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KUKIPI

	Officer	
Patrol No.	Conducting Patrol.	Area Patrolled.
1-53/54	K.E.Connolly	East coast and inland groups of Moveane, Popo and Kovio
2-53/54	K.E.Connolly	Small area north of Hells Gate.
1-54/55	G.G.Hardy	Inland Kovio villages
2-54/55	W.J.G.Lambden	East Coast
3-54/55	D.A.Elder	Moviati and the Western Motu- motu group.
4-54/55	D.A.Elder	Lese, Popo, and Kovio groups
1-55/56	D.A. Elder	East Coast
2-55/56	R.A.Hole	Toaripi Census Division
3-55/56	R.A.Hole	Kovio villages.

GULF DISTRICT

KEREMA SUBDISTRICT

KUKIPI PATROL POST

PATROL REPOR

1953/54 1954/55 #955/56



PATROL REPORT

District of GULF Report No. KUKIPI 1 of 53/54
Patrol Conducted by K.E. CONNOLLY P.O
Area Patrolled EAST COAST AND INLAND GROUPS OF MOVEAUE, POPO . KOUTO
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans
Natives. 4 R.P.C.
Duration—From. 10 / 9 /10 63 to 22/ 10/19 5.3
Number of Days. 28
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services DEC ./19.52
Medical /18
Map Reference
Objects of Patrol CENSUS AND ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
Director of Native Affairs,
Director of Native Affairs, PORT MORESBY.
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Patrol Post,
Kukipi. G.D.

October 25th 1953.

The Assistant District Officer, Kerema. G.D.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1953/54.

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

K.E. Connolly, P/O.

AREA PATROLLED:

East coast & inland groups of Moveave, Popo, and Kovio.

DURATION OF PATROLS

Commenced September 10th 1953 Completed October 22nd 1953 Actual days spent on patrol - 28 days.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING:

Reg. No. 6910 Const: NARE-KARIA.

" 8006 " EVARA-KAIVIRA.

" 7801 " ENGIJA-KERARI.

" 7142 " MEDURI-BUNEBO.

LAST PATROL TO AREA:

December 1952.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

Census and routine administration.

Forwarded please.

K.E. Connolly Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION.

The area patrolled was all East coast villages between Kukipi Patrol Post and Cape Possession, and the inland villages of the Moveave, Popo, and Kovio groups. The main reason for the patrol was for census purposes.

A total of 36 hamlets and Villages were visited, comprising a population of 11,044.

Method of transport was by the M.V. Toaripi in the first instance, thence on foot or by cance.

DIARY.

Thursday September 10th. Departed Kukipi Patrol Post 0830 hrs. Arrived Hamuhamu approx. 0930 hrs. Objects of patrol completed in three Hamuhamu hamlets. Departed and arrived back at P.P. 1530 hrs.

Friday September 11th. Visited MAMEKEA Village ajacent to Post. Census and inspection conducted and returned to Post.

Saturday September 12th. On Station. Sunday September 13th. On station.

Monday September 14th. Departed station 1000 hrs. on foot. Arrived KUKIPI Village 1030 hrs. Census and inspection conducted. All disputes heard. Returned to station 1400 hrs.

Tuesday September 15th. Public Holiday. Observed on station. Some paper work completed.

Wednesday September 16th. Departed Station 0845 hrs. Arrived ISAPEAPE Village 0945 hrs. Objects of patrol completed and returned to station, arriving 1600 hrs.

Thursday September 17th. On station. Friday September 18th. On station.

Arrived LILEFIRU Village 0845 hrs. Objects of Datrol completed and returned to station 1830 hrs. (Outboard engine laying broken down en route).

Sunday September 20th. On station. Monday September 21st. On station.

Tuesday September 22nd. Departed station per cance 0915 hrs. in slight drizzle, becoming heavier later on. Arrived HEAVAIA and HEATOAKE Villages 1100 hrs. Census of HEATOAKE. Camped for night in joint rest house.

Wednesday September 23rd. Census of HEAVA LA Village. Some disputes heard before dusk.

Thursday September 24th. At HEAVALA. Hearing of disputes and complaints all day. In spection conducted of both HEAVALA and HEATOARE. Completed work for day 1800 hrs.

Friday September 25th Heavy rain delayed departure of patrol. Finally departed 0915 per cance. Visited Terapo Cath. Mission at request of Father-in-Charge. Departed 1130 hrs. per mission launch, transferred to cances at HEAVAIA Village, and proceeded onto TAPAIA and SAVAIVIRI Villages, arriving SAVAIVIRI 1645 hrs. Staged for night. Objects of patrol completed at both villages.

Sasurday September 26th. Heard a few disputes at SAVAIVIRI. Departed per cance 1040 hrs. Arrived Kukipi P.P. 1210 hrs

DIARY (Continued)

Sunday September 27th. to)
Sunday October 4th.) On station.

Monday October 5th. Departed Kukipi Patrol Post per M.V. Toaripi 0830 hrs. Called in at IOKEA village, and proceeded onto MORIO(Oiapu), arriving 1300 hrs. approx. Census and inspection conducted of MORIO and ROVE Villages. Staged for night.

Tuesday October 6th. Census and inspection of UAFURU, LAUIRAVA, and and LAUROVO Hamlets. Heard disputes and complaints and completed paper work.

Wednesday October 7th. Departed MORIO Rest house 0830 hrs. on foct. Walked along beach. Arrived SAROTA 0930 hrs. Objects of patrol completed and camped for night.

Thursday October 8th. Departed SAROTA 0800 hrs on foot. Walked along beach arriving Moru (L.M.S.) Mission station 0900 hrs. Departed and arrived IOKEA Village 15 minutes later. Census conducted of MIRAPO and MOROSERAI hamlets. Staged for night in IOKEA rest house.

Friday October 9th. At IOKEA. Census conducted. Heard disputes and complaints. Inspection carried out.

Saturday October 10th. Departed IOKEA 0950 hrs. Walked along beach.

Carried out in spections of MIRAPO and MOROSERAI Hamlets. Crossed MIARU River, and arrived MIARU Village 1150 hrs.
CENSUS of MIARU proper and hamlets of SAVORIPI and ERAVIRI. Camped for night.

Eunday October 11th. At MIARU. Inspections carried out. Some paper work completed.

Monday October 12th. Departed MIARU 0730 hrs. Walked along beach.

Arrived joint rest house of IESE Villages 0830 hrs.

Census conducted of KAVORA and MARAKEA Villages (comprising hamlets of AUAVUVU, MAVIARU, and AVIHARA). Staged for night. Met Father Gasser on patrel this area.

Tuesday October 13th. At LESE. Conducted census of ILAVA Village. Heard disputes and complaints.

Wednesday October 14th. Departed AVIHARA(Lese) 0750 hrs. per cance.
Arrived at garden hamlet of PAVURU 0830 hrs.
Departed on foot arrived at another garden hamlet known as UALAI on edge of Salt lakes 0900 hrs. approx. Transferred to cances and crossed lakes arriving the other side 0945 hrs. Departed on foot once more, over good track made through swamps and arrived KAISAVA Village 1230 hrs. Carried out inspection and departed, arriving LULDAPO Village 15 minutes later. Carried out imm census of KAISAVA and LULDAPO and MIKAFIRU Villages. Camped for night.

Thursday October 15th. At LULUAPO. Heard disputes and complaints during morning, and carried out inspections during afternoon.

Friday October 16th. Departed LULUAPO per cance 0530 hrs. Proceeded up KAPURI Creek against very strong current, but no undue difficulty apart from obstructions encountered en route. Arrived URIVA Village 1415 hrs. Camped for night. (N.B. Future patrols. Itwould be impossible to paddle against current after heavy rains). Census and inspection of village.

DIARY (Continued).

Saturday October 17th. Departed URIVA 0600 hrs. Arrived KAPUI 1415 hrs.

This is an extremely poor track and consists of moss covered roots and boulders, and walking was extremely difficult and tiring. There are two patches of sago swamp; one patch of about 15 minutes walking a short distance from URIVA. and the other comprises the last half hour before KAPUI. Through these swamps there are no tracks. The track itself is ill-defined and at times disappears altogether. Future patrols should not attempt this walk after even a roderately heavy shower of raim, as part of the way, the track follows the PANIMA Creek. Census and inspection of KAPUI. Camped for night.

Sunday October 18th. Departed KAPUI on foot 0600 hrs. Arrived at IOMA Creek/ Transferred to canoes. Departed 0750 hrs. Proceeded downstream joining LAKEKAMU River, arriving URULAU 1900 hrs. Camped for night.

Monday October 19th. At URULAU. Objects of patrol completed.

Tuesday October 20th. Departed URULAU 0530 hrs. per Moveave cances.

Proceeded down LAKEKAME River. Arrived native plantation of MIRIKARIKARA 1245 hrs. Settled land dispute. Departed approx. 1400 hrs. and proceeded downstream to LALAPIPI Village on the coast, arriving 1600 hrs. Staged for night.

Wednesday October 21st. Objects of patrol completed at LALAPIPI village.

Departed LALAPIPI per cance £000 hrs. Crossed

mouth of LAKEKAMU River to MIRIVASI Village. Census and inspection

conjucted and proceeded onto URITAI Village. Commenced census. Staged

for night.

Thursday October 22nd. At URITAL. Census completed. Inspection carried out and some disputes heard. Departed on foot walked along beach to ISAPEAPE Village arriving 1100 hrs. (hour from URITAL). Transferred to canoes arriving Kukipi Patrol Post 1200 hrs. Patrol Completed.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

DISPUTES, COMPLAINTS, ETC.

A total of 12 C.N.A. Cases were heard on, or as a result of the patrol, but most disputes and complaints were settled out of Court.

The main source of dispute was overland, tand followed by pigs and women - in that order. Possession of land is obviously the most important aspect in the lives of most of the male population, and in many cases, disputes which had been decided as far back as 1930, were again raised. Fortunately, in the majority of these cases previous patrolling officers had recorded their decisions, and it was possible to prevent further argument between disputants. However numerous new cases were brought to the attention of the patrol, most of which were settled satisfactorily, but unfortunately, not always to the liking of all disputants concerned. In these cases, it was necessary to make a decision in order to prevent further argument over the land in question, which besides causing ill-feeling, had in many instances led to blows. A few land matters were deferred until further information was available, and they will be settled as soon as possible.

In the majority of disputes, the land and trees went together, but in some instances, the land, and the trees growing on it, were owned by different parties. It was usually found in these cases, that the disputants were distantly related, or belonged to the same clan, but were living in different villages. This **THERE** tended to complicate, rather than simplify matters.

The Moveave in particular, proved difficult to deal with in regard to anything concerned with money, trees or land. Compromise as a means of settlement was, in most cases impossible, and as mentioned earlier in this report, it was necessary to give a clear-cut decision and enforce it. However, I have no doubt that future patrolling officers will be confronted with the same problemns and disputes brought to me, and officers before me. It is not the fact that the Moveave are short of gardening land or food trees; on the other hand they have an abundance of both, and are doing their utmost to grab more.

Of the Moveave group, HEAVALA Village is woefully short of building space on the present site of the village. The village is over-crowded to say the least, and the HEATOAREs who own land immediately ajacent to HEAVALA, are unwilling to part with it. Unfortunately most of the Moveave land consists of sago swamps, unsuitable for buildings, but a few possible village sites were seen on the banks of the Lakekamu river where many of their gardens are situated. If the problemn of over-crowding becomes any worse, it may be necessary for the village to split up. This however, could lead to dissension.

Numerous other complaints and disputes were brought to the patrol, but most of them were merely petty domestic quarrels. Even so, a considerable amount of time was spent on them, and a lot of patience was necessary.

CO-OPERATIVES

The co-operative movement is well established throughout the Kukipi area, production of copra being the main industry, but all the existing societies have flourishing trade stores. However it is apparent that the people themselves are not benefiting in any way from the surplus profits. For instance, water supplies are obtained fither from a well - in which the water is always brackish - or from a river, in which the water is seldom clean. This could be remedied by the addition of a water cachement and a few tanks, but not one tank was seen the whole area.

CO-OPERATIVES (Continued)

It is my opinion that a Co-Operative officer in this area is an essential, for only with constant supervision and full-time advice, can the profits from these co-operative societies be utilised to raise the living standards of the natives themselves. This, after all, is the main object of the co-operative movement.

VILLAGE COUNCILS

The District Commissioner (Mr.K.C. Atkinson) had already broached this subject during his patrol of this area last May. However, I think that the establishment of Village Councils would, at this stage, be a little premature, with the possible exception of IOKEA Village. The councillors here, as a matter of course, keep minutes of all their meetings, and these were given to me for perusal and approval of resolutions passed in regard to village matters. This is by far the most progressive village in the sub-division, but even in this instance, I think it would be advisable to wait a few years.

VILLAGES.

As in the case of the previous patrol, much re-building and renovation of villages was noted, but in most instances a definite time limit was given for the completion of houses. I suspect that many of the partly finished houses ween, have been in that state for some considerable time, and the owners living in "Temporary" hovels on ground level where they appear quite content to remain. Only two prosecutions were made for dirty houses, and these were in a deplorable state, but warnings were issued where necessary, that further prosecutions would follow if there was not an immediate improvement in present conditions.

KUKIPI have an ambitious housing project which is well underway, and this should be an excellent village when completed.

URITAI housing is disgraceful and the village officials were instructed to take steps to remedy this.

All villages in the LESE group are endeavouring to get some order into their housing plan, which at the present moment resembles the City of Sydney on a minor scale.

MARAKEA in the immediate vicinity of the station, is slowly being eaten away by the sea. They are considering moving a short distance up the Tauri river.

IONEA housing strangely enough, is poor. Instructions were issued accordingly.

The hamlets of HAMUHAMU, TAURIHAMU, and TAVAFURU have decided to combine in a single village, which has already been commenced. This should be a good one when completed.

Housing and sanitation in the KOVIO group is still very poor, but they are learning slowly and will not doubt improve.

General conditions in villages not specifically mentioned are satisfactory.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

For remarks see Appendix 'A'.

LITERACY

For remarks see Appendix 'B'.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

All coastal tracks were well kept and showed signs of constant attention. The track between URIVA and KAPUI was long and difficult. Two bad patches of sago swamp did not help matters. (For further remarks see diary).

The Lese and Popo people have built up a good read over a large area of swamp between their respective villages, and walking has been made easy since the area is quite flat.

MAPS.

Most village positions would appear to be fairly accurate, but it was not possible to verify this with compass fixes. However, it is thought that KAPUI is situated further north up the Moncton river. The patrol travelled by cance from KAPUI to LALAPIPI situated at the mouth of the Lakekamu river, but it is difficult to say exactly where we entered the main stream of the Lakekamu. The river was never less than 30 yards wide at any point and the current extremely powerful.

CENSUS

Population figures show a general increase of 413 since the last census 12 months ago.

Of 476 births recorded, 17 have died in the first year. This is an infant mortality rate of only 3.6%. The birth rate has been calculated at 413.9%.

All totals are shown on the census sheet.

HEALTH

Generally throughout the sub-division/is good. Quite a few cases of years and tropical ulcers were seen at Moveave, although an aid post is established there.

Aid posts are also established at UAFURU, SAROTA, IOKKA, MIARU, AVIHARA, LULUAPO, URITAI, ISAPEAFE, KUKIPI and MARAKEA (Motumotu). All these are running satisfactorily. Mission hospitals are situated at Moru, Koaru, and Terapo, the former two being run by the L.M.S. and the latter by the Catholics. All have sufficient supplices.

Urgant medical cases are sent direct to Kairuku or Port Moresby on the M.V. Toaripi, but there have been very few in this category over the past three months.

MISSIONS.

The London Missionary Society and Catholic missions are operating in the area, and there is a lot of bad feeling between the natives of the two denominations. The Moveave and Lese groups are a good example of this, where both churches have substantial followings, and/continually squabbling over sundry petty matters.

L.M.S. stations are situated at Moru, Koaru, and Heavala(Moveave), while the Catholics are established at Terapo. The latter also have a large piece of land at Oiapu, near MORIO village, where they have a school.

REST HOUSES

These were all quite good.

EDUCATION

Governmet schools are situated at MIARU and MIRIVASI villages, and are frequently visited by the District Education Officer. However, he is at present on leave and will be returning sometime after Christmas. All villages have mission schools established, and it is believed that they are visited regularly by their respective missionaries, but the native teachers themselves are not of a very high standard, and it is my opinion, that most of them are unfitted to instruct children of school age.

The children are keen enough to learn, but the adults are unwilling to put themselves out in anyway to obtain this education. An example of this was seen at lese. These people are a mere 40 minutes walk(along the beach) from MIARU, where a government school is operating, but are unwilling to build a dormitory for the accomadation of their children. On the other hand, they state that it is 'to far' for the children to walk every morning, and if the children boarded there, it would mean that they themselves would have to carry food there. (These schools obtain rations on the understanding that they are supplemented with native foods). Thus they are content to wait till a government school is established at Lese, which is unlikely to be for sometime, due to lock of teachers.

CONCLUSION

The patrol was carried out over broken periods extending over 42 days, in order to fit in with routine duties on the station, but in actual fact only 28 days were spent on patrol. The patrol was accompanied by George Malaisa, Interpreter, who gave valuable assistance.

K.E. Connolly
Patrol Officer.

REPORT ON VILLAGE CONSTABLES.

VILLAGE

NAME

POSU-MITAHARO

REMARKS

Satisfactory. Has control of village.

Hamuhamu, Tavafuru, Taurihamu. Marekea Kukipi Isareane Lilefiru Heavala Heatoare

PISAI-MIREVEKA SIVIRI-MARERE TATIOVA-OAPA KAIRU-OI MITAEVERAVE-Mora FEOPE-SAVAE

Old hand. Shrewd but appears capable. Satisfactory and helpful, contrary

Tries hard & doing a fair job. Satisfactory.

Savaiviri Morio Uafuru, Lauirava, Laurovo. Sarota Tokes Moroserai, Mirapo Mign Sav ripi, Eraviri. Avihara

SETAI-EVOA UTIKAU-TORE KAIKA-OPE LIHERI-AIERE

KAIKA-MOA TURIA-SARUFA PUKARI-SEMESE

UARI-MAE KEAI-MARAI LAHO-SEVESE

to revious remarks. Tries but not very bright. Satisfactory.
Good man and doing a good job.

Marakea

Kavora, Tlava

Kaiseva, Luluapo

Uriv Kapui, Ürulau

Valapipi, Hir vasi

Uritai

HAHAUKA-ARAVAFO

PUKARI-KAKARE

Lemo-Oeka

Capable and has control.
Young man with initiative. Cap
Older man but appears capable. Capable. Only fair. Not much control.
Satisfactory.
Retired on pension, but still controlling village due to lack of suitable apointee. Satisfactory. Appears strong character & capable. Poor. No control. Well meaning but not bright. Satisfactory. Old r d. Satisfactory.

- 1. It is recommended that another Village Constable be appointed at HEAVALA Village, which is much too large for one man to control effectively.
- 2. To date no ...ccessor has been found to relieve the ex-Village Constable of AVIHARA.
- 3. The hamlets of URIVA, URULAU, and KAPUI are approximately one day apart and are at present allegedly controlled by the Village Constable of URIVA. This is an impossible task, but failing a combination of the 3 hamlets, nothing much can be done, unless a Village Constable is appointed to each hamlet.

APPENDIX (B)

LITERACY FIGURES.

Standard: Able to write name in long hand.

VILLAGE		NO. FEMALES		NO. MALES
Hamuhamu)				
Taurihamu)	••••	42	••••	12,
Tavafuru)		22		26
Marekea Kukipi	••••	73		110
Isapeape	*****	130	••••	175
Lilefiru		140	••••	173
Heatoare		89	*****	125 301
Heavala		260	••••	41
Tapala	****	29	••••	82
Savaiviri	••••	58 24	••••	30
Morio	••••	25		44
Rove	••••	-		
Uafuru Louirava		50		69
Laurovo)				
Sarota	••••	273	••••	47 320
Iokoa	• • • • •	273	•••••	520
Mirapo)		28		733
Moreserai)		20		
Miaru)		60		193
Savoripi) Eraviri	••••			
Avihara		106		117
Marakea		95	••••	120
Kavora	••••	69	••••	34
Ilava		27	••••	5
Kaisava	••••	31 21		38
Luluapo	•••••	21		29
Mikafiru	••••	i		98 34 5 38 29 9 1 2 46 55 169
Uriva Kapui			••••	1
Urulau			•••••	2
Lalapipi		33 43	••••	40
Mirivasi	••••		••••	169
Uritai	•••••	141	••••	
Totals		1864		2491
Grand Total		4355		
Percentage of	Population	39.4%		

APPENDIX (C)

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

Reg. No. 6910 Const: NARE. Acted as senior constable. Performed all his duties satisfactorily but has not much initiative. Inclined to be sulky when everything is not just right. A better station man.

Reg. No. 8006 Constable EVARA. A good man and a willing worker. Obeys orders to the letter, but able to think things out for himself. With further experience will make a good N.C.O.
7801

Reg. No./Const: ANGIJA. Carried out all his duties satisfactorily but not very bright. A willing worker.

Reg. No.7142 Const: MEDURI. A cheerful member who carried out all his duties in a satisfactory manner.

Inclined to be lazy at times.

Officer of the R.P. & N.G. Constabulary.

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Gulf District, Gulf K I KORI.

10th December 1953.

The Director, D.D.S.&.N.A. PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT KUKIPI No 1

Please find attached the abovementioned Patrol Report submitted by Patrol Officer Connolly.

Native Affairs: The position in the area is fairly satisfactory. No matter what time or year a patrol visits a village, land disputes are raised, in many cases I feel that the people, more or less, like to bring up these matters for discussion merely for the sake of takking.

Throughout the past year, many rumours of Cargo Cult Outbreaks have been reported, but outbreaks of same very seldom eventuate, if they do, they are only over small areas, and affect only a few individuals.

Co-operatives: - Although, as stated, the Co-ops seem, or are, flourishing in the area, it seems a pity that they are not making good use of their profits. Tanks etc in villages would be a great improvement as the water supplies in these areas is not very

It is a pity, that no doubt, owing to shortage of staff, the Co-opSection cannot have an officer at KUKIPI fulltime.

Villages:- If the people of HAMUHAMU, TAURIHAMU and TAVAFURU are prepared to amalgamate, it may be a good thing, provided that their enthusiasm for amalgamation continues. There is of course always a tendency for clans to break away from each other resulting in a dilapidated village and scattered halmets eventuate.

Census: - It is pleasing to note that there is an increase throughout the Sub-District in population.

Education: - Officers are at all times instructed to advise the people of the benifit of Mducation and every encouragement is given by District Field staff patrolling throughout the villages towards the advantages of Education. The yearning for learning is there, but most people want it at their front door. It is a pity that they do not as yet realise that there must be some effort on their part to help themselves, and not depend on us for everything.

Maps: - Would you please have six sun prints of the attached map made abd forward two to Kerema, two to Kukipi and two for Kikori.

J.O'Malley ct Commissioner.

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The District Commissioner, KIKORI

KUKIPI Patrol Report No.1/53-54.

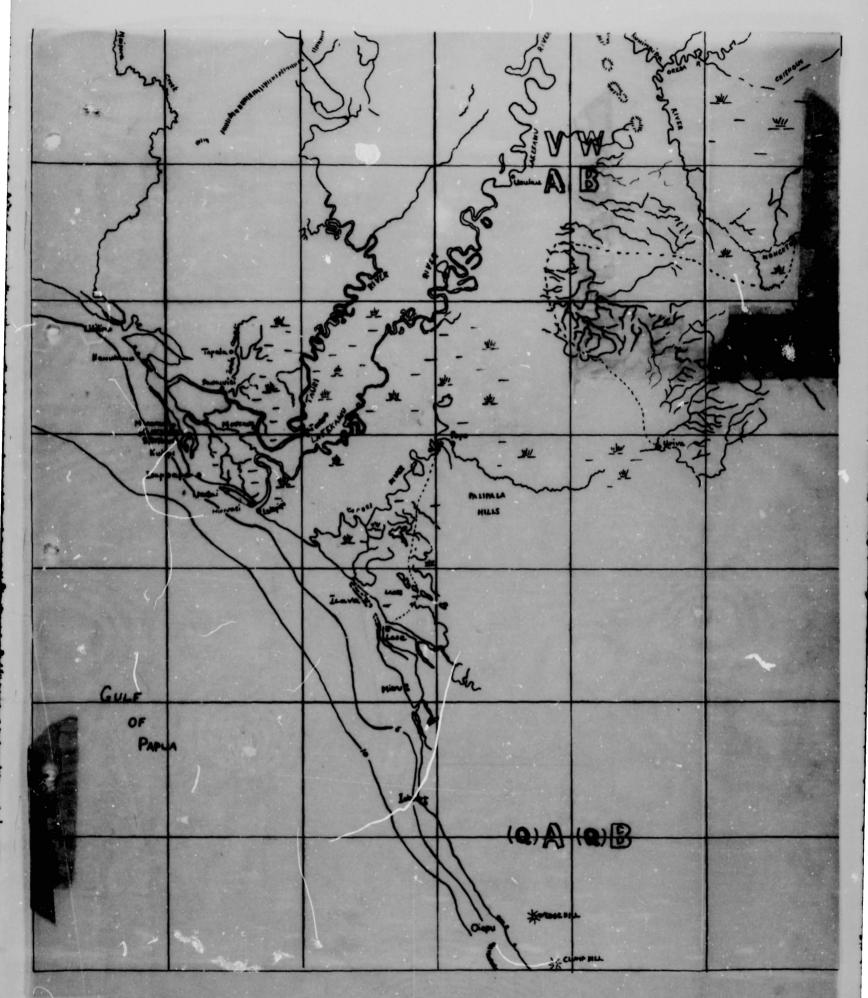
Patrol of the East Coast and the inland Groups of MOVEAVE, POPO and KOVIO has been received, with thanks.

Patrol and has presented a well set out Report which depicts a situation not altogether unsatisfactory. The large population visited appears to be flourishing despite some shortcomings in their way of life, and are well served by hospitals and aid-posts. It is to be hoped that the staff position will allow more regular patrolling of this area than once a year in the future, as it is mainly by consistent and painstaking field work that notable progress can be achieved. It is evident too, that it would always be necessary that the patrolling officer be a man of some experience. Land matters can be most complicated and representation and careful thought so that a sound and land ag decision can be reached and entered in the village book.

Registrar, and as usual, paragraphs of interest to other Departments, will be extracted. The map is being sumprinted as requested.

(A.A. Roberts), Director DDS&NA.

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EAST COAST PATROL (Reference Kukipi Patrol Report No. 1 of 53-54)

KUKIPI PATROL POST

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PATROL REPORT

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29th Dec, 1953

The District Commissioner, KIKORI

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Patrol Report No.2/53-54. KUKIPI .

Reports of the combined Patrol by Mr.K.E.Connolly, Patrol Officer, and Mr.B.E.Bowman, Cadet Patrol Officer, have been received with thanks, and the description of the arrest of native PATEIPA and the land purchases on behalf of the Roman Catholic Mission, noted.

The more difficult objective was successfully achieved, however great caution should be exercised in sending native policemen on their own in this type of work unless there is absolutely no possibility of counter action.

The good sketch map drawn by Mr. Bowman will be copied as requested.

A.A.Roberts,. Director.DDS&NA.

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Office of the District Commissioner Gulf District KIKORI

16th "ecember 1953

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Patrol Post, Kukipi, G.D.

November 14th '53.

The Assistant District Officer, Kerema.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1953/54.

Officer Conducting Patrol: K.E. CONNCLLY, P/O.

Accompanied by:

B.E.B. BOWMAN, C.P/O.

Native Personnel accompanying: Reg. No. 2739 L/Cpl. SAUWARA,

6910 Const. NARE. 8006 " EVARA EVARA. 6909 6911 KAVIRI. MIRAVEKA. 7801 1628 ANGIJA. MAUDJAI.

Objects of Patrol:

To investigate alleged murder in Hells Gate reigon.

Duration:

Eight days.

Map Reference:

4 Mile strat: WAU series.

INTRODUCTION

On Wednesday November 4th, mission teachers from PUTEI settlement, north of Hells Gate, arrived at Kukipi station, carrying a Kukukuku woman who had received a deep knife cut, extending from the back of the head down to the neck. They reported further, that another woman had been arrowed by the same man and was believed to have died in the bush. The perpetrator of both these assaults was alleged to be one PATEIPA, a Kukukuku male native.

Acting on this information, and with the approval of the District Commissioner, a patrol proceeded to the area with the object of making further investigations, and if possible, to apprehend the native or natives concerned.

DIARY

Friday November 6th. Carriers departed with bulk of patrol gear 0700 hrs. per cances. Self and Mr. Bowman, departed Kukipi per outboard cance 1000 hrs. Arrived Moveave 1130 hrs. and walked through Heavala village to the Tauri river proper. Proceeded upstream to Terapo mission and after a short stop continued on up the Tauri. Met cances at URUPUTIRA, a Moveave garden camp at 1840 hrs. and camped for night.

Saturday November 7th. Broke camp 0645 hrs. Continued upstream with the current beginning to get very strong. Arrived APUAPU, another Moveave garden hamlet 1200 hrs. and camped for the night. Here the patrol met a Kukukuku from the PUTEI area, but no reliable information was forthcoming, except that PATEIPA was alleged to be still at PUTEI, which was extremely unlikely.

Sunday November 8th. Departed APUAPU 0700 hrs. The current at this stage was very powerful, and the outboard engine could travel no faster than the remainder of the canoes. Camp was made in heavy rain at 1400 hrs. on the bank of the river. This camp was made approximately ½ mile from the old government rest house marked on the map. Here information was received that PATEIPA was living in a garden hamlet below PUTEI.

Monday November 9th. Constable MAUDJAI (a Kukukuku) with two local guides departed 0545 hrs. and proceeded along the Tauri, with instructions to endeavour to obtain the exact whereabouts of PATEIPA. He was then to meet the main party along the inland track and plans would be made accordingly. Self and 4 constables departed 0700 hrs. with two guides, and proceeded along the inland track just mentioned. This "track" was ill-defined and the bush extremely dense and the guides had some difficulty in finding their way. Several small streams were crossed and the party-followed one known as PANIMA for some distance, actually walking in the stream itself as there was no other route. An abundance of leeches did not help matters. At approximately 1145 hrs. the guides warned us that we were approaching PATEIPA's camp, and as we had seem no signs of Gonst: MAUDJAI and his party, decided to go ahead. Accordingly the patrol spread out and approached the only but that could be seen. However, apparently PATEIPA had received prior warning and left sometime previous, leaving his haversack and a few artisles of clothing. After a short spell the party continued onto PUTEI settlement. The two guides were sent in ahead to ascertain the possibility of PATEIPA being there but without result. One Kukukuku family only were present and they informed the patrol that they had not seen PATEIPA since the 3rd. Mr. Bowman, in the meanwhile had proceeded upstream with the cances, and a rendez-vous was arranged at PUTEI. Met Mr. Bowman's party at 1300 hrs. and camp was made on the junctions of the Tauri, Opio and Petau'i rivers. Const. MAUDJAI arrived 1630 hrs. having seen no signs of PATEIPA.

DIARY (Continued)

Tuesday November 10th. At PUTEI. Information received as to the whereabouts of PATEIPA. Consts: MAULJAI and ANGIJA sent with two guides, with instructions to ascertain the truth of this informatiom, and iff possible apprehend PATEIPA. They were ordered to be back at the camp by the lith afternoon at the latest and on no account to follow himfurther. Mr. Bowman commenced compass traverse of Catholic Mission lease.

Wednesday November 11th. At PUTEI. Mr Bowman completed traverse.
Consts: MAUDJAI and ANGIJA returned to the camp 1730 hrs. having made an arrest. They had apparently caught up with PATEIPA at dusk on the 10th at a bush hamlet, and kept watch on him all night. At dawn they had caught him as he walked a short distance from the house. His wife accompanied him down to the camp. Guards detailed for the night.

Thursday November 12th. Patrol departed PUTEI 0700 hrs. in dull weather, the outboard enginge having refused to start, due to a faulty spark plug, Proceeded downstream and camped KURUVA, a Moveave garden hamlet, at 1515 hrs.

Friday November 13th. Departed downstream 0650 hrs. Called in at Terapo mission, and after a short stay continued down to Vulnital attention armiving appropriately 1600 hrs. tinued down to Kukipi station arriving approximately 1600 hrs.

CONCLUSION.

While up at PUTEI relaible information was received that the woman who had allegedly been arrowed to death, had in fact received three errows in her body, but was still alive and living in a bush hamlet. The natrol unfortunately, could not get any information of her condition or her location, and it would have been futile remaining in the area on her account. The woman hat been futile remaining in the area on her account. The woman who had been brought to Kukipi, is now receiving attention in the Kerema Native Hospital, and is reported to be making a good recovery. The success of the patrol was due mainly to the good work of Consts: MAUDJAI and ANGIJA who are to be congratulated.

> .E. Connolly Patrol Officer.



PATROL REPORT

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Duration—From 16/8/1954 to 21/8/	19.54	
Number of Days	6 (Six)	
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Last Patrol to Area by-District Services Octobe	er_/19.53	
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Map ReferenceSee attached tracing	Miles to 1 Ir	ch Strat. Series
Objects of Patrol Census Revision and		
DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES AND NATIVE AFFAIRS, PORT MORESBY.		
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5th October, 1954.

The District Condssioner, Guld District, KIKOLI.

Putrol Report . KUKIPI. No.I of 1954/55

The receipt of the above-mentioned Report submitted by Cadet Patrol Officer G.G.Hardy, regarding his Patrol of the KOVIO villages, is acknowledged.

The plan of carrying out a follow-up Patrol to these villages accompanied by a Duropean member of the Public Healt Department should, if practicable, be carried out. Now that a Medical Officer has been stationed at KERENA, either he or his Assistant should be at times available for field wo , after the former has settled into his new Post. The native situation in this area would seem to have perceptibly improved although the state of KAPUI village is poor and further efforts should be made to rectify this.

The proposal regarding the surchase of land, said to be outed by the MOVEAVI, for the UNDLAU people is not viewed with favour by legal opinion. The two groups could, if both parties were willing, negotiate a settlement in meen themselves regarding the few agrees of land required, according to local native content. The Administration should however not enter into or have any part in such a transaction. It is said that 'everyone seems in favour of combining to form one village'; perhaps this may be the best way to resolve the problem. The claim to ownership of the land too might bear further investigation. If the land in question really belongs to the MOVEAVI and they are not willing to settle the matter of their own accord with the WMAN people it would seem that the latter will just have to go back from whence they came or combine with the one of the other KOVIO groups.

I agree that it would be desirable to see at first hand what form the 'civilizing' efforts of fassion achievents took, in regard to the inland people at the head of the TAURI and LAKEKAMU rivers.

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DISTRICT SERVICES District Office Gulf District KIKORI.

In Reply Please Quote

No30/1-182

eptember 20th. 1954.

Director D.D.S.&. N.A PORT MORESBY.

Subject:

54/55 Patrol Report No.1 of KUKIPI.

The above Report is forwarded in triplicate.

It appears to have been well carried out.

TERAPO MISSION LEASE.

I shall ask the A.D.O.at KEREMA to ascertain if the boundaries were fixed. If fixed, they should be recorded somewhere, otherwise the time and effort is wasted.

URULAU Village Land.

My own personal knowledge of the area is alight but I believe the land is MCVIAVI land. This being so, and it being accepted that it is desirable for the URULAU people to remain on the river, the land must be acquired. I suggest we purchase from the MOVIAVI and the URULAU people acquire from us at a price equal to what we paid the MOVIAVI. If they cannot raise coash they can supply an equivalent amount of labour or materials for the new Post at KUKIPI.

Would you please let me have your views as soon as possible. Such matters should not be allowed drag on longer than necessary.

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D.Allen.

District Office 30/1-182 KIKOHI.

September 20th. 1954.

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..D.Allen. a/D. .

Sub-District Office, Gulf District, KNOWN.

9th September, 1954.

The District Commissioner, Gulf District,

EURIPI PARROL REPORT NO.1 OF 54-55.

The above report is forwarded herewith.

The patrol appears to have been competently carried out and reported.

It would be a retrograde step if the UNUIAU people were forced to move off the river. The Moveaus people lay claim to a wast area of bush and can easily afford to sell a few acres to these people.

Advise would be appreciated on this policy matter.

Staff permitting, a follow up patrol will be made within the next quarter. It is heped that P.H.D. will make available an officer to accompany that patrol.

a/Assistant District Officer.

Patrol Post. KUKIPI. 28th.August, 1954.

District Commissioner, District Office, KIKORI.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO. 1/1954-55.

OFFICER CONDUCTING THE PATROL: G.G. Hardy, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: The Inland Group of KOVIO.

DURATION OF PATROL:

Commenced 16th.August, 1954. Completed 21st.August, 1954. Number of days

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: Reg. No. 6944 Const, MIMARI, " " 1649 " TAVAILOGO, " " 8556 " MURI, Interpreter MALAISA.

LAST PATROL TO AREA: October, 1953. began elimbing the the dividing range of utils and

the commit at midday. Till Williams and reached at 1-50pm.

OBJECTS OF PATROL: Census and routine administration.

G.G. HARDY)

Cadet Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION: The last patrol to the KOVIO Group was a census patrol in October, 1953, conducted by Mr.K.E.Connolly, Patrol Officer. The date of the last medical patrol is not known from records at this office. The purposes of the present patrol were census revision and routine administration. The KOVIO Group is comprised of the villages of URIVA, KAPUI and URUALU. A small hamlet PANIMA, about 2 hours walk from URIVA lines at URIVA for cenus. It consists of only two families.

DIARY

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Monday, Left KUKIPI Station at 9am. by cance and reached ISAPE16th.August. APE at 10-15am. Then walked along the beach to URITAI
and arrived at LAKEKEMU River at 11-10am. Crossed the
river to LALAPIPI, which village was left at 12 noon and KAPURI reschabout one hour later. Left KAPURI at 1-15pm. on 2 cances and proceeded up KAPURI Creek against the falling tide. POPO Village was reached at 6-20pm. Slept in POPO resthouse.

Tuesday,

August 17th.

Village at 4pm. Census revision and inspection of the village carried out. POPO Carriers paid off in tobacco for their return to their village the next morning.

Wednesday, DepartedURIVA at 6-35am. and after 2 hours walking reach18th.August.

ed the small hamlet of PANIMA. After another two hours
began climbing the the dividing range of hills and
reached the summit at midday. KAPUI Village was reached at 2-50pm.

Census was checked and the village inspected. The patrol's arrival
coincided with the arrival of 3 canoes which had been sent up from
MOVIAVI on my instructions.

Thursday, 19th.August.

Left KAPUI at 6-45am. and walked downstream for 50 min19th.August.

utes to the canoe laimit. Started downriver at 7-45

am. Travelled down the KUNIMAIPARiver into the IAKE
KAMU River and reached the camp at the mouth of the OLIPAI River about

3pm. After half an hour continued on down rives and reached URUIAU
at 8pm.

It appeared so though the pine is occupied only soon a putrol appears

Diary Cont'd:

Friday, 20th.August Checked the centsus and inspected the village. Discussed land position with URULAU people as regards their occupation of land claimed by the MOVIAVI.

Departed URULAU at 7-45am. and continued down river, arriving at EOPOI Hamlet opposite TERAPO Catholic Mission at 5pm. Walked through to the Mission, where the patrol stopped the night.

Saturday, 21st.August. Accompanied by Father Blanc of the Mission, tried to determine the boundaries of the TERAPO lease from a map of the land held by the mission. Returned to KUKIPI. End of Patrol.

AFFAIRS: The general native situation appears satisfactory. None of the usual petty disputes were brought up for settlement, and there appears to be none or very little of the bickering and arguing found elsewhere. Everyone seems in favour of cembining to form one village, but each village maintains the other two should come to it, and so nothing is done. URUIAU Village is built on land claimed by the MOVIAVI (who lay claim to as much land as they can on the LAKEKAMU River). A couple of years ago an agreement was reached before a patrolling Officer that the MOVIAVI would "sell" the land to the KOVIO. No payment has yet been made and both sides realise that they can't legally buy or sell aand. The URULAU people have no goods to pay for the land anyway, and they requested that the land on which the village is situated, bteween one and two acres, be bought by the Administration and transferred to them. Otherwise they will probably have to vacate the land and return inland away from the river which would be a setback to them as they have in recent years learnt the art of cance making. Also being on the river makes them more The people were told that their request would be referred on and they would be advised of the decision.

HOUSING & SANITATION: URIVA Village was in excellent order and the housing was good. A number of new houses were in course of construction.

KAPUI Village was not good, being overgrown with grass and rubbish. It appeared as though the place is occupied only when a patrol appears on the horizon. Considering the nomadic tendencies of these people this is not surprising.

Housing Cont'd:

URUIAU Village was in good condition, orders re rewalling of houses, given by the previous patrol having been carried out.

AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK: These people seem to be gradually forsaking their nomadic habits, and are starting fair sized gardens, especially at URIVA where the Mission teacher is in charge of operations.

Quite a few pigs were seen and these were of the usual village type.

date of the The/last medical patrol to the KOVIO Group is unknown. HEALTH: General health appears good although a Medical patrol would no doubt uncover some illnesses etc. An infant at KAPUI was seen with yaws and the father was instructed to takeit to TERAPO for treatment. A man with what appeared to be some form of septic dermatitis was also ordered to Terapo. The appearance of some of the people suggests there might be a fair incidence of T.B. The wife of the V.C. at URIVA had been ill for sometime with what appeared to be T.B. However the woman refused to go to hospital. The V.C. reported before the patrol left next morning that someone had made a few magic passes over his wife during the night and she was making a speedy recovery. I heard later that the woman died that same day.

MISSIONS: The L.M.S.Mission has a teacher in each of the three villages. Also there are two establishments run by an L.M.S.teacher on the LAKEKAMU River opposite the effluence of the OLIPAI River and FISH Creek. Kukukuku people from the headwaters of these two streams are there making gardens. It is also reported that a number of MOVIAVI men of the L.M.S. following are wandering about in the Kukukuku country at the head of the TAURI and LAKEKAMU River of their own accord, doing some "civilising".

CENSUS: Statistics showing present and previous figures are attached to this report.

RESTHOUSES: The resthouse at URIVA is in only fair condition, there is none at KAPUI and a new one is being built at URULAU. In none of the villages were there Police Barracks. Instructions were left for these matters to be attended to.

VILIAGE OFFICIALS: There is one Village Constable for the whole Group, living at URIVA. As he is an old man it is doubtful if he ever sees the other two villages. The Counciller ors at Kapui and URUIAU seem to have a heavy job on their hands without the support of a capable Village Constable. As the population does not warrant more than one V.C. a younger man was selected to report to KUKIPI for appointment.

ROADS:

There is only one days walking and that is betw ween KAPUI and URIVA. It is only a bush track and while it is not very rough going, a couple of dago swamps along the way do not improveit. It is a good 8 hours walk from URIVA to KAPUI.

ANTHROPOLOGY:

- (a) General No observations.
- (b) Specimens collected for Territorial

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CONCLUSION:

It is unfortunate that there has been such a lapse of time since the last patrol, but the opportunity to conduct a patrol earlier in the year could not be found. These villages are only visited on an average of once a year for census purposes. Although the communities are only small, routine patrols in the intervening period would no doubt do much good, especially if they could be done in conjunction with a medical patrol.

(G.K. HARDY)
Cadet Fatrol Officer.

Report on Members of Royal Papuan Constabulary accompanying Patrol.

Reg. No. 1649 Constable TAVAILOGO.

Carried out his duties satisfactorily.

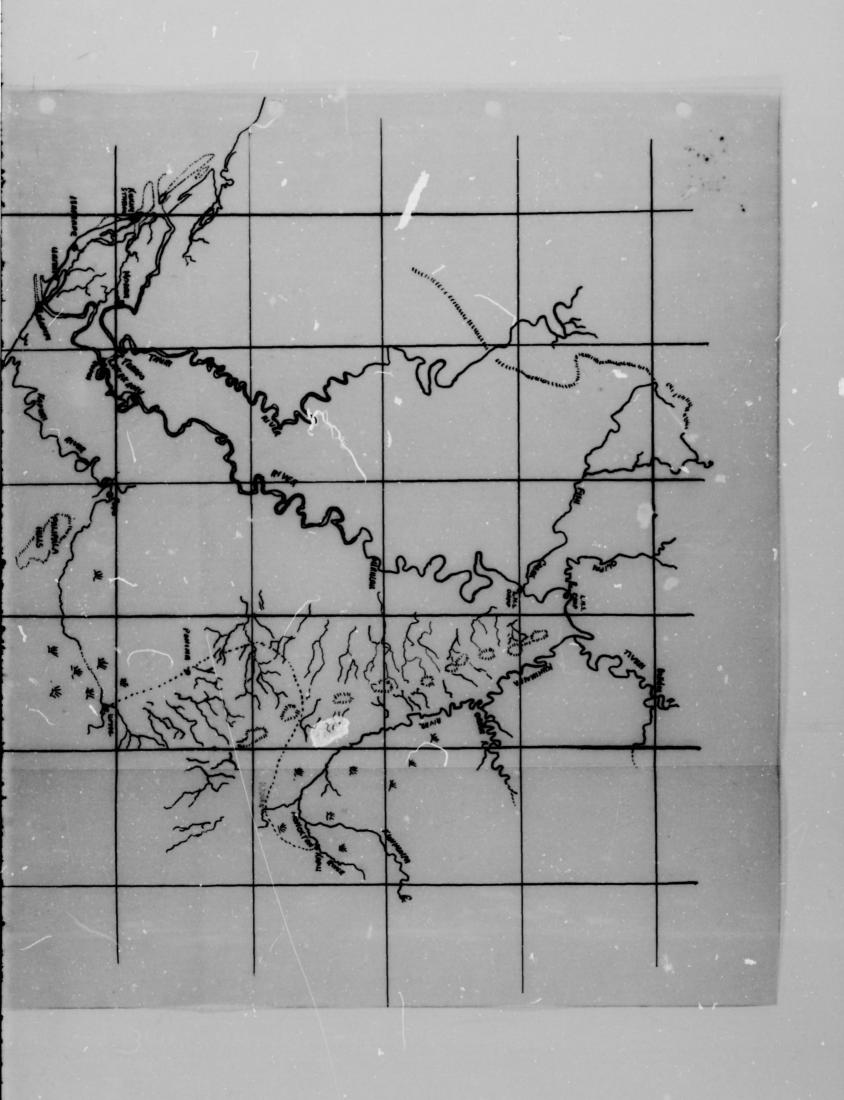
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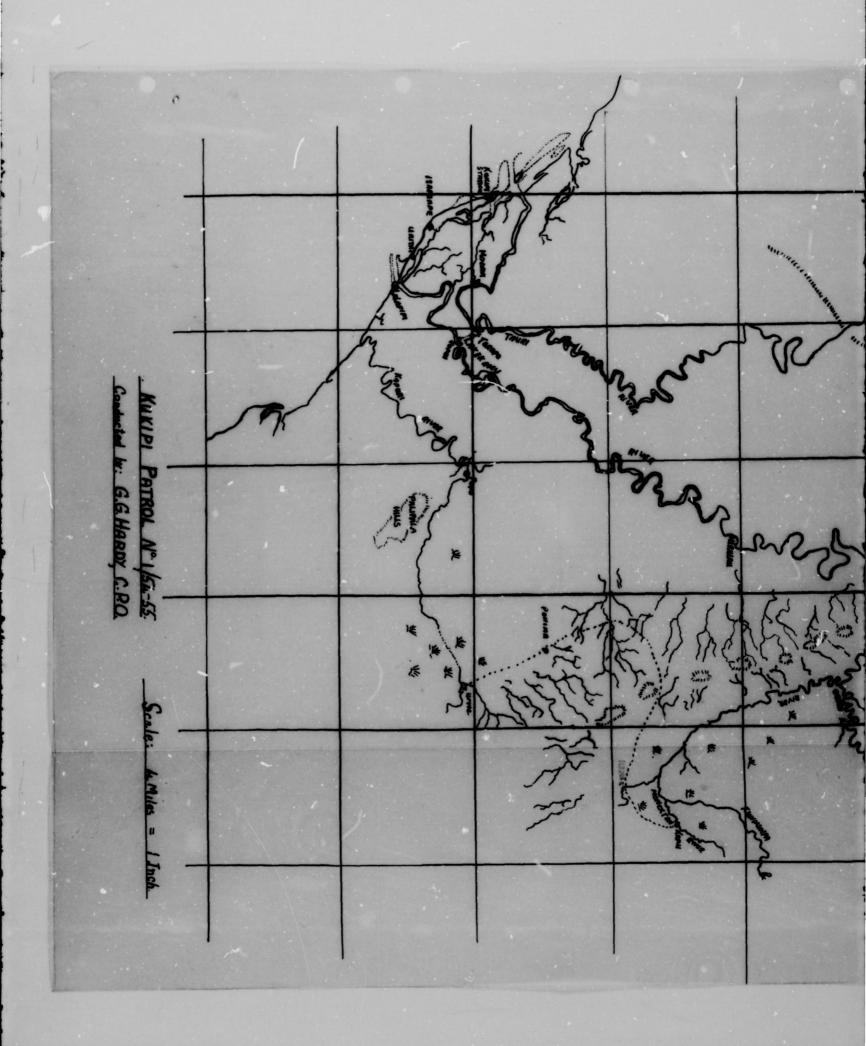
An alert type who worked conscientiously at all times.

Constable MURI Re.No.8556

Young and inexperierced but seems intelligent. Worked satisfactorily.

Officer of R.P.C.





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

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Map to accompany
Kukipi Patrol Report.
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Sub-District Office, KERNA. 25th November '54

The District Commissioner, Bulf District,

PATROL REPORT - KUKIPI NO. 2 84/85

Territory of Papus and New Guine

Forward herewith please find a report of a patrol of the coast East of KUKIPI carried out by Mr. W. J. G. Lembden, Patrol Officer.

S. The formation of an Area Council including LESE and IOKEA was the subject of my memorandum 14/8-510 of 11/11/54.

S. Census figures have been with-held pending completion of the Sub-division by Mr. P. Marris, P.O., in the near future.

4. The patrol was of a routine nature and appears to have been competently carried out.

(M. J. Denchy)

erritory of Papua and New Guir

Patrol Post,

30/2/154



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply Please Quote No. 30-1/312

District Office, KIKORI, Gulf District, 4th December, 1954.

The Director, Dept, District Services & Native Affairs, Port Moresby.

Patrol Report No.2/54-55. Kukipi Patrol Post.

Please find attached the a/m report submitted by Patrol

Officer Lambden.
Mr, Lambden was only stationed at Kukipi until relief was available. It will be noted therefor that the P.O discontinued his patrol, Mr CPO Harris having arrived to take over the Post.

NATIVE AFFAIRS. Conditions appear to be favourable in the area patrolled. The water supply for IOKEA Village, is not before its time. This is a flourishing village, and the project will be of great benefit to the people. I feel that they should be encouraged to get on with the scheme as soon as possible.

visited in the area patrolled, were in reasonably good order.

EDUCATION. It is good to note also, that students are attending the schools situated at MAIRU and MIRIVASE, and that quite a number are at the school at Kerema.

District Commissioner.

30-2-154

14th Documber, 1954

The District Commissioner, Colf District,

Patrol Report MUCIPI No.2 of 1951/55

W.J.Lambdon, Patrol Officer, Pollowing his Patrol of coastal villages to the east of Kukipi, is administed.

The pative situation, including an impressive preponds once of his his over docths, would seen generally satisfactory in these coastal villages between Knicipi and the District boundary at the present time.

Assistant has been active with regard to field worde in this area recently, which is all to the good.

have been passed to the staff section for implementation.

and thoroughly conducted and has been adoquately reported upon-

Mr.W.J.C.Lambden, P.O., C/- sub-D's trict Office, KAIRUKU - C.D.

19 November 54.

The Assistant District Officer,

Patrol Report No. KUKIPI 2/54-55.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY: W.J.G. LAMBDEN P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: HAST COAST

ACCOMPANIED BY: Const. NIMARI

" EVARA

Court Interpreter GWORGE MALAISA

DURATION:

22/10/54 - 13/11/54 (in broken periods)

14 actual days on patrol.

LAST D.D.S. FATROL: OCTOBER 1953

LAST P.H.D. PATROL: OCTOBER 1954

OBJECTS OF PATROL: 1. CENSUS REVISION

2. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

MAP REFERENCE: STATE STRIES YULE ISLAND SHEET.

(a) Diary.

Friday 22 October 54.

Departed Kukipi per M.V. Tossipi at 0730. Arrived IOKEA at 1130. Census revision of LIMAPO and general admin. during afternoon.

Saturday 23 October 54.

Census revison and general admin, at IOKFA all day.

Sunday 24 October 54.

Working on census figures all day.

Monday 25 October 54.

Departed in company of Mr. Luke EMA for CIAPU villages at 1000. Arrived 12 noon. During afternoon of census of hamlets of UAFURU, LAURERAVA, LAUROVA, and MORIO. Mr. Luke returned to IOKEA.

Tuesday 26 October 54.

Census revision of ROVIO and general admin. Departed at 1100 and arrived SAROTA hamlet at 1200. Census revision and general admin. Departed at 1500 for MIARW via IOKMA and arriving at 1730.

Wednesday 27 October 54.

Census revision and general admir. at MIARU and ERAVIRI haulet all day.

Thursday 28 October 54.

Departed MIARU at 0600 and arrived AVIHARA at 0700 Census revision and general admin. at hamlets of AVIHARA and MARAKEA during the morning. Crossed to KAVORA hamlet for census revision and general admin. during the afternoon.

Friday 29 October 54.

Departed AVIEARA at 0600 and arrived ILAVA hemlet at 0700. Census revison and general admin. Departed 1000 arriving LALAPIPI Zat 1200. Census revision and general admin. Crossed to MIRAVASE at 1500. Census revision and general admin. Slept URITAI rest house.

Saturday 30 October 54.

Departed at 1300 and arrived Kukipi Station at 1430.

Sunday 31. October

Observed.

Monday 1 November 54.

Attending to Station matters.

Tuesday 2 November 54.

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Wednesday 3 November 54.

Walked to ISAPEAFE during the morning for census nevision. Returned to Station.

Thursday 4 November 54.

To Kukipi during the morning for disus revision and to MARBURA during the effernoon. Returned a Station.

Friday 5 to Wadnesday 10 November 54.

Attending to Station matters.

Thursday 11 November 54.

Departed Kukipi at 0700. Arrived at the mouth of the Kapuri River at 1000 and embarked on cances. Arrived POPO at 1630.

Friday 12 November 54.

POPO hamlets of KAISAVE, LULUAPO and MIKAFIRU.

Seturday 13 November 54.

Departed POPO in carmes at 0800. Commenced walking at 0900. Walked until the canoes were met at 1100 Embarked on canoes and arrived Terapo Mission at 1600. By launch to Movieve and the n by canoe to Kukipi Station arriving there at 1900.

End of Patrol .

(b) Introduction.

- 1. As the author handed over the Station to Mr. Harris P.O. on 20 November 54 it was necessary to discontinue the patrol leaving the village groups of Moviave, HAMMAM, and LILETIAU still to be censused.
- 2. The patrol visited all villages Fast of Kukipt to Cape Possession, the border of the Gulf and Central Districts.
- 3. With the exception is of the inland village of POPO all villages visited are coestal villages not over 2 hours apart.

X (c) Native Affairs.

4. There is a flourishing Co-operative movement in the area. All villages have their own Society stores and are all members of the Toaripi Association of Native Societies. At POPO and LESE it was reported that the societies in these 2 villages had been giving out credit to their members. This was reported to the Co-operative Inspectors at Kukipi who have since made their recommendations to the Registra. of the Co-operatives. That practice has now ceased.

During the patrol 3 cases were heard in the Court for Attive Matters resulting in 3 convictions for sorcery and unlawfully striking. Sorcery is a very common cause for complete in this area. One of the main hotbeds of sorcery is UNITAL village where a men have been convicted on sorcery charges. This village was also the scene of a a murder over sorcery a couple of years ago. Many and various minor disputes over pigs, money and ownership of coconut palms were settled out of court with the aid of the village councillors. With the present price of copra their coconut palms are now valuable assets. As all villages are within a days talk of Kukipi Station most of their courts are brought into Station for settlemnet.

- 6. The people of LESE and IOKEA approached me regaring the establishment of an Area Council. This matter has since been investigated by Mr. Denehy a/A.D.O. at Kerema. This matter has since
- 7. The people of IOKEA have an ambitious plan to supply water to their village. This village has out aside £800 for the project and propose to build a dam across a small creek at the rear of the village. From this dam the water will gravity feed through pipes to the village. Mr. Brown of the L.M.S. at MORU has drawn a plan of the project and is previding all the technical knowledge and assistance that he can. he can.

(d) Villages.

8. All villages visited during the petrol were in good order. Several of the villages have rebulding schemes under way. These villages are constructing new houses b with silo walls and added timber.

9. All villages have rest houses and police barracks which without exception are in good order.

(e) Roads and Bridges.

10. As nearly all villages visited are stuated on the beach most of the roads along the beach. In several places there are inside tracks but during the middle of the day these tracks become unbearably hot and it is much pleasanter to walk along the beach. Where there are track they are in good order.

(f) Village Officials.

11. All V.C. 's and Councillors and encountered have been doing a good job. Most disputes and minor twoubles in the villages are brought into Carrier for settlement. All effences against the Native Regulations are brought into KUXIPI to be heard.

(g) Agriculture and Livestock.

12. The staple diet of these people is sago of which there is an abundant supply in the large swamps at the reprocess willeges. Ther foodstuffs grown are pineapples, bananas, pawpaws, sweet poteto and tero.

73. Pigs dogs and fowls are plentiful in all villages. The country in between POPO and the Lakekamu Biver is alive with all tubes of bird life.

Health.

14. Wr. Luke E.M.A. Kereme had just prior to this patrol, completed an inspection of all sid posts in the area.

There are aid posts established at most villages the area. The village people come in quite throughout the erea. The readily to these aid posts.

16. The general health of the area appeared to be good Sipoma is very prevalent throughout the trea.

(1) Missions.

17. Both the London Missionary Society and the Mission of the Sacred Heart (R.C.) are working in the area. The L.M.S. staffed by Mr. & Mrs. Brown has its headquarters at MORU. and the M.S.C. at Terapo is in charge of Father Blanc.

18. Boarding schools are established at MORU, and MOVIAVE by the L.M.S. and at Perapo by the M.S.C. The L.M.S. Movieve school is staffed by a Samoan feacher. All these shools take in both male and female pupils. Both mission, also have village schools staffed by native teachers.

Terapo and by Mrs. Brown of Moru.

20. There are 2 village higher schools established by the Department of Education in the area. Both these school are staffed by native teachers and are situated to MIARU and MIARUASE. Both male and female students at end these schools.

21. Quite a large number of of students are attending the Kerema Girls School and the Coronation Central School at

(1) Census.

22. A total of 7577 people were censused in 23 villages and hamlets. I have estimated that there are still 3-4000 people to be cansused.

23. A total of 329 births and 97 thaths were recorded troing a total natural increase of 232.

A total of 771 men, women and children were recorded as being about from their villages.

25. In all villages the people came readily for census and kept quiet throughout the proceedings.

(1) Anthropology.

No observations

No specimens were collected.

(G. Lambden.) Patrol Officer. Officer.

Report on members of R.P. & N.G. C. accompanying KUKIPI Patrol No. 2/54-55. Reg. No. 6944 Const. NIMARI. On loan from Kerema for the patrol. Proved an excellent patrol policeman. Disipline and bearing excellent Reg. No. 8006 Const. EWARA. Also on losn from Kereme for the pateol. A good all round policemen. An excellent shot.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Gulf	Report NoKukipi	3/54-55
Patrol Conducted by D. A. Elder Cadet	Patrol Officer.	
Area Patrolled MOVIAVI AND THE WES	TERN MOTUMOTU GROUP	
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans		
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Duration—From7./.3/1955toI.0/3	/19.55	
Number of Days.	Six	
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?No		
Last Patrol to Area by-District Services	/10/19.53	
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

No. 30-1/7/3

DISTRICT OFFICE, KIKORI. GULF DISTRICT. 3rd June, 1955.

The Director, Dopt, District Services, & Native Affairs, PORT MORESBY.

P/r No. 3/54-55 Kukipi Patrol Post.

Please find attached the a/m report.

Page.2. Native Affairs. These requests from parents continue every time a patrol visits the area. Most of those concerned are in Port Moresby.

Para h. This is a good move. HEAVALA Village has been overcrowded for some years.

Para 5. The adoption of the Kukukuku children is another practice which goes on all along the Kerema group of villages. I feel that it is a good thing, and when the children have grown up, they generally return to their clan, and by this time they have had, or learnt, quite a lot about the Administration and of Mission activity, which they pass on to their people. It is also a means of establishing friendly relationship amongst these people.

Page. 2 Agriculture. It is good to note that they appear to have have a good supply of food in this area, also pigs and fowls.

Page. 3. Health. It is pleasing to note that the health throughout the area is good. Census figures indicate very low infant mortality and death rate.

Page. 1. Education. These people appear to have taken the opportunity and no doubt they appreciate the establishment of schools in their area, shown thus by attending same in large numbers.

Page. 3. Village Officials. Officials according to the report are doing their job satisfactorily. Village Constable Jack has been recommended for the Loyal Service Medal.

Page 3 & 4. Villages. All were found to be in fair condition, including the rest house and barracks.

Page 4 & 5. Conclusion. There has been quite a few changes in staff in the Kukipi area, but now that the station is nearly completed, more time will be given to patrolling the area.

Mr. Elder CPO has carried out a very good patrol.

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District Commissioner.

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Patrol Post, Gulf Division, KUKIPI.

21st March 1955

The Assistant District Officer, Gulf District, KEREMA

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 3/54-55

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

D.A. Elder, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: MOVIAVI and western MOTUMOTU groups.

OBJECTS OF PATROL: Census and routine administration.

DURATION OF PATROL: Six days 7th to 10th and 12th-18th March 1955

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: No. 6943 Const TIVIRARI

Court Interpreter SARA

LAST PATROL OF AREA October 1953

MAP REFERENCE Strat series Yule Island sheet.

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Introduction

The census figures given with this report comprise the complete figures for the east coast area. The majority of these were compiled by Mr Lambden P.O. whose report Kukipi Patrol Report No. 2 refers. The area left unvisited when he left this district consisted of MOVIAVI and part of the MOTUMOTU group west of Kukipi station. That area is the subject of this report.

Diary

Monday 7th March 1955

Left Kukipi station at 10.30 by cance for SAVAIVIRI arriving at 12.30 having been slowed down a little by the outgoing tide. A census check and village inspection carried out during the aft afternoon. Spent the night at SAVAIVIRI resthouse.

Tuesday 8th March

Departed SAVAIVIRI at 7.45 by cance for TAPALA on the incoming tide arriving at 9.00. After a short stop proceeded to MALALAUA aerodrome 2 hour by cance and 2 hour walk from TAPALA. Returned to TAPALA at noon. Census during the afternoon. Left at 5.45 by cance for HEATOARE village arriving there at 8.00pm. Slept at HEATOARE resthouse.

Wednesday 9th March

Census check, village inspection and general administration Slept at HEATOARE resthouse.

Thursday 10th March

Census check and village inspection at adjacent HEAVALA village. Left at 5.00 for KUKIPI station arriving there at 6.30.

Friday 11th March

At station compiling census figures.

Saturday 12th to Tuesday 15th March

At Kerema for the visit of His Honour the Administrator

Thursday 17th March

Left KUKIPI station at 10.00 by cance arriving at LELEFIRU at 12.30. Census check and village inspection cerried out. Slept at LELEFIRU resthouse.

Friday 18th March

Left LELEFIRU at 9.00 for HAMUHAMU where a census check of HAMUHAMU, TAVAFURU, and TAURIHAMU was completed. Left at 2pm for KUKIPI station arriving at 4.30.

END OF PATROL

Native Affairs

Minor complaints and requests were heard in the various villages, these consisted mainly of land disputes where a great deal of patience was required in arranging a satisfactory settlement.

In the MOVIAVI group the disputed ownership of land is a frequent cause of trouble. The trouble in most cases was found to arise from the practice of these people of planting trees on land which is not their own, or allowing others to use their land for gardens. This practice is now being discouraged. Broadly speaking the disputes concerned fruit from trees planted by one man on another's land. The old councillors of these villages and in particular V.C. JACK were of great assistance in settling many of these disputes their good memories being frequently called upon to give a clear picture of the ownership of the land in question. Settlement of disputes over land in the future will be even more difficult when these older men die out.

A large number of requests was receimed from old people for their children to return to the village from their places of employment in order to support their aged parents who are now past the stage of being able to get adequate supplies of food for themselves. The children of these people are now being contacted and failing their return to the village some form of maintenance may be arranged.

A group of men from HEAVALA village are planning to move and build another village further up the TAURI river. This plan has been given the approval of the Assistant District Officer at KEREMA and at present 35 men together with their wives and children plan to make the move. This move when completed will greatly assist in relieving the serious overcrowding in HEAVALA village which now has a population of over 1300. This single advantage of the move will greatly outweigh the disadvantage from the administration angle of the proposed settlement being two days upstream from the present village. The need for a well constructed village on a good site was stressed on these people.

It is now common practice for the followers of the L.M.S. at MOVIAVI to visit the KUKUKUKU people at the headwaters of the TAURI river spreading the mission influence. It would be interesting to see just what these people are doing in this area. The only possible result noted during the patrol was a few newly adopted KUKUKUKU children.

Native Agriculture and Livestock

Sago constitutes the staple diet of the people of the area and these trees are found in abundance in the numerous swamps and low lying ground of the area. Sago is supplemented by bananas, pawpaw, pineapple, and sweet potato. Tomatoes and oranges grow well and are frequently brought to the station. Fish also plays an important part in the diet of these people.

Many pigs were observed atall villages together with large numbers of fowls of a good type.

Health

Health throughout the area was found to be generally good and the census figures indicate a very low infant mortality and death rate. A number of cases of yaws were noted in the MOVIAVI villages but all these cases were reported to be under treatment from the Catholic Mission at TERAPO.

Education

Mission schools are well established in most villages of the area. At LELEFIRU practially all the children of the village attend the L.M.S. school at KOARU further along the beach. A fair number of students from these villages were found to be attending Administration schools at Kerema, Idubada, and Sogeri.

Roads and Bridges

The two means of movement in this area are by cance or by foot along the beach. Little walking at all was done throughout the patrol but for the walk along the old A.P.C. road to MALALAUA aerodrome. This road has badly deteriorated and is washing away in many places being quite impassable to any but pedestrian traffic.

Airfields

During the patrol the aerodrome at MALALAUA was visited. A recent instruction from D.C.A. that the grass on the aerodrome is to be cut at three monthly intervals instead of monthly as previously instructed is now being carried out; the work being performed in rotation by each of the four MOVIAVI villages. The aerodrome was visited at the end of the threemonthly period and the grass on the airstrip was found to be well over two feet high. D.C.A. have now been advised of the position.

Village Officials

The village officials of the area all appear to be doing a satisfactory job and were of great assistance throughout the patrol V.C. JACK of HEATOARE continues to be the controlling influence in the MOVIAVI group and has also been a great help with the construction of the new patrol post at MIRIVASE. This man seems long overdue for a Loyal Service Medal.

Villages

All villages visited were found to be clean and in good condition with the possible exception of the overcrowded HEAVALA village where pigs were noticed inside the village fences. These people were given a warning against any repetition of this practice.

Villages cont'd

In the coastal villages rebuild ny programmes are progressing and those people were urged to have work completed in the near future.

The resthouses and police barracks in all villages were in excellent condition.

Missions

Both the London Missionary Society and the Roman Catholic Mission have a strong following in the area and relations between both missions in the various villages appear to be most cordial. The Catholic Mission have a station at TERAPO one hour upstream from MOVIAVI while the L.M.S. Samoan Pastor in MOVIAVI village and a mission sub-station at KCARU 4 hour along the beach from LELEFIRU. Both missions are actively engaged in medical work in the area.

Census

The total population of the area was found to be 11,311 which indicates that the steady increase in population since the initial census has been continued at approximately the same rate as in previous years.

Births were found to exceed deaths by 549 to 161 a natural increase of 388. Very few females were recorded to have died in childbirth and the infant mortality rate was found to be very low.

A total of 1557 men, women, and children were absent from their villages, either, at work, living at their husbands or father's place of employment, or at school government or mission. This number of absentees seems to have little effect on these villages as the labour potential and population in the village remain reasonably high.

Anthropology

- (a) No observations were made.
- (b) No specimens were collected.

Conclusion

At all villages large quantities of food were brought forward and every effort was made to make the patrol welcome. An excellent concert was staged one night at HEATOARE village where great variety of items were presented.

It is regrettable that the east coast area had to be c covered with two patrols and that there should have been some delay between the two. The frequent staff changes and the pressure of work with the building of the new patrol post at MIRIVASE can be held responsible for this delay. The previous officer at this station Mr Harris when pushing ahead with the construction of the new station found there was no time in which this area could be visited

Conclusion cont'd

However with the end of work on the new station in sight it is hoped that villages in the area will be visited more frequently tham once a year for the yearly census check which has been the case previously.

Cadet Patrol officer G.D.

Report on member of Royal Papuan and New Guinea Constabulary accompanying Kukipi Patrol No. 3/54-55

Reg. No. 6943 Const. TIVIRARI

A useful policeman. Appearance and discipline very good.

(D.A. Elder) Officer of R.P.C. ula'

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Gulf	Report No. Kukipi 4/54-55
Patrol Conducted by D. A. Elde	r. C.P.O.
Area Patrolled LEGE POPO an	d KOVIO groups
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans	Nil
Natives	3
Duration—From21./5/1955to	57/6/19.5.5
Number	of DaysBight
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?	No
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5th Sept., 1955.

The District Commissioner, Gulf District, KIKORI.

PATROL REPORT KUK. 4/54-55. MR. D.A. ELDER, CPO.

Having dealt with the subject of native local government in the LESE area in other correspondence, repetition here is uncalled for. Suffice it to say that the need for implementing some form of area machinery there is indeed acknowledged. I trust that the Assistant District Officer has been able to make some progress in his preliminary investigations.

2. Guidance and advice on planning the housing and layout of the new KOVIO village can be supplied by the Officer-in-Charge, Kukipi. The probable need for an investigation of land ownership before itinerant hamlet dwellers begin a combined permanent village should not be overlooked. In this context, something more than 'frequent patrols' will be needed to hold these people in their village (vide page 4) - if that is what is desired.

3. Mr. Elder has conducted a good patrol and is to be commended for his work in what is undeniably one of the most difficult areas in Papua.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply Please Quote No. 30-1/769



District Office,

KIKORI. G. D.

June 28th, 1955.

Director, Dept. District Services & N.A. PORT MORESBY.

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SUBJECT ; PATROL REPORT NO. 4/54-55 - KUKIPI.

Please find attached the abovementioned report submitted by C.P.O. Elder, KUKIPI.

Native Affairs.

The position at LESE does not appear good. The A.D.O., at KEREMA more or less puts this down to a lack of confidence on the part of the natives due to the delay in forwarding an officer to investigate the possibility of forming a Council in that area. The matter of a Council in that area was discussed some time in March, with the Director of D.D.S. & N.A., and also His Kenour the Administrator.

The move by the KOVIO people is a good one provided that they intend to re-build a good village.

Health.

The A.D.O. KEREMA advises that an E.M.A. will be posted to this area shortly and no doubt he can keep the Aid Posts up to date by regular inspections.

Education.

It is pleasing to note that the people are enthusetic re this school in their area.

Village Officials.

These men do their best, and whenever possible those unable to effect their duties are replaced.

District Commissioner. G. D.

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Patrol Post, Gulf District, KUKIPI

10th June 1955

The Assistant District Officer, Gulf District, KEREMA

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No. 4/54-55

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL: D.A. Elder, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: LESE, POPO and KOVIO groups.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL: Routine administration.

DURATION OF THE PATROL: Eight days. 31st May to 7th June

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: No. 8006 Const. EVARA

No. 8985 Const. HAMOA

Court Interpreter SARA

IAST PATROL OF THE AREA: August 1954

MAP REFERENCE: Strat series Yule sheet.

Introduction

The object of this patrol wasa visit to the KOVIO group. With a census patrol to visit the area in the near future it was hoped that this patrol would help to achieve greater control over these people.

The KOVIO people live in three small hamlets URIVA, URULAU, and KAPUI each a long days walk from the other and it has been difficult to make any great progress with this MEKEO speaking group. It was considered that a visit prior to the annual census patrol when instructions as to what work is to be done could be given followed by another patrol a short time later to ensure that instructions are promptly carried out would be of some value.

Any great progress with these semi-nomadic people will continue to be very slow until they settle down to live together in one village and it was hoped that some progress could be made in this direction although such attempts in the past have succeeded only in moving the KOVIO people from one small hamlet to the next.

Diary

Tuesday 31st May 1955

Left the station at MIRIVASE at 12 noon and walked along the beach arriving at AVIHARA (LESE) resthouse at 4pm. After a short halt continued along the beach to MIARU where the Village Higher School was visited. Returned to AVIHARA resthouse at 7pm.

Wednesday 1st June

LESE disputes and complaints heard during the morning. Mr. Cochrane A.E.O. arrived at the resthouse at 12 noon en route MIARU. Left LESE for POPO by an inland track arriving at LULUAPO resthouse at 5pm.

Thursday 2nd June

POPO disputes and complaints heard at LULUAPO during the morning. In the afternoon KAISAVA and MIKAFIRU hamlets visited.

Friday 3rd June

Left LULUAPO at7am arriving at 5.15 at URIVA.having been delayed by snags in KAPUl creek.

Saturday 4th June

Village inspection and medical treatment of URIVA villagerscompleted. Learned that KAPUI village was at present uninhabited. Decided to proceed direct to URULAU.

Sunday 5th June

Left URIVA at 7am and after 11 hours of almost continuous walking arrived at URULAU.

Diary cont'd

Monday 6th June

Discussion with KOVIO people regarding the combining of their three hamlets into one village. Medical treatment of villagers.

Tuesday 7th June

Left URULAU at 6.45 in MOVIAVI canoes, paddled down the LAKEKAMU river arriving at the station at 4pm.

End of Patrol

Native Affairs

The visit to the LESE group of villages revealed a most unsatisfactory state of affairs. This village has in the past been regarded as progressive and it may be incorporated in the area councilshortly to be set of including TOKEA, MIARU and LESE villages. The LESE villages were found to be in poor condition. These people seem to be a lazy lot although their lack of enegy may be the result of weak Village Constables and Councillers in the village. This village is only hours walk from the new station and frequent visits will have to be made in order to improve housing, sanitation and roads in this village area. There are many villages in the area in better condition than the LESE group.

they intended to live to gether in one village. This decision appears to be one entirely of their own choosing and it is hoped that this proves more successful than the many attempts to force these people to live together in one village. The only result of this action has been the moving of the people from one hamlet to another. On the walk from URIVA to URIUAU two deserted hamlets were passed and there are more scattered throughout the area to keylo intend to build their village at a place PUKO on the KUNIMAIPA river on a good site near to a large patch of sago trees. Both the URIVA and URULAU people favour the move and if they work together they should be able to construct a good clean village. The KAPUI people, who were living scattered in the bush at the time of the patrol, areapparently not as advanced as their fellows and are a little reluctant to join them. However as PUKO is quite close to KAPUI they should soon see the advantages of living together in one place and join the others at PUKO. These people were told that when they decided to live together patrols would be able to visit more regularly and medical work in the amea could be greatly intensified. The people intend to leave the URULAU hamlet as it is built on MOVIAVI land; they are afraid of it being someday claimed for use by the MOVIAVI people — a sound move considering the MOVIAVI's attitude to his land. These people will still have access to the station although the journey will be a little longer. However the great difficulty in the establishment of the new village will be in preventing the people from drifting back to old gardens planted recently in the vario's hamlets which will come into full production when the new village is surviving only on sago and such foods that can be gathered from the bush. The only way this may be overcome would be by frequent patroling of the area.

Native Agriculture

The semi- nomadic people of the KOVIO are only now settling down to make gardens hear their villages, the work being supervised by the mission teachers in the various hamlets. The land in the KOVIO area seems fertile and these people will be able to greatly improve their diet with produce from well kent gardens

Pige are kept in all villages although there is not a large number in the KOVIO group.

Health

The clastal people visited seemed to be on the whole healthy although the aid posts atPOPO and LESE leave much to be desired. Lack of medical supplies is a frequent cause of the poor work of the Medical Orderlies. However with the posting of an European Medical Assistant to this station Aid Josts will receive expert surpervision and should reach a much higher standard of efficiency. The N.M.O. at POPO village seems to be a poor type and many of his village people are coming to this station for their treatments. This orderly at POPO had been instructed to make visits to the KOVIO but this patrol was his first visit to URULAU. The arrangement of a patrol to the area would be a little together for the energy and ability of this particular orderly. Should the KOVIO people finally join and live together in one village an aid post could then be established and in fact one lad from the area is at present at school at KEREMA with the intention of returning to his village as a medical orderly. The general health of the villagers seems to be poor; the general increase in population evident in coastal villages is not seen in the KOVIO where epidemics with a number of deathsstill occasionally sweep the hamlets. A striking example of the poor general health of these people was a comparison of the KOVIO carriers as compared with some POPO men on the walk from URIVA to URULAU. The POPO carriers arrived at URULAU quite fresh whilst the KOVIO men were very tired.

A number of KOVIO T.B. suspects were sent to KEREMA hospital for examination.

Education

The Village Higher school at MIARU was visited; this school is doing good work in that area and has the support of the local population.

Mission schools are operation in all the MOVIO villages and the common Missionary Society head station at MONU. The great difficulty of the mission teachers of the KOVIO is in keeping the children at school when the families are still roaming around in the bush from one hamlet to the next. The teachers are also doing much good work in helping the people to build good gardens and to build canoes.

Roads and Bridges

The inland road from LISE to POPO was found to be in excellent condition having been cut the previous day when it was learnt that the patrol would be using the roats, probably the annual cutting. The people of LESE and POPO responsible for keeping the road clean were warned that a surprise inspection would be made in Luture.

The track from URIVA to URULAU was found to be extremely poor and in many places non- xistent, Swamps, creeks and fallen trees making walking rather difficult. However when the pec le combine into one village on the river this track willno longer be in use.

Village Officials

The village officials of the area visited seem to be do to fair job although several are only keeping their position, brough the lack of suitable replacement. These men have a hard job handling a difficult people.

Missions

Roth the Londor Missionary Society and the Roman Catholie Mission operate in trength in the LESE area. The L.M.S. are alone wo king at POPO and are doing much good work in the agricultural and educational fields in the KOVIO.

Anthropology

- (a) No coservations were made.
- (b) No specimens were collected.

Conclusion

It is hoped that some useful results of this patrol will be seen when the area is again visited in three or four months time for census purposes. All villages were told that they were to be visited by another patrol in the near future and that improvements in the standard of housing and village cleanliness were expected. There is room for considerable improvements in all villages visited and frequent patroling seems to be the cest way of achieving this.

If the KOVIO people are finally going to go ahead and live together in one village it can be expected that considerable progress will be made with the group. The people have said that the next census could be held at the new village PUKO an a village official has been instructed to report to the station when building on the new site has commenced. The problem of holding these people in their new village could be overcome by frequent patrols both District Services and medical. An efficent aid posthowever would probably be the greatest single factor in keeping the people together. Medical care would do much to reduce deaths and a larger and more effective labour force would make the establishment of good productive gardens much quicker and easier.

(D.A. Elder) Cadet Fatrol Officer Report on members of R.P.& N.G.C. accompanying Kukipi
Patrol No. 4/54-55

Reg. No. 8006 Const EVARA

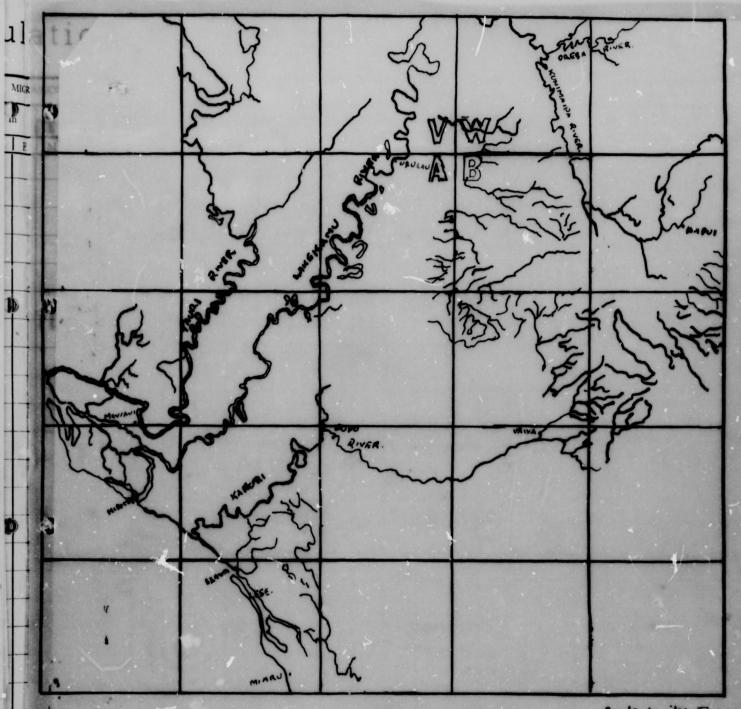
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Found to be an excellent policeman. Knows his job and does it.

Reg. No. 8985 Const HAMOA

A new man who worked well. Should improve with experience.

(b.A. Elder) Officer of R.P.C.



Scale 4 miles To 1 inch

Kukipi Patrol Report No 4/54-66



PATROL REPORT

District of Gulf	
Patrol Conducted by D. A Elder G.	P. O.
Area Patrolled	
Patrol Accompanied by EuropeansNil.	
Natives	
Duration—From1.1./7/195.5to1	6/7/19.55
Number of	DaysSix
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Sub-District Office, Gulf District, KEREMA.

30th September, 1955.

The Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

P.R. No 1/55 - KUKIPI PATROL POST

The Director's NA 30-2-1 of 3rd September 1955 refers.

The comments therein are noted, but it is considered that they are not fully justified:-

- 1. Closer perusal of the diary will indicate that Mr Elder returned to IOKEA on 14th July and again spent the afternoon in general Administration there.
- 2. It was scarcely possible for Mr Elder to give reasons why no local government officer had visited MORIPI as no advice was received until 2nd August, we'l after the completion of the patrol. Your 14-7-8 of 23rd July refers.

(A. K. Jackson)
Assistant District Officer.

c.c. District Commissioner, KIKORI.

For your information please.

(A. K. Jackson)
Assistant District Officer.

3rd September, 1955.

The District Commissioner, KIKORI.

PR.No. 1/55 - KUKIPI PATROL POST.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report. The patrol it covers is too brief to warrant detailed comment.

- 2. Mr. Elder writes lucidly and is no longer a novice. But he seems to be in too much of a hurry.
- 3. Granted that his prime purpose was adjudication of land disputes, he should appreciate that fleeting trips through areas are of scant administrative value.
- The remarks that a "certain lack of faith in the Administration" was observable amongst the LESE, MIARU and ICKEA people, due to lack of Government action regarding the natives' request for a local government council.
- and left there the following morning. That afforded little time to make observations of native attitudes, and even less time to attempt to rectify matters. It was surely Mr. Elders' responsibility to inform the people of the reasons why no local government officer has visited KUKIPI, and that initial work will be carried out by the Assistant District Officer, Kerema. I assume he has been advised of this?
- 6. I have reasons for believing that the native situation in the KUKIPI area may be even less satisfactory than Mr. Elder suspects. This will be covered by separate memorandum.

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gr (J.K. McCarthy.)
a Director.

Assistant District Officer, KEREMA.

3rd Sept., 1955.

For your information, please.

(J.K. McCarthy.)
a/Director.

cc: Mr. C.P.O. Blder.



In Reply Please Quote

No. 30-1/145.

District Office, Kikori, Gulf District, 18th August, 1955.

The Director, Bept, Native Affairs. PORT MORESBY.

P/R.No.1/55-56.KUKIPI PATROL POST.

Please find att ached the a/m report submitted by Cadet Patrol Officer Elder.

NATIVE AFFAIRS. It is pleasing to note that there has been a marked improvement in the condition and progress of the villages in the area patrolled, also that the roads etc were in good condition.

Disputes between natives over the ownership of land continues, but there is very little that one can do about it. Time and time again the same disputes arise.

Correspondence has already been entered into re the Area Village Council, and the ADO has been instructed to carry out a further investigation into the matter.

Correspondence has also been entered into in regard to the purchase of iron etc for the local natives.

NATIVE AGRICULTURE. It would appear that the diet of these people has improved considerably over the past year or so.

HEALTH. As there is now and EMA stationed in the Kukipi area, there should be no difficulty in obtaining a plentiful supply of drugs etc. The health of the peopple throughout the area visited appears to be good.

ROADS & BRIDGES. Good.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS. It is pleasing to note that the Village Officials in the area, were helpful to the patrol, and that they are carryng out a good job in their more area.

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It would be interesting to see the minutes of the meetings of the IOKEA Councillors. The ADO will be asked to obtain copies is possible.

VILLAGES. The Lese group have been living for many years close to the sea, and generally at south-east time, parts of their village is swept away by rough seas, however in the north-west the beaches build up again, and they re-build. There is very little good land in the vicinity.

There is no reason why each family could not have their own house. The people will be encouraged to build their own homes as soon as possible.

CONCLUSION. The patrol was carried out in a very satisfactory manner by the young cadet, and it is hoped that when the next patrol goes that way, that they will find that the people are still interested in keeping up the standard of their villages.

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

Patrol Post, Gulf District, KUKIPI

22nd July 1955

The Assistant District Officer, Gulf District, KEREMA

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT No.1/55-56

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL: D.A. Elder, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: East Coast.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL: Routine Administration.

DURATION OF THE PATROL: Six days. 11th to the 16th July.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: No. 6944 Const. MIMARI

No. 8006 Const. EVARA

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LAST PATROL OF THE AREA: November 1954

MAP REFERENCE: Strat series Yule sheet.

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Introduction

The object of this patrol was a visit to all coastal villages from the LEGE group to Cape Possession which forms the boundary of the Gulf and Central districts. The last patrol of the area was carried out by Mr. W.J.G. Lambden Patrol Officer in October 1954. Although the people of this area appear to have or give little trouble and maintain quite a high standard of living this visit was made for the purpose of routine administration and in order to attempt to reach settlement of some land disputes which have been causing a certain amount of ill-feeling between some of the villages in the area.

All villages are situated on the coast and none are more than 2 hours walk from the next.

Diary

Monday 11th July 1955

Left the station at MIRIVASE at 12.45 for MIARU arriving there at 5.15 after halts at ILAVA (LESE) AVIHARA (LESE). Slept of MIARU resthouse.

Thorday 12th July

Ouring the morning a land traverse and tree count of the Vill ge Higher School site at MIARU was carried out. Complaints and lisputes heard until 2.30 in the afternoon when the patrol left for IOKBA arriving there at 5.00. Slept at IOKBA resthouse.

Wednesday 13th July

Left LOKEA at 9.00 and arrived at SAROTA (OIAPU) at 10.00 and MORIO (OIAPU) resthouse at 11.15. In the afternoon to ROVE hamlet for animspection. Returned to the resthouse in the late afternoon.

Thursday 14th July

Left DIAPU resthouse at 8.00 and made an inspection of UAFURU, LAURIRAVA, LAUROVA, MORIO and SAROTA hamlets on the way back to IOKEA. Called at the L.M.S. station at MORU at 11.15. General administration at IOKEA village during the afternoon.

Friday 15th July

Departed IOKEA at 8.30 for the MIARU river at APANAIPI by an inland track arriving at 11.30. Left APANAIPI at 1.30 by cance and inspected land the subject of disputes between APANAIPI-MIARU and IOKEA-MIARU Villages on the way down river. MIARU was reached at 6pm/

Saturday 16th July

Attending to land disputes during the morning. Left MIARU at 2pm and arrived at the station at 6pm after completing an inspection of AVIHARA and MAREKEA villages in the LESE group.

End of Patrol

The first thing noticed on this patro, was the marked improvement in the condition of the LESE group of villages since the last visit on the first of June. The roads of the area are now being kept clean and considerable progress has been made with the house building programme especially in MAREKEA village. If the people continue working at the present rate a high standard of housing will be reached in a comparatively short time. These people have shown that with a little jogging they can get together and work hard to produce results. It will be most interesting to see whether this current improvement is continued.

Land disputes again made up the majority of disputes heard. The main trouble usually concerns the boundary of the land belonging to the people of the different villages. Boundaries are not recognized by all parties and this plus the occasional inter-village marriage results in encroaching by all parties. Disputes which were settled as early as 1929 are still being brought up yearly, all parties have not yet given up hope of the original decision being changed.

A certain lack of faith in the Administration exists in the LESE, MIARU AND IOKEA groups as a result of the government's failure up to the present, to honour a promise to send an officer to their area with the object of setting up an area council. These people approached His Honour the Administrator during his recent visit to KEREMA and were promised that the matter would be investigated. Shortly after this they were advised that an officer would be arriving in their area in April or May of this year. Since then nothing further has been heard. If a reason for the delay were given it would do much to restore the confidence of these people.

The Co-operative movement is very well established in this area but apart from the improved diet of the people few other benzfits were observed. MIARU is the only village where rainwater tanks were noticed and few iron roofs were seen throughout the area. The stock in the stores is of a very limited variety and it is considered that galvanised iron and water tanks would be purchased by these people if made available through three local store. It is appreciated that the Co-operative movement opperates essentially as a business venture concerned mainly with placing money in society members pockets but surely it can also be used to raise the standard of living of the people by presenting for sale in the stores consumer goods which will help in attaining that end.

It seems certain that the people of this area are not making the most of their current prosperity.

Native Agriculture

All villages visited have large areas of garden land which is put to good use in the cultivation of large gardens. Bananas, sweet potato, maniock, sago, of which there is an adequate supply, fresh fish and game together with rice and tinned meat from the store comprise the main items of diet of these people.

Pigs and fowls exist in large numbers in all villages.

Health

A good diet seems to have a good deal to do with the fact that the people on the whole are very healthy. Aid Posts are in opperation at UAFURU, SAROTA (OIAPU group) IOKEA, MIARU and AVIHARA and KAVORA in the LESE group. In addition to these treatment can also be obtained at the L.M.S station at MORU hear IOKEA village. The lack of medical supplies continues to be the main cause of inefficiency but this problem will soon be solved when supplies are issued from the hospital at this station instead of from K.R.SMA hospital.

Education

The Department of Education hase a Village Higher School in operation at MIARU. This school is doing an excellent job and is carrying on with a minimum of supervision The staff at the school FEAREKA HAHA and MIRIA AISI both seem to be doing a good job and this was shown at a recent singing festival at this station when MIARU school performed most creditably when in competition with the larger suropean supervised Government and Mission schools

Both the Catholic and L.M.S. missions operate village schools in the area whilst the L.M.S. have a higher school at their station at MORU.

Roads and Bridges

Apart from the trip from IOKEA to APANAIPI all walking was done along the beach at low tide . The IOKEA-APANAIPI track was in good condition although rather steep in parts.

Village Officials

The people of the area visited generally have or give little trouble and this no doubt is due in part to the good done by the Village Constables and Councillors in the various villages. Most of these men seem to have plenty of authority.

At IOKEA the Councillors settle many disputes at their meetings and the minutes of these meetings are presented to the officer visiting the village for his examination and advice.

Villages

All villages visited were found to be in reasonably good condition. Houses that have been completed are of a good standard and the rebuilding of old houses is continuing. However in some villages it was found that more than one family were occupying some of the houses but as rebuilding progresses a point should be reached when all villages will have one house for one family.

In the LESE group considerable progress has been made with the rebuilding programme but the sites of the villages are not good and in the past few months heavy seas have washed away much land arpound the villages.

Villages(cont'd)

It is to be boped that the villages will not be washed away after so much work has been put into their construction.

Resthouses and police barracks in these villages were all in fair condition.

Water Supply

All villages visited obtain their drinking water from wells which seem to be quite well kept. At IOKEA the people plan to provide a water supply by building a dam across a small creek at the rear of the village however not much work has been done and it will be a considerable time before work will be completed.

Missions

The London Missionary Society were in operation in most villages and have a station at MORU 10 minutes walk east of IOKRA village. The Catholic Mission also has a large following in the LESE and OTAPU groups. In the LESE area the rivalry between the two groups is very keen and many petty disputes between the two people are brought to the station for settlement.

Anthropology

- (a) No observations were made.
- (b) No specimens were collected

Conclusion

The patrol revealed a satisfactory state of affairs in all villages visited although there is still room for considerable improvement. However it was most pleasing to see the progress made in the LESE group since the last visit a month previously. It is to be hoped that a further improvement will be again noticed when the area is next visited.

(D.A. Elder) Cadet Patrol Officer Report on members of R.P.& N.G.C. accompanying Kukipi
Patrol No.1/55-56

Reg. No. 6944 Const MIMARI

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Reg. No. 8006 Const EVARA

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PATROL REPORT

District of Report No. KUKIPI NO.2 1955-56
Patrol Conducted by R.A. HOLE, CADET PATROL OFFICER
Area Patrolled TOARIPI CENSUS DIVISION
Patroi Accompanied by Europeans
Natives THREE
Duration - From 14/ 1/19 56 to 29/ 5/19 56
Number of Days 26
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?NO.
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services II/ 7 /19.56
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Map Reference STRAT SERIES, YULE SHEET
Objects of Patrol CENSUS AND ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES AND NATIVE AFFAIRS, PORT MORESBY.
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8th Movember, 1956.

The District Officer, Gulf District, Kikori.

Patrol Report - MOVIAVE - Mr. Hole.2 - 55/56.

Mr. Holo occasionally makes an unhappy choice of expression. Under "Mative AFFAIRS" head he declares " the rest (complaints) were dealt with arbitrarily in the villages.." In a previous report about the KOVIO Villages he expresses some satisfaction at the KOVIOs adopting a "reventary existence".

- 2. In the case of complaint by an unmarried mother against the father of the child, the matter should be taken to a Magistrate and dealt with in accordance with Regulation 71 and the order recorded in the Village book.
- 3. The Co-operative Societies must not be regarded as the source of funds for Villiago welfare. All relates must be either:
 - (a) paid to shareholders: or
 - (b) on the decision of a general meeting be credited to individual members, according to his entitlement, in the share register as a means of raising extra capital for expansion.

Raising of funds for Village Wolfare or "Works Projects" must be raised by other agencies. You have already been advised that Mr. Graham is due at IHU at any time now.

4. In regard to housing and villages, please, direct Mr. Hole's attention to Regulation 101 and to Circular Instruction No.40.

5. Please pass my request dealing with required form of report on roads to all members of the field staff in your District.

6. This is a good report from Mr. Hole.

(A.A.Roberts) Director.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS,

20th December, 1956.

The Director,
Public Health Department,
PORT MORESBY.

P/R. TOARIPI KEREMA GULF.

The attached of forwarded for your information, please.

(A.A. Roberts.)

DIRECTOR

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30-1/994 District Office, Kikori, G.D., PAPUA.

13th July, 1956.

The Assistant District Officer, Kerema GULF DISTRICT.

PATROL REPORT No. 2 - 55/56 KUKIPI PATROL POST.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above mentioned Report.

The native situation throughout appears to be good. Constant contact with the people leads to greater friendship and co-operation between the people and the Administration. Officers should therefore endeavour to carry out as much patrolling as possible, at the same time keeping in mind that too many visits to the one area becomes a burden upon those particular people.

Co-operative

Reading through the report I am not at all happy about the position re the Co-operatives in the Moviavi area.

I understand Mr. Jackman of the Co-operative Section visited the area some weeks ago, I shall request him to forward a copy of his report to this office.

Villages

There appears to be a number of villages in the area all reported as being in poor condition. I suggest that a meeting of Councillors and village Constables be held at Kukipi, and an endemour made to have these villages brought up to a good standard. It must be pointed out to the people that failure to comply with instructions to rebuild old and dilapidated buildings, can result in action being taken against them in the Court for Native Matters.

Thank you for an interesting report.

(L.J.O'MALLEY)

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Patrol Post, Gulf District, KUKIPI.

29th May, 1956.

The Assistant District Officer, Sub-District Office, Gulf District, KEREMA.

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO.2 of 1955/56

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL: R.A. Hole, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED: Toaripi Census Division

DURATION OF PATROL: Commenced on I4th January, 1956 Completed on the 29th May, 1956 26 days actually on patron.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: Reg No.3II2 L/Corp. GAITA
Reg No.8006 Const. EVARA/KAIVIRA
Reg No.8730 Const. TONKION/TINKI

LASTPATROL TO AREA: July, 1955 (part thereof)

OBJECT OF PATROL: Census and routine administration.

Please find attached Patrol Report

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to be forwarded.

(R.A. Hole) Cadet Patrol Officer

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INTRODUCTION

In accordance with instructions received from the Assistant District Officer, Kerema, on the I3th January, I956, the herein outlined patrol was conducted to the Toaripi Census Division. It is regretted that the patrol lasted longer than was anticipated, but delays were necessitated when the writer returned to Kukipi Patrol Post to take over the duties of Officer in Charge from Mr.Permezel, Patrol Officer, who was proceeding to the I956 A.S.O.P.A. long course, and when, from the I5th February to the 30th April, the writer devel/oped a tropical ulger and had to remain at Kukipi until recovered. A further delay was caused when the writer proceeded to Port Moresby for urgent dental treatment from the 2nd May to the 6th May.

Besides census compilation and routine administration, the patrol took part in an investigation of a cargo cult in the MOVIAVE villages. On the 7th May the patrol set out for SAVAIVIRI village to attend to routine matters, but following the report, received on the way, of unrest in HEAVALA village, the patrol deviated to HEAVALA to investigate. Finding that a cargo cult was indeed in progress the patrol returned to Kukipi and the writer reported the matter to the Assistant District Officer, Kerema. The patrol accompanied a Kerema patrol led by Mr. K.L.FITZ-GERALD on a full investigation of the native situation of the MOVIAVE villages between the 16th and 25th May.

DIARY

Saturday, I+th January, 1956 o900 Patrol proceeded from Kerema to Kukipi village per the M.V. Kone. 1700 Patrol walked from Kukipi village to Kukipi Patrol Post at Lulavaipi. Remained over night Kukipi.

Sunday, 15th January

Observed at Kukipi Patrol Post

Monday, I6th January Conferred with O.I.C. Kukipi on matters pertaining to the Toaripi Census Division.

Tuesday, I7th January 9800 Patrol walked to LALAPIPI village and commenced census. II00 Conducted inspection of village. Patrol continued to MIRIVASE village where census and vallage inspection were carried out. I700 Patrol walked back to Kukipi Patrol Post and remained overnight.

Wednesday, 18th January C800 Patrol walked to URITAI village and conducted census. 1700 Patrol returned to Kukipi and remained overnight.

Thursday, 19th January 0800 walked to URITAI and held meeting of Village Officials and discussed village re-building II30 Continued to ISAPEAPE village and conducted census and inspection of village. 1730 Patrol returned to Kukipi and remained overnight.

Friday, 20th January Patrol walked to URITAI and inspected village. Discussed village matters andinspected the new village site. Returned at 1700 to Kukipi and remained overnight.

Saturday, 2Ist January Patrol, remained Kukipi Patrol Post compileing census figures. Remained overnight.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sunday, 22nd January Observed at Kukipi Patrol Post .

Monday. 23rd January Patrol Departed Rukipi and proceeded per Mirivase canoes to MOVIAVE villages. IO30 Arrived HEAVALA village and held meeting of MOVIAVE Village Officials.

133I Inspected HEAVALA and HEATOARE villages. Remained over night HEATOARE rest house.

Tuesday, 24th January 0800 Commenced census at HEATOARE village. I330 Conducted inspection of HEATOARE village. I900 Held meeting of HEATOARE Village Officials and Fiscussed village rebuilding. Remained overnight at HEATOARE.

Wednesday, 25th January 1956 0800 Commenced census of HEAVALA village 1800 Completed census and returned to HEATOARE rest house and remained overnight.

Thursday, 26th January 0800 Assembled Village Officials and discussed village rebuilding. Returned by MOVIAVE canoe to Kukipi Patrol Post to take over duties of 0.I.C.

Morday, 7th May, 1956 Departed Kukipi Patrol Post for SAVAIVIRI village but deviated to HEAVALA village to investigate reported unrest. 1630 Returned Kukipi.

Monday, I4th May, I956 0600 Departed Kukipi and walked to Kapuri Creek where POPO village canoes awaited the patrol. I000 Arrived POPO villages and commenced census of LULUAPU village. IIoo Inspected LULUAPU village and then walked MIKIFURU village and conducted census and village inspection. I730 Returned LULUAPU rest house and remained overnight.

Tuesday. 15th May, 1956 07co Patrol departed LULUAPU and walked to KAISAVA hamlet and conducted census and village inspection. II30 Departed KAISAVA and proceeded by POPO canoes to the mouth of the Kapuri Creek. Patrol walked to Kukipi and remained overnight.

Wednesday, I6th May. 0800 Patrol joined forces with Kerema patrol led by Mr, K.L. FITZGERALD and proceeded to MOVIAVE villages. Arrived Heavala village at I000 and commenced investigation of cargo cult. Remained overnight HEATOARE village rest house.

Thursday, 17th May. Remained HEAVALA investigating cargo cult. I630 Patrol returned to Kukipi Patrol Post.

Saturday. 19th May. 0700 Departed Kukipi and walked to Kukipi village.0900 Arrived Kukipi village and conducted census and village inspection. 1330 Departed Kukipi and continued to MARAKEA village where census and village inspection type carried out. 1700 Patrol departed MARAKEA and continued to LILEFIRU village by canoe. Remained overnight LILEFIRU rest house.

Sunday, 20th May, Observed LILEFTRU village. Compiled census figures for KUKIPI and MARAKEA villages.

Monday, 2Ist, May Conducted census of LILEFIRU village during the morning. I400 Conducted village inspection.

I900 Held meeting of Village Officials and village carpenters to discuss village rebuilding. Remained overnight this village

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Tuesday, 22nd May 0800 Patrol departed Lilefiru and walked to HAMUHAMU village. Arrived 0900 and conducted census and village inspection. Continued to TAURIHAMU village and conducted census and village inspection. I630 Returned to HAMUHAMU village and held meeting of Village Officials to discuss housing and other village matters. Remained over night this village.

Wednesday, 23rd May 0700 Patrol walked to TAVAFURU village and conducted census and village inspection. II00 Patrol returned to Kukipi Patrol Post.

Thursday, 24th May Patrol again accompanied Mr.Fitzgerald's patrol to MOVIAVE villages to investigate cargo cult. I630 Returned Kukipi Patrol Post.

Monday, 28th May Patrol departed Kukipi at 0700 and proceeded by cance to SAVAIVIRI village . Arrived Io30 and conducted census and village inspection. I630 Held meeting of Village Officials . Remained overnight this village.

Tuesday. 29th May 1956 Departed SAVAIVIRI and proceeded by canoe to TAPALA village and conducted census and village inspection. IIOO returned to Kukipi Patrol Post.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS

NATIVE SITUATION

The Native situation in the Toaripi Census Division, with the exception of the MOVIAVE villages, was found to be quite satisfactory. The initial investigation following the report of unrest in the MOVIAVE, was performed by the patrol but further investigations were made by Mr. K.L.Fitzgerald, Patrol Officer, Kerema, Mr.Fitzgerald took over the situation and full reports are forthcoming from Kerema.

Many disputes and complaints were brought to the attention of the patrol. Of these, three were sent to Kerema for court action, while the rest were dealt with arbitarily in the villages. In the majority of cases the disputes concerned land ownership and care was taken in looking at Village Books to find any previous decisions made. Some of these cases had been brought up before and the complainants and the natives concerned were seeking new decisions which might have been more advantageous to them. Disputes concerning illegitimate children were also brought to the patrol. Three illegitimate births were recorded by the patrol and another was found to be on the way. The mothers and prospective mother were satisfied with either a settlement in money or a weekly payment of food to support the children. The fathers were also satisfied with the decisions offered as final settlements instead of the constant bickering they had received before.

Many other disputes, mainly concerning domestic quarrels were also brought to the patrol. Much patience and attention were given to these and in most cases a solution to the problems were found, while in some, the complainants were only reviving some old grievance which had been running for years and no solution offered was acceptable.

On the whole, the native situation was found to be most satisfactory. Carriers were willing in their work and for was readily obtainable in the villages. Rest houses were in good condition and villages were tidied up prior to the patrol's arrival.

CO-OPERATIVES

Each Native Co-Operative Society in the Toaripi Census Division was visited by the patrol. Great efforts were made to try and show a friendly interest in all Co-operative activities. Societies visited were as follows: URITAI, TAURI RIVER (at SAVAIVIRI village), ISAPEAPE, HAMUHAMU, KUKIPI, LILEFIRU, MOVIAVE (at HEATOARE village), and POPO Native Society.

The Co-operative movement is well established in the Toaripi area; all commercial activity being centered on it. However, it was observed that, although beneficial to the populace as buying and retail agents, the Societies have not yet contributed with surplus profits to any assistance X in village matters as performed by Societies elsewhere in the Sub-District, e.g, the water supply at IOKEA village was financed by the local Co-op body. The Societies do not show much interest toward expansion as shown by the rebate s paid for the last year ending 3ist May, 1956; none

CO-OPERATIVES (Continued)

of the money paid out as rebates was reinvested in new share capital. URITAI Native Society members were recently paid a rebate and they all refused to reinvest even when they were told that the money would be needed for liquid capital for the oncoming year.

Authority to pay rebates has been refused to all societies in the Toaripi area excepting URITAI and MOVIAVE Societies, because surpluses have been too low in the last year to afford them. The societies make allowance, by fixing relatively high prices, for a surplus from which can be paid a rebate, but, because of poor management, inefficiency and misappropriation of funds, they connot afford them. Court action will shortly be taken against an ex-storeman of MXXEAREM HAMUHAMU Society who will be charged with misappropriation of funds.

The following shows the average rebates paid to each member of each society per annum. for the year ending 3I March, 1955.

Society	Average	reb	ate	pe.
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Hamuhamu	I	3	4	
Lilefiru	3	-	-	
Kukipi	4	4	3	
Uritai	2	-	-	
Popo	5	-	-	

The average rebate per member per annum in all the Toaripi Societies for the year ending 3IstMarch, 1955 was £2-I-4 and the figure for the year ending 3Ist March 1956 was 13/9. This last figure is so low because authority for only two rebates were given to be paid; other societies not being able to raise enough surplus.

It is my opinion that a full time Co-op Officer should be made available for the area. The societies need constant supervision to maintain KNKMYNIKIAM efficiency in "surplus production". As can be seen from the figures above, the surpluses are not sufficient to pay decent rebates, let alone assist in village matters. UDU/NOU, Native CoOp. Inspector, Kukipi, is doing good work helping the Societies but he complains that they will not listen to his advice, simply because he is a Papuan.

VILLAGES

Much renovation has taken place in the Toaripi villages since the last patrol. Many of the villages are now in examplary condition ie., TAURIHAMU, TAVAFURU, TAPALA, and MIRIVASE. These are a result of hard work on the part of previous officers visiting the area in getting the people to make build decent houses and take a pride in their villages:

VILLAGES (Continued)

In the majority of villages instructions were given for the rebuilding of houses and the instructions recorded in the Village Books. As a result of these instructions it is hoped that all villages will be in reasonable condition for the next patrol.

The following is a commentary on all villages of the Toaripi Census Division.

MARAKEA: Marakea is in very poor condition. The village site is gradually falling away to the sea and the people are shifting their houses further inland. They are limited by a creek at the back of the village and only time will tell whether the sea will subside or wash them out completly. The people are reluctant to rebuild elsewhere because of land shortages for garden space. There seems no solution to the problem except for them to continue to move their houses around to dry pathches in the already tide swept village site. Water supply is a constant problem; the people drawing water from a place about a mile from the village.

KUKIPI: This village was found to be in reasonable condition Many houses have been partially built and their owners have decided that it would be more profitable to go to work in Port Moresby. Instructions were given for these to either be pulled down or completed within six months, the relatives KYXINKXNAN KONKANNAN to communicate with the men concerned. Water shortage is an ever present problem at Kukipi, the only water coming from a creek behind the village at very low tides. The people were encouraged to buy sheet iron and put to use the numerous 44gallon drums, which were seen in the village, as water tanks.

LILEFIRU: This village is also in very poor condition. Qualified carpenters have recently returned from Port Moresby to build a church for the village. A meeting of Village Officials and these carpenters was held by the patrol to discuss village rebuilding and it was decided that, because the church was under way, the village should concentrate on finishing itXXXXX in the period May, June and July and then to completely rebuild the village. Other details such as the types of houses to be built and the lineing of the village were also discussed at the meeting.

URITAI: Housing in this village is also in poor condition.
A new site was selected by the patrol in conference with Village Officials. Considerable time was spent in discussing and drawing up a plan for village rebuilding during the patrol's visits.

TAURIHAMU & TAVAFURU: These villages recently combined and completely rebuilt their villages on a new site. The houses are excellent and the village well lined.

HAMUHAMU: This village is in poor condition and instructions were given for the rebuilding of many houses. These people wathched the rebuilding of the nearby villages of Taurihamu and Tavafufu with little interest and now have been given 6 months to do the same.

LELAPIPI &ISAPEAPE: These were in reasonable condition and it was only necessary to give instructions for KNE a few houses to be repaired or rebuilt.

VILLAGES (Continued)

POPO Group (MIKAFURU, KAISAVA, and LULUAPU): These villages were found to be in reasonable condition. Only a few houses were in poor shape and instructions were given for their repair or removal.

MOVIAVE Group (HEAVALA, HEATOARE, TAPALA & SAVAIVIRI) HEAVALA is in very poor condition; the main problem being a shortage of land for the village site. The A.DO. Kerema, Mr. A.K.Jackson has drawn up a building scheme for a new village. HEATOARE village is in practically the same state as HEAVALA. The patrol dld not give any instructions for rebuilding in this village but it will be revisited in the near future after consultation with the A.D.O., Kerema. TAPALA & SAVAIVIRI were found to be in excellent condition; all previous instructions having been carried out.

The patrol found MIRIVASE village to be in excellent condition This was probably due to it's close proximity to Kukipi Patrol Post where constant supervision can be given.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

The village officials of the Toaripi all appear to be doing a satisfactory job. They were a great assistance throughout the patrol in bringing up complaints and assisting in Census taking.

V.C. AVOSA of LULUAPU village applied to the patrol for retirement. He has served for twenty years and is now losing control over the village. AVOSA/SAREA of LULUAPU village seems to be a good man formthe job.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

All coastal roads were found to be in good condition and showed signs of constant upkeep. Roads in the Moviave area were also well kept.

PATROL MAP

The patrol map attached to Kukipi Patrol Report No.I of 1953-54 by Mr. K.E.Connolly relates to the same are and shows all villages visited by the patrol.

CENSUS

A village population register showing the figures for the Toaripi is attached to each copu of the report

There were recorded 243 births as opposed to 106 deaths which indicates a healthy increase in population.

HEALTH

The people of the Toaripi Census Division seem to enjoy excellent health. This is no doubt due to the new Native Hospital at Mirivase and the numerous Aid Posts throughout the area. It was not necessary to send any patients in to the hospital.

REST HOUSES

All rest houses in the Toaripi Census Division were found to be in excellent condition.

MISSIONS

The London Missionary Society and the Catholic Mission are operating in the Toaripi Census Division. There appears to be a lot of bad feeling between the two denominations. This is particularly apparent in the Moviave villages where constant squabbling over petty grievances has been going on for years. Mission school are scattered throughout the villages and supply most of the education facilities.

EDUCATION

The Mirivase Government School is now attended regularly by school children from URITAI, MIRIVASE, ISAPEAPE and MOVIAVE villages. A new teacher, KILA/Onno has recently taken over from LAHARI and the attendance figures have risen to an all time high. Food is brought in readily from nearby villages to feed boarders of the school. No other Govt. schools are functioning inthe area.

CONCLUSION

The patrol was delayed in several instances and extended over a period of four months although the patrol only spent 26 days actually on patrol. It is hoped that the area will be revisited within the next six months to check up on building instructions.

R.A.HOLE.

CADET PATROL OFFICER

APPENDIX (A)

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE R.P.& N.G.C. WHO ACCOMPANIED KUKIPI PATROL NO.2 OF 1956-56

REG. NO. 3II2 L/CORP. GAITA

A good N.C.O. who performed his duties satisfactorily whilst on patrol. He is smart and keeps the police in good order.

REG. NO. 8006 CONST. EVARA

A really willing worker and will shortly be recomended for N.C.O. rank.

REG. NO.8730 CONST. TONKION

This policeman proved useful on patrol but has a great deal to learn about discipline. He is rather inclined to interpret instructions to suit his own ends.

Officer ofR.P.& N.G.C.

CENSUS PIVISION .

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR 1955-56

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PATROL REPORT

Report No. ROLLET NO. 3 OF 1955-30
Patrol Conducted by R. A. HOLE, CADET PATROL OFFICER
Area Patrolled KOVIO VILLAGES
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans MR. P. ROCHE, MEDICAL ASSISTANT
NativesTWO
Duration—From4. /46/19.56. to12./6./19.56.
Number of DaysNINE
Did Medical Assistant Accompany?YES
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services/6/1955
Medical /19
Map Reference YULE SHEET, STRAT SERIES
Objects of Patrol CENSUS AND ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES AND NATIVE AFFAIRS, PORT MORESBY.
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Sub-District Office, Gulf District, KEREMA.

5th July, 1956.

The District Commissioner, Gulf District, KIKORI.

PATROL REPORT KUKIPI NO 3/1955-56

Please find enclosed the report of a patrol by Cadet R.A. Hole to the KOVIO Villages.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The native situation in the area appears to be good and the fact that the people have reached a compromise with the MOVIAVE group may mean that they will settle permanently in the area.

Twenty five deaths to only one birth is most serious. The Medical Assistant at Kukipi will be asked to keep a check on this group.

Mr Hole has carried out a good, unhurried patrol to this small area, and has presented a neat and concise report.

Assistant District Officer

NA.30-2-15

8th November, 1956.

District Officer, Kikeri.

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Patrol to KOVIO Villages - Mr. Hole.

I would like a pretty thorough investigation of the MOVIAVE people's claim over the land in this area. They have never made any use of it, and present trends seem to show that they have no intention of doing so.

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2. Has any contact been made this year with the Kukukukus on Pish Creek? It is suggested that one reason why MOVIAVE people won't move inland (at least in the past) was fear of these people.

3. I would'nt place too great a strain on the people of the new villages yet. Your instruction to 0.K.

Kukipi to arrange for planting some muts in the new village is a good one. Permanent trees of this kind is an influence for permanency greater then is generally conceded, you might however, apply to the Director of Agriculture for a supply of the large nuis from BAIBARI for planting.

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(A.A.Rotarto)

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District Office, Gulf District,

13th July, 1956.

The Assistant District Officer, Sub-District Office,

Subject; Kukiri Patrol Report 3-1955/56.

Receipt of the above-mentioned is acknowledged. It is pleasing to note that the native situation through-out is good.

Native Affairs;

Being nomads or semi-nemads, it is difficult for these people to settle in one spot. However, if they are prepared to settle in the two new villages, I suggest that they be visited again shortly. Perhaps if an interest is taken in them and the villages, it may encourage them to remain in the area.

I also suggest that the O.I.C., Kukipi, obtain young occount palms from the coast and have them planted in and around the new villages, also any type of native food which may be suitably grown in that area.

Village Officials:

It is a pity that no one volunteered for the position of V.C. in the village. The establishment of a V.C. is a great ascet to the Administration, and en excellent means of contact. Please advise the C.T.C., Kukipi, to make every endeavour to obtain a man for the position.

Health:

Please edvise, if possible, over what PERIOD the 25 deaths took place

(L.J. O'Malley) District Commissioner.

Minute to; The Director, Department of Native Affairs, PORT MORESBY.

For your information.

(L.J. O'Malley) District Commissioner.

13th June, 1956

The Assistant District Officer, Sub-District Office, Gulf District, KEREMA

KUKIPI PATROL REPORT NO.3 of 1955-56

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

R.A.HOLE, C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED:

KOVIO villages

DURATION OF PATROL:

Commenced on 4th June, 1956 Completed on 12th June, 1956

In all, 9days.

ACCOMPANYING EUROPEAN: MR.P.ROCHE, Medigal Assistant

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: Reg. No.6943 Const. TIV!RARI Reg. No.80II Const. KEKERA

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA: June, 1955

OBJECT OF THE PATROL: Census and Routine Administration

Please find attached patrol report to

be forwarded.

(R. A. HOLE) CADET PATROL OFFICER

INTRODUCTION

The area patrolled was the KOVIO villages on the Lakekamu River. During the last year KOVIO natives from URIVA village on the Kapuri Creek have moved to a new site on the upper Lakekamu River. These were joined by natives of KAPUI village in an attempt to give up their semi-nomadic existance and settle down in one moderately large village. The new village is named PUGO and census was recompiled to join the two old villages.

Mr.P.Roche, Medical Assistant, accompanied the patrol to investigate reports of a fresh outbreak of T.B. in the KOVIO villages. Four cases were found and the disease was undoubtedly the cause of the alarming number of deaths within the last year which were recorded in the census.

DIARY

Monday, 4th June, 1956

0800 Departed KUKIPI Patrol Post and set out per Moviave canoe forthe KOVIO villages on the LAKE-KAMU River. 1730 Made fifteen miles against the strong current and made camp on the river bank. Remained overnight.

Tuesday, 5th June, 1956 0700 Broke camp and continued on up river. The strong current slowed progress and only a further ten miles were made by 1630 and the patrol again camped overnight on the river bank.

Wednesday, 6th June, 1956

0700 Broke camp and continued on up river and arrived at URULAU village at 1000. 1030 Conducted village inspection andcensus. Remained overnight this village.

Thursday, 7th June, 1956

Departed UFULAU and continued on up river and arrived IGUI Mission station at 1700 . Remained overnight.

Friday, 8th June, 1956

0700 Departed IGUI and continued on up the Lakekamu River. 1700 Camped on the rever bank and remained overnight.

Saturday. Oth June 1956.
O700 Broke camp and continued on up
river and reached PUGO, the new KOVIO village, at I200. Conducted census and village inspection. Remained overnight at this village.

Sunday, 10th June, 1956 Observed at PUGO village.

IIth June,

0700 returned down stream and arrived at Igui Mission Station at 1530. Remained overnight.

Tuesday, IIth June, 1956.
0700 continued down the Lakekamu River and reached Kukipi Patrol Post at \$800.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The KOVIO people were originally nomads wandering in the hills above the upper Lakekamu River and are closely related to the Bush Mekeo peoples. In the past twenty years they have attempted to settle on the coastal Lakekamu and Kapuri Rivers but have been turned out by the resident natives because of shortages of garden land. In the last few years they have moved from one hamlet to another and have not succeeded in settleing anywhere. Previous patrols to the area have tried to bring them to live in moderately large villages on the upper Lakekamu River but up until now they have continued to move about. Their main problem was in selecting a new site where there was plentiful game and enough land which they could claim for their own. Old villages on the Kapuri were abandoned because of pressure by the Popo peoples who owned all the land.

There are now only two Kovio villages and these are situated on the upper Lakekamu. The new village PUGO is situated fifty miles up river, far away from the coastal peoble and their land claims. Here they can settle down for good and live a sedentary existence. The other village is only thirty miles up river and is not so fortunate as it is situated on MOVIAVE land. They are in a poor state because they have few gardens and have to live off the bush to a large extent. Village Officials from URULAU village complained to the patrol that the MOVIAVES even claimed the three coconuts standing in the middle of the village. Some of the MOVIAVE carriers, employed by the patrol, turned out to be the owners of this land and the patrol sought some compromise between them and the KOVIO squatters. An agreeable decision was reached to suit both parties in deciding that the Kovios should make gardens on the East bank of the river, North of the village, and stick to IX them rather than go on plundering Moviave gardens.

The patrol remained overnight at a L.M.S. Mission Station called IGUI on the junction of the Lakekamu River and Fish Creek. Several KUKUKUKUS from the headwaters of Fish Creek had heard of the patrol's arrival and had walked down to greet the patrol. These have had several years contact with the L.M.S. Inland Mission and were eager to establish friendly relations with the Government. The informed the patrol that they had never beem visited by a patrol and that there were an estimated population of two hundred people in their area. It is hoped that they will be visited in the near future.

VILLAGES

URULAU village was found to be in reasonable condition. The village compound was tidy and well fenced and the houses clean. These people do not know much about building houses and the MOVIAVE L.M.S. Missionary was asked to show the people how to build better ones. All previous instructions had been carried out.

PUGO village had just beer finished when the patrol arrived and was in good condition. Many of the houses were not sufficient to house their occupants and instructions were given for the building of bigger and better houses. The Papuan Missionary living in the village was asked to help the people in doing this.

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VILLAGE OFFICIALS

There is one Village Constable for the two villages. This is not all too satisfactory because the villages are twenty miles apart and the patrol sought for a new policeman for PUGO village but there appeared no one who wanted the job. Councillors of PUGO were instructed to bring any complaints to the policeman at URULAU.

HEALTH

Mr. Roche, Medical Assistant, accompanied the patrol and a report from is forthcoming.

Twenty five deaths are recorded, most of which were undoubtedly caused by T.B. Several cases of T.B. were found amongst URULAU people and these were sent to Mirivase Hospital for attention.

MISSIONS

There is a Papuan L.M.S. Mission teacher in both villages and they are doing a good deal to assist the KOVIOS in adopting a new <u>sedemtary</u> life. They are teaching them to build canoes and to build gardens.

There are two L.M.S. Inland Mission Stations on the Lakekamu River. These are concentrating on KUKUKUKUs and the teachers do regular patrols to the headwaters of IKK Fish Creek and the Olipai River where there is said to be considered a normal tions considerable populations.

CENSUS

The two old villages of URIVA and KAPUI have now been abandoned and a new village has been formed called PUGO. The patrol compiled a new Census Book for this village.

Statistics showing the new census figures are attached to this report.

ratrol MAP

A patrol map based on Strat Series, Yule Sheet, showing the area the patrol visited, is attached to this report.

CONCLUSION

Now that the KOVIOS are established in a sedentary existence, it is hoped that they can throw off their poor health and build up their dwindling numbers. It is hoped that the area will be revisited in the near future by a medical patrol to check up on T.B.

HOLE Cadet Patrol Officer

APPENDIX 'A'

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE R.P.& N. G.C. WHO ACCOMPANIED KUKIPI PATROL NO.3 of 1955-56

REG NO.6943 Const TIVIRARI

An excellent policeman, bearing and discipline good. He proved very helpful on patrol as he is a fine bushman.

REG NO. 8011 Const. KEKERA

Bearing and discipline poor, but this KUKUKUKU was very useful as an interpreter. He would be of untold value on a KUKUKUKU patrol.

(R.A. HOLE)

OFFICER OF R.P.& N.G.C.

APPENDIX 'B'

A REPORT ON INLAND WATERWAYS FOR THE AREA PATROLLED IN KUKIPI PATROL NO. 3 of 1955-56

LAKEKAMU RIVER, Strat Series, Yule Sheet

- (a) An old river, the Lakekamu meanders about in shellows for fifty miles from **RMEXEEX** it's estuary. It is navigable to Bulldog which is approximately **Fifty miles up. It is only navigable for barges as ships with drafts of more **EXE than four feet cannot enter the sand bar over the estuary.
- (b) No craft available.
- (c) Nil
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- (e) Nil
- (f) Nil,
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- (i) Nil
- (j) It would provide access to the Bulldog-Wau Road if it was again opened.

(R.A.HOLE)

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VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

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