entered SUMAMI Creek, a run of 40 minutes bringing us to the village. The Village Constables of SUNAMI and WERIADAI and about 50 natives present including the WAIMA, KUNUMAI, SOMA and EINDA of KWIMA and DAVIUMBU, now living just South of SUKI Creek at the village of TIRARUMA. From what I could gather five cance from TIRARUMA came down to SUWAMM about 2 months ago to make friends, and after staying for a month the canoes returned, leaving the 5 visitors, apparently to learn the local language. All seemed to be on very friendly terms including the remnant of the raided vallage of WERIADAI. As I was calling at TIRARUMA I offered to take the visitoro back but they said they would rather stay untilt their own canses came down to fetch them, TANT natives seemed anxious to keep them there as their guests. EMASI is one of the natives who went to Port Moresby in 1927/28 and seems to have picked up enough Motuan to act as interpreter between

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- isv. 3rd between the visitors and the Sumami natives, a few of whom know a little Notuan. I also gathered that the Middle Fly natives are willing that a few of their women should marry with the Sumami people, the Sumami natives to exchange an equal number of girls, if this transpires the friendship movement will be put on a good footing. I am afraid I find it difficult to entirely trust the motives of the Middle Fly people, their progress seems almost to good to be true, if one takes into account that they not only allowed 42 Javanese to pass through them without molestation, but actually assisted them, and now this peaceful penetration of the Lower Fly. Returned to the Minnetonka and continued on up the Fly at 1.05 P.M. anchored at 5.50 P.J. as near as I could to the place where I noticed cil last Feb. Strong S.E. Blowing all night.
- dragged her anchor during the night, the full force of the spring tides are running as there is a full noon on the 6th. The tide turned at 11.15 A.M. with a small bore, never having become slack. Left at 11. 50 for a point about 3 miles down stream. Sent the Minnetonka back to her anchorage and centinued up the river in the dinghy taking samples from the high banks. Returned to Minnetonka at 2 P.M. and left at 2.7 P.M. it now being nearly high tide, hoping to see signs of oil on the slack water at full tide. Travelled slowly ever the area but saw no signs of oil. In Feb. when signs of oil were found the river was very low, and it happened to be low water on the apringation map tides.
- Nev. 5th Waiting low tide. Started engine at 11.25 at change of tide, but tide again changed with a small bore making the water very rough and muddy. Decided at 12.30 P.M. to waste no more time as conditions are unfavourable and continued on up stream. I still feel confident that I shall be able to get the oil samples next month when returning the Fly River and Lake Murray Local A.Cs. Anchored at 5 P.M. on the left bank.
- Stpped at TIRARUMA at 9 A.M. a great number of men women and children present. Told them that I had seen the 5 visitors at SUWAMI and that

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Nov. 6th and that the boys now away as local police would be coming home in about a months time, this was received with obvious satisfaction. Didnt go ashore as a visit to the village will no doubt interest Mr Williamsmon the return trip. Counted 14 cances with sewn sage leaf made fast in bundles (FA) evidently many of them are about to make a journey, as they apparently always carry their roof with them-Met two parties on the way to Tiraruma, both coming alongside, bought a little sage and gave them the news. Entered SUKI Creek at 11 A.M. were I went met 4 men and 4 women, the women came clongoide in a cause by themselves and showed no signs of fear, bringing sage for sale. Two of the men coming with me on the Minnetonka, SEREA, who has been to Port Moresby and Daru knowing a little Motuan. Passed parties of men and women all the way up the Creek. Anchored at 2.15 P.H. about 12 miles from GUMAK, the creek being very low. According to SEREA Mr Williams travelled up SUKI Creek, I was shown where he atopped to cook rice! 2 days ago. Went ashere and met Mr Williams, who had arrived the previous day, having come out on the Fly below TIRARUMA and travelled up to GUMAK. Spent the evening talking over the trip with Mr Williams.

Hev 7th Left at 10.10 A.M. as seen as Mr Williams and his party came on beard, passed the cance which had brought Mr Williams from BURF Creek, teek them in tow to the mouth of SUKI Creek, from where they said they were going to KWIMA. Entered the Fly at 1.20 P.M. Intended to go ashere at TIRARUMA but found it entirely deserted, one or the boys from the cances we were towing left in Suki Creek saying that he wanted to go to FAKAKAKA in KWIMA Lagoon, so possibly thats where they have all gone. It is certainly very strange that they should all have gone since yesterday, both vallages of TIRARUMA and ARITIMUGA being now deserted. Anchored at 4.20 P.M.

Hev. 8th Left at 5.45 A.M. drapped Ex A.C. DANO, who I understand was of great assistance to Mr Williams as interpreter, at BURE Creek.

Anchored at Madiri at 7.10 P.M.

drums, one of the main tanks leaking to badly to be used. Anchored at GAIMA at 7.50; in spite of the fact that word was left last week for

Mev 9th for the next of kin of three deceased native labourers to be there on my return, none of them had turned up. Left at 8.5 anchoring at Mibu at 5 P.M.

Nov. 10th Left at 5.40 A.M. anchered at TORO Pass at 8 A.M. tide to low to go through the passage; left again at fixt 9.40 anchoring at Daru at 11.30.

Summary.

This is the first long run since the engine has been re-installed in the Minnetonka after everhaul. The engine ran extremely well, never failing to start and picked up full running power immediately. During Mr Williams everland trip L/Cpl MERIGA arrested the police deserter ERSOA. The man away last year from the Bensbach-Meerchead patrol, MESOA was brought into Daru to be dealt with.

AS. R.M. W.D.

PATROL REPORT 3 of 1930/31 by G.F.W.
ZIMMER TO FLY RIVER AND LAKE MURRAY.
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R.M.W.D., Da

Cobernment Secretary's Department.
Port Moresby,

On sading Patrol Report No.3 of 30/31 of a ratrol by Mr. G. ys. Zimmer to the Fly River and Lake Murray, His Excellent writes that it is satisfactory to see that a better feeing is spreading along the fir.

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Hon' C.S.

Patrol Report No. 3/30-31.

Mr Zimmer R.M. in his report on a recent patrol to
Lake Murray District gives details, under date Disember Slat, of a
report he received from Ex A.C. KUMURA with regard to the arrest
of six natives of TIMUNG by a Datch Patrol. These natives appear to
have been arrested whilst living to TAM Lagoon.

to MERAUKE where he set the sutch Resident. The latter told him (Sharp) that he had arrested it matives from a village called MAM as it was alleged that these natives had made a head-hunting raid on some village further West - in sutch New Suinea. The arrested men were taken to MERAUKE where they were dealt with, three of them being sentenced to 8 years imprisonment and the rest to periods varying from 5 to 8 years. It was only in the coarse of these proceedings that the Resident discovered that at least three of the men he had convicted were British subjects and there was an element of uncertainty as to the exact position of the villages of the others.

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Mr Sharp further informs me that the Dutch Resident is communicating with the Covernor of the Dutch Territory suggesting that a joint patrol - British and Litch - be made up the Digoel River and thence across to Wam Lagoon for the purpose of fixing the position of this Lagoon in relationship to the anglo-Dutch boundary.

according to our maps the lagoen is half on the British side and half on the Dutch and as far as we know at present the villages there are used exclusively by TINUNG satives.

from the Dutch Governor on this matter the above information may be

put

Report of Patrol from Daru to Fly River and Lake Murray .
From Dec 22nd 1930 to 11th Jan. 1931.

Dec 22nd. Left Daru at 7.30 A.M. in the Minnetonka with Cpl. ORAI and five A.Cs. anchored at MIBU at 12.30 P.M. Passed the Veimauri off GIBU heading for Daru.

23rd. Left at 5.55 A.M. anchoring at 8.20 at SAMARI, delivered some mency to Antonia Pothic. Left at 9.40 A.M. and anchored at Madiri at 2.20 P.M. left again at 2.50 anchoring for the night at BISARAMI at 6.30 P.M. just as a very heavy thunderstorm broke.

Heavy rain and thinder most of the night weather clearing at daybrain. Left at 5.55 A.M. met a KARAMA-KARAMA cance with the V.C. at 8 A.M. on their way to SUWAMI with Danamas and tare, gave instruction for the V.Cs of Karama-karama, Aduru, Suwami and Mexiadai to go into Daru to get their pay, as none of these V.Cs have been into Daru for the last two years. Passed Suwami Greek at 9 A.M., V.C. and five cances came alongside, was informed that the five Middle Fly River boys were still with them, their visit to make friends has now lasted for four or five months. Anchored at 4 P.M. at the site where the oil seepage was found last Feb.

25th. Christmas Day, at anchor. New tide at 3 P.M. tried to get oil namples but heavy raid and wind made it impossible, heavy N.W. squalls all day. A.C. NEMABWA failed to return from a shooting trip having been out since 7.30NA.M.

Sent two parties of 4 each out to look for A.C. NEMABWA at 6 A.M. this A.C. returned at 3 P.M. independently of the searching parties, the latter returned at 5 P.M. Had the launch running from 11 A.M. until 1.20 P.M. looking for oil samples but nothing to be found.

27th Left at 5.55 A.M. and reached TIRARUMA village at 3.50 A.M. about two dozen we wand women present, stopped for a few minutes and then continued up stream anchoring for the night at 5.5P.M. near SUKI Creek.

Dec. 23th Left at 6 A.M. passing Suki Creek at 6.20 and KWIMA Creek at 11, anchored at 4.15 P.M. just as a heavy storm was breaking, no natives seen since passing Tiraruma.

Heavy driving rain all night and still raining when we left at 29th 6.30, anchored at 9 A.M. off a small creek called UA, where Ex A.CS I-IE and KAUMI think their village people are. After covering about 3 miles in the dinghy entered a lageon named AMBUVE, this lagoon is connected to another by a creek the second lagoon being called KAKA. After covering about a mile of the AMBUVE lagoon I-IE and KAUMI came to the conclusion that their countrymen must have gone on the DANTUMBU, so turned back. On reaching the Minnetonka at 10.55 found a cance there with 3 men and 2 women, it seems that this cance came out of the grass on the other side of the river shortly after I left. The two village sites of UPIKI and WARIETA which could be Located by the coconut trees are both apparently occupied. Landed I-IE and KAUMI and the man who came down to Daru with me last November from TIRARUMA. Both I-IE and KAUMI are good boys, apart from their year in the police the both frequently visited the Police Camp in 1927/28 and have a fair knowledge of Motman and should be useful as time goes on. From what I could gather at UA the TINUNG lagoon as deserted, which will nesessity my going up to WAM to return the ctlor 2 Fly River boys. Left at 11.5 and reac ed Everill Junction at 3.20 P.M. anchored at the old Police Camp 3.30. This is the first time the lagoon of AMBUVE and KAKA have been visited, the position of UA Creek is about 20 miles South of Everill Junction and on the right bank, these two lagoons are shown on Dr Brandes ariek map. One house still standing at the Police Camp and with the exception of the roof is in fair order.

7 called KRASAK (Bamboo Creek on the map) Passed the village site of DEVAM, now deserted at 9.45 and anchored about five miles

Dec. 30th five miles from the entrance of the Herbert River at 4.30 P.M.

Main fuel tank empty, refilled from drum on board. The second

fuel tank had to be taken out before leaving Daru as it is leeking

very badly.

Started engine at 6 A.M. but a badly fouled anchor made it 7.25 before we got under way, a very strong current and dirty water made it very difficult to clear, I thought at one time that I would have to cut the anchor chain, the clearing of the anchor was entirely due to engineer Moisai. Entered the Herbert River, called by the natives KURA, at 9 A.M.. Landed Ex A.GS UMARASI KATEM, SITIMAGA and AKARUMA at the village of RAVU near GITAM at 12.50 P.M. The returning boys got a great welcome the noise and excitement being it terrific. Picked up Ex A.G. KUMURA and loft at 1.30 P.M. for GWAKA, anchored at an island in the lake at 4.20 P.M. During the afternoon the camp was visited by 25 native from the village of IGWISI, who remained until dusk.

Ex A.C. KUMURA told me that he had resently visited WAN Lagoon where the TIMUNG natives are now living and that they had told him that a short time ago a Dutch Covernment patrol had visited the lagoon making a fix raid on them just before daylight. Six natives named WAGISI, AMUGOGCWEA, IE-AKAKASI, SIBARA, VONGIN and PAINA being saught and handsuffed, according to KUMURA the prisoners were handsuffed with their hands behind their backs, and a long stick was tied to their bedy along the spine, the stick extended to beyond their heads, a line then being tied round the neck to the stick. I could find no reason for the arrests, and one rather d naturally wenders if the fact that they helped the escaping Javanese had anything to do with it. I also got the informati that there is a track from the N.W. end of Lake Marray to WAM lagoon, the trip taking 2 days according to some and 3 days according to others.

Jan. 1st 1931 Foft at 6.35 A.M. and entered the June River at 7.50, the lead showing 12 fathous of water at the entrance and 52 inside.

Anchored at 8.30 A.M. at the village of MIPAN, where the Jan. 1st inside. GWAKA natives have moved to, went ashere to cook the police rice, the natives very nervous at first but soon settled down, through Ex A.C. EWANDA I was able to keep the women and children from runnin away, the women showed great interest in the saucepan of rice being boiled, no doubt this is the first time that they have seen water being boiled. Landed Ex A.C. EWANDA and SANUKA and continued on up stream at 9.30, passed GWAKA at 11.15, about 20 men present. Passed old camp site of Feb. last at 1.38 P.M. when I picked up my traverse, unfortunately at 1.52 P.M. river entirely blocked by a large fallen tree which it was quite impossible to clear so had to ancher, still getting 3 fathoms of water. Was able to get the dinghy past the fallen tree but found that the river was blocked in several places within the next mile, so that my present camp is the fx highest point it is possible to reach by launch. scuple of the A.Co out to see if they could shoot something to help out their meat ration, so far they had been able to shoot nothing, a pig and a cassowary being the result. There is any amount of game on the Fly and Strickland, that we have not had any before is due to all the police being very inexperienced, in the whole detachment there is only one re-engaged boy; to-day the pig was shot by engineer Noisai and during the whole patrol of three weeks the police were only able to shoot the one cassowary. Can not see that there is anything to justify further visit to this district, althoaccording to Ex A.C. EWANDA there are two other villages named SEVINAGA and SABATI in the locality.

Jan. 2nd. Left at 6 A.M. and stopped at GWAKA at 8.40, about 30 men present, at first none of them would come near the boat and they started singing and dancing on the bank. I got Kumura to tell them that EWANDA had gone ashore at MIPAN, which restored their confidence and most of them came alongside, stopped for half an heur and then continued on down stream passing MIPAN at 10.30 and entered Lake Murray at 11 A.M. Eight cances with men wemen and obildren came alongside at the North end of the lake from the village of DEA, the

Jan. 2nd the cances with the women in held off at first but a few beads was enough to bring the alongside; one of the men was apparently the father of Ex A.C. Katem, all very friendly and many of the men want ed to come in to Daru, all addresses me at Tuan, which I take to be the Malay word. One woman, the first to get some beads I afterward gave two sticks of tobacco in exchange for some sago, althe' not being able to speak the language I can understand quite a few words, and I thought she said that she was going to plant the tobacco I had given her, so I asked Kumura what she was saying, she was saying apparently that they were making a new village at DEA and that she was going to plant the tobacco I had given her. A great number of cances came out to meet us as various points as we crossed the lake. Anchored at RAVU at 3.10 and went ashore to select a site for the fly, between 150 and 200 men present all very excited and all anxious to help; at first the women and children kept to their part of the long house, but later came out and watched proceedings from the distance. The vallage of Ravu consists of the one long house and is built on a small island, in fact it so small that there is only room for the long house and a small space for dancing. Had the fly pitched just infront of the sanglemen's section of the long house which is open at the end, ground was so limited that it was almost under the roof of the mamifa. Rumura took me to see his section of the long house where his wife and other relatives were, after which I was taken to see each compartment in turn, I was very surprised at the number of women and children, some no doubt were visitors from the village of GITAM about a mile away. The long house was 80 yds long and of the usual Lake Murray type, about 4/5thid being subdivided for the married families and the remaining part called the mamifa being given to the single men, the mamifa being at the higher end of the long house. The single men had a platform 6 feet high built round the three available sides. Ex A.Cs KUMURA UMARASI, KATEM, AKURUMA, SANDA, KAMUSI, SIWINAGA present as well as camp was made and the first excitement passed off I persuaded most of the women to come out to the launch, giving them beads and fish-

Jan. 2nd. fish hooks. I was informed that they wanted to give a dance to colebrate the return of the A.Cs and for the Govt. visit, to which of course I agreed, they told me that they wanted to dance until daylight and in fact it lasted from 6 P.M. until 6 A.M.; it started to rain at 3 A.M. but that only meant that they retire to the mamifa and danced there. I have to admit to being very glad to seeing day break, although everyone was very friendly there was a certain element, the middle aged and elder men who did not seem to quite join in the spirit of the welcome, and I noticed several little councils formed where a lot of talking was being done. The two WAM boys, Ex A.C. SANDA and KAMUSI seemed to be the main disturbing element, Sanda in particular was constantly being called aside and given some pretty strong talk. The feeling between the Lake Kurray Loys and the WAM natives doesn't seem to be of the best, one Ex A.C. advised me not to sleep ashore with the Wam prepher, and one couldn't help feeling that some of the older men thought that it was an excellent eppotunity to get a bit of their own back, and Sanda seemed rather nervous on several occasions. This picking on Sanda was noticed when we arrived several days ago. About 9 P.M. I went back to the launch and gave Sanda and Kamusi the oppotunity of sleeping on board, but things had settled down again and they wanted to step There is always an element of risk when only five A.Cs sleep ashore for the first time in such a large villages, of course moone actually slept, still the first time has to come and with so many Ex A.Cs present I couldn't imagine a retter occasion; as I said before I was profoundly relieved that everything went so well and the risk apparently justified. I tried to persuade Ex A.C. KUMURA to re-sign in the A.C. and bring his wife to Daru with him, but she seemed to be more nervous that any of the other women, she clung to him with tears running down her face. Kumura told me that they were making some big cances and that as soon as they were ready he and the other A.Cs and some of the village boys were soming into Daru for a visit, they all seemed to be serrous over the trip,

- Jan. 2nd but it remains to be seen if they carry it cut. Now that the Middled Fly natives have made friends right down the river to the village of BARAMURA, near Madiri, I see no reason why it should not be a success I had many applications from boys who wanted to join the police.
 - 3rd. Left at 6.10 A.M. all the Ex A.Cs coming cut to see us away but the others lined to hill, we were given a great farewell. Entered the Herbert River at 6.40 A.M. and the Strickland at 9.40, and turned into the Fly at 2.25 P.M. Heading up stream anchored in a bamboe clump near Daviumbu Creek at 5.30. Main fuel tank again empty, filled from shall drums on board.
 - 4th. Left at 6.10 A.M. passed TINUNG Creek at 2.30 P.M. and anchored at 4.20 without having seen any natives since leaving Lake Murray.
 - 5th. Left at 6.5 A.M. and entered Wam Creek at 8.5 A.M., creek badly blocked with drift timber; anchored at entrance of lagoon at 9 A.M. the lagoon is new weentirely covered with grass with only a narrow winding passage down the centre, felt that it was to risky to take the launch inside. Two large villages seen near the entrance. which according to the Tinung boys with me are INGA and MARWA, but it was very evident that both were deserted. Kamusi and Sanda think their people have left the lagoon on account of the recent We disturbed thousands of black and raid by the Dutch patrol. white geese, in all my paprolling I have never seen so many at one time, which also seemed to confirm the fact that the lagoon was deserted. Left again at 10.20 but had to step at 10.45 to clear the timber jamb at the mouth of the creek which had reformed. Starte again at 11.5 and turned down the Fly as Kamusi and Sanda say that their people will most likely be up Kongu Creek. Entered Kongu Greek at 11.50, I have seen this creek before but never taken the launch inside; had to stop the engine at 11.52 as there was a fallen tree right across the creek which we did not get clear until 12.45. Kongu creek started with a width of about 15 yds while passing thru a half mile belt of timber country, after which we got into grass and the creek widened to 50 yas

- Jan. 5th Put Ex A.Cs Sanda and Kamusi ashore at 2.35 P.M. in Kengu Lageon at a point where they say there is a track going inland, apparently no villages actually in the lageon, as far as I can gather they have a two day trip before getting into touch with their countrymen. Left at 2.35 P.M. and anchored at the mouth of the creek at 3.55 P.M.
 - 6th Left at 6 A.M., passed Everill Junction at 1.55 P.M. and anchored at UA Creek at 4 P.M. in the hope that Ex A.Cs I-IE and KAUMI would bring some of their countrymen out to visit us. Burning off fires seen in many directions, but no visitors.
 - are some miles inland it is quite possible the launch and the shets fired were not heard. Passed Kwima Creek at 9.50 and Suki Greek at 11.45. Stopped at TIRARUMA village at 12.40 P.M where there were many women and children and about 15 mer, nearly all the women came out to sell sage. ENOPAI and the 4 other men who had been visiting at Suwami and Baramura were seen here having returned since I went up the river. Left at 1.5 P.M. and anchored at 4.10 P.M. in the D'Albertis Faifax Group of Islands just after the tide had started to run in. Refilled main tank from the last drum on board.
 - Left at 6 A.M. at 6.50 the engine began to throw out very heavy . 8th exhaust fumes and there was obviously something wrong, stopped to investigate and found that the forward big end bearing had been Drained lubricating oil tank and found about half a burnt out. oup of water and a great deal of dirt, washed oil tank out with kerosene and pumped kerosene through all the lubricating oil load As soon as the engine pipes in this way washing out all bearings. cool enough put in a new bearing, spares being on board. When the tide strated to run down at 8 A.M. got up anchor and drifted down stream using the dinghy to tow the launch. The whole trouble seems to me due to neglect on the part of the engineer, Noisai, although he claims to have changed to oil filter since leaving Daru I very much doubt it, as it was in a terrible state, it was so choked that it was not acting as a filter, and the dirty oil was going straight back into the tank

- Jan. 8th The Et lubricating oil tank had certainly not been drained and washed out with herosene every week in accordance with his instructions.

 Started the engine at 11.55 A.M. and anchored at 12.5 P.M. at the old camp site near the oil seepage. We sign of heating of the new bearing. Very heavy rain and thunder from 2 to 5 P.M. the wind almost reaching cyclone force.
 - 9th Left at 4.30 P.M. at low tide for oil samples, incidentally also giving the new bearing a run. No oil visible, andhered at 5 P.M., will have tok leave in the morning for Daru.
 - 10th 7 oft at 6.30 at dead low tide and was able to get samples from the scepage, mothing like as much present as last year, police and orew Yory excited about it. A separate report on the scopage has been submitted. Anchored at Madiri at 5.15 P.M.
 - 11th Left at 6.10 A.M. anchored at Mibu at 10.45 and left again at 12.5 reaching Daru at 5.15 P.M.

SUMMARY.

During this patrol it was intended to visit what was thought to be a river entering Take Murray from the North East, but from information obtained from several of the Ex A.Cs it was learnt that what was thought to be a river was actually a meries of swamps, and entirely uninhabited. Shortage of fuel make it impossible to verify this report.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

DARU

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by R.A. Woodward R.M.

to

Coastal Villages & Pahetari River

for the purpose of

General inspection, census and taxation matters.

Left Station on March 17th

Returned to Station on March 20th

Number of Carriers employed

Number of Police taken 3

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "Kinnetonka" - R.A. Woodward

Villages visited TUPITURI, MASINGARA, MABADAUAN, TOGO, DUG, GIDERETORO

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Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date March 27th, 1931

Officer in charge of Station.

MINUTE PAPER

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R.M.W.D., Daru,

Upon reading your Patrol Report No.5/30-31, His Excellency directs me to tell you to endeavour to influence the village people, through the Councillors, to plant more gardens.

6.3, 23/4/31.

REPORT ON PATROL BY R.A. WOODWARD. R.M.

TO COASTAL VILLAGES & PAHOTURI R.

This patrol was undertaken to finalise tax and bonus matters in the coastal villages went of Daru and to bring Census up to date also general inspection.

Tuesday March 17th. Left Daru 9-30 a.m. arriving at TURITURI two hours later. went ashore and completed family bonus payments for the year and brought census up to date. The village was found to be in food order but the original lay out of the place has been much altered through erosion which has hesessitated new houses being built further away above high water mark. This village is particularly well off so far as ecconuts are concerned and at an informal meeting of the Councillors and elders I was asked what the people were to do now that the price of copra had dropped to 5/- per bag. I must confess that I should not like to make a bag of copra for such a poor return, however, I told them that 5/- was better than leaving the nuts to rot on the ground but I am afraid that is what will happen. Left 2-10 p.m. and proceeded to Mawatta which is now a garden village and has 7 or 8 houses. Visited MASINGARA and attended to bonus payments and brought census up to date. I was fortunate in finding all people present so I was able to check off each individual with the census the result being a decrease of 19 since 1926. Some years ago this village was marked off as a model village" each man being alloted a piece of ground; on the occasion of my visit it was noticed that a number of huts have been erected just outside the village boundary, ostensibly for the purpose of storing food and firewood, but obviously these were being used for sleeping quarters as well. These huts were condemned as being insanitary and were ordered to be destroyed forthwith. Some time was spent in hearing various domestic disputes; the only case of interest was that of a man who had been married by the Rev. D.E. Ure in the local church the previous day. It was

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a year or two previously in accordance with local custom. The parents and others had endeavoured to pass the first wife on to another man with the object of enabling the husband to be married in the Shurch to another girl. The husband, of course, objected to this arrangement as he would thereby lose both his wife and the things he had paid for her. This case seems to instance the absurdity of legally marrying primitive natives in the Church; in some cases the girly is forced to marry a man she does not want and in our or two villages I have heard that parents and relatives of a girl will even go to the extent of flogging her to force her to accept and marry a husband she does not want. In this instance the husband is the happy possessor of a legally married wife and a mistress.

Wednsaday March 18th. Went ashore at Mawatta and attended to Bonus payments and brought census up to date as far as pomutble. about 100 people living here at present, ostensibly for the purpose of tending gardens but I am inclined to think that quite a number of old men permanently live here rather than at Mebadauan. A few tax defaulters were given two weeks to settle their tax obligations or go to gaol. There is no excuse for Mabadauan not paying their taxes - they own a vast number of coconuts but are too lazy to make copra even when the price is good. Proceeded on to Mabadauan having called in at Marukara Island to interview Mr Niebel en route. Very few people in Mabalawan a large number having gone to the Fly River to purchase sigo in exchange for turtle meat. Inspected the new concrete Church which was completed last month. It is certainly a fine wilding but far in excess of the present reeds of the village; I understand it cost something in the vicinity of £600 all of which sum was obtained from wages earned in Torres Straite. Those people will be in a very sad plight if ever the diving boat industry is closed to them; they would be on the verge of starvation in a few months as ther are surely but slowly ceasing to be agriculturists and relying more and More man immented frage

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Thursday March 19th. Left Mabadauan 7-40 a.m. and proceeded up the Pahoturi River with the object of finding the whereaboute of V.C. KAMAH of Bunkukalem, ex Sergt KESAVI of Mabadauan accompanying me to acto as guide and interpreter. After 4 hours run anchored of the village of CIDERETORO to which place, I found, the Bunkukalem people had transferred some years ago, their old village site being some males lower down stream. V.C. KAMAN was appointed some 11 years ago to control the Kibuli villages but since then the majority have migrated to the headwaters of the Pahoturi leaving the V.C. in control only of this village which has not more than 50 people. These people were found to be very short of food the garden crops of yams and tare not yet being mature: as far as I could see they exist almost entirely on wallaby meat and a little sago. Returned down stream to DUG which I visited last year and found all in order there. These people are anxious to make a village lower down the river for the convenience of trade with Mabadauan, the latter being buyers of food in exchange of calico, knives etc. In both these bush villages I noticed snake beans growing in the gardens - probably from seed I have distributed in Mabadauan in the past. Reached TOGO 5-15 \.m. A very nice village has been made here since my last visit, the houses being reatly constructed and evenly spaced. These people. who are in close touch with Mabadauan, are anxious to have a Mission Teacher in their village and in anticipation of this being done have already prepared a house for his use. No signs of yaws or other disease noticed and apparently crace which I had previously noted had been cured as a result of the E.M.A's visit

Friday March 20th. The principal men in TOGO were urged to my try and induce two other small communities on the East side of the river to join forces with the TOGO people. There is only a dozen people in each camp but they have so far resisted all efforts to get them to leave their old village sites - I still have hopes that they will do so. Left TOGO 9-15 a.m. and called in again at Marukara for Mr Niebel's mail and continued on to DARU arriving back at

last year.

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5 p.m. - the "Papuan Chief" being sighted entering Daru Roads.

R. M. W. D. 27/3/31

PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

6.30/31

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by R.A. Woodward R.M.

KIWAI ISLAND and FLY RIVER VILLAGES

for the purpose of

Attending to taxation , bonus and census matters and general

inspection of villages.

Left Station on 1st April 1931

Returned to Station on 11th peril 1933

Number of Carriers employed

Number of Police taken 5

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge "Minnesonka" - R.A. Woodward

Villages visited As per body of repert.

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Date April Soth 1931

Officer in charge of Station.

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REPORT ON PATROL BY R.A. WOODWARD. R.M. TO KIWAI ISLAND & FLY RIVER

Objects of Patrol: Finalising tax and bonus matters and general inspection of villages.

Wednesday Apral 1st.

Left Daru in the "Minnetonka" at 9-15 a.m. and made a non-stop run
to MIBU Plantation where I had official business to transact with
Mrs Cowling. Owing to her absence at Kiwai Island it was
necessary to spend the night at Mibu. Collected a few taxes from
Wapi natives who Lappened to be there.

Left miby at 9 a.m. and proceeded to Kiwai Island anchoring off

IASA at 10-30 a.m.. Completed tax collecting and bonus payments a

and brought census up to date for both IASA and GIBU Villages.

A very noticeable shortage of children in both villages; in the
former there are now only 6 alive of those added since 1925 and
in the latter 4. V.C. of IASA reported that on the previous

Monday a number of SAGUAN men had come to IASA armed with clabs
and spears following an argument over a piece of land; a fight
ensued and judging by the numerous out heads and chollen arms
it was very willing whilst it lasted. The SAGUAN men were
undoubtedly the aggressors and the named of 18 were taken but as
most of these were away in the sago swamps farg Cpl. ORAI and an
A.C. were despatched to collect them and have them in readiness
to attend Court in the morning. In the meantime I proceeded to
SAMARI in order to take advantage of the good anchorage there.

Attended to tax and bonus matters at Samari and brought census up to cate - only two children added the rest of those born during the past year having died. V.C. of Saguan reported with taxes of his men who were at IASA making sago. SAMARI is now situated on a narrow strip of sand which is gradually being washed away: The present high spring tides come right over the village and it seems to be only a matter of a short time before the whole village will have to be moved. Save instructions to the

Priday April 3rd cont.

to have a new Rest House built immediately - the old house had collapsed some months ago and in the interim all the energic of the people have been centred upon the building of a new Charch. Many cases of yaws noticed amongst young children; the V.C. was instructed to bring these under notice of the E.M.A. who was expected there in the course of the next few days. Returned to IASA in company with the SAGUAN V.C. and inquired into the fight reported yesterday. Seven men were sentenced to terms of imprisonment and others fined, the prisoners being placed in charge of the Saguan V.C. to transport to DARU by cance. Left IASA at 3-15 p.m. for OROMOSAPU but did not arrive there until 6 p.m. having run aground of the N.E. point o of KIWAI Island.

Saturday April 4th.
Attended to taxation, bonus and census matters at OROMOSAPU, IPISIA and AGOBARA. At IPISIA a new V.C. was selected to take to the plade of AWATI who resigned on account of old age, the new appointed having been an A.C. for a number of years should be of more use than his predecessor - he could'nt be worse. At AGOBARA, it was noted, the whole village is now accompdated in two communal houses after a lapse of 8 or 9 years of the family house system. The reason given for this change is that nearly all children born in the old houses have died and the natives seem to think that the communal existence will give them a better chance. I am inclined to think the real reason is that | the people have once more gone in for the "maguru" ceremony which has not been carried out on Kiwai for many years; in both OROMOSAPU and AGOBARA I noticed many men with recent scars on their backs and shoulders burned with fire - this is typical of the "mimia" Geremony and may also be co nected with the "maguru". The re-adoption of these ceremonies undoubted] indicates the waning influence of the Mission in this District and I am of the opinion that such ceremonies have only been indulged in subsequent to the death of the late Rev. E. B. Ri .ey who undoubtedly exerted a restraining influence in this

Sunday April 5th.

Left AGOBARA 7-45 a.m. and proceeded up the coast of Kiwai Isl. but when off the entrance to Gibu Creek sighted the E.M.A's launch "Kapuri" so anchored nearby to collect mails etc which had arrived at Daru during my absence. Later, accompanied by the E.M.A. I proceeded to SAGASIA where all people present were examined and treated for yaws etc. In the meantime I dealt with tax and census matters but as many of the people were away fishing at abaura Isl. this work hould not be completed. Continued on to Wapaura in the "Minnetonka", the "Kapuri" following. At this village 109 people were asdically examined by E.M.A. a few of whom were given injections. The village was found to be in very poor condition; I consider the site to be most unhealthy and the question of removing higher up river was submitted to the V.C. and Councillors who were instructed to notify me later as to the wishes of the people in this respect. At this point the E.M.A. returned to IPISIA and other villages at the Bast end of Kiwai. I continued on to DOROPODAI reaching there at 7 p.m.

Most of the Doropodai people way at a dance at Wederihiamu so I could do little more than bring the census up to date. Ten new children added to the census but the number of deaths reported far exceeded this number resulting in a decrease in the total population. Village found to be in a deplorable state, partly owing to recent heavy rains, and the Rest house was unfit for use. The people were instructed to vacate the present site and commence a new village on hard ground nearby; the present site , which is practically an island, is far too small and the houses are haddled together on a small area and appear to be much overcrowded; the new site selected should enable these defects to be remedied. V. . was instructed to bring absentee tax defaulter to Daru as soon as possible. Left 10 a.m. for Purutu arriving there at 1 p.m. Dealt with a somewhat serious assault case and inspected the coconut plantation adjoining the village.

This is about the best native plantation in the District and is just approaching the bearing stage but like most native planted areas, the trees are far too overcrowded and being planted on wet country I do not anticipate the results will be very encouraging. This village has now dwindled down to a population of 50 odd and the available man power is barely sufficient to cope with the work of maintaining the plantation is good condition.

Tuesday April 7th.

Left PURUTU at 7-40 a.m. and crossed to the Bamu mouth anchoring off Damerakoromo at 10.0 a.m. for the purpose of inquiring into a case of areon as a result of which the communal house had been burn to the ground. The people are now housed in temporary dwellings and a endeavour will be made to make the new village on "model" village lines, the people being anxious to try the family house system. I have no doubt that they will eventually revert to to communal house again but it is hoped that in the meantime they will carry off the prize for the best kept village in the District. Instructions were given to the V.C. and Councillors as to the lining out and spacing of new houses. Left 12-45 p.m. for SISTAMI to investigate a rumor that several cases of goods, kut alleged to have come from the wreck of the "Vaiviri", had been recovered from the river some weeks ago. I could find nothing to support the rumor beyond portion of a side light and a round glass globe neithe of which were of any value. After purchasing some sago I returned to the Fly. R. and anchored off SAGERA at 6-15 p.m. leaking badly through timbers affected with wet rot and requiring to be pumped out at frequent intervals.

Wednesday April oth.

After dealing with a few outstanding tax matters in Sagera. I proceeded up the ly calling in at Wariabodoro and Bora. At the latter village two natives who had recently returned in the "Eleval" from Port Moresby on completion of their agreements with the Public Works Dept, reported that they had lost all their majoney and goods on the way home, their boxes having been washed off the vessel in rough weather. Continued on and reached GAIMA at 5 p.m. Village found to be in a most unsatisfactory state and no Rest House.

hands cleaning up the village under police supervision and dismantling the foundations of the old rest house preparator; to the erection of a new one. People were promised punishment if the village was not in better condition on next visit. Proceeded to PAGONA and DOUMORI where tax and bonus matters were dealt with In the latter village, which has been the largest copra preducing village in the District, there was no apparent activity in this direction the reason given that they had made copra and taken it to Madiri in order to obtain their tax money but the Management there had refused to purchase it. The natives were advised to continue making copra and when they had ten or more base ready I would arrange for a vessel to call in and either purchase it on the spot or transport it to Daru for sale. Village found to be in a very muddy state and could be much improved by draining - V.C. was instructed accordingly. Left 3-15 p.m. and crossed to Baramura on the South bank of the Fly. Only a few people present and the village was found to be covered with grass 18 inches high and the Rest House in ruins. Left Cpl Orai and an A.C. here to bring all available men to TIRIO to be dealt with; continued on to the latter village in the launch and anchored there for the night.

Priday April 10th
Dealt with 16 Baramura men for neglecting their village and
dispatched them per canoe to Daru under escort of an A.C. Dan
Attended to taxation and other matters at this village and
continued on down stream visiting Wederihiamu, Madami, Koabu and
Sewerimabu en route, finalising tax and bonus matters in each
place. Reached DEWARE 7-30 p.m. where arrangements were made
to transport the Baramura prisoners to Daru in a sailing canoe.

Saturday April 11t..

Left DEWARE 4 a.m. in order to catch the tide at Toro Pass and reached Daru 9-45 a.m.

OBSERVATIONS

Taxation matters in the District covered by this patrol, are, on the whole very entisfectory and it seems likely that the

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OBSERVATIONS (cont)

percentage of outstanding taxes at the close of the financial year will be mush less than at the same period last year. There is no evidence to show that any of the money collected was obtained from native industry, such as copra making or beche-de-mer fishing, and during the course of the patrol I did not see in any single village signs that copra was being made. Undoubtedly the low price and the reluctance of traders to purchase copra from natives, is responsible for this state of affairs. I recesse great difficulty in the collection of the tax during the next financial year if the copra market does not improve considerably and the demand for labour increase.

months through Staff shortage and the launch being out of commission this is reflected in the condition of the villages and more especially the Rest Houses, which, built of the flimsiest material and hurriedly erected, are serviceable for a few months only.

To remedy the latter I have promised payment in tobacco if substantial houses are built, but not otherwise.

R.M.W.D. 20/4/81

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

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REPORT OF A PATROL made by K.A. Wood	iward R.M. And to
Gogodara District & Aramia F	a sed 18 Ale
General inspection of villages, dis	stribution of N.Cs pay
and wages of deceased labourers and	exploration of Soari Creek.
Left Station on April 28th 1931 Returned to	Station on May 11th 1931
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Date May 20th 1331

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Yaws - GOGODARA RIVER and ARAMIA River.

The C.M.O.writes as follows in regard to your remerks

on the above subject in the report of your recent patrol to the GOGODARA District and ARAMIA River:-

"I am not personally acquainted with the Aramia District but I know that natives not uncommonly keep their women - and consequently their children in the background, when they are visited by comparative strangers whom they do not know too well. It may be that this has occurred when the Aramia has been visited. I cannot see that mosquitoes can have anything to do with the difference. One has to remember that some years back pretty well all natives contracted yaws, within a few years of birth. I remember going into the matter very carefully at Delena, Hall Sound, about 1905."

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TO ARAMIA RIVER DISTRICT

Object of patrol - General inspection of villages; payment of Wages to V.C's and Distribution of wages of deceased mative labourers.

April 28th. Left para at 7 a.m. in "Minnetenka" with L/Cpl Meriga and 4 A.C. also one discharged native labourer for return home to Bama R.

Made a non-stop run to WABUDA anchoring off DAMERATAN at 7-15 pm. to
April 39th. Held Court N.M. there having been a somewhat serious fight

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for which suitable payment was made in tobacce.

Left OROPAI at 7 a.m. with a strong flood tide and proceeded ap the Bann dropping the native passenger at MIRUA on roate.

Entered the Aramia River at 9 a.m. and continued up stream until 4-45 p.m. when anchor was dropped at the mouth of SISI Greek where there was a convenient house for the police to camp in. The V.C. of KENOA and some of his people were seen in the vicinity of Kenoa Creek and they were informed that I would visit their village on my way down stream.

Left SISI Creek at 7-5 a.m. and after two hours run we appear to have left the bush country behind the banks on either side being submerged and with the exception of an eccasional bamboo covered rise the surrounding country seemed to be very low lying with many grass covered lagoons. Another 21 hours run brought us to URIDU dreek and shortly beyond this the V.C. of KEWA and some of his village men were then in a cance in mid-stream

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also the V.C. of AKETA; both were informed that I would visit their respective villages on my return down stream. At 12-25 p.m. we left the main river and entered the DOGONA Lagoon and continued up the lagoon in the direction of I-O Village until further progress was impossible owing to the passage being blacked by floating grass. Despatched an A.C. by cance to try and fin1 Counciller IWAGI of I-O who had previously reported to me at Daru that he had been up SOARI Creek, the right arm of the Aramia, and had come across a large lagoon on which is situated a village of the MAKAPA people. The A.C. eventually returned having been unable to find the Councillor and as some I-0 men who later arrived in a cance stated that IRAGI had never been up the OÍ SOARI Creek, I returned again to the main river again. I was much impressed by the extent of this lagoon and the tremendous area of sweep rice growing on it; the rice was all in "our" and appeared to be within a few weeks of maturity. It seems a pity that this cannot be put to some use. Proceeding up stream we passed ARETA ot 3 p.m. and an hour later found the DADI V.C. sweiting us on the South Bank. Took the V.C. on Leard and therely after entered the PIGI Lagoon and anchored within a quarter of a mile of the village of that name. Went ashore and inspected the village. The Ginama here although somewhat old is still a fine building measuring 22 yards in width and about three times as much in length. A large number of people present but wemen and children somewhat shy and I had much difficulty in coaxing them out of the ginama. Although the adults appeared to be fit and well the prevalence of yaws was very marked amongst children over 20 cases being brought ap for my inspection. Very little native food obtainable here as the gardens are not yet in bearing so the Police had to be satisfied with a small quantity of sago and a few diminutive coconuts. The ridges surrounding the village were all thickly planted with occounts but all appeared to be bearing poorly if at all. The PIGI people disclaimed all knowledge of the Makapa people on Soari Creek but informed me that

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May let (cont) the WEWE bushmen, or to use their correct name - the GIWADARA, were frequently seen prowling about in the bush nearby.

May 2nd. Left PIGI at 7-5 a.m. accompanied by swarms of mosquitoes which refused to be dislocated from the launch - continued up stream

refused to be disloged from the launch - continued up stream and reached the village of MUMUNI at 1-10 p.m. the single ginama being situated o high ground within a few hundred yards of the xix river. MUMBEL is on off-shoot of the ARI Tribe who live some miles above the bifurcation of the Aramia on the left arm; they appear to have migroted to the present site for the purpose of trade intercourse with the Gogodara Villages the old blind V.C. of ISAGU - KOMEDA by name - being mainly responsible for this. No. KOMEDA, who lived at MUMUNI, died a few months ago and his millor: sto was handed over to me on the accasion of this visit. Endeavoured to obtain some information about Soari Greek and the people alleged to be living in the vicinity but the MUNUMI people displained all knowledge of any bush tribe in that locality although they admitted that they formerly used to fight with a me bush people who lived several days journey to the North of this river. The MAKAPA people referred to by Councillor IWAGI of I-O appear to be identical with the MUMUNI, MAKAPA being the name of the ground in the vicinity of this village. I am now inclined to think that IWAGI has deliberately misled me with regard to his supposed visit to Soari Creek, however, the only thing to do now is to go up the creek and investigate. Left MUMUNI 1-10 p.m. and continued on up stream, made camp at 4-45 p.m. in order to allow ample time for the pelice to erect a fly and cook food before the usual myriads of mosquitoes launched their attack at nightfall.

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May 3rd.

Broke camp at 6-55 a.m. and after an hours run arrived at the junction of the Soari River, continued up this stream for three hours until we came to a large tributary on the West bank. This was investigated but after running for a mile or so the stream widened out into a huge swamp so a return was made to the main stream again. Up to the present the country on either side of the river use practically under water and many large lagoons we

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observed from the masthead. Another 21 hours running up stream brought us to a large tree which completely blocked the river which at this point was about 25 yards wide with 3 fathoms of wate the banks on either side being well timbered. No recent signs of natives were observed on our way up stream with the exception of a marked tree in a conspicuous position on the East bank but Le there was no definite track to be found at this point I am forced to the conclusion that the SOARI has no people living on or near it although it is more than likely that bush tribes occasionally come to the river banks whilst an hunting expeditions. I estimate that we have travelled about 25 miles up the Seari from its junction with the Aramia and judging by its size and debth at the highest point reached and the fact that the current was hardly perceptible, we must be many miles from its actual source. Returned down stream again and anchored at 5 p.m. Broke camp at 7 a.m. and after 12 hours run entered the main river again and passing MUMUNI Village anchored at 2-40 p.m. in pight of the ISLEU communal house which is a mile or so from the river in a fairly extensive lagoon. No people visible and it seemed as if the strong S.M. wind had drowned the sound of the engine which can usually be heard miles away. Spent a full hour in reaching the village the dinghy having to be poled through acres of floating grass. Village found to be in good order and small gardens in the vicinity being neatly laid out and well cared for. One adultery case reported by the V.C. but as the husband was away at work the matter will have to remain in abeyance until his return. A good number of cases of yaws observed especially amongst small children; the V.C. was instructed to bring all these under notice of the E.M.A. on his next visit. Paid the V.C. the two years pay due to him and returned to the launch the dinghy being towed by canoes. No dry land in the vicinity on which to make camp so sent police and others back to the village for the night. Mosquitoes very bad.

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May 5th.

Left 6-20 a.m. and after two hours run arrived at AKETA on the North bank of the river. Village far from clean*

All women living in small houses a few hundred yards from May 5th cont. the "ginama"; this, I gathered, was a temporary arrangement whilst the "maguru" ceremony was in progress. The "ginama" was obviously very old and in a somewhat dilapidated condition, the people informed me, however, that they intended to build a new one in the near future. Left 10 a.m. and entering the DOGONA lagoon anchored the lannch a near/as it was possible to get . The DOGONA V.C. arrived in a large cance and with him I returned to DUGONA and thence to ADIBA arriving back at the launch again It took me 54 hours to vinit these two villages which will convey some idea of the extent of this lagoon. In both cases the "ginamas" were in a state of callapse, the return home of men away at work being awaited before commencing the construction of new houses. The work entailed in obtaining material for and the erection of these huge structures is tremendous and it is said that a large "ginama" takes 5 months to build but the fact that they last in good condition for 10 years or more, shows that the labour expended on them is well worth while. What a contrast to the poorly constructed communal houses of the Bama shich last a year or two orly ! On teturning to the "Minnetonka" the V.C. of I-0 village reported with a number of his people also one minor case of assault which was dealt with. Yaws said to be prevalent in this village and I observed in the V.C's book that the E.M.A. gave 43 injections there on his last visit. Left 4-30 peme and anchored at 5 peme at the month of Kotari Creek. V.C. of Kotari arrived to escort me to the village. Usually the launch can proseed up the creek for a mile or two, but on this occasion the mouth of the creek was completely Mocked by grass, I made use of the outboard motor and dinghy and by this means d within half a mile of the village the balance of the journey being done by cance, the whole journey occupying la hours. The village was found to be in excellent order. On inquiry I found that there had been only one visitation by bushmen since May 1930 when four men were seen one moonlight night standing on

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These were seared off by the KOTARI men without any trouble. A fair number of cases of yaws observed amongst young children but I had the greatest difficulty in inducing the women to bring their children along for inspection, in fact, it was only after offering a scrap of tobacco here and there that I managed to get any of the women to leave the "ginama". Reached the launch again at 11-30 a.m. and anchored off KEWA an hour later. Inspected the village which was satisfactory. Ho Court cases for attention. Paid the V.J. his annual pay. When asked why he had not reported at DARU last Christmas to get his pay he replied that he had gone as far as GAIMA but the people there had demanded a woman in payment for the lean of a cance, so he had returned again to his village. During the efternoon we entered Eabirt Creek for the purpose of visiting Bakimo, Kimama and Warigi villages all of which are situated on a hoge lagoon connected with the Aramia by Kabiri Creek. Unfortunately after going little more than a mile up the creek progress was completely barred by floating grass; formerly it was possible to take the launch to within a few hundred yards of Barimo Village. Returned down stream andes and anohored near a clump of bamboos where there was sufficient ary land on which to erect a fly. Met the BARIMO V.C. on his way back from a pig hunt and instructed him to return in the morning with the V.Cs of Kimama and Warigi.

May 7th

V.Cs of Barimo, Marigi and Kimama reported seen after 8 a.m. it having taken them two hours to reach the launch from their respective willages. No Court cases for attention and no trouble of any description in these villages; a good many cases of yaws said to be in each village. Gave V.Cs particular instructions re the suppression of gambling in their villages as I have been informed that there is a lot of this going on in the Gogodara Villages. Left 9-5 a.m. and regained the mais and soon after entered URADU Creek and was very glad to find that the launch could proceed up this creek to within a few hundras wards of URADU village.

Inspected the village which was found to be in excellent May 7th cont. condition the "ginama" being comparatively new; gardens nearby were noticed to be particularly neat and well cared for. Ho further trouble with the GIWADARA people although one man was said to have been seen in the vicinity of Uradu a few months agr. Informed the Uradu people that it was intended to go into the WEWE country during the coming dry season and endeavour to find the villages of the GIWADARA people. Inspected as many of the women and children as could be coaxed out of the "ginama" and noted a fair number of yew cases amongst the monors. Left 12-25 p.m. and re-entering the Aramia proceeded down stream and anchored off SISI Creek where the V.C. of SIVINAMU and some of his people were temporarily camped. V.C. reported the creek to be closed by grass and not navigable except by cance. Ex A.C. BOGERA of KEBANI reported that some TREARU men had raided his village last month and had otolen a girl and that another woman had been assaulted. Despatched L/Opi MERICA and one A.C. to TUCARU by SIMENAMO cance to effect accessary arrests and bring offenders to KENOA in the morning. In the meantime I proceeded down stream and anchored at the mouth of Menda Creak, V.C. of KENOA and most of his people living in a garden village at the mouth of the Creek Took the launch a mile or so up Kenoa Creek beyond which it was unsafe to go, continued on in dinghy and outboard motor and after 22 hours journey reached KENOA Village which is situated on an enormous swamp. Inspected the village which was in good order; most of the people away in garden villages so without undue delage I continued up the swamp with the object of visiting KEBANI which the natives said was "close up". We reached KEBANI after two hour hard pulling through floating grass and soon after my arrival the Lance Corporal turned up with the TUGARU men he had been sent to arrest. Held Court N.M. two men being sentenced to imprisonmer The KEBANI "ginama" was found to be in an advanced state of decay so the V.C., Councillors and others were arged to commence work on a new building without delay. Left again 2-55 p.m. and return

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May 8th cont. Recovered the dinghy which had been left there and without further delay commenced the return journey to the Aramia most of the distance being done under power. Reached "Minnetonka" again at 7 p.m.; it has therefore taken exactly 12 hours to visit KENOA and KEBANI villages not more than 12 hours being spent in either place.

May 9th.

Left KEBOA Creek at 7 a.m. in pouring rain and returned to the Bamu River anchoring at MIRUA 12-30 p.m. Held Court B.M. and made all the people turn out to clean up the vilage under Police supervision. Continued on to OROPAI where some 12 V.Cs from surrounding villages and over 200 men were awaiting my arrival. Occapied until dark holding Court.

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in that only one or two cases were seen. On the other hand a very large percentage of children appeared to be affected and most of these seemed to be under three or four years of ag. In Hovember last the E.M.A. visited this District and gave nearly 30% injections and I have no doubt that he will find a like number to deal with on his forthcoming visit. To the layman, the prevalence of yaws amongst infants with the almost total absence/amongst adults, is somewhat mystifying and I am wondering whether the prevalence of mosquitoes has not some bearing on this matter.

Infant mortality in these villages seems to be so low as to call for no comment from the natives when questioned on the subject. The percentage of children in the District is given by the B.M.A. as 39.1 which seems to be very satisfactory.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

8 1930/21.

STATION.

REPORT OF A PATROL made by B.W PATTHORE A.R.N.

Districts N. Bank FLY River

for the purpose of

Making a general patrol and returning discharged prisoners ate

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Number of Carriers employed____

Number of Police taken____

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Villages visited_

As mentioned in bucy of report

See previous maps

- (I) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the position of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the patrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a map has at eady been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes, or paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (3) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

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REPORT OF A PATROL BY B.W.FAITHORN A.R.M.
TO NORTH BANK FLY RIVER DISTRICT.

P.R. No8. 30/31

Object of Patrol :- General inspection of villages; payment wages D.R. L.A/C and returning prisoners.

May 15th.

Acting under instructions from R.M. W.D. I proceeded on patrol for the purposes as stated above. The patrol left DARU in the launch "Minnetenka" carrying self,5 A.C. 9 prisoners for discharge and crew of 3 Crown Servants.at 8.am and arrived at SEVERIAMABU at 5.45 P.M. after a non-stop run. Went ashore and camped in the Rest House. The V.C. was away. Left instructions that he was to provide canoes for a party of discharged prisoners walking overland from the ORIOMO river. The village was clean.

May 16th.

Left SEVERIAMABU at 7.am for SAGERA which place we sarrived at 2.40 pm. Went ashore and camped. BAMU discharged prisoners were sent home from here. The village was fairly clean. I inspected the village plantation, it was well drained but not clean weeded. A party was put on to cutting down the lalang grass. The young palms appeared healthy and the older trees were bearing fairly well. The V.C. was away up the BAMU river somewhere and was sent for. Later the V.C. of MATARO reported and said everything was alright in his district.

May 17th.

At 7.45 am travelled up the SAGERA creek to the WAGUMI village A very nice village has been built on the left bank of the creek, but it is seldom inhabited, the people preserring to live in the sage swamps inland. I wanted to visit a village called SOGERI the and although its locality is fairly well known I had the greatest, difficulty in getting reliable information as to the route to be conflicting directions I teld the WAGUMI V.C. to lead on. We plunged into the bush just behind the village, passed through small patches of gardens planted up and with bananas mainly and then struck the sage swamps. After two is solid hours of laborious wading through these swamps I had a

and made further enquiries for SOGOI and was told that the people had moved to another locality on the other bank of the creek. I had perferce to return and felt considerably ratigued by the time I reached the launch. The WAGUMI V.C. was instructed to use his influence to get his people to settle down permanently in the healthy sited village near the creek. At 2.5pm we moved back to SAGERA village and anchored at the mouth of the creek. A tax defaulter wanted was away visiting PURUTU Is. The V.C. of SAGERA turned up and reported.

May IBth.

7.am Ccrpl ORAI and A.C.KAREA were despatched to BAMU River district to arrest certain natives alleged to have been fighting at ASARAMI. At 8.am I left in launch for GOWAEURA where I went ashore and inspected the village. V.C. was instructed to put his people on to cutting out the lalang from the coconut plantation

Moved on to DAMERA and arrived there at 9.57 am. The village was practically described. Quite a number of young men were away working for P.W.D. and many other families are living at the village of WARIABADORA. As the Rest House was in a dilapidated condition had to pitch my tent. About 3.50 pm V.C. MUKIDA of URIO arrived with a number of natives from his village. A sum of money -W/D.N.L. was paid out to a native named BAREGI of URIO.

Two A.C. were sent on ahead to Wariahadora to warn the V.C. and people to be present on the morrow for census checking. At I2 noon the coxon of the "Minnetonka" came to me concerned about the safety of the launch which was rolling in a nasty swell and pulling at her anchor. I instructed him to return to SAGERA Ck and bring on Corpl Oral and arrested men if they were there.

Had a restless night the sandflies were very troublesome.

Left DAMERA at 9.22 am in the launch which arrived a few minutes earlier. We reached WARIABADORA at 10.25am. V.C.SAMUA an. ex L/Cpl had all his people present when I arrived and a new rest house ready for occupation.

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made. A number of families formerly residing at DAMERA May 19th contd; are now residing at WARIABADORA and requested they be allowed to remain, the census is being amended accordingly. SAMUA informed me that SOGOI is in the heart of sago swamps lying behind DAMERA and it would take three days to make a return trip so had to leave the visit of this place till the next patrol that way. About 7.PM Corpl ORAI reported with arrested natives of

KOWAWISI (BAMU R) including the V.C.

Held C.N.M. 8 Kowawisi natives were convicted for assault May 20th. and the V.C. who was a leading light in the disturbance has been recommended to be dismissed, he being too old for imprisonment.

At 9.45 am left WARIABADORA for BORA. Held there an inquiry into loss of belongings of P.W.D. boys alleged to have been washed overboard from the "ELEVALA" during a heavy sea. The papers have been handed over to the R.M. for necessary action. 2 tax defaulters paid tax leaving only one defaulter at this village.

Moved on to GAIMA and went ashore. Held C.N.M. Camped the night ashere in a new and well constructed rest house.

Returned by launch to TUGARU creek and visited inland to May 21st. the village of WARIAMA. Selected applicant for appointment to village constable of the TUGARU district. Later returned to the coast and went back to GAIMA. Held C.N.M. One native convicted for adultery.

A.C. KEVEA instructed to remain at GAIMA and bring on to BARAMURA a witness required to give evidence in C.N.M. Patrol May 22nd. left GAIMA at 7.24 am for AKARINA district; anchored at mouth of IEDAIA creek just below PAGONA. Visited inland, returned to launch and went round to the coastal hamlet of these people at the mouth of URI creek. The AHARINA villages were clean and well kept. Saw some fine gardens planted up with bananas, yams and other produce.

Before leaving I arrested certain natives for alloged gambling with natives from DOMORI Is. Want overbto DOMORI and arrived there at 3.45pm ; went ashore and camped. At 4.30 pm held C.N.M. I5 natives of AKARINA and DOMORI were convicted in C.N.M

imprisonment in default and natives warned that gambling is regarded imprisonment in default and natives warned that gambling is regarded as a serious offence and will be dealt with more severely in future.

One tax defaulter paid tax. DOMORI natives have now all paid tax.

same time V.C.KANARI of BORA was sent to DARU with prisoners. On arriving at BARAMURA found the village environs clean due no doubt to A.C.KARKA who had been sent on shead the day before. Quite a number of people were absent on checking census. The V.C. was of very little assistance. He is rather stupid. Later, moved on to tirlo went aphore and inspected the village it is being entirely rebuilt and a new rest house is under construction. Left again at IC.25 pm for MADAMI arriving there at I.47 pm. A few minutes later up went the blue ensign hoisted to the village flagstaff by a village native. Round about the dubu the place was littered with rubbish so the V.C. was told to get the place cleaned up. Held C.N.M. One native convicted for adultery.

Left MADAMI at 7.2 am and arrived at AUTI at 8.8am. Went ashore and inspected village; it was not clean and reeded draining badly the V.C. was instructed accordingly. Collected tax from two defaulters. Moved on to WAPI arriving there after a nasty crossing at II.30am. Went ashore and inspected village.V.C. was every. Paid bonus to three women. Returned to AUTI arriving there at 4.40 pm. Went ashore and camped.

May 25th.

At 3.19 am left AUTI for DARU. Reached TORU pass at II.35an after a rough passage off SUI point. We shipped seas and had to bad out the engine room. Waited for the tide in TORU passage and while waiting the A.C. and crew went ashore and had kai kai. We resumed our journey at I.30 pm. At I.55pm just after clearing TORU passage we struck bottom and waited for high water resuming the journey at 2.46 pm. DARU was reached at 4.21 pm terminating the patrol.

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GENERAL MEMARKS

There is very little to report on this patrol it being purely rortine. The coconut plantations all have an air of neglect about them and very little interest is taken in them by the natives. The indelence and complete indifference to such a source of income is amasing.

Gambling.it supears, is rife throughout the villages visited and I found it necessary to issue a stern warning to v.C. and the natives themselves. It is rather a difficult matter getting sufficient evidence to support a conviction in an effence of this kind.

The villages visited, on the whole, were satisfactory, but there is room for improvement in regard to drainage and cleanliness.

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PATROL REPORT.

STATION NUMBER.

9-1930/31

DARU REPORT OF A PATROL made by_

STATION.

B.W. FAITHORN A.R.M.

Country between ORIOMO & PAROTURI RE

for the purpose of

General inspection of villages and village plantations etc

Left Station on 9th June 1931 Returned to Station on 22nd June 1931

Number of Carriers employed verage 18 Number of Police taken_

Name of Vessel used and of Officer in Charge.

Villages visited_

as mentioned in body of report

See previous mapo

- (1) A sketch map of the district patrolled should accompany the report, showing, as nearly as possible, the positions of the places visited and a copy is to be made for filing on the station. The map is to be furnished whether the vetrol is in a well-known district or not. If the patrol is over a route for which a may has already been sent in, a second map is not necessary. A reference to the previous report will be sufficient. If the patrol is over a route of which part has already been included in a map, a suitable sketch should be sent to enable the other places to be added to the previous map. For uniformity the map must occupy one of two sizes of paper—either the size of a half-sheet of ruled foolscap or the size of a whole or double sheet.
- (2) In the body of the report the name of the village should be followed by the name of the V.C. The number of houses and the population, as nearly as possible, should also be stated. The customs of the natives should as much as possible be noted and reported.
- (8) The Patrol Report is to be enclosed in this jacket, which, properly filled in, is to be sent to the Government Secretary immediately after each patrol.
- (4) The space below is not to be written in.
- (5) The cost of the patrol must be shown within, in the space provided.

Forwarded to the Government Secretary.

Date 26/6/1931

Officer in charge of Station.

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NOTE.—When an article such as a tent is issued, but is returned for future use, the value should not be entered.

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Please be prepared to conduct a patrol to the mainland villages lying between the Oriomo & Pahoturi Rivers for the purposes detailed hereunder. Your departure will be contingent upon the return of the wholeboat. Further details re police, carriers etc can be arranged later.

- (a) The following villages should be inspected, also coconut plantations made under provisions of E.Regs. details of thich are included in the Bative Plantation Register. The fullest possible report should be made with regard to the latter and possibilities of copra production noted more especially in the case of DIRIMU as the bringing of this village into the Nat. Taxation scheme is contemplated.

 Villages & DIRIMO, KUNINI, USERI, UME, JIBU, ALIPLA, GIRINGAPED GUIDLU, TATI, MASINGARA, MARADAUAN.
- (b) Note and report on the incidence of year or other disease in any of the villages visited.
- (c) Annual prises for the best village, plantation and garden will be award d'at the end of this month. Any outstanding qualities with regard to villages etc should be noted. Please particular: note the village of BUJA in this connection.
- (d) Examine and report on a "Emipi" known as "UPIMODO" near the village of DEWAPUP. This is said to have indications of oil?
- (e) Pay V.O. DARUNGE of WIEM for the year ended 31/12/30. (Trade to the value of £1)

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Report of a Patrol by B.W.Faithorn A.R.M.
to country between ORIOMO and PAHOTURI rivers.

Object of Patrol.

- (a) Inspect all villages and village plantations under N.R.
- (b) Report on yaws and other diseases.
- (c) Note any outstanding qualities with regard to villages and gardens with a view to awarding annual prize.
- (d) Examine and report on a "kuipi" known as "UPIMOPO near DEWAPUP for indications of oil.

Tuesday June 9th.

The patrol party consisting of self, 5 A.C. and 5 prisoners the latter to be employed as carriers.left DARU by whale-boat at YOAM. Arrived at TURITURY at I. I5pm and inspected the village which was found clean. The I200 gallon tank recently purchased by these people is fitted up and placed on a hard wood platform at the corner of the mission church the roof of which forms the catchment area. Later proceeded to KUNINI and on my way there inspected the villags plantation on the foreshors this plantation presents a distressing spectacle and must be very disheartening to the KUNINI natives. I do not know what the original area of this "company"was but about 300 four to seven year old trees remain and before these mature I am afraid they will be all washed away for already high tides are continually sweeping through the plantation; the exposure of myriads of palm roots is a sure sign that their doom is sealed. A few minutes later I entered KUNINI village which is fast losing its appearance as a model village; the seas encroachment is again responsible for this. The front row of houses are continually being washed away and immediately in rear of the village lies a swamp which precludes the possibility of building again in regular alignment. The V.C. was asked where his other plantation was and tried to put me off with "Oh you cant go there Taubada it is too far". However he was eventually porsuaded to lead me on. Twenty minutes walking along a fairly good track brought me to a stretch of grass and

June 9th contd: serub country near their gardens. A few coconut trees could be sen here and there between the scrub and I was informed that his was the "company". This plantation, I understand was laid out by Mr Rentoul in 1925 and there appears to be no record of it ever having been visited since. It is obvious that little or no maintenance work had been carried on during the interval. I returned to the village intending to get the plartation cleaned up immediately but I found only five ablebodied natives present. The V.C. informed me that nearly all the young men were away in Thursday Island and other places working for their tax. I instructed the V.C. to make a start on the morrow with what people he had available and that I would inspect the plantation again on my return journey. Later, I returned to TURITURI and after a brief stay for a light meal resumed my journey along the sand beach in the direction of Old Mawatta which place was seached at 4.30.pm. The whale-boat in the meantime had unloaded my gear and returned to Daru as instructed. Continued inland and camped the night at MASINGARA. At 7.30 pm a dance was held in the village and was quite an entertaining performance.

June 10th.

Before leaving MASINGARA held C.N.M. One native was convicted for adultery. At 8.30am we left Masingara for IRUPE travelling in a W.S.W.direction; crossed the EURA stream on bamboo rafts and arrived at an unknown hamlet known as DARAGELI at IO.45 am. This village consists of 8 houses with a native coconut grove of about IOO mature coconut palms growing alongside. The village was clean as areault of very recent activity.

After a rest of twenty minutes or so continued on to IRUPE travelling N.W. At I2.20 pm we arrived at IRUPE.this village is laid out on model village lines, a few coconut palms about 2 years old have been planted just inside the village open space. I teld the v.c. and Councillors not to plant any more palms in the centre of the village but encouraged them to plant in the future around the village. All the buildings are well built of one design and of recent construction.

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June 10th contd. A notable feature about this village is that about 20 paces immediately behind each dwelling is a small neatly built shelter which is used for a kitchen a portion of which is penned off for housing the pig. I understand the reason for keeping the pigs penned up is to prevent them from wandering off to the swamps where crocodiles lie in wait for them. Between the villages of DARAGELI and IRUPE are two swamps each about 200 yards long. At one time apparently well constructed bridges had been built over theme swamps but the crossings have been allowed to fall into disrepair. Ti-trees-hundreds of them- are growing right alongside so there is no shortage of timber for keeping the bridges in repair. The V.C. DONO was told to see that the people of the too village; mentioned kept the bridges in good order. There is no record in the V.C. book of an officer visiting the village of IRUPE. From enquiries made it appears that Mr IGGAN visited the district six or seven years ago,

The IRUPE people have special tare gardens about an acre in extent these are detted about the countryside anything from to a mile away from the village. Around the village are growing banance and paw paws in abundance.

At I.30pm I paid off the MASINGARA carriers and told off I6 local natives for carrying on the morrow.

Native food consisting of Taro, a taitu was brought along and purchased. IRUPE comprises I4 dwellings; Population counted numbered 75 all told.

June IIth.

Left IRUPE at 7.30am travelling through stretches of grass and bush country. Crossed Bundabesrossekk running East at 8.45am. We arrived at TATI at IOam. The village of 9 houses was clean. Surrounding the village are planted bananas, pawpaws and young coconut palms. The coconut plantation was visited and instructions issued to clean weed the place. Hearing that there was a small village called SEBE about 2 hours walk away I sent L/Cpl MERIGA with 2.A.C. to visit the place and report to me on his return. We left TATI at I2.25pm for GULULU and arrived at this deserted village at 2.50.pm passing enroute a new garden settlement of 4 houses. Three GULULU natives live

June 11th contd: with their families in this settlement but all were absent when I passed through. At 6.pm the GULULU V.C. reported and said all his people were now living at GIRINGAREDE. When the new settlement was mentioned to him he said that the three natives TOMAI, DAGAI and GORA did not want to live in the big village and would not heed his talk. The V.C. and A.C. OROROGO were sent back to the settlement to bring in the natives concerned but returned later without anyone the natives could not be found. Camped at GULULU. The plantation was in a state of neglect.

June 12th.

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Before leaving GULULU paid off the IRUPE carriers and sent them home. Carriers from GIRINGAREDE were picked up and we left for that village at 8.am. An hours walk brought us to the village it is well laid out and consists of 8 dwellings of similar design built less than a year ago. I observed that cuite a number of encount trace had been cut down to make way for the new dwellings. I fourd, on enquiry, that the V.C. had done nothing to check the wanton lestruction of these cultivated trees. When the natives responsible were brought before me, I found that they were all the able bodied natives of the village. To charge them all with wilfully destroying cultivated trees would probably have ended up in all being convicted and sentenced to a term of imprisonment. Upon reflection I decided not to prosecute; they were warned regarding the seriousness of the offence and made to plant up the number cut down which I estimated at 40. I remained in the village while this was being done and commenced the building of a rest house. Lee Corpl Meriga reported that SEBE is a small village of 7 houses about 2 hours walk to the westward of TATI. The village was clean and good dwellings are in existence. Of I2 names called from the GIRINGAREDE plantation register 4 are dead, 3 have moved to another village & 5 remain of those who planted coconuts ten years ago. Dancing went on from 7.30 pm till 9.pm.

June 13th.

We left GIRINGAREDE at 6.45am for GAMAIWA (GAMAI) Our path led us through grass-land country. After 45 minutes walking we came across an old garden settlement just below which is a

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June 13th contd. atream called BENDEMWALO; about a mile further on is another stream calledMULUBADUGO here we had a spell and resumed ou our journey at 9.20.pm. Twenty minutes later we entered a small garden settlement of the GAMAIWA people. Hearing that GAMAIWA had been abandoned and the people now living at GLUBADU we made for that village and entered it at IOam precisely. GLUBADU is a village of 6 completed dwellings and 7 incompleted dwellingsie-without walls. These people evidently spend most of their time in their garden settlements. The V.C. was present in the village when I arrived. Eaving to examine the "Kuipi" known as "UPIMOPO" said to have indications of oil I made enquiries for the whereabouts of this place and after an hours spell trekked over there. On examination the "Kuipi" is nothing more or less than a natural spring of perfectly good water which runs underground for a few yards and then emerges into a rippling stream joining a creek a hundred yards lower down. I understand there are several of those so called "Kuipis" in the neighbourhood and as the natives drink the water therefrom it is pretty evident that no oil is in them. Besides the country has been goologically surveyed by the Oriomo Oil Company and the natives armred me that white men from ORIOWO have seen the "Kuipis". I returned to GLUBADU and camped. Later settled a dispute over a woman between the GAMAIWA and GIRINGAREDE people.

June 14th.

Before leaving for BUJA paid off the CIRINGARHOE carriers and returned them home. At 6.30am we left GLUBADU and passed through the deserted village of DEWAPUPU now a mass of weeds. At 8.15 am we came to a garden hamlet of 4 houses called WINAM; it is inhabited by 4 families and all were away when we passed throthrough. At 16.15am we came to an old village settlement called MANGINI, a few coconut trees about 8 years old are growing and just beginning to bear. A number of strengly built bark shelters erected and other signs indicate that the settlement is occupied from time to time by the people when out hunting and sago making.

A heavy storm came on here so we availed ourselves of the shelter provided and had an early meal. At II.20am we resumed our journey and at I2.50 came to another small garden settlement

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June 14th contd: of three houses called KELKIA inhabited by five natives; all were absent when I passed through. We had a few minutes

spell here and then continued on in a cold drizzle. BUJA was reached at 2. I5pm. Our arrival was a surprise evidently for the women who were seen as we entered the village were wearing grass skirts; a few minutes later they reappeared wearing gay coloured calico skirts hurriedly put over their filthy grass The days trek was 54 hours actual walking time through undulating grass-land country flanked by numerous swamps. The track traversed was in fair condition and dry except for short stretches of mud and slush met with at infrequent intervals. JUGU the councillor appointed last year turned up just after we got settled ign. A little native food was brought along but n not enough to feed the party on . The rain kept the people in and our late arrivel gave them no time to to go to their gardens IUJA is a pleasantly situated village and like most of the villages visited to date is surrounded by bananas and paw paw trees but it hardly comes up to the standard of IRUPE visited on the 10th inst. A native named SAGO of GULULU has been with me since the 10th inst and has acted in the capacity of interpreter. He speaks English Motuar BIHAMENA and GIRAMENA languages. SAGO was at one time M in Mr Lyons employ and for years employed as shooting boy with the ORIOMO oil coy.

Juna 15th.

We left PUJA at 7.402% with calriers from the same village. At 9.15 am we arrived at a garden settlement called KOKONIONG. In the garden were growing bananas and paw paws of an unusually large size. Taro, yams and pumkins were also seen growing. After a long halt of half an hour we continued on and arrived at BIAMMODA at 10.45am. As I was suffering with a more just below the ankly I considered it inadvisable to continue the days trek -signssof inflamation were evident— so camped. The people led by a man named BIJU were very willing and helped to make camp; the women, too, went off to the gardens almost immediately to bring in food for us. The few occount tree treez seen growing in the village are quite young being no more than two years old. At the garden settlement

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June 15th contd: At the garden settlement of KOKONIONG are growing a a number of fully matured trees bearing well and sufficient for domestic needs. The actual walking time from BUJA to BIAMB@DA in three hours along a good track mostly through shady stretches of bush.

DARUNCE for his pay were found by L/Cpl Meriga sitting down in BIAMBODA, they had sent am a village native to do what they were told to do; subsequently the A.C. were convicted and fined.

V.C.DARUNCE arrived in due course and was paid his wages in trade. A wonderful display of native foods was laid before us to purchase and it is a long time since I saw such an amount and variety brought in.

In accordance with G.S.letter 522/31 dated 14/4/31 I made enquiries regarding escapes prisoner 3401 AGARI and obtained the information from V.C.DARUNGE of WIEK that the man is back in his village. Moorhead river. I could get no direct evidence that AGARI is in his village - just heresay. A patrol is due to the Moorhead in a few weeks time and further information may be obtained during the course of the patrol.

June 16th.

treek and fifty minutes later entered XIBULI which the people are about to evacuate for another village called IVL. We had a long halt at KIBULI and then continued on to IVL about 3 miles away and arrived there at I2.15pm. IVL is under construction; the natives are living in temporary shelters about 50 yards away from the main site while the building is going on. The country traversed to-day was over undulating grass-land in a W.S.W. direction. On reaching KIBULI we were in country first opened up by Mr Karius A.R.M. (see PAR No.7 1924/25). The actual walking time to-day was 4/2hours. The country round about teems with wallaby and some good sport can be had if one feels inclined and energetic enough to follow them up.

June 17th.

Left IUL at 6.40am and crossed the PAHOTURI river on bamboo rafts ten minutes later and arrived at GIDERETORA at 8.40 am where V.C.KAMAN was waiting with carriers. GIDERETORA is a new village inhabited by the people who a few years ago were living at KUWANUMANG and BUNKUKULEM visited by Mr Karius. The two latter villages are now abandoned. The population of GIDERETORA numbers 50 to 60 people. The village was clean and the dwellings 9 in number are well constructed and in good repair. After a change of carriers proceeded on our way arriving at a small isolated settlement known as KADARA at 2.45 pm after wading through two fairly extensive swamps. Heard this evening that we may not be able to get through to MARADUAN on the coast owing to the extent and depth of the swamps lying between here (KADARA) and MABADUAN.

June 18th.

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I sent on ahead 2 A.C. to bring up cancer from MABADUAN should
I find the swamps impassable and have to return. At 7.45 am when
the carriers "fell in" four were missing the V.C. said that they
had gone home. I sent the V.C. back for them. A few minutes later
we moved off and almost immediately into a swamp knee deep and
emerged fromit 3/4 of an hour later. Half a mile further on intred
another swamp and this continual wading through a series of swamps
went on till I2.30pm. I did not realize till afterwards that
croccdiles infest these evil smelling areas. There is no object
in ever travelling to-days route again. Except for the bush or
rather swamp settlement occupied by about 3 native families the
country is of no use to anyone. (KADARA should be declared a
"Forbidden Settlement") The natives were warned that this may happen
and were advised to go back to their proper village SIGABADARA
where they I understand originally lived.

It was a most wretched day to-day. If I had known of these swamps and could have relied on local information (often misleading) I could have rafted down the river and so saved myself a lot of discomfort and the carriers a day of unnecessary toil. I think the best time to do this patrol would be about the first week in September when the smaller swamps dry up.

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JUNE 19th. I was expecting the whale-boat to meet me at MABAUDAN 80 waited until noon. At I.pm therebwas no sign of it so hired a native cutter to take me over to OLD MAWATTA. We had just got outside the anchorage when a vessel was sighted and recognised as heing the "KAPURI" the E.M.A. launch. We returned to the anchorage and awaited the "KAPURI". Mr Sharp had very kindly placed the vessel at the R.M. disposal and owing to the absence of the whale-boat from the station and a heavy S.E. blowing the R.M. very thoughtfully sent the launch over for me. It was just as well for we struck exceedingly rough seas and it was with relief we anchored off OLD MAWATTA at the mouth of the BINATURI river. We camped at MASINGARA at 5.30pm.

June 20th. During the morning I inspected the Mesingara eccount plantation planted under N.R. See Appendix to this repeat. At I.pm we left for DIRIMO district. USFRI was feached at 3.30pm and camped. I tried wearing a boot on my sore foot to-day after wearing shoes for several days and paid the penalty. After inspecting USERI fillage plantation camped here.

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DIR IMO. The village was clean. Inspected the plantation the report of which is shown on appendix. The V.C.having been warned of my approach had made a good attempt to clean the plantation up. Judging from the length of the grass out down one could easily surmise that the place had not beceived attention for years. Later moved on to UME at one time a flourishing village now a garder settlement. The plantation was inspected and had an air of neglect about it.

with R.M. instructions but had to give it up owing to my sare foot.

L/Cpl Meriga was sent to ALIFLA and he reported on his return that the village consisted of 6 dwellings and was clean but a lot of grass was growing in the plantation. He told the Exc. people to clear it up. I got back to DIRIM at I.30pm and camped.

June 22nd. We left DIRIMO about 7.45 am and arrived at KUNINI plantation an hour or so later. My instructions given to the V.C. on the 9th inst had been obeyed. I was amazed at the transformation.

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June Sand contd:

Where before a palm here and there could be seen peeping through the grass and scrub, now was revealed an area of waving palms covering approximately 4 to 5 acres. The trees average a growth of 6 years and despite neglect of years they appear to be quite healthy. The V.C. was told to fence in this area, fill in with new plantings trees alleged to have been eaten by the pigs and to grow sweet potatoes to keep the grass down. Later walked along the sand beach to OLD NAWATTA and bearded the launch and held G.N.M. One native convicted for stealing. At 2.45.PM we left OLD MAWATTA and reached DARU about 6.15 pm after a rough crossing.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Isolated Settlements.

With the natives of the inland villages visited on this patrol was noticed a growing tendency on their part to break away from their parent villages and live for long periods in isolated settlements. At this time of the year of course, garden making is in full swing and it may be owing to that reason so many smell settlements were observed. It is only natural where the gardens are situated a considerable distance from the main village the villagers should prefer to live on the ground being cultivated instead of returning each evening after their long days toil is o'er. In the wet season I understand the majority prefer to reside in the parent village. Anyhow all V.C. were warned that the people must not be allowed to live permanently in their garden settlements.

Mativa Plantations.

Importance was given to the inspection of native plantations planted under N.R. during this patrol and I regret to say that generally the plantations had the appearance of years of neglect. The number of trees growing are considerably less than the original plantings, neither do the figures tally with those shown in our plantation register.

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Native Plantations could My figures of course are only approximate and have no claim to accuracy. In some instances owing to irregular planting and other causes an accurate count was next to an impossibility. With the low price for copra prevailing at the moment and no demand from traders it is going to be no easy task reviving native interest in these plantations.

The abandonment of old villages for new is anfactor that contributes to neglect of plantations but the
natives have been told that this cannot be accepted as an
Cxouse. In most of the 'cland villages the trees are not
jet in bearing so the question of producing copra ices not
apply to these villages. In two or three years time all the
plantations visited by me on this patrol should be bearing.

of 22 names called of natives that planted nuts in the village of USEI IO years ago, IO are dead.

Of 12 names called at GIRINGAREDE 4 are dead.

Of 13 names called at GUIUIU 4 are dead and 4

here mistated.

My observations on the plantations visited are shown overleaf.

During the patrol I observed no serious cases of

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APPENDIX.

HATIVE PLANTATIONS and OBSERVATIONS

	VILLAGE	previous sount	present	ount	Remarks
	MASINGARA	2250	1500	pi in	Reduction due to misses t replanted and ravages of gs. Grass and scrub growing plantation. A general air neglect.
	KUNINI	2200	500	In: Was so: bec	Reduction due to encrose at of seas on foreshore plt land pltn neglected for years overgrown with grass and rub on 9th inst. Since has an cleared a counted I20 lms. V.C. reports pigs ate at of the original planting
A	DIRIMO	2000	1500	in	Was fairly clean; is low ing & needs frequent drain- s. Few trees bearing, majori ture in 4 years time.
	USERI	600	220	av	In fair condition. Trees crage 7-8 years; healthy.
では ないない	mrs.	500	350	in ne	Village abandoned. Pltnee from grass & weeds but rty with fallen fronds lygabout. A general air of glact. Trees average 8 year for in bearing.
大 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一 日 一	GIRINGAREDE	520	375	be ne	Pitn full of weeds and lang. 175 trees 6-8 years. 0.8-10 years. 50 trees had en cut down to make way for buildings. See P/R page4 ne 12th.
	GUMIN	264	160		Village abandoned and the overgrown with lalang. at to impossible to count.
*	TATI	no previous record	. 600	BC WE.	Pltn fairly clean. Trees erage 7-8 years. About 30 rnt down and others badly orched through fire. People rned re fire and advised to ear grass with knives.
	MABADUAN	13550	3000		A splendid pltn. Trees aring good size nuts. Clear en inspected.

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REMARKS

The "kuipi" known as "Upimopo" visited by A.R.M. Faithorn in the course of this patrol is the same as that visted by Mr Robert Bruce early this year. It is said that Mr Brace noticed indications of oil at this spot some 25 years ago and made a special trip to Papua to make further investigations but apparently he found nothing.

P.M.W.D 30/6/31