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KIETA

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
2-66-67	A.S. Melville	North Nasioi Census Division
4-66-67	R.W. Gregory	Koromira Census Division

WAKUNAI

2-66-67	J.R. Bullock	Rotokas Census Division
4-66-67	R.J. Staples	Coastal villages & Aita Div.
5-66-67	G.J. Williams	Aita & Rotokas Divisions



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....*Bougainville*..... Report No.....*Kieta 2/66-67*.....
Patrol Conducted by.....*A.S. Melville, P.O.*.....
Area Patrolled.....*North Nasioi Census Division*.....
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....*Nil*.....
Natives.....*4*.....
Duration—From.....*23./...5.../1966*.....to.....*4./...6...1966*..... and From *27/6/66* to *5/7/66*
Number of Days.....*22 20 days*.....
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....*No*.....
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../.....*12/1966*.....
Medical /...../19.....
Map Reference.....*Bougainville Fourmil Series (South)*.....
Objects of Patrol.....*Routine Administration, Census Education, Compilation*
.....*of Economic Development Register & Conduction of 1966 Census.*.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

20/8/1966

P.J. Melville B.S.
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....
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**Females
in Child
Birth**

27th October, 1966.

KIETA PATROL REPORT NO.2/1966-67:

6. The primary objects of the patrol were satisfactorily achieved and the patrol is to Mr. Melville's credit.

(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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RWB/LMW.



In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67/1/6.

Department of the Administrator

Department of District
Administration,
Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

20th. September, 1966.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

KIETA PATROL NO. 2-66/67.

Attached hereto please find a Report on the above Patrol as submitted by Mr. A.S. MELVILLE, Patrol Officer, together with a copy of Memorandum of 18th. August, 1966 from the Deputy District Commissioner at KIETA.

The primary objects of the Patrol were concerned with the Territory Census which was eventually carried out with no difficulty.

The unsatisfactory position outlined by Mr. MELVILLE concerning the position of feeder roads is well known and in fact exists in other Census Divisions in the District. TINPUTZ and WAKUNAI have the same problem as do the NAGOVISI people of the BUIN Sub-District. Very little finance is made available for the improvement of these roads and in the more difficult situations there is a limit to what the Village people can do without technical assistance.

Village production of economic crops in the Division is increasing rapidly as can be seen from the report and the need for suitable feeder roads will increase.

The figures concerning the education of children have been passed to the District Inspector of Education.

Mr. MELVILLE has submitted an excellent Report which is fully covered by Mr. DENEHY's Memorandum.

P. J. Mollison

(P. J. MOLLISON).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

Att.

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PATROL REPORTS

KIETA

18th August, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SOHANO

KIETA PATROL REPORT 2/66-67
NORTH NASIOI DIVISION

Attached hereto please find a report of a patrol to the North Nasioi Division conducted by Mr. A.S. Melville, Patrol Officer.

Mr. Melville was requested to speed the first part of the patrol because of my commitments in the C.R.A. situation and subsequently by the Census Collectors Course.

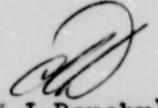
The C.R.A. situation has been fully covered elsewhere and you are au fait with the current position. Suffice to say that the Division feels very strongly about the establishment of a Bougainville Development Fund from a proportion of eventual company profits to ensure the uniform and continuing development of the District.

It is true that in 1958, the then Assistant Administrator gave the assurance that the Administration would give assistance to bring crops to shipping points. Owing to their heavy commitments on projects, it has been very difficult to get 'reasonable assistance' outlined by Mr. Melville, however, I am pleased to be able to report that some small headway is now being made in this regard in the Bovo Valley thanks to the cooperation of C.R.A. who have made available a compressor on short term loan. The Kerei Valley people do not require assistance at this moment, they have some hand work to do before they come to the next group of boulders which will require blasting. Similarly there is a lot of hand work to be done on the Pomana Road before assistance will be required. Should assistance on the Bovo Valley Road go ahead as planned, it will provide an impetus to the remainder and there will be additional calls upon P.W.D. in this regard.

That the need for these roads is bona fide is illustrated by Mr. Melville in Appendix B, which shows current production. These figures are expected to treble as more plantings come into full production.

Mr. Melville has submitted a good report, the appendices are particularly informative and give a statistical picture of the Division worth more than several pages of descriptive writing.

Claim for camping out allowance is attached.


(M.J. Denehy)
Deputy District Commissioner

NORTH NASIOI CENSUS DIVISION



LEGEND

Mountains	☼ Mt. Nagahead.
Villages	● Pawaia
Vehicular Rd.	— — — — —
Patrol Route
Anchorage	⚓
Aid Posts	+
Missions	⊞ RUMBA
N.N. R.P.S.	☼
(NORTH NASIOI RORR. PROGRESS 1961/62)	



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Department of District Administration,
Kieta
 12th July, 1966.

The Assistant District Commissioner
 Sub-District Office,
Kieta

Patrol Report - Kieta 2/66-67

Patrol Conducted by:	A.S. Melville, P.O.
Area Patrolled:	North Nasioi Census Division
Personnel Accompanying:	Kingsford Kevi, Field Assistant Tuna, School Student Noel Nimo, Cooperative Inspector (as census interviewers) Constable Lapun.
Duration of Patrol:	Commenced: Mon. 23/5/66 interrupted: Sat. 4/6/66 Recommenced: Mon 27/6/66 Completed: Tue. 5/7/66.
Last Patrol to Area:	D.D.A.: December, 1965. D.A.S.F.: 1963 - area now covered by day patrols.
Objects of Patrol:	Routine Administration Census Education Compilation of Eco. Devt. Register Conduction of 1966 Census.
Map Reference:	Bougainville Fourmil (Sth)

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The North Nasioi Census Division of the Kieta Sub-District of the Bougainville District is located in two major valleys - Kerei and Bovo, among the foothills of the Crown Prince Range.

The patrol's primary functions were census education especially for the villages concerned with the 1966 census and contact with the people. It was unfortunate that due to unforeseen circumstances, it became necessary in the last stages of the first part, to speed up the patrol; but prior to this, the Economic Development Register for the Division was brought up to date. Interest was marked and entries were quite numerous. All of these were made with the concurrence and in the presence of all villagers.

The 1966 Territory Census was conducted for the nine villages between Bairema and Tonara in the second stage of the patrol - 27/6/66 to 5/7/66.

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A census of children in and out of schools for the area was also conducted - see Appendix 'D'.

North Nasioi Census Division is the most closely populated area in the Sub-District with a total population of 2,149 in an area of about 60 square miles. (c/f the Eivo Census Division: 1,549 persons in an area of approx. 200 square miles). However it is extremely fertile and has the greatest plantings of economic crops in the Sub-District. See Appendix 'A'.

All villages with the exception of Bairema and Lonsiro are included in the Kieta Local Government Council.

Diary:

1966

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|----------|-------------|--|-------------------|
| May 23rd | Mon. | From Kieta to Angonai am.
Discussions with people pm. | Slept Angonai |
| 24th | Tue. | More discussion & Eco. Devt.
Register entries am. To Bonuma
via Mauang 11.30 am. Visited
Linguna pm. Discussions with
Bonuma and Linguna pm. | Slept Bonuma. |
| 25th | Wed. | To Laita am. Discussion pm. | Slept Laita. |
| 26th | Thurs. | Inspected Chingai hamlet am
To Mongontoro Village pm.
Visited Dukatoro hamlet pm. | Slept Mongontoro |
| 27th | Fri. | Discussion with Mongontoro am
commenced work on council project
pm. Visited Karakila Village pm. | Slept Mongontoro. |
| 28th | Sat. | Continued work on project with
direction from PWD plumber | Slept Mongontoro. |
| 29th | Sun. | Sunday at Mongontoro | Slept Mongontoro. |
| 30th | Mon. | To Tonara via Siai hamlet &
Piruana School am. Discussion
with Tonara pm. | Slept Tonara. |
| 31st | Tues. | Continued Eco. Devt. Reg.
entries am. Hamlets visited pm. | Slept Tonara. |
| July 1st | Wed. | To Kupei Village, discussion &
proceeded to Bakawuri Village;
discussion then proceeded to
Amion Village. | Slept Amion. |
| 2nd | Thurs. | Visited Topina Village am, then
proceeded Pavaire. Discussion
afternoon and evening. | Slept Pavaire. |
| 3rd | Fri. | To Pomaua; discussion am then
proceeded to Lonsiro returning
same afternoon. | Slept Pomaua. |
| 4th | Sat. | To Bairema, discussion thence
to Arawa Village where boarded
Landrover to return Kieta. | ... |
| | | | |
| 29th | Wed.
Mon | To Bairema per boat and foot
arriving 11.00 a.m. Commenced
census. | Slept Bairema. |

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Diary (Contd):

1966

June 28th	Tuesd.	Completed Census Bairema & proceeded Lonsiro. Completed Lonsiro.	Slept Lonsiro
29th	Wed.	To Pomaua completed census	Slept Pomaua
30th	Thurs.	To Pavaire; completed census	Slept Pavaire
July 1st	Fri.	To Amion; completed Amion & Topina	Slept Amion.
2nd	Sat.	To Bakawari; completed Bakawari & Kupei	Slept Bakawari.
3rd	Sun.	Observed at Bakawari.	Slept Bakawari
4th	Mon.	To Tonara; completed census	Slept Tonara.
5th	Tue.	Returned to Kieta by foot and Landrover	...

Total nights camped out: 20.

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Observations and Comments:

Reception of Patrol:

The people were at all times friendly to the patrol and very cooperative.

Villages: 1. Standard of Housing:

The standard of local housing has improved noticeably since the undersigned last patrolled the Division in 1964. Houses are uniformly raised on stilts of about 4' above ground, walls are constructed of plaited bamboo, houses are roofed with sago palm leaves and floored with bamboo, limbon palm bark or pit sawn timber. A greater proportion of village builders are using pitsawn timber for house frames.

2. Advantages or Disadvantages of the site:

As stated in the Introduction, the Division is situated in the Bova and Kerei River Valleys. All villages are sited in good positions on the small ridges which mark the watersheds of the tributaries of the two rivers.

3. Water Supply:

All villages have good water supply within a quarter of a mile of villages and hamlets. Some villages have constructed bamboo water pipelines into the village compound. The Kieta Local Government Council has installed a running water supply with two outlets at Mongontoro.

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Villages (Contd): 4. Cleanliness & Sanitation

Village compounds, drains and overall appearance were generally very satisfactory. There were only two exceptions to this rule: Kupei and Linguna. In view of the fact that the Kieta Local Government Council has a village hygiene rule, it was suggested that councillors take appropriate action.

Village Officials:

Only two villages in the Division remain outside the council: Lonsiro and Bairema. There has been no change in the officials of either village since the last administrative patrol.

Outline of Political Situation:

There are two situations in the Division currently causing dissatisfaction or a slackening of loyalty to the Administration. It is not proposed to comment on the first (and most important) of these - attitudes to C.R.A.E. and new Mining Legislation - as this is the subject of intense analysis by yourself.

Of local importance however, is the subject of feeder roads from villages to a market for economic local produce - cocoa and copra. Appendix 'A' shows the number of cocoa trees and coconut palms planted between 1960 and date plus pre '60 plantings. Appendix 'B' shows the amount of produce carried from each village to the North Nasioi Rural Progress Society (not including a substantial amount sold to local plantations and chinese traders). Of the trees and palms shown in Appendix 'A', it is estimated that 109,563 cocoa trees and 53,981 coconut palms are bearing; 57,000 cocoa (another 50% on present production) and 128,000 coconut palms (240% on present production) are still to come into bearing. In Appendix 'B', where villages have direct access by walking track to the Society, walking times to the Society are shown. Where the Society tractor carries produce part of the way, walking time to the road head is shown.

The villagers claim that His Honour the Administrator personally assured them that if they planted economic crops, he would ensure the means of transporting the produce to a market. In addition, the villagers of the Division worked very hard to construct the original Kieta/Arawa Road which does not serve them at all as a marketing road as all produce is shipped from Arawa Plantation. The feeling is that "we helped the Administration in trunk road construction, it should assist us with feeder roads".

The people do not expect P.W.D. to build the roads for them. They ask for assistance with blowing up of boulder blocking the roads, supply of pipes and technical advice in bridge (invert) building.

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Outline of Political Situation (Contd):

Two of the roads concerned: those serving the Yerei Valley and the villages of Amion/Topina/Pavai have already reached the stage where no more handwork can be done before P.W.D. technical assistance is given. The other two roads which will serve (a) Pomaua and (b) Tonara/Bakawari/Kupei with a branch to Mongontoro/Karakila/Laita/Siai, have not been commenced, probably because the people have realized that technical assistance is not forthcoming as readily as it might. This should not be regarded as a criticism of the District Works Engineer and his staff, who, due to commitment of equipment to works projects, are unable to render assistance.

This matter has been included under political situations because it is continually being brought up in council meetings - the councillors advise that they are under pressure in the villages to have something done. In my opinion it is causing a lessening of confidence in the Administration. I consider the demand is legitimate and deserves consideration.

Agriculture:

There is no shortage of subsistence food in the Division.

New plantings of cocoa and coconuts are shown in Appendix 'A'. The figures for 1965/66 are an estimation on the part of the agricultural officer and would err on the side of inflation rather than under-estimation. The Division is not yet saturated but is approaching that point.

Cash cropping has had the effect on land tenure, of converting from matrilineal to patrilineal, inheritance of land only on which cash crops are planted. This is normally confirmed by giving to the father's clan by the son or son's clan of a 'sing-sing' or other nominal payment. This never approached the true value of the plantation.

Approximately 50% of the economic produce of the Division is marketed through the Society. The other 50% is sold to Arawa Plantation and Chinese traders.

Complaints and Courts:

There were no complaints of any consequence indicated to the patrol.

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Rest Houses:

Every Village in the Division has a rest house all of which except one were in good condition. The exception, at Angonai, had been abandoned for a new site on the main Kieta/Arawa Road which does not really serve the purpose. After this was pointed out, the people advised their intention of restoring the original house.

Carriers:

No troubles were experienced in hiring carriers. In Kieta, it is normal to hire a group of carriers from each village as the patrol progresses. The rate payable is 10¢ per hour carrying plus return journey.

Health:

There are two Aid-posts in the Division plus another at Rorovana serving the villages. These are situated at Angonai and Bakawari. The Angonai Aid-post was being inspected by the D.M.O. during the patrol. The Aid-post at Bakawari which serves seven villages was in a disgraceful state on the first leg of the patrol. The villages concerned were given a month to restore the post. A marked improvement was noted on the second part of the patrol. The D.M.O. was advised both of the original and subsequent state of affairs.

Health generally was very good. Little 'grili' was seen and the people appeared fit and healthy. A number of cases of the common cold or some kind of influenza were seen.

Education:

See Appendix 'D' for lists of schools serving the Division and pupils attending (or not). Briefly the SDA element is served by village schools and Rumba Central School, whilst the Catholics are served in the early stages by Angonai area school in the south and Piruana in the north. From Standard 3, pupils go to Tubiana or Tururu Mission.

Roads and Bridges:

The Main Kieta/Arawa/Rorovana Road is still in the process of construction. The Department of Public Works expects to have it completed by the end of the year. The original Kieta/Arawa Road was constructed mainly by the people of the North Nasioi Division.

The need for feeder roads has already been discussed.

Bridle paths were generally in very good condition in view of recent rains.

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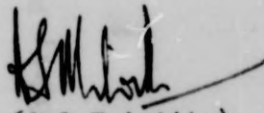
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Mission Stations:

Two Mission Stations are situated in the Division: Tunuru R.C.M. and Rumba S.D.A. School. The Catholic Mission is staffed by a Priest and three sisters, occupied in teaching and nursing. About 65% of the Division belong to this persuasion. Rumba is an SDA Central School with one european teacher in charge and his family plus indigenous staff. There are normally about 200 children attending this school from all over the Sub-District.

Census:

The 1966 Territory Census was carried out in the northern part of the Division during the latter half of the patrol. The people were particularly cooperative at all times notwithstanding that it occurred during the cocoa flush when they are occupied almost fully with little else.


(R.S. Melville)
Patrol Officer

A P P E N D I X 'A'

ECONOMIC PLANTING FIGURES COCOA AND COCONUTS FROM PRE-1960 TO 1965/66

NORTH NASIOI CENSUS DIVISION

CROP	PRE-1960	1960/61	1961/62	1962/63	1963/64	1964/65	1965/66	TOTAL	REMARKS
COCOA	41,293	54,729	13,541	17,278	14,743	12,548	12,000	166,132	Census for '65/66 not yet complete 12,000 an estimation by D.A.S.F.
COCONUTS	53,981	23,886	41,598	26,522	38,197	15,319	12,000	181,503	" " " " " " " "

Note: All cocoa planted up to 1961/62 are estimated to be bearing; i.e. 109,563 leaving 56,569 trees planted still to come into bearing. This represents 50.7% increase on present producing trees.

The only coconuts estimated to be bearing are those planted before 1960; i.e. 53,981 palms. 127,522 have still to come into production over the next 10 years. This represents a 236% increase on present production.

Both sets of figures include villages of Kuka, Pankama and Rorovana of the Kieta Coastal Division. They would not represent a significant amount.

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APPENDIX B

VILLAGE ECONOMIC CROP PRODUCTION INCLUDING DISTANCES
OVER WHICH PRODUCE IS CARRIED AND POSSIBLE NEW ROADS

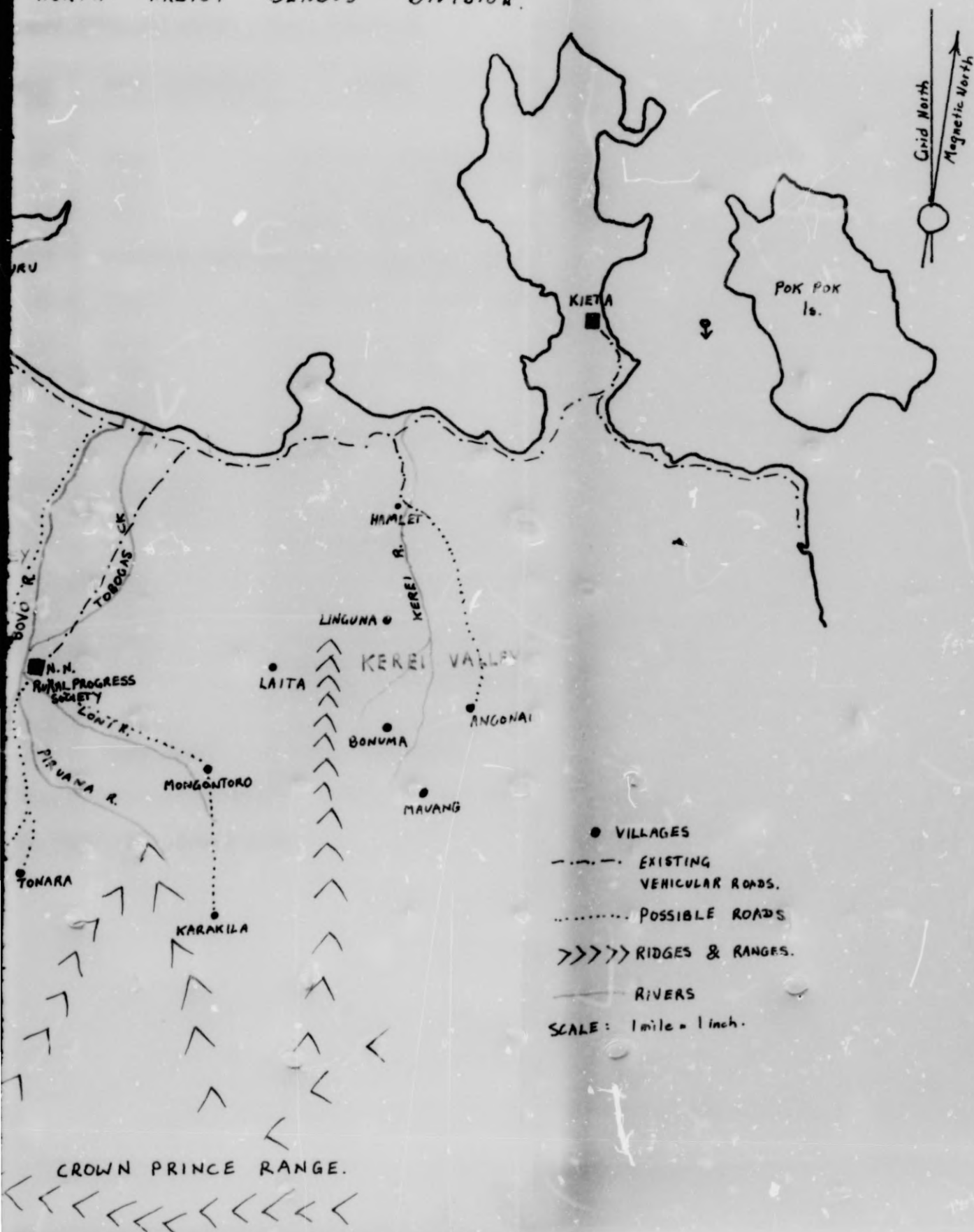
VILLAGE	TONS COPRA	TONS COCOA	TOTAL	DISTANCE PRESENTLY WALKED TO PICK UP POINT	DISTANCE FROM VILLAGE TO MAIN RD. OR SOCIETY	LENGTH POSSIBLE OF CONSTRUCTION BY VILLAGERS WITH ASSISTANCE ON RIVER CROSS- INGS & BOULDERS
MAUA	28	31	59	3	4	3
SIRO	6	1	7	3	4	0
TRIMA	29	10	39	0	1	0
	63	42	105	X	X	3
ON	7	25	32	4	4	4
INA	11	11	22	5	5	0
TAIRE	33	27	60	3	3	2
	51	63	114	X	X	6
AWARI	26	20	46	3	3	3
ARA	20	46	66	3	3	
EI	2	2	4	6	6	3
	48	88	136	X	X	6
AKILA	6	15	21	5	5	0
GONTORO	27	22	49	2	2	2
TA	6	11	17	3	3	1
	39	48	77	X	X	3
GUNA	27	11	38	2	2	2
UMA	22	6	28	3	3	3
ANG	41	25	76	4	4	0
ONAI	31	18	59	3	3	3
	121	60	181	X	X	6
ALS	322	301	623	X	X	24

ES: Coconut production expected increase over the next 10 years: 236% based on planting figures.

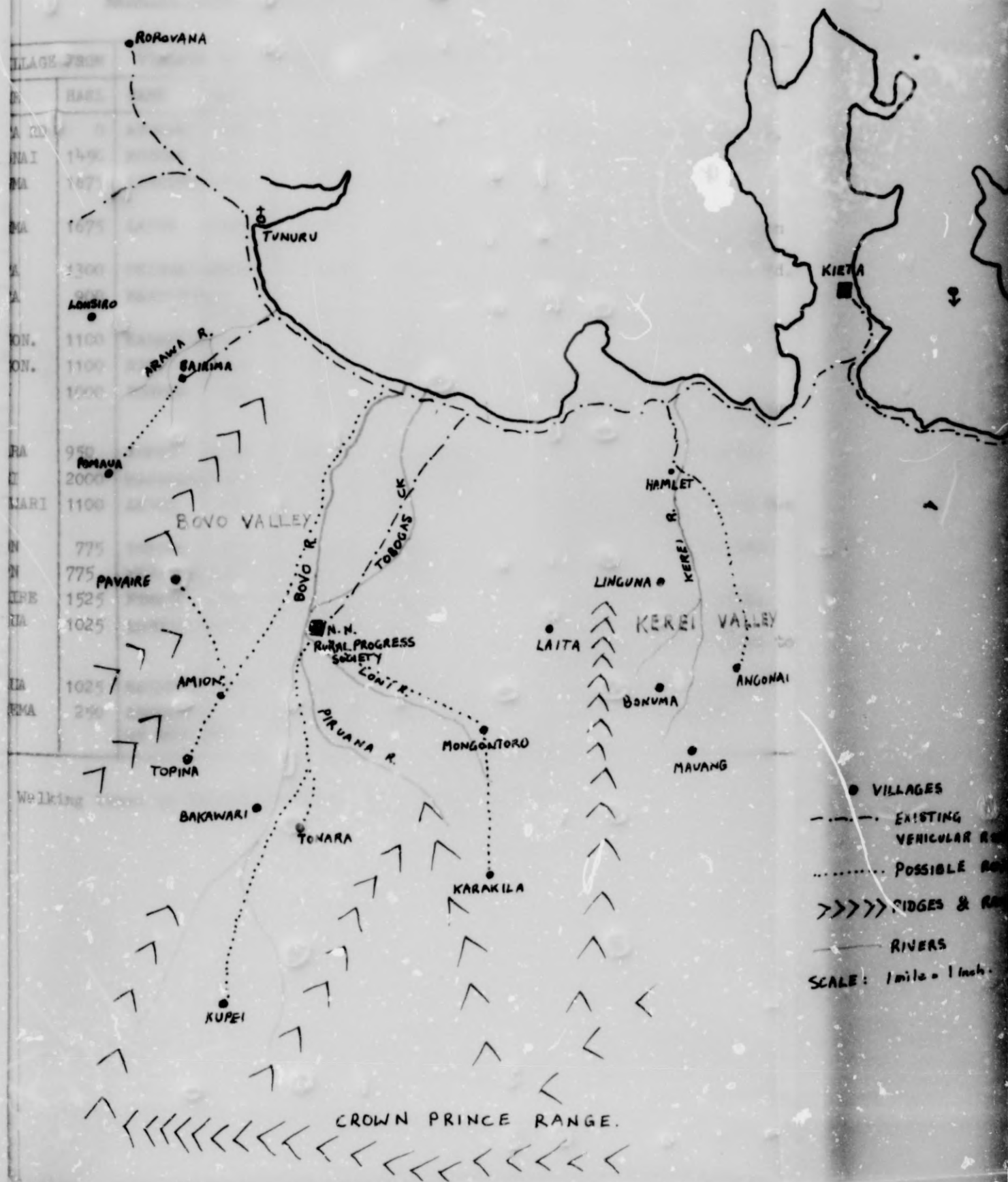
Cocoa production is expected (by D.A.S.F.) to increase production by 300%. This bears no relation to planting figures indicated in Appendix A but is based on a presently low yield per tree caused by bad plantation practice which is being rectified and also by normal increase in production of trees in partial bearing due to immaturity.

Division of Villages indicates possible roads to serve that group.

NORTH NASIOI CENSUS DIVISION.



NORTH NASIOI CENSUS DIVISION.



APPENDIX 'C'

WALKING TIMES : HEIGHTS ABOVE SEA LEVEL : ROAD CONDITIONS

VILLAGE FROM		VILLAGE TO		WALK TIME	ROAD CONDITION	REMARKS
NAME	HASL	NAME	HASL			
TA RD	0	ANGONAI	1450	1.00	Fair	Over new vehicular Rd.
ONAI	1450	BONUMA	1675	1.30	Good	Mostly flat walking
UMA	1675	LINGUNA	1200	15 +	Good	Short steep walk Branch track.
UMA	1675	LAITA	1300	1.10	Slippery when wet	Steep climb up & down Kerei to Bovo Valley
TA	1300	CHINGAI	1900	20 +	Very " " "	Very steep - Branch Rd.
TA	900	MANGONTORO	1100	20	Good	Short easy walk
GON.	1100	KARAKILA	1575	25 +	Good	Up hill. Branch Rd.
GON.	1100	SIAI	1000	30	Good	Easy walk
I	1000	TONARA	950	30	Good	Suggest look at Piruana School on this walk.
ARA	950	KUPEI	2000	1.00	Good Road	Up hill steady walk.
EI	2000	BAKAWARI	1100	1.10	Good Road	Down hill.
WARI	1100	AMION	775	20	OK	Short walk. See Aid Pos on this walk.
ON	775	TOPINA	950	10 +	GOOD	Up hill - Branch Rd.
ON	775	PAVAIRE	1525	35	Steep	Up hill.
AIRE	1525	POMAUUA	1025	35	Good	Easy down hill walk.
AUA	1025	LONSIRO	1025	55 +	Good	Branch Rd. But can proceed from Lonsiro to Bairema.
AUA	1025	BAIREMA	250	35	Steep	Steep in one part.
REMA	250	ARAWA on main Rd.	0	20	Very Good	Almost Vehicular.

Walking times on Branch roads are single journey only.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

VILLAGE	SCHOOL	CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL								CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL							
		UNDER 8		8 to 14		OVER 14		TOTAL		UNDER 8		8 to 14		14 to 16		TOTAL	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
SINKAI MANGONTORO	Pirwana	1			1			1	1								
	Pirwana RC	2		8	5	2	2	10	5			1				1	
	Tunuru "				1	1		2	3								
	Kieta		2	2	4	1	1	2	7	4	4					4	4
KARAKILA	Rumba SDA																
	Rabaul					1		1									
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	Village Sch.	1	5	4	2			5	7								
SIAI	Rumba			6	5	1	2	7	7								
	Rabaul					4	2	4	2								
		1	5	10	7	5	4	16	16								
TONARA	Pirwana	9	10	2				11	10								
	Rumba	3	1	2	3	7	2	12	6								
	Rabaul					2	1	2	1								
	Village	2	3	3	4	1		6	7								
	Pirwana	14	14		2	4	6	14	16		1			1		1	1
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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

VILLAGE	SCHOOL	CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL								CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL							
		UNDER 8		8 to 14		OVER 14		TOTAL		UNDER 8		8 to 14		14 to 16		TOTAL	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
KUPEI	Piruana Tunuru	3	6	1			2	3	6	1	2				2	1	4
		3	6	1			2	4	8	1	2				2	1	4
BAKAWARI	Piruana Tunuru Asitavi Chabai	13	6		3		2	13	6					1		1	
					1				2								
AMION	Piruana Tunuru Deomori Rigu RC HS, Rabaul	13	6		4		2	13	12					1		1	
		4	7	2	2		1	4	7			1		1		1	
					1		1	2	3							1	
TOPINA	Piruana Tunuru Rigu					2		2	1								
		4	7	2	3	3	2	9	12			1		1		2	
		11	16		1		6	11	17								
					2	1		1	8								
		11	16		3	1	6	12	25								

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

VILLAGE	SCHOOL	CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL								CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL							
		UNDER 8		8 to 14		OVER 14		TOTAL		UNDER 8		8 to 14		14 to 16		TOTAL	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
PAVAIRE	Village	6	5	3	2			9	7					3		3	
	Rumba			2	4	7	3	9	7								
	Inus					1		1	1								
	Rabaul					2		2									
	Kerevat					1		1									
		6	5	5	6	10	4	21	15					3		3	
POMAU	Bairema A.S.	2	1	2	4	1		5	5	6	2		2			6	4
	Tunuru			5	1	1	2	6	3								
	Sipitako A.S.			1				1									
	Tubiana			1				1									
	Kieta T			1		4		5									
	Rigu					1		1									
	Hutjena					1		1									
		2	1	10	5	8	2	20	8	6	2		2			6	4
LONSIRO	Bairema			7	2			7	2								
	Tuhuru					1		1									
				7	2	1		8	2								
BAIREMA	Bairema			5	5			5	5								
	Tunuru			2				2									
	Asitavi						1		1								
	Sovele					1		1									
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NORTH NASTOI CENSUS DIVISION

SUMMARY

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ANGONAI		7	3	5	6	3	3	15	12			2	2			2	2
MAUANG				8	5	4	1	12	6	3	1					3	1
BONUMA		2	2	7	5	2		11	7	1						1	
LINGUNA		2		5	5	3		10	5								
IATTA		2	3	2	3			4	6								
SINKAI		1			1			1	1								
MANGONTORO		2	2	10	10	4	3	16	15	4	4	1				5	4
KARAKIUA		1	5	10	7	5	4	16	16								
SIAT		9	10	2				11	10								
TONARA		19	18	5	10	16	9	40	37		1			1		1	1
KUPEI		3	6	1			2	4	8	1	2				2	1	4
BAKAWARI		13	6		4		2	13	12	1	2			1		2	2
AMION		4	7	2	3	3	2	9	12			1		1		2	
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PAVAIRE		6	5	5	6	10	4	21	15					3		3	
POMAU		2	1	10	5	8	2	20	8	6	2		2			6	4
LONSTRO				7	2	1		8	2								
BAIRIMA				7	5	1	1	8	6								
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of...BOUGAINVILLE..... Report No....4 of 66/67.....

Patrol Conducted by...R.W. GREGORY..... CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled...KOROMIRA CENSUS DIVISION.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans...NIL.....

Natives...TWO MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL PAPUA AND
AND NEW GUINEA CONSTABULARY.

Duration—From...7.../11.../19 66 to...21.../11 19 66...

Number of Days...15.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?...NO.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...AUGUST/19 65...

Medical OCTOBER /19 65...

Map Reference...BOUGAINVILLE FOURMIL.....

Objects of Patrol...CENSUS REVISION. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

7. 1/15/19 66.

L. J. Morrison
District Commissioner

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

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

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

15th December, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Brugainville District,
SOHANO.

KIETA PATROL REPORT NO. 4 OF 1966/67:

Mr. Gregory's report of his patrol to the KOROMIRA Census Division is acknowledged with thanks. Thank you also for the covering comments by the Deputy District Commissioner, Kieta and yourself; these comments have been noted.

2. This is indeed a pleasing report, well set out and clear and concise in its wording. Mr. Gregory shows a keen appreciation of what is required of a field officer and should prove an asset to the Department if he continues in a similar capable manner.

3. The covering memoranda has dealt with the contents of the report in detail and indicates all action necessary is in hand. The matter of continued education of the people in C.R.A.'s aims cannot be over-emphasised.

(J. X. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR



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Department of District Administration,
Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

December 7th., 1966.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KIETA - BOUGAINVILLE.

KIETA Patrol Report - No. 4. 1966/67.

Please thank Mr. R.W Gregory for a well written and well presented patrol report.

Those villages mentioned in the report have I trust moved on to their lands.

I cannot really see the necessity of demolishing these houses quickly, especially if they are to be used whilst the people are engaged in gardening in the area.

I am fully aware of native thinking, and especially that of the Members of the House of Assembly. They arrive in Moresby and promptly fall over almost every type of heavy equipment known to man. As far as the eye can see, houses are being built, and roads constructed whereas in their own electorates there is not in some cases, even one piece of heavy equipment, and the building programme may consist of three or four houses. However it should be realised, and should be explained to the people that they, through their Members, do have the power to change these conditions.

I cannot follow their reasoning on the factories and finished product. If the Company does go into production there should be sufficient jobs for all those who want them.

There was nothing mentioned in the report about what the Company is doing and intends to do. I refer to the proposed technical school, the apprentice scheme, and the number of semi-skilled workers already employed.

If you intend these talks to be continued, I feel that they should embrace more than just the Ordinance.

I doubt if very much good would be done in asking present Members to do tours, they are so parochial. The next House may be different.

You will I know, draw the Agricultural Officer's attention to the two chapters in the report on Agriculture and Cash Cropping. There must be some measure of control over rats, and I am most concerned that cocoa should be left to rot on the ground.

It is pleasing to note that there is at least one Priest who is above politics.

The increase in population is threatening.

I did not site a copy of the Patrol Instructions.

Mr. Gregory's Contingencies have been returned for

signature.

P.J. Mollison
(P.J. MOLLISON) DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

(15)

Distroff. is Mr. Gregory's first solo patrol. He has submitted a most most informative report of a task well P/R.

Claim for sleeping out allowance attached.

KIETA.

2nd December, 1966.

(W.J. Denehy)
Deputy District Commissioner

The District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

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Claim for camping out allowance is attached.



(M.J. Denehy)
Deputy District Commissioner

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Claim for camping cut allowed. KIETA. Attached.

2nd December, 1966.

(M.J. Vensky)
The District Commissioner, Deputy District Commissioner
Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

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Deputy District Commissioner

District:

Station:

Patrol No.:

Patrol Conducted By:

Area Patrolled:

Personnel Accompanying:

Duration of Patrol:

Number of Days:

Last Patrol to the Area:

Object of the Patrol:

Map Reference:

E.W. Gregory, Cadet Patrol Officer.

KOROMIRA Census Division.

Two members of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary.

1/11/65 to 21/11/65.

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D.D.A. August 1965.
D.A.S.Y. Regular Day Visits Monthly.
P.H.D. October 1965.

Census Revision, Routine Administration.

Bougainville Four.

PREAMBLE

Station: Kieta.

Sub-District: Kieta.

District: Bougainville.

Patrol No.: 4 of 66/67.

Patrol Conducted By: R.W. Gregory. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: KOROMIRA Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying: Two members of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary.

Duration of Patrol: 7/11/66 to 21/11/66.

Number of Days: 15

Last Patrol to the Area: D.D.A. August 1965.
D.A.S.F. Regular Day Visits Monthly.
P.H.D. October 1965.

Objects of the Patrol: Census Revision. Routine Administration.

Map Reference: Bougainville Fourmil.

INTRODUCTION.

The Koromira Census Division is in the Southernmost portion of The Kieta Sub-District, bounded from the Buin Sub-District by the Luluai river to the south.

Several villages are situated in the lower foothills of the Crown Prince Range but at the time of the patrol many were moving to new sites on the coastline, the better to work their cash crops. Roman Catholic is the predominant religion with Seventh Day Adventists and Methodists in the minority.

Walking between villages is relatively easy once the slight ascent from the coast is accomplished, but the local inhabitants have found that the carrying of cash crops grown in the higher areas to the main marketing road on the coast, is a long and arduous process, hence the migration to the lower areas where access to the majority of bearing trees and marketing facilities is available.

One of the objects of the patrol was to explain to the people in the division, the Amendments to the Mining Ordinance as brought about by the June sitting of the House of Assembly, and to familiarize them with the policy of the Government as regards the Ordinance. Reactions to this are explained fully in a later section.

DIARY.

7/11/66 - Departed Kieta 8am for TOIUMONAPU, by boat, however heavy seas caused the patrol to land at KOROMIRA mission, from where a tractor was used to transport all cargo to KEKERE plantation.

Unavailability of further transport on this day necessitated stopping at KEKERE overnight.

8/11/66 - Departed KEKERE 7am by tractor for TOIUMONAPU, arr. 9am. Owing to the fact that the patrol was one day behind schedule, carriers were not readily available. However, assistance by the plantation manager enabled the patrol to recruit carriers from the plantation labour, and eventually departed for TAKI at 2.15pm, arr. 3.15pm. Heavy rain prevented further work, but talks were conducted with the higher village members on this night.

Slept TAKI.

9/11/66 - TAKI lined for census revision 8am, and both half-lines inspected at completion of same. Departed TAKI 10.40am for AMAPO, arriving 11.50am. Heavy rain all afternoon prevented inspection of village.

Slept AMAPO.

10/11/66 - AMAPO lined for census revision 8am. Const. LAPUN took carriers direct to SIOROVI. Catholic half-line was inspected in the presence of Const. NAI - ½ hr walk downhill from AMAPO proper. Proceeded to Methodist line and also inspected aid-post. Arrived SIOROVI 12.30 pm.

Slept SIOROVI.

11/11/66 - Lined SIOROVI for census revision 8.30am. Inspected both sections of the village. Departed SIOROVI 10.50 for PONDONA/MINANI. Arrived PONDONA 11.30am, inspection carried out. Arrived MINANI 12am. Lined PONDONA at MINANI in the afternoon.

Slept MINANI.

12/11/66 - Lined MINANI 9am for census revision and later inspected main village.

Slept MINANI.

DIARY cont.

13/11/66 - Holiday observed at MINANI.
Slept MINANI.

14/11/66 - Inspected small half-line of MINANI, 10 mins. walk from Rest House.

Departed MINANI 8am for PIKA. Arrived 9.10am. PIKA and SIROWAI villages lined for census revision. Afternoon inspection of SIROWAI and MATANA.
Slept PIKA.

15/11/66 - Inspection of PIKA village. Departed 8.30am for MANGONA Rest House, arriving 9.20am. Immediate instructions given for renewal of Rest House latrine, and removal of debris, including cutting of grass.
Slept MANGONA.

16/11/66 - Villages of MUNIAS, MANGONA and ROMEINA lined for census revision at MANGONA rest house. Afternoon inspection of MUNIAS and MANGONA villages. Heavy rain prevented further contact.
Slept MANGONA.

17/11/66 - Villages of SIPUREI and PEIWANA lined for census revision in the morning, and an inspection of ROMEINA, SIPUREI and the SOCIETY buildings on the coast carried out in the afternoon.
Slept MANGONA.

18/11/66 - Accompanied by Ward Officer MOIKEI of SIPUREI went to inspect the lines of MANGONA, ROMEINA, SIPUREI and PEIWANA, all in the foothills. Departed MANGONA 9.10am, arrived back at MANGONA 12.50pm.
Slept MANGONA.

19/11/66 - Departed MANGONA by tractor 8.10am for PIRINEIU. Inspected lines of PEIWANA, IORO enroute. Arrived PIRINEIU 10.10am. Rest of day spent at rest house.

Slept PIRINEIU.

20/11/66 - Sunday observed PIRINEIU.
Slept PIRINEIU.

21/11/66 - IORO lined at PIRINEIU rest house for census revision. Then by Council tractor to KIETA, arriving 1.00pm.

END PATROL.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

Friendly. Attendance was good in all cases, and people were willing to approach the patrol.

VILLAGES.

(1) The standard of housing in this division is generally very good and very few instructions were necessary regarding houses actively inhabited at the time. However, several changes of site require work on abandoned buildings. (see ii)

The majority of houses are constructed of native materials but several people, including Councillor AKO of PEIWANA, are taking advantage of having access to sawn timber from the saw-mill near Aropa airstrip, and are making the framework of their buildings of the same, the result being a much neater looking arrangement.

(ii) Several villages in the area, either in part or whole, have decided to engage new sites on the coast. Those involved are listed hereunder:

- (a) PONDONA - to MATANA.
- (b) MANGONA.
- (c) MUNIAS.
- (d) ROMEINA.
- (e) SIPUREI.
- (f) PEIWANA.

In the cases of (b) and (c), the villages have established themselves on the coast, leaving practically no-one at the old site. ROMEINA (d) has abandoned its previous site completely and moved to the coast, but has taken no action to demolish previous housing. PONDONA is in much the same position and has moved to MATANA, this being about fifteen minutes walk south of SIROWAI village. SIPUREI and PEIWANA both have hamlets on the coast, but these two communities are divided in their choice, some preferring to stay at the old sites.

All the above mentioned have left abandoned houses standing and in a state of disrepair, the reason given being that the places were necessary for people who stop overnight to work in their gardens. The patrol gave instructions to the effect that if villagers wanted to keep two houses open, in two places at once, then the individuals concerned were responsible for the upkeep of both. If, however, they decided to abandon their previous house altogether, then the building must be demolished as soon as possible.

This rather large movement of the population to the coast is because of their coconut holdings there. Lack of roads engender difficulty of access to the higher areas and makes working of this land for a profit rather arduous to all concerned.

The villages, by moving to the coast, now have ready contact with their main cash crop, i.e. copra, and are positioned close to the main road in the area, within easy reach of the services of the DARUMAI Society's tractor.

(iii) The supply of water in all instances was satisfactory and little or nothing could be done to improve present existing conditions.

VILLAGES cont.

(1.7) All villages were reasonably clean and cooking quarters were good on the whole. Two rather dilapidated buildings were noticed at PEI WANA and MANGONA, but new materials were ready for their reconstruction at both places. Latrines in all villages were sufficient

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

All Councillors for this division have a reasonable amount of influence over their respective flocks, and the people, in the majority of cases look to the councillors and Ward Officers to voice their feelings for them. This is most noticeable with Councillor ANIS of SIOROVI and Councillor NIKOLA of MANGONA.

Councillor BIREI'UREI of SIROWAI and Councillor AKO of PEI WANA were more reserved in their approach to the patrol and spokesmen for these groups came either in the form of ward officers, or from inside the general community.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

One of the patrol objectives was to make the people familiar with the Mining Ordinance as per the Assistant Administrator's (Services) "Current Events Bulletin", No.1 of 30th September, 1966. (and attachments.)

The general response to this talk was the same in all areas. The people are not happy with the Mining Ordinance as it stands and feelings ran as follows.

Firstly, it was felt, and most emphatically, that a specified share of the Royalties from the mining operation being conducted by ConZinc Rio Tinto in the GUAVA census division, should come direct to Bougainville. Comparisons were used between Pt. Moresby, Rabaul and Kieta to illustrate how Bougainville comes last in development of the Territory as a whole. The patrol advised that out of the six new roads planned for T.P.&N.G. this financial year, two of those were in the Bougainville District. This, however, had little effect and the people stuck to the idea that the only way to bring Bougainville abreast of the other districts was to have a specified amount of the royalties returned direct to the Island, for development purposes.

A popular concept was that a factory should be built in the area being mined, so that the local inhabitants could see what the finished product looked like. The patrol emphasised the fact that this would entail a large amount of money, but it was suggested, especially by the people under Councillor ANIS, that it would be beneficial to all, providing work, and the facilities for acquiring a skilled trade. It was considered that under the present scheme the existing generation of children would grow up knowing nothing of the workings of such an operation, and would have to sit idly by whilst skilled workers from another country received the benefits.

The people from PEI WANA and SIPUREI felt that the Government was "pushing" the mining operation, and that none of them (the People) had had sufficient education or experience with such an operation to be able to grasp the full meaning and implications of it. It was suggested by them that the members of the House of Assembly should be allotted a certain amount of time each year by the Government, to move around the different districts of Papua and New Guinea, and so be able to survey each situation, and gain first hand knowledge of

POLITICAL SITUATION. cont.

of the feelings of the people. THEN to discuss it at a sitting. The opinion at present is that each member has a knowledge of his own district, yet no first hand knowledge of the others, and as such is not really in a position to uphold or condemn laws affecting districts outside his own. The House of Assembly was recognized as being the law giving body, yet it was felt that if the members weren't familiar with how the public opined, then they were making themselves a detached body, and something apart from the community.

Councillor ANIS of SIOROVI said that: "In the German times, the old people had their good land bought for beads and calico etc., but little was done to further the knowledge of the natives.

Then the Australian Government took over from the Germans, and continued to use the land profitably, yet gave very little tuition to the locals in the use of modern machinery and methods. During the time of the Japanese invasion, the people could do nothing but fight them with sticks, as they would have done, had there been no Administration in the intervening period.

Now that the Australian Government has found this mineral deposit on Bougainville, the people feel that they will exploit it, and use it for their own benefit, giving the owners of the land no tuition in the working of it and leaving them with nothing."

Councillor NIKOLA of MANGONA seemed to think along similar lines, in that this find was something that was going to benefit Australia and that Papua and New Guinea was going to be milked of its natural resources.

The above is a record of the people's feelings towards the policy of the Government generally. Throughout the talks, no animosity was directed at the patrol or the Administration and each individual discussion ended on a happy note.

The patrol inquired as to the whereabouts of one Paul MENA of PONDONA, who was actively fostering the organisation of a Hahalis type cult some time ago. His wife was present at census, but the man in question had taken refuge in the bush.

MOIKEI/ERENG'ORI of SIPUREI was also questioned as to his present inclinations in regard to above, and avidly denied all participation since his reprimand by the Asst. District Commissioner. The patrol advised him to keep thinking along those lines as it would be best for everyone.

Care is given to the welfare of all those people indisposed in any way, due to age, sickness, absence of menfolk etc., and the patrol found no signs of neglect as far as children were concerned.

Absentees, as indicated by the population register, were mainly adults working inside the district, and students at Mission schools inside the district. Nothing unusual was noticed, and in the majority of cases attendance was good.

AGRICULTURE.

Native foodstuffs are plentiful in the area, but complaints were received throughout of the large number of rats continually destroying crops. These rodents are causing considerable damage in kau-kau gardens, and the people were advised that the Agricultural Officer in Kieta would be informed of the situation.

Fresh foods are marketed three times per week at the Aropa airstrip, and several villages, including PEIWANA, have gardens laid aside for this express purpose.

Cash Cropping.

(i) The major cash crop by far is Copra, and cocoa, though grown, is usually not harvested, being left to rot. (see ii). Latest figures for coconut and cocoa trees in the area are 86,828

AGRICULTURE cont.

and 29,335 respectively. New plantings for the 65/66 financial year for the same, came to 6621 and 825 respectively. Production for the same period totalled 185 tons and 20 tons respectively.

(ii) Copra produce is sold to the Darumai Society. The vast majority of trees are on the coast and positioned close to the main road, this means that work can be carried out quickly and efficiently. The copra can be bagged and dried and then picked up by the Society tractor. All of the active workers are members of the Society and so have a ready market for their produce.

Cocoa is widespread but difficulty of access to marketing facilities has caused the people to lose interest in it as a cash crop. The trees are interspersed with the coconut trees on the coast and also depend on the Darumai tractor for marketing. However, a combination of the fact that cocoa, after picking, deteriorates quickly if not collected, and the fact that the Society tractor is often held up due to poor road conditions and occasional mechanical failure, results in the people tending to regard cocoa production as a rather hazardous and costly operation. Whereas copra can afford to be left for a few days, cocoa cannot, and this is acting as a deterrent to villagers. One villager from TAKI has made a fermentary for drying wet cocoa beans, but complained that interest as far as other parties were concerned was practically non-existent.

It's a pity that this situation cannot be remedied at present, because the number of cocoa trees in existence indicate that it could be a profitable source of income for the division. Completion of the new main road through to TOIUMONAPU could result in a vast increase in the amount of production, and is sure to benefit all concerned.

COMPLAINTS.

Only one complaint of a minor nature was brought to the patrol at MANGONA, and this was deferred until the patrol returned to the station, owing to the fact that the person accused was not present.

REST HOUSES.

Five villages, namely MUNIAS, MANGONA, ROMEINA, SIPUREI and PEIWANA, are using one rest house between them, that is, the one situated to the north of MANGONA on the beach, and referred to as MANGONA rest house.

The condition of this building and its associates was below standard and the patrol gave instructions to the effect that, if five separate villages intended using the one rest house, then there was no excuse for it being at all below standard. The man power present was more than sufficient to ensure that this house is well kept and its surroundings looked after. The patrol requested that Councillor NIKOLA supervise the renovations required and future patrols could make sure that the required criterion is maintained.

CARRIERS.

Carriers were available at all villages, excepting on the walk from TOIUMONAPU to TAKI, owing to a day being lost at the beginning of the patrol. Men volunteered freely and were paid at the rate of 20¢ per hour.

HEALTH.

The standard of health in the division was high and apart from reports of several colds amongst children in the SIROWAI/TOIUMONAPU area, and one case of GRILLE on SIRAUNU/KABARA, a woman of PEIWANA, the incidence of healthy people was pleasing.

Aid posts were inspected and found clean, except for encroaching high grass around the SIOROVI post, and this was remedied during the time the patrol was in the village.

EDUCATION.

Small mission schools are at SIOROVI, AMAPO, MATANA, DARUMAI and SIROWAI, and all employ certificated teachers, teaching only to standard two, and in most cases being used by children from the area surrounding each respective school.

Koromira Mission teaches school to 6th standard and further education has to be acquired outside of the division. At the time the census was made many students were on holidays thus explaining the relatively high number of children between the ages of 6 and 15 present in the villages.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The main vehicular road from Koromira mission to Toiuronapu is usually traversable by 4 wheel drive vehicle in dry weather, however, the main mode of transport is the tractor, and after rain even these are unable to negotiate the road in many places.

Marking of the new road scheduled for this financial year has progressed as far as Koromira mission, and when completed will be of considerable advantage to the people using it for marketing purposes.

Bridle paths and tracks between villages were cut and well maintained. The migration of several villages to the coast as explained earlier, has made the people a bit lax, but this was corrected at the time. As previously mentioned under Agriculture, the completion of the new road, would promote interest in the development of cocoa which is being sadly neglected at the moment, and would step up economic development considerably.

MISSIONS.

Koromira mission is the only establishment of its kind functioning in the area. It is situated a short way south of IWI plantation and is run by Father Duffy, a Catholic missionary. Facilities are available for looking after minor sicknesses and school attendance at the mission is high.

The influence on the people in this division seems to be agreeable. School attendance is very good, but as outlined in the political situation, the people feel strongly re: the Mining Ordinance and in some regards tend to follow lines set down by certain Catholic missionaries. However, no obvious signs point to Fr. Duffy's influence and in view of this the patrol could not say he was actively fostering this train of thought. On the contrary, it would seem that he is above this.

LABOUR.

Plantations in the area, namely IWI, KKKERE, and TOIUMONAPU, all employ agreement workers for their field work. This is because local labour tends to be unreliable in attendance, being able to return to their villages when they so desire. The Agreement labour is recruited from outside the district and comes under the jurisdiction of the conditions applying to employment of agreement workers.

CENSUS.

No persons were avoidably absent at time of census, apart from one Paul MENA of PONDONA, to whom reference has already been made in an earlier section.

Statistics for 1966 herewith.

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Register

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NAME	FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL	
	STUDENTS				Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child Bearing Age		Child		Adults			
	Govt.		Mission		10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45				M	F	M	F		
	M	F	M	F													

