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Executive Officer (Social Development)

NA. 30-9-92

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Your covering remarks to both $M$ r. DeAth and this Headquarters adequately cover the contents of the patrol Reports. Mr. DeAth has contimuod in his good woric in this area and is to be commended for the sustained interest taken in the development of the people.
5.

A full and useful patrol Report


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Department of Native Affairs, District office, LAE.

In Reply Please Quote No. 30-1-9-559

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

## Patrol Report No. WANTOAT 1/57-58. Mr. C.E. DeAth - Patrol Officer

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Under his section for Native Affairs Mr. DeAth has mentioned a number of disturbing experiences, these are not of a militant nature but will be the subject of an enquiry when I again visit Wantoat.

The comments on Village Officials and the appendix "D" relative to coffee are very interesting. Coffee will prove to be the economic crop in this area, and already more than 12,000 trees have been planted some of which ar already bearing,

A well conducted fatrol.
of
By separate memorandum I have requested a re-production
p accompanying the report. the map accompanying the report.
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##  <br> Department of Native Affairs, District office, <br> LaE.

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Deprrtment of Native Affairs, District office, fAR.

11th September, 1957.

Mr. C. E, De Ath, Patrol officer, Nantoat.

## PATEOH REPORT MO, WANAV/ $5^{\prime \prime}: 58$.

1. The Distriet Agricultnxal Offlcer has forwarded 20 pounds of coffec seed and I will endeevour to have more sent out when it becomes available.
2. A copy of your section on agriculture will be forwarded to D.A.O. with a request for bears.
3. Markets have t. ie found for potatoes and befors this can be done there mist be some guarantee of consistent supply, and this is where Garains has failea. However, a mariket will be sought.
4. A ecloy of your section on Education wlil be forwarded to the District Ifueation Opficar.
5. The leath rate in the Vantoat Division calls for notice and a copy of tife census Ilgures together with your oloservations on Medieal and Mealth will be sent to the Distriet Medical Officer.
6. Enstre that recruiters are avare of the provisions relating to recruitmert of men above 3,500 feet altitude (Gazette Ko. 36 of 1954).
7. Ples 3 . make a separate recommendation for the granting of tie Loyal Sertice Medal to Tultul MAMBON giving his record as fully as possible.
8. Forvard separately a recommendation for the appointmont of new villag ficials.
9. There is no reason why people should have co amalgaincte into large villages if they profer hamlets or homesteads. The thing is that they must assemble at a central point for census or medical cheuks.
10. $A l l$ new sites for villages should be inspected by a Field officer before any move is maide.
11. I vieved a section of your new Wantoat-Kolapit road and it is vell constructed and graded. Have all the shovels been received from Ros.apit?
12. I w111 draw the attention of the D.M.O to your request for more $\mathrm{H}_{0} \mathrm{M}_{0} \mathrm{O}^{\circ} \mathrm{g}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{0} \mathrm{M}_{\circ} \mathrm{A}^{\prime} \mathrm{s}_{0}$
13. Tour antlropological notes are invaluable and I am sure will evoke minch interest also at Headquarters.
14. Please type an extra copy of your anthropological notes in future so that a copy ean be sent to the Government Anthropologist.
15. I will try to stay longer with you on my next visit. I should life to discuss more fully some of the metters mentioned in your pection on native affairs.16. Appendices ' $A$ ', ' $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ : ' $C$ ' and 'Dil are secknowledged. 17. a nrey intoresting inport. I will ask for coptes of the map to be inade.


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Census Revision, Inspection and Coffee work in each

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## INTRODUCTI ON.

This report covers the activities of a Patrol to an srea known as the Wantcat Census Suh-Division. The Patrol was of a routine nature and some villages were visited on oneday trips from the station.

The Wantoat Sub-Division is very dissected being broken up by the gorges and ravines of the WANTOAT, BUNGAM, and YANGANAT river systems. Mos't villages are situated on spurs between 4000 and 6000 feet in height.

In all the popilation totals about 5,000 souls dirided into about seven pockets situpted near the headwaters of various rivers. The three main dialects found in the sub-division are called, IMA, INA, and YA. The most widely known is INA which is spoken by all the villages in the WANTOAT basin.

Of late D.N.A. D.A.S.F. and P.H.D. patrolling has been fairly frequent. This hes had good resulte in some villsiges but in others the people are still very backwarc.

The Patrol was not as extended as he writer hoped it would be. However as many of the villages are vithin reasonable distance of the station follow up risits will be made to them when time permits.

Generally the Patrol was well received and cooperation was good although hardly spontaneous.

Dr. Mc Michael, who was callecting specimans for the Sydney museum, accompenied the patrol for a short rime.

It was necessary to interrupt the Patrol on three occasions to look after visitors to the station.

The notes on Anthropology are rather full but it is thought that it may be useful later to have a record of certain racets of the people's customs which are now undergoing fairly rapid trar.sition.

## AGRICIITTURE, LIVESTCCK, FORESTRY.

Two Agriculturai Assistants, NISASONG ar 1 KORONG accompanied the patrol. They buth did good work in pruning coffae and giming adrice to the local populace on shade etc. Many of the plots visited were doing ve:y well whilst others were poor. A good deal seems to dependon the soil on which the plots are situated. Generally those on very high, sloping, virgin, soils seem to do best. Those on the floor of the Wantoat basin are generally extremely poor and it has been necessary to abandon many of them. Two srall plots at the station are being planted and it is hoped to find out whether failures in the past were due to lack of shade or to sume inherint soil deficiency. Mr. Ardley, the Entomologist from Lae, recently $\nabla$ isited the station and suggested that lack of sucient shade was the prime cause of failure. Prior to the d. arture of the patrol a radio was forwarded for fifty pounds of seed ooffee to be forwarded for the roplacement of dead coffee and the extension of existing plots. However it was not received and it will be necessary later to send out an Agrigultural Assistas. to distribute the seed. The appended coffee figures show a healthy situation in this sub-division. Of particular note are the results obtainad by MAMBON at GINONGA where the trees have reached maturity and are starting to bear well At the people's own suggestion a number of pigs which were destroying coffee plots were shot. This was near the beginning of the patrol and since then there has been a marked improvement in the control of pigs.

Rece..tly the Agriculture Department L Lae requested that the officer-in-Charge Wantoat purchase crotalaria seed for distribition in other areas. The local people cooperated well and sixse the lat March, 1957, 830 pounds valued at £41.10.0 has been forwardea t Lae. Coffee purchased during the some period weighed $282 \frac{1}{4}$ pounds and was valued at 823.4 .6 d .

The usual native livestock was seen. A few diseased pigs and dogs were destruyed but on the whole most animals were healthy. A Berkshire boar is kept at fantoat station and during the last year he has been pt busy improsing the local strain. After the last Pa, nol to the AWARA a request was made for another boar to be for narded. This was done by the sriculture Department and a pig station has now been set up at GUNING-GWAN in the AWARA sub-division. It is requested please that some more joars be forwarded to establish other pig stations in the WANTOAT sub-division.

The people have the nasuai native staples and there is iittle shortase if food in any of the villages. Many of thie villaises have planted potatoes and are disappointed because there is no market for them. Now that Wantcat has a Clerk (Gr.111), who seems reliable, would it be possible to start a scheme similar to that functioning at Garaina where potatoes are p rohased ard used toback-load government charters?

Tilapia fish were recently reseire at Jantoat station. However it will be six months before they begin to brecd end be ready for distribution to the varicus villages. In the meantine two more pools have been constructed on the station and the Iistrict Agricultural officer has sindly offered to stock them in the near future.

A tentative suggestion was nade to the people that it may be possiblé, later, tomarket vegetablis surpluses when the riew road to Kaiapit/Lae has been completed.

Since the lat of March orchids have been forwarded regularly to Lae from this Census sub-division. It is reported that forty-three new varieties have been found amonigst them.

It is hoped shortly to establish a pine plentation at Wantoat station and eventually disiribute seedings to various villages. Those seedlings districuted by Mr. Seale, District Officer are all doing well. Recently the Forestry Depertment in Lat forwarded many varieties of fruit and rain foresic trees. These have all been planted on the station and later it will be possible to distribute seedlings on Patrol.
p I and MISSIONS.
The Lutheran Mission is the only mission operating in the area. Half of the people in the sub-division visited are administered from the "Kotte" Iission centred on TAFIN and the other half from the "Yabin" Mission centred on KAIAPIT. During the Patrol, Mr. Holznechk from the Kampit Mission visited Wantoat station for a few days. Generally the "Yavim" ovangelists and teachers seem to be doing good work. However there is a good deal of friction between certain evangeliats of the "Kotte" Mission and their followers. The main trouble spots are et KAMAN, PIWIN, SASANG, WALIKAYA and EWOK. In these villages the laymen accuse one of the evangelists, ZININU/LEIWA of having illicit elations with one of the local wemen resulting in her pregnancy.
in her pregnancy, and also complain that missionpigs are destroying gurdens etc. The Mission on the other hand accusethe local people of planting sharpened bamboo mantraps, killifng their pigs and of boing "big-heads". All of these claims were found to have substance and when the European Pastor from TAPEN visits the area during September recommendations will be made to him to have certain SIO natives returned to their own diatrict.

The District equacation officer has inspected a few of the schools in this Census sub-division and for his information a list of mission schols, and the attendance at each, is appended.

Unfortunately some of the dirtiest and moet ranchackle villages are centred around native mission schoole etc which have been established for many years. The people wera requested to pull down temporary "sunday houses", if thev cou d not maintain them properly.

## MISSION SCHOOLS.

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| Matap | 18 | 14 |
| Mupiabon | 13 | 22 |
| Kubung | 22 | 18 |
| Kwadna | 17 | 18 |
| Dorem | 20 | 9 |
| Buran | 20 | 13 |
| Guviparan | 10 | 10 |
| Koman | 24 | 13 |
| Donan | 12 | 6 |
| Walukoya | 21 | 21 |
| Bumbum | 29 | 29 |
| Gapmarapa |  | 27 |
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## CZNSUS.

It was intended to issue new census books on this patrol. However, in view of a recent memorandum from the Director abcut the imminent issue of a new type census book, this wes not done.

The figures compiled after the Patrol show a gross increaze of 79 in the population. However the this represents a natural increase of only 28 , since the last census, as the balance is made up of migration in which are included a number of people who have been evading census for a number of years.

5. Nunber of males at work 438 un $2 \% .3 \%$, Females NiL, Females accompanying worker 21. (71gures for comparison in parenthesis are those of the Erap Census s/d).

There has been $\varepsilon$ slicht reduction of those absent at work since the last censua as at. Na. h/May, 1956 when worisers absert numbered 454 or $29 \%$ of the $16 / 45$ age group.

Although there are many villages in which more thar $33 \%$ of the $16 / 45$ age group are absent it is not recommended that a general closure of the area bs made. In view oif the high death rate nowever it is roconmended that a move be made to establish Aid. Posts in the arta.
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## VILLAGES.

(a) VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

Ine appended comments on the village efficials indioate that in general these men are not doing whot is required of them. However they are not paid and very often have to take a let of criticism from visiting officers.

The two outstanding officials in this census sub-division (and indeed the whole of the Wantoat S.D) are $T / T$ MAMBON and $T / T$ MUNGAT (MOMOKA). Both have just completed a tour of the Eastern Highlands and both have given exiensive talks on the native development which they saw there. The former accompanied the Patrol and was invaluable in disceminating ideas on cufíee planting, rillage improvementes etc. T/T MAMBON is a fairly elderly man ard was appointed by the premar Administration. He has accompanieu practically every Patrol in the area and his village book indicates that he has given invaluable assistance to visiting officers. He is well known to Mr. Seale, District Commissioner, and during the last war gave him as much assistance as possible. As he was the first Village official to be appointed in the Wantoat srea, and in view of his excellent services it may be possible for him to be considered for a loyal Service Medal. However this is contingent on the advice of the District officer and further information will be supplied by confidential memorandum if required.

The appaintment of Luluai KWONGIT of KANDUMIN is recomnended. He will repiace Luluai PATET who died recently. The appointments are also recommended of $T / T$ KAI JWA for a vacant position at KIKIEWA, and Luluai BUNGAIYI who replaces his father SCMAKURAN who died in June,

## STATE OF VILLAGES

(b) Nost of the villages are situate on spurs and consequently they are cramped and the ground is usually stony ant. bare in them. As mentioned previously mission villages are typified by many temporary badly suilt houses. Every attem;t was made to improve villages by; suggesting repairs to old houses; quggesting tie planting of grass to stop erosion of village sites; the erection of good latrines and coustruction of deep garbage pits; the banishment of pigs from inside heuses and from village environs; and the destruction of diseased animals. Where villages were in a very poor state a policeman was left to superise impruvements. As the writer has visited some villages in the area four or five times over the last few months reaults are becoming apparent. Most villages have readily available ravines in which pigs can be kept. By feeding trem there the village people are finding that they oan garion close to the village and that they do not have to fence in their gardens.

Three fillages requested permission to change to newsites. Permission was granted providing sanitation etc is adequate before the people move. Constant pressure is being exerted by trie mission to have villages amalgamate. In view of Mr. Mc Arthur's recommendations, made during a previous Patrol in the aren, these moves were discouraged.

Most of the tracks between villages are well maintained and graded. However there seems to be an unfortunate tendency for well - graded roade to suddenly drop down the sides of steep ravines (and there are many) and ladders and steps have to be reverted to. Two sections of road, between MUPANDAGZN and ASINDAN, and between MAMAMBAN and ATAWAGAP need attention as they have not been used regularly previously. A new bridge across the Wantoat? Asindan has been constructed.

The Wantoat/Kaiapit road is going alead vell although the workers art handi Japped by a lack of shovels. Efforts by the District Officer te obtain gelegnite for its construction are appreciated.

It is ruquested please that copies of the map forwarded be made and returned to wantoat.

MEDICAL and HEALTH.

One N.M.O., SULI, accompanied the Patrol. As on previous occasions his services ware excellent.

Two recent patrols by F.H.D. Officers have been done ir this Census sub-division. The first was done by Mr. Cox E.M.A. in early 1956. The next, a goitre control project, was done by Dr. Mc Cullough in November, 1956. Despite these patrols there is, as the appended figures show, a good deal of siokness in the area. In two places at least there appears to have been some sort of epidemic. At ASINDAN there have been 21 deaths since the last census. Checking old boks in several villages south of the river BUNGAM reveals that the population has approximately halved since 1937.

Bearing in mind the ajove dints it is recommended that some candidates from the Wantoat. S.D. be chosen to train as N.M.O's and / or N.M.A's. There should be some very good students available from the station school at the end of this year and later. The writer has selected areas in which Aid posts could be established and the people have indicated their eager less to have Aid Post elinics.

On this Patrol (as on the Patrol to the Awera) parents were warned that if they let their children die or keoome deformed through neglecting to get readily available medical aid they would be prosecuited under the NAR's. the large number of uhild deaths (121) indicates apathy.

## ANTHROPOLOGY



GUSIPARAN Village was chosen as a village in which research could most profitably be done.It is situated approximately half way between Wantoat and Kaiapit Stations near the junction of the WANTCAT and LeERON rivers.It has a population of 21 male children, 22 female children, 43 male adults, and 58 adult females,making a total population of 144. In size the population is about average for the Wantoat Sub-division villages.

Dwelling housen are of a fairly simple design consisting usually of only one room.The dimensions of the average dwelling house are $9^{\prime} \times$ 14' $^{\prime}$.This does not include the overlap of eaves which adds $2^{\prime}$ to 31 to the crerall length and breadth of the house.The walis,about $5^{\prime}$ in height,are constructed of coarsly woven strips of bambno the holes in which are covered with bamboo sheaths. The small $4^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime}$ door is usually in the narrower side of the building and consists, when closed, of a varriceie of loge and one large strip of thick bark on the insiae.The roof. the ridge of which is usually about nine feet from the ground, is constructed of bamboo and saplings laced together with dried vines. When the bamboo and sapilngs have been tied together coarse grass (kunai) and $\varepsilon$ type of semi-cultivated bamboo leaf are used to thatch the roof. The floor is earthen and is covered with masticated sugar cane. When it is night a hark cloth cape is laid on top of the sugar cane and this is used to sleep on. The fire place is in the middle of the house on the earthen floor. It is square and the four sides are constructed with stones.

The order of construction for the various parts of the house is; post holes;roofing besms, studs, and framework; bamboo woven wallssand then thatching and filling the holes in the walls.A man usually constructs his own house and takes two months to do so.He carries all the saplings necessary for its construction and as none of these, excepi perhaps the ridge pole,is heavy he does not need help.If he does his brother may help him.His wire may oceasionally carry very light bamboo poles and the sheaths necessary for filling in the holes in the walls. Often saplings are salvaged and used from old houses. When the framework of the roof is ready for the thatching al; the women in the village are called upon to collect 'kunai' grass and bamboo leaves and carry them to the village.The men of the village then combiue and thatch the roof. The whole operation of thatching thus takes only one day.A small celebration on 'sing sing' was formerly held to celebrate its completion. When finished the house is expected to last two years or longer with new thatching.Adolescent girls and bays help their parents with the above activities.

The owner of each house usually has a garden house almost half the size and of the same style as his dwelling house. If it is a community garden in which his brothers and near aged relatives share they inav all help to construct it and - sre in the use of it.

The sacred yam stone house is of the same pattern an ordinary dwelling house.It is, however, constructed by the oider men of the village who orm the stones and boys and women are not allowed near it except to carry thatching for the roof. It has no ornamentation either inside or out and is used merely for keeping yam stones in.

Various grouns of elder unmarried youths combine to make houses for themselveso There are usually triree to six boys to each 'boy' h use and the houses themselves are built on the ame dattern as a normal dwelling house. F'athers of the vounger boys may heip to build these houses a). though there are usually enough young unmarried men to do the work.

Most of types of houses mentioned are built primarily for warmth (height, 3,900') and are, consequently, very dark and smoky even when the small doors are open. Changes in style and building technique which have now taken place are referred to in a later section.

There is one church in the village of GUSIPARAN. It is $37^{\prime}$, long by $16^{\prime}$ wide. Tne floor is of bare earth ard the the seats (planics) are nailed to posts driven into it.The walls are of solid $6^{\prime \prime}$ diameter studs on which plaited bamboo is nailed with adzed battens. The roof at its highest point is 12' from the ground and is made of thatching similar to that used in the sonstruction of a roof on a normal dwelling house. The beams of course are much heavier. Inside, at one end, is a hewn timber platform on which there is an altar and a type of hewn pulpit. The door is of adze hewn timber. The church lacks the usual drawings found in other churches nearby.It was built by all the men and youths.The women carried the thatching material kut took no part in its actual construction. Money for the nails for the building was raised by direct sontribution from the village perple.

A Miesion school also exists in the village. It was built on a simblar pattern to the church although it is somewhat smaller ( $25^{\prime \prime} x 4^{\prime}$ ). Under the Native Missionary the same labour which built the church also built the schnol.As with the church the plaited bamboo walls do not reach right to the roof there being a 4' gap to allow the light to enter. Some nalle were used in its construction.

The Mission evangelist/teacher has a fairly large house (19' $x 23^{\prime}$ ) divided into two rooms and a verandah. It is saised about 31 off the ground on striong hardwocd piles. The floor is of coarse plaited bamboo which reste on many small saplings close together. The walls are of finely plaited bamboo which is fastened to the studs with battens and nails. The roof if of similar structure to that of the church and school although its shape bears more of a resomblence to Kaiapit houses than to those in the Wantoat. The same labour that built the church and school built the Mission house and his detached kitchen(which is the same design as a local house).

In the whole village there are now 22 dwelling houses, 2 single men's houses, one church, one school, and one Mission residence.

The Changes over the last faw years have been significant. First the yam stene houses - these no longer exist nor do the magic yam stones as such. The dwelling houses are now becoming more complicated te build. In nine houses visited a raised bamboo floor with a stone and earth fireplace in the middio has been constructed. In the other thirtien hoises a platforms for sleeping on has been built of bamboo and saplings. This platform covers approximately half of the floor space the other half being bare earth on which an ordinary fireplace has been built.

In all houses visited a small alcove has been extended about 4' in front of the door. In it are now stored, firewood, vegetables, and various hunting equipment. In two or three houses a bamboo partition has been built to divide the house in half. Apparently, too, there has been a change in the method of plaiting bamboo.Previously the walls were constructed of very coarse bamboo strips with with iransverse pieces every $9{ }^{\circ}$ to $10^{\prime \prime}$.Now a different type of bamsoo is used and the transverse pieces are as close together as the longtitudinal strips.Doors seem tohave altered little and are still small and heavily barricaded. In two houses, one belonging to the Tultul and one to a group of unmarricd males, an attempt has been made to imitate the Mission dwellingoNails have been used and both dwellings have been raised entirely off the ground. It would seem that with the introduction of new tools men still prefer to build their own housea but they can do so more rapidly. They sem therefore to be able to elaborate on deaign and structure without spending any more time than previously on house building.It was ascertained that nearly every male adult owns at least one tomahawk and one large bush-knife.A number also own large axes and there are in the village, three hammers, two saws, and the Missionary owns one plane, one mattock, and one hammer. The Administration has given the village one piak and two shovele, osthsibly, for road work. Whilst the people of GUSIPARAN, as yet, are not very competent in the use of these tools they are definitely showing an interest in using them on their houses. Some of the people questioned mentioned that if they built the structures of their houses well with nails and hardwoods they would last seven or eight jears and only the thatching would need changing in the meantime.

As a point of interest a number of women still masticate a type of ginger plant and then expectorate it on to the walls of their houses.It is reputed to kill the insects which normally eat bamboo after it has been erected a few months.

No celebration is now held on the completion of a house and no longer are bodies buried in the earthen floors.

Hunting weapons are possessed by most of the older men of the village. The bows are usually 5' to $5^{\prime \prime} 3^{\prime \prime}$ in length. The bow string is made of bamboo and the bow of black palm after it has been seasoned over the fire for two or three days. In former times the bow was shaped by men with sharpened stones and slivers of sham bamboo. Now, however, axes and knives are used in their making.Arrows are made of wild sugar cane (pitpit) with sharpened bamboo or black palm tips. The tips are fastened to the hait with a type of vine and a gluey substanee extracted from a type of tree. The arrows have an overall length of from $316{ }^{\prime \prime}$ to $4^{\prime}$ and compared to other highland areas are very austere in pattern i.e. no series of intricate barbs.

The men also make spears although these are not as common as bows and arrows.The old type are mace of black palm, $6^{\prime}$ long, and have several barbs. The more recent ones have only one barb and some of the spears have the lower section and barb made of steel. The same tools as above are used in their manufacture.

Axes were previously obtained from outside of the ares by bartering.All of those in the village are now steel.

A list of European type tools has been given previously. Although these are owned by individuals
they are freely borrowed by the community.
As of former times plain digging sticks are still used. Some of these are made of blacic palm but generally they are merely saplings crudely shaped. In stony ground a pick is now used also. All of the above articles are made by men. Boys and adolescents make small bows and arrows and spears for themselves.

There is no suitable clay for pots
and these are obtained from the Markham villages where the men make them.

Wooden plates and bowls are made of hardwood and vary in size from $8^{\prime \prime}$ to $3^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime}$ in lengthoPreviously these werc shaped with stones axes and polished with bamboo slivers. They were made by men and the larger ones were used for extract rg oil from the pandanus fruit. They are not now made having been replaced with enamel pletes and bowls from Hong Kong.

Net bags are still being made,used, and traded for pots from the Markham villages.The women select the bark of a certain type of tree and ary it in the sun for two days. They then twist strips of it between their fingers and then combine two threads together. In the final process the fine cord is woven into a bag or man's hair net with the aid of a shaped $6^{\prime \prime}$ stick which gives a uniform mesh. Previously black dye only was used and was rubbed on with the fingers. This dye was obtained from a tree.Now, however, European coloured dyes are used to colour bags which vary in size from about $6^{\prime \prime}$ to $30^{\prime \prime}$ when full. Mothers teach their daughters the process of net bag making and there does not seem to be any secrecy as to who may learn among the females.

In former times an extensive trading system existed with other areas. The GUSIPARAN people in commor. with other Wantoat people traded in cowry shells, axes,string bags, pots,pigs, strings of threaded stone beads, and lime. From the Markham villages, via intermediate villaget, saucepans and black stone axes were obtained in exchange for net bags (1 large net bag for 1 saucepan). From the Rai Coast via intermediate villages large white cowry shells, white stone axes, and light, magic yam stones, were obtained fro strings of stone beads(18" beads for 1 axe, or 1 yam stone, or 1 cowry shell). Also traded to both the above areas were bamboo containers of lime ( $11^{\prime \prime}$ container of lime for 1 saucepan or 1 axe).

All that remains of the above trading system is the exchange of lime and net bags for saucepans from the Markham. Trading expedicions of about five or si-men and women are still arranged periodically.There seems to have been never any set time of the year for these trading vertures which lasted two or threc weeks.

Internally trade was mainly centred around pigs and women (1 pig for $36^{\prime \prime}$ beads, and 4 large cowry shells, and two axes) ( 1 woman ( $\alpha$ de) for 5 large cowry shells, and 2 axes, and one pig at thr oirth of ti: first child)

Now of course stone axes are not traded and beads and shells are only traded internally on rare occasions by older men.Money is used to purchase,pigs,lime,pots, and net bags although there is still some bertering of the two latter items.

Generally the men from GUSIPARAN leave the village when they are about twenty years of age and work for two or three years at Rabsul, Lae, Wau, Bulolo, or occasionally at Port Moresby.During that time they accumulate enough money (at $\& 1.5 .0$ to $\& 2$ per month) to purchase, a bush-knife, a tomahawk, a we Jden suitcase, a spoon, several 'lap laps' and singlets and shirts,a blanket, and sometimes a kerosenc lamp,mirror,hammer, or similar item. There are no stores near GUSIPARAN or in the Wantoat. The nearest are at Kaiapit and these are run by Kuropeans and natives.Women occasionally make alittle money by selling food to visiting Europeans or by selling pigs to other villages. They always give this money to their men folk and asis them to purchase certain things for them. Their favourite requests are for matches, dye, blouses, mirrors, and children's ciothing. There are no GUSIPARAN women in employment or even absent from the village.This applies gencrally to the Wantoat area.

Usually children are not interested in trading.However at the Wantoat Station many achool boyr. including one from GUSIPARAN, exchange orchide, paw paws, snails, bush seedilngs, crotalaria seeds, and fungus, for tobacco,newspaper, salt and money.

In conclusion it would seem as though heavier work, such houss building,garden clearing, etc, is reserved exclusively for edult males whilst net bag making, weeding, and cooking, jis confined to females.However there does not appear to be any rig,id demarcation between the tasks an adolescent and an adult of the same sex may do. As in the past the family still seems a fairly independant unit.

In the production of artefactid the division of labour is clearly marked more, it seems, because of traditional influences than because of differences in physical strength. From inquiry, for example, it was found that the clder men usually made the woodon dishes and bowns not because they were more skilful but because older men had, apparently, always made them. Women have always made string bags and al though daughters help their mothers in thas task small sons never do.

It would seem as though males are dominant in the society although not as dominant as in fortior times. The male is still resporsjble for the spending of all money and the woman is still the property of her husband and his clanoRecent patrols have olncovered however that women are now gaining divorces and are returning to their own villages and families.

Ycunge males are gaining increasing authority and independwue through having money and/or trade goods and having a knowledge of the places and things outside of their own village of GUSIPARAN.Older men previously held unchallenged authority through their knowledge of snrcery, the yan cult,and various traditional customs.

It is hoped on the next Patral to make a study of the yam cult and other customs that these people had in previous times.


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TT. Voluble but little help
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Lf. Seems to be working well
LL. Slacking village poor
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- Good interpreter

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TT. Understands what is required.
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| WOBMOBIT | TT. Has returned from work improving |
| MUNZAM | LL. Has rendered good service over many years |
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| Bungai y | LL. New appointed-replaces father |
| WANEI | Somakural deceased |
| SABUGAT | TT. Don Juan-has just completed gacl sentence for concealing his |
| VWEGOM | LL. Merely a mission census patrot |
| DAGAI | TT. Has just completed sentence for assisting an escaped prisoner |
| IMUYE | LL. Unobtrusive |
| DUNBUT | TT. Good but lacks sel |
| BAIISAP | LL. Doing job well |
| MUMEI | LI. Mouthpiece for Missionary |
| YAWUN | TT. Seems competent. |

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## PATROT RKPORT NO.2-1957/58 - LANTOAS.

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## The Dirgetor,

Department of Lands, Survege and Mines, POAT yorwsig.

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The Director
Department of Native Affairs, PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. WANTOAT $2-57 / 58$.
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1) Forwarded herewith is a Patrol Report of a patrol by De Eth to the Irimu Census Division.
2) I would be grateful for six copies of Mr. Death, map,
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Enc 1. 23 rd December, 1957.

Mr. C. E. De Ah, Patrol officer, WANTOAT.

PATROL REPORT ND. WANTOAT 2-57/58.

1) Receipt is acknowledged of your Patrol Report.
2) Copies of your sections on Agriculture and Education will be forwarded te the Departments concerned.
3) I will again ask the Regional Medical officer to establish an Aid Post in the Irimu Division.
4) Thank you for your village altitude figures. Theit are required by "Intelligence" and native labour recruiters.
5) I will ask the Director for six copies of your patrol map.

(A.R. Haviland.) ACDISTRICT OFFICER

TERRITORY OF PAPIJA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 30/1

| PATROL REPORT | WAiv. No 2/57-58 |
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| PATFOL CONDUCTED BY | C.E.L3 Ath P/O |
| AREA PATROLLED | IRUMU Census Sub-division |
| PaTROL ACCOMPANIED BY | ```3 Constables 1 Native Agricultural Asst. l Native Medical Orderly 1 Servant 1 Interpreter (Tultul)``` |
| DURATION | 17 days $(14 / 11 / 57-30 / 11 / 57)$ |
| OBJECTC OF PATROL | Census revision Coffee inspection \& extension Medical trestment Investigation covered in confidential memorandum Routine Administration |

## DIARY

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30／11／57 To WANTOAT STATION via MUPIABON

7 ＂ $2 \frac{1}{4}$＂

This rep ort sovers the activities of a patrol to the IRUMU Census Sub-division

The patrol was not hurried and a separate memorandum to the District Commissioner covers certain of its activities at NAMBOIAP stream.

Although the village population of the sub-division is only 1,700 a number of other villages outside of the Wancoat Sub-district had to be visited en route befors the area was reached. In ail the patrcl ercountered eight IInguistic groups in the area and en route. They were, EMDAIEN, MUGUTI NUM, NGOKUNA, WABT AK, IAGAMIN, IMANGANTAMANEI, KUNAKAI, and IMATA.It cannot be ©OO strongiy recommended again that provision be made in the station establishment for two or more interpreters as many of the 'bush' officials do not have a working knowledge of pidgin.

Cooperation was, in the main, much better than on previous patrols in the Wantoat Sub-district.

The whole area visited is very broken and villages are scattered from the Markham Valley to the headwaters of the IRUMU river. Their altitudes vary between 800 and 4,300 feet although various tracks between them go much higher.

The area has been fairly well patrolled by DINA, PKD, and DASF during the last eighteen months. Unfortunately the departments which patrol the araa from Lae do not send copies or extracts from their reports to the JIC Wantoat and it is somewhat difficult to know what follow-up work needs doing. Would it be possible in the future for copies of these reports to be made available for this purpose?

With the completion of this patrol the whole of the Wantoat Sub-district has now been patrolled within the last sevan months. Complete statistics are now available fur, coffee plantings, village off. cials, Mission school attenáaces, and for vital statistics on population trends.

## AGRICULTURE

The usual native staples exist although altitude places certain limitations on coconuts etc. in the upper IRUMU area.

Generally the people seem to be much more aware of the importance of eccnomic crops than elsewhere in the Sub-district. A keen interest was shown in coffee production and the people requested that later a coffee huller be purchesed on their behali. One is held at Wantoat and when the necessary $£ 18$ has been railed it (or another) will be sold to them. Unfortunately some of the coffee plots in the lower IRUNU do not seem to be doing as well as expected. This is partly due to altitude, lack of shade,
and to poor soils.
A Native Agricultural Assistant, KORONG, accompanied the patrol and did good work by pruning coffee trees and by giving advice about shade and spacing. In some villages now coffee areas were cleared whilst the patrol was there. Coffee p lantings are included in Appendix 'A'.

It would segm as though the people will have to take their produce through to the Markham valley although some of them in the upper IRUMU area may be able to make use of the WANTOAT/KAIAPIT road when it is completed. This will apply particularly to potatoes.

Later, too, it is hoped to introduce TILAPIA fish from the WANIOAT Station into the area. The people have some good pigs (Berkshire cross) but do not have access to many other sources of animal protein.

Various new types of fruit trees will also be intrøduced into the area as they become well established on the WANTOAT station. Passion fruit in particular would grow well in the upper IRUMU.

Game is plentiful in the marginal
forest areas.

## EDUCATION AND MI SSIONS

Eduaational facilities are poor in the sub-division. The only schools in the various villages are run by the YABIM Lutheran Mission and the KO'CTE Lutheran kission. The attendarce at each school is given below for the benefit of the District Education Officer.

## It was noticed in the KOTTE schcols

 that the pupils were particularly weak in their knowledge of Pidgin and arithinetic.Although this particular Missior has been operating in some of the villages visited for the past 27 years not one local native evangelist or teacher was seen by the patrol. An attempt will be made next year to have five ch'ldren from the sub-division included as pupils in the station school at WAKTOAT.The attendances at the various schools were as follows;

V1llage
Boys
Girls
Denomination

| SIARA | 11 | 2 | L.M.YABIM |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DAKU | 26 | 11 | L.M.KOTTE |
| GUMIA | 30 | 19 | $\prime \prime \prime \prime \prime$ |
| DAGAMAN | 28 | 101 | $\prime \prime \prime$ |

## CENSUS

of one in the Although there has been only a gross decrease l,700) , been a natural ding migrations ( +12 ), there has actually been a natural decrease of thirteen since the last census. This is disappointing. One of the chief reasons for there not being a marked population increase is the failure of the people to notify the Administration promptly of epidemics which occur periodically in the larger Mission amalgamated villages in the uppef IRiMU area. Although recommendations have constanti" begn made by several officers in the past for an AID POST ORDERLY to be placed in tine area nothing, as yet, has been done about it.

The absentee figures are encouraging ( 61 males) as compared to $1950^{\circ}$ (118 males). However the figures given are slightiy misleading as there are 97 men, women, and children absent at ERAP and elsewhere in the MARKHAM harvesting peanuts for a few weeks. These were not included in the census figures as their absence will be very transitory.

Vital statistics are as follows. The figures in parenthesis are for the neighbouring ERAP
area; area;

| 1. The death rate per thousand 1s | 45.00 | (24.50) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2." birth " " " " |  |  |
| 3." masculinity rate is | 40.00 | $(38.80)$ |
| 4." juvenility " " | .933 | (1.062) |

5 ." number of males at work is 61 or $14 \cdot 2 \%$, Females NIL, females accompanying workers, 2,

These figuros do not need a great deal of interpretation. The high death rate emphasises the need for more medical work in the area.

## VILLAGES

## (a) State of villages

In the lower IRUMU a new type of plank house is being constructed and this change of style was encouraged. In the hlgher headwater areas, huwever, where houses are built primarily for warmth, the people are still, in the main, building poor structures which need repairing within elghteen months or two years. These houses in the colder areas were found to be dirty inside, cramped, and blackened by fires. Pigs and dogs in many cases were found to be living in them with their owners.
the patrol included;
Village improvements encouraged by
(a) planting grass and trees in village areas to stop erosion
(b) the demolition of houses abandoned and beyond repalr
(c) the exclusion of pigs from village areas
(d) the improvement of water supplies and sanitation
(e) the improvement of housing stylos and village layout

At DAKU, a very poor village, four men were each fined 5/- for neglecting to do housing repairs, within fifteen months of being instructed 30 to do by Mr Mc Arthur P/O.

Rest houses existed in every village isited except ASINDAN.One -s jeing constructed at the new village site end should be completed shortly.

As requested by the Assistant District been included in the diary.
(b) V111age Officials

As the comments in Appendix ' 3 ' show none of the Village official were outstending. However, as stated in previous reports, they are unpald, uneducated, and unpraised, and little can be expected from them at present.

Unofficial Councillors were found to be numerous but as they, in all cases, had been selected by church congrgations their interests were inclined to be

## ROADS, BRIDGES, \& CARRIERS

In general roads and brliges wene reasonably maintained. Considerirg the terrain the roac's were reasonably graded.However the patrol followed sevezal new routes whicn were said to be 'shortcut's'. These 'shorteuts' saved time but made for arduous walking and carrying. The new routes covered by the patrol were between GAPMCORPI and BUNGAM, between, AST MDA and PUP-PUP, hetween SOM and SIARA, and between A.́ET and GUMAA. Wallint tiaes for these tracks are inciuded in the diary. The BUNGAM (or BUM) river was, as in the past, found to be 3 wift and dangerous during its frequent floods.

Although the WAMPOAT/KAIAPIT road
may be able to serve some of the पpper IPTMU area it would seem as though some extension work could be dona on the feep track which goes to Irumr village. The population there is sparse however.

Courld coples of the attached map be
made and returned to Wantoat please?Coples of the last patrol (WaN No 1/57-58) have not jet been recelved.

## MEDICAL AND HEALTH

NMO SULI accompanied the patrol and,as on previous occasions, he gave excellent attention to his duties.

Ths people are mostly apathetic and disinterested in health matters and sanitation. In DAKU 21 people have died from one or more epidemics since the last natrol by DNA. The sickness was not reported until it had run its course and a subsequent PHD patrol could do little.

Aid fusts are definitely needed in this area, and, indeed, throughout the whole of the Wantoat Sub-district.Although ten names have been submitted for training as NMO's nothing further has been heard ahout their acceptance and the writer fears that the matter may have fallen into abeyance as have many previous recommendations?

NMA LAFT, who is stationed at IRUMU village, seems to have abilitybut is becoming too involved in some of NIMBUK'S activities. A number of treatments had to be given in his village and as his drug supply was low he was requested to go to MALAHANG to replenish it.

Before leaving the Sub-district the writer wishes to place on record a mild protest about the number of Aid Post Orderlies allocated to the whole of the Wantoat Sub-district.There are nearly 10,000 people at present depending on the services of four widely separated Native Medical Orderlies. In other districts there has been many times this number selected for training and allocation. Ever although local natives are not sufficiently soriisticated to train for the positions yet, perhaps it would be possible,as a temporary measure, to have natives from other areas establish Ald Posts in key areas?

In the IRUMU a good deal of work was done by the patrol on latrines and gargage pits. However compulsion is a poor substitute for education and until the reason for cleanliness is thoroughly understood iuther apathy can be expected from these people.

Treatmens given by the patrol
were as follows;
Treated by the patrol 243
Sent to WANTOAT
4
Sent to MALAHANG
Sent to IRUMU Aid Post
Sent to FINUNGWA A1d Post 3 (Erap Census Sub-E1vision)

## ANTHROPOLOGY

of one of the ceremonies involving the spectacular release of 20 dams in the WANTOAT area which occured recently.

## NATIVE AFFAIRS

The native situation in the area
could be said to be tair to good.


#### Abstract

Although the writer has been at WhNTOAT for some time now he has not seen one Village Official from the IRUNU at the station. This is partly due lo; (a) the distance from the station of the area, (b) the accessibility of the MARKHAM road, (c) the continued patrolling from Lae by DASF and PHD, and, (d) the lack of recogniticn, by the people, of the Wantoat parrol post as being their Administrative centre.


Whilst the writer dues not object in principle to the people dealing direct with various departments in Lae, when it is more convenient for thom to do so, on this patrol,as on the previous one to the area, some slightly embarrassing situations arose because of this.

The first misunderstanding arose over the careless use of fire.On the provious patrol to the area Mr Mc Arthur, P/O informed the people they were not to light indiscriminate fires in the lower IRUMU area. This was cione only after IRUMU village had been burnt to the ground and the census books and Village officials h.ts from three villages together with approximately $£ 300$ in notes had been destroyed in the blaze. During this patrol it was found that the people from two villagas had completely ignored Mr Mc Arthur's injunctions. Consequentiy some village natives were convicted for the careless use of fire.However the people concerned pointed out, and rightly so, that it seemed rather unjust tirat they should be runished whe. the District office in Lae had allegedly given NIMEUK fiom the ERAP 'carte blanche' to burn off as much of the lower IRUNU, the lower ERAP, and the northern portion of the NARKHAM valley as he wished even although he had previously been refused permission to do this by the writer. They also showed the writer, on the western side of the IRUMU river, some thousands of acres of riative land burnt off by Mr Robinson(?) from SASIANG when he was establishing a new coconut grove. I t is assumed that he first obtained a permit to do this from the District Office in Lae?

Whilst this indiscriminate burning off continues the people have to travel long distances to their gardens and they continuelly run the risk of tosing their property through the thoughtlessness of another person.

The second point arose over the recent imprisorment of a Constable and Native Agricultural Assistant frum WeNTOAT by the District Office at Lae. The Constable in question at the time of the trouble asked the IFUNU officials if they could have their trial at WANTOAI as they had been sent from there

However it was not until some weeks later that the writes learned unofficially and indirectly that they had bean tried, convicted, and imprisoned in LAE.

After canvassing opinions of various officials in the area the writer belleves that the IRUNU people are under the impression that they can obtain decisions more satisfactory to themselves from Lae than they can fron the Patrol Post at Wantoat. This may be partly due to the fact that there are so many changes of officers in Lae and that they do not have an opportunity to get acquainted with the situation as it exists in the IRUMU.

Athough it is regretted that this matter has had to be brought up it is earnestly recommended that the IRUMU people be encouraged to come to Wantoat with their problems so that the offstcer there can, in the interest of good odministration, keep his finger on the pulse of the area as it were.

It is not usual for the writer to be unecessarily critical of mission activities however on this patrol as co several previous ones in the ANTOAT Sub-district complaints concerning the mission were too persistent to be ignored.The complaints were aimed mainly at KOMBA natives who ome over from the WASU area to visit their evangelical relatives. They spend exterded periods in local villages merely, to use a common expression, 'bludging' on anyone who will give them food. Whilst Pastor KLEM from TAPEN was visiting the area rocently this matter was discussed with him. He agreed that these natives were doing the Lutheran Mission a great deal of harm and that those concerned were from an area in WASU whith had been closed to recruiting and that they were thus not able to eutain employment elsewhere. At the time of his visit a count was made of unattached KOMBA natives near the Wantoat Station. Thirty three were found and requested to return to their own villages - the request fell om deaf ears.Since that time there has been further petty trouble involving them and on this patrol it was nceessary to convene the Court for Native Affairs to deal with one of them. In the circustances would it be possible to have the WANTOAT Sub-district gazetted as an area as defined by Regulation 79B of the Native Administration Ordinance 1921 as amended to date?

Despite the above comments it would be correct to say that the people in the IRUMU sub-division seem to be a fairly stable group. An integrated plan for their politicai, social, and economic welfare was therefore explained to thell by the writer. Although the mountain people found it difficuli ic grasp the purpose of local government institutions most were able to see the wisdom of improving their present very low economic status. The lower IRUMU natives, in particular, were eager to participate in a rural progress scheme. Education and hard work, however, were again stressed as being the only real foundation on which any plan to improve their welfare couid be based.

## APPENDIX ' $A^{\prime}$

Coffee plantings IBUMU Cersus Sub-civision *
November/1957

| Village | No.Growing | Replecements needed |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| IRIMI | 271 | 239 |
| SIARA | 1013 | 149 |
| MAMA | 202 | 102 |
| BJGBBA | 595 | 16 |
| ZIUETBAK | 189 | 9 |
| DAKU | 311 | 10 |
| ARET | 192 | 4 |
| GTMIA | 609 | 30 |
| DAGAMAN | 509 | 8 |
| UYANGEN | 300 | 0 |
|  | 4191 | 50 |

* This does not include Mission and private planting.Seeds were distributed to replace dead seedings as onumerated in column 2.

APPENDIX $\cdot \mathrm{B}$

Village officials

| V11lage | Name |  | Remariks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I RUMU | Bi FELS | 11 | Seems efficfent but overawed by NMO |
| " | KABI SE | T/t | Young and a minor power in village |
| " | DOMO | Mtt | Good considering lack of training |
| SIARA | SAI | L1 | Intelligent and hard working |
| " | NIMA | T/t | Quietly efficient |
| " | SANGERAP | Mtt | Only fair |
| MAMA | ANSI K | LI | Absent at ERAP |
| " | MAHANGEN | T/t | Very helpful to the patrol |
| 1 | POWIN | Mtt | A good interpreter only |
| BOGEBA | BARE | L1 | 01d but seems a trier |
| " | SASEP | $t / \mathrm{t}$ | Slow but has good grasp of dut*es |


| Village | Ma.de |  | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BOGEBA | KAGIM | Mtt | Seems reasonable |
| ZUIWBAK | GURUMUKEI | Ll | Tries to be helpful but lacks Adgr |
|  | MORUWAT | T/t | If supervised could be a leader |
| $\square$ | USSII | Mtt | Lacks drugs and experience |
| DAKU | YAN | L1 | Vory mediocre |
|  | GAMSEI | T/t | Wishes to set up own village-good |
| ${ }_{n}^{\text {ARET }}$ | GWAREN SERI NG | L1 | Very bushy <br> A trier but litttle lnowiedge |
| DOPAM/SIMBONGA | WANZAN | L1 | Unobtrusive |
| ${ }_{\sim}^{\text {GARAMBOIN }}$ | NARUM | L1 | Superfluous |
|  | NANG-GIM | T/t | Seems to have improved |
| GUMIA | KAREI | L 1 | Seems helpful |
| DAGAMAN | OGOAN | $\mathrm{L} 1$ | Gives little attention to work |
| DURAK | MONDANGI | Ll | His portion of village poor |
| UYANGEN | PAGAN | L1 | Previousiy fined for laziness |
|  |  |  | but has now improved. |

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AI PENDI: ${ }^{\prime} C^{\prime}$

Alionated Land CI 221/34-1-3 ( $14 / 11 / 55$ )

As far as is known there is none in this Census Sub-division.


It 2 at thet the Hydrographic section of che P.W.D has alronu, measured the flow etc of the IRUNU at its mouth. A. Patrol Officeris Stream Report has not therefore been submitted with this report.

A Stream Report wili have to be compiled for the EUNGAM RIVES (or BUM RIVER) as the new KAIAPIV WANTOAT road will eventually have to cross it. On this Patrol however there was insufficient time spent near theriver to cbtein the comprehensive information required.


[^0]:    Livinionc A.
    TNLAN WATERWAS C. $1213 / 1-3-70(6 / 8 / 55)$
    (a) The river systems crossed are such that ac 16 of them torreits subject an type of craft. They are all swift APFENDIK B B.

    ALIENATED LAND C. 1. $221 / 34-1$ - $3(14 / 11 / 55)$
    (aj Wantoat Station 110 Acres Administration owned Cornes zave inverted cement pegs Improvements - 1 1900' aerodrome Occupied by Government Station (D.N.A.) Title completed 28-6-57

    Nr. Crowley's TAL (unoccupied) is situsted within above boundaries 5 Acres. L. M. Lease $3 \frac{3}{4}$ Acres Administration owned Corners have inverted cement pegs Improvements - none unoccupied Title completied 28-6-57.

