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PATROL REPORTS

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

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4th December, 1963.

The District Officer, Western District, DARU.

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PATROL REPORT NO. 1-1963/64 - MOREHEAD.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks. Your covering memorandum covers well the content of the Report.

Probably the reptiles are retreating to areas which are not so easily accessible to the European shooters and the native people are benefiting from it. It is gratifying to note that Mr. Speldewinde has show continued interest in the marketing of skins - I am sure this type of action is one of the best stabilising factors that can be established and retained in these border areas.

There is a landrover on the wharf awaiting delivery to you.

You should press for other Departments to strengthon their staff in this area.

You will want a very strong supporting argument to convince me that personal tax can be introduced prior to the introduction of Native Local Government Councils.

It is of some satisfaction to note that the people have a glimmer of understanding in relation to the forthcoming elections; many of our Europeans - well informed - appear to be amazingly ill-informed on the subject.

An extract from this Report has been placed on the Political Development file.

(J. K. McCarthy),

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply Please Quote

No. 67-4-1

District Office, DARU. W.D.

15th November, 1963.

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,

ATC: CJW

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT 1/63-64

The above report is forwarded please. The patrol was of a routine nature and the general Native situation appears quite satisfactory. The large return from crocodile skins has caused a natural trend towards this activity for cash. I am surprised that the reptiles have not been shot out long before this, but what is uneconomic to a Furopean shooter allows a quite satisfactory return to Native participants.

- 2. In this respect, the Morehead Buyers Society has done much to provide an outlet for produce, and has also placed itself on a sound financial footing. For this, thanks must go to the interest of Mr. Speldewinde, who has shown continued interest in this aspect of service, to the community.
- Roads the road network available in the Morehead area during the dry should be exploited. We have only this month received a tractor and trailer (now on loan to Lands and Surveys for border demarkation) for Morehead, and though this will be mainly involved in work on the Morehead/Weam road, it can be utilised for other work over existing tracks. I am however, taking the matter of road transportation (Landrover) up again with the Chief Transport Officer.
- 4. The lack of support from the Departments of Health and Agriculture are being taken up with the District Medical Officer and District Agricultural Officer, respectively. Both Departments suffer from a lack of European officers I realise, but visits by better qualified staff than A.F.W's and medical orderlies are to be commended. The District Agricultural Officer has promised a European officer for patrol work early in 1964 when his leave casualties are replaced. I have discussed with him the purchase of copal gum and chillies at Morehead. He states that he has applied to his Department for funds for purchase, but these are not yet to hand. On their receipt here, he will make amounts available to the O.I.C. Morehead.
- 5. Taxation the Morehead area has so far been exempt from personal tax. However as a pre-requisite to any future plans for area administration, it is deemed desirable that the area transfers from general taxation in the first instance. I am recommending to the Chief Commissioner for Taxation, through you, that the area of Morehead generally (Trans Fly and upper Morehead) be included in the taxing in 1964 at a rate of 10/-per annum.

6. Area administration presents considerable difficulties in implementation when one remembers that the total Trans Fly Morehead area is 6,000 square miles with a population scattered throughout an average of one person per two square miles. The extension of Native Local Government will not be overlooked but will certainly not occur until head tax and the realisation of texation has been introduced.

7. Electoral education - this area has now been covered twice in this regard and local missionaries have offered their assistance in explaining election techniques. At least one further patrol with this as a prime aim will be done this year. The report indicates the presence of a glimmer of understanding amongst the people of the upper Morehead.

8. Extracts of the report have been forwarded to Departmental leads locally. Camping allowance claims have been processed.

A. T. CAREY. E/DISTRICT OFFICER

Sub-District Office. Western District, D A R U.

8th November, 1963.

The District Officer, Western District,
DARU.

MORRIEAN PATROL REFORT -1-53/64.

Enclosed is the above report of a petrol by Mr.W.G.Speldswinde, P.O. to the Upper Morehead Census Division.

have gone through your office. However, as they have returned there seems little cause for any action.

The formation of a Council in this area is I think a little pressure. At the moment they are except from head tax. I recommend that Head Tax rates should be set at all for the area in view of the fact these people are setting high incomes from erocodile skins. After a year of personal tax the formation of a Council could be considered in the light of detailed surveys that will be necessary by ourselves and Agriculture.

Whilst on the subject of agriculture would you request the D.A.C. to consider sending an officer to visit the Morehead area, and if sime permits to petrol. Six years is a long time to neglect on area even in view of their staff shortage in the area. At present there only two field assistants - very junior - covering both the Morehead and Weam areas. I think Mr Speldewinde cuts up a good case for some further D.A.S.F. attention to the area.

Health patrols have also been very few and far between. It has taken an international border incident to get them down there. I believe it is intended to send some P.H.D staff to Morehead-Weam this coming week. It is hoped they can visit this particular division.

With two electoral education patrols through the area recently I think these people now understand a little of what the 1964 elections for the House of Assembly is all about. I sure they will give their full co-operation to the nobile booth to chable the patrol to get around in the statutery time.

been precessed. He appears to have done a thorough job and certainly does not lack enthusiage even if a little misguided at times.

a/Assistant District Officer.

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT No 1 of 1963/34

AREA PATROLLED:

UPPER MOREHEAD CENSUS DIVISION

CONDUCTED BY:

W. G. SPELDEWINDE - Patrol Officer

ACCOMPANIED BY:

Const 1/C ANDARIPA Constable BIRUA N.M.O. SENEA A.F.W. PAMOA Interpreter DERIVI Personal Servant.

DURATION:

12 days.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

1. Election Education Campaign,
2. Shotgun Register,
3. Medical Inspection,
4. Agricultural Inspection,
5. Routing Administration.

FATROL DIARY

| 24. 9. 63. | Departed Morehead per tractor and trailer, & at 0915 and arrived KERU 1245. Reads good. Village inspection and Election Education Campaign carried out. Gardens inspected. SLEPT. |
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| 25. 9. 63. | Departed KERU 0700 and arrived SERKI 0810. Carriers followed at 0930. Village inspected and coffee plantation visited. Election Education Campaign Gonducted. Discussion re |
| 26. 9. 63. | new Education Centre at Morehead. SLEPT. Departed SERKIb 0755 and arrived INAPOROK at 1315. Village and garden inspection. Election Education Campaign carried out. |
| 27. 9. 63. | Discussions re new Education Centre SLEPT. Departed INAPOROK 0630 and arrived DURU 1030. Carriers at 1500. Election Education Campaign, Village and garden inspection. Discussions |
| 28. 9. 63. | held re Education Centre at Morehead. SLEPT. Departed DURU 1100 and arrived GWIBAKU 1330. Court of Native Matters convened. Visited GIGWA Mission Station in the afternoon. SLEPT. |
| 29. 9. 63. 30. 9. 63. | Sunday observed at GIGWA. Election Education Campaign convened and village and gardens inspected. Departed GWIBAKU 1100 and arrived IWEWE 1415. Village inspected and Election Education Campaign conducted. TERARUMA and KAWATANGWA Villages at IWEWE too. SLEPT. |
| 1. 10. 63. | Departed IWEWE 0745 and arrived AEWE 1045 Village inspected and discussions held re Education Centre at Morehead. Election Education Campaign conducted. Court of Native Matters |
| 2. 10. 63. | convehed. MLEPT. Departed AEWE 0750 and arrived GWAKU 1300. Election Education Campaign conducted and discussions held re Education in the area. Village |
| 3. 10. 63. | and coffee gardens inspected. SLEPT. Departed GWAFU 0800 and arrived GOE 1000. Carriers arrived at 1200. Village inspection and Election Education Campaign conducted. |
| 4. 10. 63 | Discussions held re Education in area. SLEPT. Departed GOE 0700 and arrived KIRIWO 0930. Informed that there had been a murder at ARUFI Village near the station so decided to press on |
| 5, 10, 63 | home. Arrived back at MOREHEAD 1600. |

END OF PATROL

MOREHEAD PATROL No 1 of 63/64

INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL

This patrol was the first to be mounted for the new patrolling year and was to the UPPER MOREHEAD Census Division. The patrol was mainly concerned with routine administration - but an Election Education Campaign was also carried out an most of the villages. The patrol was cut short when word was received that there had been a murder close to the station. On my arrival back home I was informed that all was under control. The three villages missed will be patrolled in the very near future.

During the wet season (January - April), all the tracks are inundated and it makes arduous patrolling - but the water in Suki Lagoon is high and that enables fast essoe times between villages. In the dry season the tracks are in excellent condition but the water in the lagoon has fallen and the came journeys along the twisting channels are long and monotonous. Added to that is the mud that one has to wade through to get to the villages. Water is also scarce and what there is is brown and needs to be boiled before use.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The native affairs situation was good. Most of the instructions issued last patrol were carried out. In previous years the area has been patrolled once a year and it made for a feeling of lethargy amongst the village folk. So far this year the area has been visited three times and I feel sure that it gives them a feeling of stability to have the 'Gubment Officer' around more often. If nothing else it keeps them on their toes and the roads and bridges in a good state of repair.

In my last report on the area (Morehead Patrol No 4 of 62/63) I reported that a couple had some over from West New Guinea and were residing at Gwaku Village. When I returned there during this patrol I found that the couple had returned to West New Guinea. Iam awaiting official word from Daru before any action, if any, is taken.

The formation of a third Native Local Government Council in the District has had a profound effect on the people living in and around Suki Lagoon. Over sixty one percent of the population of the census division live in seven villages around the lagoon. On several occasions I was approached about the establishment of a Council in their area. I informed them that I would discuss the matter fully with the ADO Daru before any moves were made.

In a U.F.M. has a mission station at Gigwa on the lagoon and contact between these folk and the Gogadalas of the Balimo Sub District occurs very often. Letters, full of praise for the Gogadala Council and the work it is doing, fly to and fro between the Sukis working at Balimo and their home villages. The Sukis feel that they are missing out on a good 'thing' if they don't get a Council. I will discuss this further under economic development.

An Election Education Campaign for the House of Assembly Elections in March next year was conducted in the villages. A few weeks previously an Education Officer had gene through the area conducting a similar Education Campaign.

Meetings were held and interest was very high. One camdidate has already been selected and the hat has been taken round to collect the necessary £25 deposit.

In an area such as the Upper Morehead Census Division where no elections have ever been held and whose inhabitants don't have much of an idea about the House of Assembly, & I reel that only constant patrolling and repitition will help them to understand the procedures. I intend mounting another patrol to the area before Christmas and in the meantime have lent my House of Assembly pictures to the U.F.M. missionary at Gigwa. I think that he may be able to get matters explained better by speaking to them in their own language. The interpreter at Morehead does not understand the Suki dialect and there amen't any good English speakers in the District.

Village Constables and Councillors report to the station regularly every quarter and it is hoped to conduct a school for them during the first week in December. I'm sure that a number of these appointees don't have a clue as to what their duties are. Many of them take on the 'dabua' so that they can eventually get a shotgun.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

There are two missions operating in the area. The Unevangelised Fields Mission has an European couple plus teacher and sister at Gigwa and they have a larger following than the London Missionary Society. The L.M.S. has only native pastors from the Port Moresby area staffing their missions. Facilities provided at Gigwa include a school, hospital and trade store. It is soon hoped that a sawmill will be established to cut timber for a permanant materials school and hospital. The L.M.S. only provides school facilities up to Std. 1.

MEDICAL

Health in the area is quite good when one considers the fact that there hasn't been a medical patrol through the area for the past six years. The patrol was accompanied by Hospital Orderly SENEA AUSA who did an excellent job. There is only one Aid Post in the area - at SERKI - and it is hoped that the new Aid Post built at KIRIWO Village will be staffed in the very near future. We were promised an Aid Post Orderly last August.

Housing continued to be excellent and the population was on the increase. For the statistically minded the following data is included.

Population in 1950 around Suki Lagoon 669 1135.

All but 115 of the increase is due to a higher birth and lower death rate. The 115 is the population or two new villages that have settled in the area since 1950.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

As mentioned earlier the roads and bridges are being maintained during the dry deason. During the wet it is hope less to try and maintain them because most of the countryside is under water. Road and bridge building is to be one off the main subjects at the next Village Constables Conference. We should see a definite improvement next year in roads and bridges.

All but five of the Upper Morehead Villages can be reached by road. A four wheel drive vehicle would be a definite asset to the Patrol Post. Don't get the idea that Iam lazy, its just that if a vehicle is provided I'd be able to get round to the villages more often - and I'm certainly in favour of that. The roads are there and if a vehicle is provided - even a motorbike - it will give concrete to the village folk that all their work on the roads are not vain.

EDUCATION

There are two big schools in the area. The U.F.M. runs a school at Gigwa and there are three Europeans plus three native teachers helping. Only one of the Europeans is a qualified teacher. Of the native teachers non are qualified and are referred to as Monitors who take charge of the class when the teacher is away.

The second school is at Morehead where there are four qualified teachers. Altogether there are 114 children on the roll - 74 of them are boarders.

In the vast area administered by the Morehead Fatrol Post villages are few and far apart. Most of the boarders come from villages about three day's walk away from the station. On this patrol of mine I tried to recruit more child ren for the school. I was successful to a certain extent, but most of the parents were loth the part with their young children and send them away to boarding school. I can hardly blame them when one considers the fact that there aren't mahy Australian children at boarding school when they are six or seven years old. A new scheme is to be tried next year that has been successful in other parts of the Territory. Villages are to combine to build houses on the school premises and they will be staffed by an old couple from the village who would act as housemaster and house mistress.

The U.F.M. hopes to start a Junior High School at Lake Murray and all the children who graduate from their schools are to be sent up there. A number of parents in the villages around the lagoon approached me and said that they did not want their children to be sent to Lake Murray. They pointed out that it was too far away and that they could not go to Lake Murray if they wanted to see their children sometime during the year. They preferred Morehead where they could visit their children whenever they came down to the station to sell crocodile skins etc.. I feel that this is something to take up with the U.F.M. They should not be allowed to arbitrarily send schoolchildren to places where their parents don't want them to go. All praise to the U.F.M. for the wonderful work they are doing but I feel that their 'protection' for their adherents goes too far on occasions.

Mission schools conducted by native pastors are held at GARAITA, SERKI and GOE Villages. These are controlled by the cU.F.M..

ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

At the present time the whole economy of the area is based on one commodity - mamely crocodile skins. These skins are purchased at the Morehead Buyers Society store at the patrol post and good prices depending on size are paid out. There are only sixteen shotguns in the area and most of the crocodiles area trapped or speared. There seems to be no end to the number of skins brought in and recently

an edict was issued that small crocodiles were not to be trapped. There have been no known fatalities from crocs in the area and it is hoped that the edict will bring forth only the large crocs.

Copra production is at a standstill and has been so for about the last eighteen months. The villages concerned with copra production argue that the return is not big enough for the amount of work they put into the job. At the most a 140 lb. bag of copra could receive 280d at Morehead when the Buyers Society purchases it and then transports it to Daru. The price in Daru is 3d per lb. and even they Department of Agriculture would pay only 2d per lb. here.

Coffee production is proceeding slowly but surely. Just recently a crop was harvested at GARAITA Village near the station and the dry beans were commented on most favourably by the experts in Port Moresby. At the moment the most immediate need is for a pulper and I anticipate that it will be purchased through the medium of the Morehead Buyers Society who would hire it out to a village for a nominal fee. A number of villages - namely UPARUA, MATA, ROUKU, PONGAKI and DERIDERI would be harvesting in the very near future and the pulper would be a bon. All the work would be done under the strict supervision of the Agricultural Fieldworkers at Morehead. I feel that after a few months the villagers themselves would be proficient enough in the methods used to do the work unsupervised.

When last in Daru I was promised funds for the purchase of dried chillies for sale. I'm still awaiting the funds and in the meantime the chillies aren't producing. A number of chillie plants thrive in certain villages and I'm dertain that if a market could be found the villagers themselves would be most interested in selling the crop. The chillie is never ever used in the preparation of food in the whole area.

Copal Gum is found in great quantities around the Suki Lagoon. Unfortunately - due to lack of interest by the Department of Agriculture in Daru - it may be difficult to collect the gum. A few years ago a Native Affairs patrol from Morchead was asked to collect copal gum and have it ready for transport to Daru where a high price would be paid. This was done and a vast quantity of the gum was collected at Gigwa Mission Station - but Daru lost interest and nothing more was done. The Suki people themselves when asked on this last patrol said that they would have to see the money first before they spent time collecting the gum. The gum is there for the asking and in great quantities.

Cattle would thrive in the area. The experts may scoff and point to the wet season where all the countryside is inundated but I base my claim on the following information. Between Merauke in West New Guinea and the Papua - New Cuinea border the countryside is very similar to the area between the Bensbach River and the Oriomo River. Vast herds of cattle were maintained in West New Guinea by the Dutch in and around Merauke. If those cattle survived I don't see why they can't survive on this side of the border. Take another example. The deer that roam in vast herds between the Bensbach and Morehead Rivers. They seem to survive year after year.

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Now let us turn to the obvious problem that stares

us in the face. Transport. The Western District has and always will suffer from the fact that it is the largest District in the whole Territory and also the District that is frukkernak furthest away from the lentres of population. At the moment anything that goes into Caru from Morehead is backloaded on an Administration 1. On an average Morehead gets a vessel once every some months. Aircraft call every ten to fourteen days but I consider it to be far to expensive to uplift cargo by plane.

Some time ago the Directors of the Morehead Buyers Society voted to purchase a boat (40' workboat type) for the use of the society in bringing cargo from Daru as well as carrying cargo to Daru. The District Officer promised that all Government cargo would be given to the Society's boat to carry to Morehead. Unfortunately this scheme fell through when it was vetoed by the Assistant District Officer of the Sub District.

The crocodica skin market is very high at the moment. But I expect that in the very near future there are going to be no more skins kink to sell. Proof of that is in the fact that a number of small skins are being offered for sale. When this happens I would like to have some other means by which the village folk of the Morehead area could receive an income.

It all boils down to the fact that there must be an Agricultural patrol through the area to survey the potential. There has been no Agricultural patrol through the Morehead Patrol Post area for at least six or seven years. Every single patrol report that has gone out from this office has stressed the fact that the lack of a patrol through the area is seriously hampering the work of the patrol officer. At every village I'm approached by folk who want to start a particular cash crop. The advice I give them is very general and could quite possibly be out of date. An agricultural patrol through the area could solve all those problems.

HEAD TAX

Over the past five years the Upperm Morehead area has not paid any Head Tax - the whole area being exempt. I feel that the area could well support a head tax of 10/- per male and 5/- per female. Last year the Morehead Buyers Society made a profit of £3,000 and had a turnover of about £10,000.

CONCLUSION

What of the future? Our most urgent need is for two patrols - one from the Department of Health and the other from the Department of Agriculture. My job would be made much easier by the presence of these two departments on the one patrol. On his last visit here the a/District Officer commented very favourably on the fact that a recent Daru patrol had four departments pepresented. They were D.N.A., Agriculture, Health and Education. All problems were dealt with on the spot. A similar patrol would be excellent and would also be a great boon to the Morehead area.

What must not be forgotten is the fact that this area although economically backward is very strategically important. We have for a neighbour one who has no qualms about crushing democratic ways of life if they cut across the lines of his own personal ambitions. A recent composition written by the pupils of the Morehead Primary IT:

School gave ample evidence of the fact that the Indonesians are not liked at the moment. But how long will this last? If the Morehead area continues to be forgotten there could make well be a swing away. A number of villages was are about a day's walk away from the border. They have kith seen an Indonesian and as a result don't differentiate between us. However their loyalties will shift with the amount of material wealth they see. It is up to us to try and get in first.

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Wilhelm G. Speidewinde

APPENDIX A.

MLMDERS OF THE R. P. & N.G.C. WHO ACCOMPANIED THE PATROL

CONSTABLE 1/C ANDARIPA
CONSTABLE 5/Y BIRUA

Conduct good, A good worker.

Comduct good. An excellent policeman who was a boon to the patrol.

WILHELM G. SPELIEWINDE



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

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1-th May, 1964.

District Officer, Western District, DARU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 2-1983/64 - MOREHEAD.

Receipt of the abovementioned report, together with covering comment is acknowledged with thanks.

I agree it is desirable to have agricultural assistance and that provision is being rade for it.

Comment concorning the BWARI will be answered under separats correspondence.

Every effort should be made to ensure that the buying societies are successful as it is the best means of keeping the people occupied and giving them material benefits at the same time.

I agree that it will be a long time before the people fully understand our electoral processes, but our efforts in this direction should be continued.

The matter of regulating crocodile shooting is under discussion at present.

Will you take up the matter of additional schools with the local District Education Officer.

J. K. McCarthy,

21st May, 1964. District Officer, Western District, DARU. PATROL REPORT NO. 2-63/64 - MOREHEAD - KWARI. No action is to be taken to raze KWARI hamlet or interfere with the pslms. Certainly tale measures to stabalise them and let me know your proposals and I shall try to assist. J. K. McCarthy, DIRECTOR.

IAH CR OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA File: 67-4-1 District Office, DARU, Western District. HEADINUARIEKS April 27th, 1964. PORT MORESBY The Director, Department of Native Affairs, KONEDOBU. MOREHEAD FATROL - MOREHEAD 2-63/64 - UPPER CENSUS DIVISION MOREHEAD Attached is a Report of the above 14-day patrol by Wr. W.G. SPELDEWINDE, Patrol Officer. The Report is well covered by memo 67-4-1 of 6th April, 1964, from Assistant District Officer, DARU Sub-District, which is attached also. I believe the KWARI still commute between GWAKU, KWARI and IRAMBO (West Irian). Their houses still stand, although in disrepair. If we are to ensure they sever existing links, it will be secessary to raze KWAPI hamlet, including about 50-100 bearing coconuts, actively resettle the KWARI at GWAXU and give cash compensation. This shouldnot cost more than £250. This course was briefly discussed with Messrs. McCART.Y and FENBURY last January, more as a means of restricting movement over the 50 mile IRAMBO-GWAKU by removing the overnight food stop. You might care to let me have your views; I shall then ask the Officer-in-Charge, to further investigate and advise. I have wearied you before in relation to agricultural development throughout the entire District. 4. Commonts re education have been taken up with the District Inspector (Education). At present, the main discontent in the area is that after Standard 4, children are sent by the U.F.M. to a so-called new higher elementary school at LAKE MURRAY. Once there, parents never see children and vice versa. The Mission has not been very keen on putting the alternative of MOREHEAD Primary "T" School to students. However, in the native interest, this is being put directly to the native people by Native Affairs and Education Officers. Canellows, (I. A. Holmes)

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINE

Ref: 67-4-1

Sub-District Office, DARU, Western District.

April 6th, 1964.

The District Officer, Western District, DARU.

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT No. 2-63/64

Attached, please find the Report of a Patrol conducted by Mr. W.G. SPELDEWINDE, of the upper MOREHEAD area.

2. The patrol was one of a purely routine nature, with an emphasis on the mechanics of voting prior to the House of Assembly Elections. These people have had three visits from patrols on electoral education and should have been reasonably aurait with procedures for the big day. As Mr. SPELDEWINDE states, it is doubtful if they are yet aware of the intricacies of Democratic Government.

3. KWARI

The action taken in respect of KWARI is endorsed. These few people, remote from any settlement, have for many years, tended towards West Irian. With the present dangers to Health incurred by unrestricted movement, a choice had to be made, and it was on my instructions that such avenues were explored on this patrol. It is believed that though their ties are towards the West Irian side - KWARI people do not desire to establish permanent residence over the border, and should restrict their activities to this side. An early patrol in the "dry" will be sent to ascertain what in fact, the KWARI people have done.

4. AGI CULTURE

The officer's plea must be agreed with. Though economic potential may be low, it is in fields of other than economic development, that D.A.S.F. should show an interest. It is realized that presently the Department is ham-strung by lack of staff, but with an expected increase of three officers, the District Agricultural Officer should be requested to send an officer to at least assess what assistance can be given in the improvement of food garden techniques.

5. EDUCATION

In view of the population density (comparative) in the SUMI area, the aim should be placed before the District Inspector for possible further investigation with a view to future educational expansion. He undoubtedly will wish to have further details as to villages and attendances, and in relation to a school in the area will need to assess the local Mission's capacity to cater for the SUKI area.

6. The patrol was conducted in Mr. SPELDEWINDE's usual efficient manner. His claim for Camping Allowance has been checked and signed and is on-folwarded to you with the Report for authorization of payment.

(A. T. Carey)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

AREA PATROLLED

Upper Morehead Census Division

CONDUCTED BY

W. G. Speldewinde - Patrol Officer

ACCOMPANTED BY

Constable TOMATA

Constable KALAT

A.F.W. MULAKE

H.O. SENEA

Interpreter DERIVI Personal Servant. rersoner se-vant.

DURATION

14 days

CBJECTS OF PATROL

1. Routine Administration
2. Shotgun Register
3. Medical Inspection
4. Agricultural Inspection
5. Election Education Campaign.

MAP

Attached

REAL SERVICE

PATROL DIARY

- 11.1.64. Departed Morehead 0640 and arrived UPARUA cance place 0810. Departed cance place 0830 and arrived UPARUA 0920. Discussions held in village. Departed UPARUA 0950 and arrived cance place 1050. Departed cance place 1100 and arrived STTAVI cance place 1120. Cance returned to Morehead at 1170. Self departed cance place 1140 and arrived SETAVI 1210. Election Education Campaign 1600 1800. Discussions etc.. Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections. Court of Native Matters convened 11 sentenced to 14 I.H.L. at the Morehead Corrective Institution. SLEPT.
- 12.1.64. Departed SETAVI 0755 and arrived Old Village Site 0905.
 Departed 0930 and arrived KIRIWO 1255 after spell of
 30 mins halfway. Discussions etc.. Election Education
 Campaign 1600 1800. Medical, Agricultural and Village
 Inspections. SLEFT.
- 13.1.64. Departed KIRIWO 0745 and arrived old village site 0905.

 Departed 0930 and arrived GOE 1345 after 3C minute spell halfway. Discussions etc.. Election Education Campaign 1500 1700. Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections, SLEPT.
- 14.1.64. Departed GOE 0755 and arrived old village site 0950.

 Departed 1010 and arrived caroe place 1120. GWAKU reached 1200. Village deserted all out on the road.

 Election Education Campaign 1700 1830. Discussions etc.. Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections.

 SLEPT.
- 15.1.64. Departed GWAKU 0750 and arrived canon place 0920. Departed 0930 and arrived AEWE 1210. Visited GIGWA UFM station in the p.m. hours. Discussions held. Night spent at AEWE with Mr and Mrs Van Nieuenhausen.
- 16.i.64. Election Education Campaign 0900 1100. Medical,
 Agricultural and Village Inspections. Departed AEWE
 1200 and arrived IWEWE 1430. Village filthy, rest house
 and police barracks leaking. Clean up under supervision.
 SLEPT.
- 17.1.64. Awaiting arrival of KAWATANGWA and TERARUMA Village folk. Election Education Campaign 1600 1830. Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections. Things much better now. SLEPT.
- 18.1.64. Departed TWEWE C845 and arrived GWIBAKU 1145. Visited USA: personnel and GICWA. SLEPT.
- 19.1.64. Sunday observed.
- 20.1.64. Discussions, Election Education Campaign, Village,
 Medical and Agricultural inspections. Court of Native
 Matters convened. Departed GWIBAKU 1145 and arrived
 DURU 1400. Court of Native Matters convened. Aedical,
 Agricultural and Village inspection. Election Education
 Campaign 1600 1800. Discussions etc.. SLEPT.
- 21.1.64. Departed DURU o615 and arrived INAPOROK cance place 1240 after two spells of 35 and 20 mins respectively. Departed cance place 1300 and prived INAPOROK Village 1400. Election Education Campaign 1600 1800. Village, Medical and Agricultural inspections. Discussions etc.. SLEPT.



- 22.1.64. Departed INAPORON o810 by cance and arrived landing place 1020. Departed 1040 and arrived cance place 1140. Finally reached village 1215. Discussions etc.. Hedical, Arricultural and Village inspections. Election Education Campaign 1600 1900. SLEPT.
- 23.1.64. Departed SERKI 0740 and arrived KERU 1100 after 20 minute spell. Discussions etc.. Election Education Campaign 1600 1800. N Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections. SLEPT.
- 24.1.64. Departed KERU 0620 and arrived old village site 0845.
 Departed 0905 and srrived DARAIA 1020. Departed DARAIA 1045 and arrived MATA 1200. Departed per tractor and trailer 1245 and arrived Morehead Station 1400.

END OF PATROL

MOREHEAD PATROL No 2 of 1963/64

INTRODUCTION

This was the second patrol of the 1963/64 season and was to the Upper Morehead Census Division. The patrol was mainly concerned with routine administration. An Election Education Campaign was also conducted in all the villages.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The Native Affairs situation was satisfactory although the Court of Native Matters had to be convened on two occasions. In general the natives of the Upper Morehead Census Division are a very law abiding lot although adultery and wife beating blot their copy books on occasions.

At the moment there are nine people living at KWARI Village on the border with West New Guinea. These folk were interviewed at GWAKU Village and they all stated that they wanted to live on the Australian side of the 'border'. They were informed that if they wanted to do so they were welcome but once the descision had been made they were to remain on our side of the 'border' and not keep shifting from side to side as they had being doing previously. As a further measure I ordered them to destroy the village houses at KWARI. I feel that once there are no houses there they will be less likely to want to travel all the way to KWARI. KWARI Village lies about 36 miles to the NW of GWAKU Village and when visiting KWARI it is necessary to camp overhight in the bush each way. Up to about 1958 the village was visited regularly but as the population started to die down by migrations east and west of the 'border' and also normal deaths the visits stopped althgether. The last two PIR ratrols visited RWAPI and reported that the village was in a state of dispepair.

Discussions were held in every village about the future of the Morehead Buyers Society which is the co-operative run by the Admin at Morehead. Over the years 500 £5 shares have been purchased by the folk from the Upper Morehead. Trans Fly and Eanchach Census Divisions. For the twelve menths ended 31st December, 1963 c profit of close on £4,000 was made. This is taking into account the fact that a loss of £400 had been made up to the 31st October, 1962. Various suggestions were put forward and three of them will be put into action in the very near future. They were 1) the purchase of Territory Savings Certificates, 2) enlarging of the Buyers Society store at Morehead, and 3) the purchase of a boat to carry the Buyers Society cargo from Darv to Morehead. The first two proposals have been commenced and the third is in the hands of the Assistant District Officer.

The Election Education Campaign was conducted in all the villages. This was the third time that the villages of the Upper Morehead Census Division had been given a lecture on the House of Assembly. They are now proficient in the mechanics of voting - but the knowledge of the reasons behind the election would not register with them. It will certainly be a long and tiring process of trying to get them to understand the reasons. But then what percentage of the population of the newly emerging countries understand the intricacies of Central Government?

These folk don't even have ocal Government Council background that a majority of others



AGRICULTURE

The food situation in the area was not as good as it has been on previous patrols. This could be due to the wet season but I feel that there are two main reasons:-

a) The presence of a trade store at Morehead where rice, meat and tobacco can be purchased in quantity, and b) the lethargic attitude of the Department of Agriculture in the District and more particularly in the Morehead area.

The former reason is most interesting. As long as there are crocodiles in the area and shotguns are available the future looks good. But from personal observations made the skins are getting smaller and smaller. Very few large skins are brought in for sale. This leads me to believe that the skins are harder to get. When the crocs are shot out - what happens them? Will they go back to planting larger gardens? I don't think so. We will then have a problem on our hands. No food in the garden and no money to buy more at the trade store. That is where the Department of Agriculture comes in. Regular routine patrols by this department could help raise the standards of the folk. Their methods and ideas were good enough for the small villages that their fathers lived in - but with the increase in population better methods must be used to increase the yield of a small plot.

Coconuts and copra - The folk are not interested in making copra. They feel that the effort of making a bag - 140 lbs - and then receiving only 280d for it is not enough. I certainly agree. The felk around the Morehead Patrol Post were very malor-tunate in being born far away from the markets and centres of population. Each village does have a good coconut plantation and I feel that this could be increased with a little bit of help and interest.

Coffee - A number of villages close to the station have coffee plots and these are doing very well. However due to the lack of knowledge posessed by the fieldworkers stationed at Morehead the trees have never been pruned. This has cut down on quality and quartity.

Copal gum - This product is found in certain parts of the Upper Morchead Census Division. A market has been obtained in Darw and it is hoped that in the near future a shipment will be sent to Daru.

There has not been an Agricultural patrol through the NEXIVarea since 1958. The neglect of this area by the Department of Agriculture is shocking and strong measures should be taken to ensure that this situation be rectified. The plea of lack of staff' may be true now - but it certainly wasn't so all of last year.

HEALTH

The patrol was accompanied by Hospital Orderly SENEA AUSA who certainly was an asset. His sympathetic manner did a great deal to calming the fears of the patients. Septic sores seam to be the main 'illness' suffered by these folk. A number of cases were ordered to the nearest Aid Post for treatment.

The area is served by Aid Posts at SERKI, GIGWA (UFM Hospital) and MOREHEAD Base Aid Post. An Aid Post at KIRIWO that was completed last August is still waitin, for staff. The mission pasters attached to the UFM practice some medicine in the villages that they are stationed at.

EDUCATION

The only Administration School functioning at the moment is at Morehead. The teachers at Weam are waiting until the school buildings are erected before the commence teaching. At Morehead classes are going on as usual while the school is in the process of being shifted to a new site.

While in the Suki Lagoon area the question of an Administration school was raised. The folk would like to have a school close to their village. This was investigated and the following results are offered.

Upper Morehead Census Division - Population 1624
Suki Legoon area " 1044
Percentage 64.5%
Total No. of children under 14 570
Suki Lagoon area 510
Percentage 64%

The headteacher at Morehead has to feed the lads when they attend school at Morehead. If there was a school in the area that would do away with having to supply rations. For ease of communications the UFM operate a Cessna strip at Gigwa and there is also a hospital there. There is also a ready access to population for any building projects. I'm sure that if a school were started in the area it would be a boon to the population.

The UFM runs a school at Gigwa but after they reach Std II they are sent away to Lake Murrey to attend the UFM Junior High School. If the Admin. van a school in the area it would do away with the need for se ling these lads for from home.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

The main mission is the Unevangelised Fields Mission and they have four Europeans at Gigwa. They conduct a school and have an Aid Post on the Mission Station.

The London Missionary Society has a Cook Island paster at Pouku. The IMS District Missionary does not agree with the idea of missions conducting schools. He feels that the Administration should do the catering.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

All roads were under water but there was evidence that a considerable amount of work had gone into maintennance. The whole area can be patrolled during the dry season with the aid of a four wheel drive vehicle. The bridges are excellent and all rivers have been bridged

CONCLUSION

The main need for the area is an agricultural patrol.

The wet season will soon be over and then work will be able to go aheadm. With the introduction of Local Government to the area I feel that things are really looking up for this area that is accommically backward but politically important.

W. G. SAELDEWINDE Officer in Charge.

APPENDIX A REPORT ON MEMBERS OF R.P & N.G.C. WHO ACCOMPANIED PATROL Consientious and hardworking. 7914 CONSTABLE 1/C ANDARIPA asset to any patrol. 7077 CONSTABLE 5th YEAR TOMATA An excellent patrol constable. 9048 COMBUABLE 5th YEAR KALAI Needs to be watched to ensure that he doesn't get into mischief. peldeninde w. T. PELDEWINDE Officer in Charge



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

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7th April, 1964.

District Officer;

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PATEOL ARRORT NO. 3-53/64 - MOREHUAD

Receipt of the abovementioned report in acknowledged with thanks.

The 97% vote reflects very creditably on the salada on programme and facilities provided these people.

Political education will be a continuing process and a America of this Department.

ares. It is gratifying to see that these attributes continuous amongst our officers in these days of helicopters and outboard motors.

J. R. McCarthy,

oul 67.3.126 TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND DEW GUINES Ref: 67-4-1 District Office, DARU, Western District. March 24th, 1964. PORT MUREBRY The Director,
Department of Native officers,
KOMPDOBU. PATROL MOREKEAD 3/63-64 - UPPER MOREHEAD CENSUS DIV SION Attached is the above report of the 16 day SURU Mobile Poll by Mr. ...G. SPEEDEVINDE, Patrol Officer, together with covering memo by the Assistant District Officer, Darn. 97% (810/330) of eligible voters voted. Holmes)



67-4-1

Sub-District Office, <u>DARN</u>, Western District. March 12th, 1964.

The District Officer, Western District, DARU.

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT No.3 of 1963/64

The attached reject of the election patrol of the Upper Morehead area undertaken by Mr. Speldewinds, is forwarded please.

- The report gives what I believe to be a reasonable assessment of pulling and of native ideas within the District as a whole. The polling was conducted without trouble and it would appear that earlier electoral education talks were adequate in so far as the physical task of voting was considered. Knowledge of the reasons behind the elections is probably considerably lower.
- 3. Mr. Speldewinde's comments in respect of candidates electioneering are applicable throughout, especially concerning the Special Electorate.
- 4. Camping Allowance claims were received with the report, but were unsigned and have been returned to Morehaed for signature and resubmission.

(A. T. Carey)
Assistant District Officer

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY EIECTIONS - SUKI MOBILE PATROL

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MOREHRAD PATROL REPORT 3-63/64

PATROL DIARY

- 15.2.64. Polling at MOREHEAD for MOREHEAD STATION, MATA, GAP MIBINI, TONDA, IOKWA, and ROUKU Villages.
- 16.2.64. SUNDAY. Departed Mozehead Station 0915 and arrived at UPAREA 1130.
- 17.2.64. Folled at UPARUA. Departed UPARUA 1100 and arrived at SETAVI 1330. Polled in village.
- 18,2,64. Departed SETAVI 6755 and arrived KIRIWO 1255. Polled in village for KYRIWO and STRISA Villages.
- 19.2.64. Departed KIRIWO 0745 and arrived GOE 1345. Polled in village.
- 20.2.64. Departed GOE 0745 and arrived GWAKU 1200. Polled in village.
- 21.2.64. Departed GWAKU 8700 and arrived IMEWE 1400. Polled in village.
- 22.2.64. Leparted IWEWE 0700 and arrived KAWATANGWA 1300. Polled in village. Departed KAWATANGWA 1500 and arrived TEPARUMA 1600. Polled in village.
- 23.2.64. SUNDAY. Departed TERARUNA 0700 and arrived IMENE
- 24.2.0+. Departed INEWE 1200 and arrived GIGWA MISSION 1600.
- 25.2.64. Polling at GIGWA MISSION for GIGWA MISSION, ARME PAG GWIBARU VILLAGES.
- 26.2.64. Departed GIGWA MISSION 0800 and arrived DURU 1200. Polled in village.
- 27.2.64. Departed DURU Village 0600 and arrived INAPOROK 1600. polled in village.
- 28.2.6+. Departed INAPOROK 0810 and arrived SERKI 1215. Polled in village.
- 29.2.64. Departed SERKI 0740 and arrived KERU 1100. Polled in village.
- 1.3.64. SUNDAY. Departed KERU 0600 and arrived MATA 1200. Departed MATA 1300 per tractor and arrived MOREHEAD Station 14:5.

entractor 13.12.40.

END OF PATROL DIARY

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT 3 - 63/64

Introduction

This patrol was mounted for the main purpose of corducting the House of Assembly Elections. The area visited was the Upper Morehead Census Division

Native Affairs

This was the fourth patrol to the Upper Morehead Census Division in the past 10 months - 1t was also the second for the present year. The native affairs situation was satisfactory and it was noted that all orders given on my last patrol - a month previously - had been carried out to my complete satisfaction. Each Village Constable had made a special effort to have his village and the roads and bridges leading to it in an excellent state of repair. This I feel is due to the increased patrolling in the area. They felt that the Patrol Officer at Morehead was taking an interest in their welfare and they were more than willing to co-operate.

The Elections went off without a hitch. There were no incidents as such. 829 electors east their votes for the Fly River Electorate and there were 2 electors for the Gulf and Lakekamu Electorates. About 9% of those who cast their votes knew exactly who they wanted to vote for and showed to fear in doing so. The remaining 5% did not know who they wanted or did not know who the candidates were and informal votes were cast on their behalf. This I feel is due to the lack of interest shown in the area by the various candidates. One candidate who visited the Suki Lagoon area just prior to the elections improved his position considerably just because he took the trouble to visit part of his electorate.

The candidates of the Special Electorate who ignored the Morehead area were in turn ignored by about 80% of the electors. They were repeatedly asked if they wanted to vote for the European candidates and their answers were the same - 'Who are they? We don't know them. They did not come and see us'.

Well over 98% of the electors had to be helped to mark their ballot papers. It was noted that although the preserential system had been explained to them they were interested in casting only their first and second preferences. In many cases it was only the first preference.

Two other factors that had a bearing on the election is this area was the position of the candidates on the ballot paper and the similarity of names. In the former case a number of women went 'straight down the line' when casting their vote. In the latter case the similarity of names between one of the candidates and his brother who is a clerk at the Morehead Patrol Post had the electors bamboozimmeled. They were under the impression that they were voting for Tamate Tabas.

Roads and Bridges

The North West season had well set in by the time the patrol commenced. All roads were on an average a foot under water. A number of bridges had been washed away by the high water and running repairs had to be carried out on a few occasions. But it was notibed that a great deal of work had been done or the roads. During the dry season most of the villages could be reached by four wheel drive vehicle.

APPENDIX

MEMBERS OF THE R.P. and N.G.C. WHO ACCOMPANIED THE PATROL

in excellent patrol constable who is as steady as a rock.
Although he was the patrol F.C. as well as being the man R.C.O. in charge of the Horehead detachment he pulled his weight as far as the various duties were consorned. 3925 Sgt 3/6 MAGAIDIMU -

Constable KALAI

fair only. Has to be watered to ensure that he doesn't get into any mischief.

Constable BIRUA

Another excelient man on patrol. Wasn't afraid of hard work. He remained cheerful right throughout the day. He is a Collala who had to tearn to saim the hard way when the water on the roads get too day, He stands about 5' 0".

67-3-34

27th May, 1964.

District Officer, Western District, DARU.

PATPOL REPORT NO. 4-63/64 - MOREHEAD.

Recaipt of he abovementioned report is acknowledged with that ks.

I hope some action is being taken in the land disputes. If not, commence them immediately.

Mr. Haynes will have an opportunity to continue to explain to the people the purpose and mechanics of the House of Alsembly continuously as it is part of this Department's functions to provide political education to the people.

An interesting diery.

J. K. McCarthy, DIRECTOR. TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Ref: 67-4-1

District Office, DARU, Western District.

may 18th, 1964.

The Director, Department of Native Affairs, KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT MOREHEAD 4-63/64 - TRANS FLY CENSUS DIVISION

Attached is the above Report of the 22 day Arufi Mobile Poll by Mr. F. J. Haynes Patrol Officer.

- 2. Despite Mr. Hayne's pessimism, the people in this area polled quite well in excess of 80% and did show some range in their choices on the ballot papers.
- 3. This was Mr. Hayne's first patrol in the Western District and a fairly rugged return to field work from a comfortable portliness gained at A.S.O.P.A. He has done well.

escome (I A Holmes) DISTRICT OFFICER

Patrel Post, MOREHEAD Western District. 9th March, 1964.

The District Officer, WESTERN DISTRICT, Dark

MENORANDUM of PATROL

PATROL REPORT

NO-4/63-64

Petrol conducted by: Accompanied by:

Duration of Patrol:

Last Patrol to area:

Map:

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P.J.L. HAYMES. P.O. 1

Cpi.ANDERIPA Const.PUJARI N.M.O. SENKA (Interpreter) BODI KAEAU (Poli Clerk)

22 days (16/2/04to8/3/04)

September, 1963.

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Correspondence arising out of Patrols

Nil

F.J.L. HAYNES. (Patrol Officer)

Jeff .

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the patrol was to conduct polling in the House of Assembly Elections in the area known as the Trans-Fly but for the purposes of the election the region was named the ARUFI MOBILE patrol.

Generally this section of the Morehead Patrol Post area is very flat and dry, in fact the rule is that patrols must carry their own water. During this patrol however at least eighty parcent of the country was under water and on some sections of the track it was necessary to swim. Generally conditions were most uncomfortable and not conducive to the concentration required for accurate electoral works.

DIARY

16th February SUNDAY.

O600 Patrol departed Morehead Patrol Post per M.V.ELEVALA.Moved down Morehead River at about nine knots - saw numerous crocodiles:River flooded.1730 arrived at MARI village after having left the Morehead River and moved along the coast for some nine minutes. Patrol gear unloaded. Spoke with V.C. and arrangements made for elections. Seagoing canoes standing by as track along coast completely impassable.

17th February, MONDAY.

0700 Spoke with people of MaRI and JARAI on generalmatters but also had to explain the electoral proceedure as well as the purposes of the election as the people had had no previous electoral education. 1300 Election begun, people most interested but had little idea of candidates. Election completed by 1530 after approximately ninety percent of electors cast their vote.

18th February, TUESDAY.

0600 departed MARI for TAIS village per sailing cance as track impassable owing to £100ds.1300 arrived at coast after lang hot trip, prepare to move inland on normal 45 minute work to village. Set out - track almost impassable - patrol moved through hot mud which reached almost to our thighs and the mosquitos were so bad that it was necessary for each member of the patrol to carry a leafy branch to brush the mosquitos from the person in front of him.1500 arrived TAIS.1600 Elections, same situation here as in MARI village.

19th February, WEDNESDAY.

0600 Departed TAIS for coast arrived coast 0860 where sailing cances standing by to transport patrol to IAUGA.Arrived at village 1500 after slow trip.At this time of year sea wind rarely freshens before oil00.People seemed rather surprised by the patrols arrival.Decided best to hold election next day. Inspected village etc.Except for some Whooping Cough all up to scratch,

20th February, THURSDAY.

opon Elections IAUGA people interested. At least 90% vote but generally very little knowledge of candidates. 200 to the village of SIBUDIRI by cance arrived 1430.1500 election but little interest shown. This is first village in which an Electoral Education patrol had worked. Fraple still had very few "clues!" Numerous disputes settled.

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT

DIARY CONTINUED.

21st February, FRIDAY,

occordition considering redent heavy rain. 1100 arrived to see many people awaiting patrol. After some emplanation etc. polling under way at 1400 and continued until 1530. Once again a disappointing lack of knowledge concerning candidates and reasons for election. Some shortage of food in village. Numerous complaints over Administration attitude towards read in this area. Agriculture patrol badly needed through this region. As in all other villages on this patrol a medical inspection was made by N.M.O. SENEA, Health only fair.

22nd Fobruary, SATURDAY.

office to BUBUJI village along track which was in parts 3 feet under water Arrived village 0100.1300 election - people had pre-arranged their vote, almost all electors voted for the same candid this and followed the same pattern of preferences. Little understanding of reasons for election, Sorcery very provelent in this region, Asked for assistance by Administration with their read. Health only average - children very untidy. Arranged for carriers to MALAM.

23rd February, SUNDAY.

Observed.

24th February, 1964 MONDAY.

0700 to MALAM, for most part track under 6-7-inches of water but on one section of approximately 130 yards necessary to rwim.
Managed to prevent Ballot Boxes from getting wet.Arrived MALAM 1205, 1500 held electic in U.F.M. hall as raining heavily.People here had also arranged the order of voting before the patrels arrival.Very little interest shown by the younger electors in the village.People requested that the Admin, assist them in completing the section of road passing through their land.System of "sister exchange" proving a real problem in this village.

25th February, TUESDAY.

0700 to LIMOL village over fairly good track. Arrived 0930 and inspected village housing etc. General health good. 1300 held election, 90% vote, would have been greater except for some very old people who were not interested. Request made for est. trace store in village ic. branch of Buyers' Society. Excellent hunting in this area, people use the skins of wallables, deer etc. for mats. Arranged for carriers to KINKIA.

26th February, WEDGESDAY.

0700 to KIMKIN arrived 1100, track in poor state after continuous heavy rain- patrol swam two flooded creeks. 1300 House of Assembly election - vote pre arranged, electoral education had little effect in this village. Apathetic lot, sorcery rife. Village clean but housing poor. Realth not good. Arranged for carriers to KONDOBA.

27th February, THURSDAY,

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DIARY CONTINUED

0900 at KOMDOBA. General discussion with people. Checked patrol equipment. In afternoon inspected plantation and nearby food gardens. Police an reported that track may be passable tomorrow morning. Rain had eased somewhat during the night and had almost stopped during the day. (28/2/6+).

29th February, SATURDAY,

0700 to BUK - track poor, two imidges washed away - more swimming. 1915 at BUK inspected housing. Health fair. Food plentiful. 1300 polling began, electors most interested in proceedings but had few ideas on actual reason for the election. As was the case in most villages, the candidates were almost unknown to the electors. Good hanting in this region. Problems in this village very similar to those in villages visited to date.

1st March SUNDAY.

At BUK, Chserved.

and March, 1964, MONDAY.

To DIMISISI 0600 - arrived 1330 hours efter a walk which I would prefer to forget, Track almost completely immedated, to rost necessary climb tree and not only was the track floods the flood waters were moving against the parel making conditions even move & difficult. Upon arrival at DIMISISI heavy rain etc. decided hold election next morning. Inspected as much of village area as possible during afternoon and spoke with V.C. and other people about the elections and other goural matters.

and Baroh, TURSDAY.

0900 House of Assembly election - same situation here as in other villages as regards knowledge of candidates and reasons for election, V.G. and Councillor trying to hold the people to ether in the village - various groups argueing over land, name ste, . After some discussion I think situation eased a little, Health quite good, Arranged for carriers to UlMADEBUK.

9th March, WEDSESDAY.

Ciso to RIMADERUM village, arrived 1150 after splashing through floodwaters for most of the way. Cought fair size fish on track - very good esting. Village inspected, housing good. Health average, faed a little short. 1350 held elections - little interest shown during the actual voting or before it however shortly after voting completed people began asking many questions about the reasons for the election etc as vell as the work of the House of Assembly. Stater exchange is an increasing problem in this village as it is generally throughout the Trans-Fly.

5th March, THE JEDAY.

To GUBAM 0700. Track flooded. 01100 arrived GUBAM village. Health not good one death suspected Macaping Gough. People not very interested in election, mainly because, I believes, they man it didn't have much ideax of what it was all about. Arranged carriers to DERIDERI, and ARUFI.

6th March FRIDAY.

0600 to DERIDERI thence ARUFI arrived ARUFI 1100hrs. Track in fair condition only.1300 Rouse of Assembly election. Vil.age in good order. People fairly insterested in precedings. Returned to DERIDERI after completion of election. Carriers and goar had arrived safely from GUEAM.

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Sth March. SUNDAY. Legarted DERIDERI for PONGARI 0900 on arrival PONGARI tractor from Morehead standing by ready to carry patrol to the Patrol Post.Arrived at Morehead Patrol Port 1300 hrs.

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- HND OF PATROL No.4/63-64 -



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

| District of WESTERN Report No. | MOREH 540 5.08 1963/64 |
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| Patrol Conducted by Wilhelm G. Speldewinde | Patrol Officer |
| Area Patrolled Trans Fly Cersus Division | |
| Patrol Accompanied by Europeans | |
| Natives. 1. RP&NGC 1. AFW , .1. HO. and Personal Servant | |
| Duration—From. 14/ 5/19.64 to 2/ 6/19.64 | |
| Number of Days20 days | |
| Did Medical Assistant Accompany | 1 |
| Last Patrol to Area by-District Services. No. 5 of./1963/. | 64 |
| Medical ??.?.??.?/19 | |
| Map Reference | |
| Objects of Patrol Census, Routine Administration, Medical and Agricultural | |
| Inspections and Shotgun Register. | |
| Director of Native Affairs, | |
| PORT MORESBY. | |
| 7 /8 /1964 Pistrict Commissioner | |
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Department of Native Affairs, Konedobu, Fapins

27th August, 1964.

District Officer, Western District, B & R U.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5-63/54 - MORENHADE

Receipt of the abovescritioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

I am gratified to note that agricultural activity is to be increased.

I think the Assistant District Officer's attitude towards S.A.P.s is sufficiently liberal.

The people must be developing confidence in that they bring their difficulties for settlement to your officers.

Who would buy the can chairs? I suggest that the care could be sold in the first instance. Pit sawing is an industry which should certainly be encouraged.

A good report of a productive payrol.

(J.K. McCarthy) DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



District Office, Western District, DARU.

August 7th, 1964.

The Director, Department of Native Affairs, KCNEDOBU.

PATROL MUREHFAD 5/63-64 - TRANS FLY CENSUS DIVISION

Attached is a copy of the above patrol, together with covering remarks by Assistant District Officer, DARU Sub-District.

A more conscientious District Agricultural Officer has recently been posted here. With the Regional Agricultural Officer, ha has completed an extensive inspection of the District; we have also had several general discussions. I hope this indicates more agricultural activity in the field, preceded by detailed surveys by Extension officers. I think the C.I.C. may be under a slight misapprehension regarding farmer trainees who, on graduation from ORIOMO, are returned to their villages to work there and are not paid Administration employees (bottom para.2)

3. The balance of the report is adequately covered by the Assistant District Officer.

A good Report by a keen officer who has brought his area forward a long way in his two years there, despite its negligible potential.

(I. A. Holmes) DISTRICT OFFICER

License

ATC'CR 67-4-1 PR5-63/64 Sub-District Office, Western District, DARU

July 31st, 1964.

Officer-in-Charge, Patrol Post, MOREGEAD.

MORRIEAD PATROL No. 5 of 1963/64

The above report is to hand and has been read with interest. The Calay in dealing with the Report is regretted but due to my absence on patrol.

2. Some comments for clarification -

Mative Affairs

The regular visits to the area are showing obvious results and must be maintained. The difficulties encountered during patrols in the "set" are fully appreciated.

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Councillor by the Councillor from BOLOU Island has been taken up and I have requested the return of the purchase money. The gun is being held in safe keeping here. General policy has restricted the issuing of S.A.P. s to one per approximately 50 people. This however, is not rigid and I am prepared, should the case warrant, to consider applications on individual merit. Though in the trans FLY it is not likely that game would be shot out as in more populous areas, the restrictions are basically simed at keeping some balance and if possible, to avoid the acquisition of firearms as status symbols.

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Your comments re D.A.S.F. interest are appreciated. I am pleased however to report that a D.A.S.F. Field Officer has proceeded yours for extended patrolling. The came cample forwarded here has been enforwarded to MORESEY - no results are yet to hand.

Health:

Your remarks will be passed through by the District Officer to the local Health authorities.

I understand WAINSTI (Senior Medical Orderly) was to have inspected all Aid Posts on his visit yours. For your information, I understand that Public Health Department have relinquished their medical patrols through villages and are concentrating attention on Aid Posts and Health Education. I believe you may expect a Medical Assistant (apuan) to be posted yours permanently about the 20th of August.

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Roads

Access by vehicles, even in the "dry" only, is to be encouraged and we will give what practical assistance we can in the placing of reasonable bridges. Probably in the second quarter it may be possible to get some funds for casic equipment (spikes etc.) to alleviate the position, but major routes will take priority.

By this, you will have received my 40-1-1 in connection with a survey for Native Local dovernment Council covering the whole MORNHEAD area, and in this context, road access is highly desirable.

Village Officials

Regult r visits to the station are a must. Your training to be held annually as Refresher Courses - until a different Administration (area) is inaugurated when similar courses for representatives can be undertaken. I await your recommendations for appointments to fill the positions presently resigned.

Economic Development

Your proposals have been noted and in respect of coprs and coffee should be taken up direct with the Agricultural Officer during his stay at MORRHEAD and prior to his patrol. The Buyers Society is definitely the cutlet for any local production, but prices (taken into account free/d. components) may not be acceptable for a period.

Your proposal re fresh food movements to DARU has a minor potential only. There is a reasonably large demand by Administration Departments on the Island, but supply would provide a problem from your end. This could be overcome to a degree by purchase of only storable native food such as you. It could never be a large scale proposition.

In respect of your ideas on deer ment as trade for the Torres Islands, your attention is drawn to the quarantine regulations. If you desire to have both your mek and mine on the block, this is a good way to do it. I attach a circular previously forwarded throughout the District for your perusal and digestion.

on a larger scale, you should consider the possibilities of the utilization of game - particularly deer - as an industry in terms of frozen or canned meet. This it is realized, may be a project involving a large capital outlay, but it appears a possible means of establishing an industry based on existing resources.

3. The report is well written and you have obviously been giving thought to means of improving the existing situation.

4. Would you please forward Census Statistics which have obviously been overlooked, together with your Camping Allowance Claim.

Assistant District Officer

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT No 5 of 1963/64

Area Patrolled

Conducted by

Accompanied by

Duration

Objects of Patrol

TRANS FLY CENSUS DIVISION

W. G. SPELDEWINDE - Patrol Officer

Const. RAKATANI H.O. SENEA AFW KARUANG Personal Servant

20 days

1. Census,

2. Shotgun Register,

3. Medical Inspection,
4. Agricultural Inspection,
5. Routine Administration.

PATROL DIARY

Thursday, 14th May, 1964.

Departed Morehead o800 for MATA by tractor and Trailer. Roll very bad in places - a number of small bridges to be rebuilt. Art ad \$0930. Census, Medical and Agricultural Inspections. Village and environs inspected in the evening. Discussions held. Village Constable MAWIA tendered hid resignation.

Friday, 15th May, 1964.

Departed MATA 0800 and arrived PONGAKI 0930. Census, Medical and Agricultural Inspections. Village and environs inspected. Departed PONGAKI 1150 and arrived ARUFI 1330. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Departed ARUFI 1600 and arrived DERIDERI 1700. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections.

Saturday, 16th May, 1964.

Departed DERIDERI 0800 and arrived at GUBAM 1035.

Village clean and tidy, R/H large and comfortable. Census,

Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections 1600. One absent

from Census - ordered to Morehead to await my veturn.

Sunday, 17th May, 1964.

Departed GUBAM 0805 and arrived BIMEDEBUN 1200. Road like yesterday's - 1' to 2' under water 75% of the way. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections 1600. Vast gardens planted - no shortage of food here.

Monday, 18th May, 1964.

Departed BIMEDEBUN 0755 and arrimed DIMSISI 1305. Road 1: - 2: under water 90% of the way. Other 10% was mud. Village inspected. Discussions held. New Village Constable appointed.

Tuesday, 19th May, 1964.

At DIMSISI. Census, Medical and Agricultural __spections. Discussions held refuture of the Morehead Buyers Society.

Wednesday, 19th May, 1964.

Departed DIMSISI 0715 and arrived BUK 1300. Road a bit better because now we were moving into the footbills of the O iomo Plateau. Village, Medical and Agricultural Inspections. Census at 1700.

Thursday, 20th May, 1964

Departed BUK 0755 and arrived KONDOBA 0955. Very pleasant village, clean and tidy. Well laid out. Village, Medical and Agricultural inspections am hours. Census at 1700.

Friday, 21st May. 1964.

Departed KONDOBA 0755 and arrived KINKIN 1010. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Road from KONDOBA fair to 'muddling'. Bridges need to be widened and strengthened.

Saturday, 22nd May, 1964.

Departed KINKIN 0810 and arrived LIMOL 1015. Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Census 1700. Road fair but bridges are shocking. Whole village warned to pull up their socks or else they would be placed in Court.

Sunday, 24th May, 1964.

Departed LIMOL 0815 and arrived MANAM 1025. Road fair but bridges need strengthening. Medical, Agricultural and Village inspections. Centras at 1700. Discussions etc..

Momday, 25th May, 1964.

Departed MALAM 0745 and arrived BULUJI 1145. Road fair but under water for 25% of the way. Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Census 1700.

Tuesday, 26th May, 1964.

Departed BUBUJI o745 and arrived DIMIRI 1215. New R/H and P/B are roomy and comfortable. A number of new houses have been put up to take in the folk returning from MOLTA. Village, Medical and Agricultural Inspection. Census 1700. For a small village they have done a great deal of work.

Wednesday, 27th May, 1964.

Departed DIMIRI 0735 and arrived SIBIDIRI 1135. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Conces from IAUGA arrived 1930.

Thursday, 28th May, 1964.

Departed SIBIDIRI 0740 and arrived IAUGA 1040. This per sailing cance. Gensus, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Mosquitoes shocking.

Friday, 29th May, 1964.

Departed IA'GA 0640 and arrived MOIBUT LANDING 1100.

Road to village in shocking state of disrepair. Decided to hold
Census on beach. Const Rakatani sent to inspect village. Reported
back that all O.K. Departed MOIBUT LANDING 1330 and arrived
MARI 1800. Excellent welcome from schoolchildren who sang the
National anthem as the patrol entered village.

Saturday, 30th May, 1964.

At MARI. Village, Agricultural and Medical Inspection. Census at 1700. Discussions all day.

Sunday, 30th Mat, 1964.

Departed MARI 1015 and walked along beach to JARAI getting there at 1315. Village very clean and pleasant. Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspection. Census 1700.

Monday. 1st June, 1964.

Departed JARAI 0620 and arrived cance place 0950. The worst road I've seen in my life. Swamps all the way up to 4' deep. Road when dry was overgrown with trees. The village folk have been given two months to clean same. Departed cance place 1100 and arrived TONDA 1715. Collapsed into bed.

Tuesday, 2nd June, 1964.

Departed TONDA 0900 per bicycle after Census, Village, Agricultural and Medical Inspections. Only \$22 people live here. Arrived HIBINI 1015. Road a bit muddy in places but will be very good during dry season. Census, Medical, Agricultural and Village Inspections. Departed MIBINI 1130 and arrived MOREHEAD STATION 1330. Carriers 1600.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

MOREHEAD PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1963/64

Introduction

The main purpose of this patrol was the annual revision of Census figures for the Census Division. It was undertaken during the wet season and the swampy condition of the terrain did not make for easy patrolling.

The Frans Fly Census Division lies to the east of the Patrol Post. It covers an area of 2600 square miles and has a population of about 1600. Villages are small and far apart.

Native Affairs

The native affairs situation was fair. The Court of Native Matters was held on a few occasions to punish folk who had not done their share of work on the road. Over the past few years the area has been patrolled spasmodically. Last year it was visited three times by a Native Affairs Officer and once by a Teacher from the Education Dept.. The latter was in connection with the House of Assembly Election Education Campaign. Certain improvements were noticed such as their ready acceptance of the fact that the Patrol Officer was there to hear complaints and that they weren't to take matters into their own hands per medium of sercery. No complaints of sorcery were brought to my notice. This does not mean that it has been stamped out - it is still there lying dormant till the need arises.

The Trans Fly folk live a very hard life with few trimmings. By that I mean that they are far away from the Morehead Buyers Seciety and as a result their homes have only a minimum of conforts. It is too long a journey to come out to Morehead at regular intervals. Ecconomic development is something that has always remained a dream of the patrol officer residing at Morehead. No agricultural and medical patrols have visited the area for well over ten years. These folk want to 'get up and go' but technical advice etc is not forthcoming.

The shotguns in the area were checked and found to be in good order. The case of the Counciller of one village purchasing a shotgun off a Boigu Islander (Qld.) without a permit has been placed in the hands of the Assistant Destrict Officer at avu.

The gun has been sent it too for his decision. Complaints were lodged about the Mebaduan and Bituri natives who have shotguns and poach the traditional waters of the Trans Fly folk looking for crocodiles. It was pointed out that the Transf Fly folk do not have many shotguns and they have to depend on traditional methods of spearing and catching crocodiles. They take their life in their hands when they walk through the shallow s comps feeling for the crocodiles with their feet. When they feel one they reach down and tie his snout with bush rope. Then they haul him to the edge and hit him with an axe. While this is being dome the great beast is not in the least bit amused and threashes around. Compare this method to the native with a shot -gun who blasts away from a great distance and is comparatively mafe. I have always advocated the issuing of more guns to the area. I have not known of a single fatality in the area.

Agricalture

Food was plentiful in all the villages visited. Yams, pumpkin, banazas, pincapples and pawpaw were offered for sale. The staple diet of the villages is yams supplemented by wallaby, cassawary, cuscus and deer. The coastel villages supplement their diet with fish, shellfish, crabs and turtles. Fish hooks were a very popular trade item.

Copra was at a standstill. Only the coastal villages are sufficiently interested snough to have large plantations that would yield copra. The inland villages just aren't interested and I wouldn't blame them. They have absolutely no means of getting the copra to market. Under Ecconomic potential and Development I will discuss this further.

The Coffee plantations along the Arufi road are thriving. In the other villages the locals are not interested. Last year an Agricultural Field Worker was sent from Morehead to plant out a few nurseries and plantations in some of the inland villages. When quizzing them about them this year I was told that they had all died. On the citoning them further the story was told that the Field Worker was shown some inferior soil and asked to place the plantation there. He, without checking, did so and the seedlings all perished.

This sort of apathy has GOT TO BE COMBATED. The first prerequisite MUST BE AN AGRICULTURAL PATROL through the area. There is no question about it - these folk want to improve themselves and they must be helped. A Native Affairs officer is not a specialist. True he is a jack of all trades and master of quite a few, but a specialist in Agriculture would do very much more in a shorter time. The soil needs to be tested. Traditional methods of Agriculture meed to be improved upon so that output can be increased. No survey has been done on the area to find out the type of crop that would be best suited.

There is an abundance of fish in the rivers. The Morehead River abounds with barramundi, catfish etc.. The school and hospital at Morehead could use it to supplement the diet of the school chifdren and patients. A net has been requested but we are still waiting for it to arrive.

The Agricultural Field Worker who accompanied the patrol inspected all the gardens, coconut plantations and coffee plots. Discussions were held with the village folk on various agricultural matters.

As suggested last/im a number of frans Fly lads have been sent to the Oriomo Agricultural Station where they are learning all about coffee, copra etccc. On their return to their villages they will certainly be a boom to the area. It is to be hoped that the Department of Agriculture does not run short of funds - as it did in May - to pay these trainees.

There is no copal gum in the area but there is plenty of came and rattan. A sample has been sent away to the Dept of Forests and it is to be hoped that it will be good enough to bring some sort of an income to these folk.

Medical

The payrol was accompanied by Hospital Orderly SENEA from the Moregead Base Aid Post. He did an excellent job and was useful in many other ways too. A baby girl was delivered by him at KINKIN Village.

There are three Aid Posts in the Trans Fly Census Dimision and at least two others within easy walking distance of a few other villages. Health in the area is only fair - but nothing else can be expected from Aid Post Orderlies who were placed in these Aid Posts several years ago and have not been inspected since. The medical world has progressed a great deal since four or five years ago - but these Orderlys keep on plodding in the good old-fashioned way. I must add that since this patrol was completed one Aid Post-Arufi- was inspected by the head Medical Orderly from Daru. The Aid Post Orderlys are loyal but I feel that they are called on to do far too much in an area not too well endowed by nature.

Whooping Cough was rife throughout the area and at least 11 children died as a result of it. Vaccine was in short supply and when there was planty the Daru Hospital did not have any flasks maximizates and the same that the same that the same that the same to be kept cold and be carried from village to village.

The opening of the new hospital at Morehead should boost the work of the Health Department in the area. We have not seen a Medical Patrol for about six or seven years. The school children have not had their teeth examined for nigh on two years. The District Medical Officer has promised a dental survey in August. That is an excellent idea. **Example **Exa

The Unevangelised Fields Mission that is very strong in the area gives all its pastors a short course on medical work. They deal mainly with beadaches, stomach aches, cuts and bruises. All the serious cases are sept to the nearest Aid Post.

Roads and Bridges

All the roads were about 18 inches under water for 90% of the journey. Walking times were lengthened and the going was very much harder. The roads were being kept clear of all obstacles but other than that no other work was done. The villages that did not keep their share of the road clean were given stern warnings that this was not to continue.

The majority of the bridges were down and had not been repaired. Evidence was tendered that the rivers had risen over the bridges and carried them away. She villages converned were asked to construct heavier bridges. Nails and deck spikes would be provided by the Administration. If the bridges were spiked then it is almost certain that this annual 'bridge building programme' could be dispensed with in future.

All villages were informed that if the reads were kept up to scratch then the landrover and tractor could use them and give them easier contact with the Patrol Post. Produce could be carried along the road. Following Officers should continue to take a close interest in the read and I'm sure the village folk will co-operate.

MISSIONS and Missionaries

UFM - The Unevangelised Fields Mission is the main mission in the whole of the Trans Fly area. It controls all but a few of the coastal villages. The Mission Headquarters are at Wasua on the North Bank Fly and most of the Pastors stationed in the different villages are from the Gogadala area. Wasua keeps in touch with meach of them with the aid of a regular Cessna flight to Upiara in the Bituri Census Division. Regular field conferences are held in each of the villages. The Pastors run small schools at the village level. Unfortunately the schools have to close whenever a patrol comes into the villages because many of the school children are required to corry the patrol cargo. These children are between 16 and 20 years of age.

LMS - The London Missionary Society holds sway all along the coast. There are two resident Minnimum pastors at BUJI and MARI. They too run schools - but most of their school children are far too old to attend school. These 'pupils' were asked to leave school and do some work in the garden.

Education

The Education Department runs a Primary 'T' School at Morehead but very few from the Trans Fly attend the school. The distance that the pupils have to travel is very great. It is hoped that the new Boarding School will be able to woo a few rore in.

The suggestion that a Technical School be started at Morehead is excellent. It is to be hoped that it comes to fruition. A Community Education Project where certain youths from different villages are taken in and taught the rudiments of carpentry and joinery would be a boon to the area.

A few pupils of the Kodoro Primary 'T' School are from this area and a few more from the villages close to Kodoro should be encouraged to attend the school.

Villages in the area are so few and far between that I don't think the Trans Fly area could support another school. The biggest village in the area - DIMSISI - is too far away from the nearest airstrip and road to afford sufficient supervision if a masschool were to be placed there.

Village Officials

A number of Village Constables resigned due to old age. They were thanked for their long and faithful service to the Administration. New appointees were selected pendings their approval by Headquarters.

Police Motu is hardly spoken in the inland areas and this hampered the patrol a great deal. I was without the services of my interpreter who was attending a Supreme Court Sitting in Paru.

Village Constables and Councillors were encouraged to visit the station at three monthly intervals. The Village Officials Seminar that was held in December last year seems to have borne fruit in many ways. The Officials were municum smarter both in dress and drill. Village housing was neater and latrines of better quality.

Economic Potential and Development

Copra. Copra potential is very small. Only the coastal villages and a few other issolated cases would have enough mature palms to make a good quantity of copra. In any case these folk would not know how to make copra and would need to be trained. All the plantations would have to be cleaned and thinned out.

My proposals are as follows:
a) A copra school to be held in strategic villages and regular patrolling by the Fieldworkers.
b) Ensuring that the roads are in good order and then sending the tractor out there to collect the copra.
c) Purchasing of the copra by the Morehead Buyers Society at the xx village itself. The snipping of the copra to Daru would be the problem of the Buyers Society and not that of the individual grower.

Coffee. Coffeens grown along the Morehead - Arufi road. A small amount was harvested at Garaita Village and forwarded to Port Moresby where a very favourable report was received. My proposals would be similar to those above. More coffee plots would need to be planted

Crocodile Skins. Crocodile skins bring in 98% of the income of the village folk. Skins are slowly getting scarce. This is shown by the smaller skins that are being offered for sale at the Buyers Society. Large skins are rare.mm My proposals are for teaching better methods of trapping, skinning and salting of the skins. Issuing of more shotguns could help to bring in a few more skins - but on the other hand it could hasten the end of the reptile in these parts for a few years. But this is something that must happen in the not too distant future and I don't see why the Trans Fly folk can't get on the bandwaggon too.

Canes and Rattans. A sample of the care found in the area has been forwarded to the Dept. of Forests for their verdict. With a ready market in Singapore it is hoped that the cane would be suitable for marketing. A few of the Gogadala Pastors make cane chairs for their homes. Training a few Trans Fly folk to make these chairs would bring a 'cottage industry' to the area. I know of one person in the Oriomo-Bituri Council area who has been trained in canework. Maybe a few more could follow in his footsteps.

Fresh Food. Fresh food is plentiful in the area.

Deer, wallaby, fish, cassawary and birds abound. Thei yam gardens during the harvest are laden with the produce. The coastal villages trade with the Torres Strait Islanders - yams, pumpkin stc. for trade store items. My proposals are that once the roads are in good order the tractor be used to go out into the villages to purchase yams etc. and these could be back loaded into Baru on one of the many Administration charters that come to Morehead. Shotguns should be issued to the coastal villages to enable them to shoot some of the deer and other wild life that abounds in the area. This fresh meat could be traded to the Torres Strait Islanders who have no fresh meat.

Pitsawn Timber. The whole area abounds in good timber. A pitsaw venture has already been commenced in some of the Upper Morehead Census Division villages and it is flourishing. If I WEXXX were able to get a firm backing from the PWD that they would purchase flitches, they could be shipped back to Daru on a back charter.

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Economic Potential and Development

Copra. Copra potential is very small. Only the coastal villages and a few other issolated cases would have enough mature palms to make a good quantity of copra. In any case these folk would not know how to make copra and would need to be trained. All the plantations would have to be cleaned and thinned out.

My proposals are as follows:a) A copra school to be held in strategic villages and regular patrolling by the Fieldworkers.

b) Ensuring that the roads are in good order and then sending the

tractor out there to collect the copra.

c) Purchasing of the copra by the Morehead Buyers Society at the xx village itself. The shipping of the copra to Daru would be the problem of the Buyers Society and not that of the individual grower.

Coffee. Coffee grown along the Morehead - Arufi road. A small amount was harvested at Garaita Village and forwarded to Port Moresby where a very favourable report was received.

My proposals would be similar to those above. More coffee plots would need to be planted

Crocodile Skins. Crocodile skins bring in 98% of the income of the village folk. Skins are slowly getting scarce. This is shown by the smaller skins that are being offered for sale at the Buyers Society. Large skins are rare. My proposals are for teaching better methods of trapping, skinning and salting of the skins. Issuing of more shotguns could help to bring in a few more skins - but on the other hand it could hasten the end of the reptile in these parts for a few years. But this is something that must happen in the not too distant future and I don't see why the Trans Fly folk can't get on the bandwaggon too.

Cames and Rattans. A sample of the came found in the area has been forwarded to the Dept. of Forests for their verdict. With a ready market in Singapore it is hoped that the came would be suitable for marketing. A few of the Gogadala Pastors make came chairs for their homes. Training a few Trans Fly folk to make these chairs would bring a 'cottage industry' to the area. I know of one person in the Oriomo-Bituri Council area who has been trained in camework. Maybe a few more could follow in his footsteps.

Fresh Food. Fresh food is plentiful in the area.

Deer, wallaby, fish, cassawary and birds abound. Thei yam gardens during the harvest are laden with the produce. The coastal villages trade with the Torres Stmait Islanders - yams, pumpkin stc. for trade store items. My proposals are that once the roads are in good order the tractor be used to go out into the villages to purchase yams etc. and these could be back loaded into Baru on one of the many Administration charters that come to Morehead. Shotguns should be issued to the coastal villages to enable them to shoot some of the deer and other wild life that abounds in the area. This fresh meat could be traded to the Torres Strait Islanders who have no fresh meat.

Pitsawn Timber. The whole area abounds in good timber.
A pitsaw venture has already been commenced in some of the Upper
Morehead Census Division villages and it is flourishing. If I
REFERM were able to get a firm backing from the PWD that they would
purchase flitches, they could be shipped back to Daru on a back
charter.

Morehead Buyers Society.

The Morehead Buyers Society hopes to go into the fishing business in a big way in the near future. A deep freeze and a fish ret has been purchased and it is hoped to sell the fish to the Daru Hospital.

Conclusion.

From the above it may be gathered that this area is a practise. It is - but it needs to be developed. Vast sums of money have been spent on other projects that have come to naught. I don't see why a little bit cannot be spent here on projects that have hopes of becoming realities.

This whole area is very close to West New Guinea. The loyalties of the native folk are bound to shift with the amount of material wealth they sec. It is our duty to get in first with our contribution. This I believe!

End of Patrol Report.

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REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL PAPUAR AND NEW GUINEA CONSTABULARY WHO ACCOMPANIED THE PATROL.

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