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PATROL REPORT OF: WAU, MOROBE

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MOROBE DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

1967-1968

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5-67-68	J.E. White	Upper Watut C.D.
6-67-68	J.E. White	Part Biangai & Eloa C.D.
8-67-68	J.E. White	Upper Watut & Kareeba- Indiwi C.D.
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4-67-68	M.W. Hegger	Lower Kapau/Nanima & Langimar C.D.
5-67-68	M.W. Heggen	Lower Kareeba River Area



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....**MOHOBE**.....Report No. **ASEKI REPORT No. 2 of 67-68**

Patrol Conducted by.....**M.W. Heggen P.O.**.....

Area Patrolled.....**Lower Kapau - Nanima Census Division.**.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....**Nil.**.....

Natives.....**3 Members R.P. & N.G.C.**.....

Duration—From.....**30/11/1967**.....to.....**19/12/1967**.....

Number of Days.....**20**.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....**NO.**.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....**25/5/1967**.....

Medical**9/1967**.....

Map Reference.....**Wau Strat. Series.**.....

Objects of Patrol.....**Electoral education, Census revision, General Admin.**.....

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

5/12/1968

[Signature]
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-6-37

28th February, 1968

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 2 of 1967/68

Receipt of the above report and relevant comments
is acknowledged with thanks.

Although this report is clear, it is too brief
and lacks sufficient detail for a twenty day period in a
relatively remote area. Some discussion of leadership and
comments on village officials is usually expected, some
anthropological data should come to light, the comments on
Missions and education should show the locations of evangelists
and catechists, and some discussion on what is being achieved
and future Mission plans for education in the area could also
be relevant. These points should be kept in mind on the next
patrol to the area.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

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Our Reference 67-2-11

If calling ask for

Mr.

Department of District
Administration,
Morobe District,
LAE.

2nd February, 1968.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

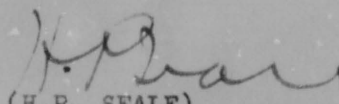
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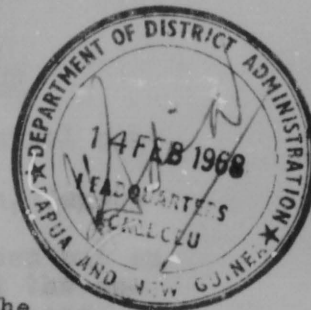
Please find attached, copy of the report of Aseki Patrol No. 2 of 1967/68 to the Lower Kapau - Nanima Census Division, conducted by Mr. M.W. Heggen, Patrol Officer. Covering comments by the Assistant District Commissioner at Wau accompany the report.

2. The report indicates a reasonably satisfactory situation in this remote and unsophisticated area. It is natural that political awareness amongst these people would be at an extremely low level and it will require continued education in political matters to bring these people up to the standard in other parts of this District.

3. I have been advised by the District Agricultural Officer that at the present time he is unable to provide vegetable seeds for distribution in villages, but when supplies have been received, distribution will be made.

4. Mr. Heggen has carried out a useful patrol in keeping with his usual high standard.


(H.P. SEALE)
District Commissioner



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Sub-District Office,
W A U.
Morobe District.

22nd January 1968

District Commissioner,
District Office,
L A E.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO.2 - 1967/68:
LOWER KAPAU - NAMINA CENSUS DIVISION.

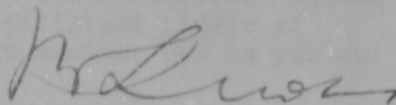
Forwarded herewith is the report of the above patrol conducted by Mr. M. Heggen, Patrol Officer.

Purposes of the Patrol were Electoral, Education, Census revision and general matters.

It is noted that fifteen of the villages have been put on the Electoral Roll for the first time, now completing the enrolment of the whole Aseki divisions. Political awareness among these primitive people is as expected, at a fairly low level. It is pleasing to note that some progress has been made, however. I have requested the District Agricultural Officer to forward vegetable seed direct to the O-I-C, Aseki, by separate letter.

I am requesting Mr. Heggen to conclude the investigation into a 'vague' report of a crashed aircraft. However when the report was first received, the Department of Civil Aviation confirmed that no plane was now missing in the Kapau area.

Mr. Heggen's claim for camp allowance is endorsed and attached hereto.



I.B. TUOHY
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. Officer in Charge, Aseki.

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Patrol Post,
ASEKI,
Morobe District.
9th January 1968.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
W A U.

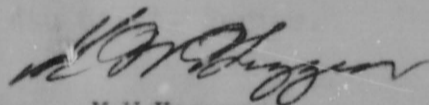
PATROL REPORT - ASEKI PATROL No.2/67-68.

Herewith please find four copies of the above-mentioned Patrol Report together with a Camping Allowance claim for myself in respect of the same patrol.

An attempt was made to investigate the report of crashed aircraft mentioned in your 67-2-1 of 7th October 1967, however the man from whom Mr. Stewart obtained this information was absent from the village when the patrol visited Tabaigo. He is believed to be now working in Wau or Bulolo. None of the other people in the village have any knowledge of the aircraft.

I would appreciate it if you could make another request to the Dept. of Agriculture for vegetable seeds. I have made several requests to different people at different times over the last six months, but as yet no seeds have been forthcoming.

For your information,

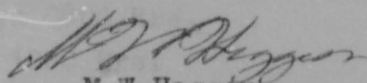


M.W. Heggen.
Officer in Charge.

ASEKI Patrol Post.
WAU Sub-District.
MOROBE District.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1967-68.

Patrol Conducted by : M.W.Heggen P.O.
Area Patrolled : Lower Kapau - Nanima Census
Division.
Personnel accompanying : 2 Members R.P. & N.G.C.
1 Interpreter.
Duration of Patrol : 30th November 1967.
to
19th December 1967.
Number of Days : 20 Days.
Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area : May - June 1967.
Last P.H.D. Patrol to Area : September 1967.
Objects of Patrol : Electoral Education,
Census revision,
General Administration.
Map Reference : Wau Strat. Series.


M.W.Heggen.
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

The Lower Kapau - Nanima Census Division comprises people at various stages of political and social development, some of the villages having been first censused in the early 1950s, and others having been contacted and censused during the last six years.

Rugged terrain in the area features numerous limestone monoliths, sheer rock faces and underground streams. The altitude of villages within the area ranges between three thousand and five thousand feet above sea level. Vegetation is mainly of the mountain rain forest type with moss forests above five thousand feet.

Fifteen of the villages visited during the patrol have not voted in previous elections, thus the prime aim of the patrol was to educate the people in the purpose and procedures of the coming elections for the House of Assembly. A local man who recently visited the House of Assembly as an observer accompanied the patrol and assisted me in giving talks on the House of Assembly and its functions.

DIARY:

Refer to folios 20 to 24 of Field Officer's Journal.

30.11.67 Departed Aseki 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Yangaiyu 700 Hrs.
Pleased to note that a considerable amount of work had been done on the walking track since the last patrol.

1.12.67 Lined and censused people of Yangaiyu and Aitu at common rest house. Talks given on H.of A. and Local Govt.

2.12.67 Departed Yangaiyu 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Wongini 1200 Hrs.
Track to Wongini good. Census revised, adults will go to Nietnda on Monday to hear talks.

3.12.67 Sunday - Departed Jongini 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Nietnda 0930 Hrs.
Rested at Nietnda.

4.12.67 Revised census of Nietnda, Higinanangawie, and Yango villages. Gave talks on H.ofA. elections and Local Govt.

Diary (Contd.)

- 5.12.67 Departed Nietnda 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Wapa 0900 Hrs.
People of Wapa and Hitangamanga lined and censused at rest house. Patrol remained at Wapa while myself, one Policeman, and Interpreter walked to Kaintiba - 4 Hours.
Discussions with O.I.C. Kaintiba.
- 6.12.67 Returned from Kaintiba, meanwhile patrol moved from Wapa to Onawa. Walking time Kaintiba to Crawa - 7 Hours.
- 7.12.67 Revised census at Onawa and gave talks to people of Onawa, Wapa, and Hitangamanga.
Departed Onawa 1100 Hrs.
Arrived Shonhau 1200 Hrs.
- 8.12.67 Census revised at Shonhau and talks given.
General discussions with people about Local Govt.
- 9.12.67 Departed Shonhau 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Iwapu 1130 Hrs.
Census revised and talks given at Haugini en-route to Iwapu. Census revised and talks given at Iwapu.
- 10.12.67 Sunday - Departed Iwapu 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Tengama 1000 Hrs.
Rested at Tengama.
- 11.12.67 Census revised at Tengama and talks given.
Departed Tengama 1130 Hrs.
Arrived Uyeiwata 1500 Hrs.
Census revised and talks given at Uyeiwata.
- 12.12.67 Departed Uyeiwata 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Kukihe 1430 Hrs.
Census revised and talks given at Wandl en-route to Kukihe.
- 13.12.67 People of Kakiva and Kukihe lined and censused at Kukihe and talks given.
Departed Kukihe 1000 Hrs.
Arrived Angobio 1200 Hrs.
Census revised at Angobio and talks given.
- 14.12.67 Departed Angobio 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Peawu 1000 Hrs.
Census revised and talks given at Peawu. Received word that Mr. Ashton and Mr. Seale will visit Aseki on 19th. Will endeavour to be there.

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Diary (Contd.)

- 15.12.67 Departed Peawu 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Kainamba 1500 Hrs.
Census revised and talks given at Kainamba.
- 16.12.67 Departed Kainamba 0745 Hrs.
Arrived Peisu 1615 Hrs.
Census revised at Tabaigo and Bain'nu during the course of the day, talks also given at both villages.
- 17.12.67 Sunday - Census revised at Peisu and talks given.
Departed Peisu 1030 Hrs.
Arrived Poiyu 1130 Hrs.
Talks given at Poiyu and revision of census commenced.
- 18.12.67 Completed revision of census at Poiyu, cargo then went forward to Aiewa while I revised the census at Bakia and gave talks there. Arrived Aiewa rest house at approx. 1330 Hrs. Aiewa census revised and talks given.
- 19.12.67 Departed Aiewa 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Aseki 1030 Hrs.
Census revised at Mdamnga en-route to Aseki and talks given.

END OF PATROL.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS:-

RECEPTION OF THE PATROL:

The patrol received a friendly reception at all villages visited.

VILLAGES:

All villages in the area are reasonably well sited and have adequate water supplies. Increasing use is being made of the introduced rectangular design of house to replace the traditional conical shaped houses. The majority of the villages visited have constructed fences around the village to keep out pigs. Hygiene and sanitation are comparatively good.

POLITICAL SITUATION:

The more recently contacted people of the area have very little knowledge or awareness of politics and it will require much talking and explaining etc in order

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Political Situation (Contd.)

to educate them in these matters. At this time the attitude of the people towards the Administration, Missions, and European is generally one of friendly co-operation.

During the patrol, the proposed formation of a Local Government Council was discussed with the people, however they find it very difficult to understand how a council would be of any benefit to them. The main worry of course is that they will not be able to meet the tax demands of a council. Attempts were made to explain the process by which the tax rate is fixed, and the fact that those who are honestly unable to pay tax, are exempted from having to pay tax. The people however remained unconvinced.

AGRICULTURE:

Throughout the area the food situation is good with no villages reporting shortages in any of their staple food crops. Introduced vegetables are being grown to a limited extent in the northern part of the Census Division, however the southern portion of the C.D. has virtually no introduced vegetables. Repeated requests have been made by myself and the P.H.D. (Wau) for vegetable seeds to distribute to these villages, but to no avail.

The sole cash crop of the area is coffee. A considerable number of young trees will come into bearing during the coming two years, thus the already formidable task of uplifting coffee produced in the Aseki area to Wau will become even greater.

LIVESTOCK:

Pigs and fowls constitute the only livestock of any consequence in the area, and these play only a small part in the subsistence diet of the people.

FORESTS:

No forests of any immediate economic value exist in the area.

LAND:

Many minor disputes between village and family groups and individuals exist throughout the area. Demarcation Committees were recently formed and it is hoped that the activities of these will help to solve these disputes.

HEALTH:

Health throughout the area patrolled was found to be reasonably good; two cases of malnutrition and one

Health (Contd.)

whooping cough case were discovered and sent to Aseki for treatment. A Triple Antigen inoculation campaign has since been commenced in the area where the whooping cough case was located. There are two Aid Posts in the area, one at Nietnda and one at Peisu, these are indicated on the accompanying map ~~wit~~ by a red cross. A recent Medical Patrol conducted by Mr. E.J. Stewart, E.M.A. Wau, visited the area, and a detailed report on the health of the people may be found in Mr. Stewart's report on this patrol (Wau Medical Patrol No. 1/67-68).

EDUCATION:

No schools of any consequence are conducted in the area.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

No vehicular roads exist in the area, bridle paths are being maintained in reasonably good condition by the responsible villages.

MISSIONS:

The majority of the area patrolled is covered by the Lutheran Mission, however the New Tribes Mission based at Slate Creek has limited influence in those villages of the Census Division which lie south and east of the Kapau and Kabu rivers.

CENSUS:

This opportunity was taken to revise the census in spite of the fact that the census was revised only six months ago. The reason for this being that it is anticipated that following the House of Assembly elections, a Local Govt. Council will be established at Aseki, thus it is possible that the work involved in this may prevent any further revision of the census until 1969. No alarming population trends are evident, the rate of absenteeism amongst the able-bodied men being 20.5%.

CONCLUSION:

This patrol, I feel, was a very successful one in that it's main objective was achieved and a good response was received from the people. Electoral Education was the main purpose of the patrol, and in addition to those given by myself, talks were also given by a local man Mr. Giame Pitipato who recently travelled to Port Moresby as an observer at the first House of Assembly's last sitting. Fifteen villages visited during this patrol were not included in the Electoral Roll at the last elections

CONCLUSION (Contd.)

however they are now included, and having now completed the above patrol I feel that they will be capable of casting their votes as well as understanding what they are voting for.

M. W. Heggen

M.W.Heggen
Patrol Officer.



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 PATROL ROUTE - - - - - Aid Posts +



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

by P.O. M. Heggen

District of MOROBU Report No. ASEKI Report No. 3 of 67-68.

Patrol Conducted by M.W. Heggen P.O.

Area Patrolled Kapau-Kabu and Kareaba-Indiwi Census Divisions

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans P.M. Smith C.P.O.

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

Duration—From 11/1/1968 to 29/1/1968

Number of Days 18

Did Medical Assistant accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 6/1967

Medical / / 19

Map Reference Wau Strat. Series

Objects of Patrol Census revision and Electoral Education

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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[Signature]
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-6-44

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, Papua.

May 1st, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

PATROL NO. ASEKI 3-67/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of ~~Memorandum~~
* ~~of Patrol~~/Patrol Report covering patrol by... P.M. SMITH C.P.O.
to ... KARBEBA- INDIWI AND KAPAU-KABU Census Divisions.

The Trustees of the Museum have been informed
of the discovery of the large stone mortar at PAVAMARGA.

Mr. Smith should be complemented on his very
clear report.

J.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS) /s/
Director

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May 2nd, 1968.

The Chairman of Trustees,
Papua and New Guinea Museum,
PORT MORESBY.

Dear Sir,

The following is an extract from ASEKI Patrol Report No. 3 of 1967/68 by Mr. P.M. Smith Cadet Patrol Officer and may be of interest to the Trustees.

"ANTHROPOLOGICAL

At Pavamanga Village the Aid Post Orderly was in possession of a very large mortar measuring about fifteen inches across. The mortar, he stated, was dug up from under an old collapsed tree not far from the village. As time was short the site was not inspected. No one had an idea what the mortar was used for".

A sketch map showing the location of PAVAMANGA is attached.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

Att/..
c.c. The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telephone

Telegram

Our Reference 67-2-11

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of District Administration

Morobe District,
LAE.

28th March, 1968.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 3 OF 1967/68

Attached please find the report of Aseki Patrol No. 3 of 1967/68 conducted by Mr. M.W. Heggen, Patrol Officer. Also accompanying is a report submitted by Mr. P.N. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer, as a training exercise. Mr. Smith accompanied the patrol, being his first.

2. The report indicates a generally satisfactory state of affairs in the area patrolled.

3. The confusion revealed amongst these people over the Open Electorate and Regional Electorate was apparently not entirely overcome, as I understand from the Returning Officer for the Kaindi Open Electorate that the high number of informal votes recorded at his counting centre was brought about by many of these people failing to vote in the Regional Electorate and depositing blank regional papers in the ballot box.

4. As Mr. Heggen himself states, this was a leisurely patrol and I consider that the narrative of his report is not sufficiently full for such a patrol, and he will be instructed in future to submit more detailed reports. This is my only criticism of what is otherwise a good piece of field work by Mr. Heggen.

5. The report submitted by Mr. Smith is a fair effort, considering this is his first report and he has obviously exercised his powers of observation.

6. Covering comments by the Assistant District Commissioner, Wau on both reports, accompany.

(H.P. SEALE)
District Commissioner

67-1-4

IBT:MB

Sub-District Office,
W A U.
Morobe District

2nd February 1968

District Commissioner,
District Office,
L A E.

PATROL NO. 3 - 1967/68: ASEKI
Report by C.P.O. Mr. P.M. Smith

Attached is the report of Mr. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer, who accompanied Mr. Heggen on the patrol of the Kapau-Kabu and Kareeba - Indivi Census Divisions.

Mr. Smith has drawn attention to the improvement in the standard of housing with the gradual adoption of rectangular houses with raised timber floors, replacing the traditional conical style.

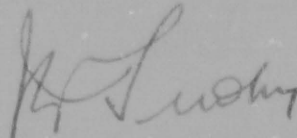
It is noted that the women took no part in the political discussions. One of the difficulties is to get the message across using interpreters and this would add to the difficulty to bring the women into discussions; however, as understanding increases with more contact, the natural shyness of the women may be expected to lessen.

The need for a patrol by an Agricultural Officer of the District or an Assistant has been noted in comments to Mr. Heggen's report.

The existence of the very large stone mortar at Pauamanga is interesting.

This patrol was Mr. Smith's first and he seems to have learned how to make and record observations as a valuable part of his training.

Mr. Smith's claim for camp allowance is attached.



I.B. TUOHY
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Officer in Charge, Aseki

ASEKI Patrol Post.
WAU Sub District.
MOROBE District.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 3 OF 67-8

Patrol Conducted by : M.W.Heggon P.O.
Area Patrolled : Kareeba-Indiwi and Kapau-Kabu
Census Divisions.
Personnel Accompanying: P.M.Smith C.P.O.
4 Members F.&N.G.C.
1 Hospital Orderly.
Duration of Patrol : 11th January 1968.
to
29th January 1968.
Number of Days : 18 Days.
Last Patrol to the : Kareeba-Indiwi,
Area D.D.A. Census Patrol June 1967.
Kapau-Kabu,
D.D.A. Census Patrol June 1967.
Objects of the Patrol : Census revision and Electoral
Education.
Map Reference : Wau Strat. Series.

P.M. Smith

P.M.Smith

Gadet Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of this patrol was to continue the Electoral Education of the peoples of the Kareeba-Indiwi and Kapau-Kabu Census Divisions, and to revise the census in the Kareebe-Indiwi Census Division. As there is no demarcation committee in the Kareeba-Indiwi this opportunity was taken to inform the people of the likely formation date.

The patrol was also my first and served to familiarize me firstly with the area itself and secondly with the general running of a patrol.

The majority of patients treated by the Hospital Orderly were only suffering from very minor complaints, the exceptions are dealt with under 'Health'.

Topographically the area covered was very rugged and contained numerous ridges and V-shaped valleys. Just south of Aseki there were many huge limestone outcrops, though the remainder of the area covered had no such formations. Altitude of the area varied between three thousand and eight thousand feet, thus the vegetation was predominantly rain forest with moss forests at the higher altitudes.

DIARY:

Refer Folios 17 to 21 of Field Officers Journal.

- 11.1.68 Departed Aseki 1015 Hrs , arrived Angeiwunga 1415 Hrs. Most of track recently attended to and despite ~~extensive~~ continuous rain was quite good.
- 12.1.68 Electoral Education talks given to Angeiwunga and Angabena villagers at Angeiwunga. Departed 0915 Hrs walked through Hiakwata and Iagobei where Electoral talks were also given. Arrived Kobikini 1415 Hrs.
- 13.1.68 Talk given at Kobikini on Voting Procedure and Candidates. Departed Kobikini 0940 walked on good track arriving Kamiagaga rest house 1240 Hrs.
- 14.1.68 People from Kamiagaga, Kwamdawati and Kanakiamanga assembled at rest house and were given Electoral Education talk. Departed rest house 0845 Hrs passed through Hogeneiwa where another talk was given. Arrived Paiwini 1245 Hrs. Election talk given to Paiwini villagers.

Diary (Cont.)

- 15.1.68 Departed Paiwini 0815 Hrs walked on good tracks passing through Dumauia and Passaia where Electoral talks were given. Arrived Aningi 1230 Hrs and soon after another talk was given.
- 16.1.68 Departed Aningi 0900 Hrs, arrived Pauamunga 1300 Hrs. Tracks generally good. Pauamunga A.P.O. complains that he has not received any Medical Stores for quite a while.
- 17.1.68 Lined and Censused people of Andandora and Pauamunga. Talks also given on voting procedure, candidates and formation of Demarcation Committees. Departed Pauamunga 1100 walked on good tracks to Hiyewini arriving at 1400. Lined and Censused people of Hiyewini and Gumana. Electoral Education talk also given and people of Hekwata attended as well. Demarcation Committees also discussed.
- 18.1.68 Departed Hiyewini 0630 walked on both good tracks and bush tracks before arriving Mouini at 1145. Mouini people Lined and Censused and talks given on coming elections.
- 19.1.68 Departed Mouini 0830 arrived Yelaua 1130. Villagers censused and give Electoral Education talks.
- 20.1.68 Departed Yelaua 0840 walked on steep track before arriving Yagoine 1340.
- 21.1.68 Sunday-Resting at Yagoine, Censused and talked people of Yagoine village.
- 22.1.68 P.O. Max Heggen, Interpreter and I walked across range to census and talk people at Hamuni. Left Yagoine 0715 arrived back 1145. Word received of murder at Aweaka which is a days hard walk away.
- 23.1.68 Max left for Aweaka to Investigate reported murder, remainder of patrol ~~is estimated~~ continued on. Departed Yagoine 0815 after having censused and spoken on Elections and Demarcation Committees. Arrived Anandaaua 1330 where the villagers of Anandaaua and Hauwaweto were censused and given talks on elections and Demarcation Committees. Track generally good.

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- 24.1.68 Departed Anandaua 0830 , arrived Korenga 0930, censused Korenga and Kamrhai. Talks on coming elections and intended formation of Demarcation Committee also given to both villages. Departed Korenga 1100 walked on very steep tracks arriving Taua'ini 1330. Max Heggen rejoined patrol after discovering that the previously reported murder was non existent. People from Taua'ini were censused and given talks on elections and Demarcation Committees.
- 25.1.68 Despatched carriers and policemen to Kakewana, Max Heggen, the Interpreter and I set off to Mekini at 0830 via old bush track. Arrived Mekini at 0930 and censused Mekini, Tangondia and Tagiawa. Talks were also given to these villagers. Departed Mekini 1300 arrived Kakewana 1400 censused and talked people from Kakewana.
- 26.1.68 Departed Kakewana 0830 walked on fair tracks for 5½ hrs arriving Yamowya 1400. Census taken and talks on H/A Elections and Demarcation Committees given.
- 27.1.68 Departed Yamowya 0800 walked on good well graded tracks passing through Kaitongata and Kwadungwe ~~where talks~~ where talks on coming elections were given. Arrived Yeggie 1200 where another talk was given.
- 28.1.68 Departed Yeggie 0800 walked on fairly good and well graded tracks giving Electoral Education talks at Angaweta and Korteio villages. Arrived Mungo 1330 where another talk on the H/A elections was given.
- 29.1.68 Departed Mungo 0800 walked on good tracks to Aseki, passing through Iwatimnga where talks on coming elections were given

END OF PATROL

RECEPTION OF THE PATROL:

The patrol received a very friendly reception at all villages visited.

VILLAGES:

The style of house predominating was the rectangular introduced type, but a considerable number of the traditional conical houses were also noticed. For the most part all the houses were of a good standard though some of the conical ones were beginning to show their age. The sites chosen for most of the villages were close to a good water supply while others were a considerable distance and this was reflected in two ways, firstly, the availability of fresh water for cooking, and secondly, the cleanliness of the children. In villages with a good water supply the children were very clean while in others they looked as though they had not washed for weeks.

POLITICAL SITUATION:

The Political Awareness of the people could be gauged by their understanding of the Electoral Education talks given throughout the area. Reception of the talks varied from village to village, in some, reception was good while in others it was very poor but the majority lay somewhere in between. The main difficulty appeared to be the fact that two separate elections were being held at the one time, some people just could not forget the idea that both sets of candidates were standing for the same election. This difficulty will be very easily overcome provided there are two distinctly different ballot papers. The women at no time played any active part in the discussion.

Acceptance of Administration influence is widespread, with the exception of one village; Wambogini. In the past eighteen months some fifteen persons have migrated from Wambogini to a hamlet over three days walk away. The reason given is that they are "tired of being lined by the Kiap". This claim is greatly exaggerated because records at their office show the number of censuses taken at Wambogini to total no more than five. The census taken this patrol revealed another three migrations out, when asked where the people had gone the Luluai pleaded ignorance but it is very probable that they have joined the breakaway group.

Twenty-one percent of the adult men are away working. The great majority being in Wau and Bulolo. The reduction in absentees is due to the fairly recent volcanic unrest in the Wau area.

AGRICULTURE:

The area's sole commercial crop is coffee and it appears to be very widespread in the area, but any major expansion of the industry is limited by marketing difficulties. Sale of the product necessitates a walk of at least two days to either Aseki or to the Watut. Construction of the intended Aseki-Slate Creek road should greatly alleviate this problem.

Queries were made concerning the care of the coffee bushes, the people say that they have been taught to plant the coffee but not to prune it or protect it from insects. A noticeable fact was the excessive bushiness of some of the longer established gardens.

Ample fresh food in the form of sweet potato, taro, sugar cane, cucumbers, spring onions and a type of bush cabbage were offered for sale.

COMPLAINTS:

Very few complaints were made, those that were were settled out of court.

REST HOUSES:

The majority were quite good and in a few cases some had been partially or completely rebuilt. The Luluai at Mouini was instructed to rebuild the Rest House in time for the coming House of Election patrol. The existing one was inclined at an angle of about ten degrees to the verticle and in danger of toppling over.

HEALTH:

The Hospital Orderly accompanying the patrol was primarily intended to deal with any injuries sustained by the members of the patrol, as the patrol was initially expected to last over four weeks. The majority of the cases ~~were~~ treated were minor cuts and scratches. In contrast two cases of what appeared to be pneumonia were treated.

In the villages further away from a good water supply the incidence of sores was noticeably greater.

The new Aid Post Orderly at Mekini has had a marked effect on the local people with the result that the village grounds are in a very good condition.

A complaint was made at Kwadungwe village because they have constructed an Aid Post and a house but as yet they have seen no reward for their work in the form of an Aid Post Orderly.

ANTHROFOLOGICAL:

At Pauamanga village the Aid Post Orderly was in possession of a very large mortar measuring about

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fifteen inches across. The mortar, he stated, was dug up from under an old collapsed tree not far from the village. As time was short the site was not inspected. No one had an idea what the mortar was used for.

EDUCATION:

The Lutheran Mission school at Aseki and the Government school at Hiakwata are the only places in the area where a real education is available. A Lutheran Mission school at Mekini and New Tribes Mission schools at Yelaua and Anandaua only provide the bare minimum of schooling.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

At present there are no vehicular roads in the area but the bridal tracks, despite the heavy rainfall and rugged topography, are in very good condition. As previously stated a road from Aseki to Slate-Creek would be of great benefit to the coffee industry and indeed the entire area.

LABOUR:

As stated under Political Situation, the percentage of able bodied males away at work is twenty-one. No undesirable effects resulting from menfolk being absent were noticed.

CENSUS:

The census was revised due to the coming House of Assembly elections. A total of 2288 names were registered representing an overall increase of sixty-six persons. The rate of natural increase was 3.0%, this figure appears to have remained fairly static over the last three years. One village, Wambogini, has had a steady fall in its total population figure. This year the number of migrations out, which is the cause of the decline, amounted to 6% of the total population. All these migrants are thought to have gone to a breakaway hamlet which has not yet been contacted by the Administration.

CONCLUSION:

This patrol, mounted for the revision of census in the Kareeba-Indiwi Census Division and for the purpose of giving Electoral Education talks in both the Kareeba-Indiwi and Kapau-Kabu Census Divisions, was basically a success.

Despite their unsophistication the people visited were able to get some benefit from the Electoral Education talks. As previously stated the degree of understanding varied from village to village but the overall result was quite satisfactory

The census taken brought the total number taken in the last twelve months to three.

The peoples general willingness to cooperate with the Administration is exemplified by the condition of the walking tracks, which on the whole were very good. It is expected that the same spirit of cooperation will prevail when the time comes to build the Aseki Slate-Creek road.

P. M. Smith
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P. M. Smith
Cadet Patrol Officer.

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Sub-District Office,
W A U.
Morobe District.

4th March 1968

District Commissioner,
District Office.
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PATROL REPORT NO. 3 - 1967/8. ASEKI.
PATROL OF KAPAU - KABU & KAREEBA - INDIWI C.Ds.

Attached is the report of Mr. M. Heggen of the above patrol.

The purposes of the patrol, namely Electoral Education and Census revision, have been well carried out. The Electoral Education was confined to the mechanics of the elections and the names of the candidates. It was wise not to include local government talks at this stage, thus avoiding confusion which possibly might have hindered a clear grasp of the reasons for the House of Assembly Elections.

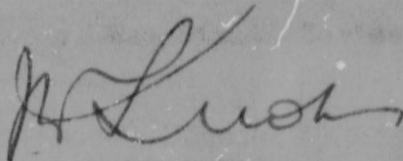
It is noted that health standards have improved from the presence of the aid-post at Mekini in Kareeba - Indivi C.D. I will enquire of P.H.D., Wau concerning the staffing of the new aid-post at Kwadungwi.

It would be advantageous to the future development of Mekini if an airstrip is "practicable". Mekini could possibly be made Base Camp in the future. Further investigation of this situation ought to be considered by subsequent patrols.

Could the District Agricultural Officer's attention be drawn to the request for attention to the coffee pruning at Pauamenga village, Kareeba - Indivi C.D.

Cadet Patrol Officer, P.M. Smith accompanied this patrol. His report is under separate cover.

Mr. Heggen's camp allowance claim is attached.



I.B. TUOHY
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. Officer in Charge, Aseki.

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INTRODUCTION:

ASEKI Patrol Post.
WAU Sub-District.
MOROBE District.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No.3 of 1967-68.

Patrol Conducted by : M.W.Heggen P.O.
Area Patrolled : Kapau - Kabu and Kareeba - Indiwil
Census Divisions.
Personnel accompanying : P.M.Smith C.P.O.
4 Members R.P.&N.G.C.
1 Hospital Orderly.
1 Interpreter.

DIARY:

Duration of Patrol : 11th January 1968
to
29th January 1968.

Number of Days : 18 Days.

Last Patrol to the area : D.D.A. Census & Common Roll
revision, June 1967.

Objects of the Patrol : Census revision and Electoral
Education.

Map Reference : Wau Strat. Series.

11.1.68 Sunday. Patrol given at Kamalaga West House.
Departed Kamalaga R.M. 0845 hrs.
Arrived Patwini 1245 hrs.
Talks given at Kamalaga and Patwini.
12.1.68 Departed Patwini
Arrived Pargawara 1200 hrs.
Talks given at Dumoda and Pargawara.
13.1.68 Departed Pargawara
Arrived Pargawara 1200 hrs.
Talks given at Pargawara.
14.1.68 Departed Pargawara
Arrived Pargawara 1200 hrs.
Talks given at Pargawara.

M.W.Heggen
M.W.Heggen.

Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

Primarily this patrol was mounted to inform the people of the Kapsu-Kabu and Kareeba-Indiwi Census Divisions of polling places, polling dates, and names of candidates for the coming House of Assembly general elections. It was also previously planned to visit two uncontacted groups in the lower Kareeba-Indiwi area; however this plan had to be abandoned due to the non-arrival of necessary rations etc at Aseki prior to the departure of the patrol.

This opportunity was also taken to revise the census in the Kareeba-Indiwi C.D. since it is quite likely that other commitments may prevent another routine patrol to the area for approximately six to eight months.

DIARY:

Refer to Folios 28 to 31 of Field Officer's Journal.

- 11.1.68 Departed Aseki 1015 Hrs.
Arrived Angeiwanga 1415 Hrs.
Light rain fell for most of day, track good.
- 12.1.68 Gave talks at Angeiwanga, people of Angabena, Titauwowi, and Pinamanga also present.
Departed Angeiwanga 0915 Hrs.
Arrived Kobakini 1415 Hrs.
Talks given at Hiakwata and Iagobei en-route to Kobakini.
- 13.1.68 Talks given at Kobakini.
Departed Kobakini 0840 Hrs.
Arrived Kamiagaga R.H. 1140 Hrs.
Track fair, Rest House good. Drizzle or light rain fell during most of day.
- 14.1.68 Sunday. Talks given at Kamiagaga Rest House.
Departed Kamaigaga R.H. 0845 Hrs.
Arrived Paiwini 1245 Hrs.
Talks given at Hogeneiwa en-route to Paiwini, then at Paiwini on arrival.
- 15.1.68 Departed Paiwini 0815 Hrs.
Arrived Aningi R.H. 1230 Hrs.
Talks given at Dumauia and Passaia en-route to Aningi, then at Aningi on arrival.
- 16.1.68 Departed Aningi R.H. 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Pauamanga 1300 Hrs.
Tracks fair, Rest House at Pauamanga very good.
Discussions with A.P.O. Beni.

Diary Contd.

- 17.1.68 Census of Pauamanga and Andadora villages revised, talks given, Demarcation Committees discussed. Departed Pauamanga 1100 Hrs. Arrived Hiyeiwini 1400 Hrs. Census of both Hiyeiwini and Gumana villages revised and talks given.
- 18.1.68 Departed Hiyeiwini 0830 Hrs. Arrived Mouini 1145 Hrs. Track to Mouini fair, rest house ready to collapse but held up with props for the duration of our visit. Census revised and talks given.
- 19.1.68 Departed Mouini 0830 Hrs. Arrived Yelaua 1130 Hrs. Census revised at Yelaua and talks given.
- 20.1.68 Departed Yelaua 0840 Hrs. Arrived Yagoine 1340 Hrs. Discussions with Yagoine Luluai re reported population groups to the south and west of Wambogini.
- 21.1.68 Sunday. At Yagoine waiting for two extra Policemen, carriers and rations to Arrive from Aseki. People of Yagoine lined and censused and talks given.
- 22.1.68 Walked to Hamuini, revised census and gave talks. Still no sign of Policemen and rations there. Returned to Yagoine. At approx 4pm received a report of a murder at Aweaka village.
- 23.1.68 Departed Yagoine 0730 Hrs. Arrived Aweaka 1630 Hrs. Left Mr. Smith C.P.O. in charge of patrol and left to investigate alleged murder.
- 24.1.68 Established that the report of a murder at Aweaka was false. Revised census of Aweaka and Kwempiang villages and talks given on coming H. of A. elections. Departed Aweaka 1100 Hrs. Arrived Taua'ini 1230 Hrs. Mr. Smith arrived from Anandaua with patrol at approx 1330 Hrs. Census revised and talks given at Taua'ini.
- 25.1.68 Walked direct to Mekini from Taua'ini via bush track (1 Hr.). Revised census for Mekini, Tangondia, Tangiawa, talks given and new Aid Post inspected. Patrol gear went from Taua'ini to Kakewana. Self and Mr. Smith arrived Kakewana from Mekini at 1400 Hrs. Census revised at

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Diary Contd.

- Kakewana and talks given.
- 26.1.68 Departed Kakewana 0830 Hrs,
Arrived Yamowya 1400 Hrs.
Talks given at Yamowya.
- 27.1.68 Departed Yamowya 0830 Hrs.
Arrived Yeggie 1200 Hrs.
Talks given at Kaitong'ata and Kwadungwi en-route
to Yeggie, and also at Yeggie on arrival.
- 28.1.68 Sunday. Departed Yeggie 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Mungo 1330 Hrs.
Talks given to people of Angweta and Kor'ero
villages at common Rest House, then at Mungo on
arrival.
- 29.1.68 Departed Mungo 0800 Hrs.
Arrived Aseki 1515 Hrs.

END OF PATROL.

RECEPTION OF PATROL:

The patrol was accorded a friendly welcome at all villages visited.

VILLAGES:

Housing standards at all villages visited appear to be reasonably good with many of the introduced type of rectangular houses being constructed in place of the traditional conical type. Most villages are adequately situated with regard to sanitation and water supplies. A marked difference was noticed between those villages which have a water supply near at hand, and those where the water supply is some distance away.

POLITICAL SITUATION:

No particularly noticeable trends are evident in the thinking of the people of the area. Talks were given throughout the patrol to inform the people of details of the coming House of Assembly general elections, ie polling places, polling dates, and candidates names; also the fact that they could vote twice - once for the Open Electorate and once for the Regional Electorate. These talks appeared to be generally understood and it is anticipated that the work of the polling teams will be made a little easier because of this. Only at two villages were the talks greeted with bleak looks as was so common as little as two years ago, the remainder of the villages asked reasonably intelligent questions after the completion of the talks. The area of

Political Situation (Contd.)

most confusion was the fact that there ~~were~~ are two electorates, and that they are included in both and also entitled to vote in both. The people of both these census divisions have now voted twice in H.of A. elections (1964 General Elections and 1966 Bi-election), and appear to know the voting procedure quite well.

AGRICULTURE:

Food supplies throughout the two census divisions are adequate and ample food was offered to the patrol for purchase. Introduced crops such as cucumbers, tomatoes, potatoes, cabbages, and beans are playing a small part in the general subsistence pattern, however more seeds are required now to replenish the supply. The original seeds were supplied some years ago and the fruit etc have degenerated with each new planting.

Coffee is the only cash crop produced in the area, this is carried to either Slate Creek or Aseki for sale to the Sai-Watut Rural Progress Society's buying points at these places. A complaint was voiced at Pauamenga village that the Dept. of Agriculture was not visiting the area often enough and their coffee plantings are deteriorating because they still do not know how to prune the trees properly, or prevent and combat pest infestation.

LIVESTOCK:

Pigs and fowls constitute the only livestock in the area, and exist in considerable numbers, while however, playing only a small part in the diet of the people.

FORESTS:

No exploitable timber stands exist in either of the two census divisions visited.

COMPLAINTS:

Some minor complaints were brought before the patrol, however these were all settled out of court by discussion and arbitration.

HEALTH:

Health throughout the area is fair, however it is feared that a mild epidemic of whooping cough near Aseki may spread to this area during the next few months.

A new Aid Post has been established at Mekini and the A.P.O. there is applying himself very well to the task of improving health and hygiene in Mekini as well as other villages in the area. A marked improvement has already been noted at Mekini and Kakewana. A new Aid Post

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and house have been constructed at Kwadungwi in the Kapau-Kabu Census Division and all that remains now is for an A.P.O. to be selected by P.H.D. Wau to staff this Aid Post. All Aid Posts in the Aseki area are marked on the accompanying map.

EDUCATION:

In the Kareeba-Indiwi Census Division the New Tribes Mission conduct, in the local tongue, three small schools which teach only the bare essentials of reading writing and arithmetic. Also the Lutheran Mission conducts a more advanced school at Mekini which teaches to standard two.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

No vehicular roads exist in the area. Bridle tracks are all well graded and in good condition.

MISSIONS:

The Kareeba-Indiwi C.D. is equally divided between the New Tribes Mission and the Lutheran Mission. All but four villages in the Kapau-Kabu C.D. are Lutheran Mission. Some antagonism exists between the two missions, however this is only of a minor nature.

AIRFIELDS:

The only possible site for an airfield in the Kareeba-Indiwi C.D. would appear to be at Mekini village. A more thorough investigation would however have to be carried out before this could be confirmed.

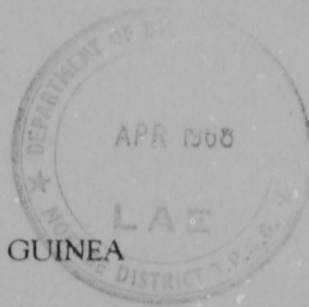
CENSUS:

No significant trends were revealed by the census figures. The population of the Kareeba-Indiwi C.D. has increased by 66 to a total of 2288 during the seven months since the last census, and the absentee rate among the able-bodied men now stands at 21%. Of these the majority are working in the Wau - Bulolo area.

CONCLUSION:

Although originally intended to be of longer duration, and despite the necessary investigation of a murder report which was later found to be false, the patrol was conducted at a leisurely pace and ample time was available for discussions with village people. No mention was made to the people of the proposed Local Government Council for fear of them confusing the coming of local government with the H. of A. elections. Again it is hoped that the talks given during the patrol will make the task of polling teams somewhat easier during the coming elections.

P.O.: M. Heggen



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....Morobe.....Report No.Aseki Report No.4 of 1967-68

Patrol Conducted by.....M.W.Heggen P.O.....

Area Patrolled.....Lower Kapau-Nanima and Langimar Census Divisions.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....P.M.Smith C.P.O.....

Natives...2 Members R.P.&N.G.C., 1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 16./...2./19.68 to 3./...3./19.68 & 13/3/68 to 15/3/68

Number of Days...19.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....No.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../..12../19..67.

Medical/.....12/1967....

Map Reference.....Wau Strat. Series.....

Objects of Patrol...House of Assembly election patrol.....

Director of District Administration,
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District Commissioner

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, Papua.

29th May, 19 **68**

District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

PATROL NO. ASEKI 4-67/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of ~~Memorandum~~
* ~~of Patrol~~/Patrol Report covering patrol by **M. Heggen, P.O.**
to .. **Lower. Kapau-Mania & Langinar** . Census Divisions.

**Mr. Heggen has written a clear and concise
report of his patrol, and appears to have carried out his
arduous election duties well.**

T.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

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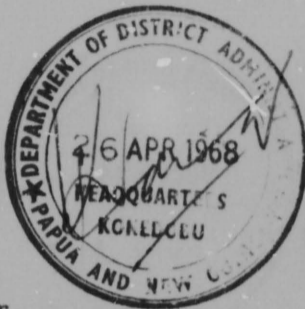
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Morobe District,
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23rd April, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
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ASEKI PATROL NO. 4 OF 1967/68 -
LOWER KAPAU-NANIMA AND LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISION
- MR. M. HEGGEN, PATROL OFFICER.

Report on the above patrol compiled by Mr. Heggen, Patrol Officer is attached herewith, together with covering comments by Assistant District Commissioner Wau and a detailed sketch map. This patrol was for the purpose of conducting the poll for the House of Assembly Elections.

2. The A.D.C.'s comments adequately cover the main content of the report. It is obvious that the work was carried out most successfully.

3. The country covered is extremely rugged and difficult and the people are still at a very primitive stage of development. It will be noted that the people had little real notion of voting procedures and indeed of political development in general. Quite obviously there is a considerable scope for future education in this area. The Officer-in-Charge at Aseki must constantly bear in mind the need for political education in his generally primitive area.

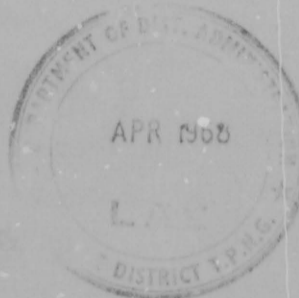
4. At page six Mr. Heggen gives further details of a reported crashed aircraft which he will be investigating and reporting on later.

5. The patrol was accompanied by Mr. P.M. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer who undoubtedly benefited considerably by the exercise.

(H.P. SEALE)
District Commissioner

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Morobe District.

10th April 1968.

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Morobe District,
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ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO.4 67/68.

PATROL OF LOWER KAPAU - NANIMA and LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISION.

Attached are reports by Patrol Officer Mr. M Heggen and Cadet Patrol Officer Mr. I. M Smith who accompanied Mr. Heggen on this patrol.

The main purpose of the patrol was the conduct of the House of Assembly Elections. It is notable that this patrol area included the Langimar Census Division, a division normally under the administration of Menyama, but which is in KAINDI Electorate and has been recommended to be administered from ASEKI Patrol Post in the future.

The election schedule was followed without difficulty and there are no recommendations for any amendment except that the Langimar division should have followed sooner after completion of the Lower Kapau - Nanima. Had delays occurred through sickness or otherwise it is possible that the ballot boxes may not have been returned to Wau in time for the scrutiny on 16th March 1968. However the election was completed in time to meet the charter plane for Wau.

It is noteworthy that fifteen of the more primitive villages polled for the first time. The difficulties of achieving an understanding of the dual electoral system have been mentioned in the Returning Officers Report to CELO. The situation would have been made more clear to the villagers had any of the candidates campaigned in the area, but none did.

Mr. Heggen found time to give attention to matters of agriculture and health in the course of the patrol. Requests for vegetable seed have previously been passed to the District Agricultural Officer.

It is fortunate indeed that P.H.D. have kept whooping cough in check through effective Triple Antigen inoculation. The recommendation for a new "T" school at POIYU village has been passed to the District Commissioner by separate memorandum.

When the report of the wreck of an aircraft was received in September 1967, I checked with the Department of Civil Aviation Lae, but no aircraft was reported missing. If the rumour is true then the wreck must be the remains of an old one previously unrecorded.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "I. B. Tuohy".

I.B.TUOHY.
Assistant District Commissioner.

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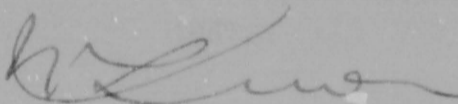
PATROL OF LOWER KAPAU - NANIMA and LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISIONS.

Cadet Patrol Officer Mr. P.M.Smith has submitted his report on the above patrol on which he accompanied Mr.M.Heggen. This is Mr.Smith's second patrol; apart from the basic duties, he has gained a good knowledge in the conduct of elections.

Mr. Smith's observations on the elections are of interest. The high rate of informal votes in the regional electorate is noted and has been covered in the Returning Officers Report to CELO a copy of which has been forwarded to the District Commissioner. It is of interest to note that although block voting was a common feature there were always some people who expressed an individual choice.

The report gives some interesting details of the health situation which is satisfactory as regards the control of whooping cough and the aid posts are operating satisfactorily. Elsewhere Mr. Smith has made interesting factual observations.

Camp claim for Mr. Smith is attached.

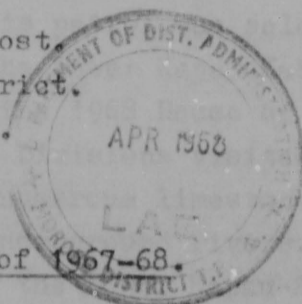


I.B.TUOHY.
Assistant District Commissioner.

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ASEKI Patrol Post.
WAU Sub-District.
MOROBE District.



ASEKI PATROL REPORT No.4 of 1967-68.

Patrol Conducted by : M.W.Heggen P.O.

Area Patrolled : Lower Kapau-Nanima and
Langimar Census Divisions.

Personnel Accompanying : P.M.Smith C.P.O.
2 Members R.P.&N.G.G.
1 Interpreter.

Duration of Patrol : 16th February 1968
to
3rd March 1968
and
13th March 1968
to
15th March 1968.

Number of Days : 19 Days.

Last Patrol to the area : D.D.A. Electoral Education
and Census Revision, December
1967.

Objects of the Patrol : Collection of votes for
Territory General Elections.

Map Reference : Wau Strat. Series.

M.W. Heggen
M.W.Heggen.
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of this patrol was solely for the collection of votes from the Lower Kapau-Kabu and Langimar Census Divisions for the 1968 House of Assembly general elections. Both Census Divisions visited have extremely rugged terrain with numerous limestone bluffs, monoliths, and caverns, also underground rivers. Unlike the predominant rain forest in the Lower Kapau-Kabu C.D. the Langimar C.D. has large expanses of grasslands which would, in the opinion of the writer, convert readily into cattle pastures. This was the first D.D.A. patrol from Aseki to have visited the Langimar Census Division.

Bad weather dogged the first week of this patrol, however the patrol was completed in fine weather conditions during the remaining two weeks.

DIARY:

Refer Folios 35 to 39 of Field Officer's Journal.

- 16.2.68 Departed Aseki 1030 Hrs.
Arrived Yangaiyu 1930 Hrs.
Track to top of range poor, track on Yangaiyu side fair. Last hour of walk completed in darkness.
- 17.2.68 People of Yangaiyu and Aitu villages polled at common rest house. Good turn-up from both groups.
- 18.2.68 Sunday. Departed Yangaiyu 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Nietnda 1400 Hrs.
- 19.2.68 Polling at Nietnda - good turn-up from the four villages voting today ie Wongini, Hitangamanga, Wapa, and Onawa.
- 20.2.68 Polling at Nietnda - again a good attendance from those groups voting - Higin'nangawie, Yango, and Nietnda.
- 21.2.68 Departed Nietnda 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Haugini 1300 Hrs.
Drizzle during most of the day.
- 22.2.68 Polling at Haugini - good attendance from the three villages voting today - Iwapu, Shon'hau, and Haugini.
- 23.2.68 Departed Haugini 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Tengama 1330 Hrs.
Track sloppy owing to recent wet weather - fog and drizzle again all day today.

Diary (Contd.)

- 24.2.68 Polling at Tengama - very good turn-up, Tengama being the only village voting here.
- 25.2.68 Departed Tengama 0830 Hrs.
Arrived Uyeiwata 1230 Hrs.
At Uyeiwata it was found that the Wandi People had walked down to here, also a runner had come from Peawu to inform me that Kakiva and Kukihe people as well as those from Angobio have all walked down to Peawu. Thus it is now unnecessary to visit Wandi or Kukihe, so will proceed direct from Uyeiwata to Peawu after polling tomorrow weather permitting. Apparent food shortage here.
- 26.2.68 Polling at Uyeiwata - good turn-up from both Uyeiwata and Wandi groups.
Departed Uyeiwata 1140 Hrs.
Arrived Peawu 1440 Hrs.
Track fair - ample food available at Peawu.
- 27.2.68 Polling at Peawu - good turn-up from all four villages voting here ie Kakiva, Kukihe, Angobio, and Peawu.
- 28.2.68 Departed Peawu 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Kainamba 1430 Hrs.
Track fair, ample food available at Kainamba.
- 29.2.68 Departed Kainamba 0900 Hrs.
Arrived Bain'nu 1130 Hrs.
Prior to departing Kainamba investigated allegation of assault by a woman against her husband. The husband absconded when approached, Luluai instructed to endeavour to bring the man to Aseki.
- 1.3.68 Conducted polling at Bain'nu, very good attendance from the three groups voting here ie Kainamba, Tabaigo, and Bain'nu.
- 2.3.68 Departed Bain'nu 1300 Hrs.
Arrived Poiyu 1500 Hrs.
- 2.3.68 Polling at Poiyu, good attendance from all villages voting today. They were Peisu, Bakia, Aiewa, and Poiyu.
- 3.3.68 Sunday. Departed Poiyu 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Aseki 1130 Hrs.
- 4.3.68
to At Aseki station.
12.3.68

Diary (Contd)

- 13.3.68 Departed Aseki 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Otetei 1430 Hrs.
Track to the Langimar from Aseki is fair but needs much improvement if it is to be used as a regular patrol route in the future.
- 14.3.68 Polling at Otetei, a good turn-up from all four of the Langimar villages.
- 15.3.68 Departed Otetei 0730 Hrs.
Arrived Aseki 1430 Hrs.

E N D O F P A T R O L .RECEPTION OF THE PATROL:

The patrol was accorded a friendly reception at all villages visited.

VILLAGES:

All villages visited by the patrol had adequate water supplies and are all reasonably well sited. Cleanliness and hygiene in the villages varies according to the distance of each village from an Aid Post and water supply, but is generally good.

POLITICAL SITUATION:

Of the eligible voters recorded on the Electoral Roll an estimated eighty per cent voted during the election. Even the fifteen villages of the Lower Kapau-Nanima which had not previously participated in elections, turned up in force to cast their votes. No incidents occurred during the conducting of the poll, also no significant trends were noticeable. Many of the people however are still a little confused, if not bewildered by the secret ballot system of voting. Before the voting opened at each polling place a short talk was given on voting procedures, the reasons for, and boundaries of, the Open and Regional Electorates, and the names of candidates standing for each electorate. In the South of the Lower Kapau-Nanima C.D. many people did not know either of the candidates for the Morobe Regional Electorate, thus many ballot papers for that electorate went unmarked. Although most of those eligible did come to the Poll, many of them did not fully understand what they were voting for, or why.

AGRICULTURE:

Food was plentiful at all villages visited during the patrol, with the exception of Uyeiwata (In the the south of the Lower Kapau-Nanima C.D.) where a minor food shortage was being experienced.

Coffee is the only cash crop grown in the area patrolled, a large proportion of the planted coffee has not yet matured but should do so within the next two years. The Sai-Watut Rural Progress Society has a buying point at Aseki and all coffee produced in the area is carried to Aseki and sold at this buying point.

Very rich soil is evident in the Langimar C.D., the people here grow a variety of introduced vegetables of good quality which they often carry to Aseki for sale to the station personnel. This fertile soil and the prairie grasses coupled with the not-too-rugged terrain would appear to be ideal conditions for a future cattle project.

FORESTS:

No stands of timber of such a size as to warrant their exploitation exist in the area.

COMPLAINTS:

One only complaint was brought before the patrol, this was at Kainamba village and was made by a woman who said that she had been repeatedly beaten by her husband. The Defendant absconded before he could be apprehended, however he was later arrested and brought before the Local Court at Aseki.

REST HOUSES:

All rest houses used during the patrol were in satisfactory condition, although some were a little small for two officers.

HEALTH:

Health throughout the area is fair, the mild Whooping Cough epidemic which had been evident in the Peisu, Poiyu, and Aseki area has now subsided with only a few cases remaining. Two new cases of Whooping Cough however, have now been reported in the Kapau-Kabu area.

There are two Aid Posts in the Lower Kapau-Nanima C.D. - one at Nietoda and one at Peisu, both are staffed by local A.P.O.s and are clean and tidy. In the Langimar C.D. there is one Aid Post at Otetei, this was inspected and found to be quite good, however while the A.P.O. is apparently doing his best, he has only a small supply of medicines and instruments.

EDUCATION:

No Administration schools exist in the area patrolled, however it is possible that a new Primary "T" School may be established near Poiyu village in the not-too-distant future.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

Walking tracks in the area are fair with the exception of the tracks from Aseki to Yangaiyu, and Aseki to Langimar, both of which are only partially cleared and cut; Several years ago some stretches of vehicular road were constructed in the Lower Kapau-Nanima C.D., these are from Aiewa to Poiyu and Nietnda to Wapa. These however have now lapsed into disrepair but would require comparatively little effort to restore them to their original condition.

MISSIONS:

With the exception of a few villages south of the Kapau River which are followers of the New Tribes Mission, the area is exclusively Lutheran with Pastors at the majority of the villages.

AIRCRAFT & AIRFIELDS:

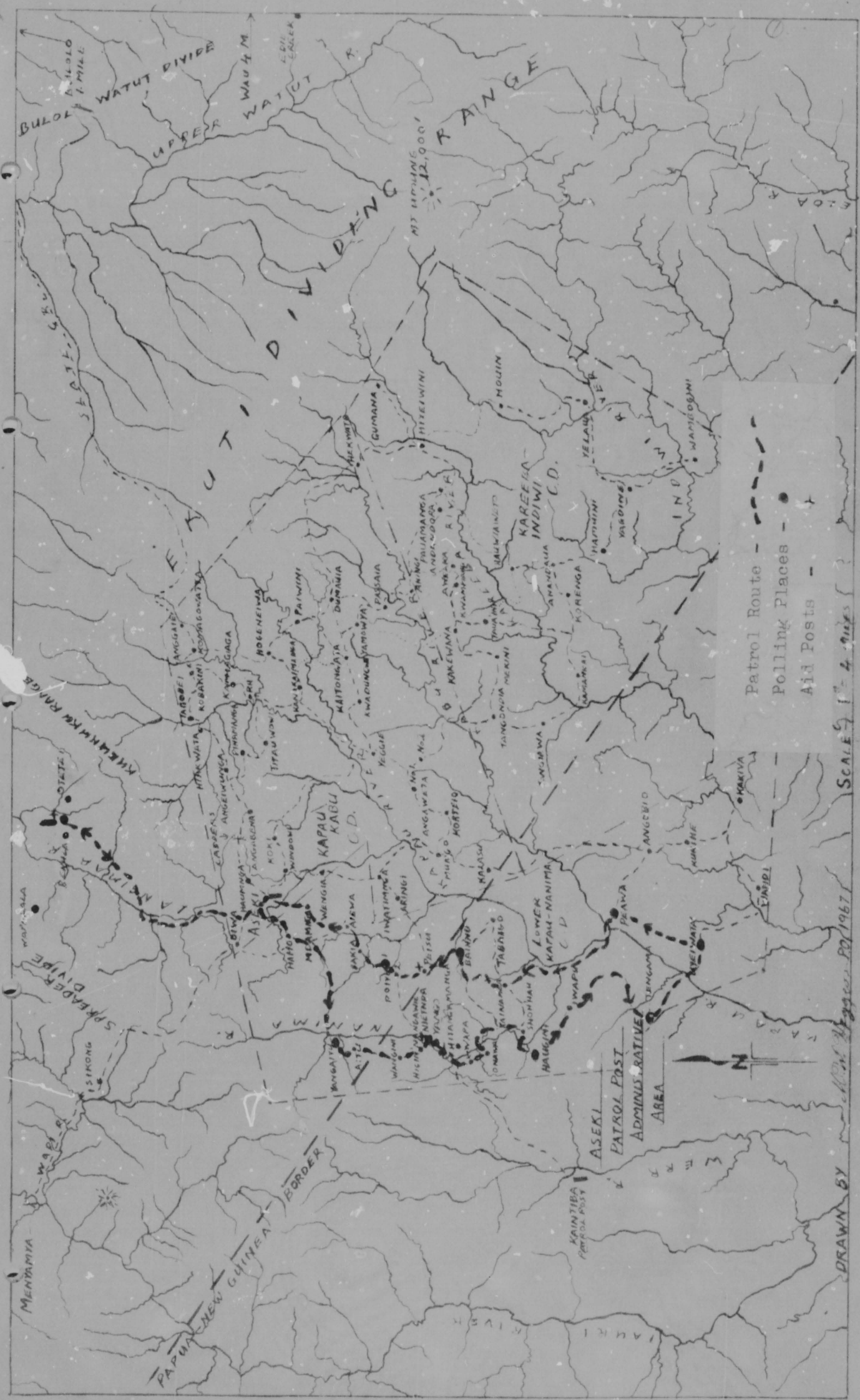
An airfield exists near Otetei in the Langimar C.D., this was constructed for use as a private landing ground by the Summer Institute of Linguistics who had a Linguist at Wapalala village for a while during 1965 or 1966. A S.I.L. Cessna 185 has landed on this airstrip as recently as 24th November 1967, however the 'strip is now badly scoured by heavy rains, and has patches of very long grass.

A possible clue to the whereabouts of a crashed aircraft was obtained during this patrol. This substantiates a sketchy report obtained by Mr. E. Stewart E.M.A. of Wau during a patrol to the area in September 1967. A man from Tabaigo village stated that he had heard of the existence of a crashed aircraft, however Mr. Stewart who was unfamiliar with the area could not ascertain the approximate position of the wreck from the description given by this man. During the election patrol however, this man was interviewed and from his description it would seem that the wreck, if it actually exists, lies south of Wandi on the lower slopes of Iwomhova Mountain. This will be investigated during a subsequent patrol.

CONCLUSION:

This patrol was the third to visit the Lower Kapau-Nanima within twelve months, and although primarily concerned with the collection of votes for the House of Assembly elections, ample time was available for informal discussions with the people. Indeed, many such discussions took place during the patrol, and from these it was evident that the people are still very sceptical about local government, however the subject was not laboured for fear of confusing the people further.

In all a very successful patrol.



Patrol Route - - - - -
 Polling Places - ● -
 Aid Posts - + -

SCALE 1" = 4 Miles

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....MOROBE..... Report No. ASKEL REPORT No. 5 OF 67-68

Patrol Conducted by.....M. W. HEGGEN..... P. O.....

Area Patrolled LOWER KAREEBA RIVER AREA

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans P. M. SMITH..... C. P. O.....

4 MEMBERS OF R. P. & N. G. C.

Natives.....1 INTERPRETER.....

1 HOSPITAL ORDERLY

Duration—From 3/5/1968 to 13/5/1968

Number of Days.....TEN.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....NO.....

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

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

INITIAL CONTACT

Map Reference.....WAU.....STRAT?.....SERIES.....

Objects of Patrol: ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH NEW VILLAGES AND INVESTIGATE
A REPORT OF A CRASHED AIRCRAFT

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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Department of District
Administration,
Morobe District,
LAE.

5th July, 1968.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONE DOBU.

PATROL REPORT - ASEKI PATROL NO. 5 OF 1967/68

I attach the above report submitted by Mr. P.M. Smith, Cadet Patrol Officer of the Lower Kareeba River area, on a patrol conducted by Mr. M.W. Heggen, Patrol Officer.

2. This report was originally mounted to investigate reports of a crashed aircraft in the area and of contacting people in a hitherto rarely visited area. The report clearly indicates that Mr. Heggen used discretion in his talks with these newly contacted people.
3. I have written to the Regional Medical Officer strongly recommending that an Aid Post be established in the area. This would be a necessary step to bring these people within the influence of Aseki and hasten their committal to the Lower Kapau-Nanima Group.
4. A glance at the map endorses Mr. Smith's remarks that this group of people be administered from this district and in particular from the Aseki Patrol Post. I would appreciate your advice on this aspect.
5. The matter of the crashed aircraft should not be dropped and follow-up patrols should endeavour to obtain more concrete information. Mr. Smith's observation that the people concerned are reluctant to reveal its whereabouts of it for personal motives is a shrewd one.
6. Mr. Smith in writing this report has presented a very clear and precise report and his observations are well presented.

H.P. Seale
(H.P. SEALE)
District Commissioner

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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File: 67-3-I.

Sub-District Office,
MENYANYA.

20th June, 1968.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.E.

PATROL REPORT - ASEKI PATROL No. 5/1967-68.

Herewith please find, original and two copies of the above patrol report submitted by Mr. Cadet Patrol Officer, Peter Smith. The report is not accompanied by a copy of patrol instructions. If these exist, then their origin must have been from Wau before the Aseki area became part of the Menyanya Sub-District.

2. The patrol was conducted by Mr. Patrol Officer, M. Heggen but because of his sudden and immediate transfer to the Bougainville District following the completion of the patrol, it is not expected that he will submit a formal report.

3. As Mr. Smith points out in his introduction, this patrol to the Lower Kareeba River area was mounted primarily to investigate reports of uncontacted people living in the most southern parts of the Aseki administrative area and to investigate reports of a crashed aircraft in the vicinity of Wandu village.

4. It will be seen from the patrol map that a large part (approx. 1/3) of the Aseki administrative area already lies over the New Guinea/Papua border. It appears logical therefore, that the newly contacted people of the villages of SAMANG, GWEPA and UYEMNGA be included in this area and that they should become part of the Lower Kapsu-Nanima Census Division. I presume these new people belong to the same language group as verbal contact was made. Could the Director's opinion be sought please and if he is agreeable I will instruct the Officer in Charge at Aseki to include these newly-found people in the new Census/Tax Roll/Roll of Electors Register to be compiled in the near future.

5. It is perhaps unfortunate that the patrol only stayed two days in the area but I will suggest to the Officer in Charge that he invite several of the newly-contacted people (both men and women) to his station to stay for a week or so as guests of the Administration.

6. Regarding the report of a crashed aircraft in the Wandu village area, consideration should be given to again interviewing the person responsible for the information.

7. I have written to the Regional Medical Officer, quoting from this report, suggesting that consideration be given to establishing an Aid Post at ANGCBIQ village.

8. The Agricultural Officer stationed at Wau has been requested to supply vegetable seed to the area patrolled.

9. The patrol, although brief, was well conducted and Mr. Smith has reported the patrol's activities and findings both accurately and satisfactorily.

10. Mr. Smith states in his covering memorandum that claims for camping allowance for both Mr. Heggen and himself are forwarded with the report. These have not been received here. Perhaps they have been forwarded to you direct. I will ask Mr. Smith to check and advise.

(R. Donovan)

a/Assistant District Commissioner.

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

ASEKI Patrol Post.
 MENYAMYA Sub District.
 MOROBE District.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 5 OF 1967/68

Patrol Conducted by :M.W.Heggen P.O.

Area Patrolled :Lower Kareeba River Area.

Personnel Accompanying :P.M.Smith C.P.O.
 3 Members R.P.&N.G.C.
 1 Hospital Orderly.
 1 Interpreter.

Duration of Patrol :3rd May 1968
 to
 13th May 1968.

Number of days : 10 Days.

Last Patrol to Area :Initial Contact this Patrol.

Objects of Patrol :Establish contact with new villages
 and investigate report of crashed
 aircraft in Wandu area.

Map Reference :Wau Strat. Series

P.M. Smith
 P.M. Smith
Cadet Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

This patrol was mounted for the dual purpose of visiting some uncontacted people about twenty miles south of Aseki and to investigate reports of a crashed aircraft in the vicinity of Wandu village.

A summary of how the report concerning the aircraft originated will be given later in the report.

Although originally planned to last between two and three weeks the patrol was completed in only ten days. This is due firstly to the cooperation given the patrol by the new villagers and secondly to the fact that the people of Wandu village denied any knowledge of the aircraft in question.

The Hospital Orderly accompanying the patrol treated any of the villagers requiring attention.

The area visited, according to maps held here, lies just outside the southern border of the Aseki Administrative Area, but it is suggested that any further patrols to the area be carried out from Aseki because firstly it only requires a six hour walk from the normal Aseki patrol route to reach the area, and secondly to reach the area from any other Administrative centre would mean crossing large tracts of rugged country which at the best would only be sparsely populated.

Topographically Samang gwepa; as the new area is known; is very similar to the Aseki area with deep V-shaped valleys carpeted by thick rain forest. One noticeable feature is the increase in temperature experienced in going from Aseki to there. This is due to the loss in altitude estimated at around two thousand feet, making the altitude of Samang gwepa approximately 2000'.

DIARY:

Refer Folios 36 to 39 of Field Officers Journal

3.5.68 Good turn up of carriers. Departed Aseki 0900 hours, walked on good tracks arriving Mungo 1630 hours. Kapau River up a bit owing to rain upstream. Good supply of fresh food brought to the patrol.

4.5.68 Departed Mungo 0740 hours walked on generally good tracks passing through Kalasu and arrived Angobio 1740 hours. Angobio Luluai states that some uncontacted people are to be found between Kakiya and Wandu. Some food brought to patrol, not much though, probably due to the late arrival of the patrol.

DIARY: (Cont.)

5.5.68 Departed Angobio 0815 hours walked on fairly good tracks to Kukihe, arriving 1000 brief rest then departed for Kakiva where we arrived at 1415. Track between Kukihe and Kakiva poor due to many fallen trees across path and lack of grading on steep slopes. House Kiap at Kakiva in bad shape, no house Police. This is only the second patrol to visit this village. Discussions with local people regarding crashed aircraft and whereabouts of uncontacted people. Some people reported to be E.S.E. of Kakiva in area known as Samang'gwepa.

6.5.68 Rested at Kakiva after three days hard walking by carriers. Hospital Orderly accompanying patrol attended to injuries sustained by carriers. Discussions with local men concerning travelling times, route to be taken and availability of fresh food from here on. Kakiva villagers brought up plentiful supply of Kau Kau Taro and Sugar Cane.

7.5.68 Departed Kakiva heading, initially, in an Easterly direction. Track not as bad as expected though in places was very steep and wet. Track followed water courses for long distances. Almost verticle drops on edge of track once in vicinity of new village arrived Samang'gwepa 1500 after 7½ hour walk. People had cleared campsite, readied bamboo's of drinking water and chopped supply of firewood. Good supply of fresh food brought up to the patrol, this was bought with both moley and trade goods.

8.5.68 At new village, Samang'gwepa. About fifty new people from surrounding area came into village. People given talk on work of Administration. Men very forward but freindly while women sat at rear with either their heads bowed or with their backs to the Kiap. Hospital Orderly accompanying patrol treated the people for minor ailments. Good supply of food once again brought up for sale to the patrol. very popular. Received word need for us to make a two day (carriers) walk valley because the people were coming to us.

DIARY: (Cont.)

- 9.5.68 People from across Kareeba valley arrived and were given talks on work of Administration etc. Hospital Orderly treated those requiring attention, a few cases of yaws noticed. The group consisted of about six families numbering 30 persons altogether. The name of their area is Uyemnga. They all seemed eager to cooperate. The men were very shy and hid their faces throughout the meeting.
- 10.5.68 Departed Samang'gwepa 0815 and walked on track bearing in a Westerly direction, climbed for four hours till at top of Mt. Iwomhowa. Track was quite good. Further two hours work before arriving Kukihe 1415. Plenty of fresh food brought up to the Patrol Beads once again very popular.
- 11.5.68 Departed Kukihe 0800, walked on fairly good tracks to the Kabu River arriving 1330 and set up camp. People from a Hamlet of Angolo village brought down a plentiful supply of Kau Kau, Taro and Sugar Cane.
- 12.5.68 Campsite on Kabu River was broken and patrol departed 0800 walking up long fairly steep slope before arriving Mungo 1330. Short rest then continued on, arriving Iwwatimnga 1600. Heavy rain over last part of journey. No fresh food brought up because village people were in at Aseki.
- 13.5.68 Departed Iwwatimnga 0800 walked on very good tracks arriving Aseki 1215.

.: END OF PATROL:.

RECEPTION OF THE PATROL:

The reception received by the Patrol from both the villages along the route and the newly contacted groups was very good. It was the cooperation given by these people that enabled the patrol to be completed in such a short time.

Every village that could supply fresh food without going short itself did so.

VILLAGES:

Samang'gwepa was not a village in the normal sense in that there was no concentration of houses in any one area. At the spot where the Patrol camped there were only five houses within five minutes walk. The reason for the scattered houses was not discovered.

No large surface tracts of water were to be found near the area, and all water was obtained from a seep some ten minutes walk away. An underground river ~~seperated~~ separated two small groups of houses and it is probable that during ~~winter~~ wetter periods there is some surface flow.

This absence of a plentiful and close water supply was once again reflected in the personal cleanliness of the children. A more detailed reference will be made to this under Health.

POLITICAL SITUATION:

As this was the areas first contact with white man they had absolutely no perception of Elections, Local Government Councils or the House of Assembly.

When asked why they had never come forward before they stated that the Kiaps from Papua and the Kiaps from New Guinea were like two different armies and if they ever discovered the whereabouts of the track the two ~~opposing~~ opposing armies would meet and fight and they themselves would suffer. This misunderstanding was discussed and I hope corrected.

Both Samang'gwepa and Uyemnga appeared to have a definite leader, although in the discussions other men, mostly middle aged, joined in.

No antagonism existed between this group and the carriers who were all from other parts of the Aseki Administrative Area.

The people were very freindly and naturally curious and any further Patrol to the Area can expect cooperation from the villagers.

As previously mentioned in the Introduction the area visited lies well into Papua and just South of the Aseki Administrative Area; (See accompanying map); but because of the low population density between Kaintiba (Papua) and the area and the proximity to normal Aseki Patrol Routes it is recommended that it be Administered from Aseki.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK:

Judging from the type and quality of the fresh food brought up to the Patrol it appears that the area relies entirely on traditional crops using traditional methods of cultivation. The soil did not appear to be of a high quality and was very stony, this would necessitate the use of shifting cultivation methods and undoubtedly the people, for practical reasons, have positioned their houses on or very near their gardening land.

The only introduced vegetable noticed was pumpkin. The seeds for which were obtained by trading with Angobio village.

Requests have been made on numerous occasions for seeds but as yet none have been forthcoming. The lower reaches of the Lower Kapau-Nanima Census Division is devoid of any type of introduced vegetable except a few isolated pumpkins.

No commercial crops of any sort were grown in the new area.

Pigs were very numerous and one was brought up and subsequently purchased by the Patrol. One man was also noticed to have a family of cassowarys. One of which was also privately bought by a member of the Patrol.

FORESTS:

No stands of commercial timber were seen.

COMPLAINTS:

No complaints were brought up to the Patrol.

REST HOUSES:

All ~~xxxx~~ the Rest Houses slept in along the route were in a satisfactory good condition. One exception being that at Kakiva which required substantial repairs to the roof, but it must be remembered that this Rest House was built on the instructions of Mr Absalom Bach in 1965 and no Patrol has been there since. The Luluai was instructed to keep it in better order from now on.

The peoples of Samang'gwepa and Uyemnga agreed to build a Rest House, but they had not decided whether to build one each or whether to build a combined one down on the Kareeba River. If built on the river this would save the Patrol two days walking as well as ensuring a supply of water.

CARRIERS:

Although a little difficulty was had in obtaining carriers from Aseki itself, once a days walk away no shortage was experienced. The carriers obtained, though at times lazy, were quite able to, carry for up to ten hours across difficult terrain if it was necessary.

HEALTH:

A fairly high number of the people from the new villages had what the Hospital Orderly accompanying the patrol said were yaws. Their lack of personal hygiene was undoubtedly a big ~~contributing~~ contributing factor towards the disease.

Nearly every person who was treated, ranging from old people to very young babies, had to be told to have a wash before treatment could be given. This was the peoples first taste of modern medical methods and the queue waiting for attention was always quite long, not always because they needed treatment but also because they had seen the carriers being attended to and so hopped on the band wagon.

No alarming cases of any sort were seen.

Any of the people of the Lower Kapau-Nanima Census Division who require medical attention must walk to either Nietnda or Mekini. In both cases this necessitates a walk of over 12 hours duration crossing some of the worst terrain in the Aseki Administrative Area.

I therefore recommend that consideration be given to the construction of an Aid Post at Angobio village. This would then serve a population of 105 (Dec 67 Figs) in the immediate vicinity and a further 837 within two to three hours walk. At present if a person from the newly visited area required attention it would mean at least a two days walk for him to reach the nearest Aid Post.

Existing Aid Posts are shown on the accompanying map with red crosses and the suggested site with a blue cross.

MISSIONS:

No active Mission work is carried out in the area by either the Lutheran Mission, based at Aseki, or the New Tribes Mission, based at Slate Creek. New Tribes have visited Kakiva but have not set up churches or schools. No mission contact has been made with the new people.

AIRCRAFT AND AIRFIELDS:

Location of a reported crashed aircraft was one of the prime objectives of the Patrol, but unlike its co-objective it did not meet with any success.

The report of the crashed aircraft originated in September 1967 when Mr. Stewart E.M.A. [redacted], who was on medical patrol in the top half of the Census Division, stated that a man from Tabaigo village had informed him that he had heard of a crashed aircraft in the vicinity of Wandi village.

During the Election Patrol (Feb 68) the Tabaigo man was interviewed by Mr. M.W. Heggen, Patrol Officer, and it was concluded that the wreck, if it existed, lay on the slopes of Mount Iwomhowa, 6100', south of Wandi village.

When interviewed at Kakiva the Luluai of Wandi pleaded ignorance. Every attempt was made to entice him to reveal the whereabouts. He was offered a reward, told he could have the metal and assured he would not be punished if parts of the aircraft were missing, but he still stated that he knew nothing of the wreck.

It can therefore be concluded that either there is no wreck or else the people consider it a far too valuable source of ornaments to give up. Any future patrols to the area should watch for wire, etc, which could have come from a crashed aircraft.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL:

The people of Samang'gwepa and Iwerenga are identical to the rest of the Aseki people in respect to their dress, housing and stature. One minor difference was the apparent extreme inferiority of ~~the~~ the woman. At every gathering they sat at the rear with their heads bowed and never looked at the speaker. It is realized that women in this area are attributed a low social standing but the extreme inferiority was far more noticeable than any other part of the Aseki Administrative Area.

Polygamy was very evident, with the older men having over three wives each.

CENSUS:

No census of the new villages was carried out this patrol because it was thought best to establish friendly first and then it is likely that an even bigger turn up will result on a subsequent patrol. This will eliminate altering the Village Book more than is necessary.

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GEOGRAPHY/TOPOGRAPHY:

Thick jungle, deep V-shaped valleys and an underground rivers charcterized the region visited. The Lower Kapau-Nanima Census Division is one of the most rugged areas administered from Aseki with limestone monoliths towering above fast flowing rivers.

CONCLUSION:

Although both of the objectives of the Patrol were not fulfilled, fifty people were discovered at Samang'gwepa and another thirty at Uyemnga and so the Patrol was still a success. It is also expected that when a formal census is carried out more people will come forward.

The next patrol to Wandu should be able to prove or disprove once and for all if the wreck exists or not.

In Aseki Patrol Report No 3 of 67-68 it was mentioned that there was a steady migration out of Wambogini village and it was originally thought that the people had come over to the west, but the people discovered this patrol have no connections with Wambogini, so it is probable that they have gone up into the head waters of the Eloa River, which is well out of the Aseki Administrative Area.




The people of the Lower Kapau-Nanima Census Division; along with those of the lower Kareeba Indivi C.D.; are the most primitive in the entire Aseki area. Very little, if any, coffee is grown and what is grown requires a very difficult walk to bring it to Aseki for sale. Also, as mentioned in Health, the area is isolated in regard to health services and the construction of an Aid Post at Angobio would do much to spur the people to greater efforts of self help. At the moment the area receives very little concrete help from either the Administration or the Missions.

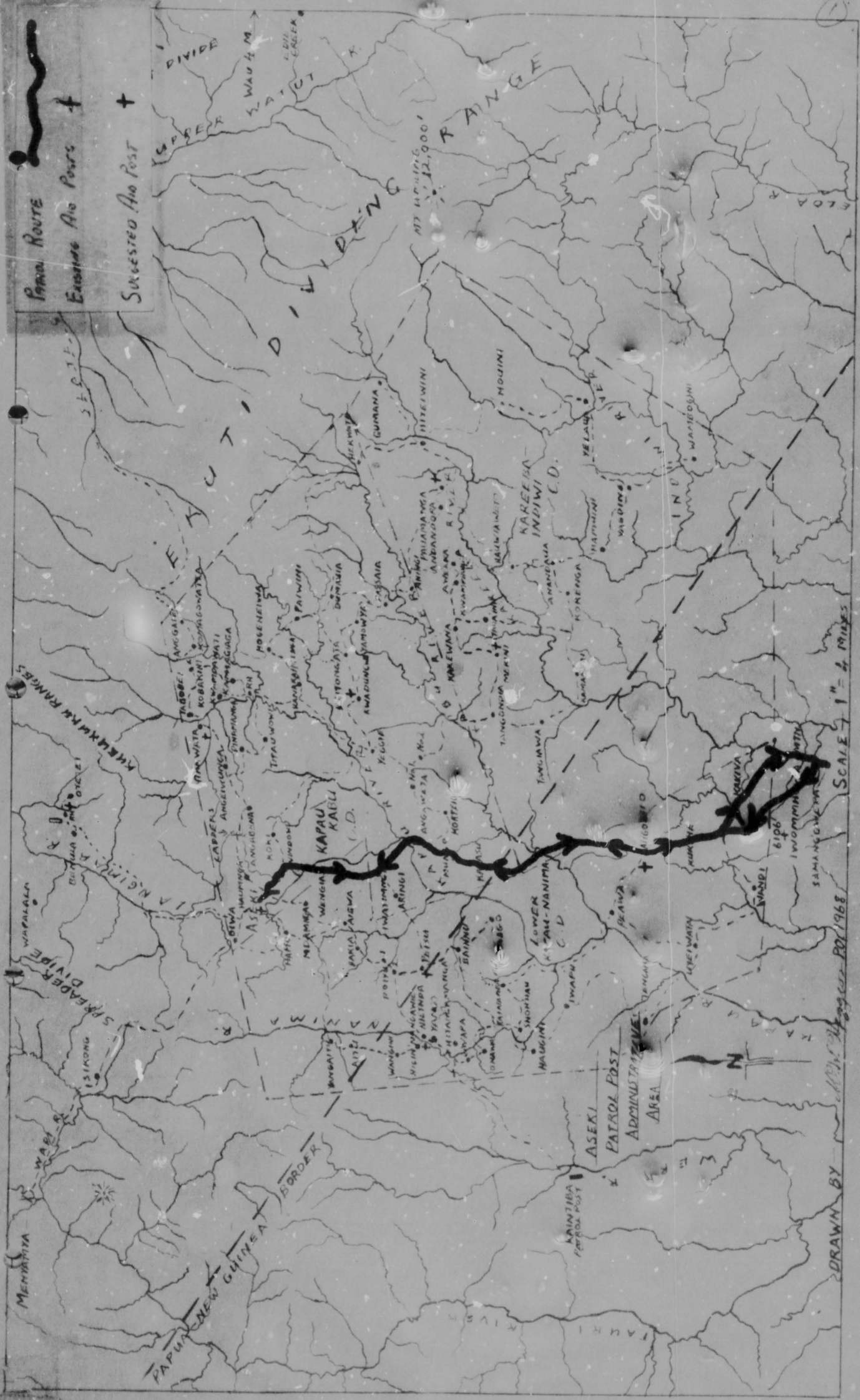
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