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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Herbertshöhe

District of ..... Report No. 9 of 43/44

Patrol Conducted by M. Scott P.O.

Area Patrolled Mosbilatt River

Patrol Accompanied by—Europeans .....

Natives .....

Duration—From 10/5/19 44 to 26/5/19 44

Number of Days 16

Did Medical Assistant Accompany ? no

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

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

Map Reference .....

Objects of Patrol Patrol

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES
AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Officer

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

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

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

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

30/1/8

HQ
SOUTHERN REGION
ANGAU, PORT MORESBY
20 June 44.
R.4 No 962

DO DARU

S/R No. 9 of 43/44 - DARU

Receipt of the above report is acknowledged.

2. DADMS SOUTHERN REGION advises that Lt BENTON is going to DARU and will be patrolling this area.

3. Identity disc John C. Smith received.

Maj.
ADDS & NA.

Lt Benton Patrol

FILE

234/6/44

District Office
DLG, Fly River District
16 May 44.

Cpl. Hess A/Sgt Scott R.A.
Patrol Officer
BAMU

PATROL TO [illegible] REMOTE

1. [illegible] 17 May 44. You will leave by launch, KAPURI taking with you R.P.O. Kachera L/Cpl. [illegible], Corp. ARUTUA and the four [illegible] natives.

2. On the outward voyage, you will call at [illegible] and hand over the parcel of books left here by the Army, [illegible] Mission. You will then proceed to the Western Boundary and land the four MUNATUA natives, giving them one of them the letter to the District Officer, [illegible].

3. On return voyage you will make inquiries regarding the repatriation of native labour as per instructions in Admn. Instruction No. 89 of 4 Apl. 44.

Make old census of villages from Western Boundary to [illegible] TUMUTUMA.

5. Wherever possible, read and explain to them the letter from G.O.C. A.N.G.A.F. "To Village Constables and Councillors in all parts of PAPUA". Report on the manner in which it is received.

4. Inquire into gardens and foods.

6. Inspect villages re sanitation and instruct Village Constables and Village Councillors where improvements can be made.

[illegible] Capt.
A/D.O. DLG, FLY RIVER DISTRICT.

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10.8.44. Acting under instructions from the Dist. Officer, the afore mentioned party boarded the launch "KAMUWI", and at 1000 hours a start was made.

[illegible] time was made despite a rolling sea, and the anchor was dropped in the YAMBUWAN River at YAMBUWAN at 1830 hrs.

An inspection of the village was made and the people warned that I would be returning in approx. one week, they to notify the surrounding villages.

11.8.44. Left anchorage at 0800 hrs., having been delayed by engine trouble, and proceeded to BOIGU Is. where anchor was dropped at 1030 hrs.

The parcel of books was delivered, and having made arrangements for accommodation for the five personnel, proceeded to the A.D.C. camp where I sp[illegible] the night.

12.8.44. After attending a Coronation Anniversary Gardens held by the BOIGU people (ref. Gen. Remarks.) a start was made, but owing to engine trouble and drifting into a sand bank it was not until 1000 hrs. that we were properly on our way.

A heavy following sea was experienced on the run to YARAI where anchor was dropped at 1830 hrs. Owing to the large sandbanks and shoals at this point the entire party, [illegible] except, did not arrive in the village until well after dark.

13.8.44. Inspected village and gardens and then called a [illegible] up of all people for a general health survey, this being completed the D.D.H.'s. message was read to the village, and the question of repatriating labour investigated.

The same procedure was also carried out with the village of MAKI a few miles to the east, and the party then left for the MOWBRAY River.

Owing to the low tide we had to stand off there several miles until the tide made sufficient water to enable us to cross the bar. The crossing was made at about 2[illegible]00 hrs. and the anchor dropped in a small creek to the west of the MOWBRAY River; the party then proceeded to KUMUL approx. one mile to the west.

14.8.44. A very heavy sea running this morning, so I decided to spend the day at this point.

An inspection of the village was made and a general health survey carried out, the D.D.H's. message was read, and as a result two men volunteered for work.

As there are no men in this village who can speak [illegible] I decided to take them to [illegible] and sign them on.

The village natives told me that there are no suitable landing places east of this village on the PAPUAN coast nearer a point to make up the MOWBRAY River to the village of [illegible], not having any one in the party who knows the waters in this area, I decided to leave the four MOWBRAY natives at this village and they can return overland along the same track as they came down to KUMUL.

Rations were issued to these natives, and through the Vil. Const., who speaks their language, I gave them full instructions as to what they were to do.

15.8.44. Left Kumul at 0745 hrs. and proceeded to an anchorage in the mouth of KAMI Is., where the night was spent.

A heavy sea and considerable engine trouble was experienced during the day, and this made the trip very slow that I was unable to reach my proposed destination, the village of YUGA.

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[illegible]

Proceeded to [illegible], a new village on the west coast of the [illegible] River, where a village inspection was made and a general health survey carried out.

As a result of the reading of the G.O.C's. message five men volunteered for work.

[illegible] and proceeded via the inland [illegible] considerable engine trouble was experienced which delayed the boat for some hours.

At [illegible] the same procedure was carried out, and I then questioned three other Village Constable who were in the village.

They told me that they were on their way to [illegible] to report a [illegible] in the interior [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] full particulars I proceeded to [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] wireless [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] Headquarters.

At [illegible] I heard from the Vil. Council and police that the [illegible] had been removed by the [illegible] and had gone on to [illegible].

Spent the night with the V.D.C. Headmen.

[illegible]

Proceeded to [illegible] where an inspection of the village and general health survey was made.

[illegible] informed me of the present inhabitants of the village. The [illegible] River [illegible] River was made, but all village sites were investigated but showed no signs of recent habitation.

[illegible] engine trouble was experienced I [illegible] by departure to [illegible] until the engine [illegible] but it was not the best I returned to [illegible].

[illegible] the engine bog was overcome by the [illegible] from the exhaust pipe, and first aid had to be [illegible].

[illegible]

Left [illegible] and proceeded to [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible] the trouble delaying the trip.

[illegible]

Left [illegible] at [illegible], and proceeded to [illegible], where an inspection of the village was carried out.

The majority of the people from this village were absent, having gone to their gardens some days ago to repair fences damaged by wild pigs.

Returned to [illegible] and commenced checking the census.

[illegible]

Finished checking census and took full particulars for registration of labour.

As none of the village councillors understood English, the reading of the [illegible] became a form of a ceremony, at the conclusion of which all expressed their thanks to the Government and their desire to assist in any way at all which would help to bring a speedy victory.

[illegible]

Held full line up of all village people and made a general health survey, at the conclusion of which a tour of inspection was made of the village.

A Meeting of all Councillors and Vil. Const. was held in the [illegible], and several matters were discussed and explained.

[illegible] remarks.

A large number of aircraft was seen during the day, but no [illegible] they passed over, but it is unnecessary to give details.

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[illegible]

[illegible] left [illegible] and proceeded up the [illegible] River to [illegible] where an inspection of village and people was carried out.

Resuming the trip considerable engine trouble was experienced, with the result that [illegible] was not reached until 1630 hrs, after unloading the stores and [illegible] at this point I continued up river for a further hour's trip, and made an inspection of the villages [illegible] and [illegible].

Returned to [illegible] where the night was spent.

[illegible]

Inspected village and made general health survey, also [illegible] people's portion of the [illegible] message.

Left [illegible] and proceeded downstream to [illegible] where a village inspection and medical survey was made.

[illegible] boys were also collected from this village, and the party then left for [illegible], where the night was spent.

[illegible]

Left [illegible] at approx. [illegible] hrs. [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible] of the [illegible] people and [illegible] which I made an inspection of the [illegible], and then left for [illegible], where [illegible] was taken.

[illegible] and [illegible] hours [illegible] after which [illegible] was [illegible] the [illegible] checked for repatriation of labour.

[illegible]

Left [illegible] and returned to [illegible], where one and a half hours [illegible] was spent.

[illegible] of the village and checked the [illegible] for repatriation of labour.

[illegible] they had been unable to start the launch [illegible], I returned to [illegible] and after by hours work finally succeeded in getting it there.

As the [illegible] rather rough and the engine [illegible] very faulty, I decided to return to [illegible] on the return trip the engine cut out and I was unable to get it started, the journey being finished under sail.

At dusk a large [illegible] canoe arrived bringing people to [illegible] their [illegible], arrangements were made to transport my party to [illegible], and to return with parts for the launch.

[illegible]

Left [illegible] at approx. [illegible] hrs. and arrived in [illegible] at [illegible] hrs.

Spanner rings, the cause of all the trouble, were obtained and the canoe despatched back to [illegible].

[illegible]
Medical Officer.

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[illegible] ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

On the morning of May 16th, 1944, I was approached by the Vil. Chief. (P. [illegible]) and asked if I would be master of ceremonies at the celebration to be held that morning.

The ceremony began a little after [illegible] hrs. and began with a march of all village people, headed by V.S.G. Personnel and Native Soldiers and the [illegible] Officer and two members of the R.E.E. as Flag Bearer and Guard of Honour, through the village, passing Memorial which formed by the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides holding palm leaves, to the [illegible] where a short service was conducted by a native Pastor.

After the Church Service the entire party formed up three deep and marched to the village school where the flag was raised.

I then gave an address on the ceremony and meaning of the Celebration and concluded by reading the [illegible]'s letter, stressing the wonderful assistance shown by the people and chiefs during the present crisis.

At the conclusion of the address the assembly sang the National Anthem and, after three hearty cheers, broke up to the village playground where a Sports Meeting was to be held.

[illegible] Vil. Chief. [illegible]

[illegible] Vil. Chief. [illegible] Vil. Chief. [illegible] is a person, the area occupied where [illegible] of the [illegible] and [illegible] forming part of the [illegible] of the village. [illegible] from the chief's house.

[illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] with [illegible] hung. At the back of the [illegible] are well constructed [illegible] for storing food crops and other [illegible].

The Meeting House is a small but well built building and is kept in excellent condition.

Extensive yam gardens occupying [illegible] of the bush of the village. These people are good cultivators and the gardens are in excellent condition. Another bush [illegible] the village are [illegible] good [illegible] and other [illegible].

The [illegible] are not yet in full production, but during the months of June and July when the [illegible] will be [illegible] enough to [illegible] them over the slack period and [illegible] the [illegible] people.

[illegible] Vil. Chief. [illegible]

There are [illegible] people on [illegible] this village is [illegible] smaller and has no Rest House, it is well kept [illegible] and all houses are solid and weather proof.

[illegible] this village [illegible] with the [illegible] Chief, all remarks passed about the former village may also be applied to [illegible].

[illegible] Vil. Chief. [illegible]

[illegible] village of [illegible], all solidly constructed and built with [illegible] bush and [illegible] bush [illegible] and for roofing.

The road of the village is lined with stone houses and pig pens, all of these are well constructed, the cleanliness of the pig pens shows that these people place a great value on their pig [illegible].

The Rest House is a small solid building. I instructed that certain repairs be carried out to the floor which should make it quite suitable for a stay of anything up to a week.

[illegible] area is large [illegible].

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[illegible]. (continued.)

This village has it's gardens situated in areas best suited for the particular crop, bananas, root crops etc.

All gardens are in first class order and show extensive work; at present the food supply is barely enough to cover village requirements, but in a few weeks the main root crop harvest will be made and they will have plenty of food for storage and sale.

[illegible]

This is only a new village, the people having come from the inland. At present the town is only roughly cleared and is definite work by the [illegible] has passed.

7 houses have already been constructed and at present the people are engaged in building a [illegible] house and making gardens.

These people have good gardens in the inlands and are well supplied with food.

[illegible]

This is only a small village of 6 houses, the [illegible] is clean and all houses are solidly constructed, it will be the [illegible] village. [illegible] there are still [illegible] people living from the inland.

The people of this village are using the [illegible] prevalent in the inlands, and they are convinced that they [illegible] be such satisfactory [illegible].

This village has [illegible] and is well supplied with food.

[illegible]

This is a small village of 5 houses, constructed on narrow place it is [illegible] to keep clean as the [illegible] on [illegible] passed over one side, a narrow [illegible] by the sea.

The houses are solidly constructed and show signs of [illegible] attention to [illegible].

A large meeting house is situated in the centre of the village, this is well [illegible] and the surrounding [illegible] are [illegible].

This village has [illegible] for village requirements, they are [illegible] at present [illegible] and are [illegible] and will [illegible].

[illegible]

This is a fair sized village of 10 houses, meeting house, and 2 houses under construction. The houses are in a very [illegible] state of repair [illegible] second instance for that all houses have to be repaired before the work actual begins thereon.

The village area is also very untidy and the committee was informed that [illegible] be cleaned up with out delay.

The village has two [illegible] place [illegible] for [illegible] inland, there have recently been [illegible] by villages and the people are at present engaged in repairing houses and cultivating.

There is ample inland food for village requirements.

[illegible] are in large numbers.

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[illegible] Vil. Comst. [illegible]

This is a very large village of 60 houses with several more under construction. All houses are well constructed and show signs of being well maintained.

The village site is clean and is maintained in that condition by regular working parties.

The meat house is an excellent construction, one of the best I have seen in my District. It is a two roomed house with kitchen with a built up earth floor.

The overall appearance of this village shows the general efficiency of the councillors and constitutes the amount of influence such a body can have over the people.

This village has no extensive gardens owing to the shortage of active men power, they intend spending at some village which are well supplied with food and so should not suffer from any hardships.

[illegible] Vil. Comst. [illegible] Dist.

This is another a large village and is in fair condition. It was pointed out to the Vil. Comsk. and Comm. where improvements could be made, and instructions should that these be carried out before the next patrol.

Good village gardens of about crops, there should be no shortage of food in the coming year.

[illegible] Vil. [illegible] Dist.

Small village of 4 houses and meat house. All houses are well constructed and the village site clean and free of grass. These people have good gardens and an abundance of food.

[illegible] & [illegible].

These two villages close to [illegible], having their gardens on the same [illegible].

I did not visit these gardens or villages but am assured that they have good gardens and will not want for food.

[illegible] Vil. Comst. [illegible] of [illegible].

A small village of 7 houses and meat house, several of these houses are in need of repairs and the village site needs cleaning. Instructions were issued that this be done before the return of the Vil. Comst. from [illegible] (making the trip with my party.)

Good gardens are abundant here, several of the old ones producing almost as much as the new. All gardens are well tended.

[illegible] Vil. Comst. [illegible] Dist.

This is a small village of 7 houses with a small meat house. I noticed that all the houses to repaired and the village area cleaned. The people told me that they have been working to repair their gardens which have almost been destroyed by wild pigs, the past few months has been a bad one for them and they have had to depend on the same people for food until their new gardens bear, as a result they have been forced to leave their village full and disorder.

This was checked with the other villages and found to be correct.

[illegible].

A small tumble down village of five broken down houses, the village site being over grown with weeds and grass. Instructions to remedy this were issued to the councillors.

Despite the poor appearance of the village these people are good gardeners and they will have no shortage of food.

They also report damage done by pigs which are in this area in large number.

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[illegible]

[illegible] Vil. Const. [illegible] No. 3.

A large well [illegible] village of 29 houses with several more under construction; all houses being in good condition and showing signs of continuous maintenance.

The village site is very [illegible] and has [illegible] boundaries formed drains which take all surplus water away from the village area.

The Rest House is a well constructed building in the centre of the village but it has the disadvantage of no kitchen; I instructed that a kitchen be added and also that a verandah be made in size the main building to serve as a wash room.

This village has large [illegible] and are well supplied with food.

[illegible]

This is the [illegible] village of the [illegible] people and is in very bad shape, too [illegible] dirty and many of the houses needing repairs. I instructed the councillors to have this [illegible] [illegible] before the next patrol.

[illegible]

[illegible] village of houses which, although old are [illegible] well constructed.

The village site is [illegible] which has rather a good [illegible]. [illegible] were [illegible] to be repaired.

This village is in Sub District of the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the subject state, but will [illegible] as soon as the [illegible] work is completed.

This village has [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] producing which will [illegible] their [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible] I [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible], there [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] way to [illegible] to [illegible] or [illegible] [illegible] which had been [illegible] in a [illegible] [illegible] a few weeks previously.

The [illegible], a [illegible], had been crashed for some [illegible] [illegible] which had been broken by the plane [illegible] [illegible] feet long, and the [illegible] [illegible] over the [illegible].

In the cockpit of the plane had been found an identity disc bearing the name and number [illegible], [illegible] of an [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] and scratched the [illegible] [illegible] found no [illegible] of [illegible].

In proceeding to Brief Is. I was told by the village [illegible] that a [illegible], Johnny Smith, had been found in the [illegible] River some [illegible] previous, and after a stay at the Island had proceeded by [illegible] to Port Moresby.

Identity disc is attached to report.

[illegible]

[illegible], Vil. Court of [illegible] lines at [illegible], the people being scattered about in their various gardens this is the most central point for them to reside.

This Court was appointed by Mr. Teichman in 1933, he has a uniform but has never been issued with a book. At this time [illegible] was rather a large village but has been reduced to less than [illegible] people at the present time.

I instructed the [illegible] to bring all the people to [illegible] and set up a village there.

[illegible], Vil. [illegible] considers himself too old

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to carry out the work of a councillor efficiently, and asked that another man be appointed to the position.

A vote of the people selected a young man named [illegible] so I confirmed the appointment and the Councillors Salal was hanged [illegible].

[illegible]

Rank.	Name	Remarks.
[illegible]	L/Cpl.	[illegible] Good.
[illegible]	Pvt.	[illegible] Good.

[illegible]

In each village visited I called a line up of all the people and made a general Medical Survey.

No [illegible] and scars were seen during the entire trip. It was surprising to find the good state of health and of these people enjoy.

[illegible] The percentage of [illegible] etc is very small. A medical [illegible] would be advisable but is not urgently required.

In the Upper [illegible] River several cases of [illegible] were seen and a number of people are inflicted with sore eyes. There has been a lot of sickness in this area in the past year and the people are still in a small recovered.

[illegible]

CORONATION UNIVERSITY CEREMONY.

On the morning of May 12th. '44. I was approached by the Vil. Counc. of BAIGU and asked if I would be Master of Ceremonies at the celebration to be held that morning.

The ceremony began a little after 8.00 hrs. and began with a march of all village people, headed by V.D.C. Personnel and Native Soldiers and the BAIGU Policeman and two members of the R.P.C. as Flag Bearer and Guard of Honour, through the village, passing beneath arches formed by the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides holding palm leaves, to the church where a short service was conducted by a Native Pastor.

After the Church Service the entire party formed up once more and marched to the village school where the flag was raised.

I then gave an address on the Ceremony and meaning of the Coronation and concluded by reading the G.C.G's. letter, stressing the wonderful example shown by the King and Queen during the present crisis.

At the conclusion of the address the assembly sang the National Anthem and, after three hearty cheers, broke off to the village playground where a Sports Meeting was to be held.

VILLAGE AND GARDENS.

JARAI. Vil. Counc. GITU. No.77.

A well spaced village of about 16 houses, the area be- kept clean and the grass cut back to a straight line at the boundary of the village, about one chain from the nearest house.

Houses are solidly constructed and are walled and roofed with Ti-tree bark. At the back of the line of houses are well constructed sheds for storing root crops and other foods.

The Meet House is a small but solid building and is kept in excellent condition.

Extensive yam gardens commence at the back of the village, these people are good agriculturists and the gardens are in excellent condition. Further back from the village are other gardens of bananas and other foods.

The root gardens are not yet in full production, but during the months of June and July when the full harvest will be made they will obtain enough to tide them over the slack period and still have plenty for sale to the other coastal people.

MARI. Same Vil Counc. as JARAI.

These are the same people as above, this village is slightly smaller and has no Meet House, it is well looked after and all houses are solid and weather proof.

As the garden area of this village merges with the JARAI area, all remarks passed about the former village may also be applied to MARI.

KUNGI. (BEMBI) Vil. Counc. BARAKON. No. 116.

A large well spaced village of 23 houses, all solidly constructed and walled with Ti-tree bark; Ti-tree bark and another bark is also used for roofing.

The rear of the village is lined with store houses and pig pens, all of these are well constructed, the cleanliness of the pig pens showing that these people place a great value on their live stock.

The Meet House is a small solid building, I instructed that cert in repairs be carried out to the floor which should make it quite suitable for a stay of anything up to a week.

KUNDI. (continued)

This village has it's gardens situated in areas best suited for the particular crop, bananas, root crops etc.

All gardens are in first class order and show extensive work; at pregent the food supply is barely enough to cover village requirements, but in a few weeks the main root crop harvest will be made and they will have plenty of food for storage and sale.

MOIENIM.

This is only a new village, the people having come from the inland. at present the area is only roughly cleared and no definate boundary has as yet been marked.

9 houses have already been constructed and at present the people are engaged in building a rest house and making gardens.

These people have good gardens in the interior and are well supplied with food.

UMBOA. Vil. Council Court No.78.

This is only a small village of 6 houses, the area is clean and all houses are solidly constructed, it will in time become quite a fair class village as there are still more people similar come from the inland.

The reason for the shift of villages is that the people are frightened of a "big sick" which has recently been prevalent in the interior, but they are convinced that they will be much healthier on the coast.

This village has large gardens and is well supplied with food.

BIRE. Vil. Court. AREA. of HAMBURAN. Rule

This is a small village of 9 houses, constructed on a narrow ridge, it is an easy place to keep clean as all rubbish on paths thrown over the side is carried away by the sea.

The houses are solidly constructed and show signs of recent repairs to roofs.

A large Rest house is situated at the back of the village, this is well looked after and the surroundings are kept clean.

This village has gardens only sufficient for village requirements, they say this is due to the fact that five of their men are at present working in Port Moresby. What gardens they have are clean and well tended.

NIGGE NUE. Vil. Court. AREA of JACKSONS.

This is a fair class village of 14 houses, Rest House, and 2 houses under construction. The houses are in a very bad state of repair and I issued instructions that all houses have to be repaired before the next patrol comes through.

The village area is also very untidy and the councillor was instructed that this also should be cleaned up with out delay.

The village has two big gardens a few miles inland, these have recently been damaged by wild pigs and the people are at present engaged in repairing fences and replanting.

There is sufficient food for village requirements.

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[illegible] Vil. Council, [illegible] No.1.

This is a very large village of 60 houses with several more under construction. All houses are well constructed and show signs of being well maintained.

The village site is clean and is maintained in that condition by regular working parties.

The Rest House is an excellent construction, one of the best I have seen in any district, it is a [illegible] roomed house with kitchen with a built up earth floor.

The overall appearance of this village shows the control of loiaoay of the councillors and chieftain and the amount of influence such a body can have over the people.

This village has no extensive gardens owing to the shortage of native land power. They intend trading at other villages which are well supplied with food and so should not suffer from any shortage.

[illegible] Vil. Council, [illegible] No.1[illegible].

This is rather a large village and is in fair condition, it was pointed out to the Vil. Council, and Headman, where improvements could be made, and instructions issued that these be carried out before the next patrol.

Good all gardens of this village, there should be no shortage of food in the coming year.

[illegible] Vil. Council, [illegible] No.1[illegible].

Small village of 6 houses and rest house. All houses are well constructed and the village site clean and free of grass.

These people have good gardens and an abundance of food.

[illegible] & [illegible].

These are villages close to [illegible], having their gardens in the same area.

I did not visit these gardens or villages but am assured that they have good gardens and will not want for food.

[illegible] Vil. Council, [illegible] of [illegible].

A small village of 7 houses and rest house, several of these houses are in need of repairs and the village site needs cleaning, instructions were issued that this be done before the return of the Vil. Council, from [illegible], (making the trip with my party.)

Good gardens are abundant here, several of the old ones producing almost as much as the new. All gardens are well tended.

[illegible] Vil. Council, [illegible] No. VI.

This is a small village of 7 houses with a small Rest House. I assured that all the houses be repaired and the village area cleaned. The people told me that they were busy working to repair their gardens which have almost been destroyed by wild pigs, the pigs for months has been a pest one for them and they have had to depend on the other people for food until their new gardens have, as a result they have been forced to leave their village till late therefore.

This was the case with the other villages and cause to be serious.

[illegible].

A small [illegible] of [illegible] of five broken down houses, the village site being over grown with weeds and grass, instructions to rectify this were issued to the councillors.

Despite the poor appearance of the village these people are good gardeners and they will have no shortage of food.

They also report that [illegible] done by pigs which are in this area in large numbers.