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GULF DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

1965/1966

KUKIPI

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of GULF Report No. KUKUPI NO 1-1965/66

Patrol Conducted by G. C CONNOR - CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled ROAD FROM KUKUPI TO KAINTIBA

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 7 RPNGC 20 ex BOMANA detainees

Duration—From 29/8/1965 to 4/8/1965

Number of Days 5 1/2

Did Medical Assistant Accompany NO

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

Medical /...../19.....

Map Reference FOURMIL OF WAU

Objects of Patrol TO ESCORT 20 KUKUKURU MEN EX BOMANA GAOL TO THEIR HOME VILLAGE NEAR KAINTIBA - SELF ON TRANSFER

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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4th November, 1965.

District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KRAIWA.

KUKIFI PATROL REPORT NO 1/1965-66.

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of a patrol report by Mr. Connor, covered by your memorandum 67-5-7 of 5th October, 1965.

2. Your comments only were read and noted. Mr. Connor will do well to heed your advice and digest the contents found in the Administration Standing Instructions handbook (pages 18-46.)

3. Mr. Connor accompanied these ex-prisoners back to their home area without any incident. He has shown his interest in field work and has made a good effort in producing a readable report.

4. I am sure it would be exceedingly difficult for a field officer to get these primitive people to fully realise how a corrective institution is run by the Administration.

(T.G. Aitchison)
DIRECTOR.

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67-5-7



Sub-District Office,
Kerema,
GULF DISTRICT.
5th October, 1965.

Assistant District Commissioner,
KUKIPI.

PATROL REPORT - KUKIPI 1/65-66.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report submitted
by Mr. Cadet Patrol Officer Connor.

Even though there is no typewriter at Kaintiba Mr. Connor
should still submit his reports in the appropriate form. For
his information this is detailed in Volume 1 of Departmental
Standing Instructions pages 30 to 46. Please ensure that future
reports are in this form.

The experience gained by these men should prove valuable
in the future Administration of the Kaintiba area. As far as
I can ascertain the goods brought back by these men were not
given to them but were purchased by them from payments made at
the conclusion of their sentences.

Camping Allowance Claims are returned for payment.

John S. Murphy
(JOHN S. MURPHY)
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

INTRODUCTION

The object of this patrol was to escort 20 KUKUKUKU men ex BOMANA Concubine Institution from KUKUPI to their home village of HAWARANGA in the KAINTIBA administrative area.

For the past 3 years these men, having now been released were serving sentences for the part they played in the infamous massacre of 1961.

After escorting these men back to their village I was instructed to remain at the Kaintiba Patrol Post on temporary transfer until further notice from the Assistant District Commissioner at KUKUPI.

All the ex-prisoners seemed to be fit and healthy and there were no delays of the patrol due to fatigue, with an average of 8 hours being walked each day.

No incidents occurred on the patrol and by that I mean the possible threat of "payback" killings.

INTRODUCTION (CONT.)

Reception of the patrol was good in all the villages that were passed through en route KAINTIRA and the ex-prisoners were readily welcomed back by the local inhabitants.

The terrain that was crossed during the duration of 5½ days of the patrol was extremely rugged but morale remained high and I have no complaints of slackness or hawking to lay against any of the patrol personnel.

I regret that this report is written in longhand but the KAINTIRA station does not possess a Government typewriter which accounts for this somewhat illegible presentation of a report.

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A NATIVE SITUATION

Under this heading I shall report on mainly the attitude of the HAWAIIAN men returning to their home area as I was not in the area long enough to closely study the KUKUKUKU people and their way of life.

The whole 20 were in good spirits all the way and were readily welcomed by the people of all the villages the patrol passed through.

While passing reasonably close to the Apala hamlets where they had killed some 3-4 years ago none of them seemed to show any apprehension or fear for them, probably although this could be false as 7 members of the patrol were present on the patrol.

Access to Kaunaha is relatively easy at this time of the year as the WEAR River is exceptionally low and therefore the patrol saw many people crossing back and forth which can not be done in the wet season.

B GENERAL

The patrol departed KUKUPI on the 9/8/65 per double canoe to KOARU in the Kerema sub-district to commence the walk.

Patrol personnel consisted of self, 20 ex-Bomana detainees, 4 members RPNCC (which was later increased to 7 with the meeting of 3 police from KAINTIRA three days out from KUKUPI) and a number of carriers which varied from day to day - see attached FOI for that period.

The first night was spent at KOARU and on the following day the patrol set out for TAIKAINA some 8 hours walk away.

This leg of the trip was accomplished easily as carriers were fresh and willing.

On Wednesday the patrol moved on to COSHALAKA which is situated on the Kapa River just passed the TAURI junction.

All the men in the village were absent and according to the VC, ^{the councillor} had died so accepted the vacant badge of office.

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B GENERAL (CONT)

Patrol then proceeded on to TUWIN the next day experiencing the most difficult part of the walk to date which was $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours along the sharply inclined bank of the KAPAU river. Some camiers slipped and small personnel items being carried by the patrol were broken. Finally reached TUWIN at 1700, slept and moved off to HAPADAMANGA crossing the WERR en route which was readily crossed by all the KUBUKUBU men, who to my surprise showed little fear of the flow rate of the river which was very rapid yet only 2 feet or so deep.

Hence on to the last day (SATURDAY 14th) when patrol sighted KAINTIBA, from the top of one of the numerous steep ridges and descended for $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours finally arriving DESTUMBA at 1315.

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B GENERAL (cont)

As the object of the patrol was to escort these 20 ex-Bomana detainees back to KAINTIBA most of the time was spent walking therefore I can not really comment on the various aspects of native life in each of the villages we passed through as they were only 1 night stop-overs I hope to be able to comment more fully when I have gained some experience in this area.

C ROADS + BRIDGES

The road from KOARU to KAINTIBA is not actually a road in the true sense of the meaning but it is a track suitable for walking on only.

It varies from a swamp ridden trail through to steep mountain paths and rocky outcrops to a reasonable dirt road.

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C TOPOGRAPHY AND AGRICULTURE

The terrain crossed by the patrol varied from the flat, swampy coastal plains around KUKIPI and KOAPU to the mountainous country on the last 3 days of the walk from the TAURI/KAPAU river junction to the KAINIWA station itself.

The coastal plains with their sago swamps contain more crops than what I saw in the hilly region. These crops included bananas, sweet potato, sugar cane etc. while the mountain crops were on the whole similar but of a poorer and less substantial value.

This is probably not only because the mountain soil is poorer than that on the coast but the coastal people having had more contact with Administration officers know more about agricultural work.

I feel however that little can be done to help these mountain people because of the poor quality of the soil.

ROADS + BRIDGES (CONT)

The last few miles of the road have been cleared and widened by the O.I.C. Kaintiba Mr. Weber and are suitable for motor bike traffic.

The rest of the track is a typical indigenous track going straight up the sides of mountains and down again.

This can of course be cleared by the local people but I would say it will never become good enough for anything but foot traffic.

Bridges are non-existent most of the way and logs are used in place. Many of these logs were rotten and self fell some 8 feet into a small creek after one of these logs had broken. Suggested to the villagers from there on to look out for rotten logs before a real injury occurs. Some good bridges adjoin the KAINTIBA station.

E. MORALE

Patrol morale was high all the way and no complaints were received or are to be made.

The HAWABANGA men were in good spirits all the way and got on well with the rest of the patrol personnel as well as with the people of the various villages the patrol passed through.

F. RECEPTION OF PATROL

The patrol was received well in all villages visited and we had no trouble obtaining fresh foods or carriers anywhere. I think that the previous officers from KANTIBA including the present O.I.C. have won the affection and trust of these primitive KUKUKUKU peoples and thus the "welcome mat" is out and the people are only too willing to help.

RECEPTION OF PATROL (CONT)

As was stated before all the villages "welcomed back" the ex prisoners and no scenes of any description occurred

OBSERVATIONS + COMMENTS

One comment I would like to make is that in my opinion the giving by the Administration (which I think is correct) of axes, pots and pans, coats etc to these men could be an unwise move and this has brought many comments already from the people of this area who now regard these 20 as influential men and leaders as they speak motu and piochin dialects now all as well as their local language

This may not be liked by the relatives and friends of the people who were killed by these men in the "Afatanosere" of 1911 especially as they now have more axes than they ever had in their lives.

H. CONCLUSION

All the objects of the patrol were realized and I am at present at KAINTIRA station.

The patrol was the first I have done in a mountainous region as for the majority of my first term I have been on the coastal stations of the Gulf District.

It was a change to meet some of the more primitive people of the District and to work in a different climate and set of surroundings.

All of the 20 were seen settled in at their home village of HAWAANGANCA and to date no talk has been heard about "pay back" killings.

END OF PATROL

G. Bonner
C. Patrol Officer
KAINTIRA G.D.

APPENDIX I, REPORT ON MEMBERS RPNGC ACCOMPANYING PATROL

Const i/c EMBOCO Good reliable NCO
appearance good, comes out
ades well. In asset to the patrol

Const MEDURI - Not overly intelligent,
appearance and conduct good.
Never complains.


Const WASHINGTON A young, keen and alert
conduct good and is able to think
for himself. Recommend for NCO course

Const HARINA - Conduct + appearance
good. Inclined to wander away
now and then though.

Const MAIKAO - Conduct good rather
quiet; comes out his duties well.

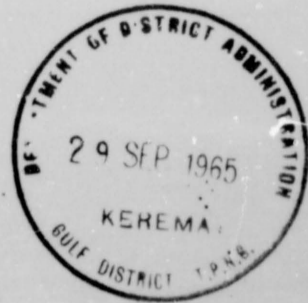
Const KOUORU - Conduct good although
can be a "smart alec" at times.
Average policeman

Const i/c 118401 Conduct and appearance
good. Cheerful. Not a strong
personality for an NCO but good
policeman on patrol.


C. OFFICER OF RPNGC



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of.....**GULF**..... Report No...**KUKIPI. No. 4-65/66.**.....

Patrol Conducted by.....**J.A.SMITH.**..... (**Cadet Patrol Officer**).....

Area Patrolled.....**MORUPI CENSUS DIVISION.**.....

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

Natives.....**2 members R.P.N.G.C.**.....

Duration—From...**7**.../...**9**.../19**65**...to...**11**.../...**9**.../19**65**....

Number of Days.....**FOUR**.....

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

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

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference.....**YULE FOURMIL.**.....

Objects of Patrol.....(**See Preamble**).....

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

67-2-2

Kenedobu, Apua.

4th November, 1965.

District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

KUKUPI PATROL REPORT NO 2/1965-66.

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of a very brief patrol report by Mr. Smith, covered by your memorandum 67-5-8 of 5th October 1965.

2. Your comments only were noted.

3. Mr. Smith accomplished quite adequately the task for him and wrote a readable but brief report. It would be good exercise for Mr. Smith to write a full report every time he goes out on patrol. Please advise him to use the twenty odd headings supplied in the Departmental Standing Instructions handbook (pages 33-43). One of the objects of this patrol was "general administration", but I found no comments on the state of villages, village houses, Local Government Councillor's etc. in this report.

4. If the Mission hospital is only fifteen minutes walk away from Iokoa, I would definitely advise these people not to waste their money on such a project. The people should know by now that hospitals and Aid Posts cannot be established at every village.

(T.G. Aitchison)
A/DIRECTOR.

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Sub-District Office,
 Kerema,
GULF DISTRICT.
 5th October, 1965.

Assistant District Commissioner,
KUKIPI.

PATROL REPORT - KUKIPI 2/65-66.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report submitted
 by Mr. Cadet Patrol Officer Smith

Camping Allowance Claims are returned for payment.

John J. Murphy
 (JOHN J. MURPHY)
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. Director,
 Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply
Please Quote

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JAS/Jas.

Stores and Supply Branch

Sub-District Office,

KUKIPI,

Gulf District.

14th September, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI.

PATROL REPORT No. 1 - 65/66.

Patrol Conducted by:- J.A. Smith (Cadet Patrol Officer)

Area Patrolled:- MORIPI Census Division.

Accompanied by:- 2 members R.P.N.G.C.

Duration - From 7th September to 11th September, 1965.
4 days.

Objects of the Patrol.

(1) With the aid of the East Kerema Local Government Council President and clerk to conduct a Tax-Payers meeting in Miaru village.

(2) To investigate an alledged attempted rape case.

(3) General Administration.

Map Reference:- YULE FOURMIL.

Experienced difficulty in obtaining sufficient carriers to return to Miaru and Lese. At Miaru Councillor Rapa was interviewed in regard to the Miss Cole case. Proceeded to Lese and several petty family and village squabbles. Remained the night at Lese. Saturday 11th September.

Once again experienced difficulty in obtaining carriers. Had to leave the patrol gear in charge of one of the policemen while I proceeded to Kukiipi Station and sent carriers back. Arrived Kukiipi 1900hrs.

END OF REPORT

DIARY.

Tuesday 7th September.

0950hrs departed Kukipi Station aboard the Copsun "Avana" and proceeded via the sea to Lese village.

At Lese the school teacher reported that a young girl was being seriously neglected by her parents (this will be elaborated on in the body of the report).

After obtaining carriers the patrol then moved on to Miaru village - arrived 1330hrs.

"Avana" to proceed Kukipi tomorrow as seas at present extremely rough.

Remained the night in Miaru Woman's Club House.

Wednesday 8th September.

The people from the surrounding villages were very slow in arriving for the Tax-Payers meeting with the result that it could not get underway until 1300hrs.

Council Clerk did not attend.

1730hrs meeting completed.

Arranged to hear minor courts and disputes at Miaru and Lese villages on Friday 10th.

Arrangements made for carriers to proceed to Iokea village tomorrow.

Remained the night at Miaru.

Thursday 9th September.

Departed Miaru 0740hrs for Iokea, arrived 0930 hrs.

Proceeded to Moru Station (L.M.S. Mission) to interview Miss. Cole about the attack made upon her on the 4th September.

On completion of the interview returned to Iokea and arbitrated in several disputes.

Friday 10th September.

Experienced difficulty in obtaining sufficient carriers to return to Miaru and Lese. At Miaru Councillor Rapa was interviewed in regard to the Miss. Cole. case.

Proceeded to Lese and once more heard several petty family and village squabbles.

Remained the night at Lese.

Saturday 11th September.

Once again experienced difficulty in obtaining carriers. Had to leave the patrol gear in charge of one of the policemen while I proceeded to Kukipi Station and sent carriers back.

Arrived Kukipi 1100hrs.

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END OF PATROL.
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INTRODUCTION.

Due to the shortness and restricted nature of this patrol many topics generally reported upon will not be discussed.

On this patrol only three villages were visited, the main one being MIARU where a Tax-Payers⁷ meeting for the Moripi Census Division was held. At IOKEA and LESE as well as Miaru the people brought forward several complaints or disputes which they wished to be settled. These could all be handled on the spot and all parties concerned were able to reach satisfactory agreements.

Tax-Payers Meeting (Moripi Census Division).

This meeting followed the usual form with the President Of the East Kerema Council giving his address informing those present of the manner in which the tax monies were spent during the previous year.

The discussion period in which the people were to put forward their ideas or their requirements for the following year I feel was not very successful as there were only three suggestions put forward and these all concerned development in the one village - Iokea.

The people from Iokea want the following:-

(1) The pipeline from the dam to the village repaired. Sections of this pipeline have rusted through and are leaking, the villagers complain of insufficient water as much is being wasted. The discussion on this subject managed to produce agreement and all present voted that £1000 should be spent on this project during this coming year.

(2) Hospital at Iokea.

There was no agreement reached on this subject and it was decided to discuss this at a Council Meeting.

On this subject I would like to say that to build an Administration Hospital In Iokea would be a waste of Council money and of valuable staff. Moru Mission Station, fifteen minutes walk from Iokea has a hospital with Infant Welfare and other facilities available. This hospital is run by two Papuan nurses who claim that there is not enough work to keep them going all of the time. There was formerly an Aid Post at Iokea but this was shut down because the village people would not support it.

(3) Airstrip at Iokea.

No comment.

INDECENT ASSAULT.

Whilst walking between Miaru and Lese villages about midday on Saturday, 4th September Miss. M. Cole of Moru Mission (L.M.S.) was attacked from behind by a male native called LEVOUORI FAROMA of Miaru village.

Miss. Cole states that she was walking alone along the track between Lese and Miaru when suddenly a man jumped from the bush behind her and grabbed her. She started to scream and fight as he threw her to the ground and attempted to rip her clothes off. He then tried to lift her up and carry her into the bushes beside the track.

She states further that he appeared confused and she remembered previously that she had heard in situations like this that if you talk to the attacker you will confuse him. As she tried this he had her by the arm and was trying to pull her in the direction of Lese village.

She broke away and started to run, he started to follow and since he appeared to want to go to Lese she ran back to Miaru.

The suspect Levouori Faroma is deaf and dumb which made it difficult to question him. However with the aid of his brother Michael Faroma who claims to be able to communicate with signs and gestures the suspect had the following to say.

Levouori says that on that particular day he went to Iokea village to watch the Co-operatives vessel the "Hiri". When this boat had left Iokea he went back to Miaru. He was not on the track between Lese and Miaru and he did not see Miss. Cole that day.

The following day when three policemen took the suspect into custody at Miaru they questioned Miss. Cole who positively identified the suspect as being the man who attacked her.

A complaint has been sworn against Levouori Faroma and he has been remanded at Kukipi until he has the opportunity to answer this charge in the Court of Petty Sessions.

He has been charged under Section 350 of the Q.C.C
(AS amended)

NEGLECT OF CHILD.

Upon my arrival at Lese village Mr. Plummeridge the school teacher brought to my notice the case of a thirteen year old school girl who ten weeks before had broken her arm. At the time of the accident he instructed her parents to take her to Kukipi Hospital for treatment which they agreed to do. The parents failed to do this because the local Sorcerer claimed to be able to heal her.

Mr. Plummeridge again ~~looked~~ looked at the girl who had broken out in sores on the face and body and was quite unable to get about. His instructions to take her to hospital ~~for~~ were again ignored.

My presence in the village and the fact that I was asking questions about this case apparently spurred the parents to seek aid and they smuggled the child off to Kukipi aboard the Administration boat "Avana".

By this time the girl's condition was so bad that the Hospital could do nothing for her. The day after her arrival back at the village she died. (12/9/65)

As soon as the full facts are known then it will be determined whether or not to take Court action against her parents.

(2) To investigate an alleged attempted rape case.
(3) General Administration.

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My References: TALK JOURNAL.

J.A. Smith
J.A. Smith.
Cadet Patrol Officer.

JAS/Jas.

Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI,
Gulf District.
14th September, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI.

PATROL REPORT No. 2 - 65/66.

Patrol Conducted by:- J.A. Smith (Cadet Patrol Officer)

Area Patrolled:- MORIPI Census Division.

Accompanied by:- 2 members R.P.N.G.C.

Duration - From 7th September to 11th September, 1965.
4 days.

Objects of the Patrol.

(1) With the aid of the East Kerema Local Government Council President and clerk to conduct a Tax-Payers meeting in Miaru village.

(2) To investigate an alledged attempted rape case.

(3) General Administration.

Map Reference:- YULE FOURMIL.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of GULF Report No. 3-65/66. KUKIPI

Patrol Conducted by JA. SMITH. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled TOARIPI CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 1 Clerical Assistant.
1 member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration—From 6 / 10 / 65 to 14 / 10 / 65 also 18/10/65

Number of Days 8

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

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

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference YULE FOURMIL

Objects of Patrol To carry out elections for the EAST KEREMA LOCAL
GOVERNMENT COUNCIL.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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8th July, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
KEREMA.
Gulf District.

KUKUPI PATROL REPORT NO. 1/1965-66:

Thank you for your memorandum 67-5-9/1099 of the 16th May, 1966, together with Mr. Smith's patrol report.

2. Apparently the Elections of the East Kerema Council were done by Mr. Smith on this patrol and he has submitted a report covering it completely.

3. It is pleasing to note the interest shown by the women.

John J. Murphy
John J. Murphy
District Commissioner

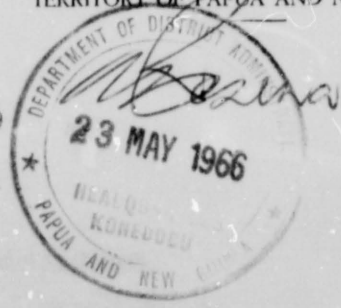
(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

(17) 67. 2. 18



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Our Reference... 67-5-9/1099
If calling ask for
Mr. WJGL:wd



Department of District Administration,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.
May 16, 1966.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDORU

PATROL REPORT KUKUPI, 3/1965/66

The original of the above together with a copy of the Assistant District Commissioner's comments is forwarded for your information.

This report covers the last East Kerema Council elections.

It is unfortunate that TOREA EREKOFKA would not stand for election as if he can be guided in the right direction he could be of benefit to the Council and the Moveave area. The attitude of the Jehovah Witness adherents is consistent with their teachings.

It is pleasing to note the interest shown by the women.

John J. Murphy
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

Assistant District Commissioner

67-2-5

Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI,
Gulf District,

28th March, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.....T.P & N. G.

PATROL REPORT - KUKIPI No. 3 OF 1965/66:

Please find herewith three copies of the above Patrol Report, prepared by Mr. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer, covering an election Patrol to the TOARIPI Census Division. Could the attached claims for Camping Allowance be certified and returned in due course, please.

It is sincerely regretted that the Report has been so long in reaching your Office, however the Report seems to have been inadvertently filed and was only recently discovered. If in actual fact you have previously received copies of this Report, could this memo be disregarded, please.

The Patrol visited all villages in the TOARIPI Census Division with the exception of the POPO Group. The Patrol was well planned with prior warning, the Patrol's intentions being sent to all villages visited. As can be expected that villagers are fairly well acquainted with the preferential system of voting.

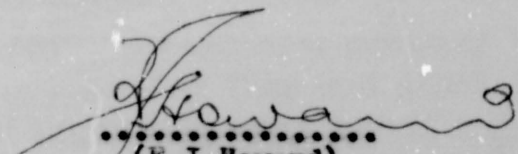
As can always be expected HEATOARE provided some interesting side effects, it may be said that TOREA/ERAKOFA still holds an amount of popular support, he appears to be gradually returning to public life, being active this year at the Tax payers meeting in Moveave, to an extent not witnessed in previous years. The result of the election does not appear to have been popular either to electors or elected, as Councillor MAIU has currently taken out a contract at Malalaua, and appears to have abandoned his Public Office. The matter is currently being investigated by the East Kerema Council.

The recurrent problem of absenteeism is again with us, to the usual extent. The fact that more women than men voted, is an interesting one, it appears that the adage concerning "the hand that rocks the cradle", still holds good.

Although there are no Jehovah's Witness Missionaries resident in the Sub District, the voting trend in Villages where the Sect still has a following, indicates that the dictates of the followers respective consciences are still being heard.

Mr. Smith's short history on elected Councillors shows a marked preference for men of some education. Only one female candidate stood and was not successful.

For your information, please.


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(F.J. Howard)
Assistant District Commissioner.

Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI,
Gulf District.
20th October, 1965.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI.

PATROL REPORT No. 3-65/665

Patrol Conducted by:- J.A.SMITH. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled:- TOARIPI CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by:- Morris Karava (Clerical Assistant)
1. member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration - From 6/10/65 to 14/10/65.

also 13/10/65.

Number of days EIGHT(8).

Medical Assistant did not accompany.

Map Reference - YULE FOURMIL.

Objects of Patrol:-

To conduct Council Elections in the Tearipi
Census Division for the East Kerema Local Government Council.

DIARY.

Wednesday, 6th Oct.

1000 hrs. departed Kukipi Station for ISAPEAPE village - arrived 1045.
People assembled and nominations for candidates put forward. Elections conducted.
1600, departed Isapeape for KUKIPI village, arrived 1730.
Remained the night and attended sing-sing.

Thursday, 7th Oct.

0800, Nominations for the Kukipi Ward followed by the Council Elections.
On completion at Kukipi proceeded to MAREKEA village where elections also completed.
Arrived at HAMURAMU village 1645hrs and remained the night.

Friday, 8th Oct.

Hamuramu Ward elections conducted during the morning. Here the Jehovah's Witness element refused to vote.
1200 Arrived at LELEFIRU village. Intended holding these elections on the 9th but people ready and wished it to be conducted today.
Elections completed during the afternoon; as with all villages todate all new Councillors were elected.

Saturday, 9th Oct.

Since already two days ahead of the time table sent to the villages prior to the patrol decided to remain the weekend in Leleriru village.
The people sought this opportunity to have their disputes heard.

Sunday, 10th Oct.

Sunday observed at Leleriru village.

Monday, 11th Oct.

Still ahead of time table.
0800 departed for SAVAIVIRI village, arriving 1100.
Word sent to TAPALA informing them that elections would be conducted there tomorrow.
1300 Savaiviri elections commenced.
Remained the night and attended sing-sing.

Tuesday, 12th Oct.

0800 hrs, departed Savaiviri bound for Tapala.
 People assembled and waiting; elections completed.
 As with Hamuhamu and Savaiviri the Jehovah's Witnesses
 would not vote.
 1000, departed for MOVEAVE village.
 Many people from both HEATOARE AND HEAVALE villages
 still in the bush.
 Heatoare elections to be conducted tomorrow.
 Remained the night at Heatoare Women's Club.

Wednesday, 13th Oct.

Heatoare Ward elections finally completed after a bit
 of trouble (see Election Report sec. IV of this
 report).
 Many Heavala people still absent at logging camps and
 at garden places. For the third time in two weeks
 a messenger was sent to remind them of the election date.

Thursday, 14th Oct.

0600, Heavala Ward Council Elections commenced;
 completed by 1300. A large percentage of the population
 still absent.
 1315, departed Moveave for Kukipi Station, arrived 1400.

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Monday, 18th Oct.

MIRIVASE and LALAPIPI elections conducted.

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 END OF PATROL.

INTRODUCTION.

This Electoral Patrol was carried out within the Tearipi Census Division for the purpose of electing Councillors for the East Kerema Local Government Council.

Transport from village to village consisted of a single canoe powered by a 14h.p. McCulloch outboard motor. This proved satisfactory since many small creeks and channels could be navigated by this vehicle whereas normally with a larger unit progress would be slow because it would be necessary to rely on tides.

All villages can be reached with water transport, as the area patrolled lies within the TAURI and LAKEKAMU Rivers delta.

Prior to commencement of the patrol a typed time table was sent to each village to ensure that as many people as possible would be present for voting.

In most cases the village people were ready with candidates nominated and the majority were present on the patrols arrival; this made the conduction of the elections a far easier task than expected. Thus the reason for the patrol being ahead of the time-table by the time it reached Lelefiru village. Moweave village was the exception and this will be discussed under the Electoral Report heading, section (V).

It was found that only a brief address on the manner of voting was necessary as the people knew what was required through their experiences at previous elections. Voting and counting was conducted in some cases with the aid of the more educated villagers. Possibly the only part of the procedure that was not fully understood by all was the preferential system used in counting of the votes. The first count with first preferences seemed to be easily understood, but when second preference votes were allotted to various candidates there appeared to be an amount of confusion amongst the scrutineers.

ELECTORAL REPORT.

(i) Pre-election Campaign.

Due to lack of time between my arrival at Kukipi and the date of commencement of elections it was not possible to conduct a satisfactory pre-election campaign.

At the last meeting of the East Kerema Local Government Council prior to the elections the Councillors were requested to inform the people in their respective villages that elections would be held in the villages on certain dates. These dates were confirmed by the sending to each village a time-table showing the people the intended movements of the coming patrol.

The Common Roll compiled for the House of Assembly elections was used with the names of new voters being recorded on a supplementary roll.

(ii) Manner of Elections.

Polling booths were set up in each ward:- Uritai, Isapege, Kukipi, Mareke, Hamuhani, Lelefira, Tapala, Savaiwiri, Heatoare, Heavala, Mirivase and Lalapipi; a total of 11 wards from which twenty-two Councillors were elected.

The elections commenced on Wednesday, 6th October and were completed on Monday, 18th October. The electoral staff travelled from ward to ward conducting the elections in each ward as they advanced through the area.

As Assistant Returning Officer I was assisted by a Poll Clerk, Morris Haiveta who as the circumstances required acted as interpreter and assisted in the recording of votes made by illiterate persons. It was also his job to translate into the Teapipi language information regarding the manner of marking ballot papers and the results of the elections.

One scrutineer for each candidate witnessed the electoral procedures and the counting of votes. A list of scrutineers can be found in the appendices section of this report. It was generally the case where scrutineers were those persons who had nominated the respective candidates; this seemed a satisfactory arrangement.

(iii) Feminine Interest.

This will be dealt with by MR. Steen since he assisted in the URITAI elections and has the results still with him on patrol.

(iv) Incidents.

At HEATOARE, after nominations had closed TOREA EREKOPA, a previous Councillor sent word to the polling team that he did not wish to stand for election and that on previous occasions he had repeatedly told the village people this. After they had nominated him, to ensure that he would not be elected he promptly hopped into his canoe and paddled off down the river.

The people became upset following his actions and refused to vote in the elections since the majority wished him to be their Councillor for the second time. Unless his name was put back onto the ballot papers and unless he was elected as Councillor then they wanted nothing to do with the elections.

We finally managed to persuade them that TOREA was within his rights and that they could not force him to become a Councillor against his wishes. They then decided to vote for the remaining four candidates until MANU MIRI, another former councillor decided that he, too, would withdraw from nomination. He felt that he would be re-elected and he did not wish to work without the help of TOREA. Since there was still over an hour to go before polling commenced and since he was determined in his wish to withdraw his name was also removed from the ballot papers.

Again the people became unsettled and refused to vote.

After tempers had abated the whole procedure was again explained and they eventually voted for the remaining three candidates.

I feel that the HEATOARE people were finally angry with the polling team and not TOREA or MANU because we had, against the people's wishes removed these two names from the papers. This is evident when considering the large number of informal votes in this village compared with all other villages. I doubt very much that the HEATOARE people were satisfied with the outcome of the elections and I suspect that the two new Councillors will receive very little support from the people.

(v) Absenteeism.

As can be seen from the voting statistics sheet (Form 10) there are 675 males and 399 females absent from the district. These figures only include the Territorial Census Division as the Moriori will be dealt with by Mr. Steen.

It must be noted that the large majority of those absent from the district are permanent absentees or semi-permanent. It is unfortunate that the elections clashed with the traditional garden-making season for this area, because of this the number of electors who voted only represents about one third of the number who would have voted if the elections were held at some other time. Lake HEAVALA Village for example, the garden lands for this village are located along the banks of the FAURI and LAKEKAMU Rivers and in many instances the people have to paddle their canoes for five days before they reach their garden sites. This means that if they return to the village to vote they are losing two weeks of productive work. To them it is not worth while.

(vi) Analysis of Statistics.

The figures disclose that more women than men voted and illustrate quite clearly the high degree of absenteeism both from the district and the villages. 95% of the people within the immediate vicinity of the villages at the time of the elections showed a keen interest in the proceedings and outcome.

The number of informal votes recorded for HEAVOAN Village is alarming when compared with the figure of nil for Heavala, the largest village after Hektoreri; this indicates that something was wrong and I have previously tried to explain the reason under the heading "Incidents". In the other three wards where the number of informal votes is high the reason can be put down as lack of understanding of the manner in which a ballot paper is to be marked.

In six of the eleven wards it was necessary to proceed past the first count as disclosed by the Voting Summary (Form 11).

(vii) Summary.

As stated previously there was a keen interest displayed by the majority of these people present at the elections. However, there was the occasional case of an individual refusing to vote by giving the following reasons: "Previously I have paid my tax-money to this council but the council has done nothing for me or my village; so why should I vote?" As far as these present were concerned the elections were successful as all were satisfied with the results.

CONCLUSION.

Although the object of this patrol was nearly to carry out elections for the East Kerema Local Government Councils the opportunity was taken to endeavour to clear up many complaints referred for a patrol's attention. As usual none of these complaints was of a serious nature and the parties involved were generally satisfied with the results.

On the whole the elections were conducted satisfactorily with no major incidents occurring and with almost every one concerned satisfied with the results.

The Voting Statistics and Voting Summary (Forms 10 and 11) will be included in the Electoral Report covering both the Teoripi and Meripi Census Divisions.

J.A. Smith
(J.A. Smith)

Cadet Patrol Officer.

(viii) Appendix.

Successful candidates not previously Members of the Council.

MAREKEA WARD.

KAISAVA MERAVEKA.

Age. 30 years.
Subsistence farmer living at Marakea village.
Educated at the Catholic Mission School Terape to Standard three level.
Has been employed as a Medical Orderly; also experience in sawmill and quarry work.
Speaks poor English.
Can read and write Motu.

HAMUHAMU WARD.

(1) EREKOKO LAND.

Age. 35 years
Subsistence farmer living at Hamuhamu village.
Educated to Standard Five at the L.M.S. school in Hamuhamu village.
Can speak Motu.

(2) KARAVAI TEHEFERE.

Age. 45 years.
Subsistence farmer at Hamuhamu village.
Educated at L.M.S. school Orokele to St. 2
Reads and writes Motu.

LELEFIEU WARD.

MOHORA HONGU.

Age. approx 34 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Standard 3 education at L.M.S. mission Koaru.
Can read and write Motu.
Plantation and sawmill experience.

TAPALA WARD.

MONOA MEKERI.

Age. 36 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Standard 4 education at L.M.S. mission Koaru.
Can read and write Motu.
Speaks poor English.

SAVAIVIRI WARD.

(1) SEVESE SARIA.

Age. 33 years.
Education. St.2 L.M.S. Savaiviri.
Subsistence farmer.
Can read and write Motu a little.
Only job outside the District was at
9-mibe quarry.

(2) UTIKAO PARAPO.

Age. 35 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Education. St.4. L.M.S. mission Koaru.
Reads and writes Motu.
One years teaching experience for L.M.S.

MIRIVASE WARD.

TORE NAVARA.

Age, 33 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Education. St.5. L.M.S mission Koaru.
Reads and writes Motu.
Speaks Pidgin.
Ex-policeman.

ISAPEAPE WARD.

(1) MITASE NILOU.

Age. 38
Subsistence farmer.
Education. St. 4 L.M.S. Isapeape.
Reads and writes Motu.
Experience as a Clerical Assistant.

(2) TAPORA ORI.

Age.40 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Education. St.1. L.M.S. Isapeape.
Speaks Motu.

KUKIPI WARD.

OROA EVOA.

Age. 46 years.
Subsistence farmer.
Education. L.M.S. village school.
Never been outside the district so has
had no opportunity to learn Motu.
Cannot read and write own language.

Appendix "A" continued.

KUKIPI WARD.

(2) PASAVA KAKARE.

AGE 43.

Subsistence farmer at Kukipi village.
Former Administration Carpenter.
Speaks Motu.
Speaks reasonable English.

LALAPIPI WARD.

WAHE MARERE.

Age 28.

Educated by the L.M.S to st. 5.
Attended Ikuabada for 3yrs - carpenter.
Speaks Motu and Pidgin.

HEAVALA WARD.

(1) PHILLIP KOSE.

Age 30.

P.I.R. 3yrs.

Land Dept; switch-board operator - 2yrs.
Education: R.C.M. Heavala - St.4
Presently a subsistence farmer.
Speaks English, Motu and Pidgin.

(2) FALMA LARIVITA.

Age 30.

Subsistence farmer and Trade Store owner.
Education: L.M.S. St.5. Sogeri Form 1.
Previously worked as a clerk for Treasury Dept.
Can read and write English and Motu.

(3) OROVA KLAYO.

Age 45-50.

L.M.S. education many years ago - St."A".
Subsistence farmer.
Can read and write Motu.

(4) KARI KEA.

Have been unable to contact him so at
present there are no particulars available.

HEATOARE WARD.

(1) HAU LARAVAI.

(2) KAKE HARAUAVA.

No particulars available at present.

Appendix "B"

List of Scrutineers.

KUKIPI WARD.

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| (1) Metahera Kakare | f. |
| (2) Koa Kaisava. | m. |
| (3) Haiveta Sera. | m. |
| (4) Popoe Maima. | m. |
| (5) Lare Ivare. | m. |
| (6) Hainerava Elavo. | m. |

ISAPEAPE WARD.

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|--------------------|----|
| (1) Firumori Sari. | m. |
| (2) Pouka Sape | m. |
| (3) Iko Ori. | m. |
| (4) Fofoi Hiovea. | m. |

HALUHAMU WARD.

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|----------------------|----|
| (1) Tore Susave. | m. |
| (2) Porofai Sevesoa. | m. |
| (3) Hore Lalori. | m. |

LELEPIRU WARD.

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| (1) Pou Liofae. | m. |
| (2) Sevese Sapee. | m. |
| (3) Evoa Maifur. | m. |
| (Sarea Kairi. | m. |
| (5) Marai Evera. | m. |

SAVAIVIRI WARD.

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|------------------------|----|
| (1) Kiripope Meatoro. | m. |
| (2) Toreva Ivari | m. |
| (3) Eraveara Ikatiti. | m. |
| (4) Kari Turaho. | m. |
| (5) Arepe Uiva | m. |
| (6) Lautariaka Lelesi. | m. |

TAPALA WARD.

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|-------------------|----|
| (1) Karafa Karu. | m. |
| (2) Kiro Kaikere. | m. |

HEATOARE WARD.

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| (1) Amafuru Eka. | m. |
| (2) Oveva Sapea. | m. |
| (3) Farapo Avoa. | m. |

Appendix "B" (Continued)

HEAVALA WARD.

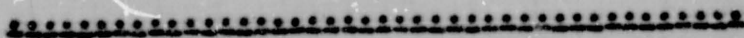
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| (1) Gabriel Ehava | m. |
| (2) Oyoa Farisa | m. |
| (3) Koa Orova | m. |
| (4) Lovato Tore | m. |
| (5) Moka Tore | m. |
| (6) Lavau Uaitao | m. |
| (7) Meraveka Ivara | m. |
| (8) Haiveta Haitarava | m. |

MIRIVASE WARD.

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| (1) Lare Sevesoa | m. |
| (2) Susuve Avarapo | m. |
| (3) Lare Sevesoa | m. |

LALAPIPI WARD.

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| (1) Lansi Soi | m. |
| (2) Karava Poiveta | m. |





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of GULF Report No. 5-65/66. KUKIPI.

Patrol Conducted by J.A. Smith. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled Upper Lakekamu River.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

1 interpreter.

Natives 1 Clerical Assistant.

1 member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration—From 15 11 /19 65 to 20 / 11 /19 65.

Number of Days 5 days.

Did Medical Assistant accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 3 /19 65

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference YULE FOURMIL.

Objects of Patrol (1) Elections for E.K.L.G.C. Koviio Ward

(2) Recover parachutes from S.A.S. resupply. (3) General Administration.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI.

28th March, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

PATROL REPORT - KUKIPI NO. 5 of 1965/66.

Attached herewith are three copies of a Patrol Report submitted by Mr. J. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer, relating to a Patrol visiting the lower villages in the KOVIC Census Division, for the purpose of holding an election to elect Councillors to the East Kerema Local Government Council.

Attached also are claims for Camping Allowance, could these be certified and returned, please.

It is regretted that this Report has been so late in submission, however it appears to have been inadvertently misfiled with Patrol Report No. 3 of 1965/66.

Not to let an opportunity slip by, could again, recommendations be raised for the supply of dingys and sufficiently powered outboard engines for localities such as this area. The amount of time wasted in a year by Officers putting about in hollowed out log canoes and underpowered engines is staggering. — ?

The general land picture along the LAKEKAMU River, and for that matter the TAURI River, is one of complete chaos. The land prior to the settlement of the area was no man's land. The now much fabled pre Administration MOVEAVE adventurers, only ventured into this country as carriers for gold miners, and other suitably protected occupations, planted odd pieces of herbage at overnight stops and now virtually claim all the land between here and WAU. I can visualize no easy solution to this problem, especially in view of the staff situation in this Sub-District at URULAU.

I presume Mr. Smith is referring to a Council Committee man rather than a Council Policeman. It has been customary for these two villages to take turn about, in supplying a Councillor.

It is pleasing to note that housing orders are being abided by generally in this Division. The KUKUKUKU people are not noted for the structural excellents of their dwellings, they prefer to live in houses with low eaves and no walls, as the dwellings are neat and cool, I can see no good reason for altering this trend. The situation regarding latrines shall be investigated when I visit the area this week. So shall the matter of the Village Constable's difficulties at KEREMAHUA, as his flock have a tendency to roam, the matter shall be treated with tact.

Mr. Smith has completed a short but interesting Patrol, and achieved all that he set out to do. His Report is comprehensive and well presented.

67-5-11/1100

WJGL:wd

Gulf District,
KEREMA.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
PORT Moresby

FAIRWATER REPORT KUKUPI 5/1955/56

Attached please find a copy of the above report
together with a copy of the Assistant District Commissioner,
Kukupi's covering memo.

The subject of water transport has been revised so
as to cover **For your information .** adequacy of our present fleet
is well known.

The land situation is a case right along the coast.
Prior to the advent of the white man there was a line of
man's land between the coast and the interior. Now
the coastal people have been driven inland and
the interior people have been driven to the coast.
The boundary between the two groups is now their
North-South boundary.

(F.J. Howard)
Assistant District Commissioner.

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District Commissioner

67-5-11/1100

WJGL:wd

Gulf District,
KEREMA.

May 16, 1966.

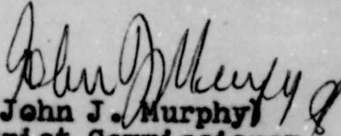
The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KCNEDOBU

PATROL REPORT KUKUPI 5/1965/66

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The subject of water transport has been revised on numerous occasions and the inadequacy of our present fleet is well known.

The land situation is the same right along the coast. Prior to the advent of Europeans there was a strip of no man's land between the coastal and Kukukuku people. Now the coastal people have commenced to use this land with resultant disputes. None of the coastal people know their Northern boundaries and when asked wave vaguely to the North.


(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

67-2-19

7th July, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
KEREMA.
Gulf District.

KUKUPI PATROL REPORT NO. 5/1965-66:

Thank you for your memorandum 67-5-11/1100 of the 16th May, 1966, together with Mr. Smith's patrol report.

2. Your remarks on the land situation in the Kukupi area ring true. Prior to the advent of the European in this area, there existed a strip of no man's land between the coastal and Kukukuku people. Now land disputes seem to be rising because the coastal people are using land belonging to the Kukukukus.

3. Mr. Smith has spent only a few days in this area but submitted a fairly lengthy and interesting report.

(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

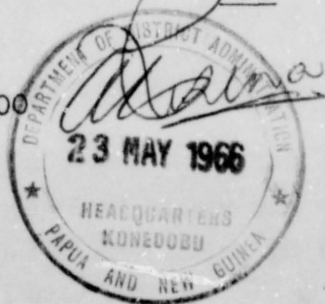
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Mr. WJGL:wd



Department of District Administration,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

May 16, 1966.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBUBU

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John J. Murphy
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

Duration - from 15/11/65 to 20/11/65.

5 days.

Medical Assistant did not accompany.

Last patrol to area - A.D.A. Marsh, 1935. (P. J. Rowland, A.D.A.)

Map Reference: TUGI 200000.

Objects of Patrol: To conduct elections in the KUKIPI area for the Kuki Kerei Local Government Council.

- (ii) To recover three "Mallard" parachutes used in the resupply of S.A.P. personnel in that area.
- (iii) If time available - general administration.

Sub-District Office,

KUKIPI,

Gulf District.

25th November, 1965.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KUKIPI,
Gulf District.

PATROL REPORT No. 5-65/66

Patrol Conducted by: J.A. Smith. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Upper Lakekamu River.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans: Nil.

Natives: 1 Clerical Assistant.

1 Interpreter.

1 member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration - From 15/11/65 to 20/11/65.

5 days.

Medical Assistant did not accompany.

Last patrol to area:- D.D.A. March, 1965. (F.J. Howard. A.D.C.)

Map Reference: YULE FOURMIL.

Objects of Patrol: To conduct elections in the KOVIO Ward for the
East Kerema Local Government Council.

(i) To recover from "Balldog" parachutes used in
the resupply of S.A.S. personnel in that area.

(ii) If time available- general administration.

DIARY.

Monday, 15th November, 65.

0900 hrs departed Kukipi Station in an outboard powered canoe and proceeded up the Lakekamu R. 1700 hrs after an uneventful trip arrived at URULAU village and prepared to remain the night. During the evening various complaints discussed.

Tuesday, 16th.

0810 hrs departed Urulau village and headed for OKAVAI village further up stream. 1215 hrs stopped at KEREMAHUA village where the village constable reported that he was having trouble with his people. Promised to spend a day in his village on the return journey. 1430 hrs arrived at Okavai village. Discussed the Council elections with the people. S.A.S personnel moved from Buldeg to Mirinas village.

Remained the night at Okavai.

Wednesday, 17th,

0800 hrs departed Okavai village and proceeded to Buldeg. 1130 hrs arrived Buldeg, L.M.S. mission school. 5 parachutes in the Pastor's House. Retraced steps to Keremahua village arriving 1515. Moveave people who have gardens near here came forward with their usual complaints.

Thursday, 18th.

0800 hrs left the rest-house and walked to Keremahua village. With the aid of village men present a pig-fence was built around the village. Complaints discussed. Counciller from Okavai stopped on his way to Urulau to report that remaining Okavai people would not be voting in the elections. Remained the night at Keremahua.

Friday, 19th.

0730 hrs departed for Urulau village: arrived 1000. 1300 hrs elections commenced. Completed 1430. Remained the night at Urulau.

Saturday, 20th.

0700 hrs departed Urulau for Kukipi Station. Arrived 1300 hrs.

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INTRODUCTION.

The main object of this patrol was to complete the elections for the East Kerema Local Government Council in the remaining ward.

Transport on the Lakekamu River consisted of a large single canoe powered by an 18h.p. Johnson outboard motor. This unit was satisfactory since the larger motor was powerful enough to overcome the flood waters that the patrol met on the journey up river. It was not necessary for the patrol to leave the river villages so no other form of transport was needed.

Because of the flood waters met on the upward journey a large amount of fuel was consumed as it took two days of almost non-stop travelling to reach Bulldog. On the return leg times were cut in half because of extra assistance given by the current.

From Terape to Keremahua Village the Meavala people have garden sites scattered along both banks of the Lakekamu River. At these "business" sites many are attempting to grow coffee and rice crops as well as their usual subsistence crops. However, many of these people are squatting on land that does not belong to them and trouble has already occurred between these people and the rightful owners. This will be enlarged upon under "Complaints".

North of Bulldog in the foothills the Kukukuku people live; only a few of these were met and thus I was not able to find out anything that is worthwhile putting in a report.

The Keremahua village people are gradually beginning to settle in a permanent village although there are still a few who prefer the nomadic life. Keremahua is to be discussed under "Native Affairs"

Since the first Council meeting was to be held on the 24th or 25th of November this patrol did not visit the villages in the area that do not have a Councillor. Thus there was not a great deal of contact with the people outside the Council's control.

Five parachutes used in the resupply of four patrols of S.A.S personnel in the area were recovered from the L.M.S. paster at Bulldog and delivered to Terape airstrip for forwarding to the Army in Port Moresby.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS.
KOYLO WARD.

The Koylo ward of the East Kerena Local Government Council consists of OKAVAI and URULAM villages. These two villages are separated by one full days travel on the river. This is one full day by an overland powered canoe which means that there is not a great deal of contact between the two.

To conduct the elections for this group of people it is necessary for them to meet at either one of the above villages and since the river was in flood it was considered easier for the Okvai village people to come down to Urulam village. This they agreed to do, but apparently had second thoughts about the journey and consequently failed to turn up for the elections. The only reason that I could get out of the Okvai Councillor was that the people did not want to vote.

The elections for the Koylo Ward were conducted with the Urulam people and only four Okvai people. Two candidates from Urulam village stood.

Councillor elected:

IVONE AROYO.

Age 25.

Education: St.3 L.M.S. Village school.

Substance farmer.

Speaks Keta - cannot read or write.

The results of the election proved to be satisfactory to everyone. Urulam village which I had intended recommending for a Council Policeman or some other official, now has someone to take their troubles to. (This will be elaborated upon under "Complaints")

RECEPTION OF NEW PATROL.

In all villages the patrol was almost enthusiastically received. At Urulam and Okvai new rest houses were under construction so other accommodation was made available for patrol personnel. The visit of the patrol was used as an excuse for two dances to be held at Urulam.

The Village Constable at Keremahua was pleased to see the patrol arrive since he had been having a bit of trouble with his people.

VILLAGES.

(1) Standard of Housing.

Urulau and Okavai villages.

In March of this year Mr. F. J. Howard, a/A.D.C patrolled this area and issued housing orders in both these villages. I am pleased to report that all houses and kitchens have been completed and at present all houses are in excellent order.

Keremahua village.

These people still tend to prefer the nomadic life and I do not think that they take their village seriously. Housing orders issued by Mr. Howard have been completed but the standard of construction is not very high. Since there is no nipa palm this far up the river the roofs are thatched with the leaf of the sage palm which lasts about six months before it needs replacing.

The existing houses have very little in the way of walls since the people claim they do not know how to make walls.

Moveave settlements.

On many of these settlement sites the Moveave people have built good solid houses and obviously intend staying a long time.

(ii) Water Supply.

Water is obtained from whatever creek or river is the closest and at times of flood this water can be quite filthy.

(iii) Hygiene and Sanitation.

Village sites are clean and tidy since the women sweep the ground every day. It was only at Keremahua that pigs were noticed wandering around the village so I remained there for one day and saw the completion of a fence to keep the pigs out.

Toilets as we know them do not exist; the bush is still the most popular place.

(iv) Village sites.

All three villages visited are located along the banks of a river which takes care of rubbish disposal. Drainage from all three is adequate and shade is plentiful making life in these villages pleasant from that point of view.

Village sites are satisfactory.

Village Officials.

Okavai village.

Until the time of the elections the Councillor for the Kevie Ward came from here. From what I can gather his performance of his duties was not satisfactory since during his entire term of office he only once visited Urulau village on Council business once and this was for the recently completed election.

Keremahua Village.

The Village Constable here is a keen and energetic chap but unfortunately he does not have much influence with his people. Normally the people take very little notice of his orders until he is backed up by a patrol officer.

Since it may be said that he is the best of bunch there is no one to replace him.

Council Ferryman.

It is the job for the ferryman from Urulau and Okavai to bring people to Kukipi once every month. If a person is sick and needs hospital treatment then these ferrymen must provide the canoe for their transport to Kukipi.

Unfortunately the ferryman from Okavai has not been doing his job since he prefers crecedile sheeting and to have his monthly wages paid to him without any effort on his part to earn them. A report has been sent to the E.K.L.G.C for their information and possible action.

AGRICULTURE.

The only cash cropping in the area is done by the Meveave squatters on their sites along the banks of the Lake-kamu River. Here they are growing coffee and rice in various quantities depending on how hard an individual cares to work. The Kukukukas at Keremahua village have cleared an area of bush which they intend putting under coffee. However, I believe this attempt is being frustrated to a degree by the presence and interference of the Meveave people near by.

Apart from the above subsistence farming is the only other form of agriculture carried out. Fortunately these people have not been hit hard by the present drought and their gardens are still in a healthy position- condition.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Keremahaua village.

A group of about thirty people from Meveave village have decided to settle on land adjacent to Keremahaua village. These people have apparently been employing the Keremahaua men in the clearing of bush and preparation of gardens and have been reluctant to pay for this labour with the result that there is now a feeling of dissatisfaction amongst the Keremahaus. They would like the Meveaves to remove themselves from the area and leave them and their land alone. Another cause for resentment is that the Keremahaua women have been molested by Meveave men and the Keremahaua men are now ashamed of their wives.

COMPLAINTS.

The only complaints brought forward all concerned land matters; these included the one described above.

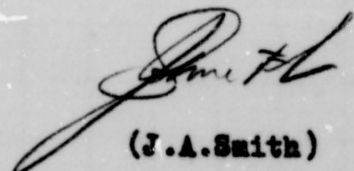
Urulau village is sited on land owned by an old woman. This land contains her coconut and betel nut trees and the remaining village people have a habit of helping themselves without asking or paying. Since there is now a Councillor in this village he should be able to assist her in obtaining payment or compensation for the goods taken.

The Meveave people situated near Keremahaua village complained about a fire which destroyed several food trees. Unfortunately the culprit could not be ascertained.

Rest Houses.

Keremahaua village has recently completed their rest house; this is one of the best I have seen. It is obvious that a lot of work has gone into the construction and the people are justifiably proud of their effort.

The rest houses at Urulau and Okawai villages are both still under construction but promise to be reasonable jobs.


(J.A. Smith)
Cadet Patrol Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of GULF Report No. KUKIPI NO. 6 - 1965/66

Patrol Conducted by G.C. CONNOR, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled Most of TOARUPI census division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 1 member R.P. & N.G.C. and East Kerema Council Vice - President

Duration—From 20/4/1966 to 10/6/1966

Number of Days 45 Patrol was broken

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 30/11/1964

Medical 19/2/1965

Map Reference Fourmil of YULE

Objects of Patrol To assist and advise East Kerema Council with capital works projects: aid post and road construction, channel clearing and marking plus general administration in the area.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-2-24

14th July, 1966.

District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 6/1965-66:

A copy of the above Patrol Report has been passed to me and I would like to congratulate Mr. Connor on the success of his patrol. I was particularly impressed by his approach to the task. He indicates an understanding of the advisory role which officers of this Department need to exercise in relation to local government activities. Quite often the officer needs to become involved fairly directly from the point of view of organising activities and his actual presence is often very necessary so that he can give ready advice.

Mr. Connor indicates several times in his report that the actual work was supervised by Councillors but I am sure that they were able to do this more successfully than otherwise would have been, if Mr. Connor had not been there to lend them his support.

H.T.P.
(H.T. PLANT)
Commissioner for Local Government.

67-2-24

7th July, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 6/1965-66:

Thank you for your memorandum 67-5-12/1350 of the 30th June, 1966, together with Mr. Connor's patrol report.

2. Your comments have been noted. I agree wholeheartedly that the Assistant District Commissioner study with caution and discretion the matter you mention.

3. A lengthy and useful patrol into the East Kerema Council area has just been completed by Mr. Connor and he has submitted a neatly typed, lengthy and very informative report.

(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

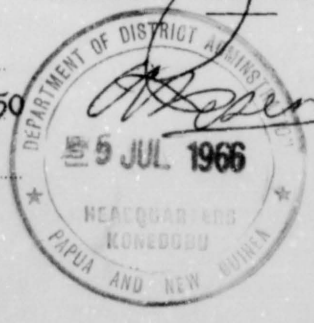
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....
Our Reference... 67-5-12/1350
If calling ask for
Mr. ACJ:wd



Department of District Administration,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

June 30, 1966.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1965/66.

Patrol report enclosed for your information and comment,
please.

My information came to me privately and a detailed Report
and submission will be presented to you within a few days.

J. J. Murphy
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

67-5-12/1349

ACJ:wd

Gulf District,
KEREMA.

June 30, 1966.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
KUKIPI

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1965/66.

Thank you for the abovementioned Report which was received on even date.

Mr. Connor has conducted a most useful patrol in a competent manner. The Report is neatly compiled and well phrased. It is also pleasing to read clear and concise patrol instructions.

Political Situation.

The comments under this heading are too meagre and an area such as the TOARIPY warrants more penetrating observations.

I have reason to believe that a significant percentage of a very influential group of these people hold very firmly to the belief that Europeans are the reincarnation of their ancestors and in some instances they have even identified the ancestor with the living European. It is also interesting to note that it appears that quite a widely held belief by well educated adults in the Division is that when self determination is achieved in Papua, all private enterprise will be taken over by the Europeans. There does not appear to be any animosity or rancour associated with this idea.

Possibly the reason for the lack of aggressive enterprise in this District at the propensity of educated youths to 'sit around' can be attributed to this philosophy.

I have a very open mind on this aspect of local thought but I desire that it be studied and reported upon. In this regard you must not delegate the task to junior officers or to any officer you consider may be ill balanced for this type of work. I would prefer that initially you apply yourself to this investigation and view it in the light of security and intelligence. Thus you must proceed with caution, discretion and prudence. The implications are obvious and incautious enquiries could cause likely informants to deny their knowledge. It is quite possible that the people themselves do not realise the full significance of these beliefs.

Please give this task full priority.

Cash vouchers returned herewith.

J. J. Murphy MS.
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

cc. Director, Department of
District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

KUKIPI SUB - DISTRICT
GULF DISTRICT
PATROL NO.6 - 1965/66

Officer conducting patrol: G.C.Connor, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: TOARIPI census division.

Personell accompanying: Constable 1/c EMBOGO
East Kerema Council V/President
FALEMA/LARIVITA

Duration: April 20th 1966 to May 10th 1966
Patrol was broken.
45 days.

Last patrol to area: D.D.A. Census 30/11/64
Visits to various villages since
then as they are close to the
Sub-District Office. These visits
usually on council work.
P.H.D. 19/2/65 and various day
trips.

Objects of Patrol: Construct road from MOVEAVE to
TERAPO, build aid post at HAMU
HAMU, clear SAVAIVIRI AND TAPALA
channels - all these being pro-
jects of the East Kerema Council.
General administration in the
area patrolled.

Map reference: Fournal of YULE.

G.C. Connor
G.C.Connor
Patrol Officer

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 1965/66

PATROL DIARY

The object, in brief, of this patrol was to supervise the construction of a council aid post at HAMUHAMU village, clear and widen two river channels running to LELEFIRU village from the respective villages of SAVAIVIRI and TAPALA, re-open the old wartime road between MOVEAVE and TERAPO, check on various outstanding matters arising from office correspondence and carry out general administrative work in the area patrolled. All of the work projects carried out on this patrol were those that the Kast Kerema Council laid out in its estimates for both the present financial year and the coming one.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20th

0700 M.V. Avana departs with patrol cargo for SAVAIVIRI village which will be used as a base camp for all of the projects. Self following in dinghy with Council Vice-President FALEMA of MOVEAVE. Arrived SAVAIVIRI 0854 and found 50 men assembled ready to commence work on the channel for which the council has allocated \$300. As this is a community project I proceeded to LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU to get volunteers to help with this work. Another 50 men from these two villages were recruited during the afternoon and 4 contractors engaged to commence work on the Council aid post at HAMUHAMU. Returned to SAVAIVIRI 1730.....Slept in Womens Club.

THURSDAY APRIL 21st

SAVAIVIRI village assembled 0730 and shovels picks etc issued. Working party then by canoes round to the channel and upon meeting the other group from LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU I pointed out what was to be done. Supervised work until 1230 then proceeded to MOVEAVE to find a work force to re-open the old wartime road which ran between this village and TERAPO mission station and airstrip. Talks held all afternoon but no decision reached in regard to whether or not these people were willing to build this road. Returned SAVAIVIRI 1615 and supervised channel cutting and widening until 1700 thence returned to the village. Discussions with councillors that night.

FRIDAY APRIL 22nd

Further supervising of work on channel and the repairing of the communal SAVAIVIRI/TAPALA aid post. Work on the channel proceeding well. A few minor disputes looked into and settled without any action having to be taken.

SATURDAY APRIL 23rd.

0730 to SAVAIVIRI channel for supervision of channel work thence at 1000 to TAPALA to look at the other channel and calculate the problems involved in straightening and widening it.

FRIDAY (continued)

Talks with people cannot proceed at a great rate owing to a lack of the required tools needed for this work. Returned Savaiviri in afternoon to check on work.

SUNDAY APRIL 24th

Departed SAVAIVIRI for KUKIPI to pick up a new supply of petrol and to collect contract forms.

From this day the patrol was broken owing to the Anzac Day holiday and celebrations. Patrol resumed on Wednesday April 27th.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 27th

Departed KUKIPI for SAVAIVIRI 0900 where continued supervising work on channel which is being cleared at a good rate. Morning spent there thence down to LELEFIRU to discuss the construction of the council aid post to be built at HAMUHAMU with the 4 contractors who will be building it. A piece of ground was selected for the site and a check revealed that most of the materials that will be needed in the construction were there. Returned to SAVAIVIRI 1800 and heard minor complaints until 2200. None of these complaints resulted in or needed court action.

THURSDAY APRIL 28th

0800 to MOVEAVE to commence the clearing of a walking track through heavy swamp growth to enable us to survey the condition of the old MOVEAVE/TERAPO road. Fifty MOVEAVE's commenced work under the supervision of myself and 2 councillors. Going very difficult but by the end of the day a path 8 feet wide had been cleared for a distance of approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile along the same route the old road took. Returned SAVAIVIRI to check on channel work at 1700.

FRIDAY APRIL 29th

To MOVEAVE for further work on road during the morning then to LELEFIRU to do character checks on a few people and to check what was being done in regard to the construction of the aid post. Returned to TAPALA 1730 after engine failure en route. Visited Welfare Officer Miss TAIT and organized a working party to start clearing out the TAPALA LELEFIRU channel as some equipment is now available. This channel will be the main link between MALALAVA and the HAMUHAMU/LELEFIRU group when the KUKIPI station shifts from its present location.

SATURDAY APRIL 30th

To MOVEAVE 0730 to supervise further road clearing but found that all of the workers from the past few days were absent in the bush evidently preparing food for a "death feast" to be held tonight. Moved on to TAPALA for discussions with Welfare Officer re her movements in the area being patrolled. 1100 Welfare party and self leave for SAVAIVIRI where self inspected channel work for the remainder of the day. Sing-sing held in village at night.

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SUNDAY MAY 1st

Observed

MONDAY MAY 2nd

0800 self and Councillor Falema depart per dinghy for MOVEAVE to inspect and supervise roadwork. Approximately 30 men now engaged on this task of clearing the old road to a width of 9 feet. When it is fully cleared then we can ascertain the feasibility of constructing a vehicular road as this track at the moment is for the sole purpose of gaining an idea of what the land structure underneath is like. Supervised work until 1300 thence back to SAVAIVIRI to supervise cutting and clearing of this channel for the remainder of the day. Talks with SAVAIVIRI councillors held at night.

TUESDAY MAY 3rd

0800 to TAPALA to inspect the work on that particular channel to LELEFIRU thence to MOVEAVE to find a working party to build a new wharf. One of the village elders died during the night thus there was no work from the village today due to funeral activities. 1000 met ADC Mr. Howard at MOVEAVE wharf and returned with him to the SAVAIVIRI channel to inspect the work. Discussions with ADC who then proceeded on to KEREMA while self returned to the Council Chambers to pick up a length of reinforcing rod needed in the construction of the HANUHANU aid post. Rod delivered to the contractors then supervised work on the TAPALA channel until 1800 before returning to SAVAIVIRI.

WEDNESDAY MAY 4th

0800 to MOVEAVE for roadwork supervision for the entire morning. Work is going well and is now nearly 3/4 of the way clear to TERAPO with the total distance in the vicinity of 2 to 2 1/2 miles. 1300 returned to SAVAIVIRI for a short lunch break then supervised work on both the SAVAIVIRI channels and TAPALA channel for the remainder of the afternoon. 1800 I learn that a man has a deep cut in his left knee inflicted while he was working in the channel. On inspection I decided to take him to the mission hospital at TERAPO for treatment as it looked as though the cut would require stitching. Arrived TERAPO 1930 where the injury was attended to by Sister Gabrielle. Returned SAVAIVIRI 2130.

THURSDAY MAY 5th

0800 to TAPALA for supervision of work as no work is done unless it is supervised! Morning spent there then took Council hygiene patrol party back to MOVEAVE at 1130 thence checked on road clearing and marked out what was yet to be done. Talks with residents of MOVEAVE re the condition of the village which was, as usual filthy. Returned SAVAIVIRI to inspect channel works which should at the present rate be completed within 2 weeks. Returned rest house 1745 to discuss the projects being undertaken with vice-president Falema.

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FRIDAY MAY 6th

0800 to TERAPO to supervise road construction and to count the economic trees that will have to be bought. Morning spent there then to KUKIPI station in the afternoon to arrange for the council canoe to pick up timber waiting at MOVEAVE sawmill for delivery to the aid post site at HAMUHAMU. Returned SAVAIVIRI 1630 to inspect channel cutting until 1800.

SATURDAY MAY 7th

0800 to TAPALA to check on channel work and deliver tools. 1000 returned SAVAIVIRI to place markers in the channel to indicate to the workers where it has to be deepened then on to MOVEAVE to inspect and supervise clearing of the old army road to TERAPO for the remainder of the day.

SUNDAY MAY 8th

Observed

MONDAY MAY 9th

To LELEFIRU to check if Councillor Sevesca has commenced work on the aid post now that a site has been laid out. Learned 32 bags of cement for the construction of council wells at OIAPU have been offloaded here almost 20 miles from there proper destination. Returned MOVEAVE 1300 and contacted Steamships Trading Company on the sawmill radio regarding this matter. Supervised clearing of road at TERAPO from 1400 to 1700 thence returned to SAVAIVIRI for the night.

TUESDAY MAY 10th

Work on SAVAIVIRI channel supervised during the morning then to MOVEAVE sawmill to inquire re short supply of timber for the HAMUHAMU aid post. Road clearing between MOVEAVE and TERAPO now nearly completed as we have now struck high land instead of the swamp of the past few days. All of the economic trees have not been cut as yet. Afternoon spent on roadwork thence self to SAVAIVIRI channel at 1600 where bends have nearly all been straightened and channel itself dug deeper.

WEDNESDAY MAY 11th

0800 to TERAPO where road from MOVEAVE is to come out. Work proceeding at a steady rate. Supervised cutting all of the morning and road now is cleared right through. Now the many trees along the length of the road will have to be purchased. Afternoon to SAVAIVIRI for further widening of the channel which is now a 100% safer than what it was before. Returned SAVAIVIRI village 1730 for talks with the local LMS mission teacher re children not coming to school then prepared a talk on local government which I will be giving tomorrow to the high school students at KOARU

THURSDAY MAY 12th

0730 prepared to depart for KOARU but engine failed to start. After numerous tries and adjustments engine finally started at 1000 hours and self after picking up the Co-operative Officer at MOVEAVE departed for KOARU arriving destination at 1240. After lunching with the Missionary in charge of the station gave talk on local government and what it means to the pupils of standard six and forms 1 and 2. Talk taking some 90 minutes with some interest shown by the senior students. Departed KOARU 1700 to return to SAVAIVIRI via KUKIPI to deliver a nurse from the KOARU station, returning rest house 2000.

FRIDAY MAY 13th

0800 policeman despatched to TAPALA to look into a reported case of timber stealing. Self to MOVEAVE/TERAPO road of which I walked the entire length to ascertain the lie of the land. Approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile of it is through poor swamp land and will require a great deal of work to bring it up to vehicular standard, while the rest on the TERAPO side is on good high ground and will be relatively easy to construct. Supervised cutting of a branch road to YOPOI, a small hamlet on the Lakekamu river, then returned to SAVAIVIRI in the late afternoon to inspect channel work then patrol departed for KUKIPI station as self to attend Goroka show tomorrow with permission being granted by District Commissioner.

PATROL RESUMED AFTERNOON TUESDAY 17th

TUESDAY MAY 17th

After morning spent in office at KUKIPI clearing up a few outstanding matters of correspondence patrol left for TAPALA which will be used as the new base camp, while self to MOVEAVE to do further tree counting on the TERAPO road and to try and ascertain the rightful owners of these trees as most of those to be purchased are under dispute. Remainder of day spent on this task but little headway made as to who owns what in regard to the trees. Self and 1 policeman remained MOVEAVE that night to enable an early start to be made in the morning.

WEDNESDAY MAY 18th

To road site again to collect a list of the tree owners names and to mark those trees which are to be cut. There are at least 300 mature sago, mango, coconut, betelnut and banana trees to be purchased yet to date the council cannot afford to pay for these. The cost of putting in this road, even with relatively cheap labour are going to be much more than the \$300. the council has allocated. All disputes as to the correct ownership of the trees settled by late afternoon so self then on to TAPALA to find that the work on the channel was coming along well. Stayed on the site until 1700 then returned to the rest house at MOVEAVE. Discussions with Councillors re the road at night.

THURSDAY MAY 19th

0800 lectured all those who were present in MOVEAVE on the laws relating to the purchase and consumption of liquor now that liquor will be able to be bought in the village from June 1st onwards. Typed out the pertinent parts of the Liquor Licensing Ordinance and gave them to the holder of the Storekeepers licence Mr. Andrew Hasu Sarufa. In the afternoon self to SAVAIVIRI and TAPALA to further supervise channel work which should be completed within 2 weeks thus making the two channels concerned wider, deeper and safer for all those people who use them.

FRIDAY MAY 20th

0800 departed MOVEAVE for LELEFIRU to get further work done on the aid post being built at HAMUHAMU. Also made sure that the 30 bags of cement for the council wells at OIAPU were put back on the vessel which by mistake the previous week had dropped them at LELEFIRU. Returned to TAPALA some 12 river miles away at 1500 to check on channel work then went on to MABALAUVA to try and find a length of steel cable which is needed for KAINTEBA station. Returned MOVEAVE at night.

SATURDAY MAY 21st

0800 organised a working party to clear out the small channel near MOVEAVE which joins the TAURI and LAKEKAMU rivers, and then worked out the timber requirements for the new wharf to be built at MOVEAVE (Heavala). Wharf is to be 40ft by 12ft with steel pilings and a sawn timber deck. Supervised the channel work being done by the Moveave's for the remainder of the day then to TERAPO in the evening to discuss the MOVEAVE - TERAPO road with Father Rhiel. Returned to Moveave at night.

SUNDAY MAY 22nd

Observed

MONDAY MAY 23rd

0800 to TAPALA thence SAVAIVIRI to explain the Liquor Licensing Ordinance to the people of these villages this taking the entire morning. Work on the 2 channels then commenced for the day. Self then to MOVEAVE sawmill to contact Patair to endeavour to arrange an airdrop for KAINTEBA. Further work on channels done during the afternoon and piles for the HEAVALA wharf obtained from the Catholic mission at TERAPO. Minor disputes re pigs spoiling gardens heard in the village that evening but all of these were resolved without court action being required. Slept MOVEAVE.

TUESDAY MAY 24th

0900 after collecting members of the Council Executive Committee departed for Council Chambers for the meeting of the said committee. Arrived 1000 and discussed the projects that I am at present engaged on with the president of the Council while waiting for the other members to arrive. Waited until 1200 then returned station for lunch. Returned to chambers 1330 still no-one there except the 3 who came with me so returned to station to work on correspondence arising from the patrol for the remainder of the afternoon. Slept on station.

WEDNESDAY MAY 25th

Day spent at East Kerema council chambers for monthly meeting.

THURSDAY MAY 26th

Day spent at council chambers revising the draft estimates and attending the meeting of the Executive Committee.

FRIDAY MAY 27th

Patrol resumes.....0730 to TERAPO to prepare for airdrops to KAINTEIBA by the new "Pilatus Porter" aircraft. Prepared a load of 1800lbs thence awaited aircraft which arrived at 1030. Cargo loaded and one drop only carried out. This now clears KUKIPI of all KAINTEIBA cargo awaiting to be uplifted. According to the pilot the drop was very successful due to the slow drop speed of this type of aircraft. Lunched at the mission then spent the afternoon at TAPALA marking further corners to be cut in the channel there. This channel is approximately 1 mile long and is now reasonably clear for $\frac{2}{3}$ of that distance. This will be the main means of access to MALALAU for the coastal people of LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU. Slept Moveave.

SATURDAY MAY 28th

0800 to MALALAU to try to find steel pilings discarded by the oil company which has recently left the area, which we can use in the construction of the new wharf at HEAVALA. Trip unsuccessful as the piles found were too rotten to be of any use. Returned MOVEAVE road and placed markers along the length to be dug and levelled. Back to MOVEAVE in the afternoon to talk to all the store owners re the wharf which will be decked with 6 by 2, thus I suggested that they all put in the sum of \$4 to pay for this as they are the only ones who benefit from the wharf. All agreed but as yet no money has come forth. Slept Moveave.

SUNDAY MAY 29th

Observed. Took Agricultural Officer Mr. Pybus to KUKIPI village by dinghy in afternoon for him to catch the K-boat to KEREMA. Slept at station.

MONDAY MAY 30th

0800 to SAVAIVIRI and TAPALA channels in morning to supervise digging then on to LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU with council canoe to deliver further timber for the aid post and to talk to the people of these two villages re the purchase and consumption of liquor. Back to MOVEAVE at 1500 to check on channel cutting and road clearing for remainder of day. Night spent at MOVEAVE.

TUESDAY MAY 31st

Self and three Moveave men engaged on putting large red and white signs with reflectors attached on the channel near Moveave which runs between the Tauri and Lakekamu rivers. By marking the entrance thus, it will be easier to find these small channels at night. In afternoon self and councillors from MOVEAVE discussed the state of the village with the people and organized a clean up party. Temporary repairs effected to the old wharf and foot bridges in the village repaired. Slept MOVEAVE.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1st

0800 self to HAMUHAMU aid post site with timber left behind from Monday. Contractors officially engaged and cement pouring begun. Work to be done by council vice-president and 3 village men. Returned MOVEAVE via TAPALA where channel work was proceeding at a good rate. Work is harder now as the many logs under the water take a good deal of getting out. Returned MOVEAVE ate, then inspected the licenced premises of Mr. Andrew Hasu Sarafa and discussed with him price trading hours etc then placed order for timber required for the MOVEAVE wharf. Inspected village works such as cleaning up, digging of drains, repairs to bridges etc then down to station to attend celebration being given by the Tearipi Association of Native Societies in honour of "licence day". All very orderly. Returned MOVEAVE 2000 to find that it was just as orderly and quiet as it had been on the station. Slept Moveave.

THURSDAY JUNE 2nd.

0800 to HAMUHAMU village to check on aid post. Frame can be constructed now but as yet no iron for the roof has arrived. Morning spent there then over to LELEFIRU to ascertain why the 40 men working on the SAVAIVIRI channel did not turn up for work this morning. Two hours spent hearing their complaints regarding pay for the work, but eventually they all decided to resume work again tomorrow morning. Slept then returned to MOVEAVE after spending some time in the TAPALA channel which is nearing completion. Slept Moveave.

FRIDAY JUNE 3rd

Council work day in Moveave. Village assembled and discussed what needed doing. Further village cleaning and repairs to bridges and paths carried out. Talks held with all of the trade store owners re the wharf and \$28 collected during the day. This money will be held by Councillor Orovea until the full \$40 required is collected from those store owners who were absent from today's meeting. Self to TERAPO to negotiate with Father Rhiel of the Catholic Mission for 6 steel piles we can use in the construction of this wharf. Negotiations successful and piles brought to the village. In the afternoon self to TAPALA to further supervise channel work for the remainder of the day. Slept Moveave at night.

SATURDAY JUNE 4th

To HAMUHAMU in morning to check on various disputes re pigs spoiling gardens and to inspect the aid post. Talked to the owners of the pigs and gave instructions that the pig fence around the village was to be repaired. Calculated timber requirements for the aid post rafters then returned MOVEAVE to place yet another order and to arrange for the council canoe to pick it up. Returned to KUKIPI in afternoon to discuss the funds expenditure on this aid post with the council clerk. Slept station.

SUNDAY JUNE 5th

Observed

MONDAY JUNE 6th

0800 to SAVAIVIRI channel to complete works. Self spending the entire day in the channel advising exactly what had to be done to complete it before payment could be made. Although the council has allocated \$300 for the work which has not taken them a great deal of effort these workers continually cease work when left alone. A good days work done by the SAVAIVIRI men and their half of this channel is now nearly completed. Visited Moveave school to check if the teachers

MONDAY JUNE 6th continued

had returned their forms relating to the coming Territory census. All o.k. Council canoe arrives sawmill to collect the timber ordered on Saturday last. Timber loaded as well as cement and canoe thence on to HAMUHAMU. Self then returned to station at night to check on non delivery of further supplies needed for the aid post mainly fibro cement for the interior lining.

TUESDAY JUNE 7th

0800 to council chambers to see council clerk who informs me that all of the roofing iron has been short shipped once again and that 18 sheets of fibro - cement have been taken in error to the new station being built at MALALAU, so self in dinghy to MALALAU with Council Vice - President Palema/Larivita to check this out. Arrived MALALAU 1400 and took the tractor up to the station. The indigenous carpenter who was evidently in charge admitted seeing the fibro but stated that it had already been used in some of the buildings there and that it would be replaced. Inspected airstrip for anthills to find there were nil, then after looking around the station returned to MOVEAVE to find a work party to cut bearers for the wharf. Returned station after hearing a few minor disputes to arrange for a canoe and some labourers to help me install a few more channel markers in the Lakekamu river tomorrow. Slept at station.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 8th

0800 did line and allocated duties to station personnel then organised canoe and 3 labourers to accompany me to a small island in the Lakekamu to place 3 of these large red and white markers equipped with reflectors in position. Markers set up then self on to aid post site at HAMUHAMU to see if the contractors had encountered any more difficulties. Villagers engaged upon carrying sand required for the cement floor and self discussed a possible change in the original plan for an 18ft by 18ft building with the contractor, but as materials are in short supply the building will continue as it was planned to be. Returned to TAPALA to inspect channel work there which is now completed. This channel is now clear of all underwater obstructions all the way and is suitable now for vessels the size of the 22ft Administration workboat "AVANA". After talks with the TAPALA councillor re payment for the work done self and policeman accompanying the patrol returned to the station with all patrol gear.

Note. The patrol itself was discontinued from this date due to the fact that most of the projects to be undertaken have been completed. During the next week I alone made day patrols from the station to check on the uncompleted chores such as the aid post and Moveave wharf of which I have been asked to supervise the construction.

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THURSDAY JUNE 9th

0800 to MOVEAVE to check with policeman who has been stationed there for the period following the introduction of liquor sales in the village, whether or not any unrest had occurred during the last few days. Nil to report as all behaviour was good, with the exception of one fight which had nothing to do with the consumption of liquor. All those who took place in this fight, which was of a minor nature only were told to report to the office tomorrow for a hearing.

JUNE 9

THURSDAY MAY 10th cont

Discussions with people re MOVEAVE/TERAPO road which has been marked out and cleared but cannot go ahead as yet as the council does not have enough money to pay for the many economic trees that will have to be cut down. They all were in favour of the road but after I explained the situation re lack of money for compensating tree owners and suggested that the trees should be donated they fell into disagreement. Talks for 2 hours led nowhere so this project may have to be "shelved" for the time being. Self and councillors then inspected road site thence self back to station to discuss the matter of the road with the Council President Gabriel Haro Oakiva and the clerk. The matter of money increase from the specified \$300 allocated by the council to a higher amount will have to be discussed at the next meeting of the council.

JUNE

FRIDAY MAY 10th

0800 after arranging for 3 Administration employees to go to KEREMA to be trained for the TERRITORY census and taking them to TERAPO airstrip self to check on people who have not been working on council work days. Gave them a lecture then assisted with construction of shower rooms on the bank of the TAURI river where everyone washes yet drinks the same water. Proceeded on to HAMUHAMU to check on the construction of the aid post and to see if the contractors required any further materials. Returned to KUKIPI via TERAPO to see if Stol Airways had picked up the 3 Administration employees bound for KEREMA to find that they had just left. Returned to KUKIPI 2030 after engine failure in the TAURI for over 2 hours.

SUNDAY-MAY-11th

SATURDAY MAY 11th

JUNE

Patrol finished this due to the fact that the engine is unserviceable and that I have to prepare to leave for KAINTIBA next week to take part in the Territory census. Morning spent on office routine as per Field Officers Journal.

END OF PATROL.

INTRODUCTION AND OBJECT OF PATROL

This patrol commencing on April 20th going through to June 10th was mainly for the purpose of myself assisting the East Kerema Council with some of its many capital works going on in this area at the present time. My role in this was solely as an adviser and organiser for the said Council.

The object of the patrol was to clear and widen a number of channels in the area, erect an aid post at HAMUHAMU village, re-open the old wartime road which ran between MOVEAVE and TERAPO mission station, construct a new wharf at HEAVALA and carry out general administration duties. All of these items will be discussed in detail later on in the report.

The patrol was accompanied by 1 member of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary for the entire duration and for the majority of the time by the junior Vice-President of the East Kerema Council FALEMA/LARIVITA who assisted greatly.

The objects of the patrol on the whole were realised with the exception of the MOVEAVE/TERAPO road which is being hampered by the lack of funds at the moment/

The area patrolled was mainly all villages West of KUKIPI station but the main ones in which a great amount of time was spent were MOVEAVE, SAVAIVIRI, TAPALA, LELEFIRU and the village of HAMUHAMU.

The patrol used 2 watercraft; these being a small 13ft dinghy and outboard engine and a large single canoe. The patrol was very rarely delayed from breakdowns of these engines.

POLITICAL SITUATION

As stated before my presence on this patrol was for the express purpose of advising the council on their capital works thus I am not able to comment in length on this subject apart from what I have learned from experience with these people. They are a semi sophisticated group but do not apply their talents in the right manner. What I mean by this is that many of them have a reasonable standard of education yet seem to think that once they can speak English the "world is theirs" so to speak with them sitting down in the village and waiting for the money to roll in. Numerous small complaints were investigated on the patrol with most of them arising from the literate people of the villages. I feel that the cause of this is because a lot of these people with a reasonable education have little better to do than to discuss ways and means of getting something out of someone else with the minimum of effort to themselves. The main complaint heard in all villages was that of lending money and never seeing it again or the person who borrowed it refuses to acknowledge the debt. MONEY seems to be the key word in this area.

The patrol was well received in all villages visited and no complaints of a major nature were brought to my attention.

PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE PATROL

As mentioned in the introduction the patrol had many Council capital works projects to assist with.

1. RE-OPENING OF WARTIME ROAD BETWEEN MOVEAVE AND TERAPO

This road was originally built by the Australian Army during the 2nd World War to give men and troops easier and quicker access between the two villages. It was when it was constructed approximately 2½ miles of 4 feet wide raised walking track with drains on either side. The reason why the East Kerema Council wishes to have this road re-opened is because: (i) This road will eventually link up with a road now being cut from POPO village to the site of the new station at MALALAU and (ii) it will once again provide a quicker means of access for the people of MOVEAVE to TERAPO mission station, hospital and airstrip. Many children from MOVEAVE go to the TERAPO school and either board there or paddle back and forth every day up the Tauri river which has a very strong current therefore it will be much easier to walk. If the road is to be made suitable enough for vehicles it will be in the long run much easier for the Administration based at MALALAU to reach not only MOVEAVE but TERAPO as well. Also the Father at TERAPO is thinking about running a tractor service to the village to collect passengers for air flights leaving TERAPO, as the main indigenous users of aircraft leaving TERAPO are people of MOVEAVE.

The East Kerema Council allocated \$300 to pay for the labour to clear this road through again as it was well and truly overgrown but still recognisable underneath; however this turned out to be insufficient as since the road was originally constructed hundreds of economic trees have been planted along it. All of these trees will have to be purchased as the people of MOVEAVE will not donate them even though the majority of them think that the road is a good idea. I would say that to purchase the trees that are obstructing the road a further allocation of \$300 will have to be made, which cannot be done at the moment.

About 40 men from MOVEAVE supervised by the councillors and myself put in at least 14 days just clearing the road and the surrounding bush to a width of 9 feet to get an idea of the lie of the land as a ½ mile of the road is in a very thick sago swamp and thus the road site may need re-allocating. The last mile or so to TERAPO itself and from there to the small hamlet of YOPOI on the LAKEKAMU river a ½ mile from TERAPO station is on good high ground and when the road is actually built up from ground level it should prove ideal for vehicles.

When this track was cleared through the best position of where the road should run was marked out and the marking of the economic trees which were not cut down, was commenced. Many disputes as to who actually owned the trees occurred but eventually all trees were counted and marked and a fairly accurate list of the rightful owners was made.

Until the council decides to allocate more money to purchase these trees or perhaps they could even apply for Administration assistance, but, until this extra money is found the project will have to be "shelved" unfortunately as the MOVEAVE people will not donate them

2. SAVAIVIRI/LELEFIRU CHANNEL.

This is a waterway approximately 1 to 1½ miles in length joining the TAURI river and the HAMU river which leads on to HAMUHAMU and LELEFIRU. The Council allocated \$300 for this and the TAPALA channel which will be discussed next, to be cleared of all obstructions, widened and dug straighter and deeper.

This canal is the only way by which people from HAMUHAMU and LELEFIRU can reach the TAURI river and then onto Moveave sawmill or to KUKIPI station as without it they would have to walk. The reason why the work was done was mainly for the benefit of those people with large canoes or power canoes of which there are a great deal who use the channel every day and night which adds to the danger of a collision. These three villages mentioned above were asked to do the work as they are the main ones who use it. The LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU people regularly use it for business trips to the mill or station, while the SAVAIVIRI people use it to go to their gardens.

50 SAVAIVIRI's worked solidly for three weeks cutting the sharp bends, removing all underwater logs and digging out the shallow parts as well as cutting the bush on either side of the channel to prevent further trees etc from falling in. The LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU men were much slower and less eager to do the work and it took a lot of coaxing from their councillor, who is the Senior Vice-President, to get them to complete the work. Their numbers totalled 48 at the start of the work but slowly dwindled away during the following weeks and it was only because of the constant haranguing done by the councillors supervising the work that the work was completed at all.

TAPALA/LELEFIRU CHANNEL

This channel starts at TAPALA village which is adjacent to the new station being built at MALALAUÁ and runs to LELEFIRU via the HAMU river, thus meeting up with the other channel from SAVAIVIRI. This channel was in very poor condition with logs all through it and many narrow sharp corners which would hardly allow a large canoe come around them let alone another coming from the opposite direction. This channel will allow the HAMUHAMU and LELEFIRU people of the coast to come direct to MALALAUÁ when the station moves there instead of going round the long way via SAVAIVIRI, which means an extra 2 hours paddle and a long wait if the tide is low in the other channel.

The TAPALA people agreed to work on this one as it leads to their gardens and will share the \$300 with the LELEFIRU and HAMUHAMU men.

Three weeks good work by these people, who are one of the most willing groups of workers in the area saw this channel straightened and cleared of all underwater obstructions of which there were many and a lot of my time in supervising this work was spent trying to remove these tree stumps.

It is now a 100% safer to traverse this channel now, which is deep enough for a vessel the size of the Administration 22ft work boat AVANA to go to LELEFIRU or KOARU, a thing that it has been unable to do in the past.

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HAMUHAMU AID POST.

The building when completed will be 14 ft by 18ft based on a cement floor, with fibrolite walls and an iron roof. The interior of the building will consist of 2 rooms each 9ft by 9ft. One of these rooms will be a ward with accomodation for 2 patients, while the other will be a dispensary. The rest of the area will be taken up with a verandah or waiting room. The aid post is being constructed by Councillor Sevesoa of Lelefiru and will serve this village as well as Hamuhamu. Many hold ups have hampered the rapid construction of this, due mainly to the non delivery of materials and the appropriation of 18 sheets of fibro cement by the construction team building the station at MALALAU. These appear to be overcome for the time being and construction will now go ahead at a quicker rate.

A similar type of aid post to this was built by the council at KUKIPI village and has proved to be most successful and durable yet much cheaper than the aluminium framed ones.

The council has allocated \$80 for the contract to build this aid post over which in an advisory capacity I have been helping on re selection of site, type of building and ordering of materials.

This area around HAMUHAMU badly needs a new aid post as the existing one is in a bad state of disrepair and has inadequate facilities for the number of people who use it.

Numerous mistakes such as the contractors ordering the wrong quantities caused many time wasting trips to Moveave sawmill to re-order the correct quantity of timber but at the time of writing of this report I expect the whole thing to be completed within the next 2½ weeks.

NEW WHARF - MOVEAVE.

This was not a council project as the others have been, but it was an idea by the councillors from MOVEAVE who asked for help in its construction. MOVEAVE village receives large quantities of cargo per the weekly K-boat to KUKIPI which has over the last 6 months been making a diversion to MOVEAVE once every month.

At a meeting of all the trade store owners in HEAVALA of which there are 11 it was decided that the old wharf was due to collapse and that a new one was needed. The matter of the store owners paying for it was raised and it was decided to ask the sawmill for a quote on what quantity of timber would be needed for the decking, which would be 6 by 2 while the bearers would be cut in the bush. I contacted Father Khial of the TERAPO mission and managed to get a number of steel piles which are now in use.

All the store owners then agreed to put in \$4 each for the purchase of this 6 by 2 and hand it to one of the councillors to make the actual purchase from the sawmill.

The wharf itself will have to be built out a further 10 feet into the Tauri river to allow for the extremely low tides experienced here during the middle of the year.

PLACEMENT OF CHANNEL MARKERS.

These markers as referred to in the patrol diary are sheets of flat iron 3ft. by 3ft. painted red and white with a series of reflectors placed on each. Each sign stands on supports 6 feet long and have been placed at strategic points in the Lakekamu and Tauri rivers to mark channels and river islands at night. It is surprising to see how much traffic there is on these rivers at night; paddle as well as powered canoes. These markers will make it easier for the channels to be found at night simply by shining a torch in their direction.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Most of this arose from the correspondence that I had brought with me, such as character checks to be done, land purchase documents to be signed, and general queries about people in this area arising from other centres.

As far as complaints are concerned they were all of a minor nature as was mentioned under 'Political Development' and no action was required for any of them. I feel that it is the same old story that if the Administration is in the village then the people will bring to him every little worry that they can think of whereas they would not bother to come to the station with such matters. This is a good idea but it proved to be a great waster of time on this patrol.

I feel that a lot of time could be saved if the Local Government Councillors could sort out a lot of these trivial matters; which a few of them who are fairly energetic do, but the majority of them seem to lack the support of the people who elected them which was very evident on council work days.

HEALTH

No medical orderly accompanied the patrol as the area visited is well equipped with aid posts, thus no serious illness was brought to the notice of the patrol.

EDUCATION

In all of the villages visited with the exception of TAPALA because of its size there was a school, either mission or Administration operated. The London Missionary Society operates schools at SAVAVIRI, Lolefiru and Hanuhamu while there is an Administration school at Heatoare.

Most of the young children in the village attend these respective schools but the alarming thing to note is the number of young men in the village who having gained a reasonable education have left school just to sit in the village rather than try to find work. I realise that many of them may not be able to find a position but I think that a great many of them are just not interested.

In Moveave particularly the number of people both young and old that can speak or understand English to a fair degree is quite surprising.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS (COUNCILLORS)

Great assistance was rendered to the patrol by most of the councillors in the area visited. The Junior Vice-President of the East Kerema Local Government Council, namely FALEMA /LARIVITA of HEAVALA ACCOMPANIED the patrol for most of its duration and apart from willing serving as an interpreter assisted with some good ideas re the actual carrying out of the many projects. It was he who explained to the people of each village why the council had allocated funds for the various projects and why they should help to carry out this work. This is his first term as a councillor and to date has done more than his share to help the council and the people in his area.

Councillor SEVESOA /MEMAFU of LELEFIRU who is the Senior Vice-President was in charge of the works on the SAVAIVIRI channel and the construction of the aid post at HAMUHAMU. He is willing and helpful enough but lacks the drive to get the full support of his people.

The other councillors from LELEFIRU, TAPALA and SAVAIVIRI all assisted once the projects were underway, but they were not the types of people to explain to their people why the work was being done and how it would benefit them. Most of this was explained to them by Councillor Falema and myself. Once the reason for the work was explained to the people the council had little difficulty in getting sufficient men out to work.

AGRICULTURE

The main foodstuffs grown in this area are; bananas, sago, coconuts, betelnut and breadfruit. None of these items are in short supply. Coconuts abound the area and the people of LELEFIRU, HAMUHAMU, SAVAIVIRI and TAPALA make quite a fair income from the production of copra. The people of MOVEAVE however do not produce a great deal although they probably have more trees than anyone else. I feel that they prefer to manual or clerical work for, of course, a high wage than to produce copra.

As far as I can see the only thing of commercial economic value in this area is copra and far more of this could be produced than is being done now.

CONCLUSION

The patrol as a whole was quite satisfactory with most of the projects being completed and those that have not been as yet will be soon. Labour was fairly easy to obtain, but to get the work done properly it took a lot of supervision which was done by the councillors of the villages concerned with myself acting in an advisory capacity as most of the work was council inspired projects. As mentioned before, these people will work if the reason for why they are working is fully explained to them which is only fair. However there is still constant talk of money all of the time. As there was pay being offered by the council I wonder how many of them were working solely for that alone rather doing something for themselves which is going to benefit them only. The benefits of doing this work was explained in great length in all villages and all of the potential workers were told that the payments to be made by the council were only of a token nature, but I think that the majority of those who worked were doing it only for the monetary reward.

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CONCLUSION (continued)

To sum it all up there is now a fully cleared channel between SAVAIVIRI and the Hagemu or Mamu river which leads to LELEFIRU which will benefit the peoples of these villages including HAMUHAMU which is adjacent to LELEFIRU. The channel from TAPALA near MALALAU to the Hagemu river will enable the Leefiru and HAMUHAMU people to reach MALALAU station more easily and will also allow the TAPALA people easier access to their gardens near the Hagemu River.

The MOVEAVE/TERAPO road when completed will allow the people of that village quicker access to the hospital and airstrip at the Catholic mission station, both of which they alone use a great deal as it is quicker to walk to TERAPO from MOVEAVE than it is to paddle.

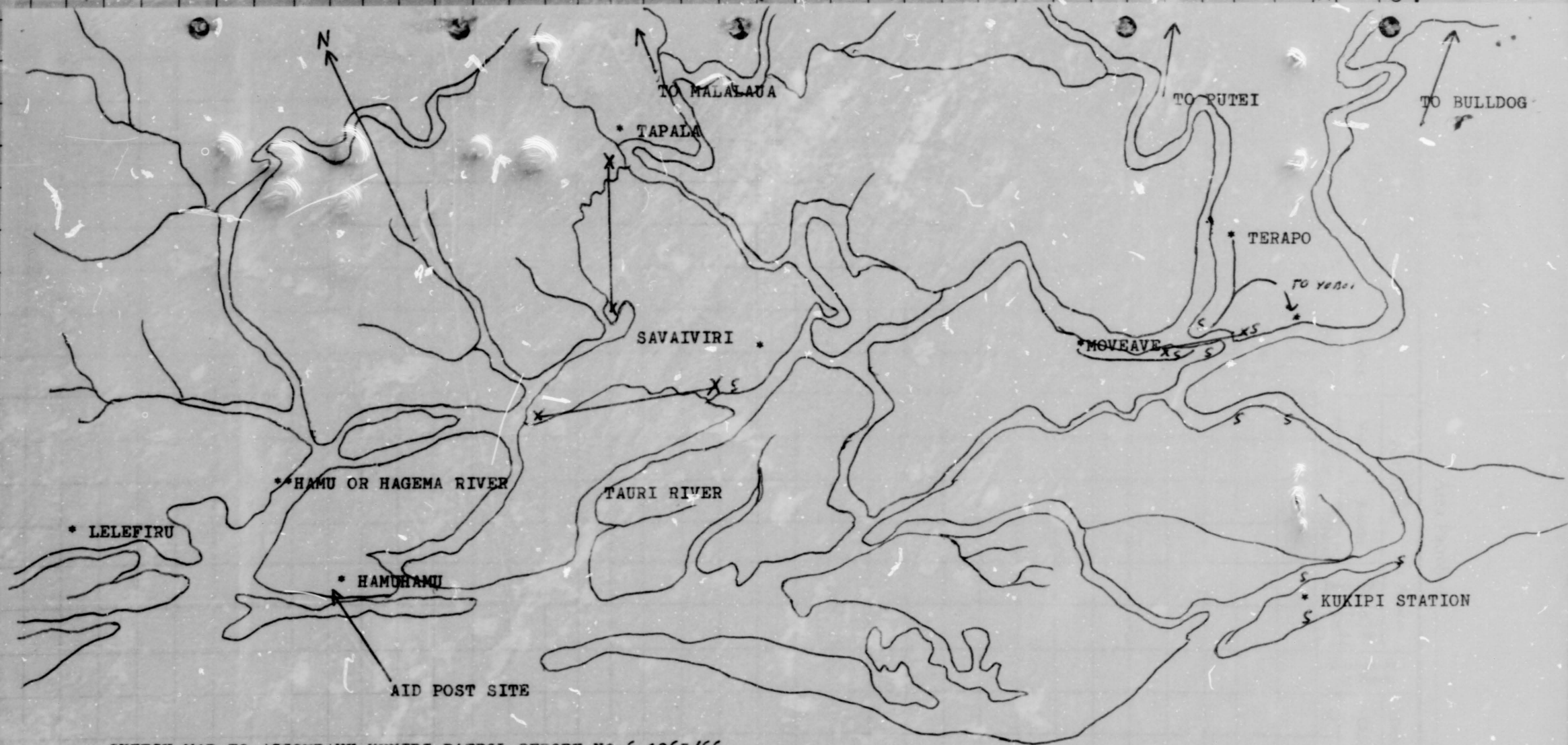
The Hamuhamu aid post now well under construction will provide proper aid post facilities for the people of this village as well as LELEFIRU.

Also the patrol managed to finalize a great deal of outstanding correspondence pertaining to the villages visited and also received a lot of inquiries to be looked into outside the district, such as non delivery of cargo for trade stores, people in Port Moresby not honouring debts and other similar matters.

On the whole it was a good patrol and most of its aims were realized eventually although there were a few hold ups such as on the MOVEAVE road and the non supply of materials and the incorrect amounts of timber for the aid post at HAMUHAMU.

END OF PATROL

G.C. Conner
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G.C. Conner
Patrol Officer



SKETCH MAP TO ACCOMPANY KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO.6-1965/66

SCALE 1 inch equals 1 mile

LEGEND

X——X Represents channel work areas

s Represents channel markers.

—— Red line from MOVEAVE TO TERAPO represents the road.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of GULF - KUKIPI Sub-district Report No. KUKIPI Report No. 8 of 1965/66

Patrol Conducted by Kenneth N. Grigg Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled All Five Villages - Koviö Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr Donald Pybus, Agricultural Officer, Kerema.

Natives Mr Rob Roy Keura, Native Medical Assistant, Kukipi.
4 Member R.P.L. & N.G.C.
1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 16./5./1966 to 27./5./1966

Number of Days Twelve (12) Days.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Yes. See Above.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 3./1965

Medical 3./1965

Map Reference YULE FOURMIL

Objects of Patrol Initial Education all villagers, Koviö Census Division on
significance of coming TERRITORY Census in June/ July. 1966
Orientation, Routine Administration.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-5-14/1352

AGJ:wd

Gulf District,
KEREMA.

June 30, 1966.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
KUKUPI

KUKUPI PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1965/66.

Thank you for the abovementioned Report which was received on even date.

The Report has been neatly typed but has not been compiled in accordance with D.D.A. Standing Instructions, Chapter 4. Reports must be submitted in the prescribed manner to facilitate the extraction of information and compilation of material by Officers at D.D.A. Headquarters. Please ensure that Mr. Grigg reads Departmental Standing Instructions and instruct him to follow the procedures prescribed.

The principle object of this patrol was the initial education of the people residing in five villages in the KOVIO Census Division on the significance of the Territory Census but Mr. Grigg has not submitted any comments on this aspect apart from mentioning "discussions" in his diary. Surely he would have noticed some reaction by the people. Complete indifference to the new style census would indicate a poor standard of "education methods".

Again I must draw your attention to the need for Reports to be submitted without undue delay. In this regard you have now received my instructions concerning the time factor, i.e. Reports must be at this Headquarters within fourteen days of the completion of the patrol. If Mr. Grigg had made any useful comments on the census they would have arrived far too late for any action to have been originated.

Thirteen months between patrols is most unsatisfactory, however I note that vide your memo. 67-1-1 of June 27, 1966 the KOVIO is to be visited in December, 1966 and May, 1967 for Routine Matters. Every effort should be made to visit all villages in your Sub District at least three times per year. You do have three Field Officers at KUKUPI.

Your comments on the exploitation of the nomadic Kukuluku's by the MOVEAVE people is awaited with interest. I too would appreciate a copy of the Report by the Agricultural Officer.

Cash Vouchers returned herewith duly signed.

(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

cc The Director,
Department of District Administration,
NOTE TO: The Director, Department of District Administration,

For your information and comment, please.

(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

67-2-27

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67-5-14/577

ACJ:wd



Gulf District,
KEREMA.

11th October, 1966.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
KOKIPI

MOVEAVE/KEREMAHUA RELATIONSHIPS.

Your memo. 67-2-5 of 4th October, 1966 refers.

This is a good example of 'how not to tackle a problem'. It also indicates poor administration.

The relationship that exists between these two groups is not uncommon between sophisticated and unsophisticated people. Your task is to ensure that exploitation does not occur. You also have the duty to ensure that with a change of Sub District personnel 'local knowledge' is not lost.

In a situation of this type, the full implementation of labour legislation is not required. However, what is required is the drawing up of a clear and concise contract between the group and a copy of such contract should be held at the District Office. To this end please have the various parties state the terms they require written into a contract and forward these details to District headquarters. I will then have Crown Law draw up the Contract.

At paragraph 5 mention is made of "it not being beyond the realms of possibility that children were 'purchased' or adopted." This type of statement is valueless. As an investigating Officer, Mr. Grigg should ascertain one way or the other. Speculation should not form any part of a report on a specific situation.

J. J. Murphy
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

cc. Mr. K. Grigg,
IHU.

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Minute to: Director of Administration.

Your memo. 67-2-25 of 4th August, 1966 at paragraph 4 refers.

J. J. Murphy
(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

KRG/

File No. 67-2-5.

Sub-district Office,
Kukipi Sub-district,

KUKIPI.

Gulf District,

4th of October, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Gulf District,

KERAWA.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1965/66:

Your reference to your 67-5-14/157 of August 12th, 1966.

In reply to the questions posed in paragraph 4. of memorandum 67-2-25 of 4th of August, 1966 from the Director of the Department of District Administration, I would state:

1. It is an accepted fact throughout this sub-district that any business dealings which may occur between residents of Mowave and the relatively unpopulated Kukuiku, particularly when the kukuiku has left his native environment and ventured to live on the coastal plain, will probably end up with the kukuiku getting the worse half of the deal. This is one of the facts of life.

At IGUI, on the Lakakam River I had occasion to observe that a number of kukuiku labourers were being employed as plantation hands (Coffee plantation) by a small group of Mowave settlers. IGUI is situated almost adjacent to the kukuiku village of KERAWAWA. It was also observed that the majority of these labourers, numbering some 12 people were being housed at IGUI thereby being resident with their Mowave "employers" although many of the trade owned houses in nearby KERAWAWA village. The situation was an interesting one and a full investigation was carried on the spot.

This dozen labourers employed on the coffee plantations of both Ex Corporal of Police ANOVA and also another Mowave gentleman, an IUS Ruter by the name of LAIASI were mainly from the village of KERAWAWA also some were from Mowave village having been adopted into the village as babies. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that they were purchased from the their kukuiku parents but many or material hungry parents to be used by the Mowaves, for future labouring purposes. There are a number of young kukuiku children at present in Mowave although it should be pointed out that in at least one case that I know of; a kukuiku man has married a Mowave woman.

My investigations uncovered the fact that in return for their initial labouring help, the Mowave Plantation owners have verbally promised the kukuiku people that when the coffee matures and is harvested and sold, the the kukuiku labourers will be paid in monetary value for their assistance. The labourers to a man believe this and do wait the day when they will receive payment for their labour. One does not have to be Rhodes Scholar to foresee that the Mowave coffee owners will grossly underpay the labourers unless Sub-district Office sees to it that they receive a fair and just wage for their efforts. This we intend to do. Little can be done until the coffee is harvested particularly as the kukuiku people have blind faith that their Mowave "Masters" will do the right thing by them when the time comes. Several of the labourers who desire to start their own coffee plantation or at least garden wish to draw part of their pay in kind in the form of coffee beans when the Mowave coffee matures. Up until this time, the kukuiku themselves have little interest in endeavouring to establish their own coffee gardens preferring instead to work and work on the Mowave gardens to observe the success or failure of the venture before trying it themselves. It may be said that they lack the confidence to go it alone.

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In short, the kukukuku labourers have spent two years or more working on the Moweave gardens for virtually no pay. They believe that the Owners of the coffee will re-imburs^e them when the coffee is sold. Sub-district Office, MALALAVA will see to it that the kukukuku labourers receive a just payment when the time comes. Although the labourers are not being paid at the moment nor will they be until the crop matures, they are happy with the situation. I was personally a witness to the Coffee Owners promising the kukukuku labourers full payment when the crop is sold. Though I feel that unpaid labour can only be termed exploitation considering the facts surrounding the case, I felt at the time that no action could be taken other than discussing the matter fully with the Assistant District Commissioner as well as mentioning the matter in the Patrol Report. I believe the A.D.C. has plans to further investigate the situation thereby showing his interest in the case.

The kukukukus at KEREVAHAVA are a somewhat pathetic lot. A recent attempt by them to cultivate some half mature coffee trees (part of an interim payment by the Moweave,s) fell through when the trees died through lack of care, although at the same time the trees owned by the Moweave,s and tended by the same labourers were flourishing. The kukukuku,s have taken no action to clear an area of ground suitable for a coffee garden. Mr FYRUS, of the Department of Agriculture asked them to do this in June of this year preparatory to him supplying coffee seeds from MURUA Agricultural station, but the kukukuku paid no heed.

I trust that this explanation is acceptable to those who are enquiring into the situation at IGUT. The real action will come when the coffee is harvested and sold.

For your information please,



(Kenneth N. Ortag)

Patrol Officer

67-2-25

4th August, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Gulf District,
KEREMA.

KUKUPI PATROL REPORT NO.3/1965-66:

Receipt of the above named patrol report by Mr. Grigg which is covered by your memorandum 67-5-14/1352 of the 30th June, 1966 is acknowledged with thanks. I have not received the comments of the Assistant District Commissioner, Kukipi. Could you please send me a copy in due course.

2. I concur with your remarks found in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4. Mr. Grigg would do well to heed your advice. It is a pity he did not see fit to comment on the education methods used by himself and any noticeable reaction by the people to his talks.

3. Please advise me as to the action being taken to solve land disputes between the Kukukukus and the Kovios against the Moveaves.

4. It is unfortunate that Mr. Grigg dismisses the subject of the Moveave people exploiting the Kukukukus by employing them as unpaid labour, by just making a bold statement in his report. Did he not investigate the matter fully whilst he was on the spot? If so what are his findings and what action was taken?

(J. K. McCarthy)

DIRECTOR



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Gulf District,
KEREMA.

June 30, 1966.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,

KUKIPI

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1965/66.

Thank you for the abovementioned Report which was received on even date.

The Report has been neatly typed but has not been compiled in accordance with D.D.A. Standing Instructions, Chapter 4. Reports must be submitted in the prescribed manner to facilitate the extraction of information and compilation of material by Officers at D.D.A. Headquarters. Please ensure that Mr. Grigg reads Departmental Standing Instructions and instruct him to follow the procedures prescribed.

The principle object of this patrol was the initial education of the people residing in five villages in the KOVIO Census Division on the significance of the Territory Census but Mr. Grigg has not submitted any comments on this aspect apart from mentioning "discussions" in his diary. Surely he would have noticed some reaction by the people. Complete indifference to the new style census would indicate a poor standard of "education methods".

Again I must draw your attention to the need for Reports to be submitted without undue delay. In this regard you have now received my instructions concerning the time factor, i.e. Reports must be at this Headquarters within fourteen days of the completion of the patrol. If Mr. Grigg had made any useful comments on the census they would have arrived far too late for any action to have been originated.

Thirteen months between patrols is most unsatisfactory, however I note that vide your memo. 67-1-1 of June 27, 1966 the KOVIO is to be visited in December, 1966 and May, 1967 for Routine Matters. Every effort should be made to visit all villages in your Sub District at least three times per year. You do have three Field Officers at KUKIPI.

Your comments on the exploitation of the nomadic Kukukuku's by the MOVEAVE people is awaited with interest. I too would appreciate a copy of the Report by the Agricultural Officer.

Cash vouchers returned herewith duly signed.

(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

cc The Director,
Department of District Administration.

MINUTE TO: The Director, Department of District Administration,

For your information and comment, please.

(John J. Murphy)
District Commissioner.

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Sub-district Office,
Kukipi Sub-district.
KUKIPI.
Gulf District, Papua.
2nd of June, 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Kukipi Sub-district,
KUKIPI.
Gulf District.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 8 of 1965/66 - KOVIO CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Conducted By : Kenneth N. Grigg, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : All Five Villages of the Kovio Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied By : Mr Donald Pybus, Agricultural Officer, Kereka.
Mr Rob Roy Keura, Native Medical Assistant,
Kukipi.
1 D.D.A. Interpreter.
2 Agriculture Assistants accompanying A.O.
1 Hospital Orderly.
Constable 1/C NUNGTHUKA R.P. & M.G.C. Reg No. 7265.

Duration of Patrol : 16th of May, 1966 to 27th of May, 1966.
Twelve (12) Days.

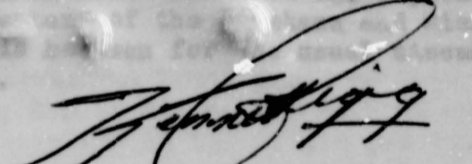
Last Patrol to the Area: D.D.A. Patrol - March, 1965.
Medical Patrol - March, 1965. P.H.D.

Map Reference : Fournal of Yule.

Objects of Patrol : Initial Education All Villages in Kovio Census
Census Division on significance of coming
Territory Census in June/July, 1966.
Orientation.
Routine Administration.

Three copies of the above Patrol Report are herewith forwarded together with Claims for Camping Allowance on behalf of Kenneth N. Grigg, Patrol Officer, ~~SALATIAREA~~, Interpreter, SALATIAREA.

Forwarded for your information please,



(Kenneth N. Grigg)
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

This patrol was primarily mounted as a preface to the Territory Census Patrol to be conducted through the same area in June/July 1966.

The five Census Units (Villages) of the Kovic Census Division ie URULAU, OKAVAI, KEREMAHUA, AIMAMAIGINI and MIRIMAS (the first two of which are under Council Administration) have been selected as sample villages in respect to the above mentioned Census and the inhabitants thereof are to be enumerated according to due process at the prescribed period of time.

The area has a special interest because of the widely diversified selection of native customs and language to be found in the area. In short, the two villages under Council control are of Mekeo extraction; KEREMAHUA and AIMAMAIGINI, particularly the latter are Kukukuku and inclined to be somewhat nomadic whilst the MIRIMAS people are Kukimaipa, many of whom were for a long time resident in the Waria Valley, Wau Sub-district, New Guinea, but who have returned to Papua for their, we hope, eventual and ultimate choice of domicile at MIRIMAS, situated on the Miaru River and technically within the confines of the Central District.

The area is generally located in the upper reaches of the Lakekamu River with its main tributaries, ie Tiviri and Miaru, also the Kukimaipa River. MIRIMAS would be approximately 85 water miles from Kukipi. Needless to say, the rule for the area is Subsistence farming although the MIRIMAS people prospect for gold with some success.

As the area, particularly the farthest villages, had not been visited for some time by a patrol it was necessary to mount this patrol in order to explain the significance to the people concerned of the forthcoming Territory Census and to enlighten them as to when to expect the Census team in their area.

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The patrol also afforded an excellent opportunity for this Officer to become orientated with a portion of a new Sub-district and to discharge routine administration.

PATROL DIARY:

Monday, 16th of May, 1966:

Patrol departed Kukipi station at 11.30 A.M. with single canoe powered by outboard motor. Morning spent in preparation of patrol gear. With large number of patrol personnel, progress was slow. Travelled all day upstream on the Lakekamu River. Reached first Kovic village, URULAU at 9 PM. Night at URULAU.

Tuesday, 17th of May, 1966:

Departed URULAU at 8 AM. Travelled upstream to KEREMAHUA village (a Kukukuku hamlet) where engine trouble delayed progress for one hour. Departed KEREMAHUA at 1.30 PM. for an uneventful journey to OKAVAI village at which the patrol arrived in a rainstorm at 6.00 PM. The Local Government Councillor representing both Kovic Wards URULAU and OKAVAI, one IRAVU - EVOREA accompanied the patrol from URULAU in the capacity of pilot through the at times snag ridden waters of the Lakekamu and Miaru rivers. The above presented himself and his headmen for the usual discussions on village problems. Night at OKAVAI.

Wednesday 18th of May, 1966:

Patrol departed OKAVAI for MIRIMAS arriving at 2.00 PM. Met by village leaders and assorted males at canoe point some half a mile from the village. Heavy rains all afternoon. Discussions held, complaints heard and settled with villagers at Rest House. Night at MIRIMAS.

Thursday, 19th of May, 1966:

This day spent at MIRIMAS on the following:

1. Explanation to assembled villagers on significance of coming Territory Census.
2. Discussions with all male villagers. Several complaints heard and settled.
3. Housing Inspection. Appropriate instructions issued where required.

Due to the lack of suitable smaller water transport, it was impossible to visit the gold workings some miles upstream. This will be done on the Census Patrol. Night at MIRIMAS.

Friday 20th of May, 1966:

Departed MIRIMAS this AM. Downstream on the MIARU River to OKAVAI. The normal 3/2 hour trip was extended to six hours because of the need for caution in the this heavily snagged section of the river. Also at one point a log jam barred the canoes path. Hours were spent cutting an opening through this tangle of logs. Engine trouble also delayed matters. Arrived OKAVAI at 2.00 PM. Conducted village Housing Inspection. Assembled all villagers for explanation of Territory Census. Several complaints heard, Night at OKAVAI.

Saturday, 21st of May, 1966:

Departed OKAVAI for KEREMAHUA at 8 AM. Arrived two hours later. Heavy rain this day. Village of KEREMAHUA inspected as well as the nearby collection of houses at IGUI peopled by expatriate Moveave villagers at work cultivating a small coffee plantation with the assistance of unpaid Kukukuku labour. Night at KEREMAHUA.

Sunday, 22nd of May, 1966:

Departed in morning upstream on the Tiviri River for the purpose of visiting the Kukukuku hamlet of AIMAMAIGINI near Bulldog. Upon arrival it was discovered that the village was completely deserted. After some searching a villager was found who offered to acquaint the patrol with the whereabouts of the AIMAMAIGINI people explaining that the people were compelled to forsake the old village site due to severe and continuous flooding of the Tiviri River. The new village at a place known as PAPAI, ITA was found to be composed of seventeen people and two houses amidst a large banana garden. Several of the other inhabitants of AIMAMAIGINI were said to be "somewhere in the bush" following traditional nomadic customs. The new village site will not be subject to flooding and appears to be quite well off in regard to drinking water etc. The people state their fervent desire to settle permanently at PAPAI, ITA and to recall home many of their wandering comrades. After the Census Patrol a clearer picture of the group and its possibilities in the future will evolve while this will be covered in the Patrol Report. Explanation of Census to all concerned. People observed stockpiling large logs for use in constructing their new village. Head Count and names taken of those in village at this time. Patrol travelled back to KEREMAHUA arriving at 8 PM. Night at KEREMAHUA.

Monday, 23rd of May, 1966:

This day spent in investigation of several complaints as well as the compilation of names of those people resident at KEREMAHUA. Village dirty and uncared for. Supervised cleaning up operations with voluntary labour. Night at KEREMAHUA.

Tuesday, 24th of May, 1966:

Day spent as above. Two Local Court of Papua cases heard. Accompanied Agricultural Officer Py bus to all nearby gardens and in checking out ownership of various sections of the Coffee plantation. Night at KEREMAHUA.

Wednesday, 25th of May, 1966:

At KEREMAHUA. Purchase of 0,25 acres of land known as Keremahua for lease to the L.M.S. (Papua Ekalesia) in the village. Voluntary labour at work repairing Rest House, Aid Post and Police Barracks. Night at KEREMAHUA.

Thursday, 26th of May, 1966:

Departed KEREMAHUA at 8 AM. for URULAU. The accompanying Agricultural Officer, Mr. Pybus took the opportunity to personally check on all economic gardens (cash crops) on this stretch of river. These gardens are numerous and belong to Moveave (Heavala) groups. Most of the gardens are not satisfactorily cared for, in many cases they are overgrown. Arrived URULAU at 2 PM. Assembled village people to explain significance of the Territory Census. Several complaints settled that evening. Night at URULAU.

Friday, 27th of May, 1966:

Departed URULAU for Kukipi station. Arrived after uneventful trip in early afternoon. Mr. Pybus, Agricultural Officer continued offering advice on the condition of all economic crops (Moveave) between URULAU and TERAPO.

Patrol Stood Down.

THE NATIVE AFFAIRS:

The Native Situation:

The patrol was received in all villages with friendship. With the exception of PATAI,ITA, the village leaders ie, village Constables and Local Government Councillors where applicable, greeted the patrolling Officer with all due courtesy upon his arrival at each village.

Villages:

The two villages under Council administration were found to be satisfactory in regard to Cleanliness-hygiene and Sanitation with the exception of CRAVAI where village sanitation was not all that could be expected. The appropriate instructions were given. The two Kukukuku hamlets at KEREMAHUA and PATAI,ITA showed little regard for village hygiene and sanitation, whilst at MIRIMAS the position was not much improved. It is expected that the Census Patrol will note an all round improvement in all aspects of village cleanliness.

Village Officials:

The Local Government Councillor of both Kevio Wards appears to be doing a reasonably conscientious job. Both Village Constables from MIRIMAS and KEREMAHUA are keen and energetic but unfortunately lack a great deal of sway over the village population. Both had complaints for the patrolling Officer that segments of the population are in the habit of ignoring his respective instructions for the benefit of the village. At these two villages it was found desirable to enlighten the people as to the duties and responsibilities of the Village Constable. It is expected that the situation will improve with continued support of the Constable in the Village by the patrolling Officer. A Village Councillor presides over the small band of Kukukuku, s at Patai, ita (17 at the last count taken by the patrol). This number should improve in the near future and it will probably be necessary to appoint a Constable before very long.

There were no complaints in regard to Ferryman along the river who appear to be conducting themselves satisfactorily in their work.

Outline of Political Situation:

The inhabitants of the two Kukukuku villages appear to be somewhat nomadic in their habits, however in the case of KEREMAHUA it is evident that they are settling down more readily to PEREMAHUA village life. A more detailed report on the progress of the people at PATAI,ITA will be submitted at the conclusion of the Territory Census Patrol where it is planned to spend some time in this new village.

The one consuming problem in the division is land, particularly where MOVEAVE /KUKUKUKU and MOVEAVE/KOVIO land disputes are in force, however the Assistant District Commissioner is well aware of the problems inherent in this condition.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS:

Agriculture:

The kukukuku people at PATAI, ITA plan to build a rice garden as a cash cropping venture. Unfortunately Mr. Pybus did not have the opportunity to visit the village to offer expert advice.

The kukukuku people at KEREMAHUA have a large plot cleared in preparation for a Coffee plantation. They expect to obtain seeds and assistance from the group of Moveave people who have settled adjacent to their village and who have been exploiting them (the kukukuku) for some time by employing them as unpaid labour on the Moveave Coffee gardens.

As an Agricultural Officer accompanied the patrol we are looking forward to receiving a copy of his report for information of the next Officer to patrol this area.

Health:

With the exception of the Kukukuku, s at KEREMAHUA and AIMAMAIGINI who have the usual enlarged spleens and whose health does not appear to be the best, the rest of the division appear quite healthy.

The Native Medical Assistant at Kukipi accompanied the patrol and reported no serious cases. Numerous deaths over last few months at MIRIMAS village can only be attributed to Malaria. These are highland kuhimaipa people who are settled at a very low altitude at the very foothills of the mountains they once inhabited.

Complaints:

A number of differing complaints were brought to the patrolling Officers attention. No definite trend could be detected amongst them however. At MIRIMAS the number of complaints equalled those of all the other villages in the division combined. The main bones of contention were Sorcery, female trouble and stealing. The Local Court of Papua was convened only three times, in each case for stealing and once for Sorcery.

Rest Houses:

With the exception of PATAI, ITA each village has a reasonable Rest House. The people of PATAI, ITA volunteered to erect a Rest House for use by the Census Patrol in June. The breakdown follows:

- MIRIMAS - Reasonable Rest House but Police Barracks in shocking state.
- OKAVAI - Good Rest House but no Police Barracks.
- KEREMAHUA - Good Rest House but Police Barracks in shocking state.
- URULAU - Good Rest House but Police Barracks in poor state.

Each group has volunteered to repair or build in order to bring the Rest House and Police Barracks up to standard in each village.

CONCLUSION:

In view of the fact that the area will again be visited on the Census Patrol in June/JULY this year by the same Officer and team as staffed this patrol it was considered a casual Report will suffice bearing in mind that a longer and more detailed report will follow immediately upon completion of the Census Patrol in early July.

This proved to be an interesting patrol through an area where all villages can be reached through waterways. No difficulty is anticipated during the Census Patrol.

(Kenneth N. Grigg)
Patrol Officer.

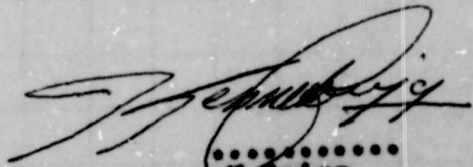
Appendix "A"

Report on Member R.P.&N.G.C.

Reg No. 7265

Const. I/C. NUNGUNUWA

A good Patrol Member,
clearful and obedient.
Conduct excellent.



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K. Grigg

Field Officer - R.P.&N.G.C.