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REPORT NO:	FOLIO	OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL	AREA PATROLLED	MAPS/PHOTOS	PERIOD OF PATROL
[]		Talasea			
[1] 1-7/72	1-15	Armstrong J.S. PO	Kombe Grass Durian		9.8.71-28.8.71
[2] 2-7/72	1-30	Topham R.H. PO	Bola Grass Durian		4.11.71-9.12.71
[3] 3-7/72	1-14	Armstrong J.S. PO	Witu & Munda Is. Witu CD		2.5.72-17.5.72
[4] 4-7/72	1-4	Read R.W. ADC	Bali Island		17.5.72-19.5.72
[5] 5-7/72	1-17	Armstrong J.S. PO	Kombe Grass Sw.		21.6.72-30.6.72
[6] Gloucester					
[6] 1-7/72	1-11	Ellem J.R. PO	Baviai CD		9.8.71-14.8.71
[7] 2-7/72	1-15	Ellem J.R. PO	Pt Kaliai		30.9.71-9.10.71
[8] 2A-7/72	1-16	Napier A.B. APO	Baviai CD	map	8.11.71-15.11.71
[9] 3-7/72	1-17	Ellem J.R. ADO	Kilenge/Lollo CD		[dated 18/8/72]
[10] 4-7/72	1-13	Tweedie A.J. APO	Kilengi CD		18.2.72-1.3.72
[11] 5-7/72	1-9	Pattison I. APO	Kaliai CD		18.2.72-29.2.72
[12] 6-7/72	1-12	Tweedie A.J. APO	Iboke Airship Sight		27.3.72-30/3/72
[13] 7-7/72	1-3	Tweedie A.J. APO	Kaliai CD		7.5.72-17.5.72
[14] 1-7/72	1-11	Armstrong J.S. PO	Unea (Bali) Is - Rali-Witu CD		25.10.71-5.11.71
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WEST NEW BRITAIN DISTRICT

PATROL REPORTS

1971 - 1972

TALASEA

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer conducting patrol</u>	<u>Area patrolled</u>
1/71-72	J.S.Armstrong	Kembe Census Division
2/71-72	R.H.Fopham	Bela Census Division Area study
3/71-72	J.S.Armstrong	Bali Witu C.D. (Witu & Mundua Is.)
4/71-72	W.R.Read	Bali Island
5/71-72	J.S.Armstrong	Kembe Census Division

GLOUCESTER

1/71-72	J.R.Ellem	Bariai Census Division
2/71-72	J.R.Ellem	Part Kaliai Census Division
2A/71-72	A.B.Napier	Bariai Census Division
3/71-72	J.R.Ellem	Kilengi-Lelle Census Division
4/71-72	A.J.Tweedie	Kilengi Census Division
5/71-72	I.Pattison	Kaliai Census Division
6/71-72	A.J.Tweedie	Part Kaliai Census Division
7/71-72	A.J.Tweedie	Kaliai Census Division

NIGILANI

1/71-72	J.S.Armstrong	Una (Bali) Island of Bali-Witu Census Division
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of West New Britain Report No. 1 of 1971/72

Patrol Conducted by J.R. Ellem Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled PARIAI Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

Natives Nil

Duration—From 9 / 8 / 19 71 to 14 / 8 / 19 71

Number of Days 6

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 28 / 9 / 19 71

Medical / 9 / 19 71

Map Reference See attached

Objects of Patrol.....

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 \$.....

Area Study Copy file
[Signature]
13/12/71

P.O. Box 2396,
KONEIOBU.

67-17-3

14th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
P.O. Box 78,
KIMBE.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO.1 - 1971/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the above Patrol Report
by Mr. J.R. Ellem, Patrol Officer, of the Barial Census Division.

A map indicating the patrol route should have accompanied the
report. This is not a time consuming job for a patrol of this duration.

Camping Allowance claim mistakenly forwarded to this Head-
quarters is returned herewith.

J. W. Ellis
(T. W. ELLIS)
Secretary.

.../Encl.



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Department of the Administrator,

District Office,
Box 78,
KIMBE, WEST NEW BRITAIN.

11th October, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDORU.

Gloucester Patrol No. 1 of 1971/72 - Bariai Census Division

Attached please find a report of a patrol by Mr. Ellam, Patrol Officer, to the Bariai Area.

The patrol was for routine census purposes and to bring up to date the situation report and area study.

There has been little change in the situation and the area study discloses no improvement in communications or any significant changes in the level of education or general literacy.

If the port of Kimbe expands as is anticipated and a small coastal shipping line commences, based here, the Bariai should benefit.

For your information please.

H N F Fowler
N.F. Fowler,
a/District Commissioner.

Enc.

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Sub District Office,
TALASEA.

7th September, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
P.O.Box 36,
KIMBE.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO.1 OF 1971/72 BARIAL CENSUS DIVISION.

Attached please find a report of the above patrol conducted by Mr.J.R.Ellem.

The patrol was a brief one of a very small backward census division.

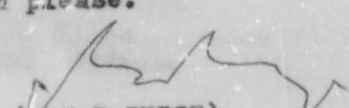
The area study and situation report show little change since the previous patrol.

Very little potential for cash cropping (other than coconuts) exist in the Barial though it is thought that the area could lend itself to cattle raising.

A brief report of a brief patrol.

Attached please find claim for camping allowance.

For your information please.


(B.W.P.BURGE)
Assistant District Commissioner.

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Patrol Post,
GLOUCESTER.
West New Britain
25th August, 1971

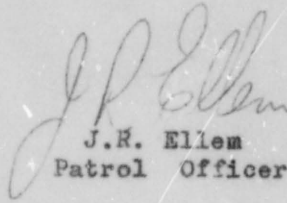
Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MALASEA.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/72

CENSUS BARIAI AREA

Attached please find my report on the above patrol
together with Map. Field Officers Journal copy of Patrol expenses and
claim for camping allowance.

For your comments, please.


J.R. Ellem
Patrol Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL POST,
GLOUCESTER.
 West New Britain
 20th August, 1971

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GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/1972.

CENSUS OF BARIAI CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

9/8/71 09 0 Departed Gloucester per M.V. Garnet for Siamatai on
 MONDAY Patrol in Bariai Area.
 1245 Arrived Siamatai, Inspected Village.
 1400 General Discussion.
 Overnight Siamatai.

10/8/71 0800-1200 Revised census and held political discussion at
 TUESDAY Siamatai.
 1300 Departed Siamatai for Gurissi.
 1430 Arrived Gurissi and Revised census
 1600 Departed Gurissi for Kokopo
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 Overnight Kokopo.

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14/8/71 0700-1015 Departed Alaido for Gloucester-
 SATURDAY END PATROL.

SITUATION REPORTA. POLITICAL 1. Local Government.

The Gloucester Local Government Council was established in 1967 and includes the area patrolled.

To-date the Council has achieved only very little in this area. This being mainly the result of poor communications and the lack of leaders being elected to position of Councillor.

The current tax rate for this area is £5-00 per male adult and -50c per female adult. The people experience no difficulty in obtaining their Tax money.

2. Local Government Councillors.

There are three elected councillors of the Gloucester Local Government Council from this area. These three men are not competent leaders and thus have only very limited authority.

3. Political Education

Political talks were held in each village before and after the revision of census. These people did show some interest in these talks but were not over keen to participate.

It is felt that good results were achieved during the political discussions with the Bomai school children. The headteacher one KEVIN Bula also showed much interest in these talks and asked several questions.

B. ECONOMIC 1. General Rural Development:

Rural development in this area is not as extensive as might be expected. Coconuts being the only cash crop being grown extend ~~far~~ along coastal strips of land adjacent to each village. Vast quantities of suitable land lies idle inland a short distance. The majority of the coconut plantings have not been cleaned for over one year. This being largely the result of the peoples lack of interest in Economic development involving work and the inadequate shipping services which occasionally call into the Bariai area.

There are 29,066 Coconut palms growing in this area according the latest figures available from the Dept. of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries.

The actual copra production is estimated at 100 tons per year.

2. Activities of Development Departments.

In this area the activities of such Departments are insufficient. The Co-operative Society does not receive enough supervision (Only once each six months) and as a result is failing. The Department of Agriculture Stock and Fisheries have patrolled the area only once in the past twelve months.

3. Processing and Marketing

Each village has its own smoke drier for drying copra. These are adequate to handle the current production.

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3. Processing and Marketing Contd.

The majority of the copra produced in this area is purchased by the Kokopo Co-operative society.

Unreliable and inadequate shipping services to the area creates difficulties and deters enthusiasm towards economic development.

C. SOCIAL

1. EDUCATION.

There is one Primary T school in this area that Of the Roman Catholic Mission at Bomai. This school conducts classes from standard one to Six and has a current enrollment of 141. The attendance at this school is generally good and the people generally show an interest in the school.

2. HEALTH.

One Aid post has been established in the area at Akonga. This is an Administration Aid post. As health is generally good in this area there is little work for the Aid Post orderly based at Akonga.

3. LAW AND ORDER

Is currently good and no further comment is necessary.

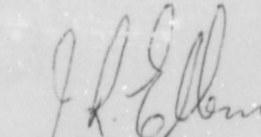
4. BANKING

These people hold a total of 19 savings accounts. There is no Savings Bank agency in the area and the people generally proceed to Gloucester for their Banking requirements.

5. No community or sporting activities exist in the area. Several attempts have been made to establish and interest in sports such as Soccer and basketball but these have all been in vain.

6. CULT AND UNREST

Currently there is no cargo cult in this area. This now being the only area with no cult activities in the Gloucester Local Government Council area.


J.R. Ellem
Patrol Officer

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J.S. Ellen
Patrol Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL POST,
GLOUCESTER.West New Britain
20th August, 1971

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GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/1972.
CENSUS OF BARIAI CENSUS DIVISIONPATROL DIARY

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Overnight Alaido.

14/8/71
SATURDAY
0700-1015 Departed Alaido for Gloucester-
END PATROL.

Amount Returned to Store



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WEST NEW BRITAIN Report No. 2 of 1971/72

Patrol Conducted by J.R. Ellem Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Part Kaliai

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives One Member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration—From 30 / 9 / 1971 to 9 10 / 19 71

Number of Days 9 Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 4 / 19 71

Medical / 19

Map Reference See Gloucester Patrol Report No. 3 of 1970/71

Objects of Patrol General Administration and Lands Work

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 ...

P.O. Box 2396, KONDUBU.

67-17-5

14th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
P.O. Box 78,
KIMBE,
West New Britain District.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72.

Your reference is 67-1-4 of 9th November, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report by Mr. J.R. Ellem, Patrol Officer, of part of the KALLAI Census Division.

The report had been adequately commented upon by yourself and the Assistant District Commissioner, TALASEA. I hope the Council will restore confidence of its constituents by successfully and rapidly completing the planned projects within its administrative area.

It is pleasing to note that the cult movement in the area is gradually dying a natural death with a decline in the number of villages involved as compared with the situation as reported by Mr. Ellem a year ago. It should die out of its own accord but we should ensure that the leaders do not break the law or interfere with the rights of individuals in any way.

T. W. Ellis

(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary.



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9th November, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONAOBU.

Gloucester Patrol No. 2-71/72
Part Kaliai Census Division

Attached please find a report of the above patrol submitted
by Mr. J.P. Ellem.

The report was of a routine nature and has been adequately
covered by the comments of the Assistant District Commissioner, Talasea.

The main point worthy of note is the apparent loss of confidence
in the Council by the people of the area.

It is hoped that the planned projects can be successfully and
rapidly completed as such concrete evidence of the Council's ability
is the only method by which confidence can be restored.

For your information please.

N.F. Fowler
N.F. Fowler,
a/District Commissioner.

Enc.

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GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1971/72

PART KALIAI CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

30/9/71 0945 Departed Gloucester per M.V. Leo for Kaliai on
THURSDAY Patrol
1700 Arrived Kaliai, Discussion with village leaders
and Priest in Charge.
Overnight Kaliai.

1/10/71 0700 Departed Kaliai for Salke
FRIDAY 1100 Arrived Salke, inspection of school and discussion
with teachers, children and parents.
1300 Departed Salke for Angal.
1530 Arrived Angal- village deserted.
Overnight Angal.

2/00/71 0700-0900 From Angal to Metavala.
SATURDAY 0900 1100 At Metavala- Discussion with cult followers
and inspected village.
1100 Departed Metavala for Salke/Bolo
1500 Arrived Bolo- Discussion with villagers re Salke
School.
1610 To Laubore.
1700 Arrived Laubore.
1700-2000 Discussion with numerous villagers re School
attendance and general matters.
Overnight Laubore.

3/10/71 0830 To Iboke, Discussion with Manager
SUNDAY 1300 To Kaliai
Overnight Kaliai.

4/10/71 0745-1600 Commenced Survey of Metelenuriai land.
MONDAY 1600-1720 Discussing sight for and establishment of
wharf at Taveliaia.

5/10/71 0745-1230 Discussion with villagers Re: attendance
TUESDAY at School and general items.
1300-1630 and 1930-2100 Commencing land investigation
for Laubore land.

6/10/71 0745 District Sked.
WEDNESDAY 0800 1400 To laubore per speed boat to investigate
Maioungani Land re D.A.S.F. Base camp.
1400 Returned to Kaliai
1400-1700 Completing Declaration of Custom for above.

7/10/71 0800-1630 To Bagai per speed boat calling at Taliwaga,
THURSDAY Opmadung, Kwako, Bagai and Robos. General Administration
work.
1630 Returned Kaliai.

8/10/71 0800 Departed Kaliai per M.V. KONRAD for Gloucester.
FRIDAY 1540 Arrived Gloucester, Discussion with Clerk.
1630-1745 Inspection of Road work
END PATROL.

SITUATION REPORTA. POLITICAL

1. Local Government.

Since 1967 the Gloucester Council has been operating in this area. Unfortunately since that date nothing of any substantial value has resulted in this area. Thus most of these people still regard Councils as a tax collection body with the ability to make returns to the area as a result of the tax they have paid.

Last financial year the Council undertook to build a road from Iboke plantation to Salke. This being a relatively simple project and requiring mainly organisation, which is lacking, should have been completed long ago. However no progress has been made since January 1971 and currently the people are expecting a bulldozer to complete the task.

The only other council project in the area is an Aid post at Bagai which certainly has proved of some value to the people.

Future planned projects are A wharf at Taveliai and an Airstrip between Laubore village and Iboke plantation. Both of these are essential for the good development of the area.

A further project which would be of great value to the area would be a road from Laubore to Kaliai (Taveliai). This would later on create a further project of a Bridge over the Banu river. These three projects would be of great importance for development and communications in this area and they certainly warrant a high priority on the approval list.

The Councillor from Laubore has further requested that the council applies for Rural Development Funds for the construction of a wharf which he planned to construct approximately 100 yards for the existing Iboke plantation wharf. This application is not at all justified and I certainly cannot approve or recommend it.

The councillors of the area are unfortunately not leaders and have a complete lack of drive, interest and reasoning power in matters which a council ought to be involved. Most of them follow in agreement with the Council president - ANDE KALU of Ketenge village who continually finds it satisfying to criticise any body who does anything to help this area. That being both local expatriate personal but missionaries generally are in full sight of his ~~name~~ criticism even though on numerous occasions he has been proved wrong in his charges against them. Examples are- Missions should give all patients and their families full rations whilst they are patients in mission hospitals, Missions should care for all school children at all times relieving the parents of this unnecessary duty which takes much of their time, Missions should pay 5c per pounds weight for copra- Which under the present prices is ridiculous, and Missionaries should not talk to Administration Officers because they tell them what the people are doing and then the people get into trouble.

2.

House of Assembly.

With the coming elections this is a topic which is being discussed at odd occasions in this area. It now appears that ANDE KALU intends to nominate and it could well be possible that a second person from Kandoka nominates also.

Owing to the Cult activities in this area it is possible that many of the electors will not participate in the elections but this is hard to estimate at this time.

The present member to the House for this area Mr. J. MANEKE has not visited much of this area since the 1968 elections and thus the people see no real importance in Members and thus are not over keen to put themselves out to vote for them.

B. ECONOMIC

1. General Rural Development.

The economy of the area depends almost entirely on Coconuts (Introduced) and Native tobacco (natural).

The villagers, especially the inland groups have for years grown much tobacco and used it in trade with the North and south coastal villagers. To-Day their cash income comes partly from this and partly from outside employment.

The coastal villagers have coconut groves which vary in size. The Laubore, Kandok's and more easterly villagers have large plantings now and are expending these continually. This is indeed encourageing. However the villagers of Taveliai, Ketenge, Gilau, Furelling and Karaiai have shown no great interest in expanding their economy during the past years and it appears that they will not for some time to come. This is largely due to the lack of potential leaders in this area and the confusing statements given them by various persons, including the Council president, that they have no need for working to produce copra ~~because~~ because if they do the mission will not pay them the correct price for it and thus their work will be simply to keep the missionaries living like KINGS.

The coconuts which the Taveliai and Ketenge people do have have not been cleaned for over a year now and as a result are heavily infested with insects that thrive under such conditions.

The developmental projects mentioned in Part A 1 of this report would be a great boost to any person in the area wishing to expand his and the areas economy.

2.

Activities of Developmental Departments.

The Department of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries have decided to establish a base camp in the area and base an Agriculture Assistant there. This is a move in the right direction and several villagers have stated that they are pleased with this as now they can obtain some assistance in marking out their coconut plantings instead of just planting the new palms any how.

There is no Co-operative movement in this area. Thus currently the Mission is the only reliable outlet for the copra produced in the area. Up until recently the mission was paying 3.5 cents per pound but recently realised that this was resulting in a loss and the price dropped to 3 cents per pound weight. However owing to the still declining prices on the world market I feel that 3. cents is a very high price for copra in an area like this.

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PATROL OFFICER

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Sub District Office,
TALASEA.
28th October, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
P.O.Box 78,
KIMBE.

Gloucester Patrol No.2 of 1971/72 Part KALIAI CENSUS DIVISION.

Attached please find a report of the above patrol submitted by
Mr. J. E. Ellem, Patrol Officer.

The report comprised of a diary and a situation report.

General Comments.

This report is well presented and the Officer concerned
is fairly conversant about the area and its people.

Political.

Local Government.

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Application for Rural Development fund would have to be for
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Field staff of the Division of District Administration have
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etc, as the leadership is not only accrued, but also achieved. Council
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criticism to ensure co-operative effort and assistance in developing
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Economic.

Ask Agricultural hygiene rule would be one way of ascertaining
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would help improve the situation. Reference land investigation report
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Social.

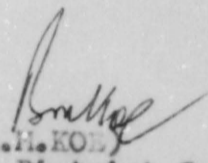
Health: Due to unserviceable state of M.V. TOA Malaria Spraying Teams
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to Bali Witu. It is understood a team is making its way to the area
already.

Education:

The answer, I believe, lies on the effective use of the truancy Rule in solving the high absentees.

F.O.T. Attached please find the claim for camping allowance. *sd*

For your information please.



(B.H. KOB)
Assistant District Commissioner.

GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1971/72

PART KALIAI CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

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1700 Arrived Kaliai, Discussion with village leaders and Priest in Charge.
Overnight Kaliai.

1/10/71 FRIDAY 0700 Departed Kaliai for Salke
1100 Arrived Salke, inspection of school and discussion with teachers, children and parents.
1300 Departed Salke for Angal.
1530 Arrived Angal- village deserted.
Overnight Angal.

2/10/71 SATURDAY 0700-0900 From Angal to Metavala.
0900 1100 At Metavala- Discussion with cult followers and inspected village.
1100 Departed Metavala for Salke/Bolo
1500 Arrived Bolo- Discussion with villagers re Salke School.
1610 To Laubore.
1700 Arrived Laubore.
1700-2000 Discussion with numerous villagers re School attendance and general matters.
Overnight Laubore.

3/10/71 SUNDAY 0830 To Iboke, Discussion with Manager
1300 To Kaliai
Overnight Kaliai.

4/10/71 MONDAY 0745-1600 Commenced Survey of Metelenurial land.
1600-1720 Discussing sight for and establishment of wharf at Taveliai.

5/10/71 TUESDAY 0745-1230 Discussion with villagers Re: attendance at School and general items.
1300-1630 and 1930-2100 Commencing land investigation for Laubore land.

6/10/71 WEDNESDAY 0745 District Sked.
0800 1400 To laubore per speed boat to investigate Maicungani Land re D.A.S.F. Base camp.
1400 Returned to Kaliai
1400-1700 Completing Declaration of Custom for above.

7/10/71 THURSDAY 0800-1630 To Bagai per speed boat calling at Taliwaga, Opmadung, Kwako, Bagai and Robos. General Administration work.
1630 Returned Kaliai.

8/10/71 FRIDAY 0800 Departed Kaliai per M.V. KONRAD for Gloucester.
1540 Arrived Gloucester, Discussion with Clerk.
1630-1745 Inspection of Road work
END PATROL.

SITUATION REPORTA. POLITICAL

1. Local Government.

Since 1967 the Gloucester Council has been operating in this area. Unfortunately since that date nothing of any substantial value has resulted in this area. Thus most of these people still regard Councils as a tax collection body with the ability to make returns to the area as a result of the tax they have paid.

Last financial year the Council undertook to build a road from Iboke plantation to Salke. This being a relatively simple project and requiring mainly organisation, which is lacking, should have been completed long ago. However no progress has been made since January 1971 and currently the people are expecting a bulldozer to complete the task.

The only other council project in the area is an Aid post at Bagai which certainly has proved of some value to the people.

Future planned projects are A wharf at Taveliai and an Airstrip between Laubore village and Iboke plantation. Both of these are essential for the good development of the area.

A further project which would be of great value to the area would be a road from Laubore to Kaliai (Taveliai). This would later on create a further project of a Bridge over the Banu river. These three projects would be of great importance for development and communications in this area and they certainly warrant a high priority on the approval list.

The Council from Laubore has further requested that the council applies for Rural Development Funds for the construction of a wharf which he planned to construct approximately 100 yards for the existing Iboke plantation wharf. This application is not at all justified and I certainly cannot approve or recommend it.

The councillors of the area are unfortunately not leaders and have a complete lack of drive, interest and reasoning power in matters which a council ought to be involved. Most of them follow in agreement with the Council president - ANDE KALU of Ketenge village who continually finds it satisfying to criticise any body who does anything to help this area. That being both local expatriate personal but missionaries generally are in full sight of his ~~xxxx~~ criticism even though on numerous occasions he has been proved wrong in his charges against them. Examples are- Missions should give all patients and their families full rations whilst they are patients in mission hospitals, Missions should care for all school children at all times relieving the parents of this unnecessary duty which takes much of their time, Missions should pay 5c per pound weight for copra- which under the present prices is ridiculous, and Missionaries should not talk to Administration Officers because they tell them what the people are doing and then the people get into trouble.

2.

House of Assembly.

With the coming elections this is a topic which is being discussed at odd occasions in this area. It now appears that ANDE KALU intends to nominate and it could well be possible that a second person from Kandoka nominates also.

Owing to the Cult activities in this area it is possible that many of the electors will not participate in the elections but this is hard to estimate at this time.

The present member to the House for this area Mr. J. MANEKE has not visited much of this area since the 1968 elections and thus the people see no real importance in Members and thus are not over keen to put themselves out to vote for them.

B. ECONOMIC

1. General Rural Development.

The economy of the area depends almost entirely on coconuts (Introduced) and Native tobacco (natural).

The villagers, especially the inland groups have for years grown much tobacco and used it in trade with the North and south coastal villagers. To-Day their cash income comes partly from this and partly from outside employment.

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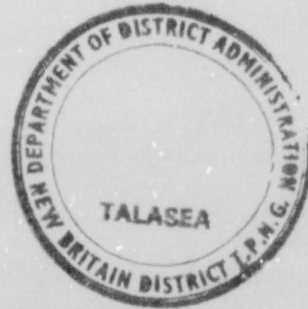
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

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District of WEST NEW BRITAIN..... Report No. 2 of 1971/72.....

Patrol Conducted by A.B. NAPIER.....

Area Patrolled BARIAI CENSUS DIVISION.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.....

Natives ONE POWER BOAT OPERATOR.....

Duration—From 8./11./1971 to 15./11/1971..

Number of Days 7.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? no.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 9/ 8./1971..

Medical/...9./1970....

Map Reference See attached.....

Objects of Patrol To revise Tax Roll and compile 5 year working plan.....

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

16/2/1972

W.F. Fowler
A/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

P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUBU.

67-17-9

10th March, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
P.O. Box 78,
KIMBE.

2A

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72

Your reference is 67-1-4 of 17th February, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report by
Mr. A. Napier, Assistant Patrol Officer of the BARIAL Census Division.

I have placed a copy of your letter to Mr. Napier on his
personal file. Forward a copy of his reply on receipt.

Future such apparently blatant disregard of instructions by
him should be dealt with under the Public Service Ordinance.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

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District Office,
Box 78,
KIMBE, WEST NEW BRITAIN.

17th February, 1972.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

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Report of Patrol Gloucester No. 2/71-72

Enclosed please find:

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- (b) Patrol Instructions of 18th October, 1971.
- (c) Patrol Instructions of 1st November, 1971.
- (d) Diary.
- (e) Situation Report.

Mr. O'Brien's comments adequately cover the Patrol Report, however it has now been found that Mr. Napier did not complete the instruction to complete a five year working plan. Mr. Napier has been interviewed and has been unable to give any satisfactory reason of failing to comply with this instruction.

To place this matter on record Mr. Napier has been instructed to submit in writing an explanation of his failure to carry out the duties as directed and on receipt of this you will be advised accordingly.

Would you please place a copy of a letter enclosed, addressed to Mr. Napier, on his personal file at Headquarters.

N.F. Fowler
N.F. Fowler, *N.F.*
a/District Commissioner.

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Glouc. Patrol Report
No. 2/71-72/67-1-4
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District Office,
Box 78,
KIMBE, WEST NEW BRITAIN.

17th February, 1972.

Mr. A.B. Napier,
Sub-District Office,
HOSKINS.

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Patrol Report, Gloucester No. 2/71-72

As discussed verbally with you I will require you to submit a written explanation as to why details of possible projects for the Council five year development programme were not carried out. The instructions given to you by Mr. O'Brien, D.L.C.C. were clear and explicit and you recorded on the cover of the Patrol Report that the objects of the Patrol, were to revise the tax roll and complete a five year work plan.

Failure to comply with direct instructions indicate your somewhat lackadaisical attitude and as such will be reported on in your Confidential Report.

N.P. Fowler,
s/District Commissioner.

Personal File; Mr. A.B. Napier,
HEADQUARTERS.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Office of Local Government,
P.O. Box 24,
KIMBE.
West New Britain.

12th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
P.O. Box 78,
KIMBE. W.N.B.D.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 2 of 71/72.

Instructions were originally issued from this office on 42-3-8 of 18.10.71 for a two week patrol of the Barial Census Division. Further instructions on 1.11.71 were given.


The purpose of the patrol was to prepare the Council 5 year Development Plan by visiting each village and discussing with the Councillors and residents of each ward their requirements. In addition the new Tax Roll for 1972/73 was to be prepared.

From the Patrol Diary it would appear that the village Malasonga was not visited. If this was the case this was contrary to the intentions expressed in the instructions. There are nine villages only. I would have expected more reference in the Situation Report or the Diary to any feasibility survey work undertaken further to compiling the 5 year Plan.

I can make no further comments on the effectiveness of the patrol until the 5 year Plan and Tax Rolls have been sighted.

The Situation Report gives a satisfactory picture of routine affairs in the Census Division. Considering that only seven days were spent on patrol the report is commendable.

The period of Camping Allowance is correct. Could funding be done through your office please.


J.G. O'BRIEN.
District Local Government Officer.

42-3-8

J.C. BARTHA

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Office of Local Government,
P.O. Box 24,
Hillsdale, New Jersey.

18th October, 1971.

Mr. A.S. Napier,
Advisor,
Gloucester Local Government Council,
Gloucester.

Dear Sir,

Instructions following inspection of the Clerk
Local Government Council

Further to the Full Council inspection conducted last week in conjunction with the audit by the Finance Officer from Kansas, a number of matters require attention.

On receipt of the audit report, you will, together with the clerk, make whatever corrections indicated. Please check off each item of the auditor's report.

Please refer to my inspection 42-3-8 of 26th May, 1971 -- certain items have still yet to be corrected.

Please discuss with the Clerk the matter of correctly entering up all local effort work on A.S.P. projects - he is doing this properly, but he is still not submitting a return at the end of each month.

Please discuss with the Council whether they intend to pass a Births, Deaths and Marriages rule.

The Council tractor driver's license expired in July. It is not available to check that he has renewed it. Please check this.

The Council tractor is presently unregistered. However, you have insurance until 1.6.72. Please make application to the Police and finalize this matter immediately.

Regarding workers' compensation, on my letter of the 20th July, 1971, and filed on your 1-13, please do as I requested and cover all employees with workers' compensation. Note that your coverage with the South Pacific Insurance Company expired last February. Regarding the coverage of unpaid village workers on A.S.P. projects, do not take action on this matter as I understand the Regional Local Government Officer is forwarding other instructions.

Please ensure that the Clerk opens a card system for your Clerk, Driver, 4 Carpenters, 4 Labourers, and one Assistant Labourer.

A review of your Field Officers Journals and the general inspection of works which you are supervising in Gloucester are satisfactory.

However, I am concerned that other areas of the Council should be patrolled by you specifically to ensure the five year development plan. Therefore you are instructed to arrange with the Clerk Gloucester to cover the areas within the local Council's jurisdiction before the end of October. The duration of the patrol should not exceed ten days. After consultation with Mr. Allen, you please forward your patrol programme which should be designed to avoid being absent from the Council for long periods.

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It is necessary to use the meetings as an information giving exercise, as much as using it as a sounding board for tax rates and future council works. The possibility of a small lunch next year should be a attractive proposal by the Council.

Before departing a patrol extracts the pertinent points from the TALSIA Ward Committee Note on 10 of the index for the Local Government Gazette 11 of 1971. Although Ward Committees were elected it is pointed that the position be made official by the passing of a similar motion. As the committees are de facto in operation we should assist them.

If notice board material is to have at the starting date of the three patrol notices you are to have them installed during the course of the patrol.

TALSIA
District Local Government Officer.

c.o. Officer in Charge
Patrol Post,
GLONCESTER.

c.c. Acting District Commissioner,
Talsia Local Government Council,
TALSIA.

memo: District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
KIARU.

Trusting that these instructions can be conducted with A.D.C. TALSIA and O.I.C. GLONCESTER.

District Local Government Officer.

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Yours faithfully,

J. O. O'Brien
District Local Government Officer

- c.c. Officer in Charge,
Patrol Post,
GLoucester.
- c.c. District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
GLoucester.

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Department of Administration,
Office of Local Government Councils,
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Surrey,
1st November, 1971.

The Administration Adviser,
Gloucester Local Government Council,
Council Chambers,
Gloucester.

Miss A. M. Hall, Training.

~~Gloucester - Gloucester Local Council~~

Further to NY 4-3-8 of 13.10.71 you will have now arranged to depart for the Social Census Division.

During this two week patrol you will arrange for the new Tax - Census - Roll of electors forms to be prepared. Please discuss this with the S.I.C. Gloucester and co-ordinate your activities so that no duplication of effort occurs. During your patrol I suggest that you include pertinent details of tax payers to exclude those persons who are never likely to pay tax because of old age and infirmities. It is not your duty to decide if a person is liable to pay tax but you can (1) ensure that all the 18 year olds are noted as taxable, and (2) that persons holding exceptions are noted.

In December you are to accompany the S.I.C. Gloucester to the Social - Census Division. Specifically you will consult with the Councils and Ward Committees on preparing the five year plan. The new tax-census-roll of electors sheets are to be completed at the same time as the Annual Census is conducted. You are to check as much as may be possible. This means that contractors employed by the Council should be programmed to be in the area.

The S.I.C. - Gloucester patrol is to be organized as field training. You will submit a situation report completing all details on P. 11-5 of the Departmental Training Instruction. For the duration of the patrol you will be under the supervision of the S.I.C. Gloucester for training purposes.

At the November and December Council Meetings please ensure that a program of Tax Payers Meetings are decided on for January. The meeting can be publicized before hand. You should assist the Executive by preparing records of Council work, progress and have estimates, maps, and blueprints for visual aids in villages.

It is necessary to use the meetings as an information giving exercise, as well as using it as a training board for tax rates and future council work. The possibility of a well thought out year should be an attractive proposal by the Council.

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12.12.71

Before reporting on Patrol matters the pertinent points from the Talara Ward Committee Report of the Index for the Local Government Gazette II of 1971. Although Ward Committees were elected it is required that the positions be made official by the passing of a similar rule. As the committees are de facto in operation we should assist them.

If notice board entry is to lead at the starting date of the three patrol sessions you are to have them installed during the course of the patrol.

(S.O. Series)

District Local Government Officer.

Trusting that these instructions can be co-ordinated with S.D. Talara and S.O. Talara.

District Local Government Officer.

c.c. Officer in Charge,
Patrol Post,
GLoucester.

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,
Talara Local Government Council,
Talara.

memo: District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
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District Legal Consultant Officer

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THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
PATROL POST,
GLOUCESTER,
WEST NEW BRITAIN.

24TH NOVEMBER, 1971.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. OF 1971/72.

TAX ROLL REVISION OF BARIAI CENSUS DIVISION.

PATROL DIARY

8/11/71
Monday
0845 Departed Gloucester per M.V. Garnet for Siamatai on patrol in Bariai area.
1130 Arrived Gurissi. Sea too rough to land at Siamatai.
1300 Inspected village and discussion with ward committee.
1530 Revised tax roll for Siamatai and Gurissi. Discussion with men re. 5 year development plan.
Overnight Gurissi.

9/11/71
Tuesday
0700 Departed Gurissi for Siamatai and Malasonga per speed-boat. Serious engine trouble one mile from Siamatai. Boat left in village.
0900 Arrived Siamatai. Inspected village re. water supply.
1000 Departed Siamatai for Kokopo.
1300 Arrived Kokopo
1400 Inspected village re. water supply and future wharf.
1600 Revised tax roll. Discussion with men re 5 year development plan. Overnight Kokopo

10/11/71
Wednesday
1000 Departed Kokopo in heavy rain for Akonga. Checked for future road location en route.
1115 Arrived Akonga, inspected village.
1330 Revised tax roll for Akonga. Discussion with men re. 5 year development plan.
1530 Inspected Bomai School and discussion with teachers.
1900 Discussion with village leaders.
Overnight Akonga

11/11/71
Thursday
0730 Departed Akonga for Bambak.
0800 Arrived Bambak and revised tax roll. Discussion with men re ward development plan.
1000 Departed Bambak for Namaramanga.
1015 Arrived Namaramanga, inspected village and revised Tax Roll.
1130 Departed Namaramanga for Alaido.
1200 Arrived Alaido
1400 Revised tax roll for Mareka and Alaido. Discussion with men re. Council work and 5 year development plan.
Overnight Alaido

12/11/71
Friday
7.00 A suicide of a young man of Bambak village reported to me. Forwarded information to O.I.C. Gloucester per speed-boat driver by hired power canoe.
9.30 Oral report of suicide to O.I.C. on his arrival.
1030 Inspected Alaido and Mareka villages. Discussion with men re economic development, namely copra driers and Development Bank loans for same.
Overnight Alaido as per instructions from O.I.C.

13/11/71
1000 To Bambak. Observed circumcision ceremony as guest.
Overnight Alaido.

14/11/71
Observed and overnight in Alaido.

15/11/71
7.45 observed 'Government day' work in Alaido and Mareka.
1230-1415 Departed Alaido for Gloucester.

END OF PATROL.

Purpose Of Bariai Patrol.

The main purpose of this patrol was to revise the council tax roll, for the Bariai Census Division. The current tax register has now become out of date.

Secondly, to collect the people's opinions and needs re. a 5 year development plan. This has now been completed and the development plan accompanies this report.

Thirdly, to examine the feasibility and positioning of Council projects such as wharfs, water supplies and roads.

Situation Report

A. POLITICAL 1. Local Government.

The Gloucester Local Government Council was established in 1967 and includes the area patrolled. There was no obvious opposition to the Council however there was no apparent enthusiasm. This area has had material benefits from 5 years of tax paying apart from the construction of an aid-post at Bomai. This is not unique to this area as most other areas in the Council have received similar neglect.

The tax rate for the Bariai area is \$5.00 for males over 18 and .50¢ for females. The people seem to have no difficulty obtaining tax money and the defaulter rate is negligible.

2. Local Government Councillors.

There are three elected Councillors for the area who represent some 890 people. PORE SIKO of ward 13 and SERI KUA of ward 12 are perhaps the most ineffective council members, both in participation in council meetings and leadership in the villages. Neither has either natural or traditional authority.

The remaining councillor, GALAPO MASA of ward 11, is a much more progressive councillor. He is Council Vice-president and an active member, often outspoken at meetings. In an area where pigs and sorcery are power, Galapo has little traditional power but is a good representative of his electorate. He has nominated for for the Open seat in the coming House of Assembly elections.

3. Political Education.

A short political talk was given in each village in conjunction with discussions on Council work. The people showed very little interest apart from Alaido and Mareka villages who's Councillor is standing for the House in the next election. These people asked a number of questions about the relationship of the Local Council to the House of Assembly.

As noted in the report of Patrol No.1 of 1971/72, Mr Augustine Kevin BULA, the head teacher from Bomai School paved the way to more open discussion by asking several questions.

B. ECONOMIC 1 General Rural Development.

Copra is the only cash income for this area. At present some 100 tons per year are smoked dry for sale to the CO-OP SOCIETY at Kokopo, the Catholic Mission or to Mr C. McKinnon who has a small trading venture near Alaido. Several men have their own copra numbers and ship small quantities direct to Rabaul.

B. ECONOMIC contd.

It was apparent by the neglected state of most coconuts and numerous dries left where they fell to shoot or to rot, that there is little interest to develop a true cash economy. Cash is used to supplement the traditional way of living, not to replace it.

Many palms are planted too closely and as a result, some stands of mature palms are producing little or no copra. When this was mentioned, the people expressed a strong reluctance to thin them out.

2. Activities of Development Departments.

The Bariai has long been neglected by development officers. Most progress made to date has failed for want of follow up action. There has been only one visit by the Dept. of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries in the last 12 months. Also the Bariai Co-op Society seems to be failing badly and many village people expressed their discontent.

I found strong interest to improve the quality of copra by the purchase of hot air driers in Alaido, Mareka, Akonga and Gurissi villages. All will require Development Bank loans and stated that they are capable of finding the necessary deposit and repaying the loan over a reasonable period.

I strongly suggest that an officer of the Dept. of Agriculture visit this area in the near future, preferably giving reasonable notice to the villages concerned.

3. Processing and Marketing.

Second to the people's apathy to copra production, shipping, irregular and inadequate, is a major factor to the development of a cash economy. Mr. Clifton McKinnon a retired medical assistant, now a small trader near Alaido, has managed to secure a regular monthly call of the M.V. Raskai and village people with their own C.M.B. numbers are starting to make use of this service. At the other end of the area, Kokopo is perhaps receiving less attention than previously. This may not be the fault of shipping companies. Irregular and often unprofitable quantities of copra stored by the Co-op Society may have discouraged ships from calling in.

Wharf facilities will be needed in the near future and a good response was received on this suggestion. Kokopo is the most suitable site, with sheltered deep water close to shore. It is also fairly central and will be connected by road to villages to the west when the proposed Gloucester-Kokopo Road is completed.

C. SOCIAL.1. Education

The one Primary I school in the area, at Bomai, is run by the Catholic Mission from Kilengi. There are 139 children enrolled and attendance appears to be good.

Two large permanent materials class rooms are in the latter stages of construction with and it is pleasing to note the assistance given by the village people. Mr. Augustine Bula, the head teacher, originally of Kokopo, shows outstanding abilities in getting the interest and cooperation of the people.

C. SOCIAL contd.2. Health.

Health seems generally good in this area. No medical assistant accompanied the patrol. The one aid post, at Akonga, is centrally situated and seemed to be well attended. Difficult cases are sent some 18 miles to the hospital at Gloucester.

3. Law and Order.

Generally good however there was a noticeable current of unrest later found to be because of the death of GORMON KABULIO, the big man for the whole census division and reputed to be a strong sorcerer. The entire area had been building up for initiation and circumcision ceremonies over a period of some six weeks before the patrol and there was a large number of visitors from outside groups present presumably as guests. The largest visiting group was 70 or so Kombis who were living for several weeks in Alaido village, thus causing a severe food shortage. Through out the Barial, women were daily making sago, normally eaten only in times of food shortage.

It was in Alaido village that Gorman died and several local people told me that it was sorcery and blamed the Kombis who immediately moved a few miles away to Bambak village. On November 12th, six days after Gorman's death, three young women reported to me that ex catechist from Bambak was found dead, hanging by the neck in Bambak village. I questioned several other people including the Councillor and there was some suggestion of foul play so I sent a brief report by messenger to the O.I.C. Gloucester who arrived with police and the head Medical Assistant to continue the investigation.

No evidence of foul play was found however, on instruction from The O.I.C. I remained at Alaido until Monday 15th to keep an eye on the situation.

4. General.

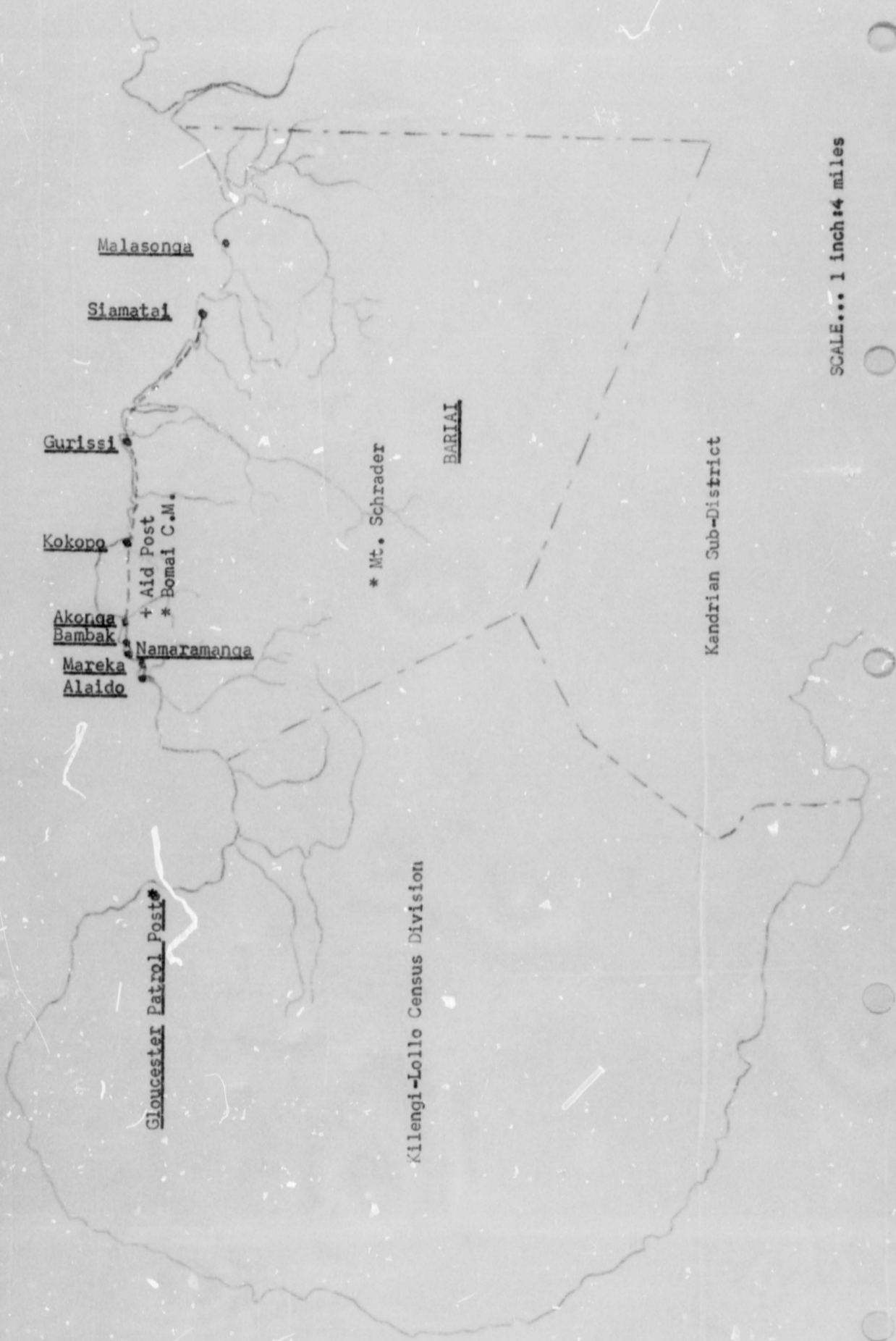
As mentioned under B. Economic on page 2, cash, trade goods and similar introduced items and customs are not causing a breakdown of traditional beliefs and way of life. Perhaps the opposite. In discussions with some of the older men, it was revealed that singsings and traditional ceremonies now are bigger and more important than ever before. Instead of singsings involving two or three days of celebrations and gifts and exchange visits from several neighboring villages, it now means two or three months and the giving of over 100 pigs with visits from villages as far apart as the Kombi and the Siassi Islands. The host area is left denuded of pigs, food and money. The latter mainly caused by the fact that virtually no copra is produced during this time. Houses are in a poor state, gardens are harvested but not replanted and health, children and village cleaning are neglected while almost the entire village is in a betel-nut trance for a period of months.

These singsings do produce some good effects by promoting friendships with other tribal groups who may have been enemies in the past. Many mixed marriages are negotiated during these times and help to break down traditional barriers. There is also a healthy trading system, mainly based on tambu, strings of shell money. This is negotiable through out the north coast however by playing the market, buying in the off season, between singsings and selling later to somebody needing tambu for a bride price or similar. The powerful men are increasing their hold on their people. This power is almost economic blackmail and is crippling the initiative of the younger generation.

CONCLUSION.

The TAX & CENSUS ROLL was compiled during the patrol also a five year ward development plan which will be forwarded when reviewed by the full meeting of the Council.

MAP OF BARIAI CENSUS DIVISION



SCALE... 1 inch = 4 miles

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P.O. Box 2396,
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18th August 1972.

The District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
P.O. Box 78,
KIMBE.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 3-71/72.

Reference your 67-1-4 of 28th July, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Area Study amendments arising out of the above patrol of the Kilengi-Lollo Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. J. R. Ellem, Assistant District Officer.

An informative up-dating of an Area Study which has been adequately covered by comments by the Assistant District Commissioner, Talasea and yourself.

T. W. E
(T. W. ELLIS)
Secretary. *nev*



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28th July, 1972.

The Secretary,
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Gloucester Patrol Report No. 3 of 1971/72

Enclosed please find two copies of the above report submitted by Mr. J. R. Ellem, Assistant District Officer. Two copies of the Situation Report are also attached. The report was for the updating of Area Study on Patrol No. 2 of 1970/71.

My comments are as follows:

1. Mr. Ellem has since left the District and therefore I am unable to have the Situation Report submitted in a proper manner;
2. Due to staff changes in the sub-district level the report has been delayed for sometime in Talasea;
3. Errors in spelling of village names have been favourably commented upon by Mr. L. Hanson, then Assistant District Commissioner;
4. Mr. Hanson has favourably commented on the Situation Report;
5. The report itself is well presented as it is very informative. Mr. Ellem must be commended for up-dating the Area Study in an efficient manner;
6. Communication:
 - (a) Roads & Bridges - the work on the Gloucester/Sagsag Road has begun. Mr. E. Burke of Lae had moved in the area in May for the project and about 30% of the work is completed as at 5th June, 1972. About 20% of the Gloucester/Airagilpus road has been cleared.
 - (b) Gloucester Wharf - About 60% of the work has been completed and 20th June was set for the opening. However, this has been delayed until Local Government Engineers investigate and report on the collapse of the wharf.
7. The Stage of Political Development:
Despite the fact that the people showed very little interest in the elections or in the candidates, Mr. Galopo Masa of Barial Census Division was successful in winning the seat for Hauran/Gloucester open Electorate.

AREA STUDY FILED

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8. The Economy of the Area:

The use of Administration Trawlers where necessary and the Workboat now based at Gloucester, without unnecessary diversification, the village copra, etc., shall be shipped to Gloucester for further shipment.

For your perusal and comments please.

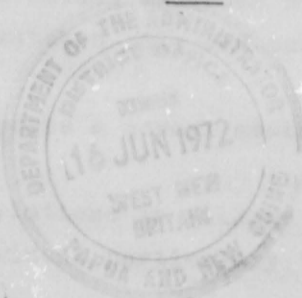
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GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1971/72

Mr. J. R. Ellem A.D.O. - KILENGI LOLLO Census Division.

Attached are three copies of the above mentioned Patrol Report by Mr. Ellem, together with Field Officers' Journals and Claim for Camping Allowance.

Mr. Tweedie accompanied Mr. Ellem and has submitted a report, 3(A) of 1971/72 which is also enclosed with Camping Allowance Claim and Field Officers' Journals folios. Comments on the report are on separate attached memorandum.

Population:

Census statistics show AIRAGUILPUA whereas Directory shows AIRAGILPUA

" " " GILNIT " " "

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A watch should be kept on villagers with a high percentage of the labour force absent from the village to ensure there are no harmful repercussions to village life.

Social Groupings:

The inland Lollo villagers rejections of outside cult influence is admirable. The form of 'trouble' offered them I presume is legal.

Mr. Ellem has not adhered strictly to village name spellings as listed in the Directory and while in each case the intended village is clear enough, the spelling variations mar the report.

SITUATION REPORT

Political: Mr. Ellem's observations on the decline in the village 'self help' aspect of community development is not confined only to the Gloucester area, it is widespread throughout Papua New Guinea. With developing sophistication this is inevitable and the answer I feel will be in the increase of and judicious use of taxes, when funds can be made available for wages.

Economic: The officer's continued enthusiasm in continuing to assist the people by frequently discussing with them the advantages of taking an interest in coconut grove clearing, basket weaving and so on is noted.

Social: Previous experience has shown that this type of cargo cult tends to smoulder over the years with occasional small flare ups.

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Except in the case where actual disorder occurs in village life I feel the cults will best be watched only and ousted eventually through the medium of education.

In general Mr. Ellem reports a normal state of affairs for the Kilengi Census Division.

In addition to the vacillations in village name spellings, general spelling mistakes are evident particularly 'communal' and 'dormant'.

L. Hanson

L. Hanson.
Assistant District Commissioner.

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PATROL REPORT

REPORT NUMBER: 3 of 1971/72 OBJECTS OF PATROL: ANNUAL CENSUS
 DISTRICT: WEST NEW BRITAIN STATION: GLOUCESTER, PATROL POST
 PATROL CONDUCTED BY: J.R. ELLEM SUB-DISTRICT: TALASEA
 AREA PATROLLED: KILENGI Census Div. DESIGNATION: PATROL OFFICER
 DURATION OF PATROL: 13 Days PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: A.J. TWEEDIE
 LAST D.D.A. PATROL: 12 months AGO NUMBER OF DAYS: 13 A.P.O.
 LAST C.L.G. PATROL: NIL. 7 months in part
 MAP REFERENCE: See Area Study. TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 3879
 COUNCIL AREA: GLOUCESTER
 HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE:
 KANDRIAN/ GLOUCESTER

The District Commissioner,
District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach
 FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 31 TO 38 (✓)
 PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, ()
 THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, (✓)
 AREA STUDY, ()
 UPGRADING OF AREA STUDY, (✓)
 SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. 1 - , ()
 PATROL MAP, ()

DATE: 1/5/1972.

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. Papua.

In respect of this patrol, I attach
 AREA STUDY, ()
 UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, (✓)
 SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. 1 - (✓)
 ()
 ()
 DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESMENT OF
 PATROL & REPORT ABOVE AVERAGE ✓
 AVERAGE
 BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 30/7/1972.

M.W. Brightwell
 District Commissioner

KILENGI/LOLLO CENSUS DIVISION

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POPULATION

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DATE OF CENSUS	VILLAGE	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				GRAND TOTAL
		CHILD (Under 15 Yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 Yrs)		ADULT		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
3/2/72	AIMAGA	18	24	21	30	1	-	9	3	106
4/2/72	AIMOLA	33	32	28	37	-	-	3	-	133
3/2/72	AIPATI	21	20	18	29	1	-	6	2	97
25/1/72	AIPILPUA	33	20	23	27	-	-	13	-	116
29/1/72	AISEGA	19	34	32	38	3	-	12	4	142
25/1/72	AISIMAPUA	24	-	20	30	-	-	4	-	103
3/1/72	ALIAPUA	14	17	15	20	-	-	4	1	71
25/1/72	ARARAU	22	14	26	25	-	-	9	-	97
28/1/72	AUMO	47	53	42	57	1	-	24	1	225
14/1/72	GARIMATI	14	12	15	21	3	-	3	1	69
3/2/72	GIE	35	32	30	37	4	-	6	1	145
27/1/72	GILNIT	26	30	20	32	-	1	13	1	123
25/1/72	KAKUMO	12	12	11	14	-	-	1	-	50
4/2/72	LAUT	21	20	27	22	-	1	3	1	95
14/1/72	MANGAILAPUA	25	25	27	28	-	-	6	2	113
28/1/72	NAMATOTO RAE	17	15	21	18	-	-	2	-	73
14/1/72	NATAMU	14	13	23	23	-	-	3	1	77
14/1/72	NEKAROP	23	20	23	18	-	1	4	2	84

KILENGI/LOLLO CENSUS DIVISION

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POPULATION.

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ONGAIA 9/2/72	ONGAIA	75	67	63	64	4	8	38	11	330
25/1/72	ORELMO	14	13	13	10	-	-	3	-	59
9/2/72	POTNI	77	57	54	63	13	8	36	14	322
3/2/72	POTPOTPUA	23	18	24	25	-	-	6	-	96
26/1/72	RELMEN	36	34	35	41	-	-	10	-	156
25/1/72	ROVATA	21 **	14	23	22	-	-	6	-	86
2/1/72	SAG SAG	13	21	19	17	-	-	3	1	74
3/2/72	SIKAL	11	17	17	19	-	1	5	-	70
14/1/72	SILIMATI	22	10	14	17	2	1	2	1	62
4/2/72	TAUALI	36	38	38	38	3	4	13	5	175
9/2/72	ULIMAINGI	35	35	33	33	-	2	15	4	157
1/2/72	URA	15	15	18	16	-	-	3	-	67
29/1/72	WALAWALAPUA	12	9	19	16	-	-	2	-	58
9/2/72	WARIMO	52	49	42	57	4 3	3	18	6	234
1/2/72	WITNARI	24	29	25	30	-	-	6	-	114

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Department of the Administrator,
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West New Britain
14th February, 1972.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 3 of 1971/72- CENSUS KILENGI C/D.

1. UPDATING OF AREA STUDY: GLOUCESTER PATROL No. 2 of 1970/71

A. INTRODUCTION.

There is no need for change or addition to this section of the current area study for this area.

B. POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS.

a) Updating of this register is attached to this report. The new form has certainly cut down on the time taken to compile these figures. However the figures relating to Natural Increase of village population is of much interest to the area and could be included in the Population Census forms.

The register shows that a decrease of 13 persons has occurred during the past twelve months. This is the result of families migrating to other areas.

The percentage of potential man power of the area which is currently absent out of the Electorate has shown a marked increase and is now in the vicinity of 40.4%. To compile this figure aged absentees were not included.

C. SOCIAL GROUPINGS.

a) An addition to the two previously recorded social groups is the Amame group which comprises only the people from Natamo village. These people live just on the boundary of the Kilengi and the Bariai census divisions but they have ties with and are closely related to the Siamatai and Malasonga villagers of the Bariai.

b) relations between the three social groups are good and no friction exists.

c) Relationships with adjacent groups is fair. Some eight months vertain Cult leaders from the Arawe area came into the Inland Lolo and tried, partly successful, to have the people readopt their cult interests. This upset several of the Lolo people who ordered these Arawe people out of the area and told them not to come back or there would be trouble.

D. LEADERSHIP.

No change benefiting the area has occurred during the past twelve months in this regard. However the level of authority of the one pronounced leader AISAPO TALAVI has fallen. This has been the result of several people working together to hinder his leadership abilities. But unfortunately there has been no one else show any ability or interest as a leader of the people in this area.

Aisapo Talavi has nominated for the coming Elections for the House of Assembly.

E. LAND TENURE AND USE.

During the past year additional land was purchased from the Village people of this area:-

- MAKAMBRI - Extension to Patrol Post- 5.4 acres
- URIGIALU- CAPE GLOUCESTER AIRSTRIP- 20.54 hectares
- WAWASEGA - Catholic Mission Extension- 3.24 acres

The land previously reported as being under dispute by the Nekarop and Tamuniai people has been solved and ownership is now recognised as belonging to the Nekarop people.

b) Coconuts is still the only cash crop being grown by these people. At the present prices it is not very encouraging for these people to sell or even clean their coconuts and thus they harvest only a half of the possible production figure. The coconuts in most cases are no longer being cared for and in some instances have not been cleaned for over twelve months. In this case the low prices is only part of the reason and the peoples' lack of enthusiasm towards this type of physical work and their inability to organise themselves being the other main reasons.

c) Communal plantings have now been replaced by individual efforts. In most cases the old communal plantings are no longer worked or harvested owing to the family ties. That is to say that if some person(s) actually exerted themselves and harvested \$10-00 worth of copra then other members of that clan would pressurise them into sharing the \$10-00 between all members as the coconuts belonged to them all.

F. LITERACY.

The number of schools in the area has not increased despite repeated attempts by the Roman Catholic mission to have the Airagilpua School registered. This school would supply education services to the children of five villagers certainly and possibly three others making a total of eight villages.

Attendance at the registered schools of the area is as follows:

SCHOOL	CLASSES	M	F	TOTAL	TEACHERS
AUMO	Std. 1		Nil		
	Std. 2	12	11	23	2 B certificate
	Std. 3	5	10	15	
			38		
SAGSAG	STD. 1		NIL		
	Std. 2	16	18	34	3 A certificate 1 B certificate 1 E certificate
	Std. 3	13	7	20	
	Std. 4	17	3	20	
	Std. 5	11	12	23	
	Std. 6	10	6	16	
			113		
AIMAGA	STD. 1	6	6	12	2 B certificate 3 A certificate
	Std. 2	10	9	19	
	Std. 3	10	7	17	
	Std. 4	7	6	13	
	Std. 5	8	7	15	
	Std. 6	7	5	12	
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The lack of organization within themselves is

F LITERACY CONTD.

TAUALE	STD. 1	10	7	17	1 certificate A	
	STD. 3	9	6	15		
				<u>32</u>		
KILENGI	STD. 1	10	9	19	(Still some to be enrolled)	
	STD. 2	10	11	21		
	STD. 3A	8	12	20		5 B2 Certificate
	STD. 3B	7	13	20		
	STD. 4	22	22	44		3 A1 Certificate
	STD. 5	13	24	37		
	STD. 6A	13	14	27		
	STD. 6B	19	12	31		
			<u>219</u>			
SILIMATI	STD. 1	10	11	21	4 A certificate	
	STD. 2	11	11	22		
	STD. 3	12	14	26		
	STD. 4	8	8	16		
	STD. 5	10	9	19		
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Of the above schools all seem at this stage to be running well. Last year Kilengi school, which was completely localised and with 4 teachers from the immediate area, could only be described as appalling, with not one of the teachers showing any interest or concern in their work. However this year a new headteacher has been appointed and the situation has changed completely with on most occasions the teachers working together after classes to discuss problems and prepare for the coming day. It has been noted that the teachers do not commence their day late unless they have a legitimate excuse and that they all respect their Head teacher. The Kilengi school given time should be a good example, to other teachers in this area, of how a school should function.

b) It is estimated that now approximately 35 % of the population of the area are semi literate in Pigin english.

X G. STANDARD OF LIVING.

It was upsetting to note that the standard of housing in the villages of this area has slipped during the past twelve months. This being mainly noticeable in the four villages in the Kilengi area- Namely- Ongai, Potne, Waermo and Ulimaingi. In these villages it has been ordered that the occupants, of all but 37 houses, rebuild their houses in a satisfactory standard within two months. On several occasions when the inspecting Officer inspected the houses either three or four bearers would collapse without resistance to the touch of a hand or clear day light could be seen through the roof and sand below the floor when at some time someone had obviously fallen through the floor.

It is in Kilengi that the villagers have adopted a negative attitude towards every thing - School, Gardens, economic development, village housing, canoes. The exact reason for this, apart from the loss of authority by 'Aisapo' is not known but several possibilities exist. On one occasion these people have asked why did the mission not pay their court fines now as it used to do, and why was the mission refusing to pay the school fees for their children.

The lack of organisation within themselves is

G STANDARD OF LIVING.

is the main factor as it is very common to visit these villages at any time of the day and find at least a dozen men sitting around chewing beetle nut and when questioned state that it is too hot to work.

This patrol pointed several important facts out to these people and the situation will be watched to observed any change.

MISSIONS H.

Appart from the fact that the Roman Catholic ^{Mission} has at long last stopped giving hand outs to the people to meet their school fees and other expenses, (the stopping of such handouts is a good thing), the situation has not changed.

I. NON- INDIGENOUS.

The area study stated that Croyden and Viggers had been purchasing non ferrus metals in this area, now this has ceased owing to the lack of material being sold to them.

J. COMMUNICATIONS.a) Roads.

Roads are the same as in the area study except that the road from Gloucester to the airstrip is now in a very good condition with all bridges safe and the road sides being moweable over the entire length with a tractor and slasher.

The Gloucester Council has been granted Rural development funds for the upgrading of the Road from the Airstrip to Sagsag, and from Gloucester to AIRAGILPUA. WORK HAS commenced on these roads but the equipment which was being organised from Kimbe by the District Local Government officer failed to appear and thus the Council has had to start again to find some body with suitable equipment who is interested in this work. They have contacted a Mr. E. Burke of Lae address who has expressed interest and intends to visit the area this month to inspect the work required.

The other Rural Development roads are in the same position- waiting for the equipment.

b) SEA.

Still there is no wharf in this area. Owing to extensive delays in the arrival of the necessary Gabions the Gloucester Wharf, Rural Development Project by Council, has not as yet been completed. However the Gabions have now arrived and it is hoped that the Gloucester Council will take a serious attitude towards the completion of this project. It may also be of interest to note that it can be expected that delays will occur when positioning the gabions commences as according to the plans a level bench will have to be cut in the sloping coral at a depth of 15 feet of water.

c) AIR.

The Cape Gloucester air strip is being maintained under contract by the Gloucester Local Government Council. This airstrip has proved its worthiness repeatedly, however, the Regular air services are anything but regular in relations to the times specified.

K. TECHNICAL AND CLERICAL SKILLS.

Nil Change since Area study.

L. THE STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

Since the Area study was compiled the inland Lolo cult emerged again but only lived a relatively short period (Two months) before the village leaders became upset with the whole idea and proceeded to prove false every thing that the cult leader did. When the cult leader threatened them they proceeded to lay charges against him which resulted in his spending five months in the Gloucester Corrective institution. During this patrol it was observed that currently the cult is having no effect upon the lives of the villagers.

Another cult arose at Laut village which was lead by a youth of 19 years who influenced the villagers in Laut, Aimola, Sagsag, Potpotpua, Gei and part of Aimaga, Aipate and Sikol. This cult was based upon the fact that their dead ancestors were going to send them \$93,000,000. dollars in paper money, which would appear upon the grave of their elders if they obeyed the cult and took what action was specified by the Cult leader 'MANGAI'. Action was taken just as ax detement which has had satisfactory results todate. It currently appears that the cult is dormant.

The people of the area have been made aware of the coming elections and the importance of same. However they have ,todate, shown very little interest in elections or the collect candidates.

M. ECONOMY OF THE AREA.

Owing to the falling prices for copra the production of same has naturally fallen during the past year. The actual production is estimated 110 tons sold with an almost similar figure either rotting or being eaten.

Further plantings has almost ceased appart from those plantings in Gei, Aisega and Aumo villages. The figure involved here is not known as the Department of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries do not as yet have figures available.

The price being paid for copra in this area is currently 2.7 cents average.

The cash wages earnings per week and the average incomes for men of this area have not varied greatly during the past twelve months but in some cases the figures have dropped a little.

Shipping still is a problem. It is hoped that with the completion of the Gloucester wharf that the shipping services will in at least one case become regular and thus giving a reliable outlet for the copra produced in the area.

N. POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING THE ECONOMY.

There is no change in this section. Appart from stating that if the people organised themselves and took a little bit of care then they could earn over \$3,000. over all each year simply through selling the Woven baskets which they can make and could do commercially with a little bit of concentration. This has been discussed with with several people with no results to-date.

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 3 of 1971/72- CENSUS KILENGI C/D.2. SITUATION REPORT.

Kilengi/

Dispite short term changes the overall situation for the / census division has not changed much during the past twene months. Points of interest are - renewed Cargo cult interests, decline in economic activities and also loss of interest, in many cases, in education. These matters will be discussed further in the body of the report.

A. POLITICAL1. Local Government;

Overall the general attitude of the people of this area is now having much influence on the attitude of, * and the attitude towards, the Gloucester Local government council. The attitude can be sumed up as being ' Not pro every thing except things given them or what they are paid to receive'. Examples of this are:-

a) The peoples biggest worry - Ships fail to call and collect their copra- Situation discussed and the people agree that wharves would be of assistance in solving this problem- They , The Councillors, apply for Rural Development funds to assist with the construction of various wharves in this area and they are at the time very carefully informed of the system of Rural Development requiring Half effort in Cash or kind to be put forward by the Council, and at that time they all agree with it. Then as soon as work commences the labourers request wages- The Council is reminded of their earlier agreement and told that if the labourers are to be paid then the Council must obtain the money - increased taxes, they decline this idea and work continues. Next meeting it is discussed again- Why should the people work to build a wharf for the ships to use if the men are not going to be paid. The matter is again discussed. The next meeting the same etc.

b) The Missions in this area, previously freely accommodated hospital patients and their families. Now they have stopped this and charge 10c per patient and any of the family staying at the Hospital have to bring their own food or buy it. Also the missions have stopped paying the school fees for the people. The above has resulted in the people loosing faith in the missions and generally refusing to do any thing to help them- like cleaning around the hospitals, looking after teacher houses. The Gloucester Council has raised the matter and were informed that the missions did not have to give food to the patients and their families, by both myself and the District Commissioner but this was later followed by the matter being raised at the next Council meeting and the Council telling its people not to help the missions if the missions were not going to help them.

The above is soon going to have devastating effects on this area as after a period staff, even staff dedicated to religion, will no longer desire to remain in this area and thus nurses and teachers especially will not come to this area and it is known that several would resign their positions rather than do so.

The above has been discussed at length with the people without results and it is thought that time and the loss of services will be the only way that this attitude will change.

A. POLITICAL CONTD.2. Local Government Councillors:

Of the twenty four councillors of the Gloucester Council there are eleven in this area. They are generally just men of the village with no authority or drive and usually do as the majority of their people tell them to. An exception to this is Aisapo Talavi of Ongai village. He is a traditional leader and has authority throughout the whole area. Unfortunately as he grows older his authority is failing and as a result the area becomes less organised and as yet there is no one person or persons or body of persons capable of taking his place. This being the result prime cause for the lack of development in the area as it is always at any time of the day possible to call in at a village and find at least half of that village's man power sitting around in the shade chewing beetle nut and still thinking about starting work.

3. HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

with the coming House of Assembly elections the people are showing a little interest in the above. They are at long last discussing the House of Assemble and some of its purposes and especially its members. Though I very much doubt if the people know and fully understand very much about which they talk on this subject.

For the coming elections this area is included in the Kandrian Gloucester Open electorate for which five men have nominated. Of these two are from the Gloucester area and one of them is Aisapo Talavi of this area.

Owing to age and poor health it is doubted whether Aisapo could last out a full term in the house should he win. It is also interesting to note that his nomination was the result of much pressure by other men in the area to make him nominate so that they would not have to worry so much about his presence as he would be absent for much of his time. Aisapo himself informed me of this and it is obviously what happened.

B. ECONOMIC.1. General Rural Development;

The only economic crop being grown in this area is coconuts. Each village has its own plantings both Communal and Individual.

With the present prices for copra the people are finding little encouragement to harvest their coconuts and make copra. Thus also it is still the in thing to see coconut groves overgrown with shrubs and vines and not being maintained at all as far as the villagers are concerned. On the odd occasion where they find it necessary to have some money (Court fines ect.) they search amongst the bush for dry coconuts.

At Kilengi I spent much time in discussion with the village elders and some of the slightly more enthusiastic younger men and pointed out the probable results of their attitude. It has been revealed that currently some effort is being made to clean the coconut groves but the full extent of their efforts are not as yet known.

Sexava infestations were prevalent during the past year however the degree of infestation has not worsened and appears to be decreasing slightly.

B. ECONOMY OF THE AREA CONTD.

The area could well utilise some of its natural skills to increase the economy of the area. Several men have good skills in Drum 'KUNDU' making and other artefacts which there is a demand and a market from if the Lae area. Also several people are capable of making woven baskets and if they took the care to make neat baskets they could sell numerous baskets each year. This has been pointed out to the people but no interest has been shown.

Each village has its own copra drier and could produce in good condition all the copra potential of the area. Outlets for the copra that is produced are:- Kilengi Roman Catholic mission, Ongeia society, and three business village men- Aigilo of Aumo, Otto Terio of Silimati and Maleu of Garamati.

The copra, when a vessel is available, is shipped from Gloucester, Kilengi and Aumo. The lack of coastal vessels calling in this area is a handicap to the above as on occasions the copra remains in the sacks for up to two months waiting for a vessel. This results with much copra being rejected by the Copra marketing board.

2. Owing to the general problems with economic development it is fairly natural for the village people to look for other means of development and during the past twelve months two Cargo cults again became important to the people of the inland Lolo and Sagsag areas. Action as necessary was taken in both of these cases and currently both cults are again dormant.

C. SOCIAL.

1. Education.

The Missions of the area, both Roman Catholic and Anglican, supply adequate schools for the area. However the schools at Airagilpua and Gilnit are not registered, and of these it is recommended that the Airagilpua school be. An approach has been made to The Department of Education at K₁mbe but as yet nothing has resulted.

Registered schools are situated at: Aumo and Sagsag- Anglican, and Aimaga, Tauale, Kilengi and Silimati being Roman Catholic mission. These schools are well staffed and this year the Kilengi/has a female headteacher who has shown a very keen interest in her school and already the different attitude by the others and the children's desire to go to school has indicated that she is a very capable and suitable headteacher. The teachers now tend to keep working together after hours in discussion and planning for the coming days work.

/school

2. Health.

This though satisfactory is not pleasing. At several villages several children were found to be suffering from various diseases or Ulcers and it was obvious that the parents had made no attempt to obtain any medical attention. Three men were charged accordingly.

The degree of malaria outbreaks has been controlled again as the spraying programme is being kept up to date.

Hospitals are situated at Kilengi, Sagsag and at Gloucester, Aid posts are situated at Aumo and Airagilpua, and these are adequate for the area.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number 4-1971/72 GLOUCESTER

Subdistrict TARASEA

District WEST NEW BRITAIN

Type of Patrol.....

Patrol Conducted by A. J. TWEEDIE

Area Patrolled }
(Council and/or }
Census Division/s.) }

Personnel Accompanying Patrol.....

Duration of Patrol—from...../..... to...../...../.....

No. of Days.....

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area:.....

Date..... Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly).....

Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

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District Commissioner.

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P.O. Box 2396
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67-17-39

7th February, 1973

The District Commissioner
West New Britain District
P.O. Box 78
KIMBE

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 4 - 1971/72⁽¹⁾

Reference your 67-1-4 of 30th January, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Report arising out of the above patrol of KIDENGI Census Division, as submitted by Mr. A.J. Tweedie, Assistant Patrol Officer.

Your comments are noted.

C. G. Littler

C.G. LITTLER
Secretary



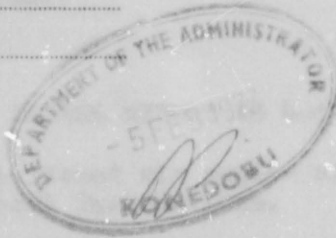
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District Office,
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KIMBE W.N.B.
30th January, 1973

The Secretary
Department of the Administrator,
Box 2396 P.O.
KONEDOBU PAPUA.

PATROL REPORTS 1971/72

Your memo 67-1-0 dated 13th December, 1972 refers.

Attached find Gloucester Patrol Reports Numbers 4 and 6/71-72.
I do not wish to comment on the Reports as they are out of date
and the information in the Report is therefore worthless.

✓ Kandrian Patrol Report No. 15/71-72 was received by you. Please
refer your memo 67-17-32 of 5/12/72.

M.W. Brightwell
M.W. BRIGHTWELL
District Commissioner.

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A. J. Tweedie
Assistant Patrol Officer
GLOUCESTER PATROL POST.
8/3/72

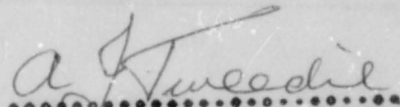
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PATROL REPORT NO 4-1971/1972.

Please find attached six copies of the Patrol Report No. 4-1971/1972.
as requested in Patrol Instructions.

As my F.O.J. has already been sent to District Headquarters Kimbe for
statistical work, it will have to be attached to ~~them~~ this Patrol Report
at Kimbe.

For your information and criticism.



.....
A. J. Tweedie
Assistant Patrol Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA 9

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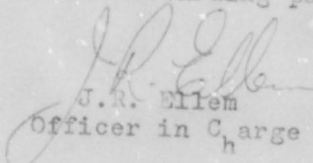
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Department of the Administrator,
Patrol Post,
GLOUCESTER.
West New Britain
17th February, 1972

Mr. A.J. Tweedie.
Assistant Patrol Officer,
Patrol Post,
GLOUCESTER.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 4-1971/72

1. As discussed with you you are to prepare to depart for a patrol through the Kilengi Census Division.
2. Your primary task is to fulfil your role as Assistant Presiding Officer for the House of Assembly elections.
3. Your patrol is in the same area as that of the patrol which you have just completed and without interfering with the elections in any way you should check on the progress made on the instructions given these people during the last patrol in the area.
4. Constable 1st Class Perinkreh 1234 will be accompanying the patrol and he will be able to handle any necessary police work.
5. Upon the completion of your patrol you shall assist the Presiding officer with the necessary returns and reports and there after submit a situation report covering the area patrolled.
6. This being the 'Wet season' could mean that various rivers to be crossed may at the time the patrol wishes to cross, be flooded. In such a case it is betted to camp in the near vicinity until such time as the flood level subsides to a safe level.
7. I shall discuss your patrol movements with you before you depart on the evening of the 18th February.
8. I wish you a successful, pleasant and rewarding patrol.


J.R. Ellem
Officer in Charge

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PATROL DIARY FOR GLOUCESTER PATROL No. 4
IN CONNECTION WITH THE 1972 HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS.

- Friday
18/2/72 1500 The patrol departed Gloucester Patrol Post by car for Kilengi Mission School. It arrived, set up camp, and overnighted at the rest house at Kilengi.
- Saturday
19/2/72 0700- Prepared one classroom at Kilengi School for a
0800 polling centre.
0800- After a short introductory and explanatory talk,
1100 the ballot boxes were unlocked and polling began.
In order to reduce confusion on both sides the people had been asked earlier to come to the centre, as nearly as possible as village groups. The first group, Warimo and Ulamingi came through speedily.
1100- Lull period while Ongaia and Potni assembled. They
1130 were given a similar talk. Again the voting was smooth and untroubled.
1800 Polling closed.
2000 Finished the required tally sheets. Overnighted Kilengi.
- Sunday
20/2/72 1000- Moved the equipment to Tauali, by foot.
1130 PM Set up camp, and overnighted at Tauali.
- Monday
21/2/72 0700 Preparation for polling at Tauali.
0800 The same introductory and explanatory talk given, the ballot box was unlocked and polling began.
1000 Was informed by the Tribunal that there were no more people who were eligible to vote.
1300 Packed the equipment into the car and set out for Aimaga. Left the car at Potpotpua and employed carriers to Aimaga.
1700 Arrived Aimaga, set up camp and overnighted at Aimaga.
- Tuesday
22/2/72 0700 Preparation for polling at Aimaga.
0800 The same introductory and explanatory talk given, the ballot box was unlocked and polling began.
12 00 Informed by the Tribunal that all the eligible people had voted, so after inspecting Aimaga and Sikal, departed for Sag Sag Mission.
1330 Arrived Sag Sag, heavy rain was falling, set up camp and overnighted at Sag Sag.
- Wednesday
23/2/72 0700 Preparation of Standard Six classroom as a polling centre.
0800 The same introductory and explanatory talk was given, the ballot box was unlocked and polling begun.
1200 Informed by the Tribunal that everyone eligible had voted. All the people were called together and given a talk about the importance of community work and all the responsibilities that were coming with Self Government.
PM Had a look at the village and community work already finished.
- Thursday
24/2/72 AM to 0930, Looking at the community work.
0930 Departed Sag Sag for Ura.
1200 Completed the polling at Ura, and gave a detailed talk to the people there about the coming of Self Government and the envisaged role of Councillors. Departed for Aisega.
1300 Arrived Aisega set up camp. Overnighted Aisega.

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PATROL DIARY FOR GLOUCESTER PATROL No. (7)
IN CONNECTION WITH THE 1972 HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS.

Friday
25/2/72 0700 -0800 Preparations for polling; the talk given, the ballot box unlocked and polling began.
1200 Informed by the Tribunal that all the eligible had voted.
1300 Departed Aisega for Aumo.
1430 Arrived and set up camp and inspected both Aumo and the new village Relmen. Overnigheted Aumo

Saturday
26/2/72 0700 - 0800 Preparations for polling; the talk given, the ballot box unlocked and polling began.
1200 Informed by the Tribunal that all the eligible people had voted.
1300 Walked around both villages again and had discussions with the village people. Overnigheted Aumo.

Sunday
27/2/72 0630 Preparations to depart Aumo for Gilnit.
1 230 Arrived Gilnit and set up camp.
1330 Heavy rain falling. Overnigheted Gilnit.

Monday
28/2/72 0700-0800 Preparations for polling; the talk given, the ballot box unlocked and polling began.
1030 Informed by the Tribunal that all the eligible people had voted.
PM Present in the village. Overnigheted Gilnit.

Tuesday
29/2/72 0700-1400 Travelling from Gilnit to Araguilpua. Arived set up camp and overnigheted Araguilpua.

Wednesday
1/3/72 0700-0800 Preparations etc. Poling began.
1300 Informed by the Tribunal that all the eligible people had voted. Departed Araguilpua and arrived Gloucester 1500.

END OF PATROL.
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PATROL REPORT NO. 4 - 1971/1972 IN CONNECTION WITH THE XIEM 1972
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS.

INTRODUCTION.

Instead of becoming clearer, the situation in the Kilengi-Lollo Censu Division has become more confusing than before.

The reasons for this are :-

- (1) That my comprehension of Pidgin has improved to the point that I could understand and appreciate just how many lies the people in this area are capable of telling before the truth is lost in the confusion.
- (2) The fact that I was no longer in the shadow of the already known Patrol Officer Mr. Ellem. I was virtually in command of the Patrol, unaided and with a vast lack of experience, some situations that developed were a little unnerving.
- (3) The changing character and nature of the Councillors themselves makes it impossible to develop an easy formula for handling the entire area.

The situation from the point of view of the Elections was quite pleasing. There was a participant interest that may bode well for the area when and if some sort of business venture is ever successful for the area as a whole.

~~Once again~~ The observations made on this Patrol were similar and ~~there~~ to the observations made on the previous Patrol and therefore the deductions made on the previous Patrol became more reasonable and seem to be correct.

This Situation Report will attempt to correct anything stated in the last Report that was observed to be incorrect. It will also attempt to state any new ideas that became apparent.

The idea itself was from the Councillor at that represents the villages of Sag, Gie, Pototone, West and Sinda, Councillor VALL. However, it was immediately acceptable as it gives to the Councillor the ability to accept executive power as much as he needs to add wants to. If he refuses to keep the role then this will become apparent and can help the Patrol Officer to assess the situation. If the Councillor does accept the position and the responsibility and the people have not elected the man they really want this situation will be readily apparent. And lastly, if everything is as it should be ~~then~~ the Councillor can have his position bolstered, and if ~~the~~ ~~people~~ ~~from~~ ~~the~~ ~~villages~~ ~~can~~ ~~come~~ ~~to~~ ~~see~~ ~~the~~ ~~Councillor~~ ~~as~~ ~~the~~ ~~man~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~voted~~ ~~into~~ ~~power~~ ~~and~~ ~~voted~~ ~~out~~ ~~if~~ ~~he~~ ~~doesn't~~ ~~do~~ ~~his~~ ~~job~~ ~~properly~~.

The feeling of frustration that dominates in one entire section (villages of Sotote, Sibir, Sihal, Solena and others to a lesser degree) is caused by the observation that the people in these villages have not tried. With this observation comes the question, 'Why?'. The obvious answer is that they are ignorant to the reason for good sanitation and housing. However, from observations and discussions with the young and the old, both together and individually, in the villages, (also being very wary of men that are meant only to intimidate another in the forest), it seems to me apparent that, where they exist, the old 'bigman' and his position and prestige increased by being appointed leader are still being retained their last position and prestige at the Council election. That is the Councillor has not simply to be elected, the man has to be the man of old age or be publicly dethroned. In some villages this situation doesn't exist yet as the Councillor, 'bigman' and leader Sihal are still one and the same man. The group of Villages that are near the Kilengi-Widua Warua, Hlanogi, Ombia and Potoa, are still in varying degrees controlled by the traditional leader, and candidates to the Sag, Sototone and, Sihal, Sibir, Sihal.

In the above context there are three broad categories for villages in this area:-

- (1) The villages where the old bigman has been elected as Councillor.

POLITICAL

The main difficulty in trying to understand the seeming inconsistencies that were found in some of the villages, relating to political development, is trying to discover just how developed the deployment of executive power is. In some villages there is a relatively young Councillor, but he doesn't control the executive power, it is controlled by one or more traditional leaders. To the extent that a traditional leader controls activity in the village then the harder it is to coax the Councillor into executive activity. Another rather disappointing fact is that when a village elects a Councillor who is not socially capable of leading then it indicates that they have failed to grasp the idea of what a Councillor is for. It becomes apparent that they do not want the true leader to come out and accept the responsibility of a leader.

It would be impossible to classify the villages into groups of degrees of development. Each village has its own Councillor and no two Councillors are alike. However in every village that was visited, an attempt was made to help substantiate the position of the Councillor as far as he would accept the position being backed up by the activities of the Patrol Officer.

The method used was to call the people together and publicly announce that the Councillor now had a book in which he was going to keep a roll for the village and anyone who wanted to disobey an order fairly given by the Councillor could do so but he would have his name marked on the roll and when the Patrol Officer was back in that village then those men and women could explain why they did not want to take orders from the Councillor. (Most of the Councillors can read the names of the people in their village. However in the villages where the Councillor could not read, or said he couldn't he was asked to appoint a man who would help him in this task. Mainly this occurred in villages where the Councillor had appointed a 'Committee' man and he claimed he could not read.)

The idea itself was from the Councillor at that represents the villages Sag Sag, Gie, Potpötua, Laut and Aimola, Councillor VELL. However, it was immediately acceptable as it gives to the Councillor the ability to accept executive power as much as he needs to and wants to. If he refuses to keep the role then this will become apparent and can help the Patrol Officer to assess the situation. If the Councillor does accept the position and the responsibility and the people have not elected the man they really want this situation will be readily apparent. And lastly, if everything is as it should be then the Councillor can have his position bolstered, and at the same time the village can come to see the Councillor as the executive leader to be voted into power and voted out if he doesn't do his job properly.

The feeling of frustration that dominates as one enters certain villages (Namatoto, Gilnit, Sikal, Relmen and others to a lesser degree) is caused by the observation that the people in these villages have not tried. With this observation comes the question, 'Why?'. The obvious answer is that they are ignorant to the reason for good sanitation and housing. However, from observations and discussions with the young and the old, both together and individually, in the villages, (also being very wary of lies that are meant only to incriminate another in disfavor), it seems vaguely apparent that, where they exist, the old 'bigmen who had their position and prestige increased by being appointed Luluai or Tultul are still today retaining their lost position and prestige at the Councillors expense. That is the Councillor has not simply to be elected, the older man must die from old age or be publicly dethroned. In some villages this situation doesn't exist yet as the Councillor, 'bigman' and Luluai or Tultul are still one and the same man. The group of Villages that are near the Kilengi Mission Waremo, Ulamingi, Ongaiia and Potne, are still, in varying degrees controlled by the traditional leader, and candidate to the Open Electorate here, Isapo Talavi.

In the above context there are three broad categories for villages in this Division :-

- (1) The village where the old bigman has been elected as Councillor.

(4)

POLITICAL Continued.

(2) Where the big man has, fortuitously, died and been replaced by a younger Councillor.

(3) Where both young Councillor and old, displaced, Luluai or Tultul are actively present.

As mentioned in the first report on this area, there is some degree of correlation with the displacement of power in the village and the degree to which the Councillor is active. In the case of (1), there are signs of trouble inasmuch as he is having trouble maintaining control over the younger men who have been away to a big city and returned to the village with ambitious ideas. In the case of (2) when the village have elected a reasonable man then the whole atmosphere of the village takes on what might be called a forward sort of optimism which isn't as depressing as some other villages. In the case of (3), with the vast lack of experience that the writer has, the situation was more confusing than any other village. The reason being that who-ever one speaks to the truth is hard to get. The old men refuse to incriminate themselves but will incriminate the Councillor or 'Committee' in order to put him in trouble with the Patrol Officer. The young Councillor of course is incriminating the old men trying to shift the gaze of the Patrol Officer from the dirty fallen-down house, to the old men whom they feel are a danger to their own careers.

It seems they appreciate the need for a money getting activity. Not all of them are only talking. When someone like Aigilo down at some manager, with all the 'help' he has received from the Administration to become some sort of an example, his success will be used as a strong lever to make these people start economic activity seriously.

ECONOMIC.

The Economic situation has changed very little in the last month. However there have been some changes made that should be duly noted. These changes have been the work of Mr. Paul Aigilo, from Aumo. Mr. Aigilo informed me that he is now going to concentrate very largely on his trade store rather than try to get his plantation underway. The reason for this is that one of the men at Aumo was upset by Aigilo so he sent a letter off to Kimbe saying that Aigilo did not own the land he proposed to plant the coconuts on. I asked the man who did this and he said that he did it out of spite and that he did not know who owned the land really. However the main problem is that because of the letter the D.A.S.F. said they would carry out a land investigation so that the Development Bank could give him loan ~~money~~ and as yet they haven't and they now say that perhaps he will have to fill in another application for the Development Bank Loan.

The road that was mentioned in the last Report was again utilised, but this time the patrol walked the road in the other direction. This road seemed in worse condition for a major part of its length, however the basic premise that it will, when the time comes to have a road across the Island at this point, be a significant start and save the Council thousands of dollars.

The closeness of Self Government was discussed from all angles, one of them being the peoples lack of economic activity. It seems they appreciate the need for a money getting activity. But as yet they are only talking. When someone like Aigilo down at Aumo manages, with all the 'help' he has received from the Administration to become some sort of an example, his success will be used as a strong lever to make these people start economic activity seriously.

SOCIAL

There is very little change in the social situation. The problems mentioned in the first Report on this area a month ago have not suddenly changed either for the better nor the worse.

With the fear of simply duplicating the things said in the last Report, the situation is rather difficult from an Administrative Officers point of view.

There are not enough eligable men in this area as there is a big tendency amongst the young men to leave the village and go to the big cities. This problem was again discussed with the Councillors and village people in. The suggestion mentioned in the last Report was tentatively put foward. It would be foolish to expect these people to be as immediate about this sort of change as one would expect. So the idea has been mentioned, and it seems it has been taken seriously by most of the concerned people. It will probably become a matter that is to be dealt with by the Local Government Council.

One notable fact that was not observed on the previous Patrol was the manipulation of the women for some reason that is still unknown. When the carrier line has some female carriers then if they are incapable it is said that it is because they are only women. However the writer observed females in the village situation carrying loads that the men simply wouldn't consider lifting. Furthermore the women don't behave as if they are doing anything more than normal. This is something that had me confused.

There are still no Womens Clubs in the area to organise.

MISCELLANEOUS

It is worthy of note that in this area ~~their~~ females who were too young to vote in the Elections were continually presenting themselves to vote. Most of them understood that they had to be 18 years old and they also knew that they weren't 18.

In every village there were these underage females. The reason for this is still unknown.

JWK:MG

P.O. Box 2396,
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67-17-20

21st August, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
P.O. Box 78,
West New Britain District,
KIMBE.

GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT NO. 5 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-1-4 of 28th July, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Situation Report arising out of the above patrol of the Kaliai Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. I Pattison, Assistant Patrol Officer.

A good report. Please ensure that in future Situation Reports are submitted in the correct format.

T. W. E
(T. W. ELLIS)^{rev}
Secretary.

67-17-20



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20th July, 1972.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
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Gloucester Patrol Report No. 5 of 1971/72

Attached please find two copies of the abovenamed report. It is a Situation Report submitted on an old form of reporting. The report is unsigned.

The Assistant District Commissioner has favourably commented on the report.

The presentation of the report is quite good; precise and self-explanatory.

Mr. Pattison has carried out a very good patrol and more report writing experience will be an asset to him.

For your perusal and comments please.

M. W. Brightwell
M. W. Brightwell;
District Commissioner



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1971/72

Mr. I. Pattison A.P.O. - KALIAI Census Division.

Attached are three copies of a report by Mr. I. Pattison A.P.O. who patrolled the area in the capacity of Assistant Presiding Officer during the House of Assembly Elections.

The report is short and covered adequately by comments by the O.I.C. Gloucester, attached.

Mr. Pattison should refer to the Village Directory for spellings of all villages in the Census Division.

L. Hanson
per AB

L. Hanson.
Assistant District Commissioner.

Mr. Kalk
AB

PATROL NUMBER 5 - 71/72

GLOUCESTER PATROL POST

TALASEA SUB-DISTRICT

WEST NEW BRITAIN

GLOUCESTER LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL AREA

Patrol Conducted by: Israel Tuvo (MALARIA)

Designation: Presiding Officer, House of Assembly Elections

Area Patrolled: Kaliai Census Division

Personnel Accompanying:

Patrol:

I. Pattison, Asst. Presiding Officer (DDA)
J. Napoleon, Poll Clerk (DASF)
Kane Bukru, Constable, T.P.N.G. Constab.

Duration of Patrol:

Date Out: 18/2/72
Date In: 29/2/72

No. of Days: 12

Last Patrol: J.R. Ellem - October, 1971, Patrol No. 2 of 71/72

Objects of Patrol: House of Assembly Elections (see patrol instructions 67-2-3 attached).

Total Population of Area Patrolled: 2,627

Map Ref: MILINCH:

FOURMIL:

Village Population Register NOT enclosed

PATROL DIARY

- 18/2/72 - LEFT GLOUCESTER PER M.V. GARNET
O/N KANDOKA
- 19/2/72 - ELECTION KANDOKA FOR KANDOKA, GOGOLA AND LAUBORE.
WALKED TO LAUBORE - 35 MINS.
O/N LAUBORE
- 20/2/72 - WENT TO IBOKE PLANTATION - OBTAINED CONTRACT WORKERS
AGREEMENTS
- PREPARED FOR ELECTIONS
- O/N LAUBORE
- 21/2/72 - ELECTION IBOKE PLANTATION - FOR IBOKE, DENGGA AND BOLO
- WALKED TO SALKE - 2 HOURS - RAIN
- O/N SALKE
- 22/2/72 - ELECTION SALKE - FOR SALKE AND AIKON
- WALKED TO ANGAL - 2 HOURS - RAIN
- O/N ANGAL
- 23/2/72 - ELECTION ANGAL - FOR ANGAL AND GIGINA
- WALKED TO MOLUOR - 5½ HOURS - RAIN
- O/N MOLUOR
- 24/2/72 - ELECTION MOLUOR FOR MOLUOR ONLY
- WALKED TO BAGAI SCHOOL - 3 HOURS - RAIN
- O/N/ BAGAI SCHOOL
- 25/2/72 - ELECTION BAGAI SCHOOL FOR BAGAI AND ROBOS
- CANOE AND WALKED TO BULUWATNE - 4 HOURS (1½ hrs Canoe - 2½
walking)
- O/N BULUWATNE
- 26/2/72 - ELECTION BULUWATNE FOR BULUWATNE, BATIULING, MORO, MUKUKLI
- CANOE AND WALKED TO TALIWAGA - (2½ hrs walking - 4-5 hrs
canoe)
- O/N TALIWAGA
- 27/2/72 - TRIED SOME POLITICAL EDUCATION AND FOUND LACK OF KNOWLEDGE
INTEREST REGARD SELF GOVERNMENT - INDEPENDENCE - COUNCIL, ETC
- O/N TALIWAGA
- 28/2/72 - ELECTION TALIWAGA FOR TALIWAGA, KWAKO, GAHO(GELEI) AND
OPMUDUNG
- TRAVELLED TO KALIAI C.M. TO MEET BARIAI TEAM
- O/N KALIAI
- 29/2/72 - ASSISTED WITH ELECTION AT TAVELIAI AS POLL CLERK BENSON
FOR BARIAI TEAM HAD DYSENTERY.
- 12.30 RETURNED GLOUCESTER PER M.V. GARNET. ARRIVED 18.40
HOURS.

INVESTIGATION - a basically good road which has ground to
a halt through lack of equipment. It has been suggested that the people
are now writing for a bulldozer or grader to complete the work; this appears
to be the only solution as the population could not support the
equipment required to grade and form the road by hand. Perhaps when and
if the equipment has been promised by Mr. Michael some to construct
about already is forthcoming, something might be arranged.

(11) Proposed Project 1972-73 Taveliai Wharf - It would be as well to
ask P.W.D. or M.V.S. to provide some expert advice before too much work
is done on the wharf to avoid having to move it as was the case at
Gloucester.

Airstrip (Kaliai) Equipment shortage as
mentioned above.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION PATROL OF KALIAI CENSUS DIVISION

SITUATION REPORT

1. POLITICAL

(a) Local Government

The people show little interest in their Council, they have little or no understanding of Local Government organisation and appear under the impression that it is merely another branch of the Administration (Government) whose major function is tax-collection.

A lot more work will have to be done in this area in political education, starting on the "home front" with trying to give more understanding of their own Council.

(b) House of Assembly

The primary task of this patrol was to conduct the House of Assembly Elections 1972 for the Kaliai Census Division.

Inasmuch as the conduct of the Elections was concerned, all went very smoothly. The people have a good idea of the system of preferential voting through experience in previous Council and House of Assembly Elections. There was no blatant misconduct and good attendance, contrary to expectations. (ref. PATROL REPORT 2 of 1971/72. Pg.2 A2)

The instructions given to voters were given by the Presiding Officer and the importance of the occasion was, I feel, communicated very well to the people.

Exactly how much the people comprehend of the Central Government is hard to gauge but it appears that the House of Assembly attracts less interest than the Local Government Council. At least on this occasion they had two familiar faces on the Open Electorate Ballot paper - Galapo Masa - from the Eariai Area and Aisapo Talavi from Kilenge Lollo.

Whoever the Members elected to the House are, I hope they make themselves better known in the area. The people's experience with Mr. Maneke and Mr. Ashton, in the past, has not encouraged them to take much interest in their Central Government.

2. ECONOMIC

A. Rural Development: the only concrete example of Rural Development in the area at present is the Bagai Aid Post, which is functioning well and is situated in a good central location. It may be interesting to see if Bagai develops into the centre for the inland Kaliai.

(i) Proposed Projects 1971-72:- Salke Aid Post should be completed by the end of March. It seems likely that no A.P.O. will be available but it should provide the Nursing Sister with a better base for operation, especially if a small amount of equipment could be provided. (Primus, etc)

IBOKI-SALKE ROAD:- a basically good road which has ground to a halt through lack of equipment. It has been suggested that the people are now writing for a bulldozer or grader to complete the work; this appears the only solution as the population could not support the manpower required to grade and form the road by hand. Perhaps when and if the equipment that has been promised by Mr. Michael Ross to construct Iboki Airstrip is forthcoming, something might be arranged.

(ii) Proposed Projects 1972-3: Taveliai Wharf - it would be as well to ask P.W.D. or REGLOC to provide some expert advice before too much work is done on the wharf to avoid having to move it as has the case at Gloucester.

Airstrip Iboki: Equipment shortage as mentioned above.

Although the Development of the area is not great, if all the above are completed, with the addition of the Kandoka - Kaliai Road (a rather tricky task) as suggested by Mr. Ellem, O.I.C. It should provide a better climate for Economic Development in the area.

B. Economy

(1) Is based on Copra with a little trade in tobacco. The trade in tobacco is more than offset by the reciprocal purchase of roofing material from the Kombi's.

Two Copra driers: Laubore - in operation
Kandoka @ under construction

(2) Some employment is available at Iboki Plantation and it appears that this will increase when the contract labourers finish their term; as the manager finds local labour better. This does inject a little money into the area.

(3) The promotion of the cash cropping done by D.A.S.F. has fallen, in most cases, on rocky soil. Most of the coconuts for planting in the Bagai-Robos area were planted under D.A.S.F. supervision, but have since been eaten by the villagers (although they hotly deny responsibility).

This gives some indication of the attitude of the people toward development. I feel it will be best in future to concentrate on improving villages like Kandoka and Laubore in the hope that a little "envy" might promote a bit of incentive amongst the other villages.

(4) The basic problems in marketing of the copra should be overcome if the Rural Development Programme for the next two years is achieved.

(5) Non Indigenous Development: Iboke Plantation: it appears that the owners of the plantation are not interested in new plantings and they have never attempted to interplant COCOA. Either or both of these would increase the labour requirement of the plantation and directly benefit the area.

C. SOCIAL

1. Education and Health

The Mission is fighting a constant battle with the people to send their children to school regularly and for everyone to attend the mission hospital and clinics at Salke and Bagai.

It appears that both these things are too much bother but the effects show in their general health and the large numbers of children in the villages.

This is obviously part and parcel with the attitude of going back to the "pasin bilong tumbuna" but that unfortunately all they remember of this appears to be the dirt, disease and ignorance.

2. Government and Mission

As there is no Government School and only one Government Aid Post Orderly in the area, a heavy burden falls on the Mission. Government patrols appear to be quite frequent but the people have plenty of time in which to revert to their old ways - Gloucester is a long way off. If staff were sufficient I feel an officer posted semi-permanently in the area would be of great benefit in inducing better school and clinic attendance and a generally better climate in the area.

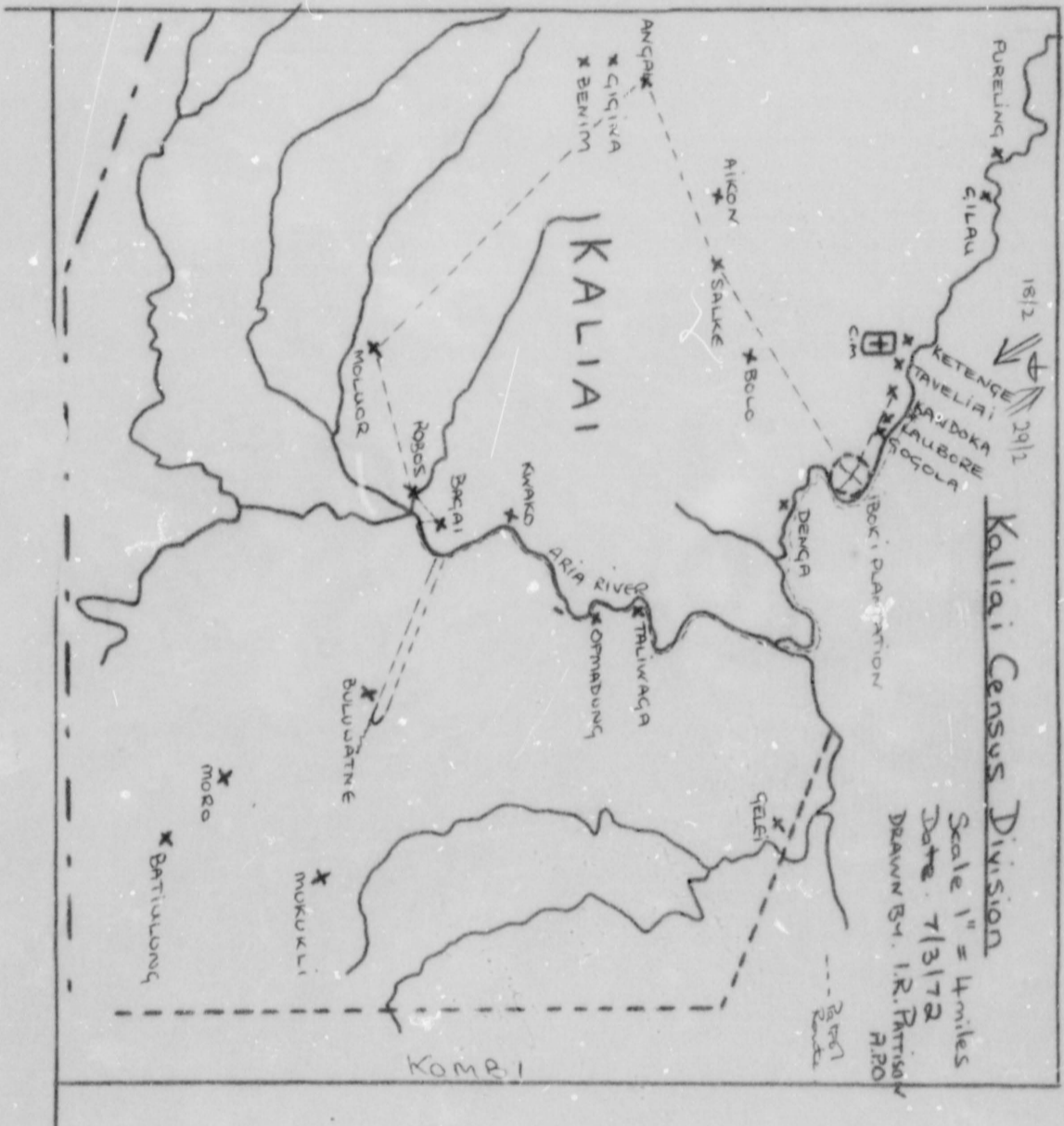
3. Cult Activities

There appeared on the surface little indication of cult activity and during discussion with some of the more talkative "Committees" it appears that the leaders have been pretty quiet lately. It is

difficult to judge where the line between cult activity and the "couldn't care less attitude" of going back to "pasin bilong tumbuna", lies. In most of the inland villages they seemed to be going out of their way to show this reversion to the old times was the "happening thing". Much talking about it, wearing of dogs teeth, and traditional clothing. It seemed too well advertised to be genuine.

There was also much talk that the people had not listened to the Kiap with regard to moving from the traditional long-houses at Palpanum and Meitavala and improving the sanitary conditions of the villages. Owing to the specialized nature of this patrol I avoided pursuing these enquiries too far.

However, it is obvious from the atmosphere and the condition of the villages, that the situation will have to be dealt with by a general patrol (with Medical Officer in tow) visiting ALL of the villages of the area.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number... # 6-1971/72 GLOUCESTER

Subdistrict... TARASFA

District... WEST NEW BRITAIN

Type of Patrol.....

Patrol Conducted by... A. J. TWEEDIE

Area Patrolled }

(Council and/or }

Census Division/s.) }

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

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Duration of Patrol—from...../..... to...../...../.....

No. of Days.....

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area:.....

Date..... Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly).....

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Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

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67-17-40

8th February, 1973

The District Commissioner
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GLOUCESTER PATROL NO.6 - 1971/72

Reference your 67-1-4 of 30th January, 1973. (10)

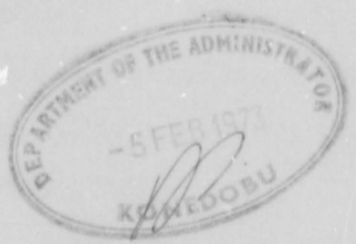
I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Report arising out of the above patrol of Part of KALIAI Census Division as submitted by MR. A.J. TWEEDIE, Assistant Patrol Officer.

C.G. Littler

C.G. LITTLER
a/Secretary ↘

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30th January, 1973

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KONDORU PAPUA.

PATROL REPORTS 1971/72

Your memo 67-1-0 dated 13th December, 1972 refers.

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Attached find Gloucester Patrol Reports Numbers 4 and 6/71-72.
I do not wish to comment on the Reports as they are out of date
and the information in the Report is therefore worthless.

Kandrian Patrol Report No. 15/71-72 was received by you. Please
refer your memo 67-17-32 of 5/12/72.

M.W. Brightwell
M.W. BRIGHTWELL
District Commissioner.

A. J. Loodis
Assistant Patrol Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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PATROL POST REPORT NO. 6-1971/72 GLOUCESTER.

Please find attached my reports as required by Standing Instructions and your Patrol Instructions dated 27/3/72.

Also attached is my claim for camping allowance.

For your information, critical advise and onforwarding.

Yours Faithfully

A. J. Tweedie.

Assistant Patrol Officer.

GLOUCESTER PATROL REPORT NO. 6/1971-72

Patrol Conducted by: A. J. Tweedie

Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Iboke Airstrip Sight.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

Constable 1st Class Kani R.P.N.G. Constabulary.

Duration: 27/3/72 - 30/3/72.

Last Patrol I. R. Pattison. D.D.A. House of Assembly Elections.

- Objects of the Patrol *See patrol Instructions attached.
1. Alternate sight for Iboke Airstrip.
 2. Labour investigation Iboke Plantation.
 3. Medical Tutul investigation.

Map: Attached.

I. R. Pattison
 I.R. Pattison
 Officer in Charge

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I. Pattison

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Patrol Post Gloucester,
West New Britain,

27th March 1972

Mr A. Tweedie
A.P.O.
Patrol Post Gloucester
West New Britain.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS-GLOUCESTER PATROL No. 6- 1971-72

Further to your conversations with Mr. Ellem:

1. You will proceed on patrol to the Kaliai per the M.V. Garnet on 27/3/72.

2. The main task of your Patrol is to relocate the proposed airstrip site, ref. File No. 4-2-3.

Attempt to find a site with two way landing approaches as requested by D.C.A.

3. Also you will investigate and if necessary act upon the report from Mr. Bob Kruijer of IBOKI Plantation re. agreement workers (File 58-1-0.) and report on same.

4. Please check if there are any Medical Tultuls at either Taveliai or Ketenge Villages. (File No. 92-1-1)

Hoping you have a successful and rewarding patrol.

I. Pattison

I. R. Pattison

Officer in Charge

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Monday
27/3/72

0745-1030

Preparations to go on patrol to Iboke Village as per instructions Gloucester Patrol No. 6-1971/72.

1030-1630

Proceeded to Labore Village by the M.V. Garnet. Heavy seas and rain all the way.

1630-1800

Village inspection of Labore. Met Father Lucas of Catholic Mission Kaliai in Labore. Had discussions with him and the men of the village. Then had tea.

1800-2000

Visited the manager of Iboke Plantation and had discussions with him about the Plantation Agreement workers and what was to happen; in the morning I met his labour line. Overnighted Labore.

Tuesday
28/3/72

0700-845

Discussions were held with his labour line about their trouble and things in general. Some decisions were arrived at that were accepted by both sides.

0845-1200

Checking the possibility of using the proposed one way strip sight previously marked out by a D.C.A. representative and D.L.G.O. J. O'Brien.

1200-1300

Lunch

1300-1700

Checking the possibility of turning the airstrip to a suitable direction. Overnighted Labore.

Wednesday

29/3/72

0700-1200

Taking bearings of the area

1200-1300

Lunch

1300-1530

Cutting the bush in various directions. The rain began to fall so four corners were marked with heaps of stone and instructions given for later and work stopped.

1530-P.M.

Went to Iboke for tea. Overnighted Labore village.

Thursday
30/3/72

A.M.

Spent in discussions with the villagers and waiting for M.V. Garnet.

1030-2030

M.V. Garnet arrived and we departed Labore for Kaliai delivered the mail then departed for Katengi to find out how long the medical tultul had "worked".

2030

Arrived and overnighted Gloucester.

End of Patrol.

Introduction

As this was primarily a patrol to only one village rest house and no actual patrol movement, I can only speak in a very limited sense and everything following should be read in this context.

The patrol instructions listed relocation of the airstrip as the primary objective. This will be dealt with in this report only if it assists getting a particular point in context of what was happening. The actual report on the location of the airstrip will be dealt with under file No. 4-2-3. In the same manner the matters concerning Mr. B. Kruyer at Iboke Plantation shall be dealt with singularly under file no. 58-1-0. And lastly please see file 92-1-1 re. medical tultuls. These will be attached at the end of the Situation Report section.

In all, there were men from five villages close at hand around Labore. However, they did not come into the village itself at night to any noticeable extent. The only time they were together as a group was during the day when they were working.

Gradually, as ones comprehension of Melanesian Pidgin improves and the ability to listen to seemingly pointless ravings of various natives, a system and sort of logic begin to appear. Some people even stifled raised eyebrows at some questions that seemed logical and affected the answer that made things clearer.

I was actually pleased with the noticeable increase in ability to comprehend why things were as they were.

This would help explain some of the difficulties that people say they have in changing to the new ways. They are continually in contact with the new ways and they are affected by them.

Politically they have a big place on their not only by the difficulty of changing the traditional system but because there is one area that is left undeveloped by the administration and its existence is a worry to those who want to change. It is usual the people expressed dissatisfaction with their village councillor. The coming council election may provide some interesting observations.

Report

Labore village is undoubtedly the most unilaterally advanced in the entire area. They have constructed a cupra dryer and the cupra operation seems to be functioning very well.

The manager of Iboke Plantation, Mr. B. Kruyer, is co-operating by allowing their cupra to be shipped with us.

There will be even more money in circulation when the cupra dryers of the plantation start their work. It is expected that the work done on the plantation because they have a number of men in cupra in their village. These men have not been trained by the previous manager to do anything with cupra.

As mentioned the village people do not mind the cupra moving however they have an idea that cupra money is sort of free. At present there are only two cupra dryers in the area. From the village the wood is cut off of the cupra.

Political

The people of Labore village are beginning to either act very well or accept that the Government Patrol Officer doesn't go to their village purely to upset village routine. Perhaps the continuing process of political education is beginning to make some sense to them. As their actions are beginning to make sense.

The people didn't know who their "new" members of the House of Assembly were and it was difficult to ascertain exactly what reaction was generally. They weren't open about their reaction.

The Village Councillor, Solonga, is a very cunning and "slippery" old man with four wives and while being very loud about working for the Government only. For anybody going to this area for the airstrip or any other purpose, pay careful attention to this man as he is a very tricky person and could easily cause trouble.

The discussions with these people indicate that this village and perhaps this area is the most difficult area of the entire Gloucester area. They are the closest people related conversations, attitudes, likes and dislikes and troubles with the Kombis. That is, the Kombis have definitely a strong grip on the development of these people.

For example, sometimes the people at Labore use a conversation of fact with the Kombis to explain certain trouble. They can very passively let the Kombis steal carving wood from their island and only worry about it if the wood runs short while the Kombis make fortunes from carvings.

This would help explain some of the difficulties these people say they have in changing to the new ways. They are continually in contact with the Kombis and they are affected by them.

Politically they have a drag placed on them not only by the difficulty of changing the traditional system but because there is one area that is left undeveloped by the Administration and its existence is a worry to those who want to change. As usual the people expressed disappointment with their village councillor. The coming Council elections may provide some interesting observations.

Economic

Labore village is undoubtedly the most unitarily advanced in the entire area. They have constructed a copra dryer and the entire operation seems to be functioning very well.

The manager of Iboke Plantation, Mr. B. Kruyer, is co-operating very well by accepting their copra for shipment with his own.

There will be even more money in circulation when the Agreement Workers of the Plantation finish their term. It seems that they work better on the Plantation because they have a natural interest in copra in their village whereas the Highlander Agreement Workers have not been trained by the previous manager to do anything with copra.

As mentioned the village people do not cut wood for carving however they have an island that does possess this sort of tree. At present there has only been talk about stopping Kombis from stealing the wood but no talk of selling it to them.

Social

It seems that this problem with men leaving the village and going to the big cities without any thoughts of sending money back to their wife or to anyone who is looking after their house and ground.

A deal of time was spent in discussion about this problem and in the end it was pointed out to the people that they had to think seriously about this and try to find a solution that suited their village.

There is no women's club at Labore.

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REPORT ON RELOCATION OF IBOKE AIR STRIP

Introduction

The area now proposed for the airstrip is the most suitable in the area.

(1) Because of its actual geographic situation and topographic suitability.

(2) Any other area that could possibly be suitable would require the construction of an access road to it.

(3) Iboke Plantation has a radio for reporting.

The people burn the kunai in August so any more sighting work would be better done than rather than rather than straight after the wet.

Possibilities

The strip running on bearing 206° previously sighted and approved by a D.C.A. representative and J. O'Brien and marked by Mr. J. Ellem, has a hill at the Southern end called Mopela Hill. From approximate measurements this hill is approximately 50 feet high at its highest point on the eastern side and 25 feet high in the centre of the runway approach. This reading was taken by measuring a coconut tree at the foot of the hill. There is a declivity here and this hill could, if necessary, be used to fill it. Thereby allowing a two way approach on the current strip sight.

However, if this is unsuitable, a tentative sight was marked out that will point the airstrip in a direction of 160° with the possibility of having it extended to 3,500 feet.

The airstrip itself may have a slope of about 1% when finished. There will have to be quite a deal of fill used after about 1,500 feet from Banu in order to make the strip come above the highest point of the swamp during the wettest part of the year.

According to the people there the swamp never comes up high enough to come on to the natural high ground that has been utilised in sighting the airstrip along 160°. However, it would be advisable to build adequate drains under the strip to help run-off.

The ground is soft and will swell when wet, so special soil

Possibilities (cont;)

or gravel may have to be used.

As this strip now stands along 160° it is in a very suitable direction for a two way strip and it is hereby recommended that if a strip is to be built then this sight is the best so far sighted.

A work of caution is given here that the people of Labore would very much like the strip to point over their village necessitating the removal of as many coconut trees as possible. Obviously for compensation.

There is absolutely no need for this as the airstrip is better off pointing the way it is now or even a few more degrees around out to sea.

As mentioned in the Introduction it will be a lot easier for sighting purposes to go to the sight after the 7 foot high kunai grass has been fired in late July early August.

The currently half constructed D.A.S.F. house will have to be removed and resituated.

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REPORT ON AGREEMENT WORKERS

The situation on Iboke Plantation is not serious. There are troubles, but these seem to be only troubles caused by the changing of managers.

The new manager is a little concerned that these Agreement workers were not taught anything to do with copra by the previous manager, thereby making them almost completely useless to him. They have less than a year to go before they finish their "contract".

The manager would like someone from the Labour Office at Kimbe to go down and inspect his Agreement Workers.

- (1) There is an old man in the group who seemed to be mentally ill. The people said he had had a disease that had caused it.
- (2) There are two men in the line who flatly refuse to do anything he directs. They do not say anything but simply shake their heads.
- (3) The workers themselves have a problem because they have only just started to be issued with lap-lap. They want to collect the lot they didn't know they were entitled to for the previous year.

We all had a talk-session and they seemed to be happier at the end of it. Nothing was substantial or conclusive but it seemed they felt certain worries and once they had expressed them then the air cleared a little.

It is hereby recommended that an officer from the Labour Office Kimbe go down and have a talk to them about what they can have and cannot have etc. and what happens if they want to finish up right away.

The housing for these people is in a state of disrepair and it would be advisable to inspect this at the same time.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA (1)

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Department of the Administrator,
Patrol Post GLOUCESTER

West New Britain.
6/4/72.

Officer In Charge
Patrol Post
GLOUCESTER.

MEDICAL TULTULS IN THE KALLIAI CENSUS DIVISION.

The following is the name and place of abode of the
only living medical tultul that could be found.

This is in response to your Patrol Instructions dated
27/3/72.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VILLAGE</u>	<u>NO. YEARS SERVICE</u>
WALASI	KETENGE	15.

For your information .

A. J. Tweedie

A. J. Tweedie.
Assistant Patrol Officer.

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P.O. Box 2396
KONEDOBU

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The District Commissioner
West New Britain District
P.O. Box 78
KIMBE

GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 7 of 1971/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Notification of Reports arising out of the above patrol of KALIAI Census Division, as submitted by Mr. A.J. TWEDIE, Assistant Patrol Officer.

Can you please inform me as to exactly what was achieved during this "patrol"?

S. J. Pearsall
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a/Secretary

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GLOUCESTER PA TROL REPORT NO. 7/1971-72



Patrol Conducted by: A. J. Tweedie

Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Kaliai Census Division

Personnel Accompanying Patrol. : Constable 1st. Class Perinkreh 1234, R.P.N.G.C.
Norbert Raka, Assistant Presiding Officer.
Nick Moroga, Poll Clerk.

Duration: 3/5/72 - 17/5/72. -15 Days

Last D.D.A. Patrol: I.R. Pattison. House of Assembly Elections.

Objects Of The Patrol: * See Patrol Instructions Attached.

1. Conduct Gloucester Local Government Elections.
2. Matters For Attention In That File.
3. Investigate District Commissioners Instruction Re. American I.D. Tags. (Dog Tags.)

Map Attached.

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GLOUCESTER PATROL NO. 9-1971/72.
Patrol Conducted by: A. J. Tweedie.

Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Barial Census Division

Personnel Accompanying
Patrol

Constable 1/c Perinkreh, 1234, R.P.N.G.C.
Norbert Raka, Assistant Presiding Officer.
Nick Moroga, Poll Clerk.

Duration: 18/5/72 - 22/5/72. - 5 Day

Last D.D.A. Patrol: A.B. Napier. Tax Roll Revision and Compiling of
Five Year Working Plan.

Objects Of Patrol: See Patrol Instructions Attached.

1. Conduct Gloucester Local Government Council Elections
2. Matters For Attention In That File.
3. Investigate District Commissioners Instruction
Re. American I. D. tags.

Map Attached.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

SITUATION REPORT - BAZI-TAZ. No. 7 of 1971/72

District of WEST NEW BRITAIN Report No. 1 of 1971/72

Patrol Conducted by J.A. ARMSTRONG, PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled IBRA (DALL) ISLAND OF DALL WITH BELONGS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans 002

Natives 2

Duration—From 25/10/1971 to 5/11/1971

Number of Days 12

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

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

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

Map Reference

Objects of Patrol FAMILIARIZATION OF THE ISLAND, POLITICAL EDUCATION,

DETAILED INFORMATION ON GANGO CLUB, 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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OA:JB

P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUBU.

67-17-10.

25th February, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
West New Britain District,
SIMBA.

BALI PATROL NO. 1/71-72.

Your reference 67-1-1 of 15/2/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Situation Report by Mr. J. Armstrong, Patrol Officer, of part of the BALI WITU Census Division.

Mr. Armstrong should sign his reports and organise them into some acceptable format. A twelve day patrol should have gathered more information than is evidenced in this report.

There is no indication as to whether the delay in presentation of this report occurred in the Sub District Office or as a fault of the officer himself. It is difficult to censure those concerned when the report lay for five weeks in the District Office. Please ensure that future reports are prepared and processed speedily.

(f.w. ELLIS)
Secretary.



DBA 67-17-10

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District Office,
Box 78,
KIMBE, WEST NEW BRITAIN.

15th February, 1972.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Report of Patrol Bali No. 1/71-72

Attached please find three copies of the above Patrol Report which includes comments by Assistant District Commissioner, Talasea.

This Patrol Report was not received at District Office until 10th January 1972 and since the date of completion of the patrol on 5th November 1971 there have been three visits by the Deputy District Commissioner to the area. The situation as at the 3rd February 1972 was reported by the Deputy District Commissioner in his confidential memorandum 51-4-5. As advised in this memorandum tax collection of the whole of the Council area is now complete and instructions have been given by the District Local Government Officer to improve and consolidate Council activity in the area. On 23rd February the Deputy District Commissioner and the new District Local Government Officer, Mr. Power will be proceeding to Bali and remain in the area for a week to assess the attitude of the cultists.

N.F. Fowler

N.F. Fowler
a/District Commissioner.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Sub-District Office,
~~PALASEA~~. W.N.B.

29th December, 1972.
6th JANUARY

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
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KIMBE.

SITUATION REPORT - BALI - TAL. NO.7 of 1971/72

Attached please find the above report submitted by Patrol Officer Armstrong. The report was originally submitted as a Special Report which is self-explanatory. It is a detailed and a follow-up report to the one submitted by the same officer on the 1st November, 1971.

COMMENTS

1. Political:

(a) Local Government;

The development of Bali area seem to depend on Council sponsored projects through the assistance from the Rural Development Funds. Because of this any requests for additional or new allocations of funds for projects should be properly submitted with supporting informations for consideration by the District Co-ordinating Committee. The Council Adviser and the Council Clerk of the Council have been advised of the Council's requests for RDF Funds for 1972/73 which did not meet the DCC's approval;

(b) Village Maintenance;

It is pleasing to see the village standards raised again

(c) Political Education;

The Bali people are very sophisticated so that they are able to communicate very easily. This is a good sign for the political education programme to be effective.

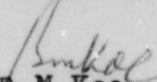
2. Law and Order;

The sixteen people, including 1 woman, received sentences up to 2 months each. This also worked as an effective deterrent to the dormant cultists.

3. General;

A fear which affected the Council followers, etc, has ended. What the situation will be like when the men who are serving their sentences return to their villages, is uncertain.

For your perusal and comments.


B.M. Koe

Assistant District Commissioner.

COVER INFORMATION.

Report Number: Migilani No. 1 of 1971/2
Sub District: Talasea
District: West New Britain

Council Area: Bali Witu Local Government Council.

Patrol Conducted By : J.S. ARMSTRONG - Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled: Unea (Bali) Island of the Bali Witu Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol : 2 Members RZNGC
Council Rules Inspector

Duration of Patrol: 29th October - 5th November. - 12 days
10 camped.

Last D.D.A. Patrol : Unknown.

- Objects of Patrol:
1. Familiarisation of the Island.
 2. Political Education.
 3. Gather information on Cargo Cult.
 4. General Administration.

Total Population of Area Patrolled : 4,315

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PATROL DAIRY

- Mon 25th Oct. To Penata and Manopo villages in afternoon for village inspection. Policy and Political Education talks given at Penopo school in evening.
Slept Nigilani.
- Tue 26th Oct. Work on Nigilani hill road in morning. Afternoon to MAKIRI village. Village inspection, complaints heard and talks on policy and Political education given.
Slept MAKIRI.
- Wed 27th Oct. By M.V. Klaus to Ningau Island for investigation, at PANGU (Karramatta) village. One arrest made.
Slept Ningau Plantation.
- Thu 28th Oct. Departed Ningau by speed boat 0800, arriving Makiri Mission 1100 hrs. To rest house between PENATAKUMBU and RUKATECROKO. Inspected both villages and heard complaints. Political Education talk given at rest house.
Slept Rest House.
- Fri 29th Oct. Morning at Nigilani for general duties. Afternoon to PENATAKETINARAVE. Village inspected, complaints heard and Political Education talk delivered.
Slept PENATAKETINARAVE.
- Sat 30th Oct. Morning at Catholic Mission and Base Camp. Afternoon to TAMONGONI. All functions completed.
Slept TAMONGONI.
- Sun 31st Oct. General Office duties and correspondence in morning and afternoon observed at Nigilani.
- Mon 1st Nov. Morning at airstrip supervising clearing of hill at end of strip. Afternoon to MATAPUPUR. Village inspected, complaints heard and Political Education talk given.
Slept MATAPUPUR.
- Tue 2nd Nov. Morning met M.V. ARIA and courts conducted at Nigilani. Afternoon to KUMBURI 1&4. Both villages inspected, complaints heard and Pol. Ed. talks conducted in both villages.
Slept KUMBURI 1.
- Wed 3rd Nov. Morning again met M.V. ARIA and more courts heard at Nigilani. Afternoon to MALANGAI. Village inspected, complaints heard and Pol. Ed. talks held.
Slept MALANGAI.
- Thu 4th Nov. Morning general office and council duties at Nigilani. Afternoon to PALLANAKUMBU. All functions carried out.
Slept PALLANAKUMBU.
- Fri 5th Nov. Morning general office duties at Nigilani. Afternoon to PENATABOTONG. Village inspected, complaints heard and Political Education talk.
Slept PENATABOTONG.

END OF PATROL.

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INTRODUCTION.

1. The aims of this special patrol were to :-

- a) Familiarise myself with the Island and the people.
- b) To conduct political education talks in villages.
- c) To gather information, if possible, on the Cargo Cult,
and
- d) General Administration.

2. This patrol was, unfortunately, rather rushed due to my need to prepare for the Witu Census/Area Study which is due to begin on the 10th of November.

However the patrol was most beneficial in as much as the patrol visited all villages and utilised all the newly built rest houses. It has been a long time since any D.D.A. Officer has overnights in these villages and it is felt that the people did appreciate the fact that they could bring their problems up at night when they are more relaxed and inclined to talk.

3. Again it is regretted that a full Situation Report cannot be submitted but time, once again, did not allow the patrol to gather the information needed for its compilation. However five basic subjects were looked into, they being, Local Government, Political Education, Law and Order, Cargo Cult and Missions.

4. Unea (Bali) Island is part of the Bali-Witu Census Division and is included in the Bali Witu Local Government Council/ The Island is approximately 11 square miles in size and has a population, at the last census taken between February and April, 1971, of 4315 people. There are thirteen villages on the Island under nine councillors. Kimburi 1 and 2 still maintain the Luluai system. They pay council tax but have no representative on the council.

5. A Base Camp staffed by one D.D.A. office is situated at Nigulani three mile from Bali Plantation wharf. The base camp was completed in 1969. Bali Plantation is the only non-indigenous enterprise on the Island and employs both contract and casual (local) labour. The Catholic Mission at Makiri on the northern side of the Island has a hospital and school and has a resident priest and three European Sisters. A total of 14 Europeans reside on the Island.

6. Communication with other areas is by radio, one at Nigulani and one at Bali Plantation. The Administration has fortnightly air charters and fortnightly Administration trawler service which work alternately thus providing a weekly service. The plantation is serviced weekly by coastal vessel and the Mission monthly by Mission trawler.

7. Since the recent D.D.A./Police operation on Bali last September there has been a detachment of 3 to 4 Police stationed on Bali to maintain law and order. A magistrate from Talasea visits the Island fortnightly by Administration trawler.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

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8. As stated before, Unea Island is within the Bali-Witu Local Government Council. Kumburi 1 and 2 even though they pay tax do not have a representative on the council. They have, however, stated that they wish to become full members of the council and have their own representatives. Both villages are large enough (408 and 398 people respectively) to have one councillor representing them each. This would bring the number of Bali councillors from the present 9 to a total of 11.
9. The Council President Mr. Baribari Kovoriv and the eight other councillors are most relieved following the Police/D.S.A. action which brought a halt to the anti-council faction which was becoming disturbingly active. All tax for 1971/2 has been paid with exception, of those who are at present in the Corrective Institutions at Gloucester and Talasea. It is expected that they will pay their tax on their return to Bali.
10. Council meetings are held alternately between Bali and Witu. A bush materials council chambers and office is located at Nigilani, and a small bush materials meeting house is found at Pidu village on Witu (Garove) Island. It is expected that a permanent materials chambers will be built at Nigilani before the end of the financial year and that a new bush materials meeting house and Advisors house will be built at Pidu in the near future.
11. The RDF/Council projects which are to be completed on Bali during 1971/2 are as follows:-
 - a) Makiri Wharf (RDF)
 - b) Council Chambers Council project.
 - c) Nigilani cement tank - water supply (RDF)
 - d) Makiri-Baruki Road (RDF)Expected RDF funds for the 1972/3 financial year for Bali is as follows :-
 - e) Makiri to Tamongoni - Road.
 - b) Tamongoni - Matapupur - Kumburi 2 - Road.
 - c) Kumburi 2 - Kumburi 1 - Road.
 - d) Nigilani - Manopo - Road.
 - e) Removal of Hill on Bali Airstrip.
 - f) Kumburi 1 and Kumburi 2 - Water Supply.
 - g) Rukamboroko - Kumbu - Water Supply.
12. As can be seen from the above, a great deal of money is to be spent on the Island and the anti-council faction's claim that the council do nothing for the people is quite unfounded. The Bali-Witu Council could, if all people pulled their weight, become a most beneficial organisation in the future for this area.
13. A council work day, Monday of every week, has been re-instituted in the area and the maintenance of village standard has risen accordingly.

POLITICAL EDUCATION.

14. Political Education talks were held in all villages as well as policy talks. It is unfortunate that the D.I.E.S. projectionist could not have accompanied the patrol as he would have been of great assistance. Reference books used in the preparation of talks were :-

- a) Towards A United Country, and
- b) List of definitions issued at the District Political Education Seminar earlier this year.

15. The talks were held at night and usually lasted from 1 to 2 hours. The programme taken by the patrol was to take a section, explain, ask if any questions and at the end of the programme, a general question time was allowed. The people were told that if any questions should arise at any time they were not to hesitate to come to Nigulani so that their doubts could be clarified.

16. The reception given was quite pleasing and the number of questions asked showed a good deal of thought. The people had a reasonable knowledge of the House of Assembly and a large percentage knew of their Open and Regional members names.

LAW AND ORDER.

17. Following the S.D.A./Police operation in late September which resulted in 160 men receiving good sentences, the situation on Bali has remained quiet. A total of 30 people, both men and women, have appeared before courts held at both Nigilani and Talasea, and as a result, 16 people have received sentences, to be held at the Corrective Institution at Talasea. The majority of these courts have been through hard core cultists spreading false reports and there have also been a number of unlawful strikings also heard.
18. Generally, as a result of the September operation, the people have cooled down quite a great deal and whereas before, people were too scared to complain for fear of reprisals, the people now feel more secure and have brought forward numerous complaints, a number of which do not warrant police or court action. It can be said that this operation has lifted a great deal of fear from the shoulders of the majority of pro-council people and this in itself is a good thing.
19. None the less, a detachment of six police should be maintained on the Island with the expected arrival back at Bali of the 160 hard core cult men at Christmas, and be used more or less as a deterrent.

MISSION.

20. There are two Missions at present on the Island. The Catholic Mission with its headquarters at Makiri and the Seventh Day Adventists with a pastor at Nigilani village, 300 yards from the Base Camp.
21. The Catholic Mission runs four schools, one of which is at the Mission and a hospital with a three certificate Sister in Charge. The other three schools are at Tenopo, Kitinarove and Valhere. The S.D.A. have a school at Nigilani. As soon as I took over the Station I met with all teachers to discuss the large truancy problem that had arisen during the cult troubles and asked for the names of all children who were absent and the names of their parents. It is pleasing now to note that the rate of truancy has dropped off and that near full attendance is now found at all schools.
22. A number of discussions have been held between myself and the Father-in-Charge of the Catholic Mission, Makiri. He has stated his appreciation of the Administration action and has also told me that the situation as regards school children has improved considerably and that the villages generally have been over awed by the Administration's speed in handling the trouble.

CARGO CULT.

23. In the patrols attempts to delve into the cargo cult which was the main cause of the disturbance on the Island, it was discovered that the people were very backward in coming forward with information. In fact not one person gave the patrol any snippet of information. There is no doubt in the patrols mind that the cult is still rife throughout the Island and has only gone underground.

24. It is felt that on the return of the 150 men who are at the Corrective Institutions at Talasea and Gloucester that the cult will again grow but will be more law abiding at the start but will gradually again grow in proportion to where it will again clash. I do not have any information or clear cut fact but I attribute to the following :

a) The unwillingness of the people to talk of the cult and what appears to be sulkiness which grows in them when pressed

and :

b) The failure of the councillors to come forward with information. The occasional small fry is caught but nothing concrete is forthcoming.

CONCLUSION.

25. A most interesting look into the area and has afforded me a chance to get established on the Island.