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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of WESTERN HIGHLANDS Report No. SPECIAL No. 1 of 1961-62

Patrol Conducted by R. S. BELL A.D.O. GR. 11

Area Patrolled PORTION MIDDEZ LAI

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans G. J. HOGG P.O.

Natives R.P. & N.G.C. 13  
INTERPRETER: 2

Duration—From 20 / 10 / 1961 to 23 / 10 / 1961

Number of Days 4

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services August / 19 61

Medical ..... / ..... / 18

Map Reference WBAG JOURNAL SERIES

- Objects of Patrol
1. Investigation of fighting in the AREA
  2. Investigation deaths of three natives
  3. Arrest of natives involved in fighting

Director of Native Affairs,

POET MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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



67-14-4

19th February, 1962.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
K. S. S. S.

BARBARA SPENCER REPORT No. 1 of 1961/62.

Thank you for the above report forwarded under cover of your H.M.S. 11 of the 20th December, 1961.

Would you please inform me if the investigations into the killings during this fighting have been successfully concluded. It is most important that this should be done, for the needs of "pay-back" have now been seen.

Would you also please inform me if the report contained in paragraphs 6 and 7 of page 2 is correct. It seems incredible that aid should have been refused.

A good job by both officers and police in a difficult situation.

J.K.M.  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DISTRICT.



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WHD. 283

District Office,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

20th December, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
WABAG

Special Report No. 1-61/62

The receipt of this report is acknowledged.

You should proceed with the investigation of the killings which occurred during the fighting. Although most of the participants have been punished under the Native Administration Regulations, all efforts should be made to arrest the actual murderers and bring them before the Lower Court.

Unfortunately there is little you can do about the Mission situation. It is a difficult situation when traditional disputes over land and other subjects take on a Mission loyalty effect.

The prompt action by your Police and Officers probably saved a serious situation developing.

(S.M. Foley)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

↙ The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU

I regret that this report has been delayed at Wapenamanda and Wabag because of patrolling commitments.

*S.M. Foley*  
(S.M. Foley)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.  
20.12.61

*Write page 8 it  
seems to have been discussed  
at Hagen*



WHD 250



RSB/ML.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 30/1-126

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Sub-District Office,  
Western Highlands District,  
Wabag.

11th November, 1961.

Subject : Wapenamaada Special Patrol No. 1/61-62  
Middle Lai Census Division  
Messrs. R. Bell and G. Hogg.

Attached please find two copies of the abovementioned report.

As stated in the report this fight was quite different from fights over land disputes in this area. Formally the fight is joined, then reported to a station where upon a detachment of police are transported to the area to arrest the rioters. When this is done there is no further trouble. However in this instance although the greater part of the Nenai and Mupbaru adult males were arrested on Monday the fight broke out again on Wednesday mainly being carried on by the allies of the original antagonists.

The great pity is that with the exception of one or two allies actually arrested on Wednesday by the police fighting, all escaped the consequences of their act. As usual there is 'honour' involved amongst the fighters and no one would inform against any who fought on the opposing side.

It does appear that besides the age old animosity which exists between the two groups there is now the new one of religion. The Nenai are basically Catholic whilst the Mupbaru are Seven Day Adventists and Lutherans. The Lutheran Station is just to the west of the SDA station making three mission stations in a radius of two hundred yards. The burning of the SDA house and the killing of a R.C. Catholic will I'm afraid be remembered for a long time.

There appears little chance of obtaining a conviction for murder against any of these listed. The shooting of each of the three was supposedly seen by one witness only which is insufficient with the alleged killer denying the allegation and the witnesses statement subject to doubt because of bias. The complication in the case of Petrous is not new in this area as one frequently finds one of the so called "rubbishman" taking the blame for the act of a headman. A year ago a headman of the Tschak Valley was charged with a tribal fight killing but by having another person admit the offence whilst he denied it and because of the paucity of reliable witnesses the Supreme Court found him not Guilty.

*Handwritten note:*  
This is a copy of the report on the killing of the three men in the Tschak Valley.

A resthouse is to be built at Lamandeiamaanda Cenemorial Ground to ensure that such undercurrents of strife are not missed in the future.

*R. S. Bell*  
.....  
(R. S. BELL)  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

District of Western Highlands

Mayenasanda Special Patrol No. 1 of 1961-62

Patrol Conducted by : R.S. Bell A.D.C. GR.11

Area Patrolled: Land owned by IDAGON-NEWAI and IDAGON-MUPARAU groups and surrounding area of Middle Iai Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by: G.J.HOGG P.C.


Duration of Patrol 20th September, 1961 to 23rd Sept. 1961 - 4 days.

Last Patrol to area: D.N.A. Patrol: No.1 of 1961/62 August, 1961

Object of Patrol: 1. Investigation fighting in the area, between the IDAGON-NEWAI and IDAGON-MUPARAU groups.

2. Investigation deaths of three natives which occurred during the fighting.

3. Arrest of local natives involved in the fighting.

  
.....  
G.J. HOGG  
(Officer-in-Charge.)



PATROL DIARY

Wednesday 20th September, 1961

WAPENAMANDA - PAUS

Proceeded by vehicle to PAUS Rest House late in the afternoon with patrol personnel.

Met Mr. Bell, A.D.S., at the Rest House.

Night at PAUS

Thursday 21st September, 1961

PAUS - LAMANDELAMANDA Ceremonial Ground

Walked across to the opposite side of the LAI River to the NENAI and MUPABARU Area. Burnt houses and trampled gardens indicated that fighting had been heavy. Broke off from main patrol with six police and inspected MUPABARU hamlets. Apprehended five men before proceeding to camp site.

Mr. Bell had gone to the NENAI, and after interviewing prisoners I visited the MUPABARU/NENAI boundary gardens and hamlets where fighting had most intense. Seventeen burnt out houses were seen and numerous gardens trampled down. Casuarina and banana trees had been cut down. Returned to LAMANDELAMANDA via the NENAI Area.

Night at LAMANDELAMANDA.

Friday 22nd September, 1961

At LAMANDELAMANDA.

Day spent interviewing men involved in the fighting and walking over the fight area. Obtained such details as available on the deaths of the men who had been killed.

Saturday 23rd September, 1961

LAMANDELAMANDA to WAPENAMANDA.

Patrol moved out of the area and travelled to Wapenamanda visiting YALBOS Lutheran Mission en route to ensure that no wounded had taken refuge at their aid post.

Then proceeded to MAMBISANDA hospital where wounded were interviewed.

End of Diary.

Introduction.

On Monday, 18th September, 1961, two members of the IDAGON-MUPABARU group reported that fighting had broken out between IDAGON-MUPABARU and IDAGON-NENAI groups on the afternoon of Sunday, 17th September.

The informants stated that several men had been wounded and that the fight had arisen following a dispute over land.

Presuming that the fighting was mostly atypical of land disputes in the general area; i.e., a brief armed encounter followed by an early truce, six members of the Wapenamanda R.P. & M.G.C. detachment were immediately sent to the area to apprehend those involved in the fighting.

On their return the police reported that the fight had been of greater proportions than that normally encountered, that fighting was in progress when they arrived at the scene of the fight, and that the nine known wounded had been located and were brought to the station. They further reported that a member of the MUPABARU sub group had died from wounds. The dead man was taken to Wabag for post mortem.



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On Monday afternoon I had visited the area by land rover, <sup>but</sup> having met the police on the road returning to the station with those involved in the fighting, I did not visit the area.

On Tuesday I sent for the village officials of the groups involved in the fighting. The Constable sent on this task returned to report that the village Officials did not wish to leave the area whilst so many group members were absent from the area. He reported that all was quiet in the area, and that there were no indications that trouble was brewing.

Early on Wednesday morning six police were again sent to the area with instructions to apprehend those natives who had been involved in the earlier fighting and who still remained in the area.

At approximately 10 a.m. I received word that fighting had again broken out and later that two people had been killed. I immediately prepared to depart on patrol to the area and sent advice to the A.D.O Wabag that fighting on a large scale had broken out. On the return of the landrover from Wabag, I departed with further police to join Mr. Bell A.D.O. who had proceeded immediately to the fight area following my advice.

At this stage approx. 100 men had been apprehended for involvement in the fight which had taken place.

Investigations revealed that one of the men (a member of the MUPABARU) reported dead on Wednesday had been wounded on the Sunday and had gone to friends in a neighbouring group for assistance. They had taken him to the Lutheran Mission at YALBOS on Tuesday where their request for transport to the Mission hospital was refused on the grounds that the mission would provide no aid other than aid post facilities to those involved in the fighting.

Fearing an encounter with the enemy NEPAI (who live between YALBOS and the hospital) the members of the MUPABARU Group who were carrying the wounded man took to him back to their home, intending to circle the area on the following morning and thus safely reach the hospital. During the night the man died.

During the Wednesday fighting a Roman Catholic Mission catechist of Wabag was killed whilst reportedly fighting with the NEPAI. He was hit by arrows within 5 yds of a Seventh day Adventist Mission establishment which, like the R.C. Catechists establishment, was situated on the disputed land.

By the time the patrol reached the area, the members of the disputing groups had departed the area, and contact with the remaining members of the groups involved was extremely difficult. Few people who were prepared to give accurate or reliable information concerning the fighting could be found, and the prevailing attitude on the part of the majority was to tell nothing and implicate as few people as possible whether amongst their allies or their enemies. The result was a paucity of information on the fighting and completely unreliable reports of the circumstances surrounding the shooting of three men who died.

There were no indications or reports of pending trouble over land prior to the advice on Monday that fighting had broken out on the previous day.

#### General:

LAMANDEIAMANDA, the land over which ownership is disputed has been the subject of arbitration for some years. The most recent arbitration by a Native Affairs officer was the recording of an agreement on a garden boundary by Mr. D.J. Hook in May, 1961.

However, prior to this there have reportedly been two disputes on other sections at LAMANDEIAMANDA which have been settled by Wapenamanda officers. No records can be located and it is possible that the arbitration was informal.



Prior to the outbreak of fighting the land dispute was not brought to this office

About two weeks before the outbreak of fighting occurred, men of NENAI entered the MUPABARU area and attempted to steal a pig belonging to YEI of MUPABARU. They were caught in the act by YEI who attempted to hold one of the men, IAKAB. YEI was struck down by KURI of NENAI with an axe blow which caused a serious wound on the head. The incident was not reported at the station because the MUPABARU were afraid to use the main road which passes through the NENAI area, and because I was at the time absent from the station attending a local government course in LAE.

The events immediately proceeding the fighting are rather contradictory. There is little doubt that both groups were responsible for uprooting gardens belonging to the other groups around the disputed area. I have, however, been unable to determine which of the groups was the initiator of the provocative acts, and which group responded with similar reprisals. It is known that the MUPABARU, including IBARON and PIESO of that group and IANDASIKI of PALINAU group uprooted sugar cane planted by the NENAI, and that the NENAI uprooted a yam garden belonging to KARAU of MUPABARU. The latter incident resulted in an exchange arrows, and the general fighting began.

Reports on the fighting are generally contradictory, but certain observations are worthwhile.

The fighting commenced at about midday on the Sunday and continued until dark. Fighting was particularly intense and vicious, and it would appear that the ranks of the fighters swelled considerably as the afternoon progressed and increasing numbers of group members reached the fight area. On the Sunday two men were fatally shot. TAKAI of MUPABARU died on the Sunday and ABUSI of MUPABARU died on Tuesday night.

Fighting recommenced at dawn on the Monday and continued until police reached the area at about 9-10 a.m. There is reason to believe that a few members of groups allied to the original fighters joined the fight on Monday. Approximately fifty fighters were apprehended on the Monday and removed to the station. Village officials of neither group had made any attempt to advise administration of the fight.

On the Tuesday the area was quiet. A constable sent to the area returned to the station with a report that there were no signs of intended continuation of the fight.

Early on Wednesday morning six police were sent to the area to apprehend those fighters who had evaded them on the Monday. They reached the area to find that fighting had again broken out. Wednesday's fight was notable for the number of houses which were burnt, and for another circumstance which had not been anticipated.

It is reported that the fighting on the Wednesday began when considerable forces consisting of allies of the MUPABARU and NENAI initiated reprisals against the enemy. The house burning seems to have been almost wholly carried out by members of the PALINAU group- allies of the MUPABARU. There is also reason to believe that members of the TSIGIN, KANDAUALIN - ANJO and TSIAGAUAN, RUNGIPIN-TSO, and IANDARAGIN groups fought with the remnants of the MUPABARU, and that WOIMINAGUN and YOGOENDA group members fought with the NENAI. Unfortunately no real evidence is available as beyond the general 'knowledge' in the area that allies initiated the Wednesday fighting, the participants themselves are close-mouthed and refuse to acknowledge the fact.

Fighting on Wednesday resulted in death of PETROS, a Roman Catholic catechist of the Wabag area who was stationed at LAMANDRIAMANDA - the disputed land. Informants state that PETROS fought with the NENAI on both Monday, and Wednesday when he died from arrow wounds.

#### CONCLUSION.

At the time of writing 136 men have been convicted in the C.N.A. of riotous behaviour and sentenced to 6 months imprisonment I.H.L.



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Investigations into the deaths of TAKAI, ANUSI and PETROS have not resulted in concrete evidence becoming available.

The shooting of TAKAI is claimed to have been witnessed by POLIO of MUPABARU. He states that he saw PIUK of NENAI shot the fatal arrow. No other witnesses have come forward. POLIO also claims to have seen FILI of NENAI shot ANUSI of MUPABARU. Both these eye-witness accounts are suspect as no other witnesses are available, and I am assured by other natives that in close fighting every individual is too busy looking after himself to notice surrounding incidents.

The death of PETROS and the surrounding circumstances are even more confused.

Informants state that when MUPABARU Group gave the Seventh Day Adventist Mission land for a station on the disputed ground, the NENAI reciprocated by placing a Roman Catholic Mission station on the land. The catechist PETROS - a Wabag native - apparently became involved in the strong feelings over the disputed area, as he is reputed to have fought with the NENAI on both Monday and Wednesday. PETROS was shot beside the S.D.A. Station, between the station and an outlying S.D.A. house which was burnt down by the NENAI.


KARAP of NENAI claims to have seen MANGAU of MUPABARU shoot PETROS. However we also have one TOP - a MUPABARU - who has volunteered the information that it was he who shot PETROS. The man MANGAU has not as yet been apprehended.

At present the possibility of successfully prosecuting those involved in the killing of the three men is not good. It is perhaps indicative of the attitude of these people that of over thirty men wounded, only one admitted to knowing who shot him.

Following the patrol two constables have been stationed in the area, one on NENAI land and one on MUPABARU land. Their chief task is to ensure that the area does not suffer from further degradation by nearby groups whilst the group members are serving their sentences.

After the death of PETROS, death compensation payments were made to his group and this aspect of the situation is satisfactory. For a period intercourse between Wapenamanda and Wabag natives had come to a halt because of the local fear of reprisals.

The area is now quiet and no further incidents are anticipated.

  
.....  
G.J. HOGG  
(Officer-in-Charge.)



J.N.A.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of WESTERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 2 of 1961-1962

Patrol Conducted by John Mundell, CADET PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled LOWER LAI CASSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans E. Wilshire, Malaria Control Field Supervisor.

Natives 3, Police, 1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 2/10/1961 to 13/10/1961

Number of Days 12 Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Y

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 4/1961

Medical 4/1961

Map Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Objects of Patrol GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

Director of 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 \_\_\_\_\_



12/7/77

67-24-3

21st February, 1978

The Director General,  
The National Archives,  
Kew, Surrey

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Thank you for the above records.  
I am sorry to have been a trouble to you and  
all concerned.

JRM  
12/7/77

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District Office,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT BACH.

19th December, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
MASAM

Patrol Report No. 2 - 1961/1962.

Mr. Mandell's report is acknowledged with thanks.

It is not proposed to proceed with the vehicular road between Wapenamanda and Baiyer River at this time. However, the Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda, should be encouraged to complete graded walking tracks between areas of population. Graded tracks have been built throughout the precipitous Jimi Mountains and they are of great assistance to anyone working in the area.

Extracts have been passed to Departmental representatives. Scouts should be instructed to report fully on the area through which they travel. No mention is made of food reserves, gardens, or any aspect of Agriculture.

(S.M. Foley)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

c.c. The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
LONDON





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 30/1-186

Sub-District Office,  
Western Highland District,  
Wabag.

8th December, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
Mount Hagen.

Subject : Wapenamanda Patrol Report No.2/1961-62  
Lower Lai Census Division  
Mr. J. Mandell, CPO.

Attached please find two copies of the abovementioned report with covering remarks by the Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda.

The low numbers of natives who collected at resthouses to visit the patrol is a normal occurrence in the area for non census patrols, even if the Moga had not been passing through the area. However larger numbers are seen in the houses and gardens which are covered more thoroughly because, without the time consuming census to be revised, the patrol has the time in which to visit more settlements in each area.

It is now over a year since preparations for the moga were commenced in the Lumis area of the Lower Lai. The slowness of these people in sending the Moga southward up the Lai meant that those in the immediate Wapenamanda area decided not to wait for this offshoot to join the main stem from Wabag, but send their moga on immediately. The Lower Lai moga will therefore not cause much disruption around Wapenamanda.

Advice as to whether or not the road through the Lower Lai to Baiyer River, for which a request of £10,000 was made in 1960, is to be commenced in the near future would be appreciated. This road was that originally projected as linking Mount Hagen and Wabag but the plan was discontinued when the more direct route over the range was discovered. Applications have already been made for two mission leases in the Lower Lai and no doubt additional leases will be requested in the near future, so that it is most likely that missions will be agitating for a road system shortly. The lower section of the road from Lumis to Baiyer River has already been surveyed and it is hoped that a surveyor on a competent Road Master could mark out the upper section so that the inhabitants of the area, who are definitely interested in a road, could commence the work immediately.

The lack of response to the request for Highland Labourers was disappointing but as our quota has been filled for this year we can afford to await the return of those at present at work before recommending recruiting.

The area will be patrolled again early in the New Year.

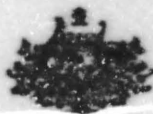
Contingencies for camping allowance are forwarded for authorisation and payment.

*R. S. Bell*

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(R.S. BELL)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

GJH/LAW.

In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. File: 67/1

Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda  
Western Highlands District  
30th November, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer  
Wabag Sub-District  
W A B A G.

Wapenamanda Patrol No. 2 of 1961/62.

Lower Lai Census Division

Please accept my apologies for the delay in forwarding comments on the abovementioned patrol. As you are aware, I have been absent on patrol in the TCHAK Area for the past five weeks.

The Native situation can, as usual, be described as quiet. Mr. Mundell's encounter with a lack of interest in the patrol at LUMIS is typical of the lack of co-operation to be expected during the 'MOGA' season. The 'MOGA' transactions have now entered the Lower Lai area proper, and are travelling slowly towards Wapenamanda. You will be relieved to hear that these exchanges are travelling towards TAMBUK and not pass through WABAG.

The lack of disputes is typical of this area, which is notable for its law-abiding citizenry.

Although explicit instructions were given that the patrol remain for at least two days at each Rest House, Mr. Mundell apparently found that there was insufficient work to keep him occupied. KAMAMANDA was not visited, presumably because it had been reported that the Rest house had been pulled down.

The report on village officials seems to indicate that the average official is outwardly capable, however the remarks concerning walking tracks and rest houses do not indicate that these men are performing their tasks satisfactorily. Nor am I satisfied with the comments under health and hygiene which refer to the high incidence of untended sores, etc, prevalent amongst the young. It is intended to bring these officials to the station in the near future in order to furnish them with more exact specifications of their responsibilities.

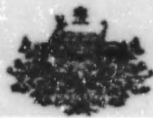
Arrangements will also be made for the completion of Rest house construction.

Unfortunately your request that Mr. Mundell carry out land investigations near PINYAPAIS, and purchase land at LUMIS, did not reach this office until 11th October. Although the message was sent to the patrol immediately, they had reached ELYGANDA. Mr. Mundell had damaged his leg in a fall whilst crossing the Lai Gorge, and did not feel capable of retracing his tracks to carry out your request.

The possibility of extending the vehicular road network to the Lower Lai area, and to PAWARI in particular, should present few difficulties. Once a crossing of the LAI Gorge is effected the terrain becomes more precipitous. From PINYAPAIS to LUMIS, and then on to BAYER RIVER, I suggest that the services of a surveyor would be of great help. Also, I rather suspect that the lack of response to Highland Labour Scheme recruiting in this area is greatly influenced by our recent interest in a road construction programme for the area. If it is not intended that roads be extended to serve this, a definite reply would be appreciated, as elders would then be less inclined to keep the young men at home. The practical educational value of the Highland Labour Scheme cannot, I feel, be under emphasized in areas such as this.

  
G.J. HOGG, O.I.C.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

G.J.H./LAW.

In Reply  
Please Quote

File: 67/1

Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda

28th September, 1961.

MR. J. MUNJELL, C.P.O.  
Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda

Patrol Instructions - Wapenamanda


Patrol No. 2 of 1961 - 62

Lower Iai Census Division

As per memorandum 30/1-71 of 27th September, 1961, from the Assistant District Officer, Wabag, please prepare to depart on a General Administration Patrol to the abovementioned area. You will leave the station on the 2nd October, 1961.

Your instructions are as follows:

1. Whilst Mr. E. Wilshire, E.M.A., is in your company, give him every assistance in obtaining the attendance of the people of the area for medical inspection. Should there occur any instances of blatant disregard or refusal to obey orders to appear for medical inspection, the persons involved may be charged under Reg. 88 (3) of the N.A.R.
2. Spend at least two days at each Rest House and endeavour to inspect as much of the general area and housing as possible.
3. Endeavour to obtain as many recruits as possible under the Highland Labour Scheme. The area is virtually untouched in this respect.
4. You may arbitrate and help to settle any minor disputes which are brought to you, but ensure that you do not become involved in land disputes at this stage.
5. Inspect all major walking paths in the area and suggest improvements where necessary.
6. Report on the condition of Rest Houses in the area.
7. Report on Village Officials and give them such help or advice as you may consider necessary.
8. Deal with such other matters as may arise in the course of the patrol. Do not hesitate to contact me immediately should you encounter any difficulties.

  
G.J. HOGG  
(Officer-in-Charge.)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO. 2 of 1961-1962.

Cadet Patrol Officer J. Mundell to Lower Lai Census Division.

PERSONEL.

- J. Mundell, Cadet Patrol Officer.
- E. Wilshire, Malaria Control Field Supervisor.
- 3 members R.P. & N.G.C.
- 1 Interpreter.
- 2 Native Medical Orderlies (seconded to Malaria Control)

Duration.

2nd October to 13th October.

DAYS

12 days.

OBJECTS.

- 1. General Administration.
- 2.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO. 2 of 1961-1962

Monday, 2nd October.

Departed MAMBISANDA at 10-30 am for YALIS Rest House. Walked over fair track to arrive YALIS at 12-45 pm. Walking time 2½ hours. People gathered to meet patrol. Ample food purchased. Afternoon spent talking with officials and people. Heavy rain at 4-00 pm continued for most of the night. Night at YALIS.

Tuesday, 3rd October

Assisted Mr Wilshire, M.C.A. in preparation for obtaining blood samples. Arbitrated in several disputes with the aid of Village Officials. Accepted H.L.S. recruits and arranged for their onmovement to Wapenamanda. Went and inspected housing, sanitation in the area. Returned to camp at 5-45 pm. Arranged carriers for the move tomorrow. Night at YALIS.

Wednesday, 4th October.

Departed YALIS at 7-30 am for PINYAPAIS Rest House. Descended to Lah River over fair track, crossed river then began long steep climb to PINYAPAIS arriving at 12-30 noon. Walking time 4½ hours. Set up camp and purchased food. Talked with people and village officials until heavy rain commenced at 3-00 pm. Night at PINYAPAIS.

Thursday, 5th October.

No disputes brought forward and no H.L.S. recruits came forward when requested. Went and inspected housing, gardens and sanitation in the general area. Heavy rain commenced at 12-30 pm and continued for the rest of the afternoon. Night at PINYAPAIS.

Friday, 6th October.

Departed PINYAPAIS at 7-45 am for LUMIS Rest House. Descended to SUMBUA River, crossed, then began climb to LUMIS Rest House to arrive at 9-00 am. Walking time 1½ hours. Paid call on the Baptist Mission then returned to camp. Called for H.L.S. recruits but none came forward. No disputes were brought forward. Inspected housing in the area. Gave instructions to village officials for the construction of a new rest house as the previous one had been totally destroyed by fire and had not been replaced. Heavy rain commenced at 2-30 pm. Evening at Baptist Mission. Night at LUMIS.

Saturday, 7th October.

Departed LUMIS at 11 am for NEEIRAP Rest House. Descended to SUMBUA River, crossed, then climbed steeply to the top of the range. Followed along top of range and arrived at NEEIRAP at 1 pm. Walking time 3 hours. Heavy rain commenced at 1-10 pm and continued for most of the afternoon. Managed to hear one dispute. Night at NEEIRAP.

Sunday, 8th October.

Accepted several H.L.S. recruits and arranged



for their onmovement to Wapenamanda. Heard several disputes concerning claims for compensation with the aid of village officials. Law relating to trespass of pigs explained to village officials at their request. Spoke with local people until lunch time. Inspected housing and sanitation in the early afternoon. Arranged tomorrows move. Rest of the day observed. Night at NEKIRAP.

Monday, 9th October.

Departed NEKIRAP at 8-00 am for PAUARI and AWAS. Descended over very poor track to Lai River, crossed, and began long climb on another poor track to arrive at PAUARI Lutheran Mission at 11 am. Walking time 3 hours. No rest house at PAUARI. Lunch and discussions with Reverend Fernmann. Departed PAUARI at 1-30 pm for AWAS Rest House. Track very muddy. Arrived at AWAS in torrential downpour at 3-00 pm. Walking time from PAUARI 1 1/2 hours. Total walking time from NEKIRAP 4 1/2 hours. AWAS Rest House had not been replaced as was instructed by previous patrolling officer.. No food or firewood had been gathered for our visit. Set up camp in heavy rain. Night at AWAS.

Tuesday, 10th October.

Organised collection of materials for new rest house and marked out design of same. Explained what was wanted to the village officials concerned. Also gave instructions for the improvement of walking tracks. No disputes brought forward and no H.L.S. recruits. Went and inspected housing and sanitation in the area. Returned to camp at 3-30 pm. Arranged carriers for tomorrows move. Night at AWAS.

Wednesday, 11th October.

Departed AWAS at 8-00 am for ELYAGANDA Rest House. Climbed to the top of the range over a very poor story track. Attained top of divide after 3 hours steady climbing. Descended to ELYAGANDA, after resting on the top, to arrive at 1-45 pm. Walking time 4 1/2 hours. Last 10 minutes walked in very heavy rain. Set up camp and purchased food. Night at ELYAGANDA.

Thursday, 12th October.

People started arriving at 10-00 am despite instructions to gather at 8-00 am. Requested H.L.S. recruits but no takers. Spoke to officials regarding walking track from top of divide to ELYAGANDA. Arbitrated in several petty disputes with the aid of village officials. Inspected housing, sanitation, and gardens in the area. Arranged carriers for tomorrows move. Rest of the afternoon spent bringing paper work up to date. Night at ELYAGANDA.

Friday, 13th October.

Departed ELYAGANDA at 8-00 am for PAUS rest house. Walked along very muddy track to arrive at MAMBISANDA Lutheran Mission at 9-20 am. Passed down through MAMBISANDA and arrived at PAUS at 10-20 am. On arrival people cleaning station grounds. Called for H.L.S. recruits and any disputes to come forward but no takers. Went out and inspected all housing in the area. As there was no further work left PAUS at 1-00 and walked to Wapenamanda arriving early pm/.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO.2 of 1961-1962.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The last patrol to this area was in April of this year and was one of Tax Census revision.

During this patrol disputes and other minor troubles were conspicuous in their absence. Those disputes brought forward for arbitration were mainly concerned with the ownership of pigs and claims for compensation for gardens damaged by pigs. One case of unlawfully striking was referred to Wapenamanda for C.M.A. action.

The patrol was fairly well received throughout but at some places attendances were rather low due partly to bad weather and partly to the proximity of the Moga Ceremony. At IAKIS the patrol was delayed until 11 am because no carriers turned up. Although ample notice was given of our requirements not a dozen men presented themselves the next morning to carry. After some investigation it was found that most of the men were attending a Moga ceremony in the Hagen Sub-District about 4 hours walk away. However by 11 o'clock sufficient carriers had arrived and the patrol moved on. Also at PAUS near the Wapenamanda station very few people turned up to meet the patrol as the majority were preparing for the Moga which is at present headed in their direction. These two instances were the only effects of the Moga encountered.

On arrival at AWAS Rest House it was found that no preparation had been made for our visit. The rest house was small and extremely dirty. On his patrol to this area in April of this year the O-I-C Wapenamanda instructed village officials to replace this house and although five months had elapsed no attempt has been made to do this. A great deal of the time spent at AWAS was spent in getting materials for the new rest house gathered on the site. The plan was marked out and as the patrol left the old house was in the process of being pulled down and all useable material salvaged.

Highland Labour recruits were requested at each camp and approximately 20 young men were forwarded to Wapenamanda for onmovement to the coast. This was thought to be a rather poor response from an area virtually untouched by the scheme in the past.

At the present time there 100 men absent from the Lower Iai under the Highland Labour Scheme. This number cannot hope to be increased in the near future as the attitude is that all those at present working on the coast must return home before others can leave. This is to ensure that the stock of young men does not become over rapidly depleted.

There are two women from this area gainfully (cont)



employed at present. Both are employed as domestic help at the Baptist Mission, LUMIS.

Comments on housing, condition of rest houses and village officials are covered under separate appendices.

In conclusion I would say that the native situation in the Lower Lai remains quite satisfactory.

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#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

There are no vehicular roads in the Lower Lai and since nothing further has been heard of the proposed Jayenamanda-Baiyer River road it is presumed that this project has been shelved.

Walking tracks are generally very poor sometimes turning into mere pads feet deep in mud. Bridging is vastly inadequate with sometimes only one sapling being thrown across the stream at the most convenient place. Larger streams such as the Lai River have the common type suspension bridge which makes crossing a good deal faster and safer.

Where necessary instructions were given to village officials to improve the walking tracks in their immediate area. In some cases where new tracks were needed the location and grade of these were discussed with the men concerned and agreed upon before the patrol moved on.

It is my opinion that walking time between places could be cut down by almost one half should decent tracks exist.

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#### CARRIERS

At all places with the exception of LUMIS, carriers were plentiful and usually on time. On all the longer walks carriers were changed at the group boundaries so that one group of carriers rarely carried for over an hour and a half.

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WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO.2 of 1961-1962.

APPENDIX "A"

REPORT ON R.P. & H.G.C.

No. 6775 Constable DIXON.

Has considerable knowledge, of the area.  
Was of great help at all times.

No. 9449 Constable WARENE.

Avery quiet member and an excellent worker.

No 8801 Constable KOI.

Noisy and inefficient.

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WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO.2 of 1961-1962.

APPENDIX "B"

HEALTH AND HYGIENE.

Mr E Wilshire, Malaria Control Field Supervisor accompanied the patrol for the first eleven days, however he returned direct to Wapenamanda when the remainder of the patrol moved over to PAUS.

While Mr Wilshire was with the patrol he obtained blood samples from 600 people of all age groups in an endeavour to discover the incidence of malaria. At all times the people were most co-operative and showed no fear of having blood taken.

Most of the housing and sanitation in this area was inspected and was found to be surprisingly clean. However, there were several places where it could be seen that a hurried cleaning of housing had taken place when word of the inspection got around. Only in two places were latrines inadequate and these were rectified on the spot in my presence.

Numerous cases of scabies and small sores were observed on small children and parents were urged to take their children to the nearest Aid Post immediately these sores were detected. Where possible medical inspections were held in conjunction with the taking of blood slides and treatments given on the spot where needed.

Aid Posts at YALIS, PINYAPAIS, LUMIS and PAUARI give an adequate coverage for the area down to PAUARI but the establishment of a further post say at KAMAMANDA would give adequate coverage for the people on that side of the valley.

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KAPENAMANDA PATROL NO. 2 of 1961-1962

APPENDIX "C"

MISSIONS AND EDUCATION.

There are only two mission societies operating in the Lower Lei area.

They are The Australian Baptist Mission Society with a clinic and native school at LUMIS, and the Lutheran Mission (Missouri Synod) with a school and clinic at PAUARI. Both these stations are staffed by Europeans.

At the Baptist Mission at LUMIS there is a school teacher, nurse, carpenter and chaplain. The school teacher reports an attendance of approx. 150 children from standards 1 to 5.

The school at PAUARI is run by the wife of the pastor there and has an attendance of approx. 70 children.

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APPENDIX "D"

REPORT ON VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

OFFICIALS

All village<sup>s</sup> were observed at their work and detailed comments on each individual appear below.

It is noted that many of these officials did not present themselves when the patrol was in their area although at least one days notice was given of our coming.

Comments are as follows:-

Luluai LAI of YANDAMAN-KONDIENTAMANT.

Does not appear to be a popular man but gets the work done.

Luluai PUPU of YANDAMAN-YALIS.

A good man. Worthy of position.

Luluai PANTO of YANDAMAN-WAREBINK.

Was of great assistance to this patrol.

Luluai DO of TSINI

Does not appear interested in his work.

Luluai PIRU of PEAM.

Has authority and is not afraid to use it.

Luluai YAWARI of TOKOPIRAN.

Respected by the people and does excellent job.

Luluai NIRA of WAIPARIN-KUMU.

In able leader who will stand no nonsense.

Luluai KARIP of WAIPARIN-PERARI.

Does his best but does not stand out.

Luluai PUNJULI of TSINKI-WARARE.

Not seen on this patrol.

Luluai KURUP of TSINKI-KARE

A mercenary man. Will exert his authority if he looks like making a gain.

Luluai MAUWE of TSINKI-TSAPUS.

Does a good job. Worthy of position.

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Luluai METAI of TSINI - TILIAKA.

Not seen this patrol.

Luluai MURA of KAIONGON.

Tries hard but does not impress.

Luluai TRIAGARI of ARON-MANINGIO.

An influential leader doing a good job.

Luluai KOPA of ARON-MARIRIN.

Doing a good job.

Luluai KANGOP of ARON-KWAN.

Not afraid to use his authority.

Luluai KAMANDI of TSINKI-TSINGARIN.

Doing a good job.

Luluai KAI of LILIAI and KAME.

Doing a good job and worthy of his position.

Luluai NANAU of TSINKI-WAIA (PAMBOA)

Does a good job.

Luluai WENDAK of TSIPAN-AI

Does a good job and worthy of the position.

Luluai PAMBE of KORO-KUNKU.

Not seen this patrol.

Luluai PI of KORO-TAKIENTA.

Former tultul. Good and influential official.

Luluai KAIPIA of KORO-TAKIENTA.

Doing a good job.

Luluai ANANAU of ANGARUIN.

Was of great help to this patrol.

Luluai TALIMBU of MABAGAIN and YUWE.

Assisted the patrol in all ways possible.

Luluai TEMBENE of YANGAUN-MANGUIGIN.

Not impressive. Could do with further orientation and instruction in his duties.

Luluai PAKAP of YANGAUN-TSAMIAI.

Did not arrive til the patrol was leaving.



Luluai KOMBELAP of KINGUGUN.

Not seen on this patrol.

Luluai TOIYA of RUNGIPIN-BUTA.

Has not much pull with the people of his group.

Luluai MAUWE of KIACAI-KWIARU.

Is not as authoritative as he could be.

Luluai SOGON of TAIAGIN.

Not seen this patrol.

Luluai IFIAMON of KANA.

Not impressive. Not interested in local affairs.

Luluai PIALYENDA of YAMBARAGIN.

Another man not interested in his position.

Luluai TANGA of MAIN-MABOGAGION.

Not seen this patrol.

Luluai YUNKI of MAIN-YOKOMANDA.

Does a good job.

Luluai LIYU of KUMBI-ALIUBIN.

Not very impressive. Does not seem interested in his job.

Luluai YARONK of KUMBI-ZIZIBUN.

Not seen this patrol.

Luluai MARA of MURIBISA-MANO.

Does a fair job.

Luluai YABO of SIKAGIN-KARE.

Does a good job.

Luluai LEIK of ANJIN.

Not seen on this patrol.

Luluai WANIO of KIACAI.

Not very impressive. Does not seem interested.

Luluai KAUMAN of WAIA-TSINGIA.

Not afraid to use his authority.

Luluai RAIO of YANDAMAN-WAIBURIN.

Doing a good job. People respect him.



Luluai POREI of KIRAN-TSABOS.

Does a good job.

Luluai AI of WAIA-TSINGINA.

Former tultul. Worthy of new position.

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Tultul PLALYANDA of YANDAMAN-YOKOP.

A good man does a fair job.

Tultul MABUSE of YANDAMAN-MARE.

Appears disinterested in local affairs.

Tultul PAGIO of YANDAMAN-YALTE.

Doing a good job. Uses authority.

Tultul POKE of MINIAMAGUIN.

Does a good job. Respected by his line.

Tultul PIARO of LYAXAN.

Not afraid to use his authority.

Tultul MAGAINK of TOKCPIRAN.

Trys hard and does a good job.

Tultul PINDAU of WAIPARIN-PIAGARIPA.

A very popular official doing a good job.

Tultul PANG@ of Kitan-Rai

One of the best officials encountered in  
the Lower Lai area.

Tultul LAMOA of ARON-MANINGIO.

Does a good job.

Tultul BUI of ARON-SIMAGIN.

Does a fair job only.

Tultul PIAUA of ARON-KWAN.

Recently appointed. Seems o.k. so far.

Tultul KIUAGARI of ARON-MANO.

Doing a good job.

Tultul KORO of ARON-MURIPISK.

Does a good job.



Tultul BUI of TSINKI-WAIA.

Doing a good job so far.

Tultul LARA of TSIPAN.

Seems to be doing a fair job so far.

Tultul KUDA of TSINKI-LIUAI and YAME.

Also seems to be doing a fair job.

Tultul PUNDURI of KAIPARE.

Not at all helpful to this patrol.

Tultul PALUWA of ANGARUIN.

Was not of much help to patrol.

Tultul MINYAMO of MABAGAIN-and Y-UWE.

Not seen this patrol.

Tultul WAPE of TAKIENTA.

Seems to be doing his job.

Tultul PINAI of YANGUGUH-MAGUIGIN.

Recently appointed. Doing good work.

Tultul PIASO of TALAGIN.

Not seen this patrol.

Tultul IREI of YAMBAGIN.

Doing a good job to date.

Tultul KAMBAY of YARIGIN.

Not seen as the patrol was unable to visit KAMAMANDA due lack of rest house and no tents being carried.

Tultul TALIO of MAIN-MABOGAGION.

Tries hard but not impressive.

Tultul PENJEKE of MAIN-KUNGIRAGUIN.

Does a fair job only.

Tultul PUPU of YANDAMAR-WAIBARIK.

Does a good job.

Tultul MAGUA of MURIBISA-MANA.

Doing a good job so far.

Tultul KAPIA of KORO-KAIBARI.

Tries hard and does a good job.



Tultul KOREMBAU of ANJIN-KIAGAI.

MAKES A GREAT SHOW of doing nothing.

Where it was found that village officials were not  
carry~~ng~~ng out their duties in a satis factory manner the men  
concerned were gathered together and reminded of their duties.

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WAPENAMANDA PATROL NO 2 of 1961-1962.

APPENDIX "E"

CONDITION OF REST HOUSES.

Comments on the condition of each rest house are as follows:-

YALIS.

Newly constructed. Good condition.

PIYAPAIS.

Fair condition only. Roof required extensive repair.

LUMIS.

Destroyed by fire. New one not yet constructed. Patrol personnel camped in old police barracks which were quite comfortable.

AVAS.

Not replaced as per previous instruction. Small and dirty.

KAMANANDA.

Not yet built after old one pulled down.

ELYAGANDA.

Recently constructed. Small but adequate for two man patrol.

PAUSA.

Good condition and comfortable.

NEKITRAP.

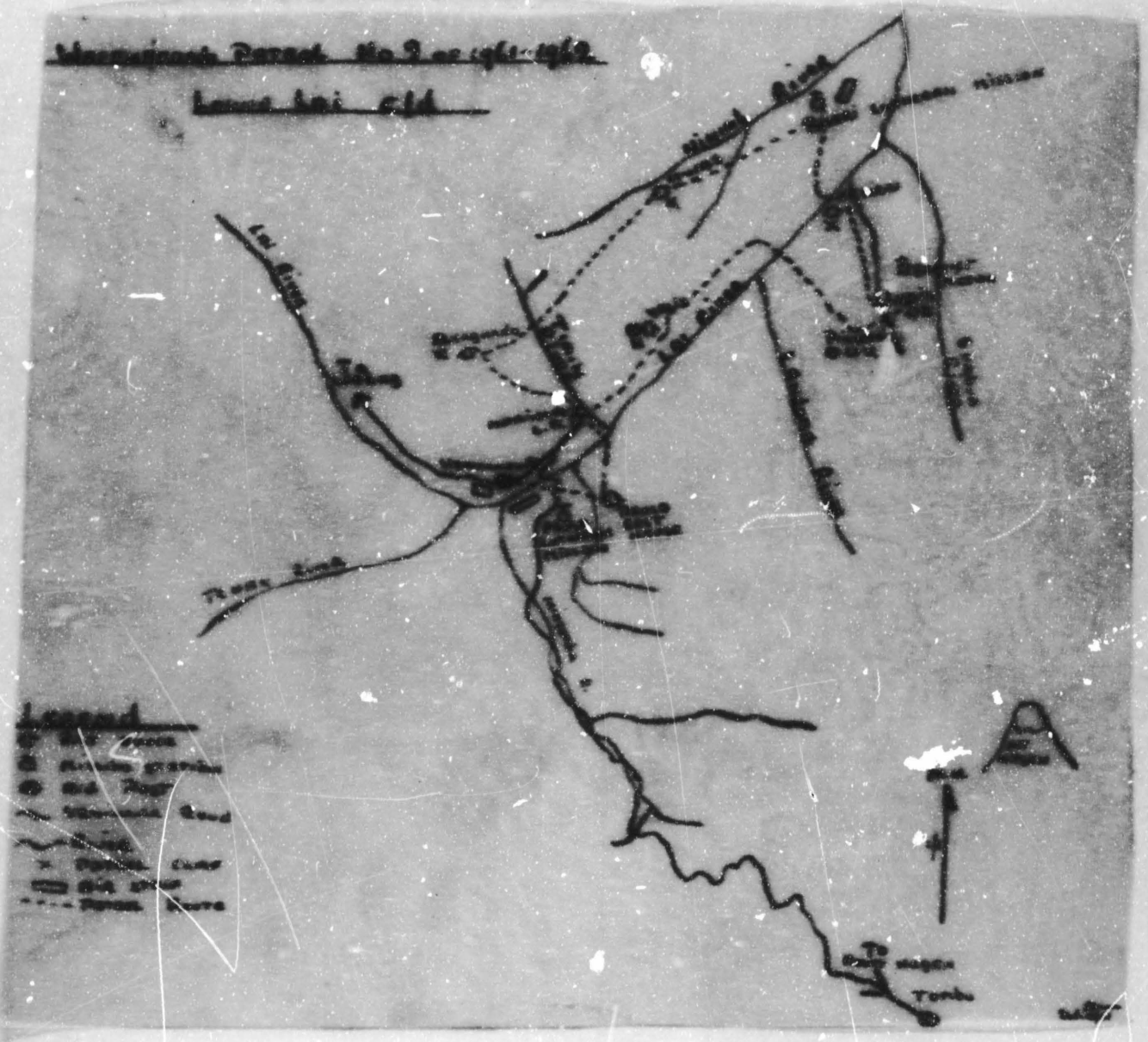
Recently constructed but workmanship and design poor.

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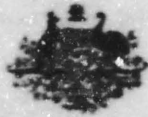


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Lower Tai chi







TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Western Highlands Report No 3 of 61/62

Patrol Conducted by I T Spencer Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Lower Lai Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 4 Members R.P.M.G.C

Duration—From 9/2 /1962 to 6/3 /1962

Number of Days 26

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 2 /10 /1962

Medical      /      /19    

Map Reference Journal of Wabag

Objects of Patrol Census Revision, General Administration

Director of 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      £



JMcL.LBK

87-14-20

1st August, 1962.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MT. HAGEN.

WAPENAMANDA PATROL REPORT No. 1/1961-62

Despite Mr. Spenser's remarks I think that the administrative influence amongst the Lower Lal people is fairly reasonable at this stage of their development. The officer no doubt, unconsciously comparing these primitives with the much more sophisticated New Irishers.

There is no need to apologise for taking time to complete the patrol. All the while spent in the field is useful one way or another.

Communal life being what it is, the office of a Village Official can be a rather invidious one. We have to give them every assistance possible. Criticism weakens an already flimsy position.

Village Officials Training Courses have proved very effective elsewhere and they bolster the prestige of these men.

Tribal boundaries are fixed as from the imposition of the fighting prohibition - any other policy is not only confusing but practically impossible.

A thorough patrol.

(J. H. McCarthy)  
District Officer.



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Assistant District Officer.

11th April, 1962.

Matters as Agriculture, Health and Education should be in Appendices with an additional copy to this office so that they may be distributed to the Departments concerned for information and advice.

Camping Allowance Contingencies have been altered and returned for payment.

*Ratell*  
(R. S. HILL)  
A/District Officer.



The Director  
Dept of Native Affairs  
Kororua

*has been  
sent to  
the  
Director*

67.14.20



WHD.316.

District Office,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

11th April, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
WABAG.

Wapenamanda Patrol Report No. 3/1961-62 - Lower  
Lai Census Division - Mr. I.T. Spencer,  
Patrol Officer.

Your memorandum 67-3 dated 30th March,  
1962 accompanying the above refers.

*Wabag area*  
*Wabag*

It is not considered that Mr. Spencer took  
overlong on this patrol as he states in the Introduction.  
The usual Census Patrol to the Lower Lai takes  
approximately a month. Time spent on this patrol was  
26 days, not 25 as stated in the report, and 24 on the  
cover. Please alter your cover accordingly.

Although walking tracks in the Wabag area  
have not been regraded they have at least been cleared,  
widened and improved generally. This too should be  
done in the Lower Lai by patrolling officers and not  
left to the Village Officials.

Other Officers through this area have in  
the past reported quite favourably on the state of the  
peoples' houses and surroundings. Perhaps Mr. Spencer  
is comparing them by coastal standards and this, whilst  
it is the people's custom to closet pigs in the houses  
at night, is too high.

*Wabag*

The Lower Lai has had an anti-yaws medical  
patrol through it some years ago and a general medical  
patrol only a year ago, so there should not be a large  
percentage of people suffering from yaws. This has  
been brought to the District Medical Officer's notice.

As you say most Village Officials throughout  
the Sub-District, even those who are traditional leaders,  
have difficulty in carrying out their duties in a  
satisfactory manner. Every avenue must be explored in  
an endeavour to improve them.

The census figures cannot be accepted and  
are returned for correction and re-writing. In the  
first place the census must follow the layout of the  
previous ones. Secondly each clan is to be rechecked  
and the new total must be exact with the previous total  
plus births and migrations in, minus deaths and migrations  
out. For example the first clan Kunjibaguin should now  
be 501 not 498, if the other figures are correct.

Please advise Mr. Spencer that in future such



Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 67 - 3.

Sub-District Office,  
W A B A S,  
Western Highlands District.  
March 30th. 1962.

District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Subject: WAPENAMANDA Patrol No. 1/1961-62.

Attached please find copies of Wapenamanda  
Patrol Report No. 3 of 1961/62 conducted by Mr. I. Spencer, Patrol  
Officer Gr. I.

Native Affairs:

It is pleasing to note that the native  
situation remains satisfactory.

Roads & Bridges:

In an area such as this it is difficult to  
maintain tracks and bridges at a reasonable  
standard. As most patrol tracks follow age-old native tracks, and these  
come about through the Natives' tendency to disregard hills and follow  
the most direct route, such tracks are continually subject to ravages  
by the weather and steady improvement is virtually impossible. Event-  
ual graded relocation would seem to hold the only answer.

Agriculture:

The presence of an Agriculture Officer at  
Wapenamanda will greatly assist these  
people in their desire for cash crops, especially coffee. Difficulties  
of distance and freight costs prevent fresh vegetable production pro-  
viding the bulk of native cash income within the foreseeable future.

Village Officials:

As elsewhere in the Sub-District, this  
Division suffers from a serious lack in  
first rate Village Officials. I do not think the blame can be laid  
entirely at the doors of the officials concerned. It is anticipating  
a lot to expect an unpaid official who sees a patrol twice a year, and  
whose training has been perhaps consisted of a "run through" of the  
Native Administration Regulations, to maintain a high standard of con-  
trol. It is true that there are many who can, and do, carry out a very  
good job. However, the presence of less efficient officials does lower  
the general standard throughout an area. Elsewhere, I have experimen-  
ted with a "course" for Village Officials, whereby they were brought to  
the Station for a week. During this time they were given talks on  
relevant matters, the Native Regulations were explained to them, and  
they paraded for the evening flag-lowering ceremony by the police.



This did create an "esprit de corps" and helped them realize that they were members of a larger organization than the Group or Clan. The cost of native foodstuffs for the course was negligible in comparison with the benefit obtained. Such courses, followed by "refresher" courses, would, I feel, raise the general standard of Village Officials noticeably.

Census: The incidence of births over deaths is 270 : 90. Total increase of births and migrations in : deaths and migrations out is 215. However a discrepancy is revealed here. The Grand Total for this census is 10,406, being 17 less than the previous Grand Total of 10,423. I think it can be assumed that the present Grand Total is correct.

Health & Hygiene: Mr. Spencer's efforts to improve house hygiene are commendable. However, with the local practice of housestending, policing of this matter is extremely difficult.

Mr. Spencer has carried out a useful patrol and has submitted an interesting report. Camping Allowance Claim for this patrol is forwarded herewith.

  
G. S. Hardy  
A/Assistant District Officer.

Copy:  
Officer in Charge,  
Patrol Post,  
WAPWAKAUA.

Mr. I. Spencer P. O.  
WABAS.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA

Wapenamanda Patrol Report No. 3 of 61/62

DIARY

- Friday 8th. February Departed Wapenamanda for PUAS per Land Rover. Established camp. Advised people of times for census revision talks held on gardening habits and problems. Camped at PUAS.
- Saturday 10th February Census revised at NOKEMANDA, NABAGAGIN and KUDJINAGIN. New village books issued. One C.S.A. case assault heard. Information received that the Lai bridge en route YALIS unsafe. Lalmai advised to repair for Patrol's movement.
- Sunday 11th. February Observed at PUAS
- Monday 12th. February At PUAS. KUMBI clan census figures revised. New village books issued. Completed lines to repair Lai bridge. No Complaints. Departed for YALIS at 12 noon. Arrived YALIS at 2.30. Minor disputes heard. Camped at YALIS.
- Tuesday 13th February Census revised TEINI, LYAKIN and TUPU-PIKAN at YALIS. New village books issued. Talks held with locals on gardening and land usage. Camped at YALIS.
- Wednesday 14th February At YALIS. Census revised at YANDANAN and WALPAIN. Dispute over garden road settled. New village book issued. Camped at YALIS.
- Thursday 15th February Census revised at WAREKIN and YALIS clans. New village books issued. Carriers obtained for Friday. Various minor native complaints settled. Camped at YALIS.
- Friday 16th. February Departed YALIS at 8.a.m. for PINYAPAI. Arrived 12.30. Road in very poor condition. Census revised at FERARI. Other clans advised of census times. Talked to people on need to maintain good walking roads. Camped at PINYAPAI.
- Saturday 17th. February Census revised at MINIANAGIN, PIAXI YANA and WAREKIN clans. New village books issued. Various complaints settled. Talks with people on gardening and land usage. Camped at PINYAPAI.



Diary Continued

- Sunday 18th February      Observed at PINYAPAIS.
- Monday 19th. February      Census revised at KIPAN. New village books issued. Talks held on land usage. Various Native complaints settled. Camped at PINYAPAIS.
- Tuesday 20th February      Departed PINYAPAIS for LUMIS at 8 a.m. Arrived at LUMIS at 10.30. Roads in moderate condition. All lines advised of census times. No complaints. New rest house and environs very clean and tidy. Visited the Baptist Mission.
- Wednesday 21st February      Census revised at LUMIS. Fainki and hamlets revised and new books issued. C.B.A. courts, theft and adultery heard. Runner arrived with cash to purchase airstrip site at LUMIS. Census contacted advised of the provisions of form 'S' and paid. Camped at LUMIS.
- Thursday 22nd. February      Census revised TSIPAN, new books issued. Ten males convicted for gambling. Talks with people on gardening and land usage. Camped at LUMIS overnight.
- Friday 23rd February      Census revised for AROHA clan. New village books issued. Runner returned to Wapenmanda. Minor disputes settled. Camped at LUMIS.
- Saturday 24th. February      Broke camp at 7.30 departed NEKERAP road road in horrible condition. Arrived at 10 a.m. Few disputes settled. Talks on gardening and land availability. Camped overnight.
- Sunday 25th. February      Observed at NEKERAS
- Monday 26th February      Census revised in KCRO NARAGAL, YUWE and KALPARE clans. New village books issued to each clan leader. Land dispute settled by arbitration and notices indicating agreed boundaries given to each party. Camped.
- Tuesday 27th February      Departed NEKERAP at 7.30 for KAMAMANDA. Arrived KAMAMANDA at 12.30. Road in very poor condition. Afternoon spent hearing and settling native complaints.



Diary Continued.

Wednesday 26th February

Census revised in YANRAGUIN and YARIGIN clans. New village books issued. Few minor disputes settled. Spoke to people on need for road maintenance. Discussed dimensions and methods of constructing new sections of road.

Thursday 27th February

Departed KAHAMANDA for AWAS at 11.15 arrived AWAS 12.45. Prisoners sent to Wapenamanda. Few disputes settled. Camped at AWAS

Friday 1st March.

Census revised in KARA INDIAN and TAJAGIE clans. New village books issued to those of clans. Six convicted under various charges Native Administration Regulations. Land dispute settled by both parties through arbitration. Camped at AWAS.

Friday 2nd. March

Departed AWAS at 7.30 for ELYAGANDA arrived at 12.50. Most of road on route over mountain washed out. Allalawa advised of census time. Heavy rain throughout afternoon. Camped at ELYAGANDA.

Saturday 3rd March

Census revised at KINGUEN new village book issued. People of the KINGUEN clan asked to spend some time on their walking tracks. Seven Day Adventist Sabbath observed.

Sunday 4th March

Observed at ELYAGANDA.

Monday 5th March

Census revised at KIAGAIA and YANRAGUIN clans. New books issued. Minor disputes settled. Talk with people on land problems Camped at ELYAGANDA.

Tuesday 6th March.

Departed ELYAGANDA at 6 a.m. for Wapenamanda. Arrived 11.10. Roads in poor condition.

End of Patrol

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA

Wapenamanda Patrol Report, No. 1 of 1961/62

INTRODUCTION

This patrol was conducted through the Lower Iai Census Division of the Wapenamanda Patrol Post area, and took twenty five days to complete. Had the patrol been intent only on Census and other routine administration, perhaps ten days could have been cut off the time spent in the area. However much time was spent by the writer attempting to become conversant with the people and their customs and in giving the people a chance to gain confidence in the writer.

The patrol was originally intended to give the writer the opportunity of getting to know the area and its people in preparation for a Land Usage investigation to be held at some future date. However, as there were some outstanding jobs to be done in the area it was decided to combine the two for the purpose of the patrol. Therefore this patrol has taken slightly longer than other routine census revision patrols through this area.

Because this is the writer's first time in the area, and even in the Highlands, a good comparison cannot be drawn to enable the writer to see improvements in the native situation or in road and bridge maintenance, if any. Previous patrol instructions were checked, and the result of those instructions, looked for in the area.



ROADS AND BRIDGES

There are no vehicular roads into or serving the patrolled area, but walking tracks serve all the Census points and rest houses. Not much can be said in favour of the walking tracks in the Lower Lai Census division, where it is most obvious that little or no maintenance has been carried out since the last patrol in the area. The three or four suspension bridges across the Lai were in a satisfactory condition, but the bridges across the smaller streams were either saplings or non-existent.

The writer spent a considerable time explaining that good roads throughout the area were not only for the benefit of Government personnel, but for all in the area. If the existing roads were put in a better condition, hours could be cut off the walking time between LUMIS and Vapansanda, and this in turn would diminish the feeling of remoteness, and even allow gardeners to sell their produce at the station, and thereby gain a small cash income. These ideas were put to the people and they were urged to carry out immediate maintenance on their sections of road. However, the writer is sure that talking alone can never induce the people to maintain their roads to even a moderate standard, and feels the need for this work to be supervised, until results can be seen and felt by the people.

AGRICULTURE

The people of this area are solely occupied with subsistence gardening, and use the bush fallow system with a rotation period of four to five years. Although the population in this area is quite large there is an abundance of good arable land, enabling the people to carry out even longer rotation periods. The natives are still dependant on sweet potatoes, Yare and Bananas as a staple food, though introduced crops such as Potatoes, beans, cabbage, tomatoes and lettuce are appearing in their dist. Such small market garden crops also provide a small cash income. This however, could be expanded with good communication, There is a good market for vegetables at the Patrol Post, and mission bodies in the area.



NATIVE AFFAIRS

The natives in this area appear well versed in the 'dos' and 'don'ts' of the Administration and consequently are law abiding. In all cases the people are only too willing to bring their troubles to the notice of the Native Affairs officer whilst in the area, and accept his decision with trust. It is surprising how few complaints were received by the writer, considering the large population of the area, and its remoteness.

At all Census points, except KAHAMANDA, the Patrol was well received, and made welcome, and no shortage of willing carriers encountered. The locals brought plenty of food for purchase by the patrol. The exception, KAHAMANDA, claimed that they had no idea that the patrol intended to visit their area, although the patrol had sent word with the runners of the time of arrival.

Of the complaints received, most were requests to give decisions, in the repayment of bride price, advice in individual disagreements, and a disinterested verdict to small civil complaints. There were several disputes regarding land brought to the attention of the Patrol, and in all cases these were settled by the parties concerned, whilst the Patrol acted in the capacity of an adviser.

In cases where civil complaints were of a trivial nature, and where the writer was of the opinion that the village officials had a better knowledge of the history of the case than he, the decisions were left to the official concerned. This was intended to give the officials some confidence, and to show the people that the officials do have some authority. Throughout the Lower Lai, the people show no respect for their officials. Whether this is the result of officials abusing their authority, or poor choice, it is hard to determine, but from the writer's short observation, it seems that very few officials have the character that commands respect.



AGRICULTURE CONT.

purchase fresh foods on a large scale for shipment to the east coast or other less fortunate areas.

Near PINYAPAI and LUMIS coffee gardens were sighted, and are flourishing. Quite large numbers of trees are at a bearing age, and the locals are selling sun dried beans to the Missions near Baiyer River. As yet this cash crop has not reached large proportions, but people with large tracts of gardening land at their disposal are clamouring for Coffee seedlings.

The Agriculture Officer in the area advises that he plans to visit the Lower Lai area in the near future, to assist the people in marking out garden plots and issuing Coffee seedlings. He also intends to train a local, possibly from LUMIS, the centre of the Coffee area at present, and return him to the area as a guide, ~~man~~ and source of information, for anyone wishing to grow Coffee. It is hoped that this increasing interest in coffee does not cause further land problems or disputes.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

The lack of energetic officials in this area is probably the cause of road problem. In all cases the officials complained bitterly that they received no respect or obedience from their various lines, and because of this no work was ever done on the roads. This could be true, but it seems more likely that the officials cannot be bothered rounding up the people and supervising them on road work or any other job that might benefit the villagers. Housing throughout the area was sufficient but of a poor and unhygienic condition. It appears that it is the local custom to share one house with one's pig, but surely ~~and~~ an energetic official can impress his people of the need to clear <sup>or</sup> pig's droppings from their house and environs without an Administration officer's supervision.



VILLAGE OFFICIALS CONT.

The officials throughout the area were advised to carry out improvements on the filthy conditions of the houses and environs and urged to take legal action against anyone disobeying their orders on this matter. They appeared pleased and surprised to learn this and it is hoped that a vast improvement will be seen during the future patrols.

REST HOUSES

The rest houses are all in a very good condition, and their environs are in most places clean and tidy.

The rest houses at LUMIS and AVAS have been rebuilt of superior design and moderate workmanship. The lualai in both places was praised for his building. Possibly the worst rest house in the area was at FIAS, and here the lualai was asked to make some improvements.

CENSUS

Response to the census revision was good. Absentees were few but in each case the lualai was able to give an account of the missing persons whereabouts. Little trouble was caused by the MOGA which was at LUMIS at the time, and this ceremony accounted for no absentees.

Two people were charged and convicted under the Native Administration Regulations, for being unlawfully absent, after being warned of the census time.



HEALTH AND HYGIENE

This patrol was not accompanied by a Medical Orderly. All rest Aid posts were visited and inspected by the patrol, and most were found to have a good many patients suffering from YAWS Scurvy and dysentery. The writer was advised by the respective Aid post Orderly, that they had numerous out patients.

During census revision quite a number of people were noted to be suffering from running sores and these were advised that they should visit the Aid Post.

Hygiene through the area was neglected. Nearly all native houses seen whilst moving through the area were in a filthy state. The headmen were asked to amend this condition promptly.

There is one large Hospital and two small Aid stations accessible to the people of the lower Lai. Each of these establishments are run by Missions. There is no shortage of medical aid.

MISSIONS AND SCHOOLS

There are three Missions operating in the area The Baptist Mission, The Lutheran Mission and the Seven Day Adventist Mission. These Missions undertake the greater part of native education in the Lower Lai. The census showed that there are 108 males, and 19 females attending Mission schools, and only 7 males at the Government school at Wapenamanda. As well as these pupils there are numerous others attending minor village schools in the Census Division. All education in the area is primary only.

The writer was informed whilst at ELYAGANDA that the Seven Day Adventist Mission is planning to build a small hospital at that census point, enabling the people of the ELYAGANDA AVAS area to obtain medical treatment in their own area, instead of walking to MAMBISANDA, the nearest hospital at present. This idea has gained considerable support from the natives, and the Mission should have no difficulty obtaining labour for the project.



CONCLUSION

Apart from the immediate need to improve hygiene the patrolled area appears to be progressing satisfactorily under Administration guidance and policy. No very serious breaches in the Native Administration Regulations were dealt with, and records show that the Lower Lai has been peaceful for many years. It seems that the people are able to follow their own natural courses with little friction with their neighbours. The major cause of ill feeling is land boundaries and ownership claims.

It is the writer's opinion that this is the result of inter-*clan* fighting, prior to the Administration's gaining control of this Sub District, where a more powerful *clan* has encroached the gardening ground of smaller *clans*. Now, with law and justice for both the large and the small, the smaller *clans* are making a bid to regain what they lost to the superior *clans*.

Census figures while not showing a very large increase of births, do show that the death rate is lowering.

It is hoped that improvements in road maintenance, hygiene and the native situation in general, will be carried out as a result of this patrol.

End of Report

*Spencer*  
Patrol Officer

*Benjamin ...*  
*1961/62*





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Western Highlands Report No. Wapenamanda No. 5 of 1961/62.

Patrol Conducted by W.A. Cawthron Cadet Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Middle Lal Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

Drivers: 2 Police, 1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 3/1/1962 to 9/3/1962

Number of Days 50 days (broken period)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services August /1961

Medical February /1958

Map Reference Enamil Series Mabag sheet and attached map.

Objects of Patrol 1. Replace all bridges on the Wapenamanda-Anapiak section of Mabag road. 2. Construct a rest house at Pambobos. 3. Inspect housing and hygiene precautions in the area. 4. Attempt to settle by arbitration any river disputes that are brought up.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £

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



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67-14-18

Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

22nd June, 1962.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MT. HAGEN.

PATROL REPORT - WAPERAMANDA No. 5/1961-62

I discount to a degree some of these generalisations, such as "all Wabag labour are bad", or "some other groups are all good". Private enterprise are receiving an unusual service and it is unreasonable that they should be able to stipulate whatever conditions they desire.

The Middle Loo people are not exceptions in their valuation of land. It has priority in every communal society. It can be safely said that the majority of the brambles in the Territory are over land disputes either immediately or basically.

It is not necessary to apologise for the time taken on a patrol. All that period spent in contact with the people is well worth while.

The reported dissension originating between the two denominations is not the first time, nor will it be the last that over enthusiastic searching for souls has caused.

In their attempts to promote economic development Officers should consider the viability of production outlets as well as the population pressure in certain areas. If the elected European members for the islands of the Legislative Council can be believed ill advised but sincere efforts to grow cash crops in inaccessible country was a contributory factor towards the Baka riots.

(W. R. O'Shea)  
R/DIRECTOR.



C.C.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

67-14-18 ✓

RSP/AL.

Patrol Report and covering memoranda herewith.

(R.S. BELL)  
A/District Officer.

District Office,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN JHD.321.



8th May, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
WARAG.

Patrol Report Wapenamanda No. 5/1961-62 - Middle  
Lai Census Division - Mr. A. Cavthorn, C.P.O.

Your memorandum 67-1 dated 27th April, 1962  
accompanying the abovementioned report is acknowledged.

Now that Mr. Hogg, Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda,  
has effected a settlement of the land dispute between the  
Nanai and Mupabaru Clans at Bamandaimanda it is to be  
hoped that there will be no further trouble. However, in  
the event that anything does come up, please ensure that this  
office is notified immediately. The S.D.A. Mission has  
been quite hysterical about the whole affair.

The shortage of outside labour opportunities can  
be blamed directly on the people now complaining. Most  
applications for Highland Labour are marked "No Wabagas"  
(Wapenamanda natives are classed in this) and this is  
because of past recruits' laziness and troublesomeness whilst  
at work on the coastal plantations. In the event that a  
large number of requests for labour are received then it  
is possible that a call for recruits may be made in your  
area, but it is thought that this is the only chance you  
will have to again join the Highland Labour Scheme.

There appears little possibility that the Department  
of Public Health will position an Aid Post at Yagandis, which  
is only about five miles from the Aid Post at Heiya. There  
are more isolated positions where the need is greater. However,  
the matter has been brought to the notice of the District  
Medical Officer.

The payment for maintenance done to Secondary Roads  
throughout the district, which has just been commenced, should  
facilitate future roadwork.

Camping Allowance claims have been authorised and  
returned for payment.

My count of the days spent on patrol is fifty  
six (56). Albeit some of these are not full days, they  
must be counted. Please alter your patrol cover accordingly.

*R.S. Bell*  
(R.S. BELL)  
A/District Officer.

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Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 67 - 1.

Sub-District Office,  
WABAG,  
Western Highlands District.

April 27th. 1962.

District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Subject: Wapenamanda Patrol No. 5/61-62.

Attached please find the Report of a Patrol conducted by Mr. W.A. Cawthorn, Cadet Patrol Officer, to the Middle Lai Census Division.

Patrol instructions issued by the Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda, were carried out on the patrol.

Native Affairs: The native situation remains normal. The incident at RANAKHIMANDA appears to have left no aftermath of continuing hostility, and participants in the fight there have settled down. The S.D.A. Mission still seem to regard the basic cause of the fight as a religious one, but all the evidence points to it being basically a land dispute. Mr. Hagg is now endeavouring to effect a final settlement of this dispute, and his findings should be available in the near future.

Roads & Bridges: All bridges on the Wapenamanda section of the Wabag to Wapenamanda road have now been repaired. Although the road surface is generally good on roads in the Sub-District including the roads covered by this patrol, the road profile is generally bad. It appears impossible to achieve a good camber and satisfactory water-tableting with hand labour. The provision of suitable mechanical equipment could do much to prevent bad construction leading to scouring of the road surface during wet weather.

Mr. Cawthorn has carried out a useful patrol and has worked energetically to carry out the purposes of the patrol.

Camping Allowance claims are forwarded herewith.



G.G. Hardy  
A/Assistant District Officer.



File: 67/1

Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda  
2nd January, 1962.

Mr. A. Costantino  
Squad Patrol Officer  
Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda.

Patrol Instructions

Wapenamanda Patrol No. 4 of 1961-62

MIDDLE ISLAND DIVISION

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the above-mentioned area.  
Be prepared to leave the station on the 3rd January, 1962.

Your instructions are follows:

1. Concentrate your attention on the replacement of bridges on the Wapenamanda - Anaplak section of the Wapenamanda + Tabag road. Camp firstly at HANNA Rest House and replace bridges in that area before moving elsewhere.
2. Arrange for the construction of a Rest House at PUNENEL.
3. Inspect Housing and hygiene precautions in the area and report breaches of the Native Administration Regulations to this station.
4. Attempt to settle by arbitration such minor disputes as may be brought before you.
5. Return to the station on Monday 15th January for the station handover/takeover. You may anticipate that you will be returning to patrol upon completion of the handover/takeover.

Do not hesitate to contact me should you encounter difficulties in your work.

.....  
G. J. HOGG  
(Officer-in-Charge.)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Patrol Report Wapenamanda No. 5 of 1961/62

Patrol Personnel:

Europeans. Mr. W.A. Cawthorn G.P.O.

Natives. Const. LINGIAM.  
Const. KAGI.  
Const. SUMARA.  
Const. WAUREGAI.

Interpreter. KISIMKI.

Area Patrolled:

Middle Lai Census Division.

Duration of Patrol:

50 days, from 3/1/62 to 9/3/62, broken period.

Last Patrol to Area:

Department of Native Affairs:

August 1961

Department of Health:

February 1958.

Map Reference:

Fourmil Series Wabag sheet and attached map.

Objects of Patrol:

1. Replace all bridges on the Wapenamanda-Amapisk section of the Wapenamanda-Wabag road.
2. Construct a rest house at POMBOBOS.
3. Inspect housing and hygiene precautions in the area.
4. Attempt to settle by arbitration any minor disputes that are brought up.



DIARY.

Wednesday, 3rd. January, 1962.

Sent all patrol gear to PAUS rest house, followed on foot leaving WAPENAMANDA station at 10.00 a.m.

Inspected all buildings en route and informed all village officials of the number of bearers etc. needed for replacing the bridges.

Arrived PAUS 1.45 p.m. All village officials between PAUS and the WAPENAMANDA - WABAG border assembled there. Talked with them telling them to assemble by their respective bridges the next day.  
Inspected station.

Thursday, 4th. January, 1962.

Walked as far as the WAPENAMANDA - WABAG border, at AMAPIAK, giving instructions as to number of bearers etc. required for replacing each bridge. Returned to PAUS via native track, inspecting houses and gardens on the way.

Paper work in afternoon, arranged for pitsawyers to begin work on cutting planks for the bridges.

Friday, 5th. January, 1962.

To NENEMP CK. to see that all is in readiness for rebuilding the bridge on Monday. Supervised pulling of bearers to IAK and KONTA bridges. In afternoon to POMBOBOS to give instructions on the building of the new rest house there. Supervised pulling of bearers to the KI bridge. Petty disputes heard in the evening.

Saturday, 6th. January, 1962.

Supervised the pulling of bearer logs from the far side of the LAI River for the KI bridge.

O.J.C. from WAPENAMANDA arrived at PAUS for discussion on road work. Ten more pitsawyers arrived.

Sunday, 7th. January, 1962.

All day spent talking with local natives and visiting their houses and gardens.

Monday, 8th. January, 1962.

Walked to AMAPIAK, practically all bridges this side of PAUS ready for renewal. Unable to renew NENEMP bridge today owing to urgent road traffic. Marked suitable trees to be used as bearers on the KI bridge.

Tuesday, 9th. January, 1962.

Walked to the TCHAK River inspecting all preparations for bridge rebuilding. Inspected work on new rest house at POMBOBOS.  
Some paper work done during late afternoon.

Wednesday, 10th. January, 1962.

Walked as far as AMAPIAK and ensured all was in readiness at the IAK and KONTA bridges for renewal tomorrow. Supervised pulling of last bearer log for the KI bridge.

Thursday, 11th. January, 1962.

An early start on the rebuilding of the IAK and KONTA bridges. Finished both bridges by 6.0 p.m. New planks not completed so old ones put back on the bridge.



Friday, 12th. January, 1962.

To POMBOBOS to inspect new rest house, now nearly finished. Later went to the LWAGARE Cr. inspecting work on the bridges.

Saturday, 13th. January, 1962.

Went again as far as the LWAGARE Cr. giving instructions on renewing the bridges. Also noted names of all log owners for future payment. Arranged everything at the KI Cr. for the rebuilding of this bridge on Monday.

Sunday, 14th. January, 1962.

Spoke with local natives.

Monday, 15th. January, 1962.

Early morning into WAPENAMANDA for the handover/takeover with the C.I.C. who is proceeding on leave. Instructions given to police before departing as to how to rebuild the bridge on the KI Cr.

Returned 4.0 p.m. and worked on KI bridge until 7.0 p.m. however not finished today.

Tuesday, 16th. January, 1962.

Continued work on the KI bridge. Finally finished at 5.0 p.m., complete with new planks.

Heard some petty disputes and had informal discussions with local natives.

Wednesday, 17th. January, 1962.

Went as far as AMAPIAK inspecting all bridges, all completely ready for renewal.

During evening arbitrated in some petty disputes.

Thursday, 18th. January, 1962.

Removed two bridges, the WENEMP and PILJARE. The PILJARE bridge only was finished today.

More petty disputes during evening.

Friday, 19th. January, 1962.

Completed WENEMP bridge, except for the new planks. Into WAPENAMANDA during afternoon for weekend.

Saturday, 20th. January, 1962.

At WAPENAMANDA. Office work and station duties most of day.

Sunday, 21st. January, 1962.

Observed. During afternoon returned to patrol. Removed all gear to YAIBOS rest house.

Arbitrated in some petty disputes during evening.



Monday, 22nd, January, 1962.

Removed two bridges, the LUAGARE and WARAP, worked on them all day, but failed to finish either of them by nightfall.  
During evening more petty disputes brought forward.

Tuesday, 23rd, January, 1962.

Both bridges completed by late afternoon. More petty disputes for arbitration during evening.

Wednesday, 24th, January, 1962.

Widened and straightened the approach to the LUAGARE bridge. Inspected all pit-saw teams in the afternoon.  
During evening paid for all logs used in renewing the bridges and spoke with village officials.

Thursday, 25th, January, 1962.

Sent all patrol gear back to PAUS. Then into WAPENAMANDA to arrange for some policemen to go on leave and to take care of outstanding station work.

Returned to PAUS late morning. Paid for all bridge timbers and spoke with assembled village officials and natives.

Friday, 26th, January, 1962.

Sent all gear on to the new rest house at POMBOBOS. Went as far as the LERAP Sk. inspecting all bridges and seeing that all was in readiness for renewing them.

Saturday, 27th, January, 1962.

At WAPENAMANDA. Office work and station duties all day.

Sunday, 28th, January, 1962.

Returned to POMBOBOS rest house in afternoon.

Monday, 29th, January, 1962.

Removed SAJWA and IAMP bridges. Nailed the new planks on to the KONTA bridge. Went into WAPENAMANDA during afternoon for station duties and some outstanding office work. Returned to POMBOBOS.

Tuesday, 30th, January, 1962.

Finished off both bridges today. Arbitrated in some petty disputes during afternoon.

Wednesday, 31st, January, 1962.

Into WAPENAMANDA early morning for office work. Inspected all pit-sawyers on the road.

During afternoon into WABAG for discussion with A.D.O., then back to POMBOBOS.



Thursday, 1st, February, 1962.

Removed both the LEREP and TCHAK bridges. Spent all day supervising their renewal.  
More petty disputes heard in the evening.

Friday, 2nd, February, 1962.

Continued working on the two bridges. TCHAK Bridge finished but unable to finish the LEREP bridge.

Saturday, 3rd, February, 1962.

Finished TCHAK bridge by 11.0 a.m. Then out to TCHAK Valley to investigate a murder.

Sunday, 4th, February, 1962.

Observed at station.

Monday, 5th, February, 1962.

Returned to POMBOBOS today. Organized local natives to pull beaver logs for the GIRAP and TANDA bridges.  
Visited RAVANDA rest house and spoke with village officials there, inspected aid post.

Tuesday, 6th, February, 1962.

Had shelters built over the KI and KONTA bridges to protect the timbers from the rain. Marked some suitable beaver logs to use on the GIRAP and TANDA bridges.

Went during afternoon into WAPENAMANDA for office work, returned late afternoon.

Wednesday, 7th, February, 1962.

Completed cutting of planks for the IAK bridge. The KI and KONTA bridges wholly finished now.

Inspected native houses and gardens in the vicinity of POMBOBOS.

Thursday, 8th, February, 1962.

Went into MABAG on duty. On return inspected all recently completed bridges for flaws. All in good order.

Friday, 9th, February, 1962.

Supervised the pulling of logs to the GIRAP and TANDA bridges, Girap bridge now ready for renewal. Put new planks on the HILLIARE bridge, built shelter for same.

To WAPENAMANDA during afternoon.

Saturday, 10th, February, 1962.

Station duties and office work all day.

Sunday, 11th, February, 1962.

Observed.



Monday, 12th, February, 1962.

Station duties all morning, returned to ~~RAMANDEWANDA~~ POMBOROS rest house in afternoon.

Inspected the GIRAP and TANDA bridges to see that all was in readiness for renewal.

Tuesday, 13th, February, 1962.

Removed the GIRAP and TANDA bridges, spent all day working on them.

Wednesday, 14th, February, 1962.

Continued work on both bridges. TANDA bridge finished, but more work to do on the GIRAP bridge.

Into WAPENAMANDA during afternoon for some office work, returned later to POMBOROS.

Thursday, 15th, February, 1962.

Finished the GIRAP bridge in the morning. During afternoon went as far as AMAPIAN inspecting all newly constructed bridges, all satisfactory. Inspected the work of all the pitsawyers.

Friday, 16th, February, 1962.

Completed nailing the new planks onto the GIRAP bridge. Worked on the road approaches to the new bridges.

Into WAPENAMANDA for the weekend.

Saturday, 17th, February, 1962.

Station duties and office work all day.

Sunday, 18th, February, 1962.

Observed.

Monday, 19th, February, 1962.

Back to POMBOROS rest house. Then to RAMANDA rest house inspecting roads and bridges.

On return called in at RAMANDEWANDA rest house, scene of recent tribal fight, to see that the recently released prisoners were settling down all right. Told assembled natives to finish the rest house quickly, as intend to move in there on Wednesday.

Arbitrated in some petty disputes during afternoon.

Tuesday, 20th, February, 1962.

Road and bridge inspection as far as WAPENAMANDA. Organized the pulling of some logs for the pitsawyers. At the GIRAP, IAK, KONIA, PULIAP and KI bridges now completely finished.

Heard some petty disputes during afternoon and evening.

Wednesday, 21st, February, 1962.

Moved to RAMANDEWANDA rest house in the morning. Took a native with a broken arm to MARAG and did not return till 3.0 p.m.

Heard petty disputes for the rest of the afternoon and the evening.



Monday, 12th. February, 1962.

Station duties all morning, returned to ~~PEREMEN~~ POMBOBOS rest house in afternoon.

Inspected the GIRAP and TANDA bridges to see that all was in readiness for renewal.

Tuesday, 13th. February, 1962.

Removed the GIRAP and TANDA bridges, spent all day working on them.

Wednesday, 14th. February, 1962.

Continued work on both bridges. TANDA bridge finished, but more work to do on the GIRAP bridge.

Went to WAPENAMANDA during afternoon for some office work, returned later to POMBOBOS.

Thursday, 15th. February, 1962.

Finished the GIRAP bridge in the morning. During afternoon went as far as ANAPIAN inspecting all newly constructed bridges, all satisfactory. Inspected the work of all the pitsawyers.

Friday, 16th. February, 1962.

Completed nailing the new planks onto the NEWEMP bridge. Worked on the road approaches to the new bridges.

Went to WAPENAMANDA for the weekend.

Saturday, 17th. February, 1962.

Station duties and office work all day.

Sunday, 18th. February, 1962.

Observed.

Monday, 19th. February, 1962.

Back to POMBOBOS rest house. Then to RAVANDA rest house inspecting roads and bridges.

On return called in at RAKANDEIMANDA rest house, scene of recent tribal fight, to see that the recently released prisoners were settling down alright. Told assembled natives to finish the rest house quickly as intend to move in there on Wednesday.

Arbitrated in some petty disputes during afternoon.

Tuesday, 20th. February, 1962.

Road and bridge inspection as far as WAPENAMANDA. Organised the pulling of some logs for the pitsawyers. At this time NEWEMP, IAN, KONDA, PILLIANG and KI bridges now completely finished.

Heard some petty disputes during afternoon and evening.

Wednesday, 21st. February, 1962.

Moved to RAKANDEIMANDA rest house in the morning. Took a native with a broken arm to WAPAG and did not return till 3.0 p.m.

Heard petty disputes for the rest of the afternoon and the evening.



Thursday, 22nd. February, 1962.

Spoke with all men of the NENAI and MUPABAU Clans, the participants in the recent fight. Inspected the disputed land with them, the cause of the fight, and gave them instructions re the use of this land, until the O.I.C. of WAPENAMANDA returns from leave to settle the dispute.  
Heard more petty disputes all afternoon.

Friday, 23rd. February, 1962.

Carried all gear from the rest house to the main road, then on to POMBOBOS by car. Some disputes heard.  
Returned to WAPENAMANDA in the afternoon and did some office work.

Saturday, 24th. February, 1962.

Station duties and office work.

Sunday, 25th. February, 1962.

Observed.

Monday, 26th. February, 1962.

Returned to POMBOBOS rest house. Supervised the pulling of more logs for the pitsawyers.  
Arbitrated in some more petty disputes.

Tuesday, 27th. February, 1962.

Road inspection. Lectured all village officials on bad attendance for road work.  
More petty disputes heard.

Wednesday, 28th. February, 1962.

Pulled another log for pitsawyers on the SAUNA bridge. All clans on roadwork, maintenance only.  
Petty disputes heard.

Thursday, 1st. March, 1962.

More logs pulled for the pitsawyers. New planks nailed onto the TANDA bridge, planks for the GIRAP nearly ready.  
Petty disputes heard.

Friday, 2nd. March, 1962.

Made a shelter for the TANDA bridge. Then into WABAG for conference with A.D.O. Back to POMBOBOS in evening.

Saturday, 3rd. March, 1962.

To WAPENAMANDA early morning, station duties all day.

Sunday, 4th. March, 1962.

Observed.



Monday, 5th. March, 1962.

To RAMANDA early morning to investigate reports of an alleged murder. Returned to WAPENAMANDA then out to WELMA at 1.0 p.m. On arrival there talked with all village officials, inspected aid post.  
Heavy rain late afternoon.  
During evening talked with all village officials.

Tuesday, 6th. March, 1962.

Assembled all natives during the morning and talked to them. Then arbitrated in some petty disputes.  
During afternoon inspected native houses and gardens. Also did a road inspection by car. Instructions were given to the accompanying village officials re work on this road.  
More disputes heard during the evening.

Wednesday, 7th. March, 1962.

Set out for YAGAINDIS rest house at 9.15 a.m. Walked along main road giving instructions as to it's upkeep. Arrived YAGAINDIS 11.30 a.m. Spoke to assembled natives.  
Disputes heard during evening.

Thursday, 8th. March, 1962.

Inspected some native houses and gardens in vicinity of rest house, then departed for YARAMANDA about 10.0 a.m. Walked along road inspecting it and giving instructions re upkeep.  
Arrived YARAMANDA rest house at 11.30 a.m. Spoke to assembled natives.  
Arbitrated in some petty disputes during evening.

Friday, 9th. March, 1962.

Went to PAUSA rest house early morning and spoke to assembled natives. Then returned to YARAMANDA.  
Departed by car from YARAMANDA at 12.30 p.m., arrived WAPENAMANDA at 1.0 p.m. Patrol ended.

END OF DIARY







for want of work.

At all places food was plentiful. However the natives are very loth to sell meat in the form of pigs and chickens, they seem to regard them as an investment and are keen to retain them.

Two days were spent at RAMANDEIMANDA rest house to ensure that the recently released natives engaged in the September '61 fight were settling down alright. Here, as everywhere, they now seem to be settled and although the two clans are very much enemies and afraid of each other further fighting seems unlikely.

Everywhere the patrol was welcomed by the natives. They all seem to look forward to the government patrols and appreciate the interest which draws the government from it's station into their homes, as it were.

#### Roads and Bridges:

The road from the HAGEN border as far as WAPENAMANDA station was untouched by this patrol. During the general administration carried out in this area the road was inspected and instructions given as to how to improve it. However extensive road works were uncalled for owing to the good condition of this road.

The main work occurred on the WAPENAMANDA - WABAG road as far as the boundary at AMAPIAK. In all, thirteen large bridges and one culvert were replaced on this section of road. New planks were cut for all the bridges, being longer and thicker than the old ones, so making the bridge surfaces a great improvement on those before. The lack of good bearer logs close at hand proved an obstacle. Some very good hardwoods were pulled from the thick forest areas in the surrounding mountains, however a great deal of time was wasted during the pulling of these logs. Sufficient bearer logs were eventually found in the vicinity, and though some were of an awkward shape, they all proved adequate.

A fault in all the old bridges was that all the bearer logs rested only on ground at the mouths of the bridges. The ground being very soft, in some parts shale, tended to break away, especially after heavy rain, and so the bearer logs would sink, making the bridge approaches dangerous. In these new bridges a log was cut and laid across the road, near the mouth of the bridge, and the bearer logs in turn laid on top of this. If some ground did break away this 'pillow' log would stop any one bearer log from sliding down. All bearer logs were cut to a greater length also, so that a large part of them would lie on the solid ground of the road. Some work on the road in this area was also done, though not a great deal. Though easily trafficable it is not in very good order. This is due mainly to the lack of good gravel and the fact that the rain runs along the road taking what gravel there is with it, and cutting up the road at the same time. Any lasting improvement here would entail major road works.

#### Village Officials:

The number of village officials in this area seems to be adequate. They wield a deal of authority inside their own clans, and generally with other clans. However they are loth to report their clan members for any breaches of the law, evidently afraid of their resultant unpopularity with their clan if they did. They are helpful to carry instructions to their clans and to organize their respective clans for work, but they are not as co-operative as one might wish. They do help by trying to settle petty disputes within their clan, but invariably, at the slightest disagreement, they bring the parties before a Natives Affairs officer. In these petty disputes too they are often loth to give a verdict in case the losing party takes it as a personal affront.

#### Missions:

There are only two Missions in this area operating under Euro-



pean control -

The Roman Catholic Mission of the Divine Word (~~mission~~) (Mt. Hagen) and

The New Guinea Lutheran Mission (Missouri Synod).

By far the most influential is the latter Mission. They have ~~stations~~ stations at AMAPIAK, MAIBOS, KUMBASAKAM, MAMBISANDA, PAUSA and YARAMANDA. All are run by Europeans and all have permanent material dwellings. AMAPIAK is a well run European boarding school of high standard. KUMBASAKAM is the bulk store supplying all Lutheran missionaries throughout the Sub-District. MAMBISANDA is a very up to date hospital staffed by a qualified doctor and five nurses. The other three stations all have native schools and aid posts, MAIBOS has agricultural instruction for the natives. All stations give the natives religious instruction. There is also a large sawmill on the Mission timber lease at TUMAS, under European management.

The Roman Catholic Mission has permanent stations at PIMA and POMBOBOS. Here they run small schools and give first aid and religious instruction to the natives.

Both Missions have native evangelists spread throughout the area teaching and giving religious instruction. The Seventh Day Adventist Mission have two such evangelists in the area.

On the whole the Missions seem to be working harmoniously together. The only incident was concerned with the tribal fight last year at RAMANDEMANDA. The NEWAI are ~~MEMBER~~ Catholic and the MUPABARU are Seventh Day and consequently the two Missions have put this fight down to religious intolerance, though it is certain the fight was over land ownership. Now that the disputants have left and the religious feeling is higher, but mainly between the Europeans and evangelists concerned. The natives themselves say that they are not even thinking about religious differences, all they want is the land.

#### Resthouses:

The patrol stayed at nine rest houses, of these all, except that at PAUSA, were in good condition. Two new rest houses at POMBOBOS, built by this patrol, and at YAGAIINDIS, built by the local natives, now give a fairly good coverage to this area. The rest houses are at RAJANDA, MAIBOS, PAUS, POMBOBOS, PAUSA, YARAMANDA, YAGAIINDIS and WELVE.

A new rest house has been built at RAMANDEMANDA, off the road between PAUS and POMBOBOS. But this is more to be used to keep an eye on the NEWAI'S and MUPABARU'S and will probably not be visited by routine patrols.

#### Carriers:

Carriers were not used to any great extent on this patrol, a car being available. However when needed there was no difficulty in obtaining them owing to the dense population, the short distances and the good walking conditions.

#### Conclusions:

The state of the natives in this area is good due to the extensive contact with Europeans, mission and government, and the ready access to all parts of the area, owing to the all weather road passing through the centre of the valley. These natives are in continual contact with Europeans and consequently are more advanced, spiritually, socially and in learning, than are their counterparts in the TCHAK and LOWER LAI Valleys. However they still have a long way to go before they could be left to their own devices, without a fear of trouble on the part of the government. They still need constant watching and constant contact with government officers.

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At present they are all co-operative, to what degree depends on how much work is involved, and they are all eager to learn and to improve themselves. However not much has been done in this area towards a personal cash economy for the natives, or towards building up a type of industry, or work, to enable those who wish to obtain money through a stable job. At the moment the greater number of natives have no work, except in their gardens; the time which in the past has been spent in fighting is now time on their hands. If they cannot find something profitable to take up this time they may revert to their former practices.

They themselves are all very keen, as mentioned previously, to work for money, they would appreciate it if work could be given to them. The arrival of an Agricultural Officer in the area will help them to start some cash cropping, such as coffee, but owing to lack of land this could not become an extensive business. Having this in mind it would be of great benefit to the natives if a permanent and stable industry could be introduced into the area.

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Cadet Patrol Officer



APPENDIX "A"

ROYAL PAPUAN AND NEW GUINEA CONSTABULARY REPORT.

No. 5181 Const. LINGIAM.

Discipline: Very Good.  
Appearance: Smart and Alert.  
General Ability: A reliable and helpful member of the patrol. Worked well.

No. 6944 Const. SUMARA.


Discipline: Good.  
Appearance: Fair.  
General Ability: A reliable man, worked well but is inclined to be lazy sometimes.

No. 6326 Const. KAGI.

Discipline: Very Good.  
Appearance: Fair.  
General Ability: An ENGA speaker and consequently very helpful to the patrol. He is extremely keen but is sometimes very slow in understanding orders.

No. 6440 Const. MANEGAL.

Discipline: Average.  
Appearance: Fair.  
General Ability: Had to be watched occasionally. He tends to let the natives get the better of him and is inclined to shouting rather to action.

  
(W.A. Cawthorn)  
Officer of R.P.N.G.C.



APPENDIX "B".

Medical and Health:

This area has an extremely good coverage, but only due to the many Mission aid posts. The large, up to date, hospital at MAMBISANDA is of immense value to the local natives. At present it is staffed by a European doctor, 5 nursing sisters and numerous medical orderlies. Wabag Government Hospital is easily accessible by road and can also be used by these natives. At TAIBOS, PAUSA and YARAMANDA are Mission aid posts, the one at TAIBOS being of a good standard with a European nurse.

There are few government aid posts in the area; one is at MAMANDA and one at WELYA. Perhaps the only part which does not receive an adequate coverage is between YARAMANDA and WELYA. There is a fairly large population here and the natives have a long way to go; to WELYA, to YARAMANDA or sometimes to TSAPONDIS in the TCHAK Valley, for medical treatment. While at YAGAINDIS, between WELYA and YARAMANDA, the local natives approached the patrol asking for a government aid post to be erected there. Evidently they have been wanting one for a long time, but their overtures in this matter have been disregarded so far. In my opinion it would be an advantage to site an aid post here, the obvious keenness of the local natives for one would ensure it to be looked after.

The health of the natives seen was very good. Those whom are sick obtain medical aid quickly, they themselves realize the advantages of medical aid.

  
(W.A. Carthorn)  
Patrol Officer.



APPENDIX "C".

Education:

These natives are as well supplied with educational facilities as they are with medical. There is an Administration Primary School at WAPNAMANDA, recently removed from its previous site at WARRIBOKOS. It is centrally situated in the middle of the Middle Lai Area. It has an attendance of over a hundred pupils, many from WAINAG as it is the only school in the Sub-District which goes up to Standard 3. It has a staff of one European teacher and three native teachers.

The Lutheran Mission runs good schools at both VAIBOS and NAMBI-SANDA under the Ministers-in-charge. The standard is as high as that of the government school. There is also a Native Higher School at PAUSA where native children from all over the ~~Sixkinkir~~ Sub-District are taught by qualified European teachers. At AMAPIAN there is an excellent boarding school for all the Mission children in the Sub-District.

The Roman Catholic Mission runs small native schools under the Priests-in-charge at PISOBOS and PINA.

In addition to these both Missions have small schools scattered throughout this area run by native evangelists. However these have a definite bias towards religious teaching and the standard of education in these village schools is not high. The best pupils are sent to the better Mission schools in the area.

*W.A. Cawthorn*  
(W.A. Cawthorn)  
Cadet Patrol Officer.



APPENDIX "D".

Food and Agriculture

There is no cash cropping in this area which is unfortunate owing to the native's great desire for a moneyed income. However now that an Agricultural Officer is stationed at WAPENAMANDA it is hoped that what cash cropping is now done on a small scale may be able to be extended. The obvious crop to do this with is coffee, however lack of land must hamper the growth of an extensive coffee industry in the area.

Vegetables grow very well in the area and there is an abundance of them. Some are sold to the Lutheran Mission, for backloading to the coast, and some to the government. However this is a small scale market and can only be used profitably by those natives who live near the station. A suitable market for this produce would be of immense value to the local natives.

  
(G.A. Cawthorne)  
Gadet Patrol Officer.



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WABASANDA BARRON REPORT

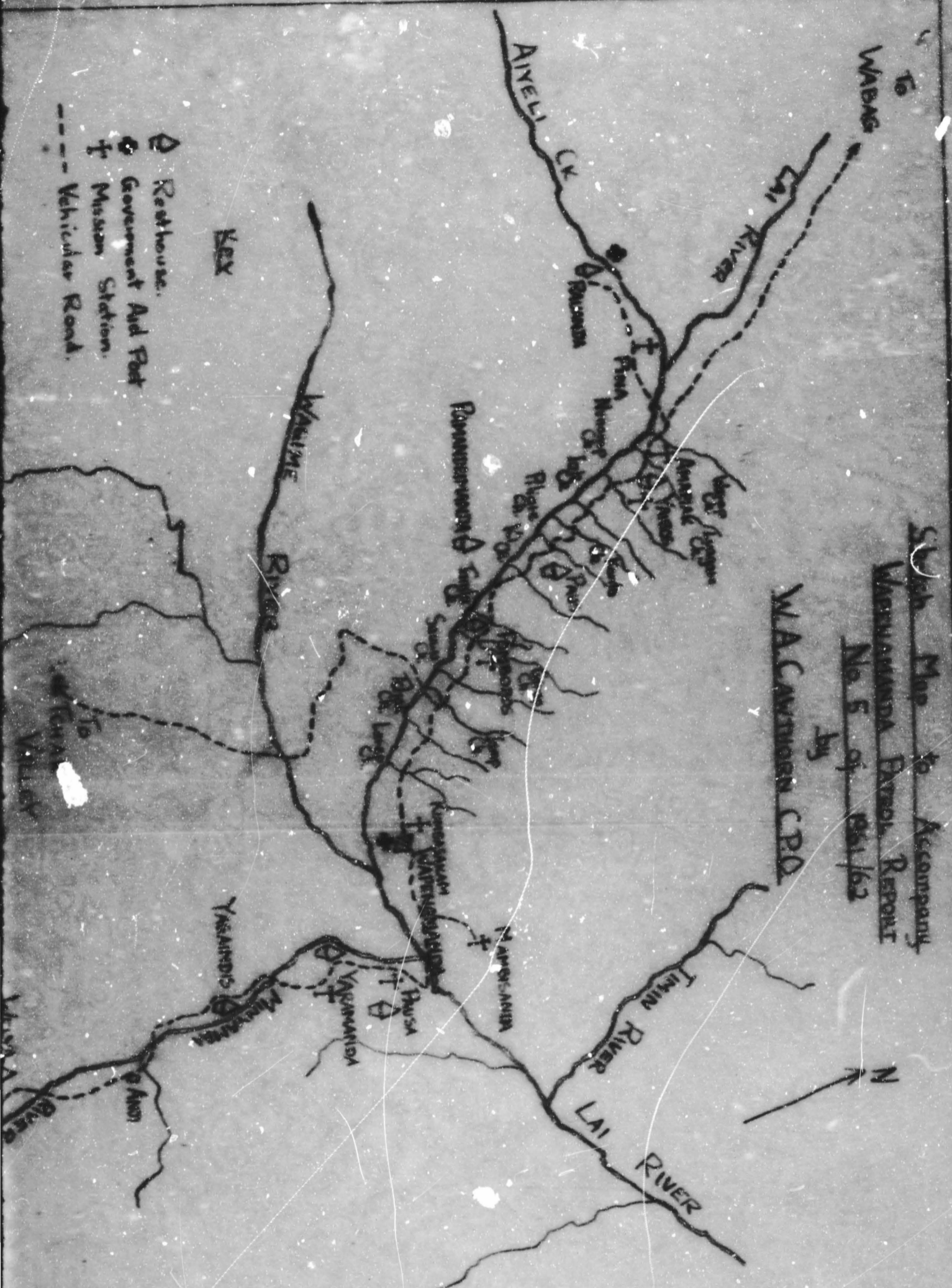
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- △ Resthouse.
- ⊙ Government Aid Post
- ⊕ Mission Station.
- Vehicular Road.











TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Western Highlands Report No. Wapenamanda No. 6 of 1961/62.

Patrol Conducted by J.B. BRAEEL CABRET PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled MIDDLE LAI CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans G.J. HOGG. PATROL OFFICER.

Natives 4 Members R.P.&N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 5 / 5 / 19 62 to 16 / 6 / 19 62.

Number of Days 20 Days (Broken period).

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services May 1962.

Medical February 19 56.

Map Reference Strat. Series. WARAG Sheet.

Objects of Patrol 1. Conduct Tax/census Revision. 2. Roads Inspection.  
3. General Administration.

Director of 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 ... £ .....

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67-14-33

19th October, 1962.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
M.L. HOGUE.

WAPISUAMANDA PATROL REPORT No. 6/1961-62

I have approached the Chief Native Lands Commissioner regarding a possible adjudication by one of his Officers but he regrets that with the staff available he has no possible hope of complying within the foreseeable future.

Only recently the Native Lands Commissioner stationed at Goroka was greeted with hosts and customary after making a decision on land within a few miles of KUNDIAMA station.

I realize this is not very satisfactory to you but about all that can be done is to ensure the people abide by the previous adjudication and enforce the decision, at the same time advising the dissidents of their rights of appeal to the Supreme Court if they so desire.

Mr. Brandel handled the situation with a great deal of tact and discretion.

(W. H. H. H. H.)  
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District Office,  
Eastern Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

15th August, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
WABAG.

Wapenamanda Patrol Report No. 6/61-62 - Middle Lai  
Census Division - Messrs. G. Hogg & J. Brazel.

Your memorandum 37-1-5 dated 31st July,  
1962 refers.

With the exception of the Bauana/Pina area  
the native situation appears good. It is quite possible  
that with the introduction of the Local Courts Ordinance  
a number of Officers will be given the powers of Lands  
Commissioners to enable the settlement of land disputes  
where direct action by the disputants is likely to take  
place. This is not the answer to the problem, but is  
the best that can be done at the moment.

There is a considerable population in the  
Bauanda Valley to maintain the few miles of road which  
exists therein. As it passes through the peoples  
customary land they are obliged to maintain it to a  
reasonable standard, especially so since they have recently  
been in receipt of payment, albeit small, for this  
maintenance.

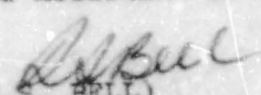
The Health Department is unable to help in  
the situation which exists at Yagindis. In comparison  
to other areas they do not have to travel far to obtain  
medical aid.

A neat and well written report by Mr. Brazel  
which could have been more comprehensive.

c.c.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

(R.S. BELL)  
A/District Officer.

Report herewith with covering memoranda by  
Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda and Assistant District Officer,  
Wabag.

  
(R.S. BELL)  
A/District Officer.



Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 67 - 1.

Sub-District Office,  
WARAG,  
Western Highlands District.

July 11st. 1962.

District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Subject: Wapenamanda Patrol Report 6/6-62 -  
Conducted by J.B. Brasel, C.M.G.

Forwarded herewith please find the report of a patrol to the Middle Lai Census Division, conducted by Mr. J.B. Brasel, Cadet Patrol Officer, together with covering comment by the Officer in Charge, Wapenamanda.

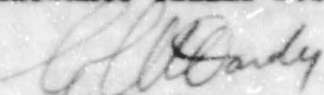
Native Affairs: Apart from the incident in the RAWANDA/PINA/PAIRAP area, which is dealt with under separate correspondence, the native situation appears normal.

Roads & Bridges: Natives responsible for maintenance of the main vehicular road through the Middle Lai are to be commended for the consistent good condition of the road, especially from the Lai River to the top of the range beyond VELIA. Although the road to RAWANDA is not used often, this should be no reason for not keeping it in the best possible repair. The responsibilities of the people living along the road are not lessened by the fact that it is a branch road.

Village Officials: Officials in this Census Division appear to be of a standard similar to that of Officials in other parts of the Sub-District. The office of Laluai, as at present constituted, appears to be unable to keep up with modern changing conditions, especially where traditional respect for the "elders" is lessening amongst the younger generation.

This was Mr. Brasel's first patrol and although parts of it were "solo" he was yet under close supervision of the Officer in Charge. His report is well written, but in the future, I feel he should aim for a longer narrative, as practice in observation and reporting. He has not, for instance, commented on Census figures, or indicated trends revealed by these. Census figures have been retained to Wapenamanda for re-checking, as there appears to be considerable discrepancy between present figures and the previous ones.

Camping Allowance claims are attached.

  
G. G. Hardy  
A/Assistant District Officer.



Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 37 - 1 - 5.

Sub-District Office,  
WABAG,  
Western Highlands District.

July 31st. 1962.

District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Subject: Inter-Clan Fighting - RAUANRA/PINA.

Ref: Vapenamanda P/R.No. 5/61-2, and OIG's  
W/A of 11.7.62.

This outbreak of inter-Clan fighting, was probably no more serious in actuality than other brawls of similar nature in this Sub-District. There were no fatalities, although a number of people were wounded, and within a few hours peace was restored.

However, I consider its implications to be more serious. The most disturbing feature is that it took place in the presence of a patrol, and that the people appeared to have previously prepared for a fight, notwithstanding that they knew the patrol was in the area. On the day of the fight, but prior to it, Mr. Hogg saw me at BIRIP where I was on patrol, and during discussion of the land dispute at PAIRAP, he told me that he had heard rumour that the people were going to fight in any case.

This incident brings out, I think, two major points: firstly, the failure of the apparent Administration policy of adopting a "head in the sand" attitude towards disputes over native land, in this Sub-District at any rate, and secondly, the contempt with which the law is regarded as a result of this failure. The greatest administrative problem in the Wabag Sub-District is dispute over land ownership, and the lack of adequate legal machinery to handle it has tended to foster disillusionment with the law generally. During my previous term at Wabag, widespread dispute over land was evident, but it seldom erupted into violence. It was possible then to calm down litigants and have some assurance that they would not settle the matter by fighting. Since then, and especially since the repeal of powers to settle land ownership dispute under the Native Administration Regulations, the position has deteriorated.

The next obvious development is for an Administration patrol to become more actively involved in a land fight, with positive risk of injury to both Natives and patrol personnel. I do not think it is being hysterical to predict such an event. Although Mr. Hogg does not mention it in his memo, an arrow was discharged in the direction of himself and a Police Constable but went wide. However, in the half-dark, it was not possible to determine whether it was intentionally shot in their direction, or was fired at random by an excited participant in the fight.



The matter of land ownership has been mentioned in reports and considered upon on numerous occasions in the past, but apparently with little effect. Could the matter once more be brought to the attention of Headquarters, with a request that some action be taken to resolve the problem. Under present conditions the situation can only deteriorate, and ignoring the problem will not make it go away.

Forwarded for your information, please.



**Assistant District Attorney**

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**Officer in Charge,  
Federal Post,  
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Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 37 - 1 - 5.

Sub-District Office,  
WABAG,  
Western Highlands District.

July 31st. 1962.

District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

Subject: Inter-club Fighting - BAWAIBA/PINA.

Ref: Wapenaputa P/O No. 6/O-2, and OIS's  
W/A of 11.7.62.

This outbreak of inter-club fighting, was probably no more serious in actuality than other bouts of similar nature in this Sub-District. There were no fatalities, although a number of people were wounded, and within a few hours peace was restored.

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Forwarded for your information, please.

*G. L. Hardy*  
G. L. Hardy

**Assistant District Officer**

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**Officer in Charge,  
Central Post,  
Mombasa.**



File: 57/1

Patrol Post  
Wapenamanda  
Western Highlands

11th July, 1962.

The Assistant District Officer  
Sub-District Office  
W A B A G

WAPENAMANDA PATROL No. 5 of 1961/62.

MIDDLE LAI CENSUS DIVISION

Please find attached a report on the above-mentioned patrol written by Mr. J. Brazel, C.P.O. For a major part of this patrol I accompanied Mr. Brazel in a supervisory and advisory capacity, this being his first patrol.

The native situation has changed little since the previous patrol, the only incident worthy of comment being the outbreak of fighting between the NAWBALIA, KOIP and KALIP Subgroup of the TSIGIN Group and the WAPOKIN subgroup of the KANBAWALIN Group. Events which led up to the outbreak of fighting were as follows:

Shortly prior to this patrol members of the WAPOKIN Sub-group complained of trespassing by the TSIGIN Group on land which the WAPOKIN claimed. The land disputed is known as "PAIRAP". I referred to the land court records and found that a C.N.A. hearing into this dispute had been conducted by P.O. J. HANNAH on 12th June, 1958. I enclose a copy of the decision and sketch map for your information. You will note that the sketch map clearly shows the boundaries of the disputed area. In the course of the hearing Mr. Hannah placed markers along these boundaries and it appears that the presence of these markers was a primary cause of the dispute.

Although there is no doubt that Mr. Hannah clearly indicated that the boundary markers were merely a delineation of the disputed area for the benefit of a future hearing by the Native Land Commissioner, the TSIGIN Group chose to identify these markers as the legal land use boundaries, and claimed the right to garden all land to the West of the markers. Consequently they moved their houses and gardens right up against this boundary although it appears that they lived, at the time of the hearing, some distance back from the demarcation line. The WAPOKIN were refused the right to garden the land under dispute under threat of hysical violence, and quite rightly complained to this office.

Incidentally, the WAPOKIN instigated the complaint against the TSIGIN and KIMBAGIN which resulted in the C.N.A. hearing in 1958.

On the 6th June, I visited "PAIRAP" and walked over the disputed land in company with the disputants. It was obvious that feelings were running high, and that as a C.N.A. hearing had already been conducted, little could be done. I had made arrangements for police to move out to RAUANBA on the morning of the 7th, and as you are aware, then visited you at BIRIP to discuss the matter. It was decided that the implications of the previous decision be clearly described to the disputants. This is what I did when I returned to RAUANBA. In effect, the TSIGIN and WAPOKIN were told that neither group had been given sole



land use rights over the disputed area, and that in point of law neither group could legally stop the other from gardening the land under dispute.

The members of the THIGIN Group were disposed to argue for the sole rights to garden the disputed land, but I explained that the matter was outside my jurisdiction. There then followed a disturbance created by the THIGIN who threatened to take the matter into their own hands if any WAPOKIN dared to move onto the disputed area. Certain potential troublemakers of the THIGIN were ordered to remove themselves from the Rest House area. They did not do so, and it became quickly apparent that their actions and the threats circulating amongst the gathered populace would lead to trouble if allowed to continue. The THIGIN who had originally been ordered to remove themselves were taken into custody and were being led from the Rest House area by a police constable, when they suddenly broke away and, picking up sticks of sugar cane, began throwing them at the WAPOKIN nearby. The WAPOKIN who until then had been quite passive, retaliated and hand to hand fighting started. The ensuing noise was broken up by myself and police in 5-10 mins with no one hurt.

Unfortunately the confusion created by the original troublemakers of the THIGIN, who I had been attempting to remove from the Rest House area, enabled them to escape. I immediately sent to you for police reinforcements, and to Wapamanda. In company with my police I left for PAIRAP where it seemed most likely further fighting would take place. Fighting had started at PAIRAP about 5 minutes before we arrived on the scene and was stopped within 10 minutes, although some men continued to appear until dark. In the fighting before I arrive at PAIRAP 5 men received superficial cuts or sprain wounds. Also a WAPOKIN male was ambushed and used by THIGIN members, the arm cut entering the right leg. He is recovering from the wound.

The C.N.A. hearing into the riot is still under way at present, and police investigations into the wounding are being conducted. At this stage, the evidence in the case of unlawful wounding would be insufficient to obtain a conviction, mainly because of the confusing and conflicting statements made by those involved. When investigations are complete you will be advised.

The situation described above is a quite common feature of this area. It is however most disquieting to note that fighting breaks out in the presence of European officers, and continued albeit briefly when attempts were made to break it up. There was never the slightest suggestion of anti-administrative feeling, however it did appear that the fighting was started because the people, unable to settle their differences themselves, felt that by resorting to physical violence they would force the Administration to intervene with a more definite decision. In land disputes particularly, the idea of mutual agreement on land boundaries is quite alien to these people. Traditionally they relied on force, and now on the Administration, to settle disputes. I cannot see any solution to this situation, except the permanent sitting of a Native Lands Commissioner. Fighting over land can be expected to continue even after court decisions, until the people realize that the decisions are irrevocable. There seems to be little point in C.N.A. hearing on land use rights, because such decisions are almost invariably accompanied by fighting either before or after the event, and the subsequent sittings of a Land Commissioner can be expected to result in a further stirring up of feelings and again the resultant fighting.

The fighting in this case was deliberately started by certain members of the THIGIN Group, and the presence of European officers and police did not act, as is deterrent. The threat of imprisonment does not greatly worry them, although they do regard it as a nuisance to be avoided if possible. All in all the native situation is not satisfactory.



whilst the underlying attitude towards law and order is one of indifference and even disrespect.

Elsewhere, the patrol was uneventful and received full cooperation where sought.

In his introduction Mr. Brunel mentions that I accompanied him "for the remainder of the patrol", when in fact he carried on alone after the 9th June. Also, in the diary record for Wednesday, 11th June, Mr. Brunel reports that he conducted the census revision of the ~~INDIAN~~ group at ~~INDIAN~~, whilst under the section headed 'East House' he states that group was censused at ~~IND~~. These minor points of mis-reporting will be brought to Mr. Brunel's attention.

Under the heading of 'Village Officials' Mr. Brunel remarks that the Village Officials do not have sufficient authority to mediate successfully in minor civil disputes. I would suggest that he has here received the wrong impression as it has been my experience that approximately ninety percent of such disagreements have, of late, been successfully dealt with at that level; and it is only a few occasions when conciliation is unsuccessfully sought by Village Officials that they bring such disputes to Officers of this Dept.

In appendix B, a request for an Aid Post by the people of ~~YAGANNA~~ has been recorded. These people are in the unfortunate <sup>position</sup> of being at the periphery of the areas serviced by the WHEA Aid Post and ~~YAGANNA~~ sub-patient clinic. I nevertheless doubt that their need for further medical facilities would be as great as any other areas in the District.

Mr. Brunel is at present again on patrol in the WHEA area. He is supervising the maintenance of the ~~Wapamunda~~/St. Eugen road in that area as it was found to be in urgent need of repair.

Contingencies for camping out Allowance are enclosed.

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(S. J. 1955)  
Officer-in-Charge

*[Signatures]*  
Mr. B. J. ...  
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I have approached the Chief Native Lands Commission regarding a possible adjudication by one of his officers but he regrets that with the staff available he has no possibility of complying with the procedure ~~proposed~~.

They recently the Native Lands Commission ~~adjudicated~~ at ~~Broka~~ was ~~quarantined~~ had ~~ad~~ ~~continually~~ ~~after~~ ~~making~~ ~~a~~ ~~decision~~ ~~on~~ ~~land~~ ~~with~~ ~~a~~ ~~view~~ ~~of~~ ~~Konzi~~ ~~Native~~ ~~Station~~

*Realise this is not very satisfactory to you but about this has  
can be done so that I mean to leave alone by the  
previous adjudication as before the decision, at the same time*



# LAND DISPUTE: 'PAIRAP'

## Decision.

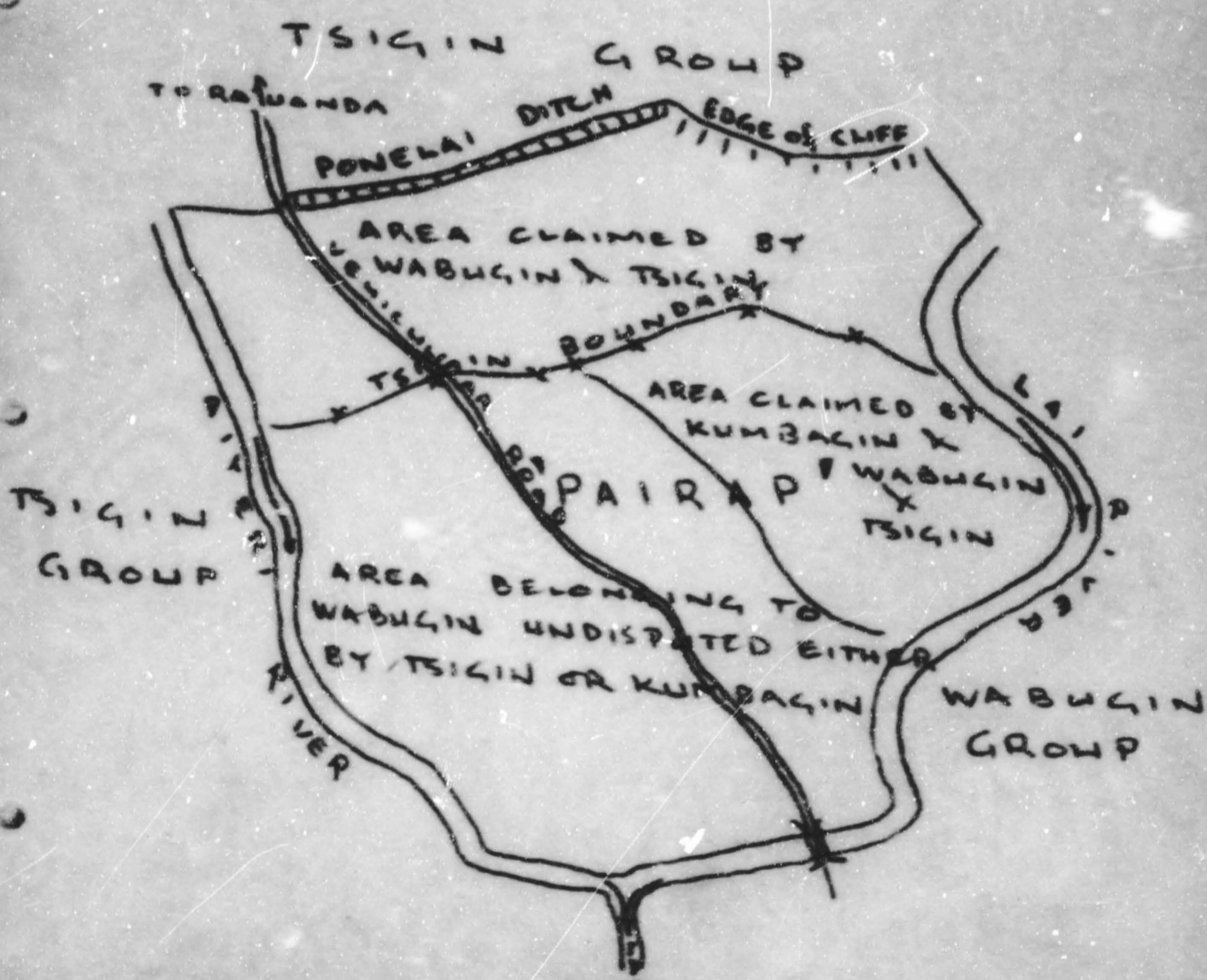
The intention of the Ialmai Palimda in bringing this dispute before me, namely to obtain the removal of five men of the Kumbagin group who are living there, is defeated. It is found that the Kumbagin people though not living on their true ancestor's ground were invited to this area by either the Wabugin people or the Tsigin people (the evidence is conflicting here) and have been in residence for approximately 20 years or continue to do so, as may the Tsigin people who though not directly involved are living within the boundary of the ground claimed by the Wabugin people. This occupation may continue until such time as a Native Lands Commissioner can hear the Wabugin claim and decide who has clear title to the ground.

All the marks put in the course of the survey are to remain as they were put to act as a guide to the Native Lands Commissioner who is to hear the case.

In accordance with the provisions of Regulation No 39 of the Native Administration Regulations a copy of the foregoing is for-

J. HARRIS

Held on this 21st day of May, 1958.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Patrol Report Wapenamanda No. 6 of 1961/62.

Patrol Conducted by: J.B.Bragel, Cadet Patrol Officer.  
Accompanied by: G.J.Hogg, Patrol Officer.  
Area Patrolled: Middle Lai Census Division.  
Patrol Accompanied by: 4 Members R.P.&N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter.  
Duration of Patrol: 28 days between 5/5/'62 and 16/6/'62.  
Last Patrol to Area: Department of Native Affairs:  
Between 3/1/'62 and 9/3/'62.  
Map References: Strat. Series, WABAG Sheet. 4 miles to 1 in.  
Objects of Patrol:  
1. Conduct Tax/census revision.  
2. Roads inspection.  
3. General Administration.



DIARY.

Saturday 5th May 1962.

WAPENAMANDA to YAGAINDIS. Departed for YAGAINDIS at 3-00 p.m. per Land-Rover arriving at 3-30 p.m. Bridge already started though not in the position originally intended. Too late to alter it so proceeded until dark when the main supports and bearers on the Mt. Hagen side were in position.

Sunday 6th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Natives elected to go out and haul timber in the morning. However no work in the afternoon but at 5 p.m. the D.C., the D.O., and the A.D.O. (WABAG) arrived from WAPENAMANDA expecting to meet a jeep from Mt. Hagen and to proceed back to Mt. Hagen. However jeep did not arrive and they unable to cross river as bridge down so they returned to WAPENAMANDA. Rest of day observed.

Monday 7th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Work started on WAPENAMANDA side of bridge; cut timber supports and bearers. All in place by lunch-time. Afternoon proceeded to haul main bridge timbers across into place, to form main body of bridge. P.O. Hogg arrived at 2 p.m. and gave further instructions. Listed owners of timbers used in bridge construction. Work finished at 4 p.m. due to rain.

Tuesday 8th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Work proceeded on bridge and decking nailed into place. Supporting timbers attached to main bearers and supports on both sides. Approaches packed down with stone, clay and gravel. Further list of owners of timber used taken.

Wednesday 9th May.

YAGAINDIS-WAPENAMANDA. Finished off work on bridge this morning. Put gravel and fine sand on approaches to bridge. Work completed by lunch so afternoon proceeded on foot to WAPENAMANDA. Arrived station at 3-15 p.m.

Monday 21st May.

WAPENAMANDA-WELYA. Departed for WELYA per Land-Rover late p.m. arriving at 6-15 p.m. accompanied by P.O. Hogg. Walked to Rest-house situated about 1/4 mile off main Mt. Hagen-Wabag road. Rest-house in very poor condition. People advised of census-taking arrangements for tomorrow.

Tuesday 22nd May.

At WELYA. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
YAPONDA-IBUP,  
YAPONDA-TEGIBALU and  
YAPONDA-MELGPKARENK groups. Worked on the figures in the afternoon and later inspected Aid-Post, Houses, Latrines and Gardens-- accompanied by P.C., Interpreter and Village Officials. P.O. Hogg heard minor disputes and bought firewood.

Wednesday 23rd May.

At WELYA. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
YAPONDA-MAIP and  
YAPONDA-YAUWALIN & TSAJARAUKAZIN groups.  
P.O. Hogg heard minor disputes. Worked on figures and later did house inspection. P.O. Hogg returned WAPENAMANDA late p.m. for arrival of Controller of Corrective Institutions and Mr. Lattin, Dept. of Territories observer tomorrow. Self remained WELYA.

Thursday 24th May.

At WELYA. Walked to ANJI and conducted tax/census revision of-  
NENEIN group. Returned to Rest-house and worked on tax/census figures. Later conducted inspection of more houses in WELYA area. Returned to Rest-house at 6 p.m.



Friday 25th May.

At WELYA. Walked to ANJI at 9-00 a.m. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
PIABIN-KIMBAGIN and  
SANGOBAGIN groups. Bought firewood and  
returned to Rest-house at WELYA. Worked on tax/census figures in the  
afternoon. P.O. Hogg returned from WAPENAMANDA at 3 p.m. Arranged for  
carriers for tomorrow's move and for new Rest-house to be built.

Saturday 26th May.

WELYA-YAGAINDIS. Patrol left WELYA at 9-00 a.m. and walked to YAGAINDIS.  
Arrived YAGAINDIS at 10-45 a.m. Rest-house in poor condition so spent rest  
of morning selecting site for and planning new one. P.O. Hogg returned to  
WAPENAMANDA on station business at 2 p.m. Rest of afternoon spent buying  
firewood and talking to local people.

Sunday 27th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Morning observed. Afternoon A/A.D.O. (Wabag) G. Hardy arrived  
from WABAG proceeding to Mt. Hagen. Later walked to YARAMANDA and inspected  
a few houses. P.O. Hogg picked me up on main road and we returned to YAGAIN-  
DIS.

Monday 28th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
TSEIN-PAMANDA & KINGIN and  
TSEIN-RAIAGIN & TSIGABAGIN groups. Finished  
at 12-30 p.m. Afternoon spent working on tax/census figures and later  
inspection of houses, latrines and gardens, accompanied by P.C., Interpreter,  
and Village Officials. Work started on new Rest-house.

Tuesday 29th May.

At YAGAINDIS. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
TSEIN-PALYAMU and YAUWALIN,  
TSEIN-AIYALIGIN and  
TSEIN - NENEIN groups. Finished at 12 p.m.  
Afternoon worked on tax/census figures. A/A.D.O. G. Hardy arrived from Mt.  
Hagen at 2 p.m. and departed at 2-30 p.m. Later made inspection of houses,  
latrines and gardens accompanied by P.C., Interpreter and Village Officials.  
Talked to the people about health and hygiene generally. Organised carriers  
for tomorrow's move to YARAMANDA. Sent runner to YARAMANDA to advise people  
about census tomorrow.

Wednesday 30th May.

YAGAINDIS-YARAMANDA. Patrol left YAGAINDIS at 9-30 a.m. and walked to YARA-  
MANDA. Bought firewood along the way and arrived at YARAMANDA at 10-15 a.m.  
Immediately upon arriving, conducted tax/census revision of-  
WOIN-KEIDAM and  
WOIN-ISAN groups. Afternoon spent inspecting  
houses and gardens. Later worked on census figures and advised people of  
tomorrow's census.

Thursday 31st May.

At YARAMANDA. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
WOIN-EUMBIEN and  
WOIN-PIABIN groups. Finished at 12 p.m. After  
lunch left YARAMANDA at 1-45 p.m. and walked to WAPENAMANDA. Arrived WAPEN-  
AMANDA at 5-15 p.m. On arrival at station advised officials of tomorrow's  
census. Spent remainder of day working on tax/census figures.

Friday 1st June.

At WAPENAMANDA. Morning Parade. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
IAGUMAN-PUMAYDAN & KUMBASAGAM and  
IAGUMAN-IALIS. groups. Finished at 1 p.m.  
and afternoon spent working on tax/census figures.



Saturday 2nd June.

At WAPENAMANDA. Parade and Inspection. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
IAGUMAN-ROMBAN and  
IRAGUOIN groups. Finished at 12 p.m. and spent  
afternoon working on tax/census figures.

Sunday 3rd June.

At WAPENAMANDA. Observed.

Monday 4th June.

At WAPENAMANDA. Public Holiday. Queen's Birthday. Observed.

Tuesday 5th June.

WAPENAMANDA-RAUANDA. Departed WAPENAMANDA for RAUANDA at 9-30 a.m. per  
Land-Rover and arrived RAUANDA at 10 a.m. Spent morning talking to local  
people. Afternoon inspected houses, latrines and gardens. P.O.Hogg arrived  
RAUANDA from WAPENAMANDA. Advised people of tomorrow's census revision.

Wednesday 6th June.

At RAUANDA. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
TSIGIN-LUNAI and  
TSIGIN-MUDAI groups. P.O.Hogg walked to PINA  
to investigate land dispute. Afternoon worked on tax/census figures and  
made brief inspection of neighbouring houses, gardens and latrines. Gardens  
much better in this area due no doubt to better fertility of the soil.  
Much ill-feeling over land dispute. At about 5 p.m. riot broke out between  
Sub-groups WAPAMANGALIA, KOIPAKALIP of the TSIGIN group and Sub-groups  
WAPOKIN and KUMBAGIN of the KANDAUIN group. One native died and taken to  
MAMBISANDA hospital; 3 natives speared and taken to YAIBOS Lutheran Mission  
Clinic. Rioters were dispersed and arrests made, police reinforcements  
being brought from WAPENAMANDA and WABAG. Police camped along road over-  
night to prevent further outbreak of fighting.

Thursday 7th June.

At RAUANDA. Arose at 5-30 a.m. and proceeded to scene of melee of previous  
night at PINA in case further fighting should break out. However no more  
fighting and A/A.D.O. (WABAG), P.O.Hogg and self returned to Rest-house.  
Conducted tax/census revision of-

TSIGIN-WABAI,  
TSIGIN-KOIPAKALIP and

TSIGIN-WAPAMANGALIA groups. Rioters arrested  
and charged. After lunch departed for YAIBOS per Land-Rover and called  
census of DEP-KUMBA and KANDAUIN groups-- rioters from these two groups  
arrested and taken back to RAUANDA where they were charged. Left YAIBOS  
and travelled to BIRIP per Land-Rover to report to A/A.D.O. (WABAG). Return-  
ed RAUANDA and further rioters who had not attended census were brought in  
and charged. Parade 6 p.m.

Friday 8th June.

At RAUANDA. Walked to YAIBOS to take statements from three wounded WAPOKIN  
natives accompanied by P.C. and Interpreter. Arrived YAIBOS 11-30 a.m.  
Took statements and after inspecting Clinic walked back to RAUANDA arriving  
at 2 p.m. Afternoon spent assisting P.O.Hogg in investigation and taking  
statements.

Saturday 9th June.

At RAUANDA. P.O.Hogg departed for WAPENAMANDA per Land-Rover at 9-00 a.m.  
Spent morning working on tax/census figures and later inspected Aid-Post.  
Afternoon spent inspecting road as far as PINA Catholic Mission Station.  
Road in very poor condition and recommended to Officials that several  
bridges be repaired and/or replaced. Inspected Mission and returned to  
RAUANDA.



Sunday 13th June.

At RAUANDA. Arranged for carriers for tomorrow's move to YAIBOS. Rest of day observed.

Monday 11th June.

RAUANDA - YAIBOS. Departed RAUANDA 9-00 a.m. and walked to YAIBOS. Arrived YAIBOS at 10-30 a.m. Conducted tax/census revision immediately of-  
KANDAUIN-AMBULIN and  
RUNGIBIN-TSO groups before lunch.  
RUNGIBIN-YAKAU (PAUWI) and  
RUNGIBIN-YAKAU (MENA) after lunch. Finished at 3-30 p.m. and then listened to a few disputes of a very minor nature. Worked on tax/census figures and later arranged for carriers for the move tomorrow to PAUS. Sent runner to PAUS to advise people of tomorrow's census.

Tuesday 12th June.

YAIBOS - PAUS. Patrol left YAIBOS at 9-00 a.m. and walked to PAUS arriving 9-45 a.m. Conducted tax/census revision immediately of-  
KANDAUIN-ANNIO,  
KANDAUIN-MALAK & MUPA and  
KANDAUIN-TSIGAUAN groups. P.O. Hogg arrived from WAPENAMANDA at 11 a.m. and proceeded to WABAG per Land-Rover. Worked on tax/census figures in the afternoon and later sent a note to station for more stores. Stores arrived late afternoon and bought food. Short inspection of houses and Missions school. Arranged for carriers for tomorrow's move to POMPAUS. Sent word to POMPAUS and LAMANEIMANDA about tomorrow's census.

Wednesday 13th June.

PAUS-POMPAUS. Rest of patrol walked to POMPAUS. Self, Interpreter and one P.C. walked to LAMANEIMANDA and arrived at 9-30 a.m. Conducted tax/census revision of-

IDAGON-MUPABARU group. Inspected new Rest-house and then walked to POMPAUS. Arrived at 11 a.m. Immediately conducted Tax/census revision of-

IDAGON-LANDARAGIN group before lunch. Afternoon continued tax/census revision of-

IDAGON-RUNDUP and  
YANDAMAN-YORGIENDA groups. Finished at 3-30 p.m. and worked on tax/census figures. Made short inspection of neighbouring houses and bought food. Continued work on tax/census figures.

Thursday 14th June.

At POMPAUS. Conducted tax/census revision of-  
IDAGON-YENEI and  
WOIMINAGIN-MAIDEP groups before lunch. Afternoon continued tax/census revision of-

WOIMINAGIN-PIZEP and  
IOK & AMAIN groups. Finished at 3-30 p.m. and walked to Catholic Mission but no-one there. Returned to Rest-house. A/A.D.C. (WABAG) arrived from WAPENAMANDA at 4-35 p.m. with Senator Buttfield and departed at 4-45 p.m. Bought food and continued work on tax/census.

Friday 15th June.

At POMPAUS. Spent day working on tax/census figures. Short inspection of houses and arranged for carriers for tomorrow's move back to station.

Saturday 16th June.

POMPAUS-WAPENAMANDA. Patrol left POMPAUS at 9-00 a.m. and returned to WAPENAMANDA. Arrived station at 11 a.m. and carriers paid-off.

END OF DIARY.



#### INTRODUCTION:

This patrol was primarily for the purpose of a tax/census revision in the Middle Lai Census Division. At the same time whilst I devoted myself to the tax/census revision I also made road and house inspections in the area. The majority of the people were seen on this patrol except for a few aged who were unable to attend the census because of sickness and infirmity.

The patrol itself was not a continuous one, the first few days being spent at YAGAINDIS on the main MT. HAGEN-WABAG road replacing a bridge which had been destroyed by a "flash" flood. This was my first experience on patrol and although I was out for only five days it was a useful experience.

For the remainder of the patrol, that is the tax/census revision part of the patrol, I was accompanied by P.O. Hogg who was always ready to assist and give advice where it was needed. During the entire part of this patrol as well as conducting the tax/census revision, house, latrine and garden inspections were made whenever possible. The hearing of courts and general minor disputes was left to P.O. Hogg to conduct.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS:

On Wednesday 6th June, P.O. Hogg walked to PAIRAP to investigate a land dispute. At about 2 p.m. the disputants gathered in force outside the Rest-house and there was a general atmosphere of uneasiness and discontent about the land decision. At 4 p.m. or thereabouts a riot broke out between a limited number of sub-groups WAP & MANGALLA, KOIP & KALIP of the TSIGIN group and sub-groups WAPOKIN and KUMBAGIN of the KANBAUALIN group.

The fighting commenced at the Rest-house and was quickly broken-up. Fighting started soon after at PAIRAP the site of the land in dispute and it was here that it was most intense-- several natives of both the TSIGIN and WAPOKIN groups were wounded with arrows. One native from the WAPOKIN group was ambushed and received an axe wound in the lung. However this wound was not fatal as at first anticipated and he is now recovering in the Lutheran Mission Hospital at Mambisanla. The rioters were quickly dispersed and word was sent to WAPENAMANMA and WABAG for police reinforcements. These police camped along the road overnight to prevent any further outbreak of fighting. The following day the alleged rioters were identified, arrested and charged.

As is generally accepted there is a great land shortage in this area and hence there is always plenty of friction between groups over the ownership and use of land. Apart from the disturbance at RAUANBA there was no other trouble experienced but the general atmosphere is quite tense where land ownership and usufructory rights are concerned and trouble can be expected to occur at any time.

It is curious to note that the people are always ready and willing to come to the government for advice and assistance with their land problems but at the same time if they do not gain satisfaction from the government they then think the only way to settle an altercation is by use of force. It is important that they should learn to accept the decisions of the government officers on their problems if they come to the government for assistance, but this will probably take some time.

The people are fairly "court-minded" in this area and it was noted that quite a considerable number of petty disputes were brought to the attention of P.O. Hogg. The Village Officials were reminded of their duties and encouraged to settle as many disputes as they could. Only when the parties could not derive satisfaction from this arbitration and conciliation should the matters be brought to the notice of the government officers. This patrol was a good opportunity to see as many of the people as possible. Because of this the people raised as many of their problems as they could and I endeavoured to satisfy of these problems as I could.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES:

As mentioned before, the first few days of the patrol were spent renewing a bridge at YAGAINDIS on the main MT. HAGEN-WABAG road. At all places visited the roads were inspected and the Village Officials advised to make repairs and carry out maintenance where it was needed. The main road between WELYA and YAIMOS is in quite good condition and the bridges are also quite serviceable.

The branch road to RAUANBA which also serves PINA Catholic Mission Station is in very poor condition however and the people were advised of this fact. A number of bridges and drains were in immediate need of repair and the Village Officials were advised to exhort the people to carry out these repairs as soon as possible. However considering this road is used fairly seldom especially between PINA and RAUANBA it is not really necessary that it should have the same maintenance as say, the MT. HAGEN-WABAG road. Of course it is necessary



that as far as PINA the road should be in fairly good condition to serve Mission traffic but the remainder is not so important as this portion of the road goes only as far as the Rest-house at RAUANANDA.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

The Village Officials do not seem to be settling the number of disputes of which they are capable. Although these disputes are only of a minor civil nature involving such questions as bride-price and other native custom when a decision of mutual agreement cannot be achieved by both parties, the disputants always come to the government officer for advice and assistance. This is invariably the case and whether it is because the people do not respect the Village Officials' authority or perhaps think they may be biased in their decisions is difficult to say, but it was recommended that the Officials settle as many complaints as possible - of a minor nature that is, involving matters of native custom. The Village Officials are always willing to organise labour within their groups for such work as bridge-construction and road maintenance.

#### MISSIONS:

The New Guinea Lutheran Mission (Missouri Synod) is one of two Missions operating in this area and is very well established having stations at AMAPIAK, YAIBOS, KUMBASAKAM, MAMBISANDA, PAUSA and YARAMANDA. All these stations are manned and supervised by Europeans as well as having native assistants. At AMAPIAK is the European boarding-school in this area and has a reputation in this district and elsewhere, for a very high standard of primary education. At YAIBOS there is a saw-mill and Aid-Post. KUMBASAKAM is the bulk store which supplies groceries and hardware to the other Mission stations. MAMBISANDA is a very well equipped and up-to-date Hospital having accommodation for  $\frac{1}{2}$  both native and European patients. It is staffed by a European doctor, three European nurses and a European pharmacist. At PAUSA there is a native boarding-school and at YARAMANDA there is a day-school.

The Roman Catholic Mission of The Divine Word (MT. HAGEN) has stations at PINA and POMPAUS. At both these stations Mission schools are run for the natives and instruction is given in First-Aid as well as other subjects. There is an Aid-Post at PINA and agricultural instruction is also given to the natives.

#### REST-HOUSES:

The general condition of the Rest-houses was quite good except at WELYA and YAGAINDIS where it was recommended that new Rest-houses be built. The other Rest-houses where the patrol stayed are situated at - YARAMANDA, RAUANANDA, YAIBOS, PAUS and POMPAUS. There is also a new Rest-house at LAUANDEIMANDE but the patrol did not stay there as it was reportedly not completed at the time the patrol was in this area, so the IDAGON-MUPARARU group came to PAUS for the Tax/census revision.

#### CONCLUSION:

The general native situation in this area is quite good despite the incident at RAUANANDA. The natives are all very keen to improve their general living standards and to secure some type of cash economy. At the moment they do have vegetables which they can grow and sell to the Lutheran Mission at KUMBASAKAM but this is very limited, as is the sale of vegetables to the European settlers generally in this area.

The number of coffee trees being planted in the area is also increasing but here again there is an obstacle because of the limits of the market. The land problem has to be considered here also and some effective remedy will have to be found for this problem, possibly some type of re-<sup>ment</sup> settlement programme or something of the sort, before any really serious cash-cropping scheme can be instituted.

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APPENDIX "A".

ROYAL PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA CONSTABULARY REPORT.

No. 2814 Corporal ANDRUWE.

Discipline: Very Good.  
Appearance: Smart.  
General Ability: Fairly quiet but does a good job. Holds good control over the Police at all times.

No. 5181 Const. LINGIAM.

Discipline: Very Good.  
Appearance: Good.  
General Ability: A useful man and of great assistance to the Patrol at all times.

No. 8822 Const. MULLIMA.

Discipline: Lax.  
Appearance: Fair.  
General Ability: Does a good job controlling the natives though inclined to be a little rough at times.

No. 7349 Const. MAEANDA.

Discipline: Very Good.  
Appearance: Good.  
General Ability: Executes all his duties with despatch and very helpful at all times.

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Officer of R.P. & N.G.C.



APPENDIX B

MEDICAL AND HEALTH:

Generally the natives are quite healthy in this area and the only complaints which came to my attention were skin ailments of various types which seem prevalent amongst young children especially, due no doubt to the lack of protein in their diet.

Government Aid-Posts are established at WELYA, WAPENAMANDA and at RAUANDA. The general condition of these is quite good especially at RAUANDA where the Native Medical Orderly has done a very good job in maintaining a very high standard of cleanliness. The Aid-Post and Hospital is well laid out surrounded by a good garden and it is pleasing to note that the Orderly is taking such pride in his work.

Mission Aid-Posts are established at YAINOS, PAUSA and YARAMANDA and there is also the Lutheran Mission Hospital at MAMRISANDA which has accommodation for the sick native population of the area as well as the European settlers.

The people at YAGAINDIS requested that a Government Aid-Post be established there though in my opinion there is no great need for an Aid-Post in this area. The nearest Government Aid-Post is at WELYA which is about three-quarter's of an hour's walk away and the nearest Mission Aid-Post is at YARAMANDA also about three-quarter's of an hour's walk from YAGAINDIS. I do not think it would be any great hardship for out-patients to walk this distance.

Altogether the area is quite well covered as far as Aid-Posts are concerned and the natives have no cause for complaint regarding medical treatment.

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APPENDIX C.

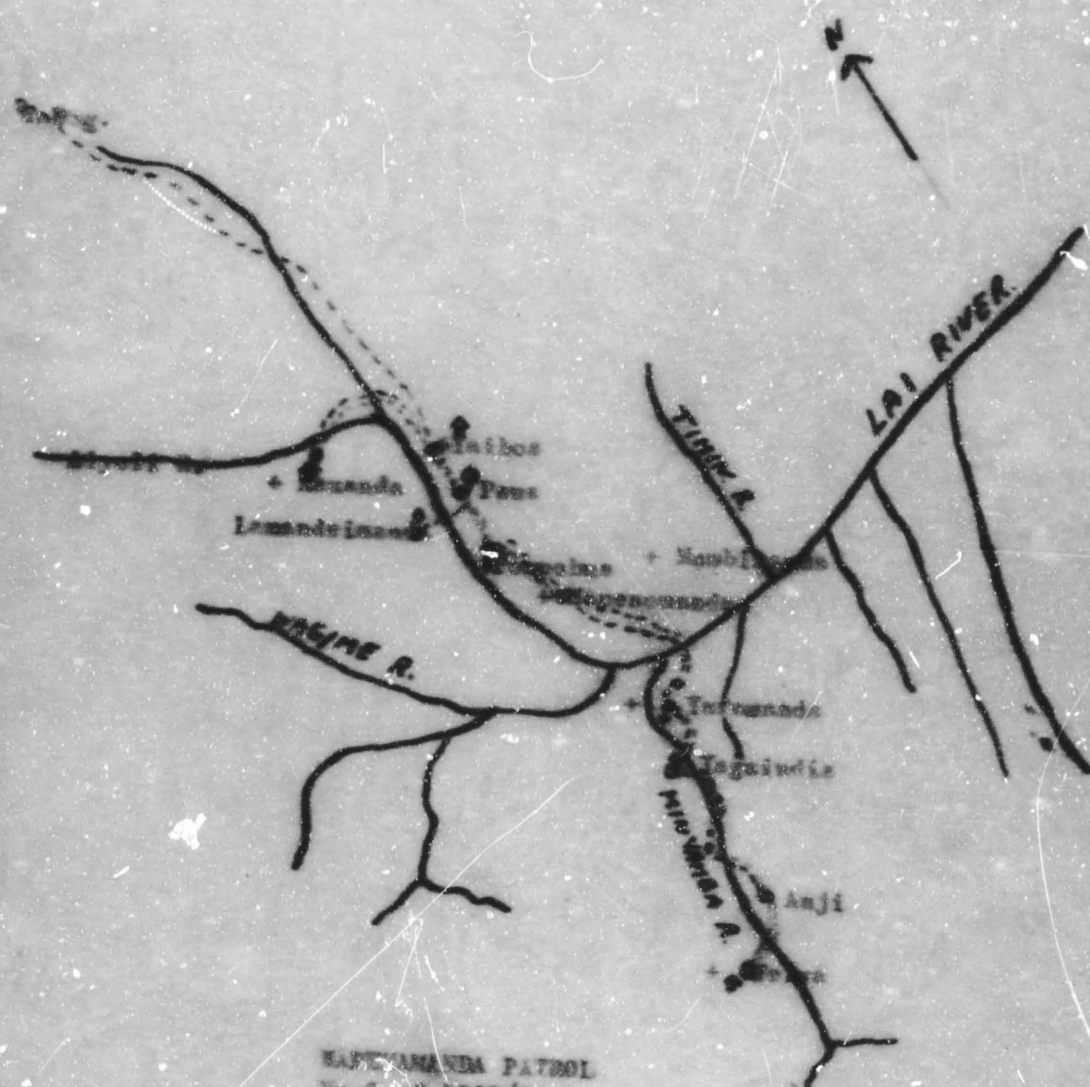
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE:

The general fertility of the soil in this area is very good and showed a definite improvement at the lower altitudes. At all Rest-houses food was plentiful and the people when requested for food provided ample quantities.

As mentioned previously the people are very anxious to obtain some type of cash economy in the area and so improve their general living standard. With the presence of an Agricultural Officer now stationed at WAPENAMANDA it is hoped that he may be able to find a suitable remedy for this problem. Already some of the people have started to grow peanuts but this is mainly to supplement their diet of sweet potato and other foods; it is not I understand part of any system of cash-cropping. It is hoped to foster the cultivation of pyrethrum eventually but this is rather a long term view and may take many years to establish.

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SAFEMANDA PATROL  
No. 2 of 1961/62.

- PATROL ROUTE      - - - - -
- VEHICULAR ROAD   - - - - -
- BEST HOUSE        +
- AID-POST          +
- SCALE: 1 inch = 4 MILES.