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SEPIK DISTRICT

YANGORU PATROL REPORTS 1957/58 - 1958/59

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer</u> Conducting Patrol.	<u>Area Patrolled.</u>
1-1957/58	J.G. O'Brien	Yangoru East and Sepik census Sub. Div. Yangoru
1-1958/59	A.A. Trollope	Kurum - Kaboibus
7-1958/59	J.C. Corrigan	Yangoru East, Wingei and Nindepolye Census Div.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....SEPIK..... Report No. YAN. 1 of 1957/58

Patrol Conducted by.....J.G. O'BRIEN, CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled.....YANGORU EAST AND SEPIK CENSUS SUBDIVISION, YANGORU.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....MR. B. McGARRY, MEDICAL ASSISTANT.....

Natives.....FOUR POLICE.....

Duration—From...5.../11.../1957...to...26.../12...1957...
Number of Days.....34.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....YES.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....NOVEMBER 1955.....

Medical JUNE /...../1957.....

Map Reference.....

1 CENSUS REVISION

Objects of Patrol.....

2 ROUTINE

3. MAPPING OF PROPOSED ROADS.

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 £.....

Pop

13	Females		
	in Child		
	Birth		
F		M	

30-11-122.

4th June, 1958.

The District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

Patrol Report No.1. 1957/58. Yangoru.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol
Report is acknowledged with thanks.

The report is satisfactorily covered
in the attached memoranda and requires no further
comment from this Office.

J.K.McCarthy
J.P.
(J.K. McCarthy)
Acting Director.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

30/11/22 ✓

YAN. P/R No. 1-57-58/499.



Department of Native Affairs,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

20th May, 1958.

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT YANGORU No. 1 OF 57/58.

The above mentioned Patrol report is forwarded herewith.

The patrol was carried out in quite a competent manner and the officer concerned shows promise in his work for the future.

I consider that ample road work has been carried out in this region for the time being and I can see no urgent necessity for the new road through the SASSOIIYA region.

The emphasis for the next year throughout the area must be placed upon getting permanent economic crops in the ground.

The present road network will be improved during the next year by the use of heavy equipment which will bring said roads to a reasonable standard.

The District Agriculture Officer has been notified re the matter of the KWOLRANGAN coffee plot, and is taking appropriate action.

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(T. W. Ellis)
District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

YAN.P/R No.1-57-58/499.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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PATROL POST Sub District Office,
YANGORU M A P R I K. T.N.G.
SEPIK DISTRICT
14th March, 1958

The District Officer, SEPIK DISTRICT,
W E W A K.

PATROL REPORT - YAN.1/57-58 of YANGORU EAST and
SEPIK CENSUS DIVISIONS -- J.O'BRIEN C.P.O

AREA PATROLLED YANGORU EAST AND SEPIK CENSUS

Four copies of the abovementioned report, of a patrol to the Yangoru East, and Sepik Census Divisions of the Yangoru area, conducted by Mr Cadet Patrol Officer O'Brien is forwarded herewith.

The overdue delay in submission is the fault of the writer. -the report being mislaid this office and only now coming to light. The oversight is regretted.

Though primarily a routine patrol to check census and maintain contact with the local population, Mr O'Brien has showed considerable interest in the improvement and possible extension of the basic requirement for economic development - i.e road access. The sections of the Newak/Yangoru Road referred to has been sighted by the writer, and with the lifting of the restrictions imposed by polio through the area, a Police Corporal with knowledge of road grading will be sent to MUNJI and WAMOIN to properly grade the steep sections again.

The interest in road construction in the plains region is indicative of the trend of these more isolated people to attempt to stay abreast of those more fortunately situated with road access. Whether they will continue and become producers of cash crops will be seen eventually, but with the stationing of an agricultural officer permanently at Yangoru there is no reason, with encouragement and advice, that they should not leave well behind, their confreres nearer the station. Mr O'Brien's comments re the possibility of a road from Yangoru, through Sassoia to Wewak are interesting and it may be possible for an aerial survey of that area to be undertaken when the Aerial Survey is done for lands sometime during the forthcoming year.

From the brevity of the remarks on Native Affairs, it is understood that the area is tranquil. Unfortunately Mr O'Brien omitted the census figures for the areas traversed, and since his proceeding to Australia, it is not now possible to ascertain population trends in the area covered. The next patrol to the area will be instructed to retain both sets of figures.

For your information please.

Arthur T Carey
Arthur T Carey
A.D.O.

PATROL POST,
YANGORU
SEPIK DISTRICT.

PATROL REPORT YAN. 1 OF 57/58.

CONDUCTED BY

J. G. O'BRIEN CADET PATROL OFFICER

AREA PATROLLED

YANGORU EAST AND SEPIK CENSUS
SUBDIVISION, YANGORU.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

MR. B. McGARRY, MEDICAL ASSISTANT
FOUR POLICE

DURATION

5.11.57 to 26.12.57.

34 DAYS

AREA LAST PATROLLED

D.N.A. NOVEMBER, 1955.

MEDICAL JUNE, 1957.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

1. CENSUS REVISION
2. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
3. MAPPING OF PROPOSED ROADS.

MAP ATTACHED.

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INTRODUCTION.

This report covers patrolling in the YANGORU EAST CENSUS DIVISION, a patrol to the SEPIK Census Division accompanied by Mr. McGarry, Medical Assistant, and various side trips concerned with the expanding system of Roads in the YANGORU Area.

For the first time motor bikes were used for the entire Sepik Patrol and were found excellent transport across the wide reaches of Kunai. This did not lead to a rushed Patrol as cargo had still to be man carried.

DIARY.

MONDAY 5th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Started YANGORU EAST Patrol. YANGORU to HARIPMOR via YEKIMBOLTE . 6 HOURS WALKING.

TUESDAY 6th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Census HARIPMOR then to MUNJIHARA 2½ HOURS. CENSUS AND inspected Aid Post.

THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER, 1957.

To SENGORI ½ HOUR, CENSUS AND onto HAUMBUGWE 1 Hours.

FRIDAY 8th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Census HAUMBUGWE and then to ABAUIA 1½ hours.

SATURDAY 9th NOVEMBER, 1957.

To ABAUIA, 1 hour, census and then to WAKEAMBA ¾ hour. AID Post inspected.

SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Observed.

MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER, 1957.

From WAREAMBA to NIAGOMBI 25 minutes. Census
NIAGOMBI and proceeded MUSUWAGUN, $\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Census
and to KWALEGUN 1 hour and Census.

TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Left KWALEGUN for NIMBOGU 45 minutes Census.
Then to NEIMO for Census and return - $\frac{1}{2}$ hour walk.

WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Left NIMBOGU for SASANAGOBU 40 minutes, Census,
Proceeded to KARAFORA 45 minutes and Census.

THURSDAY 14th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Left KARAGORA for KINIWIMBOGU and Census.
15 minutes. Then to NYAKANDOGAN and Census
25 minutes. Then to YEKIMBOLYE No. 1. Census and
slept. 45 minutes.

FRIDAY 15th NOVEMBER, 1957.

To YANGORU. Office work 2 hours.

SATURDAY 16th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Issued Rations. Returned per Motor bike to
YEKIMBOLYE NO. 2. then walked to KININYAN

SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Census KININYAN to HARUWA 40 minutes. Census and
to WAMOIN $\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

MONDAY 18th NOVEMBER, 1957.

At WAMOIN. Dr. Becker arriving for Anti Yaws and
T.B. Campaign injections.

TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER, 1957.

Census of WAMOIN NO. 1.

WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER, 1957.

To WAMOIN NO. 2, 35 minutes. Census. Per Motor

Bike to KWAGAMA for road regrading and return.

THURSDAY 21st NOVEMBER, 1957.

To YEKIMBOLYE NO. 2. 15 minutes. Census of latter and
SUONDO. Road work at WAMOIN NO. 1 and return.

FRIDAY 22nd NOVEMBER, 1957.

Per Motor Bike to MUNJI for Road Work and return.

SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER, 1957.

YEKIMBULYE to YANGORU

MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER, 1957.

Started SEPIK PATROL Accompanied by Mr. McGarry,

Medical Assistant. YANGORU to WITUPE NO. 21. USING
MOTOR BIKES THROUGHOUT.

TUESDAY 3rd DECEMBER, 1957.

Census of WITUPE NO. 2, then returned to WITUPE NO. 1,
Census then proceeded to KWORO. Census and returned to
WITUPE NO. 1.

WEDNESDAY 4th DECEMBER, 1957.

To KUMBIWINGEI. Then along new proposed road to
PAGWI via NUGUTIMBIT, KWEABEA, KUMBUMBU, BENZIN,
BALDU and CAURUI. Arrived PAGWI, met D.C., and
A.D.O. Maprik. Then proceeded to Maprik.

THURSDAY 5th DECEMBER, 1957.

To WINGEI, WATABUNG, WITUPE, KWIRI AND KUMBIWINGEI for
Census.

FRIDAY 6th DECEMBER, 1957.

To MAKUMBU and Census.

SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER

Left MAKUMRU for PANGEIMBIT and Census.

SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER, 1957.

To BALMO, WAIRMAN, SOTANGAI. CENSUS of each and on to
KWALIANGA. Census later.

MONDAY 9th DECEMBER, 1957.

To CHUINIMBUT and TIMBUNANGUA. Census of each and returned through KWALIANGA to YAMARAGU and Census.

TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER, 1957.

To KINIAMBU, Census and Slept.

WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER, 1957.

Left KINIAMBU via YANGORU Arrived KWORO Met. Cargo.

THURSDAY 12th DECEMBER, 1957.

KWORO to KAMANJA. Census.

FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER, 1957.

To WATABUNG. Road work surveying new river crossing.

SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER, 1957.

At WATABUNG, Proceeded to YANGORU.

SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER, 1957.

Observed.

MONDAY 16th DECEMBER, 1957.

Departed YANGORU for SASSAIYA via MUNJI

TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER, 1957.

At SASSOIYA with Police. Spreading instructions re Polio isolation.

WEDNESDAY 18th DECEMBER, 1957.

To TURINGAI C.M. Met D.O. Mr. Kaad and proceeded to MUNJI on road work. Slept at SASSOIYA.

THURSDAY 19th DECEMBER, 1957.

Accompanied Mr. Kaad from SASSOIYA to YANGORU

SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER, 1957.

Returned borrowed Motor bike to SASSOIYA. Slept.

SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER, 1957.

Returned to YANGORU on foot.

WEDNESDAY 25TH DECEMBER, 1957.

Proceeded to SASSOYA on Station Motor bike on first leg of proceeding to Wewak on Proposed New road.

THURSDAY 26TH DECEMBER, 1957.

Left SASSOYA and proceeded via TUNGORI, PAPARAM, URAGAMBI (NAGUM AND SILING RIVERS) KUSAU, URINDAGUM, UMOIKUM, HUMBLARI, AND SAURI to arrive Wewak. 5 hours.

END OF DIARY

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The village of ... in the ... a ... the ... of a ... to a ... used by the ... is ... result of ... people ...

... of ... 1957

REFERENCES

Dr. ... Medical ... the ... Division ... D.S.P. ...

APPENDIX

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The village of ... and ...

NOTES

... and ...

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Both the Sepik and YANGORU EAST Divisions had not been patrolled by D.N.A. for two years. This was evident in the state of the villages which tended to be untidy. The reception accorded the Patrol was extremely good. The people feeling that at least they had not been neglected and forgotten entirely.

The recently introduced head tax was explained and such news was received as something inevitable and a cross to bear, but with no further comment. The people were adequately warned that the next patrol would be collecting taxes.

In the YANGORU EAST area, which is opposite Wewak on the South of the Prince Alexander Divide, there are at least 800 people moving to and from the Coastal Area around WOM and YARABOS. These YANGORU people have supposedly been granted land to grow peanuts. While this is excellent in creating a desire for cash crops it does leave a large percentage of workers semi-permanently absent from their villages. This points out the need for a short road through SASSOIIYA from the Coast to make it economically feasible to start cash cropping and so attract a good number of the people back. The desire to work their own ground is there but means of transport is not. In the NUMIDOKUM and HANIAR area several large coffee plots were inspected by Mr. Kaad. In the Sepik Area this honest desire to advance themselves through agriculture is shown by the rough but servicable roads that were marked by Mr. J. Wearne and since completed and expanded.

AGRICULTURE.

At the village of KWALIANGA in the Sepik a coffee plot was planted over a year ago. This effort depended on the instructions of a native boy with some knowledge of coffee. He has since gone to a station. The people are at a loss to proceed and the shade is ten feet high. As KWALIANGA HAS AN AIRSTRIP (also called PORO) used by the Catholic Mission a quick trip by an Agricultural Officer is quite feasible. As this project is the only one of its kind in the area surrounding villages are also keenly interested in the result of this coffee. It owes us to give some guidance to these people and their work before they lose interest.

A verbal report of the above was given to the D.A.O in Wewak on the 2nd January, 1958.

HEALTH

Mr. McGarry, Medical Assistant, accompanied the Patrol to the Sepik, Census division, and covered the YANGORU EAST Census Division on the T.B. and Anti YAWS Campaign at the time of the D.N.A. Patrol.

VILLAGES AND OFFICIALS.

Due to the two year lapse of regular patrolling villages tended to be untidy with many old houses derelict. The village of MUNJI was a refreshing exception, due to the excellent Luluai who is easily the most influential single person in the YANGORU EAST AREA.

The villages of WAREAMBA, HARIPMOR AND KINIAMBU were exceptionally filthy. The latter village had presented the same condition for the previous patrol.

ROADS.

New road sections were marked at the following places:-

WARABUNG CROSSING: Owing to the site of the two gravel surfaced roads at WARABUNG on the YANGORU/MAPRIK road a new tentative road was surveyed lower down the river needing only one crossing. The levels on the west side of the crossings will need to be checked with instruments. Since the visit of the patrol the old crossings has been washed out completely and the newly surveyed road has been opened (9/7/58) sufficiently for four wheel drive vehicles, less the planned ascent of the mountain on the West Bank. As stated this needs proper grading.

MUNJI/WAMOIN. From the Eastern border of YANGORU to the station along the Wewak/Yangoru road the only bad sections are several steep hills at MUNJI and WAMOIN. At the time of the Patrol several of these hills were regraded by eye, so as to leave some work till a qualified "Level Boy" could be sent out. Not having any portable levelling instruments to have done the job was a mistake, and instead of a planned 1 in 12 grade the result is nearer 1 in 8. Except that the people were advised to cut first a narrow path instead of the complete road they did construct I take full responsibility for the blunder. A proper survey will be carried out as soon as a trained Grader can come from Maprik.

SEPIK ROAD. This is a well grassed native built road starting at the BOIM Bridge and running south 20 miles through KAMANJA, WITUPE 1 & 2, KWORO to KUMBIWINGEI. The road is drained, rough but entirely servicable as Willys 1 ton truck demonstrated during the recent T.B. Survey. There are two bad hills south of both WITUPE 1 and 2.

From KUMBININGEI running south west to BARUI Mission Station just north of Pagwi is a road under construction. This runs via NUGUTIMBIT, KUEABEA, KUMBUMBU, BENZIN, BALDU to come out on the MAPRIK/PAGWI road one mile north of the Catholic Mission Station. Total length is over 20 miles of which at least 15 miles are passable though rough. The main trouble is the many small creek crossings (about 50) and the several large sago swamps for which I see no easy solution. This road is entirely native build and sponsored and high lights the attitude of these Sepik people to bring the work to them. The reception upon the arrival of the two motor bikes was the only reason Mr. McGarry and I were able to complete the trip across the numerous single log bridges and other unspanned creeks. Given another year it should be possible to drive the distance in a Land Rover.

TONEMBE/SASSOIIYA ROAD. The linking road between the WEWAK/YANGORU road at Tonembe has been completed to join the YANGORU/SASSOIIYA Road at NUNGORI. It is well graded and due to its construction can be regarded as an all weather road of up to 1 ton Willys truck requirements, and up to 3 tonner standards if widened in some places. It runs from Tonembe via HANIAK, NANGUMARUM, MUMIDOKUM, NUNGORI 2, to come out at NUNGORI No. 1.

YANGORU/SASSOIIYA/WEWAK (Proposed Road). Owing to the length of the present WEWAK/YANGORU road (80 miles) and the expressed desire of the YANGORU EAST people for an accessible market for peanuts the possibilities of the SASSOIIYA/WEWAK bridle path were investigated on motor bike.

The YANGORU/SASSOIIYA road is well established, and despite many steep sections is basically a good grass covered road. There are 8 small streams to be crossed, half of them bridged. There is one large creek east of NYAKANDOKAN with an easy crossing except in flood and a major river the KWAMUNJI west of NUNGORI, also an easy crossing.

From SASSOIIYA the road leads off the end of the Mission airstrip, reverts to a bridle path through TUNGORI and PAPARAM along narrow ridges to URAGAMBI. Thereafter the road goes downhill all the way to the NAGUM River (18" deep). This is wide and boulder strewn. Several hundred yards further is the SILING. The road ceases to exist at the SILING and both banks are steep and are 50 feet high. However, it would be no

problem to lead a graded road down each bank. The river bed is gravel and small rocks with 8 inches of water. At the top is KUSAU and from here to URINDAGUM is narrow but open and good going. Between URINDAGUM and UMOIKUM is the one real trouble spot. A deep canyon containing the WIRIGU Creek. From hill crest to hill crest it is about 500 yards with a possible 400 foot decent. The track is narrow, no more than six feet anywhere and tends to earth falls. The underlying soil is a soft sandstone with mudstone on the left bank. From UMOIKUM the road widens and runs through soft ground adjacent to a sago creek before climbing to HUMBLARI. After this the road contorts along a mudstone ridge to the divide overlooking SAURI. From here to Wewak the road widens and descends through SAURI to come out at the Catholic Mission hanger. Estimated distance from SASSOIYA about 22 miles.

The steps needed to open this road to four wheel drive vehicles are as follows:-

1. Bush cut back from road from the NAGUM river to SASSOIYA. This would be a 50% improvement.
2. Right bank of the NAGUM River to be cut down and a section leading off the river flat to be regraded.
3. Both banks of the SILING River to have graded entrances to the ~~eer~~ crossing.
4. A narrow cliff section 50 feet long west of URINDAGUM Needs widening.
5. The canyon containing the WIRIGU River between URINDAGUM and UMOIKUM need complete regrading. Though a formidable and long job I do not believe it to be impossible. If the road is constructed wide enough the danger of the road falling away would not be as disruptive as the effect on the present narrow path.

In conclusion I feel that the above road could bear economical traffice with no more work than that outlined above. It would not be able to take the place of the present WEWAK/MAPRIK Road without complete regrading of the numerous short steep sections However the estimated total length of 43 miles from YANGORU to WSWAK is favourable in the transport of peanuts and coffee from the area it services.



J.G. O'BRIEN, C.P.O.
YANGORU

A REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL PAPUAN
AND NEW GUINEA CONSTABULARY ACCOMPANING YANGORU
PATROL NUMBER ONE OF 1957/58 TO THE YANGORU EAST
AND SEPIK CENSUS SUB DIVISIONS OF THE MAPRIK SUB
DISTRICT, SEPIK DISTRICT. THIRTY FOUR DAYS.

5196 B L/Cpl NOHUNGA A good Corporal. Very staunch.

3411 Const. CELOBOYAN Good NCO material but too involved
in local politics. Has been in the
Maprik Sub District for eight years.

4182 Const. Bining Aquits his duty well. Efficient.

5489 B Const. INGIGA He is the most dependable and all
round policeman on the station.

8262 Const. KAMGRU Aquits his duty well but is very
brash.

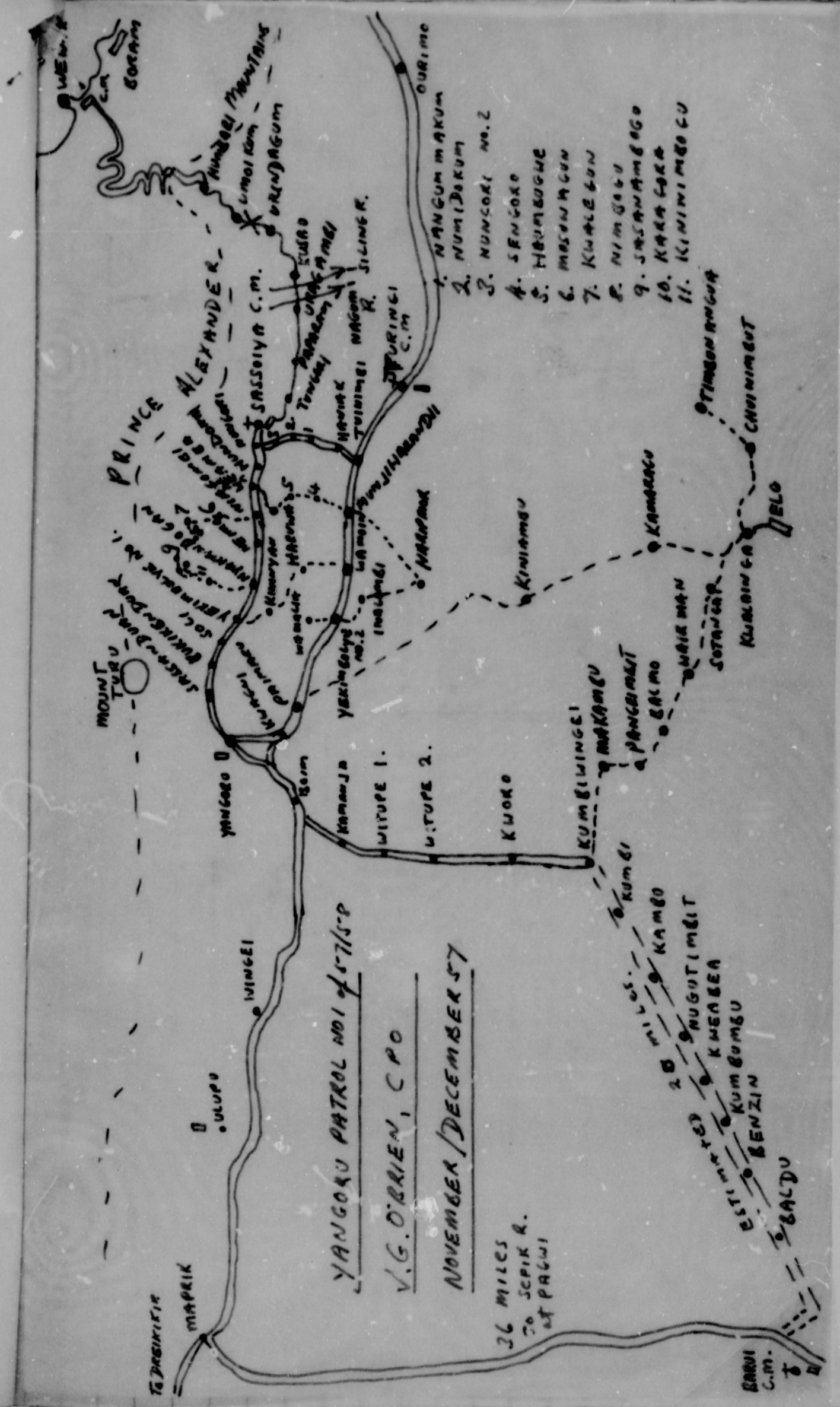
8479 Const. TEGEVEPA Aquits his duty well.

8524 Const. KARISA Can be relied upon. Efficient.

8933 Const. ANDEKUMA Unreliable. Needs closer supervision
than can be given on an outstation.

9165 Const/Bugler Dramei Excellent bugler.

J. G. O'Brien
.....
OFFICER OF THE R.P.&N.G.C.



- 1. NANGUM MAKUM
- 2. NUMIDOKUM
- 3. NUNSORI NO. 2
- 4. SENGOKO
- 5. HURUMBOGHE
- 6. MASUMAGUN
- 7. KWALEBAN
- 8. NIMBOGO
- 9. SASANAMBOGO
- 10. KARABARA
- 11. KININI MBOCU

YANGOKU PATROL NO. 1 of 67/58
 V.G. O'BRIEN, CPO
 NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 57

36 MILES
 TO SPIK R.
 AT PAGI

20 miles.
 KAMBO
 MUGUTIMBIT
 KWENBEA
 KUMBUMBU
 BENZIN
 BALDU

-13		Over 13		Females in Child Birth
F	M	F		

30-11-131

8th September, 1958.

The District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

Patrol Report No.1. 1958/59-Yangoru.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol
Report is acknowledged with thanks.

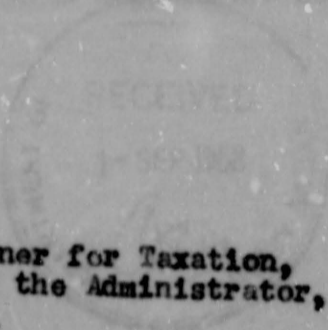
It is noted that action is being taken
in the matters of migration and labour recruitment.

Please let me have your views concern-
ing resettlement in more accessible areas, by people
from those more remote sections of the district.
Have you thought of any practicable solution?

The Secretary for Territories is interest-
ed in this matter.

J.P.A.A.R.
(A.A.Roberts.)
Director.

NA30-11-131



8th September, 1958.

The Commissioner for Taxation,
Department of the Administrator,
PORT MORESBY.

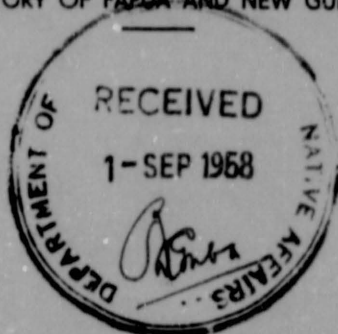
No record of any difficulty in
collecting Taxes in Naprik, Yangoru area during
June and July, 1958.

A. A. R.
pa (A.A. Roberts.)
Director



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/11/58



CGL/DC

*In Reply
Please Quote*

No. PRL/58-59/953

SUR DISTRICT OFFICE
SEPIK DISTRICT
WEWAK

28th August, 1958

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT YANGORU - 1/58-59

Please find enclosed above mentioned patrol
by Mr. C.A.Trollope, Patrol Officer.

I refer to the attached correspondence
14-1-1 of 18th July, 1958 "Over recruitment and migration
of natives to Wewak".

(1) Over recruitment: The District Labour Officer at Wewak
has been requested to signal Yangoru for availability figures
before attesting natives from the Yangoru area.

(2) Yangoru Natives migrating to Wewak: Mr. Mater, Patrol
Officer, on patrol investigating this situation and on completion
of the patrol a decision can be made as to the future welfare
of these natives and a policy formulated.

(T.W. Ellis)

ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File.30/2/46

Sub-District Office,
Maprik.
Sepik District.

18th August, 1958.

The District Officer,
WEWAK.

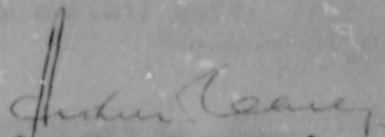
Patrol Report - No.1. - YANGORU.

KUMUN/KAMOIBUS Divisions - Yangoru.

In duplicate I forward Memorandum of Patrol with copy of the relative diary and contingenci for Patrol Allowance.

Also forwarded is numbered correspondence arising from the patrol which was of purely routine nature.

For your information please.



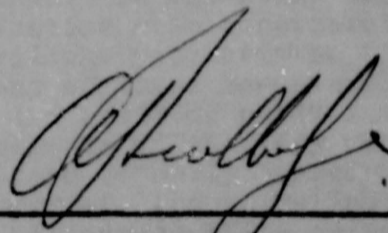
(Arthur T.Carey.)
Assistant District Officer.

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

<u>PATROL NO.</u>	<u>SUB-DISTRICT</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>
No.1 of 58/59.	Maprik	Sepik.
OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:	C.A. Trollope	Patrol Officer.
CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED:	KUMUN/KABOIBUS.	
DATE PATROL COMMENCED:	17th JUNE 1958.	
DATE PATROL COMPLETED:	17th JULY 1958.	
DURATION DAYS:	Twenty one(21) days.	

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM THE PATROL.

"Over recruitment" - 14/1/1 of the 13th July '58 refers. ✓



PATROLLING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE.

I certify that all necessary local administrative action has been taken or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol and that the correspondence above indicated by a 'tick' has been forwarded to the Headquarters, Department of Native Affairs, Port Moresby.

DISTRICT OFFICER

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

14/1/1

YANGORU Patrol Post
Sepik District.

18th July 1958.

Assistant District Officer
District Office
MAPRIK

COMPLAINT - VILLAGE OFFICIALS KUMUN AREA.

Officials of KUMUN and HIMBURU villages recently approached the Native Affairs patrol in their area with a request that action be taken to control the exodus of male natives from their villages in seeking employment both outside and within the district. The basis of their complaint concerns structural upsets in village society, an inability to call upon enough labour to perform village and road maintenance. It was also argued, with some justification, that those engaged in cash cropping activity in other parts of the District could better be pursuing this in their own areas.

Enough evidence exists to suggest that the complaint is well founded. Both villages are over-recruited on the "third" basis of assessing labour availability and this situation is in fact applicable to many KUMUN/KABOIBUS villages. Nine of the total twenty villages are effected the most outstanding being DUNIGI and KUMBUHUN villages where more than half the able bodied males are absent in employment.

The situation was reported on by Mr. Copely A.D.O. in 1956 and his recommendations were for closure of the villages most effected. No action was taken however. Considerable numbers of anticipated repatriates should forestall any action in this regard. A check on movements is essential to prevent any future worsening of the situation with consequent adverse social effects on the various village populations. It is almost impossible to keep strict account of these movements to seek employment from YANGORU due to the habit of natives walking direct across the connecting range to WEWAK. Very rarely do natives approach this office before actually journeying to WEWAK. It is suggested that a copy of labour availability be furnished to the Authorised Officer at WEWAK where control of recruiting can be made more efficiently. Reconciliation with MAPRIK records could be made from time to time.

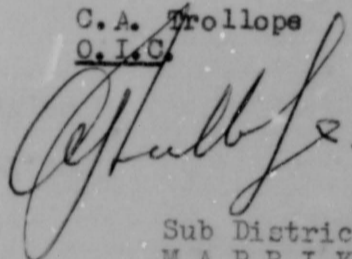
Large migrations have presumably occurred of local natives to the WEWAK sub-district to take part in cash cropping activities. It is believed that original migrations ~~occurred~~ coincided with the formation of the DAGUA R.P.S. some natives from this area holding membership with the DAGUA Society. Many later migrations however involve non-members. The number of YANGORU natives now residing in the WEWAK sub-district is reported to be considerable. Many are apparently hangers on only, presumably working for local natives, and performing for them village maintenance works and road construction, etc. In some cases they have been given land for subsistence purposes and are turning it to cash cropping. Some have been absorbed into local populations but there is reason to believe that a great many constitute merely a floating and transient group.

Father KEMMERLING of the Roman Catholic Mission station at BOIKEN recently visited YANGORU and complained of considerable numbers of transient YANGORU natives moving through his area. Some of the earlier arrivals he states have bought land and become absorbed into the local coastal groups.

The situation has foreseeable problems particularly in the matter of land title and ownership of permanent cash crops. It is suggested that the matter be brought to the notice of the District Officer for some action to be taken to return those without any form of permanent security in the area. No specific information can be given as to whereabouts of these natives and they are presumably widely scattered with perhaps the majority in the DAGUA area. A luluai "FRIGAU" was frequently mentioned as a leader in cash cropping somewhere near WEWAK and many YANGORU natives are reported to be associated with him.

For your information and subsequent action and advice please.

C. A. Trollope
O.I.C.



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Sub District Office,
M A P R I K. T.N.G.

18th August, 1958

MINUTE TO: District Officer,
W E W A K.

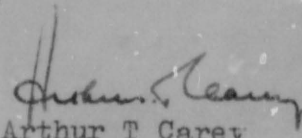
I forward the above for your information please. The situation of Yangoru natives proceeding to the coast and settling on a more or less permanent basis is known to you and I understand that you are already endeavouring to clarify this in the Wewak area. I believe Mr Mater is at present on patrol in the area in question.

If we can encourage primary production in the Kumun and Kaboibus areas, it will be possible to attract at least some of the absentees back; but the difference in prices obtainable for commodities will have to be overcome.

I would appreciate it if you could outline the District policy as regards the restriction or the settlement of transient natives from the Yangoru area. The nearness to the coastal strip makes it impossible to keep any check on the movements of natives from inland.

In the restriction of movements from Wewak for employment under contract, the co-operation of the Native Labour section is requested. A signal to Yangoru or this office as to the availability figures for the village concerned, will undoubtedly ease the present over recruitment of the Yangoru section.

For your information please.


Arthur T Carey
Ass't District Officer.

GORU PATROL KEZAKI NO. I of 1958/59.

OFFICER CONDUCTING: C.A. Trollope P.O.

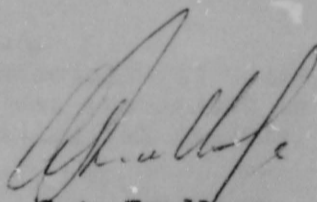
CENSUS DIVISION PATROLLED: KUMUN/KABOIBUS

OBJECTS OF PATROL: Census
Tax Collection
Routine Administration.

DATE PATROL COMMENCED: 17th JUNE '58

DATE PATROL COMPLETED: 17th JULY '58.

DURATION DAYS: 21 days.


C.A. Trollope
Patrol Officer.

YANGORU PATROL NO. I OF 1958/59

PATROL OF KUMUN/KABOIBUS CENSUS DIVISIONS

OFFICER CONDUCTING - C. A. TROLLOPE P. O.

TUESDAY - 17th JUNE '58

Departed YANGORU per motor cycle in company of Mr. McGARRY European Medical Assistant. Passed through YANGORU villages KIARAVU and AMAKWON en route arriving first KUMUN area village HUMUN at 11am. Cargo despatched previous day under police supervision. During afternoon all KUMUN/KABOIBUS area officials assembled and a meeting conducted. Subjects discussed included Taxation and general aspects Native Administration.

WEDNESDAY - 18th JUNE '58

At KUMUN. Assembled population. Conducted initial tax/census. Good line, orderly and co-operative, and favourable reaction evident in tax payment. Many payees accompanied payments with short statements proclaiming the merit of the taxation and insisting they fully understood it's objectives. Officials echoed most of these dissertations in solemn manner. As a result collection was slow but enjoyed by the large crowd assembled. Population adjacent WINDJUAN village assembled 1:30 pm. Carried out tax/census. Valuable assistance rendered by Medical Assistant in preparation Receipts and Exemptions. Medical Assistant medically examined both populations and reported health as good. To WINDJUAN for village inspection - all village aspects satisfactory. Returned and inspected KUMUN. Similarly satisfactory - luluai commended on construction of good standard rest quarters. Minor complaints involving debt payments amicably settled between parties concerned. At night compiling Tax Register and Village Population Registers. Approx. 48% able bodied males absent in employment for KUMUN, and census statistics reveal approx. 30% absent for WINDHUAN. Complaint by KUMUN luluai on this exodus of male villagers. -my 14/1/58 of the 18th July refers.

THURSDAY - 19th JUNE '58.

To KWAI-AN Village - 5mins. Tax/census carried out. A good attendance and orderliness and co-operation again apparent. 26% labour potential absent. EMA medically examined and ordered several serious cases to YANGORU for hospitalisation. Minor complaints heard and settled. Village inspected - housing satisfactory and village clean. Sanitation facilities below standard and luluai instructed to see to repairs. Returned KUMUN - p.m. spent compiling Tax Register and V.P.R. statistics.

FRIDAY - 20th JUNE '58.

To HIMBURU Village - 15 mins. Arr. 8am. Route to date along vehicular traffic road YANGORU/KABOIBUS/ULUPU/MAPRIK. Grass had been cut and road generally good condition. Carried out tax/census. 46% labour potential absent. Luluai drew notice to state of Kaffairs and requested action to prevent exodus. My 14/1/58 aforementioned refers. Medical Assistant examined population and assessed general health good. Inspection of village proper and nearby hamlets revealed all aspects as satisfactory. Returned KUMUN 2.p.m. Compiling T/R and V.P.R. s. Population total static. due migrations out.

DIARY (cont'd)

SATURDAY - 21st JUNE '58.

Compiling T/Rs HIMBURU and KWAI-AM until 9a.m.
Returned YANGORU with Mr. McGARRY to be present official visit
Sepik District Commissioner Mr. COLE, Director Posts and Telegraphs
Mr. CARTER and Regional Engineer Mr. BOYLE.
Official party arrived YANGORU 5p.m. and departed 5.30 p.m.
Mr. McGARRY and self returned KUMUN late afternoon.

SUNDAY - 22nd JUNE '58.

To BUKINARA Village - 20 mins. Arr. 8.30 a.m.
Still on vehicular road and this portion well kept.
Morning spent in preparation Tax Receipts and Exemptions.
Observed afternoon.

MONDAY - 23rd JUNE '58.

Conducted tax/census for BUKINARA. 31% labour potential absent.
Population examined by Medical Assistant - health good.
Inspected village - much effort in improvement housing and general
cleaning evident - luluai commended for construction handsome rest
quarters.
To KUMBUHUN - 35 mins walking. Track in good condition.
Commenced tax/census 1.30 p.m. - interrupted by heavy showers and
census not completed until 4.30 pm. Large number absentee
labourers. Approx. 49% of labour potential.
Medical Assistant examined population - some serious cases to
YANGORU hospital. Med. Asst. addressed villagers stressing benefits
that would accrue from pregnancy confinements at YANGORU and
after care for children born would reduce infant mortality rate -
Village inspected - some decayed housing ordered to be removed.
Complaints of minor nature heard and amicably settled between
parties concerned. Returned BUKINARA late afternoon.

TUESDAY - 24th JUNE '58.

First KABCIBUS village BUBUAMO adjacent to BUKINARA.
Population assembled latter village 8 a.m.
Carried out tax/census. 30% lab. pot, absent.
Medically examined and health reported as good.
No complaints. Village inspected - 5 mins walk - dirty and in poor
condition - remedied under police supervision.
To ALISU .arr. 1p.m. Still on vehicular road - fair condition.
Conducted tax/census - 40% males absent employment.
Medical examination and village inspection - health stated as good
and housing and sanitation satisfactory.
Minor complaints settled.
To KARAGAMAN - arr. 4p.m. Left vehicular road and proceeded over
cut motor cycle track in good condition.

WEDNESDAY - 25th JUNE '58.

Conducted tax/census KARAGAMAN - 30% able bodied males absent.
Inspected village and hamlets - poor state - remedied under police
supervision.
One CNA inquiry involving assault dismissed.
To NIMBIHU - road well graded and wide. Arr. 11a.m.
Carried out tax/census. -40% labour potential absent.
Inspected - satisfactory all aspects. No complaints.
Returned KARAGAMAN.
Compiling T/R. Tax/census sheets exhausted. Self and Mr. McGARRY to
MAPRIK per motor cycle 3 p.m. to obtain supply. Arr. MAPRIK 4.30 p.m.
With Mr. A. D. O. CAREY until 5.30 p.m.

DIARY (cont'd.)

THURSDAY -26th JUNE'58.

At MAPRIK til 1 p.m.
Returned KARAGAMAN. Arr. 2.30 p.m.
Remainder afternoon compiling T/R's.

FRIDAY - 27th JUNE'58.

To YANGORU to be present official visit District Commissioner, Mr. COLE and District Education Officer Mr. BARRON for opening YANGORU school.

Remained at YANGORU until 8th July'58 to be present for official visit Assistant Administrator Dr. GUNTHER and District Commissioner Mr. COLE.

TUESDAY - 8th JULY '58.

Returned KARAGAMAN late afternoon.

WEDNESDAY -9th JULY'58.

Remained at KARAGAMAN compiling T/Rs , and preparing Receipts and Exemptions.

THURSDAY -10th JULY('58.

To MALAPAIEM Village - road good condition. Arr. 8 a.m.
Carried out tax/census - 23% labour potential absent.
Village inspection revealed it to be satisfactory in all aspects.
Medical Assistant examined population and reported health good.
Minor complaints heard and settled.
To YABOMINU Village - Arr. 12 a.m. Road good.
Conducted tax/census - good birth rate - 30% labour potential absent.
Good health and village clean and well kept. All aspects satisfactory.

FRIDAY - 11th JULY'58.

To AHIGLIUM - road poor and instructions for maintenance.
Carried out tax/census - 48% labour potential absent.
Inspected village - state of disrepair and improvements effected under police supervision. Minor complaints settled.
To ILIPAEM - Arr. 10 a.m. Population of adjacent village ULUNKHOITU had assembled at ILIPAEM. Tax/census ULUNKHOITU - 15% labour potential absent. Tax/census ILIPAEM - 34% labour potential absent.
Medical Assistant reported health good both populations.
Inspection both villages revealed housing sanitation and general cleanliness as satisfactory.
Two minor complaints settled. Compiling T/Rs and V.P.R.s.
Mr. McGARRY and self paid courtesy call to Roman Catholic Mission station at ULUPU under charge Father KNORR late afternoon.

SATURDAY - 12th JULY'58.

Mr. McGARRY departed ILIPAEM 7.30 am to visit Medical Officer MAPRIK.
Self to KABOIBUS village Arr. 8 a.m. Vehicular road met again near ILIPAEM village. In fair condition.
Tax/census ILIPAEM . 34% labour potential absent.
Spate of minor complaints heard and settled.
Village inspected and in satisfactory condition.
Mr. McGARRY returned 1 pm. and medically examined population.
Reported health good.
Mr. McGARRY to ~~MAPRIK~~ YANGORU.
Remainder of day spent in compiling T/R and V.P.R.

DIARY. (cont'd.)

SUNDAY - JULY 13th '58.

Observed.

MONDAY 14th JULY '58.

To BANAHITAM. Arr. 8am. Village short distance off main road. Latter in reasonable condition. Poor surface.

Tax/census conducted - 40% labour potential absent.

Inspected village - all aspects up to standard.

Two minor complaints settled between parties concerned.

To BELAGEL .Arr. 11a.m. - poor road and instructions given for re-construction and maintenance.

Conducted tax/census.

Inspected village and found satisfactory in all aspects.

No complaints.

Mr. McGARRY returned BELAGEL 3p.m. Latter to BANAHITAM for medical examination population and return to BELAGEL.

Health stated as good in both instances.

TUESDAY - JULY 15th '58.

To KAIRIRU - Arr. 8.15 a.m. - road good.

Conducted tax/census - only 16% labour potential absent.

Inspected village - much decayed housing ordered removed - effected under police supervision.

Population nearby DUNIGI village assembled and tax/census carried out. Greatest percentage absent labour potential - 51%.

Medical Assistant examined both populations. Health good in both instances.

DUNIGI inspected - most unsatisfactory and population effecting repairs to sanitation and cleaning generally for remainder of day under police supervision.

Many minor complaints involving both villages heard and settled.

WEDNESDAY - JULY 16th '58.

At KAIRIRU - compiling T/R's and V.P.R. s.

THURSDAY - JULY 17th '58.

At KAIRIRU - completed T/Rs and V.P.R. s various villages and departed for YANGORU 11 a.m. via KUMBUHUN/BUKINARA/HIMBURU/KWAI-AN/KUMUN/ KUVARI villages. Patrol completed.

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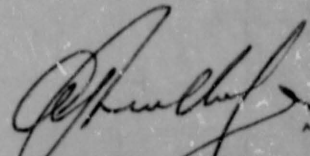
YANGORU PATROL NO.1 OF 1958/59.

KUMUN/KABOIRUS CENSUS DIVISIONS

SUMMARY.

The general native situation is satisfactory and static, remaining much the same as that reported on by Mr. COPELY in his Patrol Report No.2 of 1956/57. Most observations would require routine reporting only and thus only one has been raised by memorandum. This concerns the large numbers of absentee labourers and has been fully covered in my 14/1/1 of the 18th July 1958. No new trends in thought or action are evident in the political, social or economic fields. The type of complaint was almost without exception concerned with debt payments over pigs, brides or ~~the~~ loans of shell money "rings".

Initial tax collections were well received in all communities.


C.A. Trollope
Patrol Officer.

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The District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

16th September, 1959

PATROL REPORT - YANGORU No.7/58-59

I agree with the policy expressed in your second paragraph. In any case, it is difficult to attain friendly, and personal contact while acting in the dual capacity of tax-gatherer and census-taker.

To my mind it is preferable that the land owners and land users come to mutually satisfactory settlements in the way you describe, than to alienate areas and lease blocks after the European pattern. There is a real danger in the latter policy for the future.

Mortality ratio is excellent for such an area.

Mr. Corrigan writes a good report and this one indicates that he is also an officer of considerable discernment, with keen interest in the job.

A.A. Roberts
(A. A. Roberts)
Director

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

30/I
Patrol Post,
YANGORU,
Sepik District,
29th. June, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer,
MAPRIK.

YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO.7 OF 1958/59

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

J.C. Corrigan
Patrol Officer Gr. I

AREA PATROLLED:

YANGORU EAST, WINGEI and
NINDEPOLYE Census Divisions.

OBJECT OF PATROL:

- (1) Collection of tax
- (2) Census Revision
- (3) Routine Administration.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY:

Four constables, R.P. & N.G.C.

DURATION OF PATROL:

From 14/5/59 to ²³23/5/59
" " 26/5/59 to ²⁹29/5/59
" " 7/6/59 to ¹³13/6/59
" " 16/6/59 to ¹⁶16/6/59
TOTAL: Twenty three (23) days
~~SEVEN~~ ²⁴ ~~27~~ ²⁶

INTRODUCTION:

This patrol, primarily for the purposes of census revision and tax collection, was undertaken in the YANGORU EAST, WINGEI and NINDEPOLYE census divisions, administered from YANGORU Patrol Post.

Most of the villages covered by the patrol are adjacent to, or sited close to, the trunk road connecting WEWAK to WAPRIK. The terrain through which the patrol passed consisted of grassed slopes, interspersed with patches of forest and secondary growth and interlaced with shallow perennial watercourses. The whole area lies between the Prince Alexander Range and the Sepik Plains.

Apart from three days, the patrol experienced fine weather. The patrol was interrupted for a period of one week because of the writer contracting a bout of influenza. There were no unusual incidents of any note, and the patrol was received well in all villages.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

Throughout the area traversed by the patrol, the native affairs situation is as static as it was ten years ago, after the chaos and disorder caused by the Japanese occupation had been settled.

The present system of administration is the conventional luluai-tultul system of direct rule and this system appears to function here just as well as in most other areas of the Territory. The general pattern is one of Administration headmen attempting to put into effect, orders and instructions coming from European officers, and nothing more than the usual standard of mediocrity is obtained.

To this, however, there are several exceptions such as HAUWINA and UNDAMANI, luluais of MARUMBANJA and PAIMARU respectively. Although these two are domiciled outside the divisions covered by the patrol, their influence extends into both the YANGORU EAST and NINDEPOLYE divisions. These two possess not only nominal powers of leadership conferred on them through their official positions as luluais, but they also have the necessary equipment, both in intelligence and strength of character to carry on effective administration.

Due to the nature of the patrol, one in which the primary object was the collection of tax and census revision, practical native affairs administration, along the lines normally achieved during a non-tax and consequently more leisurely patrol, was not possible. As can be seen in the patrol diary, from two to four villages were assembled on one day, taxed, censused and then the patrol moved onto further villages where the pattern was repeated. In an attempt to counteract this unsatisfactory situation, several days were set aside specifically for the purpose of native administration, which consisted almost entirely of arbitration in disputes concerned with bride price and pig purchases.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

(a) Subsistence Agriculture:

The subsistence pattern is based on the universal bush fallow rotation existing at present in the Territory. Here there is little worthy of mention save that the staple crops are yams, mami and taro; these are in turn supplemented by bananas, sweet potato, sago, Chinese cabbage, peanuts, tomatoes, spring onions and beans.

At present all villages are experiencing an annual seasonal deficiency in supplies of foodstuffs from their gardens, but they are overcoming this difficulty by drawing on supplies of sago, plentiful throughout the area, and of bananas, ~~are~~ so planted that they are due for harvesting at a time co-inciding with this annual deficiency.

When asked if they had any fear of wide scale famine setting in, village officials expressed no concern, stating the shortage was an annual happening and that they had made provision for it.

(b) Livestock:

Pigs, after almost being eradicated completely by the Japanese during their occupation, are slowly increasing in numbers, although the cost of this increase has been exorbitant. The price of an average sized pig is now £25 and this inflationary trend is the root cause of much petty litigation concerning pig purchases and bride price, causing considerable strife and ill-feeling among villagers. Even Iuluais and tultuls, when involved in these disputes, forget their positions and blindly take sides, arguing the case for close relatives or villagers under their jurisdiction, whilst not being in full possession of the facts.

Fowls can be seen in some villages though they are not very plentiful and are a rarity.

Dogs are used in hunting pigs, and in so doing, make a useful contribution to the native diet, for wild pigs are plentiful and the villagers have evolved quite an effective hunting technique. Whilst on the subject of diet, further useful contributions to the protein intake of these people are made through the use of nets slung between tall trees and which prove quite effective in ensnaring birds and flying foxes.

(c) Commercial Agriculture:

Villagers are engaged at present in peanut and rice cultivation, and there is also potential for castor cultivation. Attempts to date to introduce Rural Progress Societies, have not met with much success. There was one established at NINDEPOLYE, associated with rice cultivation, but interest in rice unfortunately waned, and it was found necessary to liquidate the Society.

Another attempt to institute a society, was the BAUIMO R.P.S situated close to YANGORU, associated with peanut and rice cultivation, but with peanuts occupying a more important position than rice. This Society, though still in operation, has been found to be unwieldy—it is founded upon £1 shares, with a greater proportion of non-effective members as compared with those actually engaged in commercial activity and is in the process of being liquidated.

Yet another attempt is to be launched in the near future to institute a third society, but based upon £5 shares, will have the benefit gained through mistakes of the two previous societies, and provided a stable market for peanuts and possibly castor, can be assured, there is every indication that this third Society will meet with more success than either of its two predecessors.

MISSIONS

The effect of missions upon the spiritual life of the people has been very slight. Polygamy is common, litigation over bride wealth and divorce rife, and the TAMBERAN CULT with many of its themes repugnant to Christian principles, extends throughout the WINGEI Division, and into part of the NINDEPOLYE Division. Further to this, initiation ceremonies, doing more physical than psychological damage, are still practised, and show no signs of abating.

Amongst these people, the only deterrents against wrongdoers, stem not from any Christian conscientiousness of guilt, but rather from the Territory wide sanctions of reciprocity, shame, the fear of public criticism and retaliation through sorcery.

Missionary organisations operating in the area, are the Assemblies of God with European staffed stations at YANGORU and WINGEI, and the Catholics with European staffed stations at YANGORU and WARRABUNG. In addition, these two organisations operate small catechists' schools in several villages throughout the area. Seven Day Adventists, whilst not having any European staffed stations in the area, have ~~xxxtatium~~ ~~xxxxxx~~ three catechists' schools.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

At present all villages with the exceptions of six villages in the NIAGOMBI MUSUWAGEN area are engaged upon maintenance of

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the WEWAK MAPRIK trunk road, and are carrying out operations concerned with regrading of the surface, cleaning the road boundaries, drainage and replacing of culverts. As a result of this activity, the road has shown a marked improvement and the passage of vehicles has been greatly facilitated.

A further trunk road is that from YANGORU to SASSOIYA in the WEWAK Sub-District, but maintenance to this road has not been carried out to the same extent as on that of the WEWAK MAPRIK road, as it is very rarely used. To the writer's knowledge no vehicles have been over this road in the last twelve months. However, in spite of the lack of maintenance, under favourable weather conditions, this road is still trafficable.

Due to most of the road maintenance activity being concentrated on the main trunk road, many of the inter-village bridle paths have suffered from a lack of maintenance. This situation will be remedied, once the overhaul on the trunk road has been completed, when villagers will have an opportunity to devote some time to the maintenance of these bridle paths.

VILLAGES AND HOUSING

House types vary throughout the area patrolled. In the YANGORU EAST Division, dwelling houses are patterned on the ~~coastal~~ coastal types to be found in the WEWAK Sub-District and are preferable to those found in the WINGEI NINDEPOLYE Divisions, where house types are patterned on the tapered semi-elliptical structures found in the MAPRIK area. Generally, houses comply with the recognised standards as set out in the Native Administration Regulations, but to this there were exceptions, principally in the NIAGOMBI MUSUWAGEN area, where quite a large number were condemned and orders issued for their replacement.

Village surroundings were satisfactory in most cases but there were instances, again in the NIAGOMBI MUSUWAGEN area, where all was not as it should be. The principal fault is a failure to clear the bush separating the ~~small~~ small scattered hamlets, often no more than fifty yards apart. It was obvious that cemeteries were not being maintained and that latrines, although built, were not being used. There have been a number of dysentery epidemics throughout the area in post war years, and this can be attributed directly to the lack of use of latrines. In spite of previous officers continually attempting to impress upon villagers the hygiene value of latrines, villages are still apathetic to the use of latrines, preferring instead the more convenient bush or nearby watercourses.

Further unsatisfactory features of village structures are the numerous small hovels used by women for menstruation and child birth. Villagers were advised that use of these hovels was ~~an~~ extremely unhygienic, and had a deleterious effect on the general health of women. Many of these structures were ordered to be demolished and structures of a higher standard were to be constructed, or not at all. Here, however, one is faced with a particular strong form of cultural behaviour and it will take considerable time and much propaganda before this unsatisfactory situation can be eradicated.

CENSUS

Throughout all areas, an overall natural increase of births (261 recorded) over deaths (79 recorded) amounting to 182, was recorded. The overall increases in population for the three divisions are tabulated below:-

YANGORU EAST	95
WINGEI	34
NINDEPOLYE	30
TOTAL	<u>159.</u>

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Tuesday, 19th May 1959.

To HAUMBUGWE, tax/census HAUMBUGWE, ABAUIA.
At HAUMBUGWE.

Wednesday, 20th May 1959.

To NIAGOMBI. Tax/census NIAGOMBI, NKIMO,
WAZEAMB A. At NIAGOMBI.

Thursday, 21st May 1959.

Tax/census NIMBOGU, MUSUWAGEN, KWALEGUN.
At Niagombi.

Friday, 22nd May 1959.

Village inspection of NIAGOMBI, KWALEGUN,
MUSUWAGEN, NKIMO, NIMBOGU, WAREAMBA. At NIAGOMBI.

Saturday, 23rd May 1959.

To YANGORU.

24th.-25th May 1959.

At YANGORU.

Tuesday, 26th May 1959.

To Nyakandogan. Tax/census NYAKANDOGAN,
KININIAN, YEKIMBOLYE I. At NYAKANDOGAN.

Wednesday, 27th May, 1959.

At NYAKANDOGAN. Tax/census SASANAMBOGU,
KININIMBOGU, KARAGOA. At NYAKANDOGAN.

Thursday, 28th May 1959.

Inspection of all Villages censused from
NYAKANDOGAN.

Friday, 29th May 1959

At NYAKANDOGAN. Many disputes arbitrated.

Saturday, 30th. May 1959.

To YANGORU.

Sunday 31st to May to ~~XXXX~~ Sunday 7th. June.

At YANGORU.

Monday, 8th. June 1959.

To SUONAMBO.

Tuesday, 9th. June 1959

BUGITU, WALANGAI.

At SUONAMBO. Tax/census SUONAMBO, BEPANDU,

Wednesday, 10th. June 1959.

WINGEI II.

At SUONAMBO. Tax/census MAMBOWRU, WINGEII,

Thursday, 11th. June 1959.

At GWINYINGI.

To GWINYINGI. Naive disputes arbitrated.

Friday, 12th. June 1959.

GWINYINGI.

At GWINYINGI. Tax/census WAGUPMA, BALMO,

Saturday, 13th. June 1959.

To BOIM. Tax/census AGINGUN, SARA.

Sunday, 14th. June 1959.

To YANGORU.

Monday, 15th. June 1959.

for BOIM.

Departed YANGORU 1700 per Admin. vehicle

Tuesday, 16th. June 1959

At BOIM. Tax/census BOIM, KWOLYIK.

Wednesday, 17th. June 1959.

NAMBARI I, NAMBARI II.

To NAMBARI I. Tax/census NINDEPOLYE, YARABEIM,

Thursday, 18th. June 1959.

At NAMBARI I. Native disputes heard.

Wednesday, 19th. June 1959.

To YANGORU.

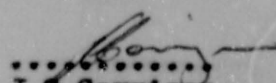
APPENDIX A (YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO.7 1958/59.)

MEDICAL AND HEALTH

All villages visited by the patrol are within half a day's walk from YANGORU where there is an Administration operated hospital under the supervision of a European Medical Assistant, and to every ^{of} on an average, six villages there is a trained Aid Post Orderly. Consequently the general health situation is satisfactory. The most common afflictions ~~amongst~~ amongst these people are small sores, tropical ulcers and tinea, all of which conditions, the A.P.Os are capable of attending to.

At present influenza is rife amongst these people and has reached mild epidemic proportions. There have been a number of deaths reported to have been caused by 'flu, but the majority of these cases have been aged natives, where lack of resistance coupled with old age, leave them easy prey to this affliction.

A total of 35 children under thirteen died since the last census in October of last year, but with the advent of infant welfare teams based on MAPRIK working through the area in the near future, infant mortality will be considerably reduced.


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Patrol Officer Gr.I

APPENDIX B (WANGORU PATROL REPORT NO. 7 1958/59)

EDUCATION

Education in the three divisions covered by the patrol lies almost entirely in the Catholic and Assemblies of God Missions. Exceptions to this are two catechist schools operated by native Seven Day Adventists, and a small number of boys attending the Administration school at BAINYK. Mission headquarters for the A.O.G. Mission are at YANGORU and WINGEI, whilst Catholic headquarters are at YANGORU and WARRABUNG.

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APPENDIX C (YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO.7 1958/59)

REPORT ON MEMBERS R.P.&N.G.CONSTABULARY

NO. 3411 Const Celoboyan:

A good policeman who when given a task performs it well. He has a very good command, considerable local knowledge, conducts himself well and his length of service warrants a long overdue promotion to L/Cpl.

NO. 5489B Const. Ingiga:

An efficient policeman, conduct good, command good, has considerable local knowledge.

NO. 7623 Const. Daruan:

A steady and reliable member: conduct and command good.

NO. 8262 Const. Kamru:

A keen and capable member: conduct and command good.

J.C. Corrigan
P.O. Gr. I , O.R.P.N.&G

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1958/59

YANGON EAST CENSUS DIVISION

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES	Size of Family	TOTALS (excluding a ¹ -ate)				GRAND TOTAL			
				0-1 Mth.		0-1 Year		1-4		5-8		9-13		Over 15		Females in Child Birth	IN		OUT		At Work		STUDENTS		MALES		FEMALES			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				
HARIPMOR	15-5-59	3	1			1	1							1	1			4	1							10	46	14	52	2	52	34	34	35	43	57	174
YERIMBOLYE II	15-5-59	1	1		1			1										1		1	8					10	32	17	27	1	27	32	22	16	30	31	111
SHONDO	15-5-59	1						1										3			5					3	27	6	25		25	31	13	17	27	28	90
INAGOMBI	15-5-59	1			1												1				2					8	24	10	25	1	25	32	14	21	30	28	95
HARUNA	16-5-59	5	2				1							1							6					23	51	19	66	1	66	31	44	32	56	79	217
WAMPOM	16-5-59	3	5										1	1	3			3	2	20						19	67	16	54	2	54	33	35	48	62	64	234
MUNDJI	18-5-59	11	3				1							1	2			1		12						21	57	21	78	1	78	34	67	66	95	93	334
SEGWORO	18-5-59	2												1				3	1		5		1			15	20	8	26		26	34	18	21	21	33	100
HAUMBALWE	19-5-59	5	9											1				2	2	5	6	11		4		21	86	27	77	1	77	33	45	62	75	42	308
ABQUIA	19-5-59	10	2		1													1		2	2	5				23	60	18	59	4	59	34	53	44	63	71	240
NEIMO	20-5-59	6					1							3				1	2		3	7				20	57	17	47	2	47	36	48	43	57	58	210
NIAGOMBI	20-5-59	4	3												1	3	8	8	11			1	4			15	63	17	51	3	51	32	38	24	56	52	206
WAREMBA	20-5-59	1	2														1		9					5	1	10	32	7	34	1	34	33	26	18	27	41	128
KWALEGAN	21-5-59	1	3																	4			1			10	32	14	31	1	31	36	24	30	32	36	127
MUSUNGEN	21-5-59	2	1		1								1	1	1			5	3	10	4			1		20	62	23	58	1	58	32	41	34	60	69	229
NIMBOGA	21-5-59	1	3		1	1								2	2			2	3	3	2					26	52	24	55		55	35	42	48	59	64	221
NYAKINDOHAN	21-5-59	2	4				2							1	1			2			14		1			18	64	14	55	3	55	34	39	49	62	67	232
YERIMBOLYE I	26-5-59	3					1							1				1	2		1					15	40	7	38	2	38	31	27	20	42	44	142

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						M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					M	F	M	F		
KININI'AN	26.5.59	2	1				1									1	2			1				13	27	14	26	2	26	33	20	24	32	38	118	
SASANAMBO	27.5.59		2											1	1	1		3						9	28	12	21	21	33	13	22	32	27	97		
KINIBOGU	27.5.59	4	2							1							8							9	24	9	24	2	24	34	21	24	28	38	119	
KARAGO	27.5.59	1	1							1	1	1	1		1	3	4						1	6	26	8	21	1	21	37	19	21	23	25	97	
TOTAL		69	45		3	3	3	6	2		13	6	2	11	26	4	14	47	27	5	4	1	1	16	3	324	1007	950	950	33	703	723	1012	1138	3833	
<u>1958/59</u>		<u>WINDYDOUW WINGEI CENSUS DIVISION</u>																																		
BEPANDU	9.6.59	1	4							3	2				1	5	1	7	18	1				24	86	15	72	5	72	30	42	42	76	83	270	
SUONAMBO	9.6.59	2	1							1					1	2	1	4	10					10	66	8	56	5	56	29	33	28	61	67	203	
BUGITU	9.6.59	4								4					2	2	2	1	4			3		8	56	20	54	2	54	29	22	36	60	62	188	
WARANGAI	9.6.59	1								1					1	3	2							7	25	8	15		15	30	11	14	26	26	82	
MAMBOKU	10.6.59	4	2			1				2					3	5	1	3	9		2			22	63	5	53	2	53	31	38	26	63	57	198	
WINGEI NOT	10.6.59	7		1		1		1							1	6	2	1	6		1			30	94	23	83	5	83	31	53	53	106	92	312	
WINGEI NOT	10.6.59	2	2														2	1	3					9	48	8	41	7	41	30	28	20	54	51	157	
WAGUPMA	12.6.59	3	4												2	5	1	3	5	8				8	48	11	41		41	30	24	5	42	44	146	
TOTAL		20	21		1	1	1	1	2	1	11	2		8	26	4	13	24	6	1	6			115	486	98	415	21	415	30	205	238	546	458	1556	

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DEPT. NATIVE AFFAIRS

17 JUL 1959

WEWAK
SEPIK DISTRICT

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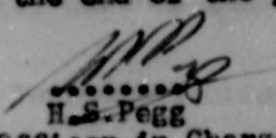
Sub-District Office,
MAPRIK,
Sepik District.
13th. July, 1959.

The District Officer,
WEWAK,
Sepik District.

YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO. 7 OF 1958/59 -
J.C. CORRIGAN PATROL OFFICER

This routine Tax/Census Patrol appears to have been conducted efficiently by Mr. Corrigan, and requires no comment.

The patrol program for YANGORU is progressing favourably and the areas covered by Mr. Corrigan should be able to be covered by another Patrol before the end of the year.


H.S. Pegg
Officer-in Charge

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Patrol Post,
YANGORU,
Sepik District,
29th. June, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer,
MAPRIK.

YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO. 7 OF 1958/59

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

J.C. Corrigan
Patrol Officer Gr. I

AREA PATROLLED:

YANGORU EAST, WINGEI and
NINDEPOLYE Census Divisions.

OBJECT OF PATROL:

- (1) Collection of tax
- (2) Census Revision
- (3) Routine Administration.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY:

Four constables, R.P. & N.G.C.

DURATION OF PATROL:

From 14/5/59 to 22/5/59
" " 26/5/59 to 29/5/59
" " 7/6/59 to 15/6/59
" " 16/6/59 to 18/6/59
TOTAL: Twenty three (23) days
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INTRODUCTION:

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Apart from three days, the patrol experienced fine weather. The patrol was interrupted for a period of one week because of the writer contracting a bout of influenza. There were no unusual incidents of any note, and the patrol was received well in all villages.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

Throughout the area traversed by the patrol, the native affairs situation is as static as it was ten years ago, after the chaos and disorder caused by the Japanese occupation had been settled.

The present system of administration is the conventional luluai-tultul system of direct rule and this system appears to function here just as well as in most other areas of the Territory. The general pattern is one of Administration headmen attempting to put into effect, orders and instructions coming from European officers, and nothing more than the usual standard of mediocrity is obtained.

To this, however, there are several exceptions such as HAUWINA and UNDAMANI, luluais of MARUMBANJA and PAIMARU respectively. Although these two are domiciled outside the divisions covered by the patrol, their influence extends into both the YANGORU EAST and NINDEPOLYE divisions. These two possess not only nominal powers of leadership conferred on them through their official positions as luluais, but they also have the necessary equipment, both in intelligence and strength of character to carry on effective administration.

Due to the nature of the patrol, one in which the primary object was the collection of tax and census revision, practical native affairs administration, along the lines normally followed during a non-tax and consequently more leisurely patrol, was not possible. As can be seen in the patrol diary, from two to four villages were assembled on one day, taxed, censused and then the patrol moved on to further villages where the pattern was repeated. In an attempt to counteract this unsatisfactory situation, several days were set aside specifically for the purpose of native administration, which consisted almost entirely of arbitration of disputes concerned with bride price and pig purchases.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

(a) Subsistence Agriculture:

The subsistence pattern is based on the universal bush fallow rotation existing at present in the Territory. Here there is little worthy of mention save that the staple crops are yams, mani and taro; these are in turn supplemented by bananas, sweet potato, sago, Chinese cabbage, peanuts, tomatoes, spring onions and beans.

At present all villages are experiencing an annual seasonal deficiency in supplies of foodstuffs from their gardens, but they are overcoming this difficulty by drawing on supplies of sago, plentiful throughout the area, and of bananas, now so planted that they are due for harvesting at a time coinciding with this annual deficiency.

When asked if they had any fears of wide scale famine setting in, village officials expressed no concern, stating the shortage was an annual happening and that they had made provision for it.

(b) Livestock:

Pigs, after a lincost being eradicated completely by the Japanese during their occupation, are slowly increasing in numbers, although the cost of this increase has been exorbitant. The price of an average sized pig is now £25 and this inflationary trend is the root cause of much petty litigation concerning pig purchases and bride price, causing considerable strife and ill-feeling among villagers. Even luluais and tultuls, when involved in these disputes, forget their positions and blindly take sides, arguing the case for close relatives or villagers under their jurisdiction, whilst not being in full possession of the facts.

Fowls can be seen in some villages though they are not very plentiful and are a rarity.

Dogs are used in hunting pigs, and in so doing, make a useful contribution to the native diet, for wild pigs are plentiful and the villagers have evolved quite an effective hunting technique. Whilst on the subject of diet, further useful contributions to the protein intake of these people are made through the use of nets slung between tall trees and which prove quite effective in ensnaring birds and flying foxes.

(c) Commercial Agriculture:

Villagers are engaged at present in peanut and rice cultivation, and there is also potential for castor cultivation. Attempts to date to introduce Rural Progress Societies, have not met with much success. There was one established at NIJDEPOLYE, associated with rice cultivation, but interest in rice unfortunately waned, and it was found necessary to liquidate the Society.

Another attempt to institute a society, was the BAUMO R.P.S. situated close to YANGORU, associated with peanut and rice cultivation, but with peanuts occupying a more important position than rice. This Society, though still in operation, has been found to be unwieldy—it is founded upon 31 shares, with a greater proportion of non-effective members as compared with those actually engaged in commercial activity and is in the process of being liquidated.

Yet another attempt is to be launched in the near future to institute a third society, but based upon 25 shares, will have the benefit gained through mistakes of the two previous societies, and provided a stable market for peanuts and possibly castors, can be assured, there is every indication that this third Society will meet with more success than either of its two predecessors.

MISSIONS

The effect of missions upon the spiritual life of the people has been very slight. Polygamy is common, litigation over bride wealth and divorce rife, and the TAMBERAN CULT with many of its themes repugnant to Christian principles, extends throughout the WINGEI Division, and into part of the NIJDEPOLYE Division. Further to this, initiation ceremonies, doing more physical than psychological damage, are still practised, and show no signs of abating.

Amongst these people, the only deterrents against wrongdoers, stem not from any Christian conscientiousness of guilt, but rather from the Territory wide sanctions of reciprocity, shame, the fear of public criticism and retaliation through sorcery.

Missionary organisations operating in the area are the Assemblies of God with European staffed stations at YANGORU and WINGEI, and the Catholics with European staffed stations at YANGORU and WARRABUNG. In addition, these two organisations operate small catechists' schools. In several villages throughout the area Seven Day Adventists, whilst not having any European staffed stations in the area, have ~~operated~~ operated three catechists' schools.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

At present all villages with the exceptions of six villages in the NIAGOMI MUSUWAGEN area are engaged upon maintenance of

the WEWAK MAPRIK trunk road, and are carrying out operations concerned with regrading of the surface, cleaning the road boundaries, drainage and replacing of culverts. As a result of this activity, the road has shown a marked improvement and the passage of vehicles has been greatly facilitated.

A further trunk road is that from YANGORU to SASSOIYA in the WEWAK Sub-District, but maintenance to this road has not been carried out to the same extent as on that of the WEWAK MAPRIK road, as it is very rarely used. To the writer's knowledge no vehicles have been over this road in the last twelve months. However, in spite of the lack of maintenance, under favourable weather conditions, this road is still trafficable.

Due to most of the road maintenance activity being concentrated on the main trunk road, many of the inter-village bridle paths have suffered from a lack of maintenance. This situation will be remedied, once the overhaul on the trunk road has been completed, when villagers will have an opportunity to devote some time to the maintenance of these bridle paths.

VILLAGES AND HOUSING

House types vary throughout the area patrolled. In the YANGORU EAST Division, dwelling houses are patterned on the ~~xxxxx~~ coastal types to be found in the WEWAK Sub-District and are preferable to those found in the WINGEI NINDEPOLYE Divisions, where house types are patterned on the tapered semi-elliptical structures found in the MAPRIK area. Generally, houses comply with the recognised standards as set out in the Native Administration Regulations, but to this there were exceptions, principally in the NIAGOMBI MUSUWAGEN area, where quite a large number were condemned and orders issued for their replacement.

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CENSUS

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Tax/census Mundji and SEGNORO. At MUNDJI.

Tuesday. 19th. May 1959.

To HAUMBUOWE, tax/census HAUMBUOWE, CABAUJA.
At HAUMBUOWE.

Wednesday. 20th. May 1959.

To NIAGOMBI. Tax/census NIAGOMBI, NEIMO,
WARRAMBA. At NIAGOMBI.

Thursday. 21st. May 1959.

Tax/census NIMBOGU, MUSUWAGEN, KWALEGUN.
At Niagombi.

Friday. 22nd. May 1959.

Village inspection of NIAGOMBI, KWALEGUN,
MUSUWAGEN, NEIMO, NIMBOGU, WARRAMBA. At NIAGOMBI.

Saturday. 23rd. May 1959.

To YANGORU.

24th.-25th May 1959.

At YANGORU.

Tuesday. 26th. May 1959.

To Nyakandogan. Tax/census NYAKANDOGAN,
KININIAN, YEKIMBOLYE I. At NYAKANDOGAN.

Wednesday. 27th. May. 1959.

At NYAKANDOGAN. Tax/census SASANAMBOGU,
KININIMBOGU, KARAGGA. At NYAKANDOGAN.

Thursday. 28th. May 1959.

Inspection of all Villages censused from
NYAKANDOGAN.

Friday. 29th. May 1959

At NYAKANDOGAN. Many disputes arbitrated.

Saturday, 30th. May 1959.

To YANGORU.

Sunday 31st to May to ~~Depart~~ Sunday 7th. June.

At YANGORU.

Monday, 8th. June 1959.

To SUONAMBO.

Tuesday, 9th. June 1959

At SUONAMBO. Tax/census SUONAMBO, BEPANDU,
BUGITU, WALANGAI.

Wednesday, 10th. June 1959.

At SUONAMBO. Tax/census MAMBOWRU, WINGEII,
WINGEII II.

Thursday, 11th. June 1959.

At GWINYINGI. Naive disputes arbitrated.

Friday, 12th. June 1959.

At GWINYINGI. Tax/census WAGUPPE, BALMO,
GWINYINGI.

Saturday, 13th. June 1959.

To BOIM. Tax/census ACINGUN, SARA.

Sunday, 14th. June 1959.

To YANGORU.

Monday, 15th. June 1959.

Departed YANGORU 1700 per Admin. vehicle
for BOIM.

Tuesday, 16th. June 1959

At BOIM. Tax/census BOIM, KWOLYIK.

Wednesday, 17th. June 1959.

At NAMBARI I. Tax/census WINDROPOLYE, YARABEIM,
NAMBARI I, NAMBARI II.

Thursday, 18th. June 1959.

At NAMBARI I. Native disputes heard.

Wednesday, 19th. June 1959.

To YANGORU.

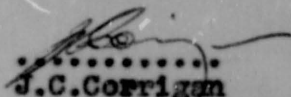
APPENDIX A (YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO.7 1958/59.)

MEDICAL AND HEALTH

All villages visited by the patrol are within half a day's walk from YANGORU where there is an Administration operated hospital under the supervision of a European Medical Assistant, and to every of, on an average, six villages there is a trained Aid Post Orderly. Consequently the general health situation is satisfactory. The most common afflictions amongst these people are small sores, tropical ulcers and tinea, all of which conditions, the A.P.Os are capable of attending to.

At present influenza is rife amongst these people and has reached mild epidemic proportions. There have been a number of deaths reported to have been caused by 'flu, but the majority of these cases have been aged natives, where lack of resistance coupled with old age, leave them easy prey to this affliction.

A total of 35 children under thirteen died since the last census in October of last year, but with the advent of infant welfare teams based on MAPRIK working through the area in the near future, infant mortality will be considerably reduced.


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J.C. Corrigan

Patrol Officer Gr.I

APPENDIX B (WANGORU PATROL REPORT NO. 7 1958/59)

EDUCATION

Education in the three divisions covered by the patrol lies almost entirely in the Catholic and Assemblies of God Missions. Exceptions to this are two catechist schools operated by native Seven Day Adventists, and a small number of boys attending the Administration school at BAINYK. Mission headquarters for the A.O.G. Mission are at YANGORU and WINGEI, whilst Catholic headquarters are at YANGORU and WARRABUNG.

The only effective education carried out in the area is given at the various mission headquarters, and there rarely do students attain more than Gr. III, where supervision by Europeans do attain some positive results. Those schools operated by native missionaries achieve nothing more than keeping children out of mischief, and providing a break in the otherwise monotonous round of village life.

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J.C. Corrigan

Patrol Officer Gr. I

APPENDIX C (YANGORU PATROL REPORT NO.7 1958/59)

REPORT ON MEMBERS R.P.A.N.G. CONSTABULARY

NO. 3411 Const Celoboyan:

A good policeman who when given a task performs it well. He has a very good command, considerable local knowledge, conducts himself well and his length of service warrants a long overdue promotion to L/Cpl.

NO. 5489B Const. Ingiga:

An efficient policeman, conduct good, command good, has considerable local knowledge.

NO. 7623 Const. Daruan:

A steady and reliable member: conduct and command good.

NO. 8262 Const. Kamru:

A keen and capable member: conduct and command good.

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J.C. Corrigan
P.O. Gr. I , O.R.P.N.G.C

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1958/59

YANGORU EAST CENSUS DIVISION

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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	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
HARIPMOR	15.5.59	3	1			1	1							1	1			4	1									10	46	14	52	2	52	34	34	35	43	57	174		
YEHIMBOUYE II	15.5.59	1	1			1				1								1		1		8						10	32	12	27	1	27	32	22	16	30	34	111		
SUONDO	15.5.59	1						1										3				5						3	27	6	25	25	31	13	17	27	28	90			
INAGOMBI	15.5.59	1				1														1		2						8	24	10	25	1	25	32	14	21	30	28	95		
HARUNA	16.5.59	5	2					1										1				6						23	51	19	66	1	66	31	44	32	58	75	213		
WARTIM	16.5.59	3	5											1				1	3			3	2	20				14	67	16	54	2	54	33	35	48	62	64	234		
MUNDJI	18.5.59	11	3					1						1				1	2			1	12					21	87	21	78	1	78	34	67	66	95	93	334		
SEGWARO	18.5.59	2												1				3	1			1	5			1		15	20	8	26	26	34	15	21	21	33	100			
HAMBAYLWE	19.5.59	5	9											1				2	2	5	13	6	11			4		21	86	27	77	1	77	33	45	62	75	62	308		
ABONIA	19.5.59	10	2			1												1				2	2	5				23	60	18	59	4	59	34	53	44	63	71	240		
NEIMO	20.5.59	6						1						3				1	2			3	7					20	57	17	47	2	47	36	48	43	57	58	216		
NIAGOMBI	20.5.59	4	3															1	1	3	8	8	11			1		15	63	17	51	3	51	32	38	28	56	52	206		
WAGEAMBA	20.5.59	1	2			1												1				1	9			5	1	10	32	7	34	1	34	33	26	18	27	41	128		
KWALEGUN	21.5.59	1	3															1				4				1		10	32	14	31	1	31	36	24	30	32	36	127		
MUSUNALEN	21.5.59	2	1			1								1				1	1	5	3	10	4			1		1	20	62	23	58	1	58	32	41	34	60	69	227	
NIMBOGU	21.5.59	1	3			1	1							2	2					2	3	3	2					26	52	24	55	55	35	42	45	59	64	221			
NYAKKODJAW	26.5.59	2	4					2						1	1			2		1		14				1		18	64	14	55	3	55	34	38	49	62	67	232		
YEDIMRINI I	26.5.59	3						1						1				1	2			1	9					15	40	7	38	2	38	31	27	20	42	44	142		

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YEAR 1958/59

NINDEPOLYE CENSUS DIVISION

VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS												MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES	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		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						
		10-16	16-45	10-16	16-45	Pregnant	Number of Child-bearing age	Average of Family	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F					
BARMO	12.6.59	8	2				1	1							3	3	3	3	2	11	3					9	61	12	50	1	50	31	38	27	55	50	189
GWINYIN 61	12.6.59	3	2											1	6	2	2	5	5	1	8					14	45	7	37	4	37	31	29	19	47	40	149
ASIN GUN	13.6.59	3	5											2	1	4		1	4	5	8					1	5	50	15	38	2	38	32	23	25	40	146
SARA	13.6.59	2	1				1						1	1				1		6	1	1			17	67	13	49	2	49	33	41	33	68	55	205	
BOIM	16.6.59	3	5											1	1	1	3	4	1	8					1	2	70	11	58	58	32	48	41	76	70	245	
KWOLYIK	16.6.59	1	3				1						1	1	5	5	6	10	4	22	1	1	3	3	12	98	12	74	4	74	32	38	55	78	77	292	
NINDEPOLYE	17.6.59	1	3											1	1		2	10		18	1	1	5		21	74	20	54	3	54	32	40	38	55	67	233	
NAMBARI I	17.6.59		3												5			4		7			3		15	61	9	54	4	54	33	31	29	59	58	192	
NAMBARI II	17.6.59	2	1				1								1		1	7	1	6			2		4	38	7	28	1	28	3	0	17	32	30	109	
YARABEIM	17.6.59	2	1													1	1	1		12					12	42	6	24	2	24	34	20	25	38	28	124	
TOTAL		23	27				2	4	1	3	1	1		1	3	5	12	22	9	24	45	13	0	5	3	15	4	130	60	2	23	32	24	54	51	77	188