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GUARI & WOITAPE SUB DISTRICT

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GUARI 3 6I/62	C.G. Sanderson	Katuama Census Division.
GUARI 4 6I/62	C.G. Sanderson	Upper Kunimaipa C.D.
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GUARI 6 6I/62	C.G. Sanderson	Karuama C.D.
GUARI 7 6I/62	C.G. Sanderson	Lower Kunimaipa C.D.
GUARI 8 6I/62	W.E. Venables P.O.	Lower Kunimaipa C.D.
GUARI 9 6I/62	D.J. Parker C.P.O.	Karuama & Upper Kunimaipa C.D.
WOITAPE I 6I/62	A.N. Flowers	MEMO (no report).
WOITAPE 2 6I/62	C.G. Sanderson	Vetapu C.D.
WOITAPE 3 6I/62	A.N. Flowers C.P.O.	Auga C.D.
WOITAPE 4 6I/62	R. Hill	MEMO (no report).
WOITAPE 5 6I/62	W.E. Venables P.O.	Vetapu to Mariboi Kanasia & Kairuku.
WOITAPE 6 6I/62	D.G. Parker C.P.O.	Vetapu C.D. Part Aiware & Auga.
WOITAPE 7 6I/62	W.E. Venables P.O.	MEMO (no report).
WOITAPE 8 6I/62	W.E. Venables P.O.	Auga C.D.
WOITAPE 9 6I/62	T.Hueston C.P.O.	Delava C.D.
WOITAPE IO 6I/62	R.C. Hill	MEMO (no report).
WOITAPE II 6I/62	R.C. Hill	" " " " "
WOITAPE I2 6I/62	T.J. Hueston C.P.O.	Chirima C.D.

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to Store



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of WEST CENTRAL Report No. WOITAPE 2-61/62  
Patrol Conducted by C. G. SANDERSON P.O.  
Area Patrolled VETAPU CENSUS DIVISION  
B. Aldenhoven E.M.A.  
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans YES. TWO T. Houston C.P.O.  
Natives Five. 2 R.P.N.G.C. 1 Int. 2 Medical Orderlies  
Duration—From 18/ 7 /1961 to 15/ 8 /19 61  
Number of Days 29  
Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Yes  
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services July-Aug 19 60.  
Medical July-Aug 18 60  
Map Reference.....  
Objects of Patrol Census Revision, Tax Collection, General Administration  
C.I. 235 Investigation LA.4056 Noland, nr Kase  
Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ /19

District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... £.....  
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... £.....  
Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund ....

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Over 13		Females in Child Birth
M	F	

67-1-3

25th October, 1961.

The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
T A P I N I.

PATROL - WOITAPE 2 - 1961/62:

The happy state of affairs said to exist in the Venapu Division is no doubt due to the solid patrol work that has been undertaken in the past couple of years.

2. At least when you surmise that no serious crime has occurred you are in a position to be fairly sure of your facts. A few years ago such assumptions would have been poor guesswork but there is no substitute for concentrated contact by patrols.

3. It is doubtful if petty offences are as scarce. The people of the Gailala Sub-District are not noted for their mild and sunny disposition. A sudden change of heart is about as likely as a similar volte-face amongst the Japanese despite naive American opinion to the contrary.

4. It is highly undesirable to propagandise about area administration to the Venapu at this stage without reference to you. It is also undesirable to further confuse the natives upon the subjects without reference to this H.Q. The primary objective is to ensure a proper respect for Law and Order without being continuously on the spot to enforce this respect. The report is encouraging as regards this aspect of administrative influence.

5. The co-operation between your staff and the representatives of the Public Health Department is most gratifying. Inter-departmental strife does not ensure efficient administration, since representatives are that busy with mutual recriminations that no time is left to do the job for which we are all here. With a little give and take on both sides and tolerance with understanding between Europeans living in an isolated and foreign environment, it is not very hard to achieve reasonable relations.

(J. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No. 67-3-2.

District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

21st September, 1961.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL WOITAPE 2 OF 61/62.

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Roads: The bridle path connecting Woiitape to ONONGGE is currently being widened to accommodate motor vehicles.

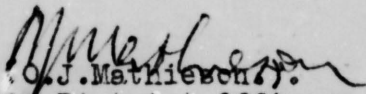
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3. The report is well presented and the patrol appears to have been a success from both P.H.D. and D.N.A. points of view. It provided sound experience for Mr. Heuston C.P.O., who accompanied Mr. Sanderson.

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O.J. Mathieson  
Acting District Officer.

c.c.  
Patrol Officer in Charge,  
WOITAPE Patrol Post,  
Goilala Sub-District.

Mr. C. Sanderson,  
GUARI Patrol Post,  
Goilala Sub-District.

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West Central Division,  
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Patrol Officer in Charge,  
WOITAPE Patrol Post,  
Gailala Sub-District.

Mr. C. Sanderson,  
GUARI Patrol Post,  
Gailala Sub-District.

35-16-22.

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District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

21st September, 1961.

District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

APPLICATION FOR MISSION LEASE-  
CATHOLIC MISSION - LA.4056(P)-  
NOLAND NEAR KASE-VETAFU  
CENSUS DIVISION -  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT.

1. Attached hereto please find the following documents:-

- (a) Investigating Officer's Report in triplicate.
- (b) Combined locality and traverse map, please arrange for three copies of the map to be supplied to this office.
- (c) Alienability Certificate.
- (d) One copy of application. The original application was forwarded to the Director of Lands under cover of my minute 35-3-142(6/430) of 3rd September, 1960.

2. Fees totalling £2-5-0 were collected as per O/R. 48761 of 2nd September, 1960.

3. Although the application called for 5 acres the applicant Mission has stated that t/a 3.65 which the natives are prepared to sell will be sufficient for Mission needs.

4. I recommend that 3.65 acres be purchased and leased to the applicant Mission. I further recommend that the purchase price be 10/- per acre.

5. The only improvements on the area concerned are Mission owned. Improvements on other Mission Leases in the area are sufficient to justify the granting of the lease now applied for.

6. Please forward all enclosed documents to the Director, of Native Affairs together with your necessary certificate or advice to the effect that you are not prepared to issue a certificate.

*O.J. Mathiesen*  
(O.J. Mathiesen.)  
District Officer.

c.c. Director, Dept. of Native Affairs, Konedobu.  
Director, Dept. of Lands, Surveys & Mines, Konedobu.  
Patrol Officer i/Charge, Wotape.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 57-1-2

Patrol Post,  
WOITAPE,  
Gailala Sub-District.

17th August 1961.

The Patrol Officer in Charge,  
Woitape Patrol Post,  
Gailala Sub-District.

WOITAPE PATROL REPORT NO. 2/61-62.

INTRODUCTION.

1. Basic environmental and social data concerning the VETAPU Census Division has been presented in previous reports, and it will be sufficient to say here that the patrol successfully completed the work it set out to do.
2. This Department and Public Health worked together closely and it does seem that these combined patrols are of considerable benefit to both Departments. Public Health gain the advantage of an assured attendance; something which they rarely receive when patrolling on their own, and Native Affairs are able to obtain a clearer picture of health patterns and attitudes, which is essential as one of the many integrating factors in the field of Native Administration.
3. Mr. T. Heuston, C.P.O. accompanied this patrol and was of considerable assistance. He now has a sound working knowledge of patrol procedure and associated clerical work and appears quite capable of conducting solo patrols.

DIARY.

July 18th Tuesday.	1200 Hours, arrived Woitape Patrol Post from Tapini by aircraft. Taxed and censused Woitape village in the afternoon.
Wed. 19th	Left Woitape Patrol Post 0945 Hours. Arrived KOKODA 1530 Hours. Slept KOKODA.
Thur. 20th	0800 taxed and censused KOKODA. Discussions with the people in the afternoon. Clerical work. Slept KOKODA.
Friday 21st July	Left KOKODA 0800 Hours arriving ONONGGE 0900 Hours. Visited ONONGGE Mission. 1030 Hours taxed and censused ONONGGE. Slept Mission.
Saturday 22nd July	0800 Hours taxed and censused EVESE. Discussion held with people. Left ONONGGE 1500 Hours arriving GINAL 1630 Hours. Slept GINAL.
Sunday 23rd	Observed GINAL.
Monday 24th July	Taxed and censused GINAL. Discussions held. Slept Ginal.

Thursday 25th. To VISI arriving 0945 Hours. VISI taxed and censused. General discussions in afternoon. Slept VISI.

Wednesday 26th. To KASE arriving 0945 Hours. Investigated and surveyed Mission Land Application NOLOND. Slept KASE.

Thursday 27th. Taxed and censused KASE. Discussions in afternoon. Slept KASE.

Friday 28th. To ORO arriving 0900 Hours. Taxed and censused ORO. Discussions. Slept ORO.

Saturday 29th. To SIGUFE arriving 0900 Hours. Sigufe taxed and censused. Discussion. Slept SIGUFE.

Sunday 30th. Observed SIGUFE.

Monday 21st July. To TAFADE arriving 1030 Hours. TAFADE taxed and censused. Discussions. Slept TAFADE.

AUGUST.

Tuesday 1st. To IRITUMU arriving 1000 Hours. Taxed and censused IRITUMU. Discussions. Slept IRITUMU.

Wednesday 2nd. To Enende arriving 1100 Hours. Taxed and censused ENENDE. Discussions. Slept ENENDE.

Thursday 3rd. To ADUAI arriving 1030 hours. Taxed and censused ADUAI. Discussions. Slept ADUAI.

Friday 4th. 0800 taxed and censused TA. Discussions. Lunch. In afternoon to HOIANURENDA arriving 1630 Hours after a very strenuous walk. Rested. Slept HOIANURENDA.

Saturday 5th. Taxed and censused HOIANURENDA. Discussions. To KURAMA arriving 1500 Hours. Slept KURAMA.

Sunday 6th. Observed KURAMA.

Monday 7th. Taxed and censused KURAMA. To SUMBI arriving 1500 Hours. Discussions. Slept SUMBI.

Tuesday 8th. Taxed and censused SISIAPENDA followed by SUMBI. Fight occurred in SUMBI whilst patrol was having lunch. 11 men arrested and subsequently sentenced to 3. months IHL for behaving in a riotous manner. Slept SUMBI.

Wednesday 9th. To KAMBISI ARRIVING 1100 Hours. Taxed and censused KAMBISI. Discussions. Slept KAMBISI.

Thursday 10th. Further discussions and clinical work. Slept Kambisi.

Friday 11th. To URUNA arriving 1300 Hours. Discussions. Slept URUNA.

Saturday 12th. URUNA taxed and censused. Several arbitrations in afternoon. Slept URUNA.

Sunday 13th. Observed URUNA.

Monday 14th. To TSIVILO arriving 1000 hours. Taxed and censused TSIVILO and OMBOLI. Discussions. Slept TSIVILO.

Tuesday 15th. To Waitape Patrol Post, inspecting FATIMA Mission School en route. Arrived Waitape Patrol Post 1015 Hours.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

4. The most significant fact noted on this patrol regarding the affairs of the people was the almost complete lack of contraventions of the Native Regulations, and also the absence of domestic troubles. In a population of 5,654 people I consider this quite unusual. The Officer-in-Charge Waitape has also commented on the apparent Utopian existence led by these people.

5. There are a number of reasons which may account for this state of affairs. It may be that the standard of social conformity is particularly high among this group, and that the forms of social control are exceptionally effective. If this is so then we have a great deal to be thankful for.

6. Faced with this kind of situation, however, I think it natural that several other alternatives lurk in the mind as possible explanations. The first alternative is that the people have little confidence in the Administration's ability to deal with their problems. Furthermore, as a result of this lack of confidence it may be that they prefer to settle their disputes according to traditional methods.

7. In fact in close knit egalitarian societies this practice is not unusual, and there is really nothing wrong with it provided traditional settlements are confined to purely domestic matters. In this category I place disputes concerning bride-price and allied behaviour patterns.

8. Whether or not traditional settlements are being applied to more serious offences it is hard to say. Despite close questioning of village officials and others no information was received which indicates that the more serious offences are being concealed. It is a natural tendency among such people to be reluctant to prosecute their fellows. Perhaps for some reason or other this reluctance is particularly strong among the Vetapu valley people.

9. The underlying danger in this reluctance is that the more unscrupulous may take advantage of it and eventually precipitate some more serious trouble.

10. However it is to be hoped that the relative absence of crime is due to a sincere respect for law and order or to the possession of mild, sunny dispositions. Unfortunately it must be borne in mind that a fairly serious fight occurred at Sumbi village within fifty yards of the patrolling officers. Eleven men were subsequently sentenced to three months imprisonment each. The cause of the fight, payment of bride-price, hardly warranted a riot in view of the presence of the patrolling officers.

11. The solution to the problem, if it be a problem, lies in increased contact and the further success of the Christian missions. The fact that no problem might exist does not, I think, relieve us of the responsibility of considering the problem as if it did exist.

12. To all appearances, therefore, we may say that the native affairs situation in the area is generally satisfactory. The life of the people is still centered round pigs, women, gardens, and dances, not necessarily in order of importance.

13. Perhaps it might be true to say that dances are the most important events in the lives of the people. Seven villages were happily anticipating attending dances in the near future. Quite without intending it we have encouraged this practice. By pacifying neighbouring groups we have enabled the people to "have bigger and better dances" as one village official informed an officer in the Chirima Census Division.

14. Other details concerning native affairs are contained in my memos. 76-3-1, 68-1-1 and 77-2-1.

*On human evidence, my guess is that the majority of the people are honest and law-abiding. The few who are not are probably the same as the few who are not in any other community.*

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

15. Village officials in the area appear to be trying hard to perform their duties, despite their social environment which renders their task not an easy one. Living in ~~xx~~ egalitarian societies they must beware of being too efficient ~~xx~~ or suffer possible social ostracism. F

16. In each village the village officials' duties were explained to the assembled people. His powers were clearly defined. It is possible that many people pay little attention to their officials because as they use their powers so rarely, it may appear to the general public that such powers do not exist.

17. It is recommended that Councillor Oian-Koga of Sumbi village be dismissed from office as he was guilty of ~~xxxxxx~~ concealing his eighteen year old son from the census. His explanation that a previous officer had told him not to bring his son to the census because he was slightly deaf is not satisfactory in my opinion. His general conduct was also unsatisfactory.

REST-HOUSES.

18. These are satisfactory but rather crowded when European patrol personnel number three.

19. A number of rest-houses are sited on Mission Leases, and as this is unsatisfactory for a number of reasons the people were asked to find alternative sites. X

ATTITUDES

20. At the request of the Officer-in-Charge Wotape introductory talks were given in all villages on the formation and function of Local Government Councils. Care was taken not to confuse the people unnecessarily, and the talks were kept as simple as possible. The impression I received was that the people will require a considerable amount of tuition and propaganda in this field before they will be able to give a coherent opinion on the subject. X

21. Attempts were made to provoke discussion of the topic but were unsuccessful. The attitude noted was one of attention if not interest. However I consider the talks fulfilled the purpose of implanting the subject in the minds of the people, which is the first step in a programme which may require three or four years to show results.

22. Because of verbal reluctance it is hard to say what the attitude of the people is towards the Administration's policies. Judging by their general demeanour, however I would say that the attitude is good. The people appear willing to be guided by the Administration on the road to progress. X

CARRIERS.

23. The policy regarding carriers was explained, and carriers were paid for both forward and return trips. Carriers were always available and were pleasantly surprised at the increase in payment. X

ROADS

24. All the villages in the census division are connected by well-graded bridle tracks with the exception of Aduai-Hoianurenda-Kurama and Tafade-Iritinumu. These two stretches cover some very rough terrain, and while I do not consider the prospects for the Tafade-Iritinumu section encouraging it does seem that if the other is surveyed a good bridle track can be made. There seems no insuperable obstacles to constructing a vehicular road joining most of the centres of population. It must be noted that the Tsivilo-Ononge section was not sighted. Y

25. Bridle tracks over most of the area were in excellent condition and would make suitable vehicular roads as at present graded. A considerable amount of blasting is necessary on the approaches to the Vanapa River and in other localities. To construct a bridge over the present site over the Vanapa River will be expensive.

26. Initially it would appear necessary to concentrate on the Woitape-Kambisi section by reason of its easier terrain, and the absence of any really formidable natural obstacles.

27. The people's attitude towards the construction of roads is encouraging. They appear to realise the necessity for improved communications in relation to general social and economic development. The fact that a number of village officials have seen the roadwork being done in the Tapini area has served as a very successful stimulant.

#### 28. TAXATION

A total of £387 was collected. At the present time cash income for most of the men comes from working as labourers at various coastal plantations and in Port Moresby.

29. It was noted on this patrol that perhaps one-quarter of the younger men found it necessary to borrow their tax money. It appears that they obviously feel that their own money can be put to better uses. They were advised to pay their debts as soon as possible.

30. The reasons for taxation appear to be fully understood by the men, and their attitude is satisfactory in this respect. Further taxation details are contained in my memo. 28-20-1.

#### 31. EDUCATION

The only educational facilities available to children in the area are controlled by the Catholic Mission. Figures collected on this patrol show that there are 118 boys and 78 girls attending school. However I was informed that there is always an influx of students immediately prior to a patrol.

32. The two centres of education are at Ononge and Fatima. Ononge has 83 boys and 53 girls, but as previously noted very few of these attend school regularly. The teaching staff comprises three Sisters who teach to Standard 111. Boys may go on to Standard 1v at Kosipi. The school at Fatima has two native teachers who teach to Standard 111. The more intelligent students eventually go to Yule Island.

33. I was informed by the Sister-in-Charge at Ononge that the Mission has plans to establish a Central Girls' school at Ononge in the near future for girl students from Chirima, Vetapu, Kerau and Fane. Tuition to Standard V will be available. We can only wish the Mission every success and assist where we can.

34. Apart from the two larger schools there are Mission teachers at Tafade and Enende. I was unable to get a clear picture of their standards.

35. The attitude towards education is one of indifference by parents, and natural active dislike by the children. I get the impression that children go to school by rotation to please the Mission authorities.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

36. It is pleasing to report that a quite considerable interest was shown in cash-cropping as a means of economic development. Nearly all villages produced men who had planted coffee and previous reports, 6-7-1 of 1st March 1961 show that approximately 7,000 trees have been planted in the area. From the figures compiled on this patrol I would say that 7,000 is a rather high estimate but approximately correct.

37. Several plots of coffee were inspected and although they were without shade and unweeded the trees ~~appeared~~ healthy enough. But it is obvious that the work done by the Agricultural Worker previously stationed at Tapini has produced results. Interest in cash crops was almost embarrassing.

38. The people's interest in cash crops is not confined to coffee. Many men expressed an interest in cocca, and two men said they had planted rice. Advice was given that these crops would hardly be a commercial proposition considering the ecological factors present, but the men concerned gave me the impression that they intended going ahead with these crops regardless.

39. Considering the insecurity of the coffee market greater emphasis was laid on the production of vegetables. Soil and climate in the area appears suitable for most common vegetables. A great variety of vegetable seeds were distributed in each village and were almost literally snatched out of our hands, particularly by the women who will do most of the necessary work. At the present time there is not an abundance of vegetables in the valley, but those vegetables we did get were generally of a fairly high standard.

40. Mention must be made of the excellent mandarins and oranges which are commonly produced throughout the valley. Private traders in Woitape tell me that there is a market for citrus fruit in Port Moresby but supplies must be regular, a self-disciplinary matter which the people find hard to exercise.

41. Although no definite advice has been received from the Agricultural Officer, Tapini the names of keen coffee growers were noted in the hope that it may be possible to organise a coffee trainee school at Tapini. A month or so of practical work in the various aspects of coffee production will pay handsome dividends in the future. At the present time I am informed that the coffee produced is not of a particularly good quality. Regarding potential coffee trainees my memo. 6-1-1 refers.

42. There is no doubt that we have been successful in stimulating the Vetapu people to want more ~~wants~~. However there is a very great danger, I feel, that their efforts may be nullified by lack of expert direction. I therefore make the traditional plea, on their behalf, for technical guidance.

#### HEALTH.

43. The patrol was accompanied by Mr. B. Aldenhoven, E.M.A who informs me that health in the area is generally satisfactory. Considering that there is only one Aid-Post in the area credit must be due to Mother Nature.

44. To the laymen the interesting points noted were the surprising number of deaf-mutes in the area. They numbered about 30. There was an occasional goutre. Generally the people appeared fit, alert, and cheerful.

45. Mr. Aldenhoven also conducted a Triple Antigen campaign which was successful in that all children of the required age were treated. Parents were quite eager to have their children treated.

46. The attitude towards medical treatment is good provided Public Health goes to them. Naturally their response is not so good if they have to walk two or three hours for treatment.

47. Standards of hygiene and sanitation just do not exist, and the need for such was emphasised.

This may be a result of winter  
 being by the summer maximum

CENSUS-Demography

48. The attendance at the census was almost 100%. The following facts arise out of the patrol.

49. The present population totals 5654 as compared with last years figure of 5565. This represents an increase of 89. It must be noted here that this years figures are not reconciled with last years. There is an inexplicable discrepancy of 10. According to the figures for 1960 our total should be 5644. Despite repeated checking the following villages could not be reconciled. Visi, Ginal, Kambisi and Kurama; the respective discrepancies are 1, 5, 3, and 1.

50. There has been a natural increase in population of 76, births 156 as compared to deaths, 80. That is an increase of 1.34% which is not as good as last years figure of 1.9%. Birth rate per thousand is 29.5. Deaths number the same as last year, 80. Death rate per thousand is 14.4.

51. Infant deaths still account for the majority of deaths. There were 48 infant deaths as opposed to 30 deaths of persons aged over 13. 2 Deaths occurred in the 9-13 age group.

52. Working on last years total births of 187, infant mortality is 14.7%. Approximately one child in seven will not reach the age of two years.

53. Of a labour potential of 1546, 332 are absent at work, most of them in Port Moresby. This is a high figure but not excessively so.

54. In the demographic field the picture is encouraging. The population is increasing steadily. Infant mortality is a cause for concern, but staff shortages probably render the obvious solution impossible

LIST OF ASSOCIATED MEMORANDA.

67-1-2 Waitape Patrol Report No.261/62.  
 35-3-48. C.I. 235 Report, LA.4056(P), Noland, nr Kase. ✓  
 77-2-1 War Gratuity Claim  
 76-3-1 Welfare of Absentee Natives.  
 6-1-1 Coffee Trainees.  
 68-1-1 Deceased Native's Estate.  
 28-20-1 Taxation Details and T.C.A.A.s and Absentees  
 67-4-1 Camping Allowance Claims for Patrol Personnel.  
 35-1-1 Lantana-Ononge Mission  
 35-3-9 Improvements Mission Lease, Fatima  
 35-3-15 " " " Visi  
 35-3-16 " " " Urun  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of West Central Report No. Woitape 3/61-62

Patrol Conducted by A.N. Flowers Cadet Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Auga Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No

Natives 2 RPNGC 1 Interpreter

Duration—From 20/9/61 to 29/9/61

Number of Days Nine actual

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

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

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

Map Reference Wadsworth's June 1959 Auga C.D.

Objects of Patrol Investigate and report on a proposed Womens' dance at

ARIONE village, AUGA C.D.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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25th October, 1961.

The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
T A P I N I.

PATROL - WHITAPE 3-61/62:

I do not see that an Officer of Mr. Ryan's status should not comment in your absence unless you have expressly so informed him.

2. I thank you for your emphasis on concentrated village contact in the G. S. Sub-District.

3. As I have stated publicly, I think it is better that the people amuse themselves by dancing than by killing each other.

4. The Officer has not been very explicit about the main objective of the patrol. I would have appreciated more data - if only as an anthropological exercise for Mr. Flowers. This particular custom has been examined by an unbiased expert and she did not think that there was anything to be especially deplored about it. Patience and tact in propaganda by Patrol Officers will eventually have a mitigating effect.

5. Concerning the ultimate paragraph of the report, there does not seem to be anything particularly idyllic about the situation in "the world outside" either.

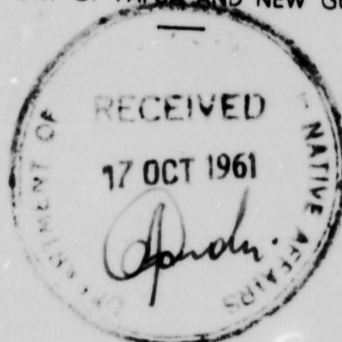
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-3-2

Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Gailala Sub-District.

14th October, 1961.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL WOITAPE 3/61-62

1. In the absence of the District Officer the above report is forwarded to you without comment.

*W. P. Ryan*

(W. P. Ryan.)

Acting Assistant District Officer.

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*As I have stated previously I find it is better to have the report forwarded to the District Officer by the District Officer.*



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*In Reply  
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No. 67-1-2

Patrol Post,  
Woitape,  
Goilala Sub District.

3rd October 1961.

The Patrol Officer - in - Charge,  
Woitape,  
Goilala Sub District.

WOITAPE PATROL 3/61-62

INTRODUCTION:

1. This Patrol was mounted for the purpose of investigating a proposed womens' dance at ARIONE village in the AUGA Census Division. This particular dance is said to be undesirable by the Roman Catholic Mission in the area and an Investigation was therefore necessary. (See File 7-1-1 for associated data).

2. Two secondary aims of the Patrol were to ask the available males in the IGUAI area to report to Woitape for work on the roads, and to complete a CI 235 Investigation at MOINGGILI in the Ivane River Valley.

3.I I was not able to spend the specified week with the Arione people due to the fact that several days travelling was necessary to reach Moinggili, and I was required to be back in Woitape by the end of the month. However, I am certain that all possible available information was gleaned during my stay, and I feel that any extra time spent with the Aeione people would have been wasted.

DIARY:

Wednesday 20th September 1961

Departed Woitape Patrol Post at 1030 hours. Changed carriers at TSIAVE, arrived KIRI Rest House 1630 hours in heavy rain.  
Slept Kiri.

Thursday 21st

Departed Kiri 0800, passed through DIGURENDA 0900. Steep descent to IENE Creek, long equally steep ascent to GARIMA (1). Arrived GURORO 1300 after traversing a poorly maintained bridle path.  
Slept Guroro.

Friday 22nd

Departed Guroro 0745, arrived IGUAI at 1200. Camp established at IGUAI. Talked with available local people and Village Officials re proposed womens' dance to be held locally at ARIONE village. (See my 7-1-1 of 2nd September 1961)  
Slept Iguai.

Saturday 23rd

Arione people arrived en masse. Talks were held with them for some time, with negligible result. The Village Officials were then questioned inside the Rest House in an attempt to ascertain the facts on the dance.

Slept Iguai.

Sunday 24th

Observed at Iguai in talks with the Village Officials and the elder men of the area. Found the people still reluctant even to admit the existence, past or present, of the dance in question.

Slept Iguai.

Monday 25th

Left Iguai for ARIONE at 0815. After 20 minutes of walking over the Iguai - Kone bridge path, myself, Corporal PAHEKI and interpreter MOROANA descended by steep native track to the KAILAPA River which was crossed by a very frail cane bridge. Ascended native track for 2 hours, to the group of hamlets known collectively as ARIONE. The dance hamlet, MOTUNA, was then inspected. (See my 7-1-1 of 2nd October 1961). Departed Arione at 1300, descended native track to the TOMEI River, crossed, ascended for 2½ hours to KAILAPE village, descended to the East branch of the KAILAPA River, crossed with difficulty, ascended to the bridge path and proceeded thence to the KONE Rest House, arriving 1800.

Slept Kone.

Tuesday 26th

After carrier difficulties, departed Kone 0832. Arrived at the Gap between Kailapa and Ivane River valleys at noon, thence arrived Moinggili Rest House 1530 hours in light rain.

Slept Moinggili.

Wednesday 27th

Completed C.I.235 Investigation of proposed lease at C.M. Tanipai near Moinggili as per District Officer's memo 35-3-17 of 7th September 1961.

Slept Moinggili.

~~Thursday~~  
Tuesday 28th

Departed Moinggili 0900 hours, crossed Ivane River and traversed a swampy bridge path to C.M. KOSIPE, arriving 1300 hours. Bookwork in the afternoon.

Slept Kosipe.

Friday 29th

Departed Kosipe 0810 hours and arrived Waitape Patrol Post at 1102.

END OF PATROL

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS:

4. Due to the nature of the patrol, little contact was made with the people other than those living in the villages of IGUAI, ARIONE and MOINGGILI, all of which form part of the Auga Census Division.

5. The people of the Lower Auga Valley were not outstanding in their cooperation with the Patrol, but I think this can be put down to their natural reaction when the object of the Patrol became known.

Food was supplied a little reluctantly; the comparison between this and the overwhelming eagerness on the part of the carriers on my departure leaves room for conjecture, but this attitude was expected by all concerned before my departure from Waitape.

6. No contravention of the Native Regulations was brought to my notice at any stage during the Patrol, however I was twice asked to witness the settlement of minor bride price claims, which I did.

In the Ivane Valley, several men brought complaints to me regarding the siting of a trade store which is under construction by a native entrepreneur, but again there were no breaches of the N.R.O.'s reported.

7. On the whole, I believe that the people of the lower Auga were on the defensive in their attitude; they have undergone severe criticism from their Parish Priests about the dance in question and were naturally adverse to my presence when the reason for it became known.

The Ivane people received no warning of my visit but I feel that in a close knit community such as that which exists at Moinggili any crime or other matter would have been reported to me had it occurred.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS

8. Most Village Officials in the area were eager to help and efficient in carrying out their duties, in my presence at least.

No undue difficulties were experienced with buying food or obtaining carriers, except at Kone Rest House, which is rapidly becoming notorious for just this.

9. I noted with some surprise that although little notice of my arrival was given, uniforms were clean and, in most cases, worn with pride. This could be put down to eagerness to please due to the purpose of my visit, but I think that the Village Officials on the whole perform their duties as well as can be expected from any Gailala native.

#### REST HOUSES:

10. All these buildings were up to standard, after the usual roof patching etcetera had been carried out.

11. The construction of a shelter at the Gap between the Ivane and Kailapa River Valleys was suggested by a group of Kone men and approved by myself.

#### ATTITUDES:

12. Considering the patrol as a whole - satisfactory.

*Not many reports about the natives. I would have expected more. Some of the natives are very friendly.*

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As stated, the lower Auga people were on the defensive, but none the less food was supplied when requested and no troubles experienced.

13. As noted by previous officers, the Goilala native shows no vocal abilities at all in expressing his views on Government policy and progress in his area, and thus the full administrative situation with regard to these people is rather difficult to appraise.

To my mind, their reticence is in part due to ignorance and in part due to the erroneous fear of incurring the Administration's displeasure.

14. The attitude in the Ivane River Valley is especially good; the people of the Moinggili community being the most progressive and eager to help (and be helped) in the Waitape area.

#### ROADS:

15. In one word - unmaintained; in all sections except between Waitape and Digurenda, Moinggili and Kosipe.

Tracks are overgrown in the main, but this can be explained (and was) by the fact that many of the villages are currently engaged on road work in the Waitape - Kiri area.

I would recommend that these people be instructed to clear their roads as soon as possible.

16. Some interest was expressed in the construction of a graded path between GARIMA (1) and DIGURENDA, thus providing a direct link for horse traffic between Waitape - Kiri - Garima (1) - and the lower Auga.

Interest in this project will no doubt build up when the Kiri - Waitape path is soon completed and the resulting increase in economic activity is observed and appreciated by all.

#### CARRIERS:

17. No difficulties were experienced whatsoever except at KONE Rest House. The reason for trouble here is due to the sparse population and its wide distribution around the Rest House. All Village Officials are now present; if no delays are desired, some notice should be given of the imminence of the Patrol.

#### TAXATION:

18. Not Applicable in this case.

#### CENSUS:

19. Not applicable in this case.

### EDUCATION:

20. Children in the Auga attend the Mission School at FANE, those in the Ivane have a native teacher in a school at Moinggili, while the 'higher elementary' seat of learning for the entire Goilala is close at hand at Kosipe.

21. The attitude towards education is one of passive indifference by the parents and active natural dislike by the children.

One gets the impression that the majority of children attend school only to please the Mission authorities.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

22. Practically non existent in the Auga, but beginning to gain momentum in the Moinggili area.

23. Completion of the Auga bridlepath should provide some incentive for vegetable production for the Woitape market, but due to inherent transport difficulties the market is limited in scope.

24. Large numbers of coffee trees were seen at Moinggili, where good potatoes, onions and cabbage were also obtained. Perhaps this area has the greatest imminent potential of any in the Woitape area.

Carnations, Lily of the Valley, Daisies, Rhododendron etc are rife here .. I feel that the potential of this area warrants a visit by an Agricultural Officer, as it would be most regrettable if the effort being put into the growing of crops of all kinds was nullified by inexperience and lack of knowledge of the correct procedure.

### HEALTH:

25. General health, to my layman's eye, appears to be quite good. Only one Aid Post exists in the area, so credit must be given to Nature.

26. If any principles of sanitation and associated hygiene exist, then they are extremely well concealed. Only long and persistent propaganda on the part of both D.N.S.A and P.H.D. would have results here; even then I doubt whether the situation would be one hundred per cent satisfactory.

### CONCLUSION:

27. Overall, a routine patrol carried out in the routine manner. The area remains dormant, and happy to be so ... one cannot but wonder how long this seemingly idyllic situation can last in the light of the recent developments in "the world outside".

END OF REPORT

A.N. Flowers  
Cadet Patrol Officer

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A.N.FLOWERS,  
WOITAPE.

WCI.114  
61-62.

20.9.61 To payment of camping allowance  
to on Patrol Wci.1/61-62.  
28.9.61 9 days @ 10/6 per diem

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For certification see over.

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*J. H. Howell*

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D.N.A. 11 2 6

(O.J.Mathieson)/Assistant Dist Office

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I certify that I am single and that no cook was provided by the Administration.

*A. H. Flowers*  
A. H. Flowers, C.P.O.

I certify that the above Officer actually camped out for the period shown and that no provision existed within reasonable limits of travel for messing and that reasonable accommodation provided by the Administration was not available.

*W. F. Ryan*  
(W. F. Ryan)  
Acting Assistant District Officer.

NOROAKA KAHU

D.N.A.

WOTAPE.

Woi.115  
61-62.

20.9.61

To payment of camping allowance on  
to Patrol Woi.1/61-62.  
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6/10/61.

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(O.J.Mathieson) A.Asst Dist Officer

I certify that MOROANA actually camped out for the period shown and that no provision existed within reasonable limits of travel for messing and that reasonable accommodation provided by th Administration was not available.

*W. C. Hill*  
(W.C. Hill)  
Patrol Officer in Charge.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of **WOITAPE - WEST CENTRAL** Report No. **5 /61-62**  
Patrol Conducted by **W.E. VENABLES PATROL OFFICER GRADE I**  
Area Patrolled **VETAPU TO MARIBOI KANOSIA KAIRUKU**  
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **NIL**  
Natives **2 MEMBERS OF THE HP&NGC - ONE INTERPRETER**  
Duration—From **5 I 62 20 1 62** to **19 19 19 19 19 19**  
Number of Days **16**  
Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **NO**  
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services **SEPTEMBER 1961**  
Medical **DECEMBER 1961**  
Map Reference **FOURMIL OF BUNA**  
Objects of Patrol **GENERAL ADMIN - ROAD CONDITIONS**

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... £.....  
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... £.....  
Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund .... £.....

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26th February, 1962.

District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

WOITAPE PATROL NO. 5 OF 61/62.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report.

2. Comment will follow when your report on Jehovah's Witness activity is received. I presume this report will embody the results of Patrol No. 5, for I see no reference whatever to the purpose of the patrol mentioned in your para. 1.

*J. K. McCarthy*  
(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

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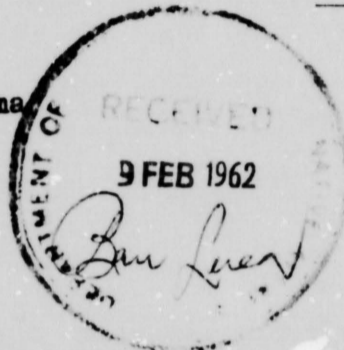
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West Central Division,  
Central District,  
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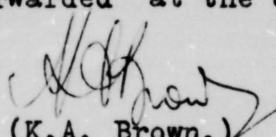
4th February, 1962.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL 5/61-62 WOITAPE

Mr. W.E. VENABLES .P.O.

1. This patrol was mounted for the express purpose of investigating rumours of unrest being spread by natives in the WOITAPE area amongst labourers in the MARIBOI-RUBBERLANDS area.
2. The rumours were connected with forthcoming eclipse believed to have originated from Jehovah Witness members.
3. I have discussed the patrol with Mr Venables and he feels that there is little to worry about. In some areas natives are obviously scared of the eclipse but no more than is general throughout the territory at the present time.
4. The refusal to return by carriers is regretted and the police concerned were reprimanded.
5. A full report on Jehovah Witness activity will be forwarded at the end of this month.

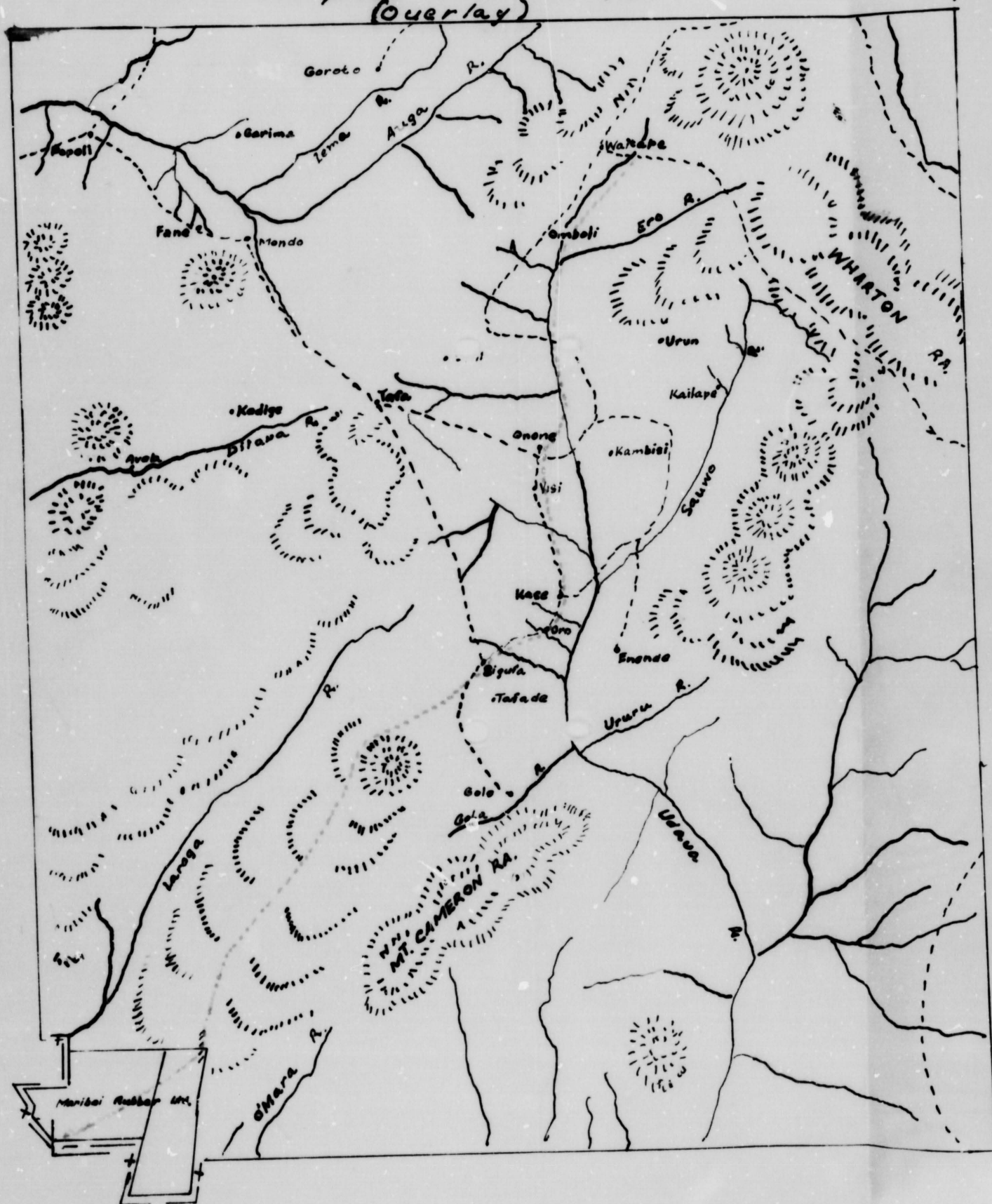
  
(K.A. Brown.)

Acting District Officer.

----- PATROL ROUTE

# FOURMIL OF BUNA

Compiled November 1956  
(Overlay)



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FILE: 67-1-2

SPECIAL PATROL.

A copy of Patrol Instructions has not been attached due to it's confidential nature.

Claim for camping allowance is submitted herewith.

Officer conducting the Patrol	:	W.E. Venables PC. I.
Natives Attached to Patrol	:	<u>Interpreter.</u> MOROANA KAMO. Const DUBANA RP&NGC. Const BETRUS RP&NGC.
Duration Of Patrol	:	16 days 5/I/62 to 20/I/62.
Object	:	(1) General Administration. (2) Road conditions. (3) Confidential Report under separate cover to A.D.O.
Map	:	Fourmil of BUNA. Attached.

*W.E. Venables*  
(W.E. Venables)  
Patrol Officer In Charge  
WOITAPE

Woitape Patrol No 5/61-62.

DIARY.

5/1/62

WOITAPE TO ONONGGE. 0800 Hrs to 1400 hrs. Slept at Onongge.

6/1/62

Onongge to Segufa Villages. 0800 hrs to 1500 hrs. Slept at Segufa.

7/1/62.

Sunday. Observed. Walked to Tafade Village and discussed roads with Father In Charge - GREMAUD.

8/1/62.

Segufa to Bush Encampment object Mariboi Plantation. 0700 hrs to 1600 hrs. Slept in tents.

9/1/62.

Another encampment to Mariboi. 0650 hrs to 1630 hrs. Slept in tents.

10/1/62.

Bush to Mariboi Plantation. 0645 hrs to 1400 hrs. Slept Mariboi.

11/1/62.

From Mariboi to Kanosia and Rubberlands. Returned to Mariboi Slept.

12/1/62.

Mariboi to Mission DE BOISMENU. Liased with Fater MOYON. Continued to Doa and Lolorua. Returned to Mariboi . Slept.

13/1/62.

Remained Mariboi.

14/1/62.

Observed.

15/1/62.

Attempted to Return Woitape. No Carry nor Co-operation. Returned to Mariboi. Slept.

16/1/62.

From Mariboi to Kanosia by myself. 0800 hrs to 1030 hrs. Kanosia to river by vehicle. 1300 to 1345 hrs. River to Aroa Plantation. 1345 hrs to 1600 hrs. Vehicl from Aroa to Hisiu. 1700 hrs to 1730 hrs. Slept Hisiu Plantation.

17/1/62.

Hisiu to river crossing by vehicle. 0645 hrs to 0745 hrs. River crossing to Kairuku 0745 hrs to 1230 hrs. Kairuku to Port Moresby 1500 hrs to 1535 hrs. Slept Bottom Hotel.

18/1/62. - 19/1/62 . Unfortunately No transport Moresby Woitape.

20/1/62.

Moresby Woitape 1030 hrs to 1110 hrs.

PATROL ENDED.

Patrol Report.

INTRODUCTION.

Because of the nature of the patrol information under the below headings is scanty.

Native Affairs.

Very little village discussion was undertaken by either myself or by native members of the Patrol. Firstly, as a great percentage of the villagers do not understand lingua franca and secondly, Rest Houses in the area seem to be built at considerable distance from the Village itself.. It is interesting to note that these villages still prefer payment in salt in places where there are many trade stores, ie, Mission run. I will deal with the effect of money under the heading of carriers.

ATTITUDES.

I have found that the peoples contacted along the route do have a sense of obligation in helping the patrol. However, over the years of Administration, this obligation has been so defined that a variation from procedure breeds ill-feeling and little co-operation in whatever is undertaken. The belief that a Patrol Officer is only a Law Enforcer is strong, however, desirable as it may be, there is little fear of his power. Enforcement of this power gives rise to a passive resistant look on the face of the Defendant. I realize this as a common native outlook, but to a marked degree in the Waitape area.

Rest House.

Satisfactory.

Medical.

A high incidence of infected sores, boils and skin complaint. A few boil cases walked to Mariboi Plantation with the Patrol for treatment.

Roads and Bridges.

All main roads were more than satisfactory. Rush tracks will be dealt with under separate memo as requested by the District Commissioner.

Village Officials.

In the area, unco-operative Village natives invariably have irresponsible Village Officials. It is widely known that such officials hold their job simply because the higher echelon of the village prefers to remain in the background. I cannot see reason why this situation is maintained. At present we do not hold, what one could term 'security files' on the average village natives, but the time spent in compiling such, from Court cases and Patrol contact would in my opinion bear fruit in a very short time.

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Village Officials cont.

An interesting note which may have appeared under Anthropology in previous reports, is that the title Chief, (not including Dance Chiefs etc) is I believe hereditary, and not by consensus. Accepting this as true, it is also interesting to note that not one of these Chiefs is known to the Woitape Patrol Post.

Carriers.

This is entirely unsatisfactory. When arriving in a Village at the end of a day's patrol, new carry must be lined immediately and requested to carry the following morning. If not, one finds that the following morning the Villagers have departed to the gardens and cannot be found.

At Woitape Village, 10 minutes walk from the Patrol Post, there is a mass exodus 24 hrs before the Patrol.

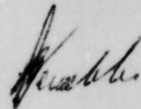
Money is no incentive to carry. From the village of Segufa to the Mariboi Plantation, each carrier received £1-14-6 and then refused to carry on the return journey as the track was most difficult.

The Medical Assistant on a patrol through the area, reported that some of his carriers became openly abusive as to the amount of pay per man for a 4 hour journey.

The situation becomes more difficult on each patrol.

Conclusion.

I feel that using only the method of observation in interpreting native attitude towards the Administration is unsatisfactory. While direct questioning achieves little, some form of discussion must be instituted on these patrols, if we are to keep abreast of native thinking at a time when such is becoming increasingly necessary.



(W.E. Venables)  
Patrol Officer In Charge  
Woitape.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of WOITAPE WEST CENTRAL Report No. 6/61-62

Patrol Conducted by D. J. PARKER C.P.O.

Area Patrolled VETAPU CENSUS DIVISION, part AIWARA & AUGA

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NO

Natives 2 R.P.N.G.C. 2 H.O. 1 C.A. (T.B. Survey only)

Duration—From 23/1/1962 to 8/2/1962

Number of Days 16

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services / / 19

Medical / / 19

Map Reference

Objects of Patrol To give Mantoux test to VETAPU VILLAGERS FOR T.B. Survey  
Routine Administration

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ / 19

District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £

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

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13th April, 1962.

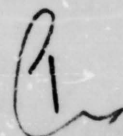
The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
T A P I N I.

PATROL REPORT NO. 6 - 1961/62 - WOITAPE:

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report  
is acknowledged with thanks.

2. The attendance of those people remote from  
the focal village is most creditable.

3. I am gratified to see that no great  
difficulty was experienced in obtaining carriers.



(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



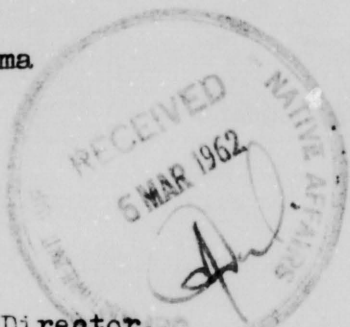
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 67-1-2



District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

26th February, 1962.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
K O N E D O B U .

WOITAPE PATROL No 6 of 61/62.

Mr. D. PARKER C.P.O.

1. Above report for your information and comment, please.
2. Mr Parker was sent to Woitape to assist T.B. Survey Team, due to absence of P.O.I.C.
3. On his return to TAPINI from WOITAPE he experienced some carrier difficulty.
4. Mr Parker was able to ensure that T.B. team's work was not frustrated by people failing to turn up at examination points. An 87% attendance indicates that he successfully achieved his object.
5. The patrol was also good experience.

(K.A. Brown.)

Acting District Officer.

67-1-2

District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

"12th February 1962"

The Patrol Officer in Charge,  
Woitape Patrol Post,  
Goilala Sub-district.

WOITAPE PATROL REPORT NO. 6/61-62.

INTRODUCTION.

1.

The T.B. survey of a section of the VETAPU Census Division was conducted by two separate patrol parties. I accompanied the first, which worked two days ahead of the second, giving the Mantoux test to all villagers assembled at the appointed centres.

2.

As the essential concern of this patrol was medical and time ~~did not~~ permitted visits to but few of the villages in the area covered, information under the following headings is scanty.

3.

On completion of the T.B. Survey and station duties at Woitape, a 4 day return patrol to Tapini was carried out.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

4.

Little opportunity was afforded for discussion with villagers and furthermore contact was not enhanced by the hearing of the peoples grievances. This apparent utopian social situation in the Vetapu valley has been discussed by P.O. Sanderson in his Patrol Report Woitape 2/61-62.

5.

During the 9 day patrol only 2 disputes were brought forward for settlement. However unknown to the P.O.I.C. Woitape a dance had been in progress for 2 weeks at Aduai when the patrol arrived. This failure to inform the Administration of the dance caused the Kambisi people considerable inconvenience as they were obliged to return to their own village for the B.C.G. vaccination. Due more to good fortune than good management this dance did not hold up the patrol.

6.

As none of the people on the Woitape-Tapini route were given notice of the return patrol, the villages were found deserted, and again little contact was made.

ATTITUDES

7.

Despite the fact that many villages were 2 and 3 hours walk away from the focal village, an 87 percent attendance was recorded. This would indicate that the people have some appreciation of the benefits of medicine. As for a confidence in the Administration's ability to guide them to better social, political and economic situations, little can be said *here.*

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

8.

Little was requested of officials, but what requests were made received, with one exception, satisfactory response.

9. The exception came from Maini village in the Aiwara Census Division. V.C. Kefe was requested to supply carriers for the next morning's walk to Tapini. Neither the carriers nor the V. C. was sighted the next day and on the following arrived. This V.C. was not responsible for the supply of carriers nor was he seen again. He has been requested to report to Tapini.

*only the carriers*

#### REST HOUSES

10. Satisfactory.

#### CARRIERS

11. Carriers were at all times supplied and often without asking. The difficulty incurred was at Maini where all the men were away constructing a bridge 3 hours walk from the village. AS stated above this inconvenience would not have occurred had the official concerned performed his duty.

#### ROADS and BRIDGES

12. Most of the patrol in the Vetapu was over graded horse track. Except for some waterlogged stretches these tracks were in reasonable condition and effort should be made to have these graded paths converted into vehicular roads as soon as possible.

13. The Kosipi-Tapini horse track is in good condition and the construction of a vehicular road Woitape-Tapini, without too much difficulty and expense, is feasible.

14. The Native bridge over the Venapa river between Oro and Enende is in poor condition and should be repaired or rebuilt before next patrol.

#### TAXATION

Not applicable.

#### CENSUS

Not Applicable.

#### EDUCATION

Not applicable.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

15. Absence of transportation facilities will frustrate any attempt to market small crops grown in this valley.

16. To date the people have had little opportunity to earn cash locally and economically they are behind any other area that I have seen in the Gailala Sub-district. Villagers of Aduai and Ta especially reflect this state of affairs by ~~their~~ their scanty clothing.

17. This economic starvation in the Vetapu will continue until such times as cash is made available for road construction.

#### HEALTH

Refer the E.M.A.'s report Woitape.

#### CONCLUSION

18. The patrol achieved its purpose and all was conducted according to plan.

*David J. Parker*  
David J. Parker  
C.P.O.

PATROL DIARY

January 1962

Tues. 23rd

1400 Accompanied by Dr. Wigly, departed for Waitape village. Gave Mantoux test to all villagers present. Village in process of being cleaned up. Fences and many houses dilapidated beyond repair. 1800 Returned to Station after crossing flooded creek. Slept Waitape.

Wed. 24th

0900 Departed with 2 R.P.N.G.C. constables, 2 N.M.A.'s and 1 N.C. for Uruna. 1200 Arrived Uruna. Horse track washed out in places. Uruna village inspected and found to be in reasonable condition. Tested villagers of Uruna. Slept Uruna.

Thurs. 25th

0800 Departed Uruna for Onongge. 1045 Arrived Onongge. Shown about Mission. Kokoda, Evese, Ginala, Onongge and 20 Uruna villagers tested. Road good. Slept Onongge.

Frid. 26th

0800 Departed Onongge for Visi. 1000 Arrived Visi. Tested Visi and also some Onongge villagers. Road fair. R.H. small. Slept Visi.

Sat. 27th

0800 Departed Visi for Oro. 0930 Arrived Kase and left N.M.A. to tests. 1130 Arrived Oro. Tested Oro. Arbitration re bride price payment. Road considerably water-logged in places. R.H. good and big. Requested that Oro village be cleaned up before next patrol. Slept Oro.

Sun. 28th

0700 ~~Began testing~~ Medical staff and equipment departed for Sigufe. 0800 Patrol equipment departed for Sigufe. 0900 Arrived. Tested Sigufe and Tafade villagers. Road water-logged in many places. 1300 Departed for Enende. 1400 Arrived Oro and paid carriers who had returned from Enende. 1715 Arrived Enende. Native bridge over Venapa river in poor condition. Slept Enende.

Mon. 29th

0700 Began testing Enende, Iritumu and 23 Tafade villagers. 1100 Inspected Enende village and requested that it be cleaned up before next patrol. 1130 Departed for Aduai. 1430 Arrived Aduai after wasting 2 hours by taking wrong track. Tested Aduai and Ta and some Kambisi villagers. Repeated P.O. Sanderson's request to have R.H. removed from Mission lease. Clothing scanty. Road good. Slept Aduai.

Tues. 30th

0830 Departed for Kambisi. 1130 Arrived and tested remainder of Kambisi's some Sumbisi's and all Sisiarenda's. Rain prevented full attendance from Sumbi. Requested that village be cleaned up and also that the V.C. report to Waitape before attending dances. Slept Kambisi.

Wed. 31st

Tested remainder of Sumbi's and injected with B.C.G. 60 Kambisi villagers. Slept Kambisi.

February 1962

Thurs. 1st

0800 All of the Sumbi's, Kambisi's and Sisiarenda's had arrived for reading of tests and for B.C.G. injections. 1200 Second party arrived and read and injected those present. Minor arbitration re divorce. Slept Kambisi.

Frid. 2nd

0815 Departed for Waitape. 1400 Arrived Waitape. Tested Ssivolo and Omboli villagers. Slept Waitape.

- Mon. 5th 1130 Departed Wotape by motorcycle. 1130 Arrived Kosipi.  
Inspected village. 1700 Carriers arrived.  
Slept Kosipi.
- Tues. 6th 0830 Departed Kosipi for Tapini. Village Officials and men  
missing from Ariome. 1400 Arrived Maini. Carriers not  
available as all were building bridge 3 hours walk away.  
Sent V.C. for carriers.  
Slept Maini.
- Wed. 7th 0530 Called for carriers but no response. V.C. did not return.  
Visited 4 hamlets but all men except one were absent. This  
man ran away when sighted, Sent note to A/A.D.O. Hill re  
carrier situation.  
Slept Maini.
- Thurs. 8th 1100 Carriers arrived. 1200 Met 2 R.P.N.G.C. officers at  
Wata goipa and sent them to bring in the Maini V.C. and  
and another man for Questioning re absenteeism. 1500 Arrived  
Tapini without gear.  
Slept Tapini.

END OF PATROL



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of WEST CENTRAL Report No. WOITAPE 8/61-62

Patrol Conducted by W.E. VARIABLES PO 1

Area Patrolled AUGA CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr F. RIDLAND E.M.A. WOITAPE

Natives 4 NATIVES

Duration—From 9/3/1962 to 27/3/1962 INC

Number of Days 19 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? YES

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 25/3/1961

Medical 25/3/1961

Map Reference NONE

Objects of Patrol TAX/CENSUS

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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9th July, 1962.

The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
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PATROL REPORT NO. 6 - 1961/62 - WOITAPE

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report together with your covering comment is acknowledged with thanks. The content of the Report is adequately covered in your comment.

I am gratified to note the confidence expressed in the final paragraph of your covering memorandum.

(W.R. DISBON)  
A/Director.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply  
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No. 67-3-2.

District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

17th April, 1962.

CJMmg

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

WOITAPE PATROL NO. 8/61-62 -  
AUGA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. The abovementioned report submitted by Mr. W.A. Venables is forwarded herewith.
2. Some comments follow:-

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

This matter has been discussed with Mr. Venables. While reasonably active old people could be expected to attend if not much distance is involved there is a danger that enthusiastic Officers might encourage a long journey for extremely old people and thus endanger their health. In my view non-appearance of any person who has previously been issued with an exemption on the grounds of old age, combined with economic distress, must be viewed leniently.

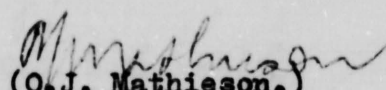
HEALTH:

The reported high incidence of deaf mutes at Belavista has been brought to the attention of the Medical Officer, Tapini.

LAW AND JUSTICE:

The minor offences mentioned here are mainly civil matters such as pig trespass, etc. If the native people can settle such matters amicably I think they should be encouraged to do so.

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(O.J. Mathieson.)  
Acting District Officer.

c.c. P.O.I.C., Woitape.  
Mr. W. Venables, Tapini.

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District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

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*(O.J. Mathieson.)*  
Acting District Officer.

c.c. P.O.I.C., Woitape.  
Mr. W. Venables, Tapini.

File 67-I-2.

Patrol Post,  
WOITAPE.  
West Central.

3rd April 1962.

The Assistant District Officer,  
TAPINI.  
West Central.

WOITAPE PATROL NO 8/61-62.

Attached is the above report together with  
camping allowance claims, both for myself and the Interpreter  
KETAVA IVORO.

AUGA TAX/CENSUS PATROL 1962.

Conducted by	:	W.E. Venables P.O. I.
Accompanied by (Europeans):		F. Ridland E.M.A. - Woitape.
" (Natives) :		Interpreter: KETAVA IVORO. RP&NGC : Const BIKU Const DUBANA Const MUNE.
Duration of Patrol	:	19 days. 9-3-62 to 27-3-62. INC
Object of Patrol	:	TAX/CENSUS - GENERAL ADMIN.
Map	:	No map attached.

*Venables*  
(W.E. Venables)  
Patrol Officer In Charge.

DIARY PATROL NO. WOITAPE 8/61-62.

9-3-62

Left Woitape for Kiri. 1030 to 1500 hrs. Slept at Kiri.

10-3-62.

Took tax and census at Kiri and moved onto IDAVE Village. Slept the night at Idave. 1415 to 1700 hrs.

11-3-62.

Observed Sunday.

12-3-62.

Took census and tax for Idave and surrounding Villages. Slept the night at Idave.

13-3-62.

Moved on from Idave to Mondo. 0845 to 1015 hrs. Took census and tax at Mondo and slept the night there.

14-3-62.

Continued to work at Mondo and slept the night there.

15-3-62.

From Mondo to Fane Mission Station. 0900 hrs to 1100 hrs. Took Tax/Census at Fane and slept the night at the Mission.

16-3-62.

Continued to work at Fane. Slept the night there.

17-3-62.

Continued to work at Fane. Slept the night.

18-3-62.

Moved on from Fane to Belavista. 0830 to 1030 hrs. Worked in the afternoon and slept the night at Belavista.

19-3-62.

Worked all through the day at Belavista. Slept the night.

20-3-62.

From Belavista to Guroro. 0830 to 1100 hrs. Worked at Tax/Census in the afternoon and slept the night there.

21-3-62.

Continued to work at Guroro. Slept the night there.

22-3-62.

From Guroro to Lavavai and took census there. Completed and then moved on to Iguai. 0820 to 0940 hrs. 1350 to 1430 hrs. Worked at Tax/Census at Iguai and slept the night there.

23-3-62.

Continued to work at Iguai on Tax/Census. Slept the night.

24-3-62.

Left Iguai for Kone and completed the Census/Tax there. Slept. 0820 to 1020 hrs.

25-3-62.

Moved on from Kone to Moinggili. Left 0820 arrived 1420 hrs. Slept the night at Moinggili.

26-3-62.

Taxed and Censused the surrounding Villages and slept the night at Moinggili.

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Left Moinggili for Kosipe Mission Station. 0800 to 1130 hrs. Took the Kosipe Village Census and stayed on at Kosipe for the night. Joined there by MR. R.C. Hill and W.P. Ryan. It was at this point that Mr. F. Ridland the Medical Assistant continued on to Waitape - not staying at Kosipe.

Left Kosipe for Waitare 1045 to 1515 hrs.

END OF PATROL.

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I. INTRODUCTION.

This AUCA TAX/CENSUS area is the richest of the WOITAPE Census Divisions. It is, in comparison with other Census Divisions, densely populated per square mile, and the A.S.L. is such that a variety of foodstuffs is readily available. In the valley itself, the greater percentage of land is either under cultivation or fallow. This is reflected in the fact that there is an absence of wild game throughout the valley's length.

The Division embraces part of both Fuyuge and Gailala Villages, however the Fuyuge language is understood by all.

2. NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The Patrol was greeted favourably without exception, and attendance at Census was marred by only one factor. It is their habit to leave the more elderly of the people behind in the Village ie, those who have received exemptions due to Old Age for a number of years, and report to the Census Officer that they are too old to answer their names personally. From the Census Book this is patently false in many cases. These old people did not gain the benefit of the Medical which accompanied the Census Patrol. Also, their attitudes towards the Medical are unhealthy. They would rather report to the Aid Post or Fane Mission Station for minor treatment, with the result that the In-patients ward at Woitape has had very few admittances in the past five months. Because of this I explained to all Village Constables the reasons why Census was compulsory and exhorted them to make special effort in following years to have all aged people at the Census table.

A combined Native Affairs - Medical Patrol is one which I favour, as this does much to dispel the idea of Tax collecting for its own sake.

3. Village Officials.

Officials were most co-operative with the Patrol. All Medical cases sent to Woitape for treatment arrived under the care of the various Village Constables, including those patients who had to be carried.

At no village was difficulty experienced in obtaining such necessities as food, firewood and water.

It was pleasing to note that the Village Constable Lavavai indicted to the Patrol some of his Villagers who had attended a local dance against his advice because of the impending Patrol. The offenders will be dealt with under the N.R.O.'s.

During the 1961 Census Patrol, the Village Constable of Fane Village was dismissed. However, during this Patrol, while at Fane, I could find no suitable person to fill the Office. Two natives volunteered for the position, but the deputations became so much a faction dispute that I decided it prudent to discontinue until a more suitable time.

I noted that the V.C. Gepara Village had not reported to Woitape for some time. I ordered him to do so, if only to familiarize himself with the Station.

#### 4. HEALTH.

Besides treating the Census area in general for ill's etc, the Medical Assistant, who accompanied the Patrol, carried out inoculations for diptheria - tetanus - whooping cough with the younger children, and diptheria - tetanus with the elder.

Quite a number of patients were sent to Waitape as they could not be treated on the spot. Most of these were respiratory infections, however, there were a few suspected T.B. cases.

At the Village of Belavista, a high incidence of deaf mutes were recorded. There were also many cases of insanity (for use of a better word).

#### 5. ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The Patrol followed well graded horse tracks which have been in existence for quite a number of years. These tracks have been made well, however they are not maintained with regularity. There had been several landfalls at the time of the Patrol which wiped away sections of the track in their path. I suggest that bridges be constructed over these causeways until such times as the cliff face hardens sufficiently for a track to be cut into it.

Of all the bridges crossed on the Patrol, only one was made of native material and this was found on the Belavista-Guroro track. The remainder are made of sawn timber built under Mission supervision. These are well constructed bridges being invaluable to the native people.

The unfinished section of the Kiri bridge track was to have seen the return of the Arione village labour who have all but completed it.

These roadworkers were sent home in November 1961 in order to start their gardens for the then coming planting season. I inspected these gardens whilst on this Patrol and found them full of produce. However, the Arione people state that until their gardens are finished they cannot return to the road. As the now Officer In Charge Waitape suggested, it would serve our purpose better if we were to release them from their contract and engage fresh labour.

#### 6. AGRICULTURE.

The recent wet has been a very bad one over the AUGA Valley. The freshly fallen gardens were forever moist and so firing was completed very late in season. For all this the garden situation is satisfactory and a variety and abundance of crops were noted on this Patrol.

A valuable addition to the diet is the green pea which was found abundant in every garden seen. Pineapples grew well in the lower reaches of the valley (A.S.L. 3,500), but did not have the sugar content of those grown on the coast.

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Some of the large gardens are planted solely for the use of 1. pigs and 2. feasts. Many Courts concerning trespass of pigs was brought before the Patrol, but the complainants are loth to kill the offending pigs as their own find sustenance foraging in other people's gardens. This 'pig speculating' is the cause of much wasted effort in the planning of their gardens.

The main staple is still the sweet potato, and the yam is cultivated only for feasting and ritual.

#### 7. LAW AND JUSTICE.

Many complaints were of a civil nature concerning pigs and pandanus. With all these complaints, after giving my advice, I endeavoured to have them settled by the Village Officials. Many of the pig complaints were amicably settled in this manner, and payment made in front of the Patrol.

As stated in Patrol Reports of other Wotape Census Divisions, I feel sure there are many minor offences not reported to the authorities. This fault lies entirely with the Village Constables who haven't dissociated themselves with their other role as Village Natives. No doubt the situation will improve as they become more aware of their obligations.

#### 8. CARRIERS.

No trouble was experienced in obtaining carriers whatsoever. This is usual on Census Patrol as they consider it a yearly event and obligation. Greater difficulty is experienced however with follow up Patrols etc.

#### 9. REST HOUSES.

I was more than satisfied with the quality and effort which went into these buildings. In many cases initiative was shown especially in verandah and roof construction.

#### 10. EDUCATION.

As well as the numerous Village schools there are the two major Mission schools ie, FANE and KOSIPE. The total number of children attending are males: 87, and females: 53.

The number has dropped during the last year and both FANE and KOSIPE report that many of the children had attended but had returned to the Village.

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## II. TAXATION.

No difficulty was experienced in collecting the Tax, however, many of the villagers were forced to borrow from their relatives. The means are varied for ~~making~~ earning money in this Division. An occasional few are turned away from Woi tape when bringing in produce, but on the whole the Station will buy any of the fresh foods brought in. This would amount to approximately £14 a week. All Station contracting is done by local Labour.

## 12. CENSUS.

For my statistics and comment on Census see both Files, 14-2-2 of the 3rd April to the A.D.O. Tapini, together with 28-20-1 of even date also to the A.D.O. Tapini.

## 13. CONCLUSION.

The Patrol proceeded smoothly and both Native Affairs and P.H.D. co-operated to the full.

There remains only a mile of road to link the Auga Division with Woi tape Station. When this is accomplished it will be possible to drive a motor cycle from Woi tape to Fane Mission Station - a 12 hour walk, and therefore facilitate communications with the area.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of...West Central Division... Report No. Wai. 9-61/62...

Patrol Conducted by...T. Houston Cadet Patrol Officer...

Area Patrolled...Dilava Census Division...

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans...No...

Natives...1 Interpreter, 1 Police...

Duration—From...9/4/1962...to...24/4/1962...

Number of Days...16...

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...10/19 61...

Medical ... 10/18 61...

Map Reference...Map Attached...

Objects of Patrol...(1) Routine Administration (2) Finalisation of Land matters...

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

Over 13		Females in Child Birth
M	F	

67-1-44

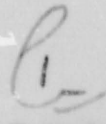
19th July, 1962.

The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
T A P I N I.

PATROL REPORT NO. 9 - 1961/62. WOITAPE:

A request was made by this Department to the  
Department of Education on your behalf to enquire if an  
Area Education Officer could be provided for Woitape.

2. He has replied that it is regretted that  
no officer can be spared for appointment as Area Educ-  
ation Officer, Woitape.

  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67/1/44 ✓

In Reply  
Please Quote

Memorandum for —

No. ED/5081.

Department of Education.

KONEDOMU.

5th July, 1962.



The a/Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOMU.

Subject: AREA EDUCATION OFFICER, WOITAPE.

Reference: Your 67-1-44 of 19th June, 1962.

It is regretted that no officer can be spared for appointment as Area Education Officer, Woitape. Our staff shortages are such that we cannot man our schools, let alone appoint Area Education Officers, in spite of their urgent need.

*L. W. Johnson*

(L. W. JOHNSON)  
Director of Education.

*LCR*

67-1-44


19th June, 1962.

The Director,  
Department of Education,  
KONFIDOBU.

AREA EDUCATION OFFICER WOITAPE

The District Officer, Tapini, has requested that an Area Education Officer be provided for the WOITAPE area with a view to increasing the proficiency of Mission schools.

Are you in a position to assist at this date?

  
(W.R. DISHON)  
A/Director.

67-1-44

19th June, 1962.

The District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPIRI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3-51/62 - WOTIAPE

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is  
acknowledged with thanks.


I am pleased that you are not proceeding with  
the suggested prosecution.

I believe that we should strike a balance so far  
as these traditional dances are concerned. So long as they  
are not too numerous or too lengthy they are a means for the  
people associating together and thus gaining a confidence in  
each other. I agree that they are inclined to disrupt the  
scheduled village activities and effect school attendance and  
road maintenance, but don't let us do away with them altogether.  
What have we to replace them?

I believe your Aid Posts should assist in lowering  
the death rate from influenza and pneumonia.

I am pleased you are pressing for an Area Education  
Officer. I shall request the Director of Education to provide  
one.

A well recorded report, the content of which is  
valuable.

  
(W. J. DISHON)  
A/Director.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply  
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No. 67-3-2

District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

1st June, 1962.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL WOI PE NO 9 OF 1961/62.

1. Enclosed herewith please find the above-mentioned report submitted by Mr. T. Heuston, C.P.O., Woi tape.
2. The patrol through the Dilava Census Division was carried out for follow-up purposes.
3. Some comments follow:-

Introduction, Para 3:

Prosecutions were not proceeded with as it was discovered that the track which was not maintained was not situated on land owned by the persons charged.

Native Affairs Para 5:

Dances are a way of life of all Goilala people. They are held less frequently now in the environs of Administration Stations but in the more isolated areas they are a frequent occasion. Constant patrolling and encouragement will help to minimise these dances but until we are able to provide other interests there is little chance of the people divorcing themselves from these dances. The table provided in par. 6. is very interesting and shows how far afield different villages journey to attend dances: up to 9 hours walk.

Native Attitudes Para 13:

This matter is being brought to the attention of the Medical Officer. In mountain areas, especially more backward sections, there are usually runs of influenza which kill a number of people each year. Pneumonia, of course, is a common cause of death. Constant patrolling and health education would appear to be the only solution in getting these people to seek medical aid.

Census Paras 17 and 18:

I doubt if the Mission has actually recorded all names in the Dilava Census Division. Their grouping of villages is different to ours. Our records reveal the following increases over the past two years. Census figures were not kept in earlier years.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Birth per 100</u>	<u>Deaths per 100</u>	<u>Net increase</u> <u>%</u>
1960	41	23	2.6%
1961	25	15	1.0%

Perhaps the decrease as recorded by the Mission occurred during the 8 years prior to our recordings.

Village Officials: Paras 19 to 26:

These matters have been attended to locally or by separate correspondence.

Roads and Bridges: Paras 32 to 36:

Apart from repeatedly requesting the people to maintain these bridle paths there is little we can do. The Roads Maintenance Ordinance is difficult to apply. I am hopeful that funds will be made available in the new financial year to assist with such maintenance.

Mr. Heuston has been advised that Section 118 of N.R.O. has been repealed by the Roads Maintenance Ordinance.

Education: Para 37:

I have recently made a submission to the District Education Officer with the request that an Area Education Officer be provided to encourage a higher standard of education in Mission schools in the area but my submission met with no success. A report is currently being prepared for the District Commissioner.

Agriculture: Paras 39 to 41:

The problem with native grown coffee in the Dilava Census Division lies in the disinterested ways in which the native growers process it. The patrol officer at Woitape holds funds made available by Dept. of Agriculture to purchase any reasonably well processed coffee. Probably the coffee held by the Mission also has been badly processed. I am hopeful that an Agricultural Officer will be stationed at Woitape within the next two months. His first job will be to educate the people in coffee processing.

Conclusion:

Mr. Heuston has written a very interesting and clear report. I am pleased with his efforts.

4. All associated correspondence has been handled at local level.

*J. Mathieson*  
(J. Mathieson.)  
Acting District Officer.

c.c. Patrol Officer-in-Charge,  
WOITAPE.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-1-2

Patrol Post,  
WOITAPE,  
Goilala Sub District.

1st May 1962.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Goilala Sub District,  
T A P I N I.

WOITAPE PATROL REPORT 9/61-62,  
DILAVA CENSUS DIVISION.

INTRODUCTION.

1. The A.D.O. Tapini's 67-3-2 of 9th April 1962 refers.
2. This was a Routine Administration Patrol to the DILAVA Census Division, with instructions to give special attention to native attitudes, and dances in the area.
3. The patrol was a very pleasant and useful one, and on the whole quite successful. Good contact was made with the people both of the DILAVA Census Division, and of the AUCA Census Division near FANE. All outstanding land matters were finalised. Summonses were issued to some 17 people, for hearings under the Roads Maintenance Ordinance, as a result of the inspection of Bridle paths. Two recommendations are made for the appointment of new Village Constables.

PATROL DIARY.

- Monday 9.4.62. 1015 left Woitape Patrol Post, proceeding via OMBOLI and TSIVILO TO MUNDAT (hamlet of ONONGE).  
1415 arrived MUNDAT. Carriers arrived 1545.  
1615 left MUNDAT arriving ESAUKE hamlet 1710.  
Slept ESAUKE.
- 10.4.62 0745 left ESAUKE, crossed range to ILIDE and thence to KARAME arriving 1515.  
Discussions with village officials. Slept KARAME R.H.
- 11.4.62 0800 - 1200 Supervision of road and village cleaning.  
1300 - 1630 Discussions with people.  
Slept KARAME R.H.
- 12.4.62 0745 left KARAME arriving YALOGGE 1145.  
Arrived INAI 1630. Carriers arrived 1800.  
Discussions with village officials.  
Slept INAI R.H.
- 13.4.62 0700 - 1100 Discussions with people. Children healthy but dirty.  
1115 left INAI arriving YALOGGE 1545. Carriers 1615.  
Discussions with village officials.  
Slept YALOGGE R.H.
- 14.4.62 0630 - 1030 Discussions with people. One court sent to Mr. Hill at Woitape.  
1030 left YALOGGE proceeded AVOLE arriving 1400.  
Rest House pulled down and being rebuilt. Also informed that R.H.'s at BALDAN and BAURA also out of commission. Proceeded AVELE R.H. - all people and Village Officials absent at two funerals.  
Proceeded Mission Station AVELE arriving 1500.  
Carriers 1530. Slept Mission R.H. AVELE.

Sunday 15.4.62

Observed AVELE.  
Discussions with BAURA and AVOLE Village  
Officials in afternoon.  
Slept AVELE Mission Rest House.

16.4.62

0700 left AVELE Mission. 0707 arrived R.H.  
0730 - 2100 Talked to people from AVOLE,  
AVELE, BAURA and BAIDAN. Discussions on  
all aspects of Administration Policy in this  
area.  
Slept AVELE R.H.

17.4.62

0800 - 1100 Further discussions with people  
and village officials.  
1100 left AVELE arriving KODIGE 1330.  
Inspected DODOA Hamlet, Aid Post and Mission  
School. Discussions with V.O's.  
Slept KODIGE R.H.

18.4.62

0800 - 1700 discussions with people.  
1800 man died in hamlet near R.H. 1830  
inspected body - apparently due to pneumonia.  
Slept KODIGE R.H.

19.4.62

0800 - 1000 Further talks with people and  
village officials.  
1000 left KODIGE arriving FANE 1400.  
Discussions with Village Officials and  
missionaries.  
Slept FANE R.H.

Good Friday 20.4.62

Observed FANE. Slept FANE R.H.

21.4.62

Suffering from severe stomach upset.  
0800 - 1500 Discussions with people and  
Village Officials.  
Slept FANE R.H.

22.4.62 Easter Sunday

Still under treatment. Observed FANE.  
Some more discussions with people.  
Slept FANE R.H.

23.4.62

0730 left FANE arriving KIRI after protracted  
waits for carriers 1430.  
No V.Os or people present as all absent at  
GARIMA dance. Unable to change carriers.  
Slept KIRI R.H.

24.4.62

0800 left KIRI arriving WOITAPE 1430.  
Slept Woitape Patrol Post.

END OF PATROL.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS.

4. The native affairs situation in the Dilava is peaceable and under control. The people are mainly concerned with their own culture and at ~~this~~ present this seems to be a concern with dances, pigs and women in that order, whereas they regard the Administration with what an officer in this area described some years ago as "benevolent indifference".

5. Throughout the Dilava Census Division, the people of all villages had either very recently staged or attended a dance, and were preparing for or looking forward to attending a dance. The following table indicates dances which have taken place in this area during the last year and those which are planned during the remainder of 1962. The table is compiled from information

volunteered by the people during the course of discussions which took place during the patrol.

6. Dances DILAVA Census Division 1961-1962.

VILLAGE	DATE	PERIOD	INVITED	COMMENTS
ILIDE	September 61	3 weeks	KARAME YALOG AVOLE FANE	Preparation abt. six months.
"	Dec. 61	3 weeks	Attended dance held at TAFAD, VETAPU C.D. with KODIGE, YALOG and KARAME villages.	
"	Feb. 62	2 weeks	KODIGE YALOG KARAME	Preparation abt. four months.
YALOG	March 62	4 weeks	KODIGE ILIDE KARAME BAURA BAIDAN MONDO FANE TAFAD ONONGE	Preparation abt. nine months gardens Three months for dance village. 45 pigs killed by inviting village.
KODIGE	March 61	2 weeks	MONDO AVELE ILIDE YALOG	Prep. 3 months.
"	March 62	1 week	Small dance for the initiation of children.	
"	July 62	Proposed 6 weeks.	Dance to be held in conjunction with KARAME dance. All DILAVA villages to attend, some AUGA and VETAPU villages as well. Preparation about 9 months to a year. All the dancing villages are then to go on to BAURA where preparations are also in progress.	

NOTE: This is only a partial table as during the course of the patrol I had only sufficient time to examine and confirm the information for the villages mentioned above. The village of INAI is involved in the KANOSIA dance cycle.

7. Incomplete as the above table is, it can readily be seen that a great deal of time and effort, food, and materials are expended in the DILAVA for the purpose of dancing. While it not as yet possible to gain a clear indication of the economic and social importance of the DILAVA dance cycle due to the lack of relevant studies, I do NOT think it would be inaccurate to say that in the DILAVA, DANCES constitute a major social and economic problem, that they interfere considerably with the welfare of the people, and that they constitute a major obstacle to the advancement of the people. This is simply by virtue of the number and size of the dances held in the DILAVA in any given year, for it appears that of recent years there has been no significant change in the dance pattern as described above.

8. The dances themselves are usually short (4-5) days and nights, but the preparation is usually over a period of six to eight months, during which, it is apparent from my discussions with these people that little else but the coming dance is of importance.

9. During the period of preparation it is apparent that road maintenance (if any) is completely abandoned, and that schools in the area are deserted due to children being recalled by their parents to help in the care of large dance gardens. However from these gardens the bulk of the food is used for fattening the pigs. The people work hard but eat little, and during my patrol in the DILAVA it was apparent that most of the people were suffering from strain due to overwork and, probably not eating enough.

#### LAW AND ORDER.

10. The people of the DILAVA seem to be peaceful. A number of arbitrations were settled in my presence, peaceably by the mutual agreement of the parties, some Court of Native Matters cases were sent to WOTIPE for settlement by Mr. Hill M.N.M. Generally the people seem to understand the Law, although there is, I feel, a tendency to believe that most minor offences can be settled by the payment of "compensation".

#### NATIVE ATTITUDES.

11. The people of this Census Division are friendly and helpful towards officers of the Administration, and generally the patrol found that resthouses were clean and in good order, and that water and firewood was fetched and carriers supplied without the Village Officials having to be reminded.

12. However if general attitudes are to be gauged by performance, then general performance is at a low average. Bridle tracks throughout the DILAVA were almost uniformly in a depressingly poor condition, and it was clear that apart from the hurried cutting of grass just prior (in some cases after) the arrival of the patrolling officer, maintenance work had not been carried out for years.

13. The general attitude towards health seems to be a fatalistic acceptance of the facts of life and death and sickness. If the Aid Post or the Priest is more than an hour's walk away it is generally too much trouble to take the sick person to them. A good example of this attitude was that while I was at KODIGE at 7PM in the evening of my second day there I was informed that a man had died in the hamlet next to the Barracks. I found the body to be still warm, and that the probable cause of death was double pneumonia. I had inspected the hamlet about two hours previously to check on its cleanliness. As the Aid Post was nearby it would have been very little trouble for me to have gone to obtain medicines, similarly the Mission Priest who had been at the village the day before, and who usually dispenses medicines was not informed of the man's illness. This was not an isolated instance as there were 7 deaths during my patrol of the DILAVA, and 7 others while the Priest was patrolling a week before I arrived in the area. In most cases there was opportunity to seek medical attention, and in only one case was medical attention actually sought, and then only very late in the course of the illness (pneumonia again).

14. As indicated in the section above the native in the Dilava's main concern has, and is to do with dances. The effect of continuous, or semi-continuous dancing has been a tendency to neutralise any aspirations of the people for a better standard of living, education, more political power, or economic development. Dances are the opium of the people in the sense that their horizon is for the most part limited by the prospect of the next dance. The prolific multiplication of dances in this area allows only for the maintenance of the status quo, and makes it difficult for the Government Policy of social and economic advancement to be heard or understood in this area.

15. Although there is a considerable amount of dissatisfaction amongst the younger men, particularly those who have returned from work on the coast, or in Moresby, with the present state of affairs - the multiplicity of dances, abstinence from pork except at dances, the form of the dances, and so on there is no evidence that their voices are heard in responsible village circles.

TAX.

16. Not applicable.

CENSUS.

17. No Census was carried out during this patrol, however in a period of a fortnight there were 14 deaths in the Census Division. During a discussion with the Missionaries at FANE it was pointed out to me that according to Mission Statistics the population of the DILAVA has fallen by five over the last ten years. For your information, and with the permission of the Catholic Mission at FANE, I therefore append the relevant Mission Statistics. The Censuses have been taken yearly at the four Mission Stations in the DILAVA and purport to include the entire population of the area both Christian and Non-Christian. They were compiled by Fr. Sicard M.S.C.

18. Population DILAVA ten year period 1950-59.

STATION	Pop	59 BIRTHS	Children - 15	Deaths ADULTS	TOTAL	Increase of Decrease.
KODICE	750	221	97	119	216	-5
AVELE	480	160	70	90	160	0
YALOG	150	51	21	36	57	-6
INAI	190	63	23	44	67	-4
TOTAL	1,570					-5

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

19. Village Officials were generally helpful towards the patrol with the exception of V.C. AIA of AVELE, who did not present himself to the patrol until two days after its arrival in his area. It was also reported that this V.C. had spent those months in Port Moresby without previously reporting to P.O.I.C. Waitape contrary to the District Officer Tapini's standing Instructions for Village Constables in the Gailala Sub-District.

20. However any recommendations on my part for his dismissal were rendered unnecessary by his resignation on 16th April 1962 when he personally handed his uniform and Village book to me.

21. Recommendations are made for the appointment of two new village officials - MOTORO FANE of AVELE to replace V.C. AIA, and AMO AIA of FANE village as FANE has been without a V.C. for some time since the death of the previous holder of the position. See my 92-1-1 of 2nd May, 1962.

22. The pay of all DILAVA Village Constables were brought up to date during the course of the patrol.

23. It was reported to me by OGUMO PIVA, present V.C. of AVOLE, that the EX-V.C. of AVOLE AUME-URI was not paid up to date at the time of his dismissal in 1959, and has about four years pay due to him. See my 92-1-1 of 23rd May, 1962.

24. The Death of V.C. ELELE AUBU of AVELE was also reported to me. He having died about December 1961. See my 92-1-1 of 24th May, 1962.

25. It was noticed on the patrol that the following Village Councillor was not issued with a medal. GU-SAIS of AVOLE.

26. I would like to make the following suggestions for appointments as Village Councillors. KAIA KULEPU of HILIVI, Hamlet of BAURA village, and KOURA EVES of INAI village. Both these men are the choice of their particular village, and it seems that they are also headmen. See my 92-1-1 of 24th May, 1962.

#### REST HOUSES.

27. All existing Rest House were slept in during the course of the patrol. Most were in good condition or fair according to their age. Due to the sudden arrival of the Patrol at KARAME the first Rest House on the patrol temporary roof patching and the cutting of overgrown grass and bushes surrounding the rest house were only carried out the day after my arrival.

28. The Rest House at INAI particularly is of note as being of a good although unusual design admirably suited for the warm and wet conditions of that area.

29. The Rest House at FANE is very well constructed of semi permanent materials, and is (apart from APOROTA) in my opinion the best constructed Rest House in the Sub-District. It was apparently constructed as a parting gesture for the EX-FANE V.C. after his dismissal for inefficiency.

30. The Rest Houses at AVOLE, BAIDAN and BAURA were in the process of reconstruction at the advent of the patrol, the old rest houses having been pulled down for this purpose, and consequently were not available to be slept in.

31. At ESAUKE Hamlet (a hamlet of ONONGE Village) the patrol slept in a men's house which was kindly lent by the owner for the night. It was very comfortable and warm apart from the inconvenience of a multitude of fleas and lice.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

32. Bridle tracks throughout the DILAVA were in a uniformly depressing condition, it being evident (and this was confirmed by questioning those responsible) that no maintenance work, apart from the hasty cutting of grass prior to the arrival of the patrol, had been done on them for years.

33. In the case of KARAME and YALOGGE Villages even the grass had not been cut, or fallen trees removed from the road and this work was completed under my supervision. Also on the FANE Village land, from the KODIGE Gap to FANE, apart from the overgrown condition of the road, passage for horse riders is rendered difficult, not to say dangerous by the many fallen logs and projecting branches overhanging the road.

34. The bridle tracks in most cases have been reduced by weathering and landslides to an effective width of three or four feet, in many places this is much less, only in the area controlled by AVELE village does the track approach the 9 feet standard originally laid down by N.R.O. 118 (2).

35. It was reported to me at AVELE that the following bridges across the DILAVA River and nearby creeks were out of order thus stranding village people after a heavy rain.

(a) The MANA to AVOLE Bridge.

(b) The BAIDAN to AVELE Bridge.

36. General instructions were issued to all Village Officials to maintain roads and bridges, and talks were given to the people on the importance of this work, and warnings issued that prosecution would follow non observance of the law in these cases.

#### EDUCATION.

37. These are Mission Schools teaching up to Standard 2 at the Mission Stations of KODIGE, YALOGG and AVELE. At these Schools these are approximately 84 pupils. They are taught to read and write in their own language as well as in elementary English. The value of these Schools as far as General Education is concerned is extremely doubtful as even the teachers have a very scanty general knowledge, however there can be no doubt as to their effectiveness in the imparting of Christian moral precepts and Christian doctrine and the people seem accustomed to the Catholic Liturgy even for the feasts of Easter.

#### AGRICULTURE.

38. Although the DILAVA Census Division seems admirably suited, both in soil and climate for a range of lowland, midland and highland crops I found little evidence of enthusiasm on the part of the people for agricultural development.

39. I saw some good stands of healthy coffee trees in most villages, but discovered that the coffee was left rotting on the trees.

40. This Seems to have been a result of a lack of markets. The Catholic Mission at FANE is complaining that they bought some ten tons of native coffee and have been unable to market it. A local trader, Mr. Brennan, at WOITAPE offered to buy native coffee for 6d a pound, processed, but the people did not consider this to be an adequate price for the labour of preparation and transportation to WOITAPE.

41. The consequence therefore of the lack of markets is that the people no longer bother to pick their coffee. I feel that unless markets and a marketing system can be found, the government will suffer a severe lack of face in this area as a logical result of the efforts of officers in this area in the past to convince the people of the advantages of coffee growing.

#### HEALTH.

42. As stated above under Native Attitudes, the general attitudes towards health and health services does not seem to be good, and that the health situation gives rise for concern particularly if any accuracy can be attached to the Census Figures supplied to me by the Catholic Mission FANE (see above under Census) which show an actual Decrease in population in the 10 year period 1950-1959.

43. Also as stated above there were fourteen deaths within a fortnight in the DILAVA.

44. The aid post at KODIGE was inspected during the course of the patrol and was found to be in good condition. However it was unmanned. This was apparently due to staffing difficulties. The Native Medical Orderly in Charge having already deferred his leave in order to man the post, finally having taken leave. Apparently a replacement Orderly came to the village but a dance was in progress and he was unable to obtain food, and so he left.

45. It was most unfortunate for the people during this particular month that the aid post was unmanned. It must be pointed out that a doubt exists in my mind as to whether the people would have taken advantage of the aid post even if it had been manned - this however is only a thought and does not detract from the obvious necessity of maintaining a manned aid post in the DILAVA, however it does point to the need for health Education in the area.

CONCLUSION.

46. Apart from being a most pleasant patrol in the DILAVA, this patrol was I feel, a highly valuable one, both from the point of view of the patrolling officer and from that of the people in the administration of Native Affairs.

47. Unburdened by the work of taxation and census taking the patrolling officer was able to devote his entire attention to the affairs of the people and to their requests. The people themselves were able to see clearly that D.N.A. officers are not primarily concerned with taxation, but rather with the welfare and advancement of the people. As it was, despite the fact that this was not a taxation and census patrol, most villagers came to see, talk to, and hear what was said by the patrol.

*T. Houston*

Houston.  
Cadet Patrol Officer.









Memoranda accompanying this report:

28-2-1	N.M.T.A. payments.
28-4-1	Savings books forwarded for interest.
35-3-27	Purchase of trees
35-3-28	INAI, YALOGGE and ) Previously forwarded
35-3-29	AVELE villages. ) to Tapini.
37-1-1	Evasion of Justice: ELELE AIA of AVELE.
67-1-3	Patrol Report.
67-4-1	Claim for camping allowance.
92-1-1	Pay ex-V.C. AUME USI of AVOLE.
92-1-1	Death V.C. ELELE AURU of AVELE.
92-1-1	New appointment recommended Village Constables..
92-2-1	" " " " Councillors.

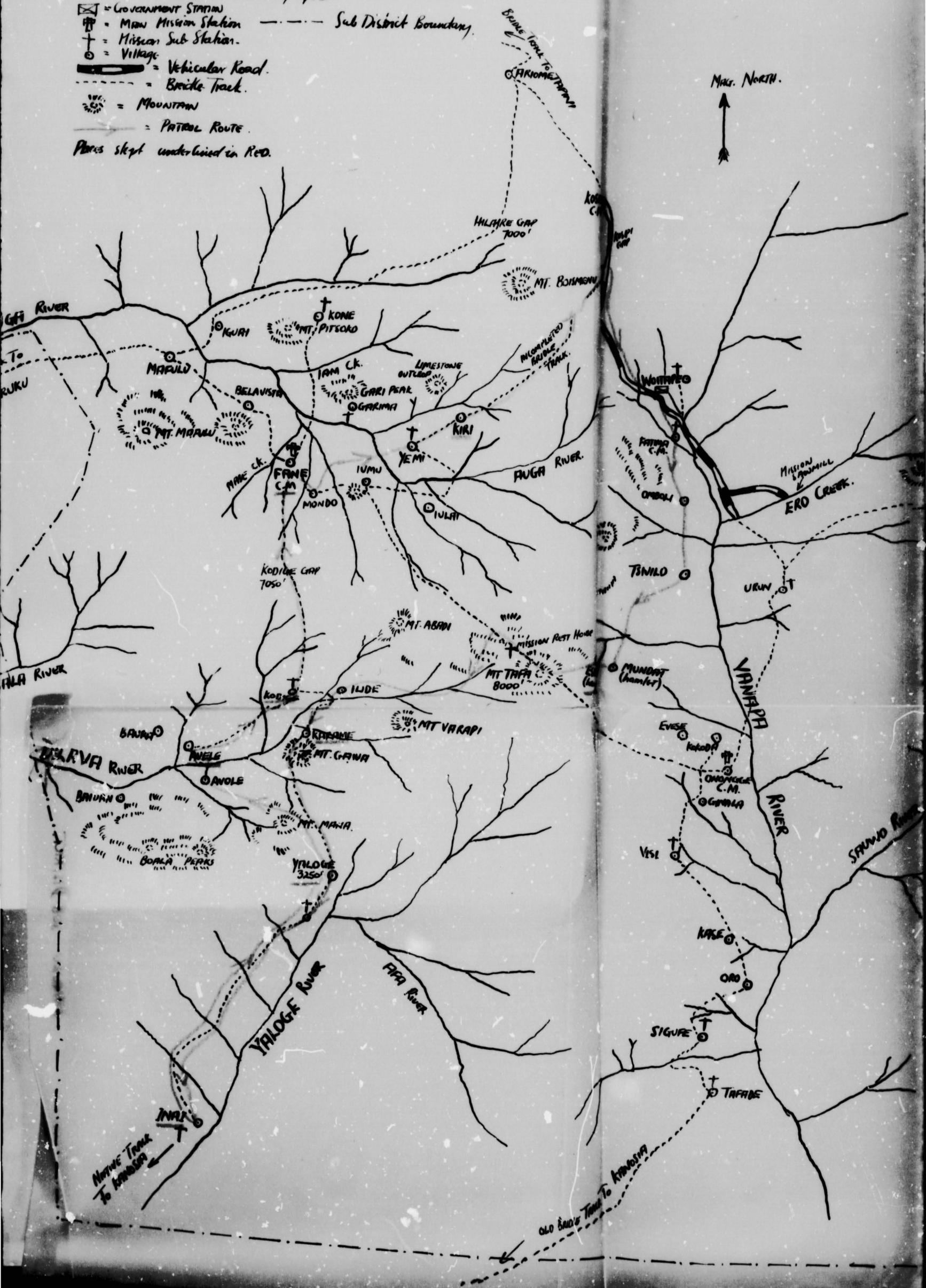
PATROL MAP - WOLFAPE PATROL 9/61-62  
 ADAPTED FROM ADAMSON'S - GOLIATH SUB DISTRICT.

SCALE 2 MILES = 1 INCH.

T. Houston 18<sup>th</sup> May 1962

-  = GOVERNMENT STATION  
 = MAIN MISSION STATION — — — Sub District Boundary  
 = MISSION SUB STATION  
 = VILLAGE  
 = VEHICULAR ROAD  
 = BRICK TRACK  
 = MOUNTAIN  
 = PATROL ROUTE

Plants kept underlined in Red.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

Amount Returned to Store

District of **WEST CENTRAL** <sup>WOTAKE</sup> Report No. **12/61-62**

Patrol Conducted by **T.J. HEUSTON**

Area Patrolled **CHIRIMA CENSUS DIVISION**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **Mr. PARKER C.P.O.**

Natives **2**

Duration—From **4./5./1962** to **23/5/1962**

Number of Days **19**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **NIL**

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

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

Map Reference **MAP ENCLOSED**

Objects of Patrol **Routine of Administration and Tax Census**

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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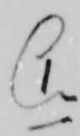
10th July, 1962.

District Officer,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 12/61-62 - WOITAPE

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

2. I agree with your observations and attitudes concerning native dancing.
3. It is gratifying to note that the Chirima are peaceable and under control and that co-operation with the Administration and Missions seems to be quite good.
4. Comments on dancing are of interest and have been passed to the Anthropologist for his information.
5. I am very pleased to see that the officer takes sufficient interest to hold discussions with them; I feel that his efforts will be well rewarded in that the people will display a real confidence in him.
6. An interesting and informative patrol report.

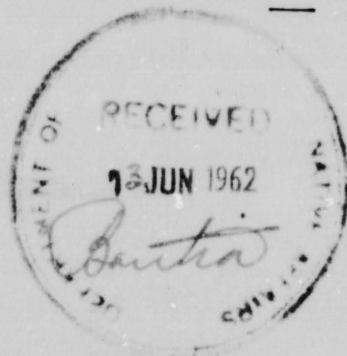
  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 67-3-2

District Office,  
West Central Division,  
Central District,  
TAPINI.

9th June, 1962.

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL WOITAPE 12 OF 1961/62.

1. Enclosed herewith please find the abovementioned report submitted by Mr. T. Heuston, C.P.O., Woitape.

2. The patrol was conducted for tax-census purposes. It was originally commenced by Mr. R. Hill (Vide Patrol Woitape 10-61/62) but as Mr Hill was required as a Supreme Court Witness at Tapini the patrol was taken over by Mr. Heuston. Mr. D. Parker, C.P.O., accompanied the patrol throughout.

3. Some comments follow:-

Native Affairs, Paras 7 and 8:

The observations on native dances in the area are very interesting and well submitted.

Wherever possible lengthy dance periods are discouraged but no effort is made nor should be made to discourage dances which do not infringe on morals or are not of a lengthy nature.

Native Attitudes, Paras 14 and 15:

Recently P.&T. Department carried out a survey of Mount Albert Edward with a view to determining whether or not a high frequency repeater station could be successfully installed there. Should it be decided that Mount Albert Edward is a suitable centre then access to the area would be necessary. Either an airstrip would need to be constructed or a road would need to be built linking Mount Albert Edward with Woitape. A road route has been roughly surveyed by D.N.A. Staff and particulars have been submitted to the District Commissioner with advice to the effect that if such a road or airstrip is to be constructed that such construction must be carried out by P.W.D. and not by D.N.A. staff.

Village Officials, Paras 17 and 18:

The appointment and dismissal of Village Officials is the subject of separate correspondence.

Health, Para, 36:

The request for the establishment of an Aid Post at GOROVAKU has been brought to the attention of the Medical Officer.

Agriculture, Para 37:

Nothing further can be done to assist these people until an Agricultural Officer is made available to Woi tape. The Regional Agricultural Officer has stated that such an Officer will be posted there in the near future.

Conclusion:

Mr. Heuston has submitted an interesting report, it is a pity that its presentation should be marred by typographical errors, however, I am pleased with Mr Heuston's work.

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District Officer.

c.c. Patrol Officer-in-Charge,  
WOITAPE.

Mr. T. Heuston,  
TAPINI.

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

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Patrol Post,  
WOITAPE:  
Goilala Sub-District.

26th May, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,  
Goilala Sub-District,  
TAPINI.

WOITAPE PATROL REPORT 12/61-62  
CHIRIMA CENSUS DIVISION.

INTRODUCTION.

1. The D.O. Tapini's radioed verbal instructions of 3rd May, 1962 refer.
2. This was a Routine Administration and Tax Census Patrol to the Chirima Census Division which I took over from Mr. Hill P.O. on 4th May 1962.
3. Accompanying the patrol was Mr. Parker C.P.O. who was present for further training and patrol experience. Also accompanying were one R.P.&N.G.C. Constable and a Native Medical Orderly. Medical supplies were also carried to GARIMA Aid Post by the patrol.

PATROL DIARY.

Friday 4th May

Left Woitape with carriers for C.M. Rest House at TSIDIBAMUL, Murray Pass. Met Mr. Hill who was returning to Woitape enroute. Arrived TSIDIBAMUL in heavy rain. Slept TSIDIBAMUL in company with Fr. Louis Gremot.

5th May, 1962.

0630 after breakfast left TSIDIBAMUL arriving BERAVERA 1030. Met Mr. Parker. Left for SINGGO arriving 1110. Talk with people Tax and Census SINGGO. Discussions with people in P.M.

Sunday 6th May, 1962.

Observed SINGGO. Inspected Mission Saw-mill and Church. Minor arbitrations and talks with village officials and headmen. Fr. Barthes for lunch.

7th May, 1962.

Left SINGGO arrived IONGAI R.H. 0825. Lined spoke to Taxed and Censused. MILI, MAIMANI, VUIVA, KOFA and SOWGAKKU Villages. Some discussions with village Officials.

8th May, 1962.

Further discussion and minor arbitrations. Census Figures. Inspected Mission and Mission School. Discussions with Father in Charge.

9th May, 1962.

Left IONGAI for KAGO arriving 0930. Lined Taxed and Censused KAGO and TURA villages. Inspected HUAIA hamlet as dance is in progress. Issued instructions as to cleanliness.

10th May, 1962.

10th May, 1962.

To GOROWAKU arriving 0830. lined taxed and censused village.

11th May, 1962.

At GOROWAKU minor arbitrations work on Patrol Report. Mr. Parker Inspected new road to BURI CK. Observed dance at HUAIA in evening.

12th May, 1962.

Left GOROWAKU arriving BOFU 1100. lined taxed and censused BOFU. Discussions. Arbitrations. Observed dance at BOFU in evening.

SUNDAY 13th May, 1962.

At BOFU. Further discussions. Dance in progress in day and evening. Work on Patrol Report, Census Figures.

14th May, 1962.

To EVESE, Tax and Census EVESE. Discussions Village Officials Village in very good condition.

15th May, 1962.

0715 to GERUA carriers arrived. 1515 Discussions Village Officials. lined Taxed and Censused GERUA.

16th May, 1962.

At GERUA. Work brought up to date. Further discussions Village Officials and people.

17th May, 1962.

0730 left GERUA carriers arrived MISTATEMBA Camp 1300. Arrived EVESE 1800. Discussions EVESE Village Officials.

18th May, 1962.

To YONGAI arriving 0930. Discussions with Mission re land requirements P.M. Walked around boundaries with owners and set up marks. Preliminary discussions with people.

19th May, 1962.

Completion of main body of C1235 investigation. Police Investigation into breaking and Entering of Rest House at TSIDIBAMUL.

Sunday 20th May, 1962.

Completed C1235 YONGAI. To GARIMA. Discussions Village Officials and people.

Monday 21st May, 1962.

Lined taxed and Censused GARIMA, GENARA, FORO and SEI villages. Discussion with people minor arbitrations.

Tuesday 22nd May, 1962.

0700 to KWAMA rest house arriving in heavy drizzle. Lined taxed and Censused GO and KIKORI villages. Discussions Village Officials.

Wednesday 23rd May, 1962.

0515 left KWAMA arrived TSIDIBAMUL 0845 left TSIDIBAMUL 0930 arrived WOITAPE 1330, carriers 1530. Slept WOITAPE Patrol Post

END OF PATROL.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

4. The native affairs situation in the CHIRIMA is peaceable and under control. The people are mainly concerned with their own culture and at present this seems a concern with dances, pigs and women in that order. However their attitude towards the Administration, and cooperation with Administration and the Catholic Mission in their area seems to be quite good.

5. Throughout the Chirima Census Division, as in the DILAVA Census Division the people of villages had either very recently staged or attended a dance, or were preparing for or looking forward to attending a dance. (See my Patrol Report WOITAPE 9/61-62 of 1st May 1962).

6. In the Chirima during the course of the patrol two dances were held: at HUAIA (a hamlet of TURA Village), and at BOPU village. A point was made of observing as much as possible of these dances.

7. From observation and discussion it appears that the form of dancing in the Chirima follows a stylised pattern which is briefly as follows:

(1) The dance of the inviting village.

This takes place on the first night of the dance. The inviting village men, fully decorated and plumed with headdresses of Bird of Paradise and Eagle feathers up to 15ft. in height, and carrying large bamboos and axes, commence at the top of the village, dance in unison down to the bottom of the dancing ground, wheel and dance up again. This routine continues, with short pauses for breath, until dawn. While dancing they sing continuously, songs of invitation. Rhythm is obtained by beating the end of the bamboo against the ground. The dancing is controlled by whistles from the song leaders and 50 to 70 men take part. Chiefs are distinguishable by the height of their headdress.

(2) The opening of the dance.

This takes place at about midday the next day, and is an official declaration to the invitees that the dance is open. It is the only dance that takes place during the day.

Firstly the men of the inviting village assemble in the courtyard with axes, with no special dress, and run in a group up and down the village brandishing their axes and singing. After several times there is an answering call from the villages assembled in the bush outside the dance village. Then the invitees, fully arrayed, charge into the village from the top singing and carrying spears. They charge down and make symbolic killing gestures at all onlookers with their spears. Two pigs are brought out and rapidly killed at the top of the village, and the blood is allowed to run down onto a plot carefully set apart as the symbolic representation of a grave (this is an innovation as people are no longer allowed to be buried in villages and there are no actual graves there). Then women also arrayed dance slowly in under the charge of an elder women, and with a spear "guard of honour". There is formal dancing for about five minutes and the ceremonies are over.

For the opening ceremonies the headdresses are all small - about 3 ft. in height. As in all the dancing the colours displayed by all participants are carefully chosen and blend carefully producing an overall combination - but for each dance the combinations and blending are different, and each year fresh colouring is displayed at the dances. This year the main body of colour was buff, white and rust, next year at HUAIA I was informed that the colouring will be white, yellow and red.

(3) The dance of the invitees.

This takes place for the second (and possibly, succeeding nights of the dance). The invitee males fully arrayed, in high headresses and equipped with drums, dance up and down singing in a similar manner to the previous night, with the difference that the dancing and singing is less aggressive, less regimented but is more casual and relaxed. Songs concern the Bird of Paradise, the village chiefs, the pigs they are looking forward to at the conclusion of the dance, past and future dances. Some of the songs are archaic and seem to have lost all meaning.

Once the invitees have danced for one night the dancing as such is finished. Then there is a wait of from a fortnight to a month while pigs are collected and brought for final killing and distribution before the invitees depart for home. During this time they are all fed by the inviting village.

(4) Evidence of preparation.

Apart from the dance "costumes" there is the work involved in building large garans to feed the invitees and to fatten the pigs (from observation the latter seems to be regarded as the more important). Large quantities of yam, taro and pandanus nut are also stockpiled by the inviting village, and sugar cane is strung as a "fence" around the entire dancing ground, which is a sloping ground some 100 yards long by 30 yards wide, distinguished by the erection of trees or saplings some 30 to 40 ft. in height around the entire perimeter, the serving as the posts for the sugar cane "fence".

8. At HUAIA, even before the commencement of the dance, the invited villages complained that there was not enough food for their needs. They had been waiting in the village for a fortnight before the dance began. It was suggested by myself that the pigs be killed within a week so that they could return to the villages and the TURA V.C. was ordered to report to the patrol within a week the state of affairs. A week later pigs had still not been killed, nor had the V.C. reported to the patrol. One woman who had recently given birth to a child had to be sent to Waitape Hospital as her milk had dried up due to not getting enough to eat. Unfortunately, as I see it, no direct power exists for the curtailing of dances, whereas a situation such as this seems to warrant direct action, as in fact in this Sub District such a situation may continue for a month or six weeks, and have done so due to the inability of officers to curtail dances in the interests of the people.

9. For further details on these dances and a study of frequency and places of Chirima dances see Mr. Parker's memo of 25th May 1962. It may later be possible by examination of the invited villages during the Vetapu Census Patrol later this year, to discover if there were any deaths directly attributable to the dance at HUAIA (TURA). The invited villages were SUMBI, SISIARENDA, KURAS, ADUAL, TA, and HOIANURENDA, all from the VETAPU Census Division.

LAW AND ORDER.

10. Law and order in the Census Division seems to be reasonably maintained by the Village Constables, most of whom ~~XXXX~~ seem to be fairly efficient in their duties. At most villages there were minor arbitrations brought to the patrol for settlement. These were settled by means of getting the parties to hear each other's story and to reach a mutual agreement. In one case no agreement could be reached and the parties were advised to go to Waitape where Mr. Hill, P.O. has the power to arbitrate in the matter.

11. Several matters were the subject of criminal investigation on this patrol and were sent to Waitape for a Court hearing. The most important of these was an investigation carried out by Mr. Parker under my supervision, into the breaking and entering of the Mission Rest House at TSIDIBAMUL, Murray Pass.

#### NATIVE ATTITUDES.

12. The Patrol was favourably received in most villages, and it was apparent that the people in a number of cases had taken some trouble with the maintenance of rest houses, collection of firewood and so on to prepare for the advent of the patrol. Only at KAGO Village was there no sign of this.

13. The people seem to accept even if they do not fully understand the policies of the Administration, and as far as possible the talks to the people took the form of an "examination" with questions such as: "Why does the patrol come to your village?" "What are the duties of the people with respect to health? . . . roads? . . . villages? etc."

Such a series of questions when answered by the people to the best of their ability was followed by explanation wherever warranted.

14. Discussions were held with the people, village officials and leading men in all villages, and generally were useful and informative. A number of questions of interest were raised by the people. Interest was shown in the National Mapping, and Posts and Telegraphs expeditions to Mount Albert Edward which took place just prior to this patrol, and particularly in the rumour that a road or an airstrip might be built to the summit. Such queries were always followed by the hopeful expression that a road might be built into the Chirima from Waitape.

15. The people in the Lower Chirima hoped that another aid post might be established apart from the one in the Upper Chirima at GARIMA. A suitable site for such an aid post was thought to be GOROVAKU. It seems probable that tribal politics enter into this request as the Lower Chirima people belong to a different tribe to that of the Upper Chirima, and ~~at~~ the Yongai people who have the Mission Hospital in their midst, to yet another tribe.

16. A particular bone of contention in the Chirima Census Division is the fact that no shotgun permits have been granted in the Chirima whereas neighbouring Census Divisions in both the Waitape area and the Kokoda Sub District have obtained this privilege. The people feel that they have been unjustly passed over in this matter and their sense of frustration is in no way lessened by the fact that their opinion is that neighbouring Census Divisions are scoffing at them. I am recommending the granting of five such permits to individuals whom I consider to be specially in need of a shotgun for the shooting of game and the protection of crops and who seem capable of using a gun to the best advantage. See my 38-3-1 of 26th March 1962.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

17. Most Village officials were helpful and seemed in good control of their villages. One of the best V.C.'s in the Census Division seems to be ITA KAMO of Mani Village who is a new V.C., he is reputed to be related to the main chief of the Yongai tribes, who is at present in Moresby, and weilds the chieftainship in his absence. The worst V.C.'s appeared to be V.C. GUMO AITA, of TURA village, also a new V.C. who is too much under the control of the reputed chief of the Lower Chirima Tribes (KANDILANDA) - MANA APUTE of TURA Village. GUMO found it necessary to refer all decisions to this man. Also see above under paragraph 8, for the efficiency of this V.C. V.C. FIRA KAWA of GO Village was absent in Port Moresby at the time of arrival of the patrol, without previously obtaining the permission of P.O.I.C. Waitape as laid down by District Officer Tapini's Standing Instructions to Village Constables. A recommendation is made for the dismissal of this latter as he is reported to have been absent for about three months.

18. Recommendations are made for the appointment of New Village Constables for GARIMA and BERAVERA. Villages as there previously have been no Village Constables in these villages and the population is now such as to warrant the appointments. See my 92-1-1 of 25th May 1962.

19. Also for the appointment of a Councillor for Berevera to take the place of the previous Councillor who is recommended to be V.C. See my 92-2-1 of 25th May 1962.

#### REST HOUSES.

20. Rest houses for the most part were in good condition and well maintained. The exception was the Rest House at KAGO which is the joint responsibility of the KAGO and TURA Village Constables. In a number of cases Rest Houses and surroundings were decorated with flowers to greet the patrol.

21. I was informed by the KIKORI Village Constable that his people intended to desert the existing rest house at KUAMA (on top of a mountain) and build a new one down near a new village which has been constructed further down the mountain. This arrangement, I am sure will be pleasing both to patrolling officers and to the people.

22. The Rest House at GERUA is very small and the Village Constable was informed that it would be more in keeping to build a Rest House which was more adequately suited to the needs of patrolling.

#### ROADS.

23. Bridle tracks throughout most of the Chirima were cleaned prior to the arrival of the patrol, but in most cases could do with more serious maintenance work, widening and so on. However the standard of maintenance was generally much higher than in the DILAVA (See Waitape Patrol No 9/61-62) though certainly not approaching the 9 ft mark originally required by N.R.O. 118(2). In all villages talks were given stressing the importance of maintaining the bridle tracks.

24. The KIKORI to KUAMA bridle track is in particularly poor condition. As also, and more importantly, the main WAITAPE to CHRIMA access track from URUN Village to TSIDIBAMUL, which for the most part is very bad. This track is the responsibility of the URUN and SUMBI Villages of the VETAPU Census Division.

25. It was pleasing to note that a road had been cut across the TUNDRA from TSIDIBAMUL to Murray Pass Gap, and that the main bridle track from the gap to IONGAI had been considerably widened and maintained this year. It is to be hoped that this example is taken up by the other Chirima Villages. This work had been done mainly due to the influence of the Priests at C.M. IONGAI.

26. Also on our return from the Chirima it was pleasing to note that the people from ERO Hamlet of URUN Village were working on their section of the URUN - TSIDIBAMUL track on maintenance. This work was mainly due to the influence of MR. Hill P.O.I.C. Waitape.

27. For more on roads please refer to MR. Parker's memo 10-3-1 of 28th May 1962 on the proposed WOITAPE - TSIDIBAMUL Road.

TAX.

28. Prior to the collection of tax in all villages the people were asked why they paid tax, in all cases they had a satisfactory understanding of taxation and in no cases were there complaints that the amount of taxation too high. Also from my own observations it appears to me that these people are well able to bear the burden of 10/- tax per annum.

29. TAX WAS COLLECTED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY AT ALL VILLAGES.

CENSUS.

30. During the last year there were 54 births (25 male: 29 female) and 32 deaths. The natural increase is 1.14%. Births per 1000 are 28 whilst deaths per 1000 are 16.5.

31. Set out below is a comparative table for the Census year, 1959/60, 1960/61 and 1961/62.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Births per 1000</u>	<u>Deaths per 1000</u>	<u>% Natural Increase.</u>
1960	28	11	1.7
1961	37	19.4	1.7
1962	27.9	16.5	1.14.

It is noticed that although the rate of natural increase has dropped this year that the figures for births and deaths are on a par with those of recent years.

32. The total population of the area has increased from 1939 to 1958. This increase is mainly a natural one as migrations out (84) exceeded migrations in (79) by five. There was also an error of - 2 discovered in last years figures for KAGO Village, which correction must be taken into account.

33. There are 48 people away at work including one female working at the Catholic Mission YONGAI. This represents 14% of the total adult male labour potential as compared with 15% in 1961.

34. There are six children at Administration schools, five at KOKODA and one at Port Moresby, but 62 attend mission schools. This latter figure is a considerable drop from the 141 attending these schools in 1961. A possible explanation for this drop is the dance cycle at present in progress in the Chirima. The majority of these children attend the school at C.M. YONGAI.

EDUCATION.

35. As indicated above in para. 37. there are only 67 pupils at school from the Chirima as compared with 141 in 1961. Such a fluctuation is by no means unusual either in the Chirima or other the Census Divisions in the Goilala, as it is difficult to convince these people of the value of education, or to get the children to prefer going to school to their life in the village.

HEALTH.

36. Health in the Chirima is apparently good. A native medical orderly accompanied the patrol and gave treatment to all people after they lined for Census. As mentioned above under para 15, a request was made for the establishment of another aid post at GOROVAKU in the Lower Chirima. The existing aid post at GARIPA is new and in good condition, also the village itself has been tidied up considerably apparently due to the influence of the N.M.O. in change of the aid post.

AGRICULTURE.

37. There is little Agricultural Development in the Chirima Census Division as far as an economic proposition is concerned. However it was noticed particularly in the Upper Chirima that a variety of European vegetables, shallots, tomatoes, peas, beans, cabbages, pumpkin, potatoes, carrots and oranges and mandarins were present. The Upper Chirima people are also interested in the growing and processing of parchment coffee. It is unfortunate however that this effort is virtually doomed to frustration if marketing is not taken up in this Sub-District. (For more on this see my Waitape Patrol Report 9/61-62 to the DILAVA Census Division).

38. As stated above under Attitudes, these people are very concerned with the linking of the Chirima to WAITAPE by vehicular road.

CONCLUSION.

39. This was a good and useful patrol to the Chirima Census Division, and the presence of two officers ensured that adequate attention could be given to the people, their villages, their needs and aspirations. It was also a pleasure for myself to renew old acquaintances since patrolling the Chirima in 1961 for the Piaggio Search and Tax, Census patrol in the company of Mr. Hill.

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Cadet Patrol Officer.

Memoranda accompanying this report.

35-3-1 Application Mission lease YONGAI C.M.  
35-15-1 Mission leases  
35-15-2 CHIRIMA Census Division  
35-15-3  
35-15-4  
35-15-5 Lease Application IONGAI.  
35-15-6 Agricultural lease. C.I.235 Report.  
38-3-3 Applications for Shotgun permits.  
67-1-2 Patrol Report.

67-4-1    Camping allowance Application.  
92-1-1    New Village Officials CHIRIMA C.D.  
92-1-2    Village Officials R/S.  
92-2-1    New Councillor BEREVESA  
Patrol Maps Attached.

ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK	LABOUR POTENTIAL	FEMALES	Size of family	TOTALS (Excluding Absentee)

**WINTER PATROL 12/61-62**  
Adapted & amended from N.G. HAWARA's MILLIKEN  
**SCALE = FOUR MIL**

Adapted & amended from N.G. K-Namara's Mililinch  
SCALE = FOUR MIL

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Patrol Route.

NOTE: The Blue NEON does not appear on existing maps, however apart from frequent reports of its size and the swamps its existence is established beyond doubt by air photographs. The name NEON is the native name by which it is known throughout the area.

J. Houston.

