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BOUGAINVILLE DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

1955/56

KIETA & WAKUNAI

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3 - 55/56	G.B.O'Farrell	Rotokas Census Division



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....BOUGAINVILLE..... Report No.....WAK. NO. I - 55/56.....

Patrol Conducted by.....G. B. O'Farrell C.P.O......

Area Patrolled.....ROTORUA CENSUS DIVISION.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....For part - Mr. W. Race E.M.A.

Natives.....3 Police, 2 H.M.A.'s

Duration—From.....22/7/1955.....to.....1/9/1955.....

Number of Days.....30 days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....Yes - for part.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../1/1955.....

Medical/10/1954.....

Map Reference.....BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND NORTH & SOUTH 4 Mile Series.....

Objects of Patrol.....(1) CENSUS REVISION.....

.....(2) ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
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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Village Pop

Year.....1955/56.....

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS												Females in Child Birth		
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13				
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F
TEIHUP	25 Aug	1				1											1	
TIARAKA	✓	2	3							1							1	1
NUPATORO	23 July	5	3	1								1					1	
PIPIPAIA	✓	6	3														1	1
KAKORIPAIA	25 "	3	5	1													1	
TUTUPAIA	26 "	1	2				1											1
BULISTORO	26 "	1	2								1						1	1
IBU	27 "	1	4		1		1	1									3	2
TOGARAU	27 "	5	1	4		1												
RURUVU	28 "	2															1	
SISIVI	28 "	2	4														1	
LESIOPAIA	12 Aug	4	3															
BETERIOPAIA	6 "	1	3							1								1
SIRORIPAIA	5 "	3	4							1								
MAPEARO	4 "	1	1	1							1						2	
LEIKOIA	3 "	-	2															1
TURATUPAIN	30 "	-	1		1	1	1											1
OKOWOPAIA	30 "	2	1											1				
TIAKON	1 Sept	2	2						1									1
TEPEROI	29 Aug	1	4			2	1	1									2	1
TOTALS		43	48	7	4	3	4	5	1	2	1	2	-	11	13	2		

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

In Reply
Please Quote

No. 30/2/4.

Bougainville District,
Headquarters, SOHANO,

4th October, 1955.

MEMORANDUM for:-

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.PATROL REPORT NO. WAK.1-55/56 - BY -
MR. G. B. O'FARRELL, CADET PATROL OFFICER

Above report is forwarded in triplicate. Mr. O'Farrell has greatly improved the presentation of his report while his observations are very good.

Page 6. BETERIOPAIA Village:- Whether this village is controlled from Wakunai (Kieta) or Boku (Buin) must depend on the linguistic group they follow. Being bi-lingual, it may be better controlled from Wakunai as it is closer to that Post than Boku.

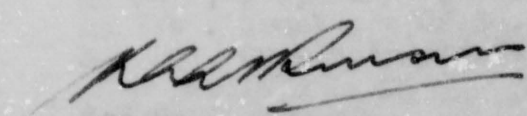
Page 7. Agriculture:- The planting of cocoa by PEIAPI was brought to my attention at the last District Advisory Council meeting. The information was passed on to the Agricultural Officer who will be in the area this month.

Page 8. Roads and Bridges:- Old steel cable has been ordered from Buin for the Wakunai River bridge. The iron rails and arc mesh on the old NUMA trail could be salvaged and used profitably on stations.

Page 12. TOGORAU Village:- The Officer-in-Charge has been asked to supply full details of signs and symptoms of the possible diphtheria.

Page 14. Sanitation:- I think Mr. O'Farrell's ideas of one latrine to a family is the ideal, but, for the present communal latrines could be used.

Appendix B:- Copy of this report will be forwarded to the Rabaul Vulcanologist.


(K. C. Atkinson)
District Officer.

c.c. A.D.O. Kieta. (2).

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Patrol Post,
WAKUNAI.

1st September 1955.

MEMORANDUM TO:

District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

PATROL REPORT NO. WAK. 1 - 55/56.

Report of a patrol to the ROTOKAS Census
Division.

PREAMBLE.

Officer conducting patrol;....Mr G.B.O'Farrell. C.P.O.

Area patrolled;.....ROKOKAS Census Division.

Objects of patrol;.....(1) Routine Administration.
(2) Census Revision.

Duration of patrol;.....From July 22nd to July 29th.
" Aug 3rd " Aug 19th.
" Aug 25th. " Aug 31st.
" Aug 29th " Aug 31st.
& Sept 1st.

Thirty days in all.

Personnel accompanying;.....R.P. & N.G.C.

No 2086. Corporal SUANI.
No 7701. Constable PELLIS.
No 8861. Constable LEURI.

P.H.D.

From July 22nd to July 29th.
I N.M.O.

For remainder of patrol.

Mr W.Race. M.M.A.
I N.M.O. & I N.M.A.

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INTRODUCTION.

The patrol route lies, as shown on the map, in an approximate shape of a horseshoe, with the additional pocket of TURATUPAIA and OKOWOPAIA, and the four separate beach villages of; TEIHUP, TEARAK, TEAKON & TEPEROI. As can be seen from the Preamble, the patrol was broken off and resumed a number of times.

Previous patrol officers have been accustomed to leaving TEARAK and following the 'horseshoe' around to LEIKOIA and thence to WAKUNAI from where they visited the TURATUPAIA & OKOWOPAIA pocket and afterwards the coastal villages.

In this particular instance the patrol was deliberately broken, once only, where the officer left BURUVU and went to WAKUNAI to finalize a land matter.

Mr Race E.M.A. decided to accompany the patrol from here and the reverse route was adopted from LEIKOIA to TEARAK. This meant that the D.N.A. 'half' of the patrol was to a certain extent retracing its steps. However this time was by no means wasted as the writer could observe whether or not his advice was being acted upon.

It had been decided before starting out that both TOROKINA and MT BA BI were to be visited, if possible.

The reasons for going to TOROKINA were, as follows:-

- (a) to inspect the BATERIOPAIA - TOROKINA road (originally part of the NUMA NEMA trail) a large sector of which is not covered by Government patrols. A report of this road will be found under the section - Roads & Bridges.
- (b) The 'wanted' native MUIAMO of BUIN was believed to be in this area and a Government patrol going to TOROKINA would deter him from going northwards into KARIKA. Unknown to the patrol MUIAMO was captured before our departure from WAKUNAI.

A report on MT BALBI will be found under Vulcanological.

Except for isolated showers, the weather was fine throughout the duration of the patrol.

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DIARY

July..... Friday 22nd - Departed WAKUNAI by canoe for TEARAK at 1.30pm. Arrived at TEARAK at 3.00pm. Departed for NUPATORO. Slept at NUPATORO.

Sat 23rd - Inspected NUPATORO & hamlets. Inspected ITAI Aid Post. Ditto PIPIPAIA. Slept PIPIPAIA.

Sunday 24th - Observed at PIPIPAIA.

Monday 25th - Departed for KAKORIPAIA. Slept at KAKORIPAIA.

Tuesday 26th - Departed for TUTUPAIA and BULISTORO. Slept at BULISTORO.

Wed'day 27th - Departed from BULISTORO in the morning. Arrived at IBU in heavy rain. Departed IBU and arrived TOGARAU. Slept at TOGARAU.

Th'day 28th - Departed for RURUVU. Arrived at RURUVU and immediately departed for SISIVI. Inspected SISIVI and returned to RURUVU. Inspected RURUVU. Slept at RURUVU.

Friday 29th - Departed RURUVU at 8.00am. Arrived WAKUNAI at 4.30pm.

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August..... Wed'day 3rd - Departed WAKUNAI at 12.30pm and arrived at LEIKOIA at 3.00pm. Inspected LEIKOIA. Earthquake recorded, lasting 27seconds at 8.41pm. Slept LEIKOIA.

Th'day 4th - Departed for MAPEARO. Slept MAPEARO.

Friday 5th - Departed for SIKORIPAIA. Slept at SIKORIPAIA.

Sat'day 6th - Departed for BETERIOPAIA. Slept at BETERIOPAIA.

Sunday 7th - Observed at BETERIOPAIA.

Monday 8th - Departed from BETERIOPAIA at 7.00am. Arrived at KERIANA (RUIN) at 9.20am. Departed KERIANA at 11.30am. Arrived at TOROKINA Rest House at 5.00pm. Slept same.

Tuesday 9th - Remained TOROKINA.

Wed'day 10th - Departed TOROKINA for KERIANA. Slept KERIANA.

Th'day 11th - Departed for BETERIOPAIA. Slept BETERIOPAIA, due heavy rain.

Friday 12th - Departed for LESIOPAIA. Inspected same. To SISIVI Aid Post. To SISIVI. Slept SISIVI.

Sat'day 13th - Departed for TOGARAU via RURUVU. Slept TOGARAU.

Sunday 14th - Observed at TOGARAU.

Monday 15th - Left TOGARAU at 7.00am for shelter half way up side of MT BALBI. Arrived 1.00pm. Slept same.

Tuesday 16th - Departed from shelter for crater, at 7.30am. Arrived crater at 10.30am. Departed from crater at 2.00pm for TOGARAU. Arrived TOGARAU 6.45pm. Slept TOGARAU.

Wed'day 17th - Departed for BULISTORO via IBU. Slept BULISTORO.

DIARY (cont)

August.....Thursday 18th - Cargo departed for PIPIPAIA, direct. Mr Race & Mr O'Farrell to PIPIPAIA via TUTUPAIA and KAKORIPAIA. Slept KAKORIPAIA.

Friday 19th - Departed for TEARAK via NUFATORO. Inspected RED RIVER bridge on route. From TEARAK to WAKUNAI by canoe.

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Thursday 25th - Departed WAKUNAI per canoe for TEIHUP. Inspected TEIHUP. Departed for TEARAK. Inspected TEARAK. Departed for WAKUNAI.

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Monday 29th - Departed WAKUNAI for TEPEROI. Inspected TEPEROI and left for TENEKAU Plantation. Slept at TENEKAU; heavy rain.

Tuesday 30th - Left TENEKAU for OKOWOPAIA. Inspected same and slept same.

Wednesday 31st - Left for TURATUPAIA. Inspected same. Departed for TENEKAU. Left for WAKUNAI via TEPEROI.

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September.....Thursday 1st - Inspected BALSIMAN's holding in the morning. During afternoon inspected TIAKON village.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Upel Cult.
 This Cult was noticed in K&M three villages; namely

NUPATORO	12	of which 3 were Catholic and
		4 were Methodist.
KAKORIPAIA	5	all of which were Catholic.
TEIHUP	4	" " " " "

In ROTOKAS the Cult does not appear to be very strong and indeed in NUPATORO there is talk of departing from the tradition and the entry of the present Cult members into normal village life.

There has been a fairly large migration from NUPATORO to PIPIPAIA since the last patrol. It was thought that the recent court case might have some bearing on it. However it appears that NUPATORO is divided into three hamlets, one of which is S.D.A. . This hamlet is situated nearer to PIPIPAIA than to NUPATORO. PIPIPAIA is totally S.D.A.. As the move had both of the Luluais' sanction then it was approved.

The village of NUPATORO is in very poor condition for a number of reasons. They have a fair percentage of males belonging to the Upei Cult; which members are inclined to keep to themselves and not take any part in village construction and maintenance. For a dwelling these followers abide in an ill-constructed 'lean-to'. The village is now constituted by two hamlets, spaced well apart. All the village officials live in one hamlet. The villagers do not appear to take any pride in themselves. They have to all intents and purpose been scored over by their rivals across the Red River - PIPIPAI⁴, which is itself the largest and by far the best village in the ROTOKA. The village officials were told to pick a suitable site, combine the two hamlets and build a good village. Although Administration does not necessarily advocate the policy of centralization it is considered that in this instance it would be beneficial.

Polygamous Marriages (see Appendix 'A')

In KARORIPAI trouble arising out of these marriages is instanced. Three cases brought to the attention of the patrol followed the same pattern in that the first wife, although still officially married, was semi-discarded when a second and younger wife was taken. In each case the husband was told that even if he had ceased having physical relations with his first wife, he was still under an obligation to support and look after her.

These cases were isolated and show no general tendency. It is to be noted, however, that in spite of Mission influence and Government policy frowning on Polygamous marriages, they appear to be increasing. cf Kieta Report No 7 - 50/51., where Mr Connolly reports 45 cases.

In every village a marked lack of young females was noticed. In the village boy houses, besides the normal quota of young men, there were always two or three middle aged men present.

BATERIKOPAIA village.

This village is situated at the extreme south of the ROTOKA census Division. The village site is poor and soil erosion is reducing the village area. The villagers have chosen a new site on a tongue of land bounded by the KARUMA and the BOINBA/ABABA rivers in the BUIN Sub District.

Their reasons are; before the war they came under Buin and consisted of two separate villages, namely, IPARAKUSKUS and BATORIKOPAIA; during the war they went into the bush to escape the Japanese; after the war they were resettled under Kieta; since then they have been combined and a new

⁴ Supreme Court Case for Rape, held at Kieta

site marked out for them - on SIRORIPAIA ground. They naturally wish to move on to their own ground. The encroaching Buin area is settled by the PANUNI natives who are bi-lingual, speaking both ROTOKAS and PANUNI. Intermarriage between ROTOKAS and PANUNI is frequent. They have been told to go ahead with the clearing of their new site and start building, but must await further instructions as to whether they are to be administered from Kieta or Buin. The pocket of TURATUPAIA and OKOWOPAIA are behind the rest of the ROTOKAS as regards living conditions. For instance, in OKOWOPAIA, the natives have no idea of building technique and although they have vaguely followed the modern native house design (for this area) the finish is completely lacking. Hygiene is non-existent. The houses are crammed together and there is no method in the positioning of building sites. A building programme and a village plan have been introduced and it is intended to make a short visit in the next two or three months to see how they are making out.

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NATIVE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

1. Native village gardens are in good condition and no cases of food shortage were reported.

2. Village Cash Crops.

Rice.

The villages of PIPIPAIA and KAKORIPALA are planting rice but only in a small way.

Copra.

All the coastal villages and those in the coastal belt, with the exception of OKOWOPAIA and TURATUPAIA, are engaged in the growing of coconut trees and the manufacture of copra. The copra is sold to either Messrs Long You & Co store at TEARAK or to the Catholic Mission at ASITAVI. Except for two or three cases the scale of production is small. The average being about between one and three bags per month.

3. Holdings of BAISIMAN and FEIAPI.

Both these natives have put extensive areas of land under cash crops.

BAISIMAN, a former member of the R.P. & S.G.C. from the GU VA census division is working with another native by the name of KURRAM, who is from BUKA. His main crops are rice and peanuts. In July he sent eight bags of peanuts to SOHANO. This month he is harvesting again. As regards rice he has about twelve to fifteen bags of unhulled rice, and

is awaiting a hulling machine which is expected to arrive from SOBANO in the near future. A large area of rice has just been replanted and appears to be coming on well. He employs a fluctuating labour force of about ten men. Most of his labour come from SIRORIPALA.

PIIAPI, tultul of PIIPIAIA, has a small area of ground under cocoa. He has cleared enough ground to plant the remainder of his first five hundred. Mr Sandford of NUMA NUMA Plantation has since inspected these cocoa trees and states that owing to lack of supervision, incorrect planting of the shade trees has put back the production date by as much as nine months. It is recommended that an Agricultural Officer inspect this holding. Both men grow a considerable amount of native foodstuffs, mainly kaukau (sweet potatoe)

MEDICAL & HEALTH.

As Mr Race N.M.A. accompanied the patrol, a special report will not be forwarded.

Throughout the area the general health was good. Only one case of Tropical Ulcer was seen. He was an elderly male native who was carried into PIIPIAIA from the bush while the patrol was there. He went straight to WAKUNAI. The three Aid Posts at ITAI, BULISTORO and SISIVI are well situated and appear to be reasonably popular. The opinion shared by previous officers that natives only went to the Aid Posts when a patrol was approaching seems to be dying out. N.M.A.'s in charge say that only occasionally do they get the deliberate malingerer.

EDUCATION.

Every ROTOKAS village has a Mission teacher who conducts a village school. Catholic Mission teachers are mostly locals and are, unfortunately, of a lower standard than those of the other two denominations.

Methodist Mission teachers are either from BUKA or TEOP. Seventh Day Adventist teachers come from the KIETA area, with the exception of the teacher from PIIPIAIA who is from KAVIXENG.

The usual thing is for the very young children to receive their education from the village school and if they happen to be bright enough, then they 'graduate' to one of the

nearby High schools. At YAGAM, near TEARAK, a Methodist Mission teacher, Daniel Bavlovi by name, from TONGA, is running a school catering for small children. He has several children from the ages of four upwards who have come from the hill villages.

There is no Government School in the area.

ROADS & BRIDGES.

I. Village Roads.

Inter village roads were on the whole clean, but had poor surfaces. An exception was found the roads lying in the coastal belt. For example, the roads leading from TEARAK to NUPATORO and from WAKUNAI to LEIKOLA could, without a great deal of effort, be converted into dry weather vehicular roads.

The hill tracks are similar to those generally found in the hills. Capable of taking a single column of people, they wind in and out, cross numbers of small creeks, and have surfaces consisting mainly of large stones and tree roots, interspaced with sections of good road.

In some places, steep ascents have been benched and steps have been cut.

2. Bridges.

Except for bridges on the WAKUNAI- TEREKAU road (which are in good repair) there is only one large bridge in the area; that crossing the RED river, near ASITAVI. (This was the subject of a special report by Mr Mc Alpine P.O. , earlier this year) This bridge has soft wood bearers and instructions were given that the bearers were to be replaced in the near future by hard wood.

Apparently there used to be a rope bridge across the WAKUNAI river between RURUVU and SISAVI. This is a particularly difficult river to ford, even at this distance from the mouth. The natives from the two villages were advised to replace it.

BETERIOPAIA - TOROKINA road.

map reference: Bougainville Island - TOROKINA - I inch series.

Between SIRORIPAIA and BETERIOPAIA the patrol followed the NUMA NUMA trail down a steep gorge and ascended on side, which, very steep, HXCHNDAD climbed for over a thousand feet to arrive at the road head.

During the war, from the road head to TOROKINA, there was a vehicular road. It was broken below BETERIOPAIA by the 'winch hill' (Mosetons Rest) which incorporated two winches to haul jeeps up on a set of rails. The rails are still there.

In some places there is still arc mesh, lying on the road. It was used as a road surface in steep ascents during the war.

At the bottom of the 'winch hill' the Trail meets the ABABA-DOIBA river which it crosses and recrosses until the LARUMA/ABABA-DOIBA river junction is reached. The ABABA-DOIBA river has steep rock sides in some places and here, during the war, the road consisted of a bank of stones extending into the river. Now - ten years later - these sections have all but disappeared. At the river junction the track leaves the Trail and ascends onto the eastern slopes of the LARUMA where the village of KERRIANA is situated (643040). From here a well kept native track runs down to the old ANGAU camp where it meets up with the Trail. This track is a Government road and is patrolled from BUIN.

The reasons for investigating this road were:

(a) to consider whether it could form a portion of a trans Bougainville road.....

This is or was an Army road. It was built under wartime conditions with machines and a large labour line. Some of its features are typical of Army methods - for instance, the 'winch hill' and the use of arc mesh to surface difficult spots. These features have been removed and to replace them would be a costly procedure. Another point is that the road could only take jeeps and the natives state that they had trouble with these. Whether or not a different route could be found in this area is debatable.

(b) to find out if it was being maintained.....

It was not being maintained. The natives were told to keep it cut for their own use.

(c) to determine its condition.....

Its condition was poor. Deterioration has set in with a vengeance. Many parts of the ridges have been washed away. At one stage the patrol was walking on bare arc mesh extending out from the side of a cliff with a small drop beneath them. This report was included for reference.

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VILLAGE AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

1. TEIHUP.

Luluai - WUHJAWA. garrulous
Tultul - KERIO. from NUPATORO, unimpressive.

Very small village on the coast. Undergoing a building programme.

2. TIARAKA.

Luluai - SAK. a good type.

Another coastal village near the Patrol Post. Houses are quite well built but the village area is poor. Some of the houses did not have cook houses. The owners of these were advised to rectify the matter.

3. NUPATORO.

Luluai - SIURERE. quiet but conscientious.
Tultul - TAKURA. fair.

This village is in poor condition - very little sanitation, village areas dirty etc (see under Native Affairs). Luluai is building himself a large house that promises to be good.

4. PIPIPAIA.

Luluai - MAKOIRA. sound.
Tultul - PEIAPI. intelligent.

The largest village in the ROTOKAS. Typical S.D.A. village. Housing good. Sanitation good. Village area clean and planted with flowers.

5. KAKORIPAIA.-

Luluai - KOKURUOTO. a good village official.
Tultul - POKATO. not too good.

Village consists of two hamlets; one S.D.A. and the other ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Catholic. Fair village.

6. TUTUPAIA.

Luluai - BURUVURU. unobtrusive.
Tultul - DIDIAVIRI. a very helpful native, accompanied the patrol to the closer villages

Village clean, sanitation fair, however, the housing design was poor and the natives were advised accordingly.

7. BULISTORO

Luluai - VIVIDICVI. Old, speaks no piagin.
Tultul - ATUMUS. Not sighted.

Village fair. The Luluai lives in a house that lets as much light in as a cinema does. Sanitation is alright. Village is overrun by dogs.

8. IBU.

Luluai - ELIFORIDI. not sighted.
Tultul - ITASITO. cannot speak pidgin.

Tultul from TUTUPAIA interpreted. This matter will be rectified. Village site is poor - one bank is being slowly removed through soil erosion. However the village can move up the slope as there is plenty of available space. Houses were poor and very dirty. All the houses were washed and cleaned after the natives lined for census. 24 males were away either at work or at school, leaving 19 in the village. Highest death rate recorded here.

9. FOGARAU.

Luluai - BOITARI. cannot speak pidgin, is important man in the village.
Luluai - TARAVITSI. slow but capable.
Tultul - MIVISI. good organiser.

There were two Medical Tultuls here both of ~~WIKIK~~ whom are sound. This is a big village with plenty of man power. In spite of this the village area was dirty, houses were dirty and the cemetery non-existent. The cemetery was cleared and cleaned on the spot and inspected before the patrol departed. Opportunity was taken at this juncture to tell the village officials to build a leanto further up the slopes of MT BALBI. Four male deaths were recorded in the last six months. The nature of the deaths sounded like Diphtheria so the Luluai was instructed to bring all advanced pregnancies to Wakunai Native Hospital.

10. RURUVU.

Luluai - SUTIARA. cannot speak pidgin.
Medical Tultul - TARATSI. good.
Tultul - PORATSIRIE. not sighted.

Village clean and planted with grass. Houses clean and well built. A very good village. The only drawback was that the village pigs had decided to take up residence underneath the Rest House. This matter was rectified very smartly.

11. SISIVI.

Luluai - WILI. a shrewd character.
Tultul - MIRAVATA. very quiet.

Village bare and windswept. Housing fair. Sanitation fair.

12. LESIOPAIA.

Luluai - LAKEVIRERE. very old.
Tultul - LEATA. a little slow.

A clean village with good houses.

14. BATERIOPAIA.

Luluai - SISIBARI. Quiet.
Tultul - AJSIKOBE. Good but hard to understand.

As mentioned under NATIVE AFFAIRS, this village has a bad situation. The houses are poor and were dirty. The houses were cleaned in the presence of the patrol.

15. SIRORIPAIA.

Luluai - UKODIROPEI. Old; appears to be a little moronic.
Tultul - SUPILEI. Quite fair.

The village is situated on two ridges meeting at the rest house at an angle of about 140 degrees. The rest house is an amazing piece of construction with a centre of gravity somewhere near the roof. Sanitation fair.

16. MAPEARO.

Luluai - OBIPAKAVI. Unobtrusive.
Tultul - TOKARAO. Good.

A neat village. Housing good - sanitation good. Road to LEIKOIA very poor. A noticeable shortage of females in this village.

17. LEIKOIA.

Luluai - PAUPI. Very good.
Tultul - none

An offshoot from MAPEARO. Good village. Some amendments to be made to the rest house.

18. TURATUPAIA.

Luluai - EVOI - M. Quiet.
Tultul - AIEARVI. New appointee; is working well.

This village is not nearly as bad as its associate. Recently moved to a new site and the housing is fair. All the houses are too small. Hygiene satisfactory.

19. OKOWOPAIA.

Tultul - D TMI. Poor; lacks intelligence.

As mentioned under Native Affairs, this village is in a poor state. For the whole village only three latrines were found and these were practically unusable.

20. TIAKON.

Tultul - SOPITA. retiring personality.

A good village. Two large houses being built. Area clean

13. TEFEROI.

Luluai - RATOWAI. a good man - to himself.
Tultul - ARATAIBU. mild.

Village very poor indeed for a coastal village. The Luluai is a forceful character and he is now going to turn this force onto improving his village. Village officials complain that too many are away from the village at plantations (ie at TENEKAU) and that when their contract finishes they prefer to remain on the station in stead of going back to the village.

Notes.

1. Sanitation.

Sanitation throughout the census division was fair except for one or two isolated cases. The following figures show the average man per latrine.

			Average.
MUPATORO (130)	-	7 latrines.	19
PIPIPAIA (201)	-	9 "	22
KAKORIPAIA (177)	-	16 "	11
TUTUPAIA (143)	-	9 "	16
BULISTORO (115)	-	10 "	12
IEU (107)	-	6 "	18
TOGARAU (169)	-	7 "	24
RURUVU (94)	-	10 "	9
SISIVI (163)	-	10 "	16

The quality of sanitation is as variable as the quantity. For example the latrines at PIPIPAIA are well constructed and very deep, whereas those at KAKORIPAIA were of poorer style.

Instructions given as follows:-

- (a) that there must be one latrine per sleeping quarters, or in effect one latrine per family.
- (b) that they must be of a certain quality as specified by the N.M.A. when on his monthly patrol from the Aid Post.

2. Housing.

Housing, all told, was good. No 'humpies' were seen. General faults were that the sage leaf thatch was too far apart and there were no windows. The complaint was that windows made the house too cold but it was explained that if a window was made that could be fastened then ~~XXXXX~~ it could be opened in the day and shut at night. Instructions given were to remedy the above faults.

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CENSUS

Since the last census patrol in September 1954, there have been ninety-one recorded births and fifty-five recorded deaths. The total increase was fifty-five.

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CONCLUSION.

Both the AITA and the ROTOKAS Census Divisions are patrolled from WAKUNAI. It is well known and universally accepted that the AITA people are the most primitive in BOUGAINVILLE. However the habit of coupling the ROTOKAS with the AITA, when referring to the AITA, is a bad one and does no justification to the ROTOKAS.

The ROTOKAS people compare very favourably with those of, say, around KIETA. Their standard of living is, perhaps, lower but it is considered that this is due to circumstance and not to character.

The most noticeable disadvantage of this area, when comparing it to others, is the lack of suitable productive ground. The area is split by three large rivers and offers very few areas for the growing of cash crops. Except for the coastal belt, the terrain is rugged and mountainous with steep ridges and narrow valleys. The rivers of AITA, RED and WAKUNAI are swift flowing and have none of the ideal 'wide fertile valleys'. That the people realize the potential of the coastal belt is indicated by the work of BALSIMAN and PBI-API. This work although small shows a healthy trend. It is to be hoped that in the near future the numerous small plots will expand, giving the area an economic stability.

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APPENDIX "A".

Polygamous Marriages in the ROTOKAS Census Division.

<u>Village</u>	<u>two wives</u>	<u>three wives</u>	<u>four wives</u>
NUPATORO	4	4	-
PIPIPAIA	3	-	-
KAKORIPAIA	8	-	-
TUTUPAIA	7	-	1
BULISTORO	7	-	-
IBU	3	1	-
TOGARAU	10	3	-
SISIVI	6	-	-
LEIKOIA	1	-	-
MAPEARO	1	-	-
SIRORIPAIA	2	-	-
BETERIOPAIA	1	1	-
LESIOPAIA	3	-	-
TEAKONO	-	-	-
TEARAKA	3	-	-
TEIHUP	-	-	-
TEPEROI	-	-	-
OKONOPAIA'	-	-	-
TURATUPAIA	-	-	-
RURUVU	5	-	-
	<u>64</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>

Notes

The Luluai of TUTUPAIA has four wives.

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strenghts at Kista and Sohano of four and five.

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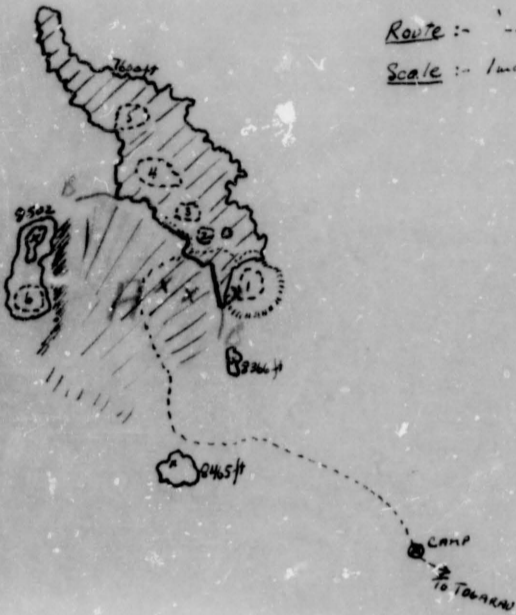
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PATROL REPORT NO. WAK 1-55/54

MT BALBI

Route :- '-----'

Scale :- 1 inch to 1 mile



APPENDIX (B).

Report of a detour to MT BALBE.

The patrol left TOGARAU at seven o'clock on Monday 15th August. It climbed steadily for three hours and then stopped at a small native shelter for a rest. From this point the gradient became increasingly steeper. Three hours hard climbing found the patrol at the camp. This had been built some days previously by natives from TOGARAU village. The atmosphere was cold and the noticeable feature was the state of the undergrowth, which was soaking wet, so much so, in fact, that firewood was carried from the village with the patrol. For all the dampness the only water available was found in bamboo trees.

Next morning the patrol departed for the craters and after another three hours hard climbing the lava flow (A) was reached. For the last hour, travelling was difficult. The vegetation consisted mainly of a type of tree of short twisted proportions and a thick tough cutting grass. On one occasion the patrol crossed a deep ravine - some forty feet deep - by climbing over tree trees. The width of the ravine would be about six feet and it was entirely overgrown. The lava flow appeared as a plateau at an incline, curving up to the lip (B) like a graph of x^2 .

The patrol crossed this and ascended to the lip. Immediately on the other side No. 2 crater was seen. This was full of a beautiful iridescent blue water with an estimated central depth of about twenty to thirty feet. No 3. crater could just be seen to contain water.

Leaving No 2 crater the patrol proceeded towards No 1. crater. The ground was devoid of vegetation except at the extreme lips on which grew the same type cutting grass. Otherwise; a typical lava crust.

Finally the lip of No 1. crater was reached and this yielded a very impressive sight. The crater was oval in shape, with sheer walls - in some places overhanging with cracked edges - falling to what appeared to be a dried up mud pool some four to five hundred feet below. A small steam vent was active about three quarters of the way up the western wall. Both Mt BAGANA and MT TAROKA could be seen in the distance.

Two other steam vents were observed on the old lava flow (A)

A gorge was seen at the base of the main peak.

Craters No 4, 5 & 6 were not seen owing to the shortage of time. From the exterior of Crater No 6. it is considered that the inside would be interesting to see. It has the typical crater formation with very small patches of vegetation extending down to the base.

The lava flow nursed several small streams which combined to disappear in a south-westerly direction.

At two o'clock the patrol departed coming into TOGARAU in the dark and being met on arrival by an earthquake of reported strengths at Kieta and Sohano of four and five.

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APPENDIX "C"

Census of pigs, fowls and dogs.

<u>Village</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Fowls</u>	<u>Dogs</u>
NUPATORO	5	36	10
PIPIPAIA	-	40 (20 ducks)	1
KAKORIPAIA	4	59	24
TUTUPAIA	28	39	25
BULISTORO	32 -	100	32
IBU	1	35	26
TOGARAU	12	87	19
RURUVU	33	53	19
SISIVI	13	10	15
LESIOPAIA	-	5	16
B. TERIOPAIA	1	49	9
SIRORIPAIA	8	104	14
MAPEAPO	-	116	25
LEIKOIA	-	88	16
TEIHUP	3	31	10
TEARAK	-	30	19
TEAKON	-	77	19
TEPEROI	-	51	28
OKOWOPAIA	5	10	15
TURATUPAIA	5	12	14
	118	1032	341

Comments.

The above figures were obtained from village teachers and therefore are not guaranteed as accurate.

A comparison with patrol report No. 8 of 51/52., may be shown. The figures obtained by Mr Connolly were as follows:-

Pigs - 272.

Fowls - 887.

There was no census of dogs.

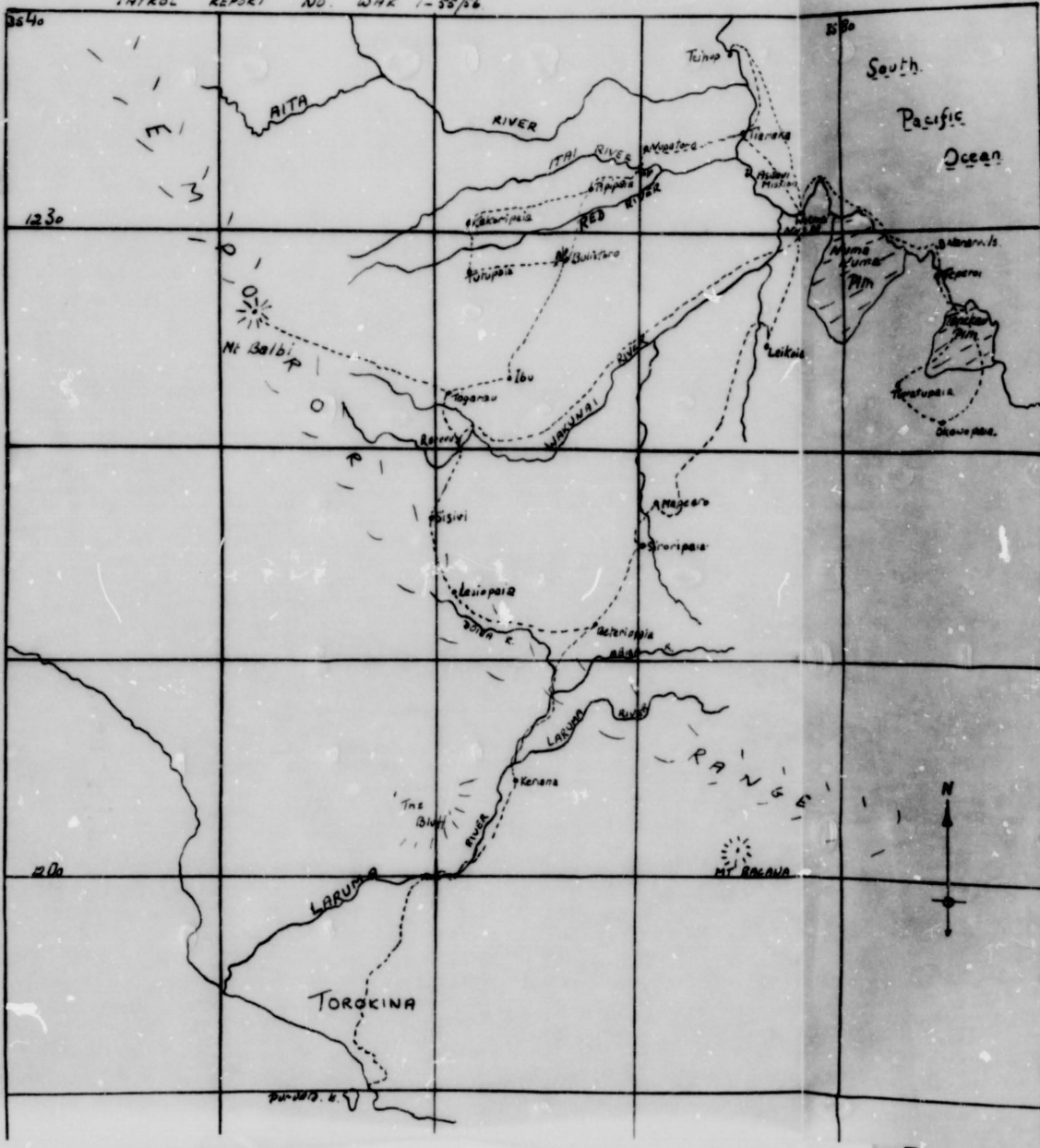
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BORGAINVILLE ISLAND

RATOKAS CENSUS DIVISION

Route: - - - - -

Scale: 4 miles to 1 inch.



Drawn by C. B. O'FARRELL
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VIII

TIM
 TIARA
 NIPIA
 PIPIPI
 KOKA
 TIPIPI
 BUKA
 IPIPI
 TOROKA
 RUKA
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 LESIA
 PETER
 SIBORU
 MAPIA
 LUKO
 TUKA
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VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1955/1956

ROTOKAS CENSUS DIVISION

Govt. Print.—5438/1.54.

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL				
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	IN		OUT		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		MALES		FEMALES		Pregnant	Number of Child-bearing aged		Child		Adults	
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TEIMUP	25-9-55	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	7	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	6	2	7	1	8	1.4	3	6	7	8	26
TIARAKA	25-9-55	2	3					1						1	1	7				9	3					9	2	8	21	5	18	-	20	2.3	13	13	12	15	76
NUPATORO	23-7-55	5	3	1										1		1	2	16	11							5	4	14	29	12	27	-	32	3.0	37	22	32	30	130
PIPIPAIA	23-7-55	6	3											1	1	16	10		1							6	1	21	38	20	39	2	49	2.8	57	35	44	58	201
KAKORIPAIA	25-7-55	3	5	1										1		-	3	3	2	6	4					1	-	15	39	19	45	1	34	3.5	31	34	47	52	177
TUTUPAIA	26-7-55	1	2			1								1		1	1	1	4	2					6		21	15	27	30	3	39	2.4	28	27	34	42	143	
AVLITARO	26-7-55	1	2											1	1	3	-	2	2	17	9				3		9	30	10	26	5	35	2.9	17	20	25	24	115	
IBU	27-7-55	1	4		1	1	1							3	2	1	3	3	1	11	9				10		18	22	8	20	-	27	2.1	19	12	19	27	107	
TOKARAU	27-7-55	5	1	4		1								1		5	8	-	3	11					7	3	17	35	19	37	4	43	2.2	31	33	35	49	169	
RURUKU	28-7-55	2												1		1	3	9	9	1					5	6	7	27	9	21	-	26	2.0	14	14	20	25	84	
SISIVI	28-7-55	2	4											1		3	1	2	2	11	5				7	3	10	36	7	40	3	48	2.0	29	31	29	19	163	
IESIOPAIA	12-8-55	4	3													-	4	-	1	1	-				13	2	12	22	5	12	-	16	1.7	5	13	24	18	76	
BETERIOPAIA	6-8-55	1	3					1						1		-	-	2	1	6	2				10	1	6	40	6	27	3	31	1.9	14	21	29	29	112	
SIRORIPAIA	5-8-55	3	4											1		4	3	1	1	16	8				1		17	41	9	35	1	40	2.1	34	25	39	36	158	
MAPEARO	4-8-55	1	1	1										2		6	1	-	2	11	2				1		11	38	3	20	2	21	1.7	13	12	39	22	100	
LEIKOLA	3-8-55	2												1		-	-	3	1	3	3				5		6	10	3	10	1	12	2.2	5	9	7	12	46	
TUPATUPAIA	31-8-55	1		1	1	1								1				2	2	11	3						4	20	3	13	3	15	1.7	7	6	12	13	52	
OKIOPAI	30-8-55	2	1													5	4			6	5						8	18	1	14	-	16	1.5	14	7	14	13	59	

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Year..... 1955/1956

ROKOKAS CENSUS DIVISION

G.P. Papua-1047/12.47

DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS														MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES			Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL					
			0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	In		Out		AT WORK		STUDENTS		Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child-bearing age	Child			Adults									
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1-9-55																																										48
TIKON	2	2					1								1	1	1	-	-	5	3							1	19	-	11	-	11	1	5	7	7	16	10	28-25		
29-8-55																																										87
TEPEROI	1	4		2		1	1							2		-	-	-	17	10											1	21	19	12	11	20	17	49-38				
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Population Register

Area Patrolled... ROKOKAS CENSUS DIVISION

TIONS		ABSENT FROM VILLAGE								LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL
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M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	10-16	16-45			10-16	16-45	M	F	M		F	M + F
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of BOUGAINVILLE Report No. WAK-2-55/56

Patrol Conducted by GBO Funnell CPO

Area Patrolled ATA TAVITA & RAUSARO

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No

Natives 4 Police & 1 APO

Duration—From 29/1/56 to 28/2/56

Number of Days 30

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 4/1955

Medical 4/1955

Map Reference BOUGAINVILLE 1 mile S of

Objects of Patrol 1. Route Administration

2. Census Revision

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

20/1/1956

[Signature]
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 £.....

[Signature]

Village Popu

Year.....1955/1956.....

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	Births		DEATHS														Females in Child Birth	
				0-1 Month		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13					
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
POKOIA	29-1-56	-	3					2	2								1	2	
TSUBIAI-A	31-1-56	4	2					2	2	1				1			3	3	4
KUSI	1-2-56	3	2									1					1		
SIRIBIA	13-2-56	3	2							1							1		2
OSIWAIPA	14-2-56	3	5															1	
OWAWAIPA	15-2-56	1	3					1											
PUSUPA	17-2-56	1	3					1	1								1		1
RARIEI	17-2-56	2	4														1	1	2
WASPUS	20-2-56	3	1							1									
TEOVAGERO	20-2-56	3	3																
IAUN	21-2-56	2	3										1				1		3
TIANANA	22-2-56	3	-														3		
WAINANA	23-2-56	3	1														2		1
BOSKOMBO	24-2-56	2	1														2	2	1
INUS	25-2-56	3	1																
KOTOITA	27-2-56	4	-														1	3	
TOKAI	28-2-56	3	1														2		
KORIBORI	28-2-56	1	2							1	1						4		
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30/14/56

KCA/VM

30/2/3-370.

1956 Bougainville District,
Headquarters, SOHANO,

20th April, 1956.

MEMORANDUM for:

Assistant District Officer,
KIETA.

PATROL REPORT NO. WAK.2-55/56. BY MR.G.B.O'FARRELL,C.P.O.

The above report and your remarks are acknowledged.

1. Mr. O'Farrell's remarks re the alleged murder of MUKUPIAS of KUSI will be passed on to Mr. Milton, but only for his information. I suggest that Mr. Keary should conduct a patrol to investigate the allegations thoroughly and, if necessary, take further action. Further, Mr. O'Farrell nor Mr. Milton has had previous experience in the arresting of alleged murderers, and while I don't anticipate any trouble, I think it preferable for an experienced Officer to lead the patrol.
2. The planting of sago in the inland villages is to be encouraged, but care should be taken to ensure that it will grow. I understand that sago will not grow in the Lu'uai Valley even at low altitudes, and this may also be the case in other areas. If it does grow, perhaps the Officer-in-Charge Wakunai could assist by obtaining seedlings.
3. The purchase of blankets can always be suggested but no order for the purchase of same should be given. The people in these areas have, as yet, no cash crop and any money they earn must be by work.
4. The portion dealing with Agriculture will be forwarded to the District Agricultural Officer. The reason why there has been no Agricultural Patrol is that the Officer concerned has had to concentrate on the Kieta area where agricultural development has got a bit out of hand due to no patrolling owing to lack of staff.
5. Medical and health matters will be passed on to the District Medical Officer.
6. Red River Bridge: I hope these people will be compensated.
7. Asitavi/Aita Road: No decision should be made about any road until all possibilities have been thoroughly investigated.
8. Appendix 'A': There appears to be few bad features in the Upei Cult, but also some good features. I have discussed it at length with Mr. Paul Mason who stated, amongst other things, that generally speaking anyone who has gone through the ceremony is truthful. He also found that these people were more loyal (as a group) than most others, during the Japanese Invasion. I would not be too hasty in ~~having~~ banning any of these old customs without a thorough investigation by an Anthropologist, but what can be done is to point out to the followers of the Cult the good points which should be brought out, and advising them to substitute something for the bad features.

Recd
18/4/56
P/A

A similar situation existed in the Gulf District with the KAIYAKUKU and SEMESE dances. These contained a number of bad features frowned upon by the Administration and Missions alike. After a number of years they were revised, but substitutions were made for the bad points. That was the position a few years ago.

9. Please instruct all your Officers to submit remarks on items affecting other Departments in the form of an appendix and forward to this office an extra copy for on forwarding to the Department concerned.

In conclusion, Mr. O'Farrell's reports have improved greatly since the first one was submitted by him.

(K.C. Atkinson)
District Commissioner

c.c. Director of Native Affairs (2)

MINUTE TO:

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded together with Claim for Camping Allowance.

Headquarters, SOHANO,
30/2/56; 20/4/56.

[Signature]
(K.C. Atkinson)
District Commissioner.

Officer conducting patrol;
Area patrolled;
Obj. of patrol;
Duration of patrol;
Personnel accompanying;
No. 2001 Cpl SUANI
No. 2409 Cpl POHIO
No. 2409 Cpl SUKISA
No. 3945 Cpl IAKA
and for the latter part of the patrol No. 2407 Cpl FORIWA relieved Cpl SUANI.
A.P.O. KIPUKA.

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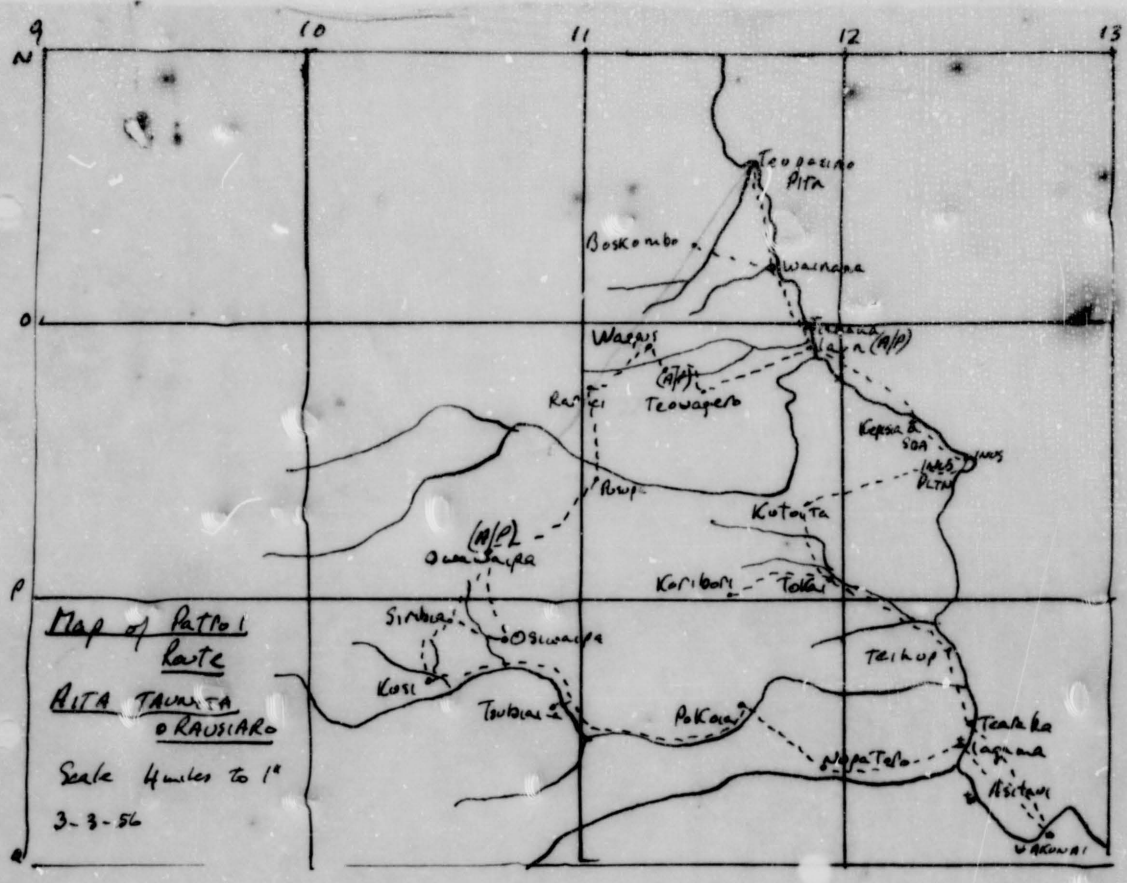
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(2)
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

INTRODUCTION

The patrol travelled through three distinct areas; those of AITA, TAUNITA & RAUSIARO.

The former, consisting of five villages, is found in the middle head waters of the AITA river. Patrol Post, formation is that of a basin. Although surrounding country is very rugged, intervillage walking is easy.

TAUNITA, four villages, north of AIT Bougainville District. consisting of haphazard ridges running at all angles with resultant hard walking.

RAUSIARO, six villages, is contained 3rd March 1956. coastal villages above INUS Plantation.

The last patrol was conducted by Mr McAlpine during April

MEMORANDUM TO:

A break in the patrol was made while the officer walked to MAPISI Patrol Post to discuss with the officer stationed District Commissioner, Bougainville District, the disappearance of an AITA S O H A N O. and to go on to the KEBIARA area. See Native Affairs:

Weather was fair and did not unduly hamper patrol operations in AITA and TAUNITA. PATROL REPORT - WAK 2 - 55/56. on the RAUSIARO coast included progress.

Report of a patrol to the AITA census Division.

PREAMBLE.

DIARY

FEBRUARY

Officer conducting patrol;.....Mr C.B.O Farrell C.P.O.
Monday 30th - Departed WAKUNAI for TRARAKA.
Area patrolled;.....AITA Census Division.
Objectives of patrol;.....(i) Routine Administration
(ii) Census Revision.
Wednesday 1st - Departed for KUSI. Slept at KUSI.
Duration of patrol;.....From 30/2/56 to 29/3/56.
Personnel accompanying;.....No 2086 Cpl SUANI
No 7701 Cst FELIS
No 8409 Cst SIKARA
No 8945 Cst IAKA.
Saturday 4th - Slept at MAPISI and for the latter part of the patrol
2497 Cpl PONUMA relieved Cpl SUANI.
Monday 6th - A.P.O. KETURA.
Tuesday 7th - A.P.O. KETURA, delayed by rains.

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INTRODUCTION

The patrol travelled through three distinct areas; those of AITA, TAUNITA & RAUSIARO.

The former, consisting of five villages, is found in the middle head waters of the AITA river. The ground formation is that of a basin. Although surrounding country is very rugged, intervillage walking is easy.

TAUNITA, four villages, north of AITA, is another type consisting of haphazard ridges running at all angles with resultant hard walking.

RAUSIARO, six villages, is contained by the northern coastal villages above INUS Plantation.

The last patrol was conducted by Mr McAlpine during April last year.

A break in the patrol was made while the officer walked to MAPISI Patrol Post to discuss with the officer stationed there, among other things, the disappearance of an AITA native believed to gone to the KERIACA area. See Native Affairs:

Weather was fair and did not unduly hamper patrol operations in AITA and TAUNITA but repeated torrential rains on the RAUSIARO coast impeded progress.

Sunday 19th - At WASPUS.

Monday 20th - Left WASPUS. Inspected METHODIST school at bottom of WASPUS range. To TROVAGERO which was inspected and on to IANU. Slept at IANU.

DIARY

FEBRUARY

Monday 30th - Departed WAKUNAI for TEARAKA.

Dept TEARAKA for POKOIA via NUPATORO and the RED RIVER bridge. Slept POKOIA.

Tuesday 31st - Departed for TSUBIAI-A. Slept at TSUBIAI-A.

Wednesday 1st - Departed for KUSI. Slept at KUSI.

Thursday 2nd - Left KUSI at 8.00am: reached camp on the Emperor range at 2.30pm. Slept at camp.

Friday 3rd - Dept camp at 7.30. Arrived at KANOI and on to ATUITEI. Slept at ATUITEI.

Saturday 4th - Left ATUITEI and arrived at MAPISI patrol post via SIGEISIGEIPAI, AUKEI ASITAVAI, KAVIKI and SESEIPAI. Slept MAPISI.

Sunday 5th - At MAPISI.

Monday 6th - At MAPISI.

Tuesday 7th - At MAPISI, delayed by rains.

(3)

- Wednesday 8th - Departed for POPOHERAHAI and slept.
- Thursday 9th - Dept for TOKEI - dept TOKEI at 9.00am and arrived at CAMP 1 at 1.00pm ~~IX~~ Slept at CAMP1 after being held up by heavy rain.
- Friday 10th - Departed CAMP 1 at 7.15am. Arrived at CAMP2 at 3.00pm. Slept at CAMP 2.
- Saturday 11th - Departed CAMP2 at 8.00 am and arr at KUSI at 4.30am. Slept at KUSI.
- Sunday 12th - At KUSI.
- Monday 13th - Departed for NIRIBIA - inspected- to OSIWAIPA. Slept at OSIWAIPA.
- Tuesday 14th - Dept to OWAWAIPA. Slept at OWA- WAIPA.
- Wednesday 15th - To PUSPA. Slept at PUSPA.
- Thursday 16th - To RARIEI. Slept at RARIEI.
- Friday 17th - To WASPUS. Slept at WASPUS.
- Saturday 18th - To TOROMBEL and back. Slept at WASPUS.
- Sunday 19th - At WASPUS.
- Monday 20th - Left WASPUS. Inspected METHODIST MISSION School at bottom of WASPUS ridge and Aid Post. To TEOVAGERO which was inspected and on to IAUN Slept at IAUN.
- Tuesday 21st - Dept IAUN for TIANANA. TIANANA inspected and on to WAINANA. Slept at WAINANA.
- Wednesday 22nd - WAINANA inspected and on to BOSKOMBO Slept at BOSKOMBO.
- Thursday 23rd - Heavy rain. At BOSKOMBO.
- Friday 24th - Again heavy rain. Departed for INUS Plantation via WAINANA, TIANANA, IAUNA, KEPISIA Mission and INUS village. Slept at INUS Plantation.
- Saturday 25th - Visited INUS Village. Slept at INUS Plantation.
- Sunday 26th - AT KOTOITA.
- Monday 27th - KOTOITA inspected and on to TOKAI. Slept at TOKAI.
- Tuesday 28th - Departed from TOKAI to KORIBORI. Slept at KORIBORI.
- Wednesday 29th - Departed from KORIBORI for WAKUNAI via TOKAI, TEIHUP, TEARAKA, and ASITAVI.
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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The village of TSUBIAIA-A is by far the worst village in the AITA linguistic division.

In 1952, Mr Connolly (Report No BK 9-51/52) reported; TSUBIA-A is a new village.....twenty-one new names were recorded.....all the inhabitants are nomadic....etc. Nearly four years and six patrols later - at present - seven new names were entered. These seven constituted a family unit. Village Officials including Paramount Luluai SIRAUSI state that these are the last and appear to be quite definite about it.

The village boasts a reasonable rest house and about twenty dwellings excluding kitchens. The construction of these are poor, due mainly to the lack of building materials - it being a new village and having no sago thatch groves. SIRAUSI has temporarily settled here and is supervising village work. He says that they have more inclination towards settling down.

The AITA hamlet, nearly five hours from KUSI village was inspected for the first time since 1952. The present hamlet consists of seven houses made of leaf and bark, some havangasago thatch roof and all of them with an earthen floor. The site is desolate, prewar and picked for tribal fighting. Situated on top of a precipice, it is subject to icy winds from every point of the compass. Travelling northwards the villages improve and the last vil-
village at OWAWAIPA is comparable to many ROTOKAS villages.

Upei Cult.

Statistical figures are shown in Appendix "A". The total of eighty-one combined with that of the 1955 patrol into the ROTOKAS/and the latest figures from KUNUA (3) give a total of 105 members for the district. Father Mentzer at ASITAYI who is the main European supporter says that it is slowly dying out again. Notes on the Upei Cult will be found under Anthropology.

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In 1953 Mr Erskine, while revising the census at KUSI village reported the death of MUKUPIAS M/A of KUSI. Investigations at the time had no result. Further investigations made on this patrol led to certain AITA natives voicing their suspicions. They claimed that MUKUPIAS had made a trip to the KERIACA census division (administered from SOHANO via MAPISI patrol post) and had been done to death. . A trip was made to MAPISI patrol post to discuss the matter with Mr Milton O.I.C. Further investigations were unsuccessful. On arriving back at KUSI the story broke. It was revealed that MUKUPIAS, three years ago, had been ordered to the Native Hospital at WAKUNAI. He went, stayed a short while and then ran away. At his village he was advised, owing to the probability of a following Policeman, to cross the range into the KERIACA census division. This he did and he departed for ARESI village where he sought out a 'friend' - SUIRABIDI of (then) ARESI. SUIRABIDI offered him the use of his garden hut. MUKUPIAS went to this house and late that night SUIRABIDI followed him. While the victim lay sleeping an axe was driven into the base of his spine, the body buried and the hut collapsed over the grave.

He told one man HUBELE of AUKEI, a tultul, Silence was maintained. This patrol's detour, unprecedented arose fears and HUBELE told LESIWEI, tultul of ARESI,

NATIVE AFFAIRS (cont)

who passed the story on to BARIAS one of the KUSI natives who acted as carrier from KUSI. Back at KUSI this officer heard the tale and was given a bone considered to be human by the E.M.A. at Wakunai, which was taken from the grave of MUKUPIAS. As SUIRABIDI now lives at ASITAVII, which is not far from the Patrol Post at MAPISI, the matter was referred to O.I.C. MAPISI.

The village of SIRIBIA was given a village book. Previously part of the KUSI village, about three eighths broke away and formed the new village at SIRIBIA. This took place before the last patrol as the new village has two Village Officials. As KUSI is Catholic and SIRIBIA is Methodist; a mission split is purported.

At OWAWAIPA a meeting was held with all the Village Officials from the AITA linguistic division attending. Their duties as such were carefully explained to them. Among other things discussed was the planting of sago thatch for building needs. They were advised that a minimum of about three hundred trees would be desirable. The seeds could be obtained from ROTOKAS or TAUNITA. A similar meeting was held at KOTOITA for the Village Officials from the TAUNITA and RAUSIARO areas.

The four villages in the TAUNITA division are descending. Originally situated high on the ridges at heights approaching the four thousand feet mark, they are progressing further down the ridges towards the IRUAI river. This has one great advantage; less cold and less trouble from respiratory complaints. And one great disadvantage; as the ridges get lower they constrict. The two villages at RARIEI and WASPUS had close calls with landslides. In the latter village the ground broke about ten feet away from a house. The nature of the country - ridges and gullies - makes the former the only suitable site for villages. Advice was given to the effect that they go back up the ridges to the safest and lowest site and to pay more attention to the building of their houses with regards to making them warmer and more windproof, and to spend ~~more~~ money on the purchase of blankets.

The RAUSIARO villages are, without doubt, the best set of villages on the Bougainville East coast. All are planted with clover lawns and have shrub lined paths. Coconut trees grow between the houses. Some of the houses are getting old but on the whole they are large and very well made.

Another healthy group. The village of PUSPA suffered from the same epidemic. Because of this they have dropped down the ridge by at least a thousand feet. The remarks made under Native Affairs concerning TAUNITA villages would not necessarily refer to this village for their use wife, although restricted, appears to be quite safe.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.I. Agriculture.

(a) Village gardens.

In all villages native foodstuffs were found to be plentiful. Taro was the main crop and Kaukau the subsidiary. In the AITA and TAUNITA areas European vegetables, ~~such~~ such as potatoes, cabbages, parsnips, carrots, beans and tomatoes were obtainable.

(b) Cash crops.

Except for the small coastal coconut plantations, no cash crops were seen. However the natives are, without a doubt, very interested and many questions were asked in this respect. From a terrain study it was concluded that only TAUNITA with its sharp ridges, is unsuitable. The land around the villages of TOKAI and KOTOITA would be ideal for the planting of cocoa. In the AITA, paramount luluai SIRAUSSI enquired about the growing of tea. It may be pointed out that in the AITA river headwaters there is a natural basin giving favourable contours which, added with a nearly southern climate, makes ideal conditions for most of the main crops.

2. Livestock.

See Appendix "B" for figures on dogs, pigs and poultry.

It is good to see a healthy increase in the count of pigs and poultry over the last two and a half years.

3. It is recommended that the Department of Agriculture patrols this area in the near future, making a first occasion.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH.

While at MAPISI, Mr Gannon, E.M.A. patrolled this area conducting an anti yaws campaign. He saw every native in the area. Therefore, although there was no E.M.A. accompanying the patrol, it is not intended that a full report be submitted. However the following notes may be of interest.

AITA

A vigorous and active community with very few sores. No T.U.'s were observed. An epidemic of influenza was reported by Mr Race last year and this accounts for the infant deaths at TSUBIAI-A village. (see census figures)

TAUNITA.

Another healthy group. The village of PUSPA suffered from the same epidemic. Because of this they have dropped down the ridge by a least a thousand feet. The remarks made under Native Affairs concerning TAUNITA villages would not necessarily refer to this village for their new site, although restricted, appears to be quite safe.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH (cont).

RAUSIARO.

Malarious area. It has the highest fever count. Some large T.U.'s came into the Native Hospital at WAKUNAI over the last eight months. The Village Officials were given to understand that as there is an Aid Post only ten minutes walk away, there would be no excuse in the future.

AID POSTS

(i) OWAWAIPA.

This aid post is badly positioned as (a) it is situated on the edge of the area it serves, necessitating sick people from, say, TSUBIAI-A, on the other side, to make a long walk. (b) poor water supply and no washing facilities. (c) occupies the highest (and coldest) position in the AITA.

The E.M.A. at Wakunai is in agreement with a suggestion that it be transferred to a new site between KUSI and OSIWAIPA on one of the main tributaries of the AITA river.

(ii) WASPUS.

Well situated but unattractive in appearance.

(iii) IAUN.

Situated in the middle of IAUN village resulting in most of the sick people living with the villagers.

The A.P.O. intends to move to a new site between IAUN and TIANANA being about five minutes walk from either.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Village roads.

These except for one or two in the AITA area are being cut and maintained.

ASITAVI - AITA road.

Despite patrol and special reports emanating from this office concerning the above road it is the opinion of this officer that the present position of the road is completely unsuitable. It is considered that any road that follows this river is impracticable. An alternative is the northern ridge to the AITA river, which commences between the river and KORIBORI. This ridge has not been investigated.

NUPATORO - TEOPASINO road.

As it is stated in the Quaterly Report; the main government road has been moved inland. The present route is from ASITAVI to the RED river bridge (just below NUPATORO) and from there to TOKAI, to KOTOITA, to IAUN and thence to the TEOPASINO boundary via TIANANA and WAINANA. The latter part, a beach road, is already vehicular.

There is no road inside the TEOPASINO plantation and

ROADS AND BRIDGES (cont).

the manager was asked to put one so as to join up with the government road.

The previous road used to run along the beach from TEAKON to TEARAKA, TEIHUP and then to INUS where it turned the point and continued along the beach to IAUN. In doing so the road passed over the mouths of three large rivers; AITA, RED and IRUAI all of which have changing entrances. To bridge these rivers at their mouths would be costly, so the road was brought inland.

RED RIVER bridge.

This bridge lies across the RED river just below NUPATORO. Originally built last year, it had three bearers; one of hard wood and two of soft wood. The latter two broke, leaving the hardwood bearer still standing. Advice was given to rebuild. Progress was inspected at the commencement of the patrol. At that time three large 'tolas' logs had been hauled to the bridge and the natives had built a huge scaffolding leaving the existing bearer and dropping to the river bed. They were in the process of sliding the second bearer across.

The work put into this bridge is a credit to the natives concerned and as supervisor PEI-API the tultul of PIPIPAIA deserves praise.

A single span bridge of about eighty five feet in length it is supported by banks of nearly thirty feet in height. The positioning of logs that must weigh between one and two tons is no easy work.

MISSION AND EDUCATION.

Every village in the area has its mission school run by the teacher. The school children, if intelligent enough, pass on either to one of the area schools or to the Mission schools at the beach. The area schools are at KUSI (Catholic), WASPUS (Methodist) or TOKAI (Catholic). Catholic teacher SIRONGA at KUSI is doing excellent work among the more primitive AITA children. WASPUS school is very well laid out with lawns. It caters for about thirty students - boys and girls - and is at present full up. TOKAI school is a two storied building with the school down below and a dormitory above.

On the beach are KEPISIA (S.D.A. between INUS and IAUN), IAGAMA (Methodist Mission run by Tongan DANIEL PALOVI) and ASITAVI (Catholic with Father Mentzer and three sisters) The latter two have been described in ROTOKAS patrol report (KIK WAK No I-55/56.) as they ~~serve~~ serve both ROTOKAS and AITA.

The former at KEPISIA is run by Pastor Pascoe and Mrs Pascoe. The school and mission is an extensive set up with accommodation for about a hundred and thirty. There are over ninety students. Advanced students go to RUMBA school where, Pastor Pascoe states, they can receive Grade VIII education. At the moment a large work shop is being erected where students will be taught the rudiments of wood work, engineering and plumbing.

It is worthwhile mentioning that KEPISIA is a credit to its missionary being well laid out and well kept. Another factor is that, rare to most mission stations,

the houses are well constructed and well kept. A clean village is very good and would serve as an example to the rest. Proportion of mission influence in the Aita census division is as follows:-

<u>OSTWAIPA</u>	Catholic	:	Methodist	:	Seventh Day Adventist.
	5	:	4	:	3.
	Luluai - RIRISIA				fair, needs understanding.
	Tultul - RABUIREBI				poor.

This village is the subject of complaints by SIRAUSI. He states no one will do any work in looking after the village towards the maintenance of the roads. The people appeared to be sullen but that was accounted to the position of the village officials. Since the last census patrol in October 1954, there have been 81 births and 51 deaths and a total increase of 38. seen to have reasonably good clean houses.

OWAWAIPA
VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS. Luluai - SIRAUSI excellent see notes below.

POKOIA
Luluai - SIREI good.
M.T.T. - EPUWANA satisfactory.

Village in Luluai - GAGASIOLA satisfactory. to most POKOIA villages.
Tultul - SIVUI not sighted
M.T.T. - ALIAILALA good.

Have just moved to a new village site and are putting up new houses. The new site is further up the ridge to the old one and the descent from it to the AITA river is proportionally steeper. Tultul of the M.T.T. were seen as both were working at INUS.

TSUBIAI - A. the last to be patrolled, these people belong to the AITA linguistic area. Not a very healthy village. There were too many people away at the hospital.
Luluai - KARIAKU no pidgin - seems O.K.

Another native who is at present working and can speak pidgin will be interviewed and if presentable will be selected for a tultul. Probably the worst village in Bougainville. These people are only a few years out of the bush. See Native Affairs. Paramount luluai SIRAUSI is living here at the moment.

KUSI.
Luluai - ANBIA fair
Tultul - WAWATUSEI very good.

Have just seen the helpful - does not speak pidgin
Luluai - BISIAPI
Tultul - DAUDIA very good. in a number of checks perched on the most constricted part of the ridge.

This village is a great improvement on the last one, due I suspect, to both SIRONGA the catholic teacher and the village tultul.

SIRIBIA
Luluai - BATOMIORI quiet.
Tultul - LIREIVI good.
M.T.T. - MANITOA also quiet.

Luluai - KURIRITS NO PIDGIN - sensible. perched
Tultul - NOMOTO very good but needs a strong hand. on a very angular ridge. See

A clean village - houses are fair - that of the Luluai is very good and would serve as an example to the rest of the village.

Luluai - KAIBUS sick at the Aid Post.
Tultul - WUO willing

OSIWAIPA.

A small village in the same predicament as RARIEI. The village officials claim that they have moved their village about 1/2 mile to the west. The village is fair, needs understanding. Luluai - RIRISIA
Tultul - RABUIREDI poor.

This village is the subject of complaints by SIRAUSSI. He states no one will do any work in looking after the village or towards the maintenance of the roads. The people appeared to be sullen but that was accounted to the circumstances. The position of the village officials a good was made quite clear, and other matters were discussed. The village itself is quite good and the first village seen to have reasonably good clean houses.

A rather small village. Houses are very good. A bamboo bridge crosses the water from a stream about a hundred yards away to the edge of the village.

OWAWAIPA.

Paramount Luluai - SIRAUSSI excellent see notes below.

Luluai - SIREI good.
M.T.T. - EPUBUANA satisfactory.

Village in good order and quite comparable to most ROTOKAS villages.

Luluai - AMAI-IUVI fair, a little talkative.
M.T.T. - UMIRIAVI quiet.

KORIBORI

Village consists of two hamlets, one of which is semi divided, with the other being a separate hamlet. The houses are fair. Luluai - KAIBAKILI reasonable
Neither the tultul or the M.T.T. were seen as they be rep. both were working at INUS.

Although the last to be patrolled, these people belong to the AITA linguistic area. Not a very healthy village. There were too many people away at the Aid Post and the Native Hospital.

M.T.T. sensible.
:TAUNITA.....

This village is only ten minutes walk from IANU. There is a pond in the centre which is badly drained with the result that the centre of the village appears as a swamp. U.S.'s were told to cut drains to release the water.

PUSUPA

Luluai - AMBIA fair
Tultul - WAWATUSI very good.

WAINAKA.

Have just moved down from the heights. Reason was that they were subject to too much sick. New site appears to be allright. At present all are living in a number of shacks perched on the most constricted part of the ridge.

Another village with good surroundings and old houses.

RARIEI

Luluai - BATIOMIORI quiet.
Tultul - LEREIVI good.
M.T.T. - MANITOA also quiet.

The largest village in the census division. It is perched on a very angular ridge. See Native Affairs. One of the most pleasant villages seen - it

WASPUS

is a credit to the village officials concerned.

The only dr Luluai - KAIBUS sick at the Aid Post.
boundary of Tultul - WUO willing

numbers of mosquitoes in residence. It is because of
A small village in the same predicament as RARIEI. The
village officials claim that they have moved their
village about six times since the war.

IAUS

TEOVAGERO Luluai - SUNPIPI shrewd character

Village fair but nothing like the other RAUSIARO
villages. It is an ex war veteran, a good
official.

Tultul - ----
M.T.T. - WAMAIRA very quiet.

KOTTEA

A nother small village. Houses are very good. A bamboo
viaduct carries the water from a stream about a hundred
yards away to the edge of the village.

RAUSIARO

Village in 30 RAUSIARO

IAUN

Luluai - DEISIVIRA good at work
Tultul - ARAI-IUVI fair, a little talkative.
M.T.T. - URIRIAVI quiet.

Village consists of two hamlets, one of which is semi
divided, with the rest house in the centre. Some of the
houses are getting old and instructions were given that
they be replaced.

TIANANA

General Luluai - DEVIANA old and decrepit.
Parasount Luluai - MATESI fair, lives at IAUN, as
he is a S.D.A.
M.T.T. - TATAVAI sensible.

This village is only ten minutes walk from IAUN. There
is a pond in the centre which is badly drained with the
result that the centre of the villages appears as a
swamp. V.O.'s were told to cut drains to relase the water.

WAINANA

into the villages. With DAVIDIA tultul of RUSI
and KOMOTO, tultul of WAINANA he is a triplet
useful village Luluai - TAMOIRA fair
Tultul - WAKATINORI a sly dog.

Sanitation
Another village with good surroundings and old houses.

Sanitation in all the villages was of a low standard. It
has been impressed upon all the natives that nothing
BOSKOMBO a latrine per family will be acceptable in future.

The following Luluai - AMCHIORI good
Tultul - WANIAVI good
M.T.T. - VANKITA good.

One of the ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ most pleasant villages seen - it

BOSKOMBO (cont).

is a credit to the village officials concerned.

The only drawback is that being situated on the boundary of TEOPASINO plantation, there are large numbers of mosquitoes in residence. It is because of these that the villagers have decided to move the village away.

INUS

Luluai - SUNPIPI shrewd character

Village fair but nothing like the other RAUSIARO villages. It approximates more the ROTOKAS coastal villages.

KOTITA

Luluai - UWATEVA quiet
Tultul - KUHI satisfactory
M.T.T. - KIAI-IVA fair.

Village in good order.

TOKAI

Luluai - ERIKI away at work
Tultul - ANAI very lackadaisical.
M.T.T. - KAPEIPUAN not much better.

The village is in very good order. The rest house at this village is probably the best in the Sub District.

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General

Paramount Luluai SIRAUSI.

A very well built native who was born at PUSUPA. He was formerly the tultul for PUSUPA when in 1936 Mr Costello made him the P.L. for the AITA linguistic area. He was of help to the Allied troops during the war.

This native has done and is continueing to do very good work in carrying out the government policy. He has been largely instrumental in drawing the AITA natives out of the bush into the villages. With DAUDIA tultul of KUSI and NOMOTO, tultul of SIRIBIA, he forms a triplet of useful Village Officials.

Sanitation

Sanitation in all the villages was of a low standard. It has been impressed upon all the natives that nothing short of a latrine per family will be acceptable in future.

The following figures ~~XXXX~~ are given

	Latrines	Population	
Pokoia	5	69	new vilage
TSUBIAIA	9	133	
KUSI	7	111	
EIRIBIA	7	70	
OSIWAIPA	10	103	
OWAWAIPA	17	103	
FUSPA	6	91	new vilage
RARIEI	26	181	
WASPUS	10	76	
TEOVAGERO	6	52	
LAUN	3	48	
BOSKOMBO	7	70	
KOTOITA	8	122	poor
TOKAI	6	57	2"
KORIBORI	3		

Notes

This cult was first seen, before the advent of the white man, in BUKA Island, possibly originating outside of the

CONCLUSION

The patrol went very smoothly and was well received. All the natives appeared to be very happy and contented. No complaints were taken to court.

In 1954, a number of KURUA villages restarted the cult and it spread across the range into the AITA and ROTOKAS.

As there is no government policy concerning this cult its rise and fall could depend on the attitude of the S.P.A. put a complete ban and Methodist church, their attitude seems to be almost violently against the cult in the ERIBIA where it was very strong before. And Father Mantzer at ASITAVI who supports the Upei, viz large numbers of Upei followers in the ROTOKAS and AITA. It would be quite true to say that as the native becomes more acquainted with our way of life there is less chance of him taking the 'hat'. There are no Upei followers at the beach villages (except at ERIBU due to a migration of some Upei from KUPATORO) although the villages of KUPATORO and TOKAI are strong with the cult, and they are very close to the beach.

General Notes

1. A new member undergoes an initiation ceremony, generally several joining at the one time. They are presented with a hat (which distinguishes an Upei member) by a man from another clan. This ceremony is conducted in the bush and there they remain, sayce as long as two months.
2. The hat is made out of leaves from a tree (type of palm) called POKOISA (ROKOKAS dialect) and rattan cane (kunda).
3. The hat comes in two distinct shapes: 'elongated' from AITA, ROTOKAS and TROP and 'squat' from the ERIBIA and KURUA. Some villages in the AITA have adopted this short one. There is highly ornamented hat for ceremonial purpose.
4. The hat must never be taken off in public - especially in the presence of women. In former times when no Europeans had come a woman who saw the inside of the hat, even by accident, did so at the cost of her life.
5. All Upeis live in exclusive house which are usually built away from the vilage.

APPENDIX "A"

UPEI CULT - STATISTICAL FIGURES AND ANTHROPOLOGICAL NOTES.

Village No. of Upei followers.

POKOIA	10
TSUBIAI-A	23
KUSI	9
SIRIBIA	1
OSIWAIPA	7
OWAWAIPA	6
KOTOITA	2
TOKAI	17
KORIBORI	6
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Notes

This cult was first seen, before the advent of the white man, in BUKA Island, possibly originating outside of the District. It spread through the linguistic divisions of SAILO, TEOP, AITA, ROTOKAS on the ~~WAKKAI~~ eastern coast and HAHON, KUNUA and KERIAKA on the western side. Present before the war, it died out during the war to start up again post war. The Cult died another death in 1951 and remained dormant until this last year. In 1954/55, a number of KUNUA villages restarted the cult and it spread across the range into the AITA and ROTOKAS.

As there is no government policy concerning this cult its rise and fall could depend on the Mission attitude. S.D.A. put a complete ban and Methodist disapprove. In the R.C. church, their attitude seems to depend on individual. For instance; Father Dionne at KURAIQ in the KERIAKA area is almost violently against Upei and there is no sign of the cult in the KERIAKA where it was very strong before. And Father Mentzer at ASITAVI who supports the Upei, viz large numbers of Upei followers in the ROTOKAS and AITA. It would be quite true to say that as the native becomes more acquainted with our way of life there is less chance of him taking the 'hat'. There are no Upei followers at the beach villages (except at TEIHUP due to a migration of some Upei from NUPATORO) although the villages of NUPATORO and TOKAI are strong with the cult, and they are very close to the beach.

General Notes

1. A new member undergoes an initiation ceremony, generally several joining at the one time. They are presented with a hat (which distinguishes an Upei member) by a man from another clan. This ceremony is conducted in the bush and there they remain, maybe as long as two months.
2. The hat is made out of leaves from a tree (type of palm) called POKOIBA (ROKOKAS dialect) and rattan cane (kunda).
3. The hat comes in two distinct shapes: 'elongated' from AITA, ROTOKAS and TEOP and 'squat' from the KERIAKA and KUNUA. Some villages in the AITA have adopted this short one. There is highly ornamented hat for ceremonial purpose.
4. The hat must never be taken off in public - especially in the presence of women. In former times when no Europeans had come a woman who saw the inside of the hat, even by accident, did so at the cost of her life.
5. All Upeis live in exclusive house which are usually built away from the village.

APPENDIX "A" (cont).

6. They used to, and may still do, have a head carving which carried the death penalty for any woman seeing it.

7. The hat remains upon his head until he reaches a certain age. This sounds vague admittedly, but for certain, when he approaches the time to get married he again undergoes a ceremony for the removal of the hat which is burned.

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Father Mentzer, who is probably the only european supporter in touch with the Upei, does so for the following reasons:-

- He asserts that the cult fosters
 - (a) fortitude
 - (b) respect for elders
 - (c) high moral attitude.

He considers that, although the cult is aloof from women and does not tolerate social intercourse between the sexes, this aspect can be slowly eradicated and the good features strengthened. He regards a sudden and forcible prohibition as a dangerous action from a sociological point of view.

However it can be postulated that as this cult is based on its attitude towards women any move to removing this would defeat its own ends

Its disadvantages are as follows:-

- (a) Possible homo-sexuality.
- (b) The wearing of hats is unclean - medically. and the most important;-
- (c) Detrimental to progress in that Upeis will not go to school or hospital

It is true that there are UPeis at school at ASITAVI and IAGAMA but both teachers find it difficult to hold them there, and the teacher at IAGAMA reported only the other day that his Upeis had run away. At hospital even with their own private ward they desert with monotonous regularity.

With the following factors in mind; that the core of the Upei cultis in the the most primitive area - the AITA and that the main instigators of this new arisal were the old men (probably to score off the 'respect for elders') I opinionate that a mild yet firm disapproval of Upei with fiew to its cessation over the years would be the best policy.

For your advice, please.

APPENDIX "B"

Livestock - village figures.

<u>Village</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Fowls</u>	<u>Ducks.</u>
Pokhia	6	10	4	
Tsubiai-a	35	28	13	
Kusi	7	5	4	
Siribia	8	1	20	
Osiwaipa	16		65	
Owawaipa	17	13	19	
Koribori	17	15	15	
Pusupa	8	14	53	
Rariei	10		84	
Waspus	10	3	15	
Teovagero	7	8	41	
Iaun	24		90	2
Tianana	15		37	12
Wainana	28		53	14
Boskombo	12		50	
Inus	9		87	23
Kotoita	19	22	55	12
Tokai	29	33	22	4
TOTALS	277	152	727	67

Figures given for previous years are shown for comparison

YEAR

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>Dogs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>	<u>Fowls</u>	<u>Ducks.</u>
1950	304	19	656	
1951	146	19	671	
1952		61	491	
1953		94	446.	
1954/55	no figures.			

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APPENDIX "C"

POLYGAMOUS MARRIAGES

<u>Village</u>	<u>2 wives</u>	<u>3 wives.</u>
Pokoia	2	
Tsubiai-a	figures not taken	
Kusi	2	1
Siribia	4	
Osiwaipa	2	
Owawaipa	1	2
Pusupa	1	
Rariei	1	
Waspus		
Teovagero	1	
Iaun	2	
Kotoita	1	
Tokai	5	
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	22	3

Comparison of figures from previous years.

1951	20
1953	24

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VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Village	1956	1953
POKOIA	3	3
TSUBIAI-A	2	2
KUSI	2	2
SIRIBIA	2	2
OSIWAIPA	2	2
OWAWAIPA	1	1
PUSUPA	1	1
RARIEI	1	1
WASPUS	1	1
TEOVAGERO	2	2
IAUN	2	2
KOTOITA	1	1
TOKAI	5	5

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Year...1955/56.....

AITA CENSUS DIVISION.

Govt. Print.-3395/4.51.

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				STUDENTS				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	In		Out		Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		Males		Females		Pregnant		Number of Child-bearing age	Child		Adults	
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M		F	M	F	
<u>AITA</u>	<u>1956</u>																																						
	JAN/FEB																																						
	KAN/OCT																																						
POKOIA	29th		3																																			⁼⁸⁹ 28+41	
TSUBIAL-A	31st	4	2			2	2	1						1	3	3	4	5																			⁼¹³³ 74+59		
KUSI	1st	3	2														1		2							6	1	14	20	17	16	1	17	4.2	24	23	27	28	⁼¹¹¹ 59+52
SIRIBIA	13th	3	2														1	1	1								1	13	14	5	14	2	15	3.2	20	9	20	20	⁼⁷⁰ 41+29
OSIWAIPA	14th	3	5														1									6		9	22	3	21	3	21	2.4	20	25	28	24	⁼¹⁰³ 54+49
OWAWAIPA	14th	1	3			1																						11	24	7	21	3	21	2.6	23	22	32	26	⁼⁹¹ 55+48
PUSUPA	15th	1	3			1	1										1									1	10	22	7	22	2	22	2.4	12	23	27	27	⁼¹⁸¹ 41+50	
RARIEI	17th	2	4											1	1		2	2	1	1	3	4				19	8	29	35	21	35	3	35	2.9	35	31	38	43	⁼⁷¹ 95+86
WASPUS	17th	3	1					1									2	2								1	1	6	14	6	14	1	15	2.3	20	10	20	24	⁼⁸² 41+85
TEOVAGERO	20th	3	3																2	2	1	2				3	4	11	4	10	2	10	2.4	12	11	13	10	⁼⁷⁹ 26+26	
LAUN	20th	2	3														3	6	2		6	2				5	2	8	34	5	25	1	25	1.9	17	15	26	26	⁼⁷⁰ 34+45
SIAMANA	21st	3															1		6	2	1					1	4	6	19	7	14	14	2.4	13	9	25	17	⁼⁷⁰ 40+30	

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

Year.....1955/56.....

AITA CENSUS DIVISION Pg II

G.P. Papua-1047/12.47

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL							
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth	In		Out		AT WORK		STUDENTS		Males		Females		Pregnant	Number of Child-bearing age	Average Size of Family	Child			Adults						
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F				M	F		M	F					
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F			
VAINANA	FEB 22nd	3	1											2		1	2	2	1	1	1								4	10	21	6	19	19	2.1	24	9	24	28	53+35	= 88
BOSKOMBO	23rd	2	1											2	2		1			1	1							1	3	14	4	12	1	1.2	5	9	19	14	25+23	= 48	
INUS	24th	3	1																	5	2							3	9	13	4	17	2	1.3	5	4	6	14	19+29	= 48	
KOTOITA	25th	4	-											1	3		1	1		6	1							3	3	26	3	19	20	1.4	9	7	22	19	40+30	= 70	
TOKAI	27th	3	1											2						1	1	1	6					5	7	36	10	33	4	1.7	16	8	37	32	69+53	= 122	
KORIECRI	28th	1	2											4						2	2	1	3					4	2	18	4	10	10	2.4	2	5	17	13	34+23	= 57	
TOTALS		44	37											4	5	3	2	1	23	12	1	23	26	20	14	49	20		60	44	169	402	32	343	29	349	2.3	281	359	458	400

848 males + 743 females
= 1592.

tion Register

Area Patrolled.....*A.P.P.A.*

IONS		ABSENT FROM VILLAGE								LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES		Average Size of Family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)				GRAND TOTAL M + F
Out		AT WORK				STUDENTS				Males		Females		Child	Adults						
M	F	Inside District		Outside District		Govt.		Mission		10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45		Pregnant	Number of Child Bearing Age	M	F	M	F	M + F
									4	6	25	10	15	2	15	1.8	2	11	26	26	69 28+41
		1								14	34	9	26	2	28	2.4	22	28	51	31	133 74+59
		2						6	1	14	20	17	16	1	17	4.2	24	23	27	28	111 59+52
								1		13	14	5	14	2	15	3.2	20	9	20	20	70 41+29
								6		9	22	3	21	3	21	2.4	20	25	28	24	103 54+49
										11	24	7	21	3	21	2.6	23	22	30	26	103 55+48
		1						1		10	22	7	22	2	22	2.4	12	23	27	27	91 41+50
	1	3	4					19	8	29	35	21	35	3	35	2.9	35	31	38	43	181 95+86
								1	1	6	14	6	14	1	15	2.3	20	10	20	24	76 41+35
								3	4	11	4	10	2	10	2.4	12	11	13	10		52 26+26
		6	2					5	2	8	34	5	25	1	25	1.9	17	15	26	26	99 54+45
	8	1						1	4	6	19	7	14	-	14	2.4	13	9	25	17	70 40+30
	1	1						4	-	10	21	6	19	-	19	2.1	24	9	24	26	88 53+35
	1							1	-	3	14	4	12	1	12	2.2	5	9	19	14	48 25+23
								3	9	1	13	4	17	2	17	1.3	5	4	6	14	48 19+29
								3	3	26	26	39	19	-	20	1.4	9	7	22	19	70 40+30
								5	7	10	36	10	33	4	33	1.7	16	8	37	32	122 69+53
								4	2	11	18	4	10	-	10	2.4	2	5	17	13	57 34+23
	0	5	49	20				60	44	169	402	132	348	29	349	2.3	201	259	158	420	1592 848+744

Amount Returned to Store

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

BOUGAINVILLE

WAK 3 - 55/56.

District of..... Report No.....

Patrol Conducted by..... **Mr G.B.O'Farrell Cadet Patrol Officer.**

Area Patrolled..... **ROTOKAS CENSUS DIVISION**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... **Mr W.Race B.M.A.**

..... **3 Police & N.M.O's**

Natives.....

Duration—From...../...../19.....to...../...../19.....

..... **36**
Number of Days.....

..... **Yes**
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....

..... **August 55**
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19.....

..... **August 55**
Medical/...../19.....

..... **Bougainville four miles to the inch series**
Map Reference.....

..... **Routine Administration**
Objects of Patrol.....

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

24 / 8/19 56

[Signature]
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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HA. 90-14-27

15th March, 1957.

The District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SOHARD.

MANUAL P/R NO. 3 of 55/56.

The above-mentioned Report is acknowledged with
thanks.

No comments are necessary from this Headquarters.

(A.A. Roberts) *RS*
Director.

Handwritten signature

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/14/27 ✓

KCA/JMR



30/2/4-748

Bougainville District,
Headquarters, SOHANO.

24th August, 1956.

Assistant District Officer,
KIETA.

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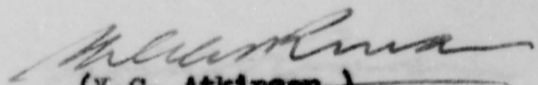
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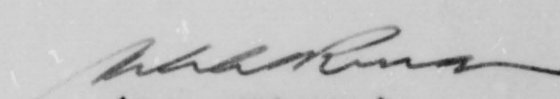
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Patrol Post,
WAKUNAI.

12th June 1956.

MEMORANDUM TO :

The District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
S H H A N O.

PATROL REPORT NO . WAK 3 - 55/56.

Report of a patrol to the ROTOKAS Census
Division.

PREAMBLE

Officer conducting the patrol.... Mr G.B.O'Farrell C.P.O.
Area patrolled..... ROTOKAS Census Division.
Objects of patrol..... Routine Administration.
Duration of patrol..... I/5/56 to 25/5/56 and
I/6/56 to II/6/56.
36 days in all.
Personell accompanying..... From I/5/56 to 25/5/56.

R.P. & N.G.C.
Const RARUGO No 7154.
Const ARBOP No 8076.
Const ARABIL No 9204.

P.H.D.
Mr W.Race E.M.A.
N.M.A. APIATO
N.M.O. GAVIAT

From I/6/56 to II/6/56.

R.P. & N.G.C.
as above.

P.H.D.
N.M.O. GAVIAT.

INTRODUCTION.

It was intended that this patrol should be a routine one only. No census revision was planned as in some of the villages it was only eight months since they had last been visited.

The patrol detoured to accompany Mr Kimmorley A.D.O. Kieta, on his inspection of Mount BALBI and went with him back to WAKUNAI as, with the closing of the patrol post close at hand, it was necessary to finalize a few matters.

Departing again on the first of this month, the east part was completed at BETERIOFAIA village. A short trip to the BILLY MITCHELL Crater Lake was effected and the CROWN PRINCE range was crossed down to OKOWOFAIA and from there on to WAKUNAI.

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DIARY

6MAY 1956

Tuesday 1st	Departed Wakunai by road to TEPEROI and from there to TURATUPAIA. Slept TURATUPAIA.
Wednesday 2nd	To Aid Post in the morning and to OKOWOFAIA in the afternoon. Slept at OKOWOFAIA.
Thursday 3rd	Returned to WAKUNAI.
Friday 4th	To TEAKONO and TEIHUP and then back to WAKUNAI.
Saturday 5th	At Wakunai.
Sunday 6th	
Monday 7th	Departed Wakunai for TEARAKA. Slept TEARAKA.
Tuesday 8th	To Methodist Mission School at IAKAMA and then to NUPATORO. Slept NUPATORO.
Wednesday 9th	At NUPATORO. Slept NUPATORO.
Thursday 10th	To ITAI Aid Post, and PIPIPAIA. Slept at PIPIPAIA.
Friday 11th	To KAKAROPAPA. Slept KAKAROPAPA.
Saturday 12th	Inspected hamlet of KEKEREVIA. Mr Race to hamlets TOPRAPAIA, OBUAIA, TURUAIA, LOLOPAIA & MARURUARO. Slept KAKAROPAPA.
Sunday 13th	At KAKAROPAPA.
Monday 14th	Visited RC School between KAKAROPAPA and TUTUPAIA. To TUTUPAIA. Slept at TUTUPAIA.
Tuesday 15th	Inspected BULISTORO Aid Post. Slept BULISTORO
Wednesday 16th	To IBU, Slept at IBU.
Thursday 17th	Visited RC School and old Piper Cub Strip. To TOGARAU. Slept TOGARAU.
Friday 18th	To RURUVU. Slept RURUVU.
Saturday 19th	To SISIVI. Village inspected and also Aid Post. Back to RURUVU. Slept at RURUVU.
Sunday 20th	To WAKUNAI
Monday 21st	Returned with Mr Kimmorley A.D.O. Slept at TOGARUA.
Tuesday 22nd	To base camp on Mt BALBI.
Wednesday 23rd	Inspected Mt BALBI.
Thursday 24th	To TOGARAU.

Friday 25th Returned to WAKUNAI.
 Saturday 26th At Wakunai

JUNE 1956.

Friday 1st Departed for LEIKOIA. Slept at LEIKOIA.
 Saturday 2nd To MAPEARO. Slept at MAPEARO.
 Sunday 3rd At MAPEARO.
 Monday 4th Departed for SIRORIPAIA. Inspected village,
 and on to SISIVI. Inspected a bomb hole
 about one hours walk away, and back to
 SISIVI. Slept at SISIVI.
 Tuesday 5th Dept SISIVI and inspected Aid Post. On to
 LESIOPAIA. Village inspected and from there
 to BETERIOPAIA. Slept BETERIOPAIA.
 Wednesday 6th Village inspected etc. Slept BETERIOPAIA.
 Thursday 7th Departed 7.30am and arrived base camp on
 BILLY MITCHELL Crater Lake at 3.30am.
 Slept camp.
 Friday 8th Inspected lake and walked to second lake
 and Mt BAGANA. Slept camp.
 Saturday 9th Departed 7.00am and arrived at OKOWOPAIA
 at 8.00pm. Slept OKOWOPAIA.
 Sunday 10th At OKOWOPAIA.
 Monday 11th To Wakunai.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Upei Cult

Since the last ROTOKAS patrol, the number of adherents to this society have fallen from 21 to 11 (eight in NUPATORO and three in TEIHUP). Nupatoro is the closest ROTOKAS village to the AITA and has almost direct contact with it. It is quite probable that the cult is dying a slow death as in 1951.

Sanitation.

In the last report (WAK I- 55/56) statistics were given for the latrine/population ratio. It could be seen from this that the average ROTOKAS village had insufficient latrines. During that patrol it was impressed upon the natives that they should have one latrine per family. During this patrol it was noted that every family unit (meaning husband, wife and children) ~~had~~ in the ROTOKAS had its own latrine. They were advised ~~to use~~ now, that they were to use these and that it would be a social stigma to be found using someone else's latrine.

Hamlets.

Time was taken to inspect a number of hamlets. Those at the villages of NUPATORO, PIPIPAIA and KAKAROPAIA were looked at, numbering in all, some ten hamlets. In every case they were in a disgraceful state. The general excuse was that no patrol officer had ever visited them before; they did not know that one would be coming this time and therefore they did not get the place clean. All the Village Officials confessed that they never went out

NATIVE AFFAIRS (cont).

/at them

to look at their hamlets, except occasionally. It was decided that as they all appeared to be in the same way, no action would be taken. All the village officials throughout the ROTOKAS were given a firm warning that any remarks directed by the patrolling officer with respect to village cleanliness, and hygiene, referred to hamlets as well and that there would be no excuse in the future.

War relics

Evidence of the last war was noted. At TOGARAU and SISIVI while inspecting the houses, machine gun ammunition was 'discovered'. Enquiries as to the origin resulted in a short trip out from SISIVI to investigate an old army observation post. A number of mortar bombs and another type, somewhat similar, but with brightly colored rings circling it, were found. Also some belts of machine gun cartridges.

At MAPEARO, while putting a new road in, the natives unearthed a Japanese Rifle and cartridges which were sent down to Wakunai and will be duly dumped in the sea.

Note

In the former paragraph; the natives were warned not to go near this 'post' and it would be appreciated if some action could be taken to remove these bombs.

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NATIVE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

Agriculture

(i) Village gardens.

All villages reported a plentiful food supply.

(ii) Cash Crops.

(a) The largest native agricultural settlement is that of BAISMAN, adjoining the Government station at Wakunai. An inspection of this place at the end of the patrol revealed that it needed a visit by an Agricultural Officer. A quick study of a pamphlet on cocoa planting saved them considerable work in that they had used the wrong spacing. Their rice was too far apart and too many seeds had been planted in the one spot. They were advised to thin these out. They had little or no idea of crop rotation. From the financial angle; 19 bags of peanuts are in their store awaiting purchase and shipment. Seventy pounds (cash) worth of rice has just recently been hulled by the ASITAVI (RC) rice huller. The Mission have undertaken to hull their rice and purchase it charging a nominal rate for doing so.

This small holding is owned by a man in SOHANO by the name of KUNKAM who apparently receives payment for some of the products, while it is run by an ex policeman - BAISMAN who receives the balance of payment here. An investigation into the 'books' would be beneficial.

(b) While out on patrol a number of natives requested permission to commence planting cocoa. As they have neither the seeds nor the knowledge they were told to wait until a DASF Officer came around.

It should be pointed out here that these natives are short of money; that they are desirous of improving their status; that one excellent way of doing so is the introduction of cash crops and that this can only be done by the DASF.

There is some superb ground in this area which is merely awaiting development. Surely such reasons merit a DASF Officer patrolling this area regularly or even, perhaps, an officer being stationed here.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH.

Except for the last half of the patrol, Mr Race the E.M.A at Wakunai accompanied the patrol and he will submit a report.

The ROTOKAS natives are exceptionally healthy. That a reasonably large hospital can concentrate on a native population of about 500 must show dividends sooner or later.

A striking point is the high (of rest) range of infant mortality. As the Native Hospital is attempting to initiate an Infant Welfare Centre; this should be reduced.

The Yaws Campaign appeared to be successful in this area. Only two cases were observed.

EDUCATION AND MISSIONS.

Four schools in the area were seen:-

(i) At IAGAMA. Small school for about 30-35 small children from ROTOKAS and AITA. Methodist Mission. Run by DANIEL PALOVI, a TONGAN, Native Materials. Clean and well situated on the beach near TEARAKA village.

(ii) At KAKAROPAIA. R.C.Mission school run by native teacher for RC children from KAKAROPAI and TUTU-PAIA. Found to be deserted. Apparently running again now. A day school only.

(iii) At IBU. R.C.Mission school. Native materials with iron roof. Situated on Mission Lease ground. Caters for villages around IBU. Also found to be deserted.

(iv) At ASITAVI. R.C.Mission school. Consists of kindergarten, junior, subsenior and senior. Also eleven native sisters.
Boys. - Native materials, not very clean.
Girls - New european built High School. Classrooms and needlework rooms down below and double dormitory above. As yet no kitchen.

VILLAGE AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

I. TEIHUP

Luluai - WUHUAWA.
Tultul - KERIO.

Building programme almosy completed. Considerable improvement.

2. TIARAKA.

Luluai - SAK.

In fair order. A number of new houses completed.

3. NUPATORO

Luluai - SIURERE
Tultul - TAKURA.

With reference the last patrol report W A K I - 55/56. This village has centralized itself - adopting one of the hamlets below the rest house. One of the outstanding changes in this Census division. All new houses. All very well built. Europeans on the coast choose these and the TOKAI natives for buklers. Village area clean and shrubs have been planted.

4. PIPIPAIA.

Lulai - MAKOIRA.
1 Tultul - PEIAPI. not sighted.
2 Tultul (recommended) AKUTAWA. see correspondence.

Village has been resting on its glory. One or two new houses. Several dilapidated houses standing. Two hamlets in a poor state., one of them very bad.

5. KAKAROPAIA.

Luluai - KOKURUOTO.
Tultul - POKATO. good.

Good village. Houses very small. Hamlets poor.

6. TUTUPAIA.

Luluai - BURUVURU. Lives in a hamlet advised to live in the village.
Tultul - DIDIAVIRI.

Village fair. Houses small. Two houses were pulled down by inhabitants. New rest house.

7. BULISTORO.

Luluai - VIVIDIOVI.
Tultul - ATURAI. seen this time - good.

New houses including Luluai. Two hamlets seen - both bad.

8. IBU.

Luluai - ELIPORIDI. seen fair, speaks pidgin.
Tultul - ITASITO

Great improvement. Village clean - not much erosion since last patrol. A number of new houses erected.

9. TOGARAU.

Luluai (i) - BOITARI
Luluai (ii) - TARAVITSI.
Tultul - MIVISI/

Not a great deal of improvement (except in sanitation). About five houses were ordered to be pulled down. With OKOWOPIA SISIVI, SIRORIPAIA and BETERIOPAIA these people have no idea about building good houses. A new rest house has been built.

10. RURUVU.

Luluai - SUTIARA
TULTUL - PORATSIRIE. sighted - good.

Very good village.

11. SISIVI.

Luluai - WILLI
Tultul - MIRIVAEA

Fair village - windswept site - poor houses.

12. LESIOPAIA

Luluai - LEATA
Tultul - SIOREI.

Good village - some new houses to be built.

13. BETERIOPAIA.

Luluai.- SISIBARI
Tultul - AUSTOKOBE.

A new village built - clean but houses badly constructed. A whole day spent advising them on some of the finer points of house building. A brand new road has been cut from the old site (about two and a half hours away). This road is a fine piece of work - travelling over steep ridges, it has been banked and graded the whole way. Advised them to build a new rest house as present one is poor.

14. SIRORIPAIA.

Luluai - UKODIROPEI.
Tultul - SUPICEI.

Village fair. The Architectural Atrocity (rest house) is still there.

15. MAPEAPO

Luluai - OBITAKAVI.
Tultul - TOKARATO not seen.

Village O.K.

LEIKOIA

Luluai - PAUPI

A new rest house to be built. Village only fair.

17. TURUATUPAIA.

Luluai - EVOI-IDI
Tultul - ALEARVI.

A new rest house has been built. No change since last patrol. a couple of houses ordered to be pulled down.

18. OKOWOPAIA.

Luluai - IMARE not much good
TULTUL - TOTEI

Some new houses have been erected and the village looks more like a village now. Building technique is rotten. Sanitation at right standard now.

TEPEROI.

Luluai - RATOWAI
Tultul - MOKO (ARATAIBU)

Great improvement in this village. Probably due to the fact that I can get down there often. Ten new houses have been erected. Village area clean. Road from Numa to Tenekau opened - dry weather road.

TIAKONO

Tultul - SOPITA

Fair village. Some improvements to be effected.

Housing

Housing was slightly improved on the last patrol. People except for a few villages, took very little pride in finishing their houses. Bamboo thatch was poorly made. Palm flooring badly laid and the sago thatch too far apart. Attention was called to these points and it is hoped that they will be remedied in the future.

CENSUS

No census was revised as twelve months have not elapsed since last -patrol.

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CONCLUSION

Following writing the Government Soil Surveyor arrived in Wakunai. He said ~~XXXX~~ that the coastal belt would be good ground for all low level cash crops but that mountainous areas only sufficient for shifting cultivation except for a few possible sites, suitable for say, coffee.

Routine administration was carried out on this patrol. One or two ~~XXXX~~ Native Courts were held but mainly the patrol concentrated on improving the villages and living conditions generally.

It was pleasing to see that good improvement had been effected in this respect since the last patrol.

Date 18/6/56.

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APPENDIX "A"

VULCANOLOGICAL

(i) MOUNT BALBI.

The patrol accompanied the Assistant District Officer, Mr C.W.Kimmerley who arrived from Kieta.

(ii) BILLY MITCHELL CRATER LAKE.

A short but rough trip was made to the above from BETERIOPAIA village (see patrol report map). The lake was inspected in the morning of 8/6/56. Leaving the camp the undergrowth is open and makes easy travelling. On approaching the crater ridge the opposite was encountered. There seems to be only one way down to the water - on the NW side. In other parts the crater walls drop as much as 1500 feet to the water.

Departing from the lake a journey was made towards BAGANA through dense undergrowth. Three hours of struggling found us at a point where the second lake and BAGANA's western slopes could be seen.

No volcanic activity was seen except for numerous small fumaroles on the side of BAGANA.

Returning to Wakunai the Crown Prince range was crossed and the IRAKA river followed for several miles. On this river (which is supposed to emanate from the crater lake) two hot springs ~~WAKUNAI~~ and a curious river bed formation were seen. In the latter it appeared that some mineral with adhesive powers was being emitted above the river-road junction. A coating of this material had solidified the river bed and all sticks leaves stones etc in the river. A 'solidified' stick is enclosed.

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