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## POPONDETTA

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5th November, 1959

District Officer, Northern District, POPONDETTA

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#### Patrol Report POPONDETTA No. 1/59-60

Lack of interest by the Council Members may be regarded as normal reaction at this stage of their development. When concrete advantages are forthcoming the people will display more interest. Generally speaking, it is ignorance of local Government objectives rather than apathy, they demonstrate.

With regard to the projected tax collection at SAGERE the tribunal may exercise considerable discretion in its assessment of the individual rates to be paid. It does appear that many will experience hardship in finding the money, unless a deal of discretion is exercised.

Under the circumstances recruitment per centage is not severe.

Please ensure that any changes in the composition of Census livisions are notified to this Headquarters as it is necessary to amend our records accordingly.

Mr. McLachlan is maintaining his standard of efficiency.

(A.A. Roberts)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply Please Quote
No. 30-1-2.

District Office, Popondetta, Northern District.

28th October, 1959.

The Director, Dept. of Native Affairs, Konedobu.

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Report of a Patrol by Mr. I. McLachlan, C. 3.0 -Popondetta No. 1. of 1959/60.

Forwarded herewith is a report of a patrol by Mr. I. McLachlan, C.P.O., of the TOGAHAU, ASIGI and HUHURINDI Census divisions of the Popondetta Sub-District.

The submission of this report has been considerably delayed and the A.D.O. Popondetta will be requested to ensure, in future, that patrol reports are promptly submitted.

Mr. McLachlan has been most thorough in his coverage of the area patrolled. He has spent quite a considerable amount of time in each village and he has given excellent, brief details of each days's activities in his diary. His report indicates a generally satisfactory Native situation in the area.

I agree with Mr. McLachlan that greater interest in the Council should develop as its services to these communities expand. At present there is in this area a Council Aid Post at Ongaho, and the Council Tractor and Trailer provides a transport service for Native grower's coffee. The Executive Committee of the Council also makes regular visits of inspection to ensure that read maintenance is being carried out and that village hygiene, sanitation, repair of houses, etc., is kept up to the mark.

The increase in coffee glantings is particularly gratifying. As Mr. McLachlan savs, the provision of more Council services is dependent upon a higher tax rate and this can only come about through the increased cash income which will result from increased plantings of coffee and cocoa.

I have included a copy of the Assistant District Officer's memorandum 7.5.0 of the 7th October, 1959 dealing with the non-collection of Administ rat ion personal tax at SAGERI. This is the only village in the area which is outside the Higaturu Council and which, therefore, pays personal tax. Mr. McLachlan had not been appointed a Tax Collector at this time and therefore could not collect tax from these people. You will note, however, that there was no unpleasantness associated with this matter and that he notes in his diary under the date 18th July that the people were very helpful and the Feogle doing a good tob. Mr. Esdale is at present absent on a three week's patrol and it will therefore not be possible for him to visit SAGERI, collect tax, and investigate the question of the transfer of this village to the AIGA Census Division, until he returns.

Mr. McLachlan's summaries and comments of various aspects of native administration, health, agriculture, etc., under appropriate headings are both detailed and well written and the whole constitutes a most comprehensive report. There are no matters conatined in this which require special comment.

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Copy to : Assistant District Officer, Popondetta.

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District Office, Popondetta, Horthern District.

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Mr. I. McLachlan, Popondetta, 

Sub-District Office, Popondetta. Northern District. 6th October, 1959.

The District Officer, POPONDETTA.

# Popondetta Patrol Report No. 1-59/66. TOGAHAU. ASIGI. HUHURUNDI.

I forward herewith the above Patrol Report submitted by Mr. I. McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer.

DIARY. I consider that adequate information has been included in this section. A summary of the births and deaths for each Census Division has been included in the Native Affairs section. Anyone wishing to analyse the statistics of any particular village can readily do so by examination of the Population Register Sheets attached to the Patrol Report. Any figures which of course show a significant trend such as an abnormal number of death etcetera would of course be included in the diamy and result in separate correspondence to say the District Medical Officer. A summary of able-bodied males at work is also included in the Native Affairs section.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS:

I agree with Mr. McLachlan's comments when he states that " the people however do not seem to show a great deal of interest in the Local Government Council as they could."

However for a comparatively new Council area,
I feel that the people take a normal amount of interest in the
Council, and it certainly could not be said that they are
against the Council. I am satisfied that the Orokaiva
people regard the Council as an institution that is here to
stay. The Council has now passed the stage of building
such neccessary initial central capital works such as the
Council Chambers, coffee factory, and is now in a position
next year to give more sevices direct to the villages, such
as the construction of six or seven permanent Aid Posts.

with regard to the non-payment of tax at SAGERI r village, I have written you a separate memorandum on this matter

The high percentage of able-bodied men away at work is not adversely affecting village life. As Mr. McLachlan points out, the great majority are working within the District, and indeed most of these men visit their villages over the weekend.

#### Native Agriculture and Livestock:

Mr. McLachlan's remarks concerning the posting of an additional field worker to the patrol area have been passed on to the District Agricultural Officer for his information and any action that he considers neccessary.

A great improvement has already been noticed in the economic gardens of the Orokaiva area since some owners have been prosecuted under the new Council Rule. Some twenty Natives have been fixed 5/- each to date, and reports from the Council Agricultural Inspector indicate that the Native people are now making a much more serious eff fort to keep their economic gardens in good order.

The Council Rule dealing with Transfer of Land Usage Rights is a very popular one and has been well-received by the Orokaiva people. To date some 300 applications have been received, and I anticipate that over 500 applications will have been received by the end of the year. Finalization of these Agreements, which includes the survey of each block could weal involve a Patrol Officer as a full time job for over three months, and with the present staff position this just cannot be done. Unless additional staff is made available, these applications will have to wait finalization until the corresponding patrols in 1960.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Since returning from this patrol Mr. McLachlan has sent road-making materials to the Ongaho, Girigirita, Soivai, and Oieri people, and reports that the people are taking good progress on the road mentioned in his report.

GENERAL. Mr. McLachlan has submitted a clear, concise Patrol Report, and has carried out the instructions given to him, and I feel that he has carried out his patrol work thoroughly.

(F.V.Esdale)

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actg/Assistant District Officer.

As regards the proposals put forward by Mr. I Lechlan for these people to be transferred to the ANIA Census pivision and for their tax rate to be reduced to 10/- I consider that he has put forward a strong and logical case, and if after visiting the village I size find that socially, politically, and or nomically these people are similar to the ANIA people the I will submit a proposal slong those lines laid down by Mr. McLechlan for your consideration. the time of hi tax cullerior, perple on Mr. SAURRI PA Fatual Report No. 1-59/60. Pop. Padant Report District Office(F. V. Esdale) COLLECTION OF "AX SACI I reg In the meantime I have previously sent word to het I will be coming shortly to collect their ed them that there is plenty of work available ab-District to enable them to have the POPONDETTA. o in collecting wish to inform ag for the have their

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Sub-District Office, POPONDETTA.

11th August, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer, POPONDETTA.

PATROL REPORT No.1 of 59-60 Togahau, Asigi and Huhurindi Census Divisions

Patrol conducted by: Ian McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area patrolled: Togahau, Asigi and Kuhurindi Census Dividions.

2 Members R.P.&N.G.C. 1 Medical Orderly. 1 Interpreter. 1 Agricultural Assistant. Patrol Accompanied by:

7th to 24th of July, 1959. Duration of Patrol:

Number of days: 19

Last patrol to area: D.N.A. February 1958.

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Census Revision and Routine Administration. Objects of patrol:

"A" Report on Police Accompanying.
"B" List of treatments administered by N.M.O. Appendicies:

> Ian McLachlan. Cadet Patrol Officer.

PATROL REPORT No. 1 of 1959-60

DIARY

Monday 6th July /with Mr.Esdale a/ADO
Departed Popondetta by Utility at 1030 and arrived
Divinikoiari 1300. Native Medical Orderly met at Saiko Hospita
Roads reasonable, but a little slippery in places. Rest
house at Divinikoiari were under construction and had to
be made habitable during the afternoon.

Tuesday 7th July Revised census of Sirembi, Javenari and Divinikoiari.
Attendance good. (One man two weeks IHL Sertion 1C1A NRO)
Inspected all three villages. All clean and tidy. Horsing
poor - many new houses to be constructed. Latrines good.
Rubbish pits fair, some more to be built. Medical
inspection - health good. P.M. Inspected creek crossing
on road to Perombaturu. The road was made passable after a
little work hadbeen done. More work to be carried out
later.

Wednesday 8th July A.M. Court Native Matters 8 prosecuted for non-payment of Council Tax. Other minor disputes settled without court action. P.M. Utility to Perombaturu. Village inspection, Houses good and village clean.

Thursday 9th July Revised census and inspected Tax receipts. Attendance good. Health fair mainly skin diseases. Numerous dogs destroyed. Complaints settled without court action. Coffee gardens inspected by Agricultural Assistant. P.M. To Togahau. Inspected villages of Turken Togahau, Pohu, Poturo and Tunana. Villages all good and housing reasonable. Roads very good. However some work required on some creek crossings. Coffee inspected by Ag. Assistant. Gardens very dirty.

Friday 10th July Utility to Tunana. Revised census. Heard complaints. Returned to Togahau and conducted census of Togahau and Jega. Attendance good. Medical Inspection health good. Mr. Esdale returned to Popondetta.

Saturday 11th July A.M. At Togahau. Two minor disputes settled. Applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights received.
P.M. Utility returned from Popondetta. Proceeded to Jajau Roads reasonable. Nothing prepared for patrol.

Sunday 12th July

At Jajau.

Monday 13th Muly Utility to Papoga. Census and village inspection. Village clean and houses above average. Attendance at census good. Returned to Jajau, visiting Kanari enroute for village inspection. Housing fair and village clean. Revised census of Jajau and Kanari. Attendance good. Medical inspection Health good. Minor disputes settled. Applications for transfer of Land Usage Rights.

Tuesday 14th July A.M. AT Jajau. Village inspection. One minor dispute settled without court action. P.M. Utility to Iwore. Revised census. No complaints.

Wednesday 15th July A.M. Applications for Transfer. Inspected Iwore and Waru hamlet. Both in satisfactory condition. Road from Iwore to Waru good.
P.M. to Ongoho. Inspected hamlets of Ivisusu, Undahari and Paivo, all in good order. Roads throughout the area quite good. Looked at Aid post and did preliminary work for Land investigation of same.

Thursday 16th July Revised census of Ongoho and Oiere. Inspected Ongoho village. Quite satisfactory. More than enough rubbish pits and latrines. Small amount of coffee inspected by Ag. Assistant. Coffee gardens were not very well looked after. Health good. Land investigation carried out for the purchase of land for the Ongoho Aid Post.

Friday 17th July Applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights received. From Ongoho to Girigirita by utility. Utility returned to Popondetta. Road good. Revised census and inspected village. The majority of male adults away at work inside the District. Village fair, housing fair. Three new latrines to be built. Applications for Transfer taken. Councillor complained that the people were not doing the work required of them under the N.R.O.'s. No action taken warning only given.

Saturday 18th July Walked to Sagere 2hours. This village not in Higaturu Council. Revised census - attendance good. Administration Tax not collected. Village inspected. Housing exceptionally good. By far the best seen in the three census divisions. Latrines and rubbish pits also very good. People very helpful and the Village Constable, Kajipa obviously doing a good job.

Sunday 19th July At Sagere. Three disputes settled without court action.

Monday 20th July Departed Sagere 0800 and walked to Ehu vi Girigirita, Oiere (village inspection) and Sehorox Jullage inspected, in reasonable condition). A total of 54 hours. Advised Councillors of nearby villages when to expect the patrol.

Tuesday 21st July

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At Ehu. Revised census of Sehoro and Ehu. Attendance good. Health good. Ag. Assistant inspected coffee, all of which was badly neglected. One plot badly dipeased. Received applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights. Inspected village, which was fair, could have been much better. Settled minor disputes. New Police Barracks requested.

Wednesday 22nd July Departed Ehu and walked to Huhuru via Senani. 2 hours. Inspected Aid post at Huhuru (old village). Road flooded. Revised census of Huhuru, Horau and Senani. Attendance good. Inspected Huhuru. New Village, houses good but surroundings poor. Two men to Popondetta under N.R.O. 101 for failing to construct new houses when ordered. Walked to Baradari, one hour, roadthrough a swamp and very bad. Nothing much can be done about it however. Village fair. Returned to Huhuru and then walked to Horau. Once again a new village and not yet up to scratch. Numerous complaints heard at night.

Thursday 23rd July Walked from Huhuru to Senani(village inspection - quite satisfactory) and thence to Hamburata. • Road good. Revised census and inspected village. A small village and the surroundings very good, houses fair. Complaints heard. Coffee inspected by Ag. Assisatnt.

Friday 23rd July Departed Hamburata and walked to Ahora. Census revision of Anora and Beiuru. Inspected Ahora - village quite satisfactory and houses fair. Applications for Transfer Of Land Usage rights taken. No complaints.

Saturday 24th July Walked to Beiuru and inspected village. House not very goode good and numerous to be rebuilt. Village surroundings only fair. Utility arrived from Popondetta and transported the patrol to Popondetta arriving at 1130.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS

The patrol was one of routine administration. census was revised for the three divisions, Toagahau, Asigi and Huhurindi. A Native Medical Orderly accompanied and carried out an inspection of all people present. The Papuan Agricultural Assistant who also accompanied the patrol talked to the people about their coffee, answered any queries and inspected gardens where possible.

The census revealed the following figures regarding the natural increase in population:-

Togahau

18 Deaths

2.8% Increase

38 Births

15 Deaths

2.7% increase

27 Births Huhurindi -

23 Deaths

0.5% Increase

These are natural increases and do not include migrations in and out.

The percentages of adult males of the 16 to 45 years age group at work are Togahau -- 40%, Asigi -- 31% and Huhurindi -- 37%. The majority of those at work are working inside the district and the percentage working outside is very small.

The three divisions come under the Higaturu Native Local Council, except one village, Sagere in the Asigi Division. No Administration Tax was collected but all Council Tax receipts were intro Any Tax defaulters were sent to the Council House to inspected. pay their tax or to Popondetta for Court for Native Matters.

The native situation throughout the area is quite good. The people seem quite satisfied with all aspects of the Administration. The people however do not seem to show a great deal of interest in the Local Government Council as they could. Once they have elected the their Councillor that appears to be the end of it. The reason for thisis probably that they see very little of what the Council does. This however will come in the future when the Council grows and is able to expand its field of work. When something material is done in the

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villages, then interest in the Council should rise.

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Mary of the people have started planted more coffee on the advice of Native Affairs and Agricultural Staffs and the great deal of propaganda given the area is slowly paying off. The people reairealize to some extent that if the Council is to grow and be able to carry out more work, then the present tax will have to be raised. To be able to do this more coffee is being planted.

The villages were all reasonably good and the majority of orders by previous Officers had been carried out.

Aid Posts were well patronised and every assistance given the Aid Post Orderlies.

Mission schools are placed in quite a few villages but the attendance rate was not very high. It is mainly the parents who are at fault because they make very little effort to have their children attend school. The children are left more or less to decide whether they will school, and consequently many do not. Attendance was encouraged in all villages, especially those with a school in the near vicinity.

Local Government Council was Sagere. This village, which is not in the Asigi Division and close to the Ioma area pays an Administration tax of 30/-. No tax was collected this patrol. In 1958 the people had difficulty in paying the tax and the majority have not yet paid. Seventeen men were sentenced to one month's gaol in February, 1958. At present they have sufficient for last year but claim they will be unable to pay for this year

These people do not belong to the Orokaiva group as do the other villages in the Census Division. They are AIGA'S and the rest of their group are in the Aiga Census Division of the Ioma Patrol Post area. These people have nothing whatsoever to do with the Asigi people and all ties are with the Aiga group. Whereas the Council area is growing coffee as a cash crop, these people are growing cocoa the same as the Aiga people. At present they have very little cocoa, in fact it all belongs to the one man. However they are beginning to plant more. Cocoa is being concentrated on

5. because Sagere is only one day's walk from the Cocoa Fermentary at Kikinonda. There are very few men at work either inside or outside the District and very little money is being obtained from that resilie source. so ot The Sagere people are obviously having difficulty in 80 01 obtaining money to pay their tax. They have no objections to paying but just do not have the money. The Village Constable and Councillors asked why they should pay 30%- tax when the rest of their group pay only 10/-. A off For the above reasons I recommend that the tax rate be lowered from 30/- to 10/-. This could be done of ther by 3 end having a special tax rate of 10/- for the one village in the Asigi Division, or transfering Sagere to the Aiga Census Division, Ioma obild Patrol Post. Sagere is only two hours walking from the nearest it offw Aiga village. In the advent of a Local Government Council the village would be included with the Aiga group. Transfering it to the Aiga Division would be the better of the two suggestions because it would give much more uniformity in all aspects of Bool administration especially agriculture. bild Met qoeq NATIVE AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK. Jey Hebr The food position throughout the area was quite good, clai and consisted of the usual native varieties. The gardens were producing more than enough and this will last until new gardens otine mature. rest The main cash crop grown is coffee. There are also a TJB few small plots of cocoa, but these are very small and have practicable been forgotten because of the trend to coffee. end Coffeee was seen in all villages and nearly avery COUR ! man had his own blot. Most of the people that have no coffee Lit have decided to plant after having seen and heard what other one people are doing. A lot of propaganda by the Department

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of Agriculture, the Higaturu Council and the Dept. of Native Affairs has also helped in this regard.

A Papuan Field Worker accompanied the Patrol. He gave a short talk on the growing of coffee in each village and answered any questions that the people had. When time allowed he also inspected the coffee of each village. During the patrol he saw much of the coffee grown and advised the people of ways in which to improve their it. All diseased trees found were cut out and some specimens of various types sent to the District Agricultural Officer, Popondetta.

The Field Worker also took a bag of coffee seed which he sold to anyone that was thinking of planting coffee. Many people bought seed and they will now have to wait until the field worker for the area visits their village and assists them to line and plant shade trees.

The full time Field Worker for the area is kept
very busy. He has a very large area to cover and apparently
cannot cope with the work. Many villages said they very seldom saw
the worker and many said they would like him to visit their villages
and assist them. Seeing that the present worker has such a large
area and cannot cope with the requirements of the people, it
would be desirable if the area could be divided in two and another
Field Worker provided.

The majority of the coffee gardens seen were very dirty and suffered from lack of care.

The Higaturu Council Rule passed this year regarding the cleaning of coffee gardens was explained in all Council villages. This rule provides for a fine of one pound or one months Gaol if gardens are dirty. Now that the people of these three divisions are conversant with this rule and if it is policed sufficiently there should be an improvement in the coffee gardens.

Another Council Rule passed this year was the
"Transfer of Land Usage Rights". This allows people who have planted
coffee or other cash crop to have the sole usage rights to the
piece of land. This rule was also explained in all villages and
many applications for transfer were taken. The people received

this rule well, because many were afraid to plant each crops because they had no suitable land of their own and thought they would be evicted from any land they used after they planted their crop.

A further patrol will have to be made at a later date to finalise the transfer by surveying the blocks.

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#### REST HOUSES AND POLICE BARRACKS.

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Police Barracks were nothing startling and could be improved a lot. In the villages where they were particularly ball it was requested that they be rebuilt and suggestions were given as to improvements.

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The patrol was of a routine nature and all aspects of Administration work were reasonably satisfactory. The villagers co-operated very well with the patrol and at no time was any trouble experienced.

I. McLachlan. Cadet Patrol Officer.

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#### APPENDIX "A"

## REPORT ON POLICE ACCOMPANYING.

#### Const. GIBRANG No. 7203.

A very capable patrol constable. Showed initiative and drive.

## Const. KOKUNA No. 7351.

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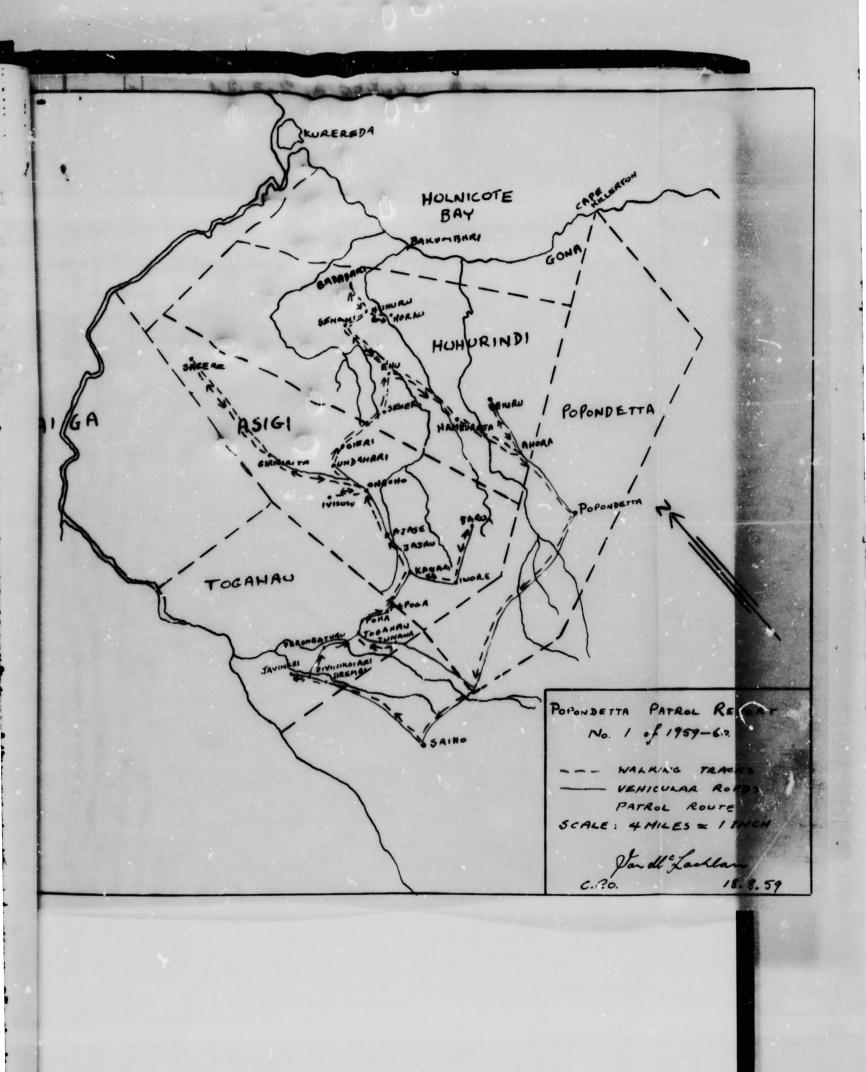
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## APPENDIX "B".

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### TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA

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Sub-District Office, POPOMDETA.

11th August, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer, POPONDETTA.

PATROL REPORT No.1 of 59-60 Togahau, Asigi and Bulumindi Genese Divisions

Patrol conducts by: Ion McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area petrolled: Togehou, Asigi and Muhurindi Consus Dividione.

Patrol Accompanied by: 2 Numbers R.P. SH.G.C. 1 Nedical Orderly.
1 Interpretor. 1 Agricultural Assistant.

Duration of Patrol: 7th to 24th of July, 1959.

Master of days: 19

Lest patrol to area: D.H.A. Pebruary 1950.

Non reference; Funa (Revised) 2nd Edition 4 miles = 1 inch.

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#### DIARY

Monday 6th July /with Mr.Esdale a/AD Departed Popondetta by Utility at 1030 and arrived Divinikoiari 1300. Native Medical Orderly met at Saiho Hospita Roads reasonable, but a little slippery in places. Pest house at Divinikoiari were under construction and had to be made habitable during the afternoon.

Tuesday 7th July Revised census of Sirembi, Javenari and Divinikoiari.
Attendance good. (One man two weeks IHL Section 101A NRO)
Inspected all three villages. All clean and tidy. Housing poor - many new houses to be constructed. Latrines good.
Rubbish pits fair, some more to be built. Medical inspection - health good. P.M. Inspected creek crossing on road to Perombaturu. The road was made passable after a little work hadbeen done. More work to be carried cut later.

Wednesday 8th July A.M. Court Native Matters 8 prosecuted for non-payment of Council Tax. Other minor disputes settled without court action. P.M. Utility to Perombaturu. Village inspettion, Houses good and village clean.

Thursday 9th July Revised census and inspected Tax receipts. Attendance good. Health fair mainly skin diseases. Numerous dogs destroyed. Complaints settled without court action. Coffee gardens inspected by Agricultural Assistant. P.M. To Togahau. Inspected villages of Takkan Togahau, Pohu, Poturo and Tunana. Villages all good and housing reasonable. Roads very good. However some work required on some creek crossings. Coffee inspected by Ag. Assistant. Gardens very dirty.

Priday 10th July Utility to Tunana. Revised census. Heard complaints. Returned to Togahau and conducted census of Togahau and Jega. Attendance good. Medical Inspection health good. Mr. Esdale returned to Popondetta.

Seturday 11th July A.M. At Togahau. Two minor disputes settled. Applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights received.
P.M. Utility returned from Popondetta. Proceeded to Jajan Roads reasonable. Nothing prepared for patrol.

Sunday 12th July At Jajau.

Monday 13th Euly Utility to Papoga. Census and village inspection. Village clean and houses above average. Attendance at census good. Returned to Jajan, visiting Kanari enroute for village inspection. Howsing fair and village clean. Revised census of Jajan and Kanari. Attendance good. Medical inspection Health good. Minor disputes settled. Applications for transfer of Land Usage Rights.

Tuesday 14th July A.M. AT Jajau. Village inspection. One minor dispute settled without court action.
P.M. Utility to Iwore. Revised census. No complaints.

Wednesday 15th July A.M. Applications for Transfer. Inspected Iwore and Waru hamlet. Both in satisfactory condition. Road from Iwore to Waru good.

P.M. to Ongoho. Inspected hamlets of Ivisusu, Undahari and Paiwo, all in good order. Roads throughout the area quite good. Looked at Aid post and did preliminary work for Land investigation of same.

Thursday 16th July Revised census of Ongoho and Oiere. Inspected Ongoho village. Quite satisfactory. More than enough rubbish pits and latrines. Small amount of coffee inspected by Ag. Assistant. Coffee gardens were not very well looked after. Health good. Land investigation carried out for the purchase of land for the Ongoho Aid Post.

Friday 17th July Applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights received. From Ongoho to Girigirita by utility. Utility returned to Popondetta. Road good. Revised census and inspected village. The majority of male adults away at work inside the District. Village fair, housing fair. Three new latrines to be built. Applications for Transfer taken. Councillor complained that the people were not doing the work required of them under the N.R.O.'s. No action taken warning only given.

Saturday 18th July Walked to Sagere Zhours. This village not in Higatura Council. Revised census - attendance good. Administration Tax not collected. Village inspected. Housing exceptionally good. By far the best seen in the three census divisions. Latrines and rubbish pits also very good, People very helpful and the Village Constable, Kajipa obviously doing a good job.

Sunday 19th July At Sagere. Three disputes settled without court action.

Monday 20th July Departed Sagere 0800 and walked to Ehm via Girigirita, Oiere (village inspection) and Sehorox (village inspected, in reasonable condition). A total of 5% hours. Advised Councillors of mearby villages when to expect the patrol.

Tuesday 21st July At Em. Revised census of Sehoro and Em. Attendance good. Health good. Ag. Assistant inspected coffee, all of which was badly neglected. One plot badly diseased. Received applications for Transfer of Land Usage Rights. Inspected village, which was fair, could have been much better. Settled minor disputes. New Police Barracks requested.

Lednesday 22nd July Departed Ehu and walked to Huhura via Senani. 2 hours. Inspected Aid post at Huhuru (old village). Road flooded. Revised census of Huhuru, Horau and Senani. Attendance good. Inspected Huhuru. New Village, houses good but surroundings poor. Two men to Popondetta under N.R.O. 101 for failing to construct new houses when ordered. Walked to Baradari, one hour, roadthrough a swamp and very bad. Nothing much can be done about it however. Village fair. Returned to Huhuru and then walked to Horau. Once again a new village and not yet up to scratch. Numerous complaints heard at night.

Thursday 23rd July Walked from Huhuru to Senani(village inspection - quite satisfactory) and thence to Hamburata. Road good. Revised census and inspected village. A small village and the surroundings very good, houses fair. Complaints heard. Coffee inspected by Ag. Assisatnt.

Falday Srd July Departed Hamburata and walked to Ahora. Census revision of Ahora and Beiuru. Inspected Ahora - village quite satisfactory and houses fair. Applications for Transfer Of Land Usage rights taken. No complaints.

Saturday 24th July Walked to Beiuru and inspected village. Houses not very good good and numerous to be rebuilt. Village surroundings only fair. Utility arrived from Popondetta and transported the patrol to Popondetta arriving at 1130.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS

The patrol was one of routine administration. The census was revised for the three divisions, Toagahau, Asigi and Huhurindi. A Native Medical Orderly accompanied and carried out an inspection of all people present. The Papuen Agricultural Assistant who also accompanied the patrol talked to the people about their coffee, answered any queries and inspected gardens where possible.

The census revealed the following figures regarding the natural increase in population:-

> 51 Births 18 Deaths Togahan

2.8% Increase

38 Births 15 Det Lis

2.7% increase

27 Births Huburindi -

0.5% Increase

These are natural increases and do not include migrations in and out.

The percentage; of dult males of the 16 to 45 years age group at work are Tog.ham - 40%, Asigi - 31% and Huhurindi - 37%. The majority of those at work are working inside the district and the percentage working outside is very small.

The three divisions come under the Higataru Native Local Council, except one village, Sagere in the Asigi Division. No Administration Tax was collected but all Council Tax receipts were image inspected. Any Tax defaulters were sent to the Council House to pay their tax or to Popondetta for Court for Native Matters.

The native situation throughout the area is quite good. The people seem quite satisfied with all aspects of the Administration. The people however do not seem to show a great deal of interest in the Local Government Council as they could. Once they have elected the their Councillor that appears to be the end of it. The reason for thisis probably that they see very little of what the Council does. This however will come in the future when the Council grows and is able to expand its field of work. When something material is done in the villages

villages, then interest in the Council should rise.

Many of the people have started planted more coffee on the advice of Native Affairs and Agricultural Staffs and the great deal of propaganda given the area is slowly paying off. The people res realize to some extent that if the Council is to grow and be able to carry out more work, then the present tax will have to be raised. To be able to do this more coffee is being planted.

The villages were all reasonably good and the majority of orders by previous Officers had been carried out.

Aid Ports were well patronised and every assistance given the Aid Post Orderlies.

Mission schools are placed in quite a few villages but the attendance rate was not very high. It is mainly the parents who are at fault because they make very little effort to have Sheir children attend school. The children are left more or less to decide whether they will school, and consequently many do not. Attendance was encouraged in all villages, especially those with a school in the near vicinity.

Local Government Council was Sagere. This village, which is max in the Asigi Division and close to the Ioma area pays an Administration tax of 30/-. No tax was collected this patrol. In 1958 the people had difficulty in paying the tax and the majority have not yet paid. Seventeen men were sentenced to one month's gaol in February, 1958. At present they have sufficient for last year but claim they will be unable to pay for this year

These people do not belong to the Crokaiva group as do the other villages in the Census Division. They are AIGA'S and the rest of their group are in the Aiga Census Division of the Icma Patrol Post area. These people have nothing whatsoever to do with the Asigi people and all ties are with the Aiga group. Whereas the Council area is growing coffee as a cash crop, these people are growing cocoa the same as the Aiga people. At present they have very little cocoa, in fact it all belongs to the one man. However they are beginning to plant more. Cocoa is being concentrated on

because Sagere is only one day's walk irom the Cocoa Fermentary at Kikinonda.

There are very few men at work either inside or outside the District and very little money is being obtained from that source.

The Sagere people are obviously having difficulty in obtaining money to pay their tax. They have no objections to paying but just do not have the money. The Village Constable and Councillors asked why they should pay 30%- tax when the rest of their group pay only 10/-.

be lowered from 30/- to 10/-. This could be done either by having a special tex rate of 10/- for the one village in the Asigi Division, or transfering Sagere to the Aiga Census Division, Ioma Patrol Post. Sagere is only two hours walking from the nearest Aiga village. In the advent of a Local Government Council the village would be included with the Aiga group. Transfering it to the Aiga Division would be the better of the two suggestions because it would give much more uniformity in all1 aspects of administration especially agriculture.

## NATIVE AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK.

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The food position throughout the area was quite good, and consisted of the usual native varieties. The gardens were producing more than enough and this will last until new gardens mature.

The main cash crop grown is coffee. There are also a few small plots of cocoa, but these are very small and have practicable been forgotten because of the trend to coffee.

coffeee was seen in all villages and nearly every man had his own plot. Most of the people that have no coffee have decided to plant after having seen and heard what other people are doing. A lot of propaganda by the Department

of Agriculture, the Higaturu Council and the Dept. of Native Affairs has also helped in this regard.

A Papuan Field Worker accompanied the Patrol. He gave a short talk on the growing of coffee in each village and answered any questions that the people had. When time allowed he also inspected the coffee of each village. During the patrol he saw much of the coffee grown and advised the people of ways in which to improve their it. All diseased trees found were cut out and some specimens of various types sent to the District Agricultural Officer, Popondetta.

The Field Worker also took a bag of coffee seed which he sold to anyone that was thinking of planting coffee. Many people bought seed and they will now here to wait until the field worker for the area visits their village and assists them to line and plant shade trees.

The full time Field worker for the area is kept
very busy. He has a very large area to cover and apparently
cannot cope with the work. Many villages said they very seldem saw
the worker and many said they would like him to visit their villages
and assist them. Seeing that the present worker has such a large
area and cannot cope with the requirements of the people, it
would be desirable if the area could be divided in two and another
Field Worker provided.

The majority of the coffee gardens seen were very dirty and suffered from lack of care.

The Higaturu Council Rule passed this year regarding the cleaning of coffee gardens was explained in all Council villages. This rule provides for a fine of one pound or one months Gaol if gardens are dirty. Now that the people of these three divisions are conversant with this rule and if it is policed sufficiently there should be an improvement in the coffee gardens.

Another Council Rule passed this year was the
"Transfer of Land Usage Rights". This allows people who have planted
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Rubbish pits in most villages were good, but in others there was room for improvement. Where there were insufficient, mainly the larger villages, new ones are to be built. However generally they were quite good.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

All villages except one, Sagere are in the Higaturu Native Local Government Council. Each village or group of villages has its own elected Councillar.

and seemed to have everything in order. The majority keep their people well informed as to what is happening as regards the Council. They hold meetings in their villages after each Council meeting and tell the people what was brought up and discussed. This is a good thing because it gives the people a little bit of interest in the Council and does not leave everything to the Councillors.

appear to do much work. There are only a few placed in odd villages and they are supposed to serve the area around their villages.

As a rule they just stay in their own village and wait for someone to inform them of any trouble. They then do something about it.

In villages without a Constable the Councillor usually does the work in bringing forward any trouble. The few Constables seen were instructed as to their duties and told that they should visit all villages under their contral regularly.

The Village Constable of Sagere was very helpful and obviously doing a good job. His village was exceptionally good and was the best seen int the three divisions.

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# REST HOUSES AND POLICE BARRACKS.

all rest houses were used and all were in good order. The one at Divinikolari was in the process of being rebuilt and some work had to be done to make it habitable.

police Barracks were nothing startling and could be improved a lot. In the villages where they were particularly bad it was requested that they be rebuilt and suggestions were given as to improvements.

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The patrol was of a routine nature and all aspects of Administration work were reasonably satisfactory. The villagers co-operated very well with the patrol and at no time was any trouble experienced.

Della Janean.

Cadet Patrol Officer.

#### APPENDIX "A"

## REPORT ON POLICE ACCOMPANYING.

# Const. GIBRANG No. 7203.

A very capable patrol constable. Showed initiative and drive.

#### Const. KOMUNA No. 7351.

A rather depressing type. Lacks initiative. Patrolling in an area close to his home district and consequently of little help.

J. Al Laucton

Gades Patrol Officer.

#### APPENDIX "B".

# LIST OF TREATMENTS ADMINISTERED ON PATROL. 2426 PEOPLE SEEN.

Septic Sores	123
Infected Sores	37
Scables	27
Yavs	17
Tropical Ulcers	7
Injuries	7
Melaria	2
Toyal Treated	220 .

I. McLachlan
Cadet Patrol Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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30th November, 1959

District Officer, Morthern District, POPONIETIA

Females in Ohilo

#### POPONDETTA PATROL No. 3/50-60

Your complimentary remarks on the work of Mr. Melachlan will be placed on his personal file.

Councillor AUFA is apparently a man of some personality and as such he needs careful manipulation unless his energies are directed into undesirable channels.

It is a fair indication of a satisfactory native situation if the people co-operate fully to ensure the success of a patrol.

Gouncil Constables and Village Constables too, occupy a fairly imphilous position, communal indigenous societies relying as they do on mutual assistance. One of the difficulties of area administration is that a conscientious and efficient man may become unpopular and may not be elected when the people get a change to reject him. The problem is an extensive educative one until a sense of electoral responsibility is finally instilled into the people. After all Parliaments in Australia are not constituted with all members of unquestioned honour and integrity either.

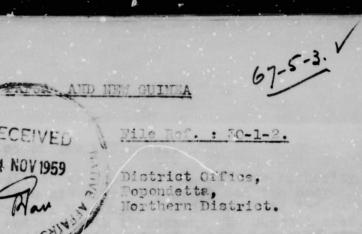
I am happy to note that the officer sees fit to emplain fully his reasons for requiring specific work by the locals.

Goncerning education, it was the considered epinion of a very experienced educationist that most of the epposition to school attendance stemed from the mothers who were not prepared to do without the not inconsiderable assistance of the children.

Although pork might not contribute a substantial protein diet of the native, pigs nevertheless are an important factor in his coremonial and communal life. The decision of the Agricultural Department was made only after the most thorough technical impostigation. "In Habert Murray once wrote "Pigs in villages act as scavengers. Matives should be allowed to keep their pigs as they please."

Contingencies are returned for payment at your office.

A.A. Baberta)



21st November, 1959.

The Director, Dept. of Native Affairs, Konedobu.

> Pepert of a Patrol by Mr. J. McLachlan, C. Popondette No. 3 of 1959/60. G.P.O. :

It is a very real pleasure to pick up a well written and well presented reported such as this and be able to obtain, at the first reading, a clear picture of conditions pravailing within an area patrolled, instead of having to struggle, under the new form of "reporting", with a jumbled confusion of multitudinous diary entries .

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Mr. McLachlan was most thorough in his coverage of the Saiho Census Division and he has given a very good account of his patrol; both petrol and report are up to his usual high stahdard. This was the last patrol of his first term and the Department could be well satisfeed if the majority of Cadets could make as good a mark in their first term as Mr. McLachlan has.

Mention of Councillor AUFA by the Assistant District Officer, Popondetta, in his covering memorandum refers to allegations made at the August meeting of the Ilimo Council Councillor Hojavo that AUFA, a member of the adjoining aturu Council, was ordering people around outside his own and and had " said that he was a Patrol Officer". This would open to have been a case of sensitivity on the part of a Councillor from one Council to any intrusion by a Councillor from neighbouring Council whose village happens to be near his own. There have been no further complaints of this nature.

Reference to the MUMUNI people on page 5 of the report concerns a report by the Assistant District Officer, (L.G.) (14-1-1 of 31.7.1959) that he had sensed, without being abl. to give a factual basis for his opinion, an atmosphere of resentment towards Administration visits to the village. the village.

However, you will note that Mr. McLachlan states, "This patrol was given every assistance possible and all the people co-operated well. It was in this regard one of the best villages visited". I consider that the situation et MUMUNI Village is quite normal.

Mr. Mclachlan's opinion of Council Constables, expressed on Page 7, coincides with my own. Whilst the Council pressed on Page 7, coincides with my own. Whilst the Council undoubtedly has need of Council Messengers", I consider that the present Council Constables are ineffectual. They have the present Council constables are ineffectual. They have neither status, training nor discipline and it is mere pretented to hold that they are capable of playing any worthwhile

part in the maintenance of law and order.

Native

The elected Councillor is competent to enforce suthority in routine matters within his electoral group and the body of the Council need Council Messengers to disseminate information, instructions and requests throughout the Council area, but the Royal Papuan and New Guinea Constabulary are the body constituted by law for the enforcement of law and order, and the only one which, by its training and discipline, is capable of doing so.

I quite agree (p.8) that "Regulation 116 of the N.R.O.s favours the minority of the people, i.e. the pig cwners and is not capable of dealing with the problem". The Higaturu Council last year endeavoured to pass a rule which would compel pig owners to fence in their pigs, but it was was disallowed on advice from the Department of Agriculture that it could not condone fencing in of pigs because resultant-disease would kill off many pigs and so reduce Native protein intake. This would be a valid argument if pork formed a regular and significant item of Native diet, but, of course, it does not, and subsistence gardens and cash crops are far more important to the people than are their pigs.

I understand that a new rule on this subject was to have been drafted at Headquarters, but to date nothing further has been heard of it.

Mr. McLachlan 's report indicates that, in general, a highly satisfactory situation exists in the Saiho Census Division and that it is continuing to progress, particularly in the fields of economic development and health.

G. Linsley District Officer.

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#### Territory of Papus and New Guinea.

File: 50-1-2.

Sub-District Office, Popondetta, Northern District.

5th November, 1959.

The District Officer, Northern District.

#### POPONDETTA PATROL No. 3-59/60.

I forward herewith three copies of the above Patrol Report submitted to me today by Mr. I. McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer; also three copies of Village Population Register Sheets and claim for camping allowance.

Mr. McLachlan does not make mention of the activities of Councillor AUFA in his report, but he informs me that he was unable to find anyone to corroborate the fact that AUFA has been representing himself as a Patrol Officer. AUFA is a member of the Executive Committee of the Higaturu Council and I know this man well enough to bedieve that he could be a trouble maker. The activities of AUFA will be closely watched by Mr. Norton and myself and action taken where warranted. A memorandum to the Assistant District Officer, Kokoda, concerning AUFA is being forwarded through you.

Although Mr. McLachlan does not mention in his report that he spoke to the OROKAIVA women concerning their active participation in Council affairs, he assures me that at all suitable times he did in fact speak the the women concerning their participation in Council affairs.

It would appear from the report that the attitude of the MUMUNI people to the Administration is satisfactory, and that they do not appear, now at any rate, to bear any resentment towards the Administration. This I feel is also borne out by the fact that Mr. McLachlan found MUMUNI village to be one of the best visited during the course of this patrol, and that the MUMUNI village people were very co-operative towards the patrol.

Mr. McLachlan has I consider conducted a thorough patrol and has written a clear report. This Report is to mind the best yet submitted by Mr. McLachlan, and is indicative of the experience he has now gained during his first term in the Northern District.

(F.V.Esdale)

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#### TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office, Popondetta.

15th October, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer, POPONDETTA.

Patrol Report No. 3 of 1959-60 - Saiho Census Division.

Patrol Conducted by: Ian McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Saiho Census Division. Area patrolled:

Two rembers R.P. & N.G.C. 1 Interpreter. 1 Native Medical Orderly. Patrol Accompanied by:

16th September to 10th October, 1959. Duration of Patrol:

24 Number of Days:

D.N.A. November, 1958. Last patrol to area:

Buna (Revised) 2nd Edition 4 miles = 1 inch. Map reference:

Census Revision and Routine Administration. Objects of Patrol:

"A" Report on Police Accompanying. Appendix:

> f. McLachlan. Cadet Patrol Officer.

#### DIARY - PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1959-60.

wednesday 16th September Departed Popondetta with Mr. P.O. Holloway by truck 1100 hrs Arrived Saiho Hospital 1300. Picked up Medical Orderly to accompany patrol, thence to Awala Rest House. Meeting of Councillors of surrounding villages and advised them of times for census etc.

Thursday 17th September Mr. Holloway departed for Ioma. Revised census of Awala 1 and 2. Heard numerous complaints, the majority of which were settled amicably. Inspected both villages. Awala 1 in very unsatisfactory state. Houses very poor and many to be rebuilt. Latrines good but no rubbish pits. Roads only just passable.

Friday 18th September At Awala. Revised census of Tunana and Sui, Binduta mand Sive. 25 males sent to Popondetta for non-payment of Council Tax. Listened to complaints for three hours. Two cases sent to Higaturu for C.N.M.. walked to Tunana and Sui and inspected villages - both satisfactory. Visited Awala Plantation and cleared up two disputes between the Manager and the people of Sui.

Saturday 19th September

Listened to more complaints from 0800 to1300. Mostly trivial things brought up and the majority settled out of Court. Talked to school children about attending school. Compiled census figures and Tax/Census Adjustment Advices.

Sunday 20th September Visited Saiho Station.

Monday 21st September Walked from Awala to Sasembata, two hours, inspecting Binduta and Sive enroute. Both villages satisfactory. Roads also good. Census revision of Sasembata, Torogota and Hamburata. A lot of men absent at work from these villages. Visited Sasembata Mission Station.

Tuesday 22nd September Revised census of Isoge and Garombi. Medical inspection health good. Listened to Complaints, two parties to Higaturu for C.N.M. Walked to Garombi, Herota and Isoge. Garombi and Herota in good order, some houses to be rebuilt. Isoge very poor. Latrines and rubbish pits a farce, due mainly to rocky ground. People wish to move closer to the main Saiho - Ajeka Road. Told that this was permissable and instructed how to line their village and instructed to construct good latrines etc..

Wednesday 23rd Beptember Census revision of Duve. Heard complaints. Walkedto Duve l hour, inspected village, A new village, houses good but surroundings poor as yet. Work to begin on cleaning it up. Also inspected Torogota (Sasembata)No. 2). This village in satisfactory order. No new houses, surroundings and roads good.

Thursday 24th September Departed Sasembata Rest House and walked to Kerlata, 1 hour. Revised census of Kendata and Kongohambo. Listened to complaints.

Priday 25th September Walked from Kendata to Singi inspecting villages on way four hours. Villages and hamlets inspected - KENDATA. one
of the best villages seen. Houses set out well and surroundings
excellent. URURU (Kendata No. 2) A poor village,
housing shocking and surroundings dirty. HANDARITURU A small hamlet and a little better than Ururu.

KONGOHAMBO (new) A relatively new village. These people have been
living near Sasembata Mission for some years since the Mt.
living near fasembata mission for some years since the Mt.
Lamington eruption. The majority have now moved back to
their own land and the rest remain in their old village.

Village fair

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Friday 25th September (contd.) Village fair. Houses satisfactory, surroundings to be cleaned up when all new houses are completed. Roads good.
OLD KONGOHAMBO. A rather poor village and the people remaining advised to move to the new village immediately.
SASEMBATA - Satisfactory, well laid out and housing good, latrines and rubbish pita also good. HAMBURATA - also satisfactory.

Saturday 26th September Consus revision of Singi. Village inspection - village clean and tidy. People very co-operative and Councillor very helpful. P.M. Walked to Sairope.

Sunday 27th September At Sairope.

Monday 28th September Revised census of Sairope and Maujeta. Heard complaints one case to Ilimo, the others settled amicably. P.M. Walked to hamlet of PUTEMO one hour. Inspected. Village very poor. Houses shocking and surroundings very depressing. Orders given for new houses, rubbish pits and for a general clean up of the village.

Tuesday 29th September Inspections of Maujeta and Sairope. Both in reasonable condition, except for rubbish pits, which were non-existant and a few houses. Walked to Ajeka, inspecting the hamlet of PEMBE enroute, in reasonably good order. Good reception on arrival at Ajeka. Census revision of Ajeka, Ombisusu and Tara. Heard complaints. Mr. D.A.O. Belfield and Mr. Conroy arrived by Landrover. Inspected Cocoa Fermentary with them. Inspected Ajeka and in very good condition. One of the best villages seen.

Wednesday 30th September Walked to Koropata, inspecting Ombisusu and Tara enroute. Ombisusu a new village and the people living in temporary shelters at the moment. All to have new houses by the next patrol. Latrines and rubbish pits good. Tara also beginning a new village. Revised census of Koropata. Listened to complaints. Two C.N.M.'s sent to Higaturu. One for evading census.

Thursday 1st October Departed Koropata and walked to Popondota. Census revisions of Boru, Popondota and Wasita. Listened to complaints. Two C.N.M. to Higaturu and numerous others for non-payment of Tax. Inspected Popondota, which was satisfactory. Two new houses. Walked to Mumuni. Heard complaints for the remainder of the afternoon. Most settled without court action. One case to Tlimo.

Priday 2nd October Census revision of Mumumi. Heard more complaints. Inspected village. In reasonably good order, a few houses to be rebuilt. Rubbish pits and latrines good. Councillors doing a good job and have the people well organised.

Saturday 3rd October Walked to Awala Rest House. Popondota section of Mumuni Road not very good and ordered to be repaired. Inspected Wasita and Boru villages enroute. Wasita rather dirty and people told to clean it up. Two men to Higaturu for failing to build new houses when ordered to do so. Boru similar to Wasita and same orders given. Heard complaints and compiled census statistics.

Sunday 4th October Visited Saiho Station.

Monday 5th October Walked to Hojavasusu. Revised census and inspected village. Easily the best village seen as far as housing and cleanliness. Two disputes settled and one other to Higaturu. Returned to Awala inspecting some very good coffee on the way. The

Monday 5th October Contd.

road from Hojavasusu good but the Awala end very poor and many men sent to Higaturu.

Tuesday 6th October

Census revision of Uhita, Soroputa, Handarituru and Peromba. Heard complaints of which there were many, four cases sent to Higaturu. Two others for non-payment of Council Tax.

Wednesday 7th October Walked from Awala to Barawaturu, inspecting Uhita, Soroputa, Handarituru and Peromba enroute. All satisfactory but housing a little poor. Revised census of Barawaturu (Timbeki). Very few complaints and all settled amicably.

Thursday 8th October

Inspected Barawaturu and Timbeki. Village clean and grass well cut. People living in tempory shelters and practically all houses to be rebuilt. Two men to Higaturu for failing to build new houses. Walked to Kiorota. Census revision and inspection of village. Village poor in both housing and general surroundings. Cleaned up under supervision. New Rest House and Police Barracks requested.

Friday 9th October Utility arrived from Popondetta. Truck to Koipa. Census revision of Koipa and Agenahambo. Heard complaints. Inspected hamlets of Egasusu, Pusahambo and Koipa. Very dirty the three of them and cleaned up under supervision. Housing reasonable although poorly set out.

Saturday 10th October Inspected Agenahambo and listened to more complaints. 1200 returned to Popondetta by Utility.

END OF PATROL.

#### NATI T AFFAIRS AND NATIVE SITUATION.

The patrol was one of routine administration. The census was revised for the Saiho Census Division. No Administration Tax was collected because all the villages are in either the Higaturu or Ilimo Local Government Councils. A Native Medical Orderly accompanied and carried out a medical inspection in conjunction ith the census.

The sensus revealed the following figures garding the natural incease in population:-

Births - 129 Deaths - 90

Increase in population 1.3%

this is a natural increase and does not include migrations in and out.

The per stage of Adult Males at work from the 16 - 45 year age group is:-

Inside District - 29.2% Out. de District - 8.1%

Most if the 20.2% working inside the District work in the Sangara area and are not we y far from the invillages.

default is sent to the Coursel Houses for Court of Native Matters. In general most people had paid that tax. There were usually only a couple from each village who had not. The villages "SIN and TUNANA were particularly bad for non-payment of tax and twenty-five men were sent to Higaturu for 'Court'.

The native situation throughout the division appears to be good. The people seem satisfied with all aspects of the Administration.

However as in other centus divisions and as mentioned in Patrol Report No.

1 of 250-60 the people do not show as much interest in the Councils as they could. This will no doubt come about when the Councils expand and the per le see more of what the Councils do.

The Ilimo Council Villages seem to be a little confused as to where they are administered from, with the Council from Kokoda and the patrols from Popondetta. It was explained that it did not matter whether they went to Kokoda or Popondetta to carry out their business.

year. The people have been getting some returns from coffee planted previously and have now been given greater incentive to plant more and look after what they have already. This plus help from the Agricultural Department and other propaganda is showing the natives what they can do and with the higher tax rate next year they realise that they have to getmore money.

previous officers had been carried out. The Aid Posts were well patronised and every assistance given the given the Aid Post Orderlies.

NATIVE SITUATION MUMUNI VILLAGE. In reference to memo 14-1-1 of 31st

July, 1959 from the Assistant District Officer (L.G.) to the District

Officer and minuted to the Assistant District Officer for attention on patrol, I looked into the native situation at Mumuni. This patrol was given every assistance possible and all the people co-operated well. It was in this regard one of the best villages visited. The two Councillors were very helpful, although one, AUFA; is inclined to talk a little tooc much and it appears that the people are getting a little tired of him.

Unlike other times when the people were required in the village, this time everyone was present. This may have been because they knew it ) was a census and that they would be punished if they were not present.

The Public Health Department was also experienced lack of co-operation when building an Aid Post in the village and it was a long time before it was finished. However it has been completed now. This was not entirely the fault of the Mumuni people because other villages were also doing some building. The Infant Welfare Sisters have also complained about the poor attendance at Clinics held in the village. This was gone into in the village and the Compillar said he would ensure that attendance improved. It has since improved a little but is still not 100%.

The people themselves say they have nothing against any section of the Administration or other private people or missions and are

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quite content. It would appear that the people have no anti-Administration feeling but are just lazy and possibly think that they are getting too much work to do and too much of the Government.

AJEKA FERRYMAN. Memo 37-4-1/1425 of 17th June, 1959 from the District Officer to the Assistant District Officer refers. The memo made reference to complaints about the Ajeka ferryman not carrying out his job. The ferryman was interviewed at Ajeka and his duties explained. He had no excuse and he was told that if it happened again a replacement would be found.

#### VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

The villages visited belong either to the Higaturu or Ilimo

Native Local Government Councils. The majority are in the Higaturu and

only the villages near the Kumusi River and Kokoda, namely Maujeta, Sairope,

Pembe, Ajeka, Ombisusu and Tara are in the Ilimo.

Most of the villages were satisfactory with some particularly good ones and some poor ones. The best were Kendata, Mumuni and Hojavasusu. The first two were well set out and had flowers, bushes and trees planted around the village. The housing and general cleanliness of Hojavasusu were very good.

Awala 1 and 2, Boru, Wasita and Koipa and its hamlets were very dirty and the housing poor. No attempt had been made to clean or beautify these villages in any way. The usual orders under the N.R.O.'s were given and some change should be seen by the next patrol.

The big villages of Kiorota and Barawaturu were not quite up to standard, but the people from these villages have not really settled down since the eruption of Mt. Lamington. They have moved back from the old villages on the main road but many people are still migrating in and out and building small hamlets closer to their own land on the slopes of the mountain. It will be a good thing when they finally settle down, because there is always a little bickering over land and other small things.

However each patrol finds these people slowly returning to their own lands and eventually everything will sort itself gut.

## Villages and Village Officials Contd.

With the Native Local Government Councils each village or group of hamlets has its own Councillor or Councillors. These are assisted by 'Committeemen' who supervise much of the village work. The Councillors were on the whole most helpful and co-operative. The majority of them had their villages well organised as far as village and road work were concerned. Some however do not get very much co-cperation from their people and it makes their job a little difficult. In such cases it often happens that the Councillor gives up and consequently the village becomes neglected. This, fortunately does not happen very often.

The Councillors keep their people very well informed as to what is happening in the Council and generally hold meetings after each Council meeting. This of course gives the people more interest and they know what is being done throughout the area. The people on the whole do not see much of the Councils work but this will come when the Council starts providing more services, such as Aid Posts, schools etc. as it intends to do in the very near future.

Council Constables are placed in odd villages throughout the Division to help maintain law and order. However they do not do a good job. Most of their time is spent in their own village, living like a normal villager. Their work, such as bringing forward trouble is usually left to the Councillors. Each one seen was explained his duties and told that he was not only supposed to look after his own village but also the ones in his area.

The Councillors who appeared to be doing the best work were the ones from Mojavasusu, Ombisusu and one from Kiorota.

#### LAW AND JUSTICE.

Many complaints were brought before the Patrol's notice. The majority were trivial and where possible were settled without court action ard to the agreement of all parties. As the writer is not a Magistrate for Native matters others which could not be settled amicably, or which were direct breaches of the Native Regulations were sent to the Higaturu

Council House

## Law and Justice Contd.

on the weekly 'Court Day'.

Were about pigs and land. In every village there were at least two complaints about pigs, usually more. I feel that Regulation 116 of the N.R.O.'s favours the minority of the people, i.e. the pig owners and is not capable of dealing with the problem.

The Regulation requires the majority of the people to fence both their subsistence gardens and their economic crops. These are far more important item to the people than their pigs, although they might not think so. It would be a much better idea if the pigs were fenced and then there would be very few problems. This may open the way for more diseased pigs, but if the area feenced off was sufficiently large and changed occasionally there would be little difference to the present time.

Land disputes were also brought up a lot, as in past years.

These lead to a great deal of animosity between villages and even relatives.

After a lot of discussion most were settled between the natives themselves.

However whether they are content with what has been decided remains to be

On the whole the area is very good in that there were no serious offences and the majority were small and trivial.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

There are vehicular roads to all but a few villages, namely
Duve, Sasembata, Hamburata, Singi and Putemo. These roads are generally
very good and are all weather roads for light traffic. The majority were
well cut and clean but there were the usual villages which had not done the
required work. The worst offenders were the Awala people whose roads were
shocking. Action was taken against these people.

The villages without vehicular roads are not very far from the roads and for the amount of work involved in constructing vehicular roadsit is not worth while.

## Roads and Bridges.Contd.

A vehicle was only used for two days of this patrol and the people had to carry for the rest of the way. Although no trouble was experienced it was obvious that thepeople thought it a little hard, seeing that they had vehicular roads. However the position was explained and carriers were readily made available.

The few bridges throughout the division were quite satisfactory and well maintained.

#### AGRICULTIRE.

There are two cash crops grown in the Saiho Census Division.

Coffee is the main crop grown in the Higaturu Council Villages

and Cocoa in the Ilimo Council Villages.

The coffee is bought by the Agricultural Department at the Coffee Factory near Popondetta. The Council tractor is used to transport it and the natives pay one penny per pound freight. They all seem quite happy with the arrangement as it is at present because it saves them a lot of work and does not diminish their returns by very much.

Some of the coffee gardens were inspected and appeared to be doing very well. However quite a few were dirty and suffered from lack of care. The Council rule re the cleaning of coffee gardens has had little effect on the people of this area because it has not been sufficiently policed and the people are not worried about it. The rule was explained in all villages and the people now know why it has been introduced and can have no excuses in the future.

A lot of the gardens are producing now and the people have been given a greater incentive for the future. Some weeks previous to this patrol an Agricultural Officer had spent some months advising the people in their gardens and as a result there has been a great deal of activity in the gardens.

The cocoa grown is also grawn bought by the Agriculture Department at the Cocoa Fermentary at Ajeka in the Ilimo Souncil. At the present time

#### Agriculture Contd.

there are a number of gardens producing beans but not in large amounts. Cocoa is fermented every three weeks. The largest garden belongs to Aubry of Pembe and his returns are now mounting up. The cocoa seen was well looked after and healthy. These people are also keen to go ahead now that they have a fermentary and are receiving something for their labour.

The Cocoa Fermentary was inspected with Mr. Belfield, District Agricultural Officer and Mr. Conroy, Chief Agricultural Extension. The fermentary was built by the people to the specifications of the Agricultural Dept. and is manned by Agricultural Field Workers from Popondetta.

At the time of the Patrol's visit to the area Field Workers and Trainees were working in the cocoa gardens, pruning and improving and also lining new gardens.

Another Higaturu Council Rule passed this year was also explained to the people - the Transfer Of Land Usage Rights. Very few applications were received , mainly because the majority of blocks had already been surveyed in 1956 and the people were satisfied with this. Some of these transfers were re-investigated.

In general the people are very interested in their economic crops and now that they are beginning to get some returns they are showing and will show a greater interest in economic development.

Subsistence gardens were producing more than enough for everyday needs and everyone is well of in this respect. Pigs and fowls were also plentiful and were thriving.

# MEDICAL, SANITATION AND HYGIENE.

A Native Medical Orderly from Saiho Hospital accompanied the patrol throughtout and carried out a medical inspection in each village. General health throughout the division was good. Any serious cases were sent into Saiho Hospital, others to the Aid Posts and the small things treated on the spot. The main complaints were septic and infected sores.

The Medical Orderly compiled a list of all people treated and was to submit it to the District Medical Officer.

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Page 11.

Medical Contd.

Mumumi and Sairope. There is also the Government Hospital at Saiho and an Anglican Mission Hospital at Sasembata. This gives the people more than enough medical services and they are very well of in this regard. Thepeople realise that they are well off and attend the Aid Posts and Hospitals whenever they are in need of treatment. The Medical Orderlies at the Aid Posts reported that they received all the co-operation they needed and had no trouble whatsoever with the villagers.

Sanitation was also good, with practically every house having its own deep pit latrine. A couple of villages however were very poor, the worst being the hamlet of Putemo. Most latrines were good and if not were ordered re-constructed. Where there were none, one was ordered for each house.

Rubbish pits were satisfactory in most villages,, sme were most unsatisfactory. In some cases the ground made both latrines and rubbish pits difficult to construct because of its rocky nature. Nevertheless some attempt is to be made and orders were given for same.

#### EDUCATION.

The Administration have a school at Saiho and the Anglican Rission at Agenahambo, Sasembata, Wasita and a number of smaller lower standard village schools. The attendance rate was not exceptionally good at the small village schools and where-ever possible it was encouraged. The fault lies mainly with the parents in failing to ensure that their children reach school each morning. The people however realise the need for education and know that their children will get mowhere if they do not attend school. However without compulsory attendance it is very difficult.

The patrol was one of Routine Administration and all aspects
of Administration work were reasonably satisfactory. The villagers co-op
erated very well with the patrol and at no time was any trouble experienced.

Patrol Report No. 3/59-60. APPENDIX "A". REPORT ON POLICE ACCOMPANYING. Constable ISANG No. 8879. A very good patrol constable with plenty of initiative and drive. Keen and willing to learn and at all times a help. Constable IAMAI No. 9289. A reliable constable. Not outstanding but can be depended T. McLachlan. Cadet Patrol Officer.

# Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File: 30-1-2-

Sub-District Office, POPONDETT Northern District.

13th September, 1959.

Mr. I. McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer, POPUNDETTA.

#### SAIHO DIVISION PATROL.

Please make arrangements to proceed on a patrol of the above Census Division on the 16th September, 1959.

The objects of your patrol will be:

A complete Census Revision of the Saiho Census Division.

As you know, all villages come within the Higaturu Native Local Government, and you are not therefore required to collect Administration tax. However, when conducting the Census, please check the Council tax receipts, and send to me with suitable advice those men who have not yet paid their tax for 1959.

General Administration.

Under this heading I desire you to observe and report upon:-

- Native Agriculture. (a)
- Medical, Sanitation and Hygiene. Make particular note of abnormal number of deaths in any villages, or deaths amongst young children.
- (c) Native Statuation. You should endeavour to ascertain discreetly the attitudes of the people towards their economic social, and political development, and their attitude towards the Administration, Missions, Higaturu Council, and private Europeans.
- Comment on roads and bridges. (a)
- Comment on village officials. (e)
- Explain the Council Rule concerning transfer of land use age rights and accept any applications that may be made.

In addition to the above routine matters I wish you to report on the following matters:

Interview the AJEKA ferryman - reference memo 37-4-151425

from the District Officer.

Report on the attitude of the Mumuni people as outlined in memorandum 14-1-1 from the Assistant District Officer 2.

#### Local Government.

- 3. Investigate complaints received from the Ilimo Council that Councillor AUFA from MUMUNI has been representing himself as a Patrol Officer in the Ilimo Council area and in general making a nuisance of himself.
- 4. In your discussions with the people encourage the Orokaiva women to take an active part in the affairs of the Higaturu Council.

#### General.

Obtain your patrol stores from the District Office store and a cash advance from Mr. Sherwin.

Calculate your cash advance from the amount of N.M.T.A.'s to be paid on patrol plus what you consider a reasonable amount for payment of carriers.

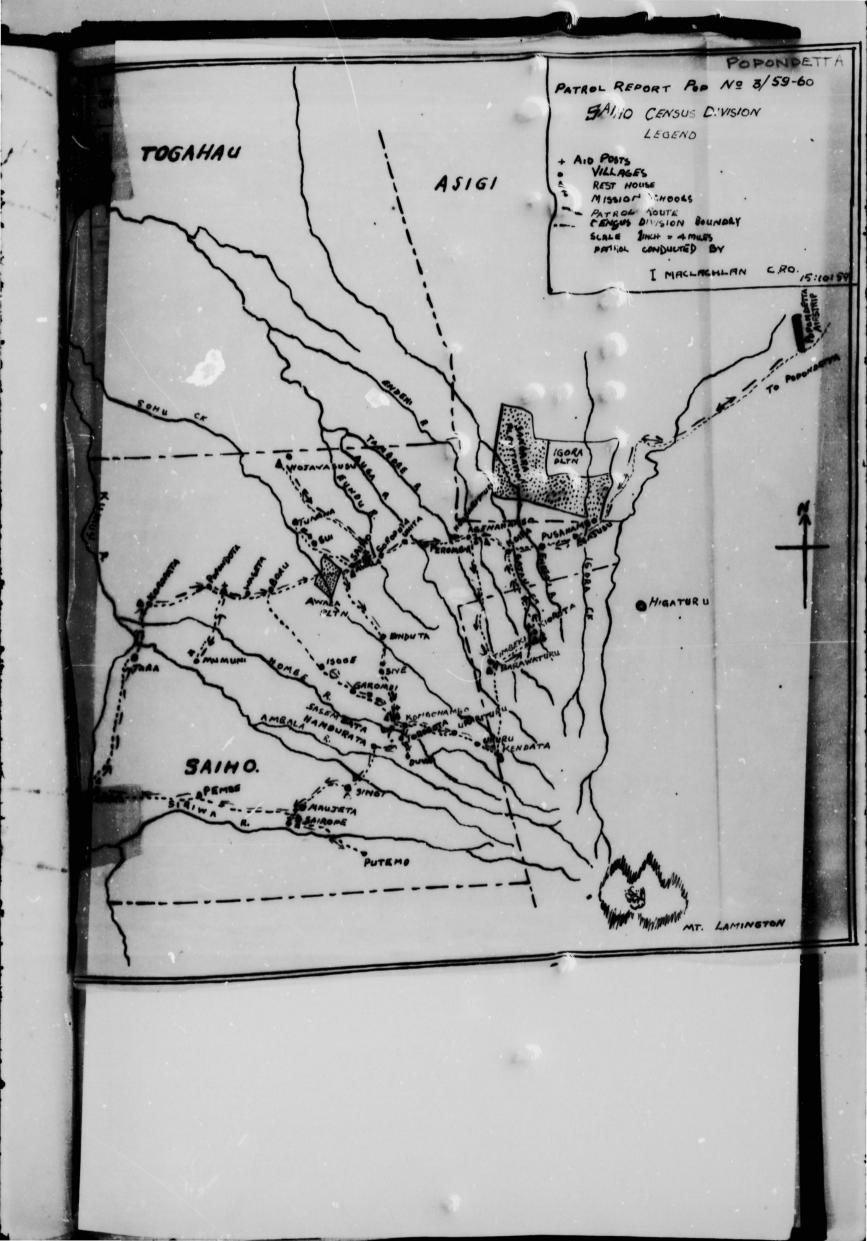
Send out word now to all the villages you will be visiting advising them of your approximate date of arrival, and thereafter give the people one days notice of your arrival.

T regret that I am whable to supply you with transport for this patrol, but should A981 become serviceable this will be sent out for your use.

I wish you an enjoyable patrol.

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# TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND MEN GUINEA

File Ref. : 30-1-2.

District Office, Popondetta, Northern District.

21st November, 1959.

The Director, Dept. of Native Affairs, Eumedebu.

> Report of a Patrol by Mr. I. McLachlan, C.P.O. s Popondetta No. 3 of 1959/60.

It is a very real pleasure to pick up a well written and well presented reported such as this and be able to obtain, at the first reading, a clear picture of conditions provailing within an area patrolled, instead of having to struggle, under the new form of "reporting", with a jumbled confusion of multitudinous diary entries.

Mr. Malachlan was most thorough in his coverage of the Saiho Census Divinish and he has given a very good account of his patrol; both patrol and report are up to his usual high standard. This was the last patrol of his liret term and the Department could be well satisfied if the majority of Cadets could make as good a mark in their first terms as Mr. Malachlan has.

Mention of Councillor AUFA by the Assistant District Officer, Popondetta, in his covering memorandum refers to allegations made at the August meeting of the Ilimo Council by Councillor Hojavo that AUFA, and ber of the adjoining Higaturu Council, was ordering people around outside his own area and had " said that he was a Patrol Officer". This would appear to have been a case of sensitivity on the part of a Councillor from one Council to any intrusion by a Councillor from a neighbouring Council whose village happens to be near his own. There have been no further complaints of this nature.

Reference to the MUMUMI people on page 5 of the report concerns a report by the Assistant District Officer, (L.G.) (14-1-1 of 31.7,1959) that he had sensed, without being able to give a factual basish for his opinion, an atmosphere of resentment towards Administration visits to the village.

However, you will note that Mr. HoLachlan states,
"This patrel was given every assistance possible and all
the people co-operated well. It was in this regard one of
the best villages visited". I consider that the situation
at MUMUNI Village is quite normal.

Mr. Melachlan's opinion of Council Constables, expressed on Page 7, coincides with my own. Whilst the Council undoubtedly has need of Council Messengers, I consider that the present Council Constables are inserfectual. They have neither status, Criming nor discipline and it is more were ence to hold that they are capable of playing any vorticabile

part in the maintenance of law and order.

The elected Councillor is competent to enforce authority in routine matters within his electoral group and the body of the Council meed Council Messengers to disseminate information, instructions and request, throughout the Council area, but the Royal Papuan and New Guinea Constabulary are the/body constituted by law for the enforcement of law and order, and the only one which, by its training and discipline, is empaphle of doing so.

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I quite agree (p.8) that "Regulation 116 of the N.R.O.s favours the minority of the people, i.e. the pig commer and is not capable of dealing with the problem". The Highture Council last year endeavoured to pass a rule which would compel pig comers to fence in their pigs, but it was was disallowed on advice from the Dopartment of Agriculture that it could not condone fencing in of pigs because resultant disease would kill off many pigs and so reduce Mative protein intake. This would be a valid argument if park formed a regular and significant item of Mative diet, but, of course, it does not, and subsistence gardens and cash crops are far more important to the people than are their pigs.

I understand that a new rule on this subject was to have been drafted at Boadquarters, but to date nothing further i to been heard of it.

Mr. McLachlan 's report indicates that, in general, a highly satisfactory situation exists in the Saine Census Division and that it is continuing to progress, particularly in the fields of economic development and health.

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File: 30-1-2.

Sub-District Office, Popondetta, Northern District.

5th November, 1959.

The District Officer, Morthern District.

# POPONDIETA PATROL No. 3-59/80.

I forward herewith three copies of the above Patrel Report submitted to me today by Mr. I. McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer; also three copies of Village Population Register Sheets and claim for carping allowance.

Mr. MoLacillan does not make mention of the activities of Councillor AUFA in his report, but he informs me that he was unable to first anguse to corroborate the fact that AUFA has been representing binnelf as a Patrol Officer. AUFA is a member of the Executive Council as a number of the Executive Council and I know this men well enough to behieve that he could be a trouble maker. The activities of AUFA will be closely matched by Mr. Norton and myself and action taken where warranted. A sourrandum to the Assistant District Officer, Kokoda, concerning SUFA is being forwarded through you.

that he spoke to the OROFAIVA women concerning their active participation in Gouncil affairs, he assures no that at all suitable times he did in fact speak the the women concerning their participation in Council affairs.

It would appear from the report that the attitude or MIMUNI people to the Administration is satisfactory, and that they not appear, now at any rate, to bear any resentment towards the Administration. This I feel is also borne out by the fact that Mr. McLachlan found MUNUNI village to be one of the best visited do the course of this patrol, and that the MUNUNI village people were co-operative towards the patrol. e attitude of the

Mr. McLachlam has I consider conducted a thorough patrol and has written a clear report. This Report is to hind the best yet submitted by Mr. McLachlam, and is indicative of the experience he has now gained during his first term in the Northern District.

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(F.V. Esdale) actg/Assistant District Officer.

#### TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Pile:

Sub-District Office, Popondetta.

15th October, 1959.

The Assistant District Officer, POPONDETTA.

#### Patral Report No. 3 of 1959-60 - Saiho Compus Division.

<u>Patrol Conducted by:</u> Ism NoLachlan, Codet Patrol Officer.

Area patrolled: Saiho Consus Division.

Patrol Accompanied by: Two members R.P. & M.G.C. 1 Interpreter.

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Duration of Patrol: 16th September to 10th October, 1959.

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Chiests of Patrol: Census Revision and Routine Administration.

Appendix: "A" Report on Police Accompanying.

L. McLochlen.

### DIARY - PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1959-60.

Weineeday 16th September Departed Popondetta with Mr. P.O. Hellowy by truck 1100 hrs Arrived Saiho Mospital 1500. Picked up Medical Officerly to accompany petrol, thence to Annia Rest House. Meeting of Councillors of surrounding villages and advised them of times for commun etc.

Thursday 17th September Mr. Hollowy departed for Ioms. Revised census of Avala 1 and 2. Heard numerous complaints, the majority of which were settled amicably. Inspected both villages. Avala 1 in very unsatisfactory state. Houses very poor and many to be rebuilt. Letrines good but no rubbish pits. Roads only just passable.

Priday 18th September At Awale. Revised census of Tumene and Sui, Bindute of and Sive. 25 males sent to Popundetta for non-payment of Council Tax. Listened to complaints for three hours. Two cases sent to Higsture for C.N.M. Walked to Tumene and Sui and inspected villages — both satisfactory. Visited Awale Plantation and cleared up two disputes between the Hamager and the people of Sui.

Saturday 19th September Listened to more complaints from 0800 tol500. Hostly trivial things brought up and the majority settled out of Court. Talked to school shildren about attending school. Compiled census figures and Tax/Census Adjustment Advices.

Seniny 20th September Vigited Saiks Station.

Minday Elst September Walked from Iwale to Sesenkate, two hours, inspecting Bindute and Sive enroute. Both villages satisfactory. Roads also good. Commun revision of Sesenbate, Torogota and Hemburate. A lot of men absent at work from these villages. Visited Sesenbate Mission Station.

Tuesday 22nd September Revised census of Isoge and Gurenbi. Hedical inspection health good. Listened to Complaints, two parties to Higaturu for C.N.M. Walked to Garenbi, Herota and Isoge. Garenbi and Herota in good order, some houses to be rebuilt. Isoge very poor. Letrines and rubbish pits a farce, due mainly to rocky ground. People wish to move closer to the main Saihe - Ajeka Read. Told that this was permissible and instructed how to line their village and instructed to construct good latrines etc..

Wednesday 25rd Beptember Consus revision of Duve . Heard complaints. Walkedto Dave 1 hour, inspected village, A new village, houses good but surroundings poor as yet. Work to begin on eleming it up. Also inspected Torogota (Sasabata)No. 2). This village in satisfactory order. No new houses, surroundings and reads good.

Thursday 24th September Departed Sesembate Rost House and walked to Kendara, 1 hour. Revised census of Kendata and Kongohambo. Listened to complaints.

Pridey 25th September Walked from Kendata to Singi inspecting villages on wetfour hours. Villages and hamlets inspected - KENDATA, one
of the best villages seen. Houses set out well and surroundings
excellent. URURU (Kendata No. 2) A poor village,
excellent. Burnumings dirty. HANDARTYURU A small hamlet and a little better than Ururu.
A small hamlet and a little better than Ururu.
KONGOHAMBO (new) A relatively new village. These people have been
living near Sassabeta Mission for some years since the Mt.
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Consus revision of Unita, Soroputa, Handarituru and Perosba. Heard complaints of which there were many, four cases sent to Higajuru. Two others for non-payment of Council Tex.

Vednesday 7th October Walked from Avala to Barswaturu, inspecting Uhita, Soroputa, Handarituru and Percuba enroute. All satisfactory but housing a little poor. Revised census of Barswaturu (Timbeki). Very few complaints and all1 settled amicably.

Thursday 8th October Inspected Barawaturu and Timbeki. Village clean and grass well our People living in tempory shelters and practically all houses to be rebuilt. Two men to Higaturu for failing to build new houses. Walked to Kicrota. Consus revision and inspection of village. Village poor in both housing and general surroundings. (Cleaned up under supervision. New Rest House and Police Berracks requested.

Friday 9th October Utility arrived from Popomistia. Trunk to Knipa. Consus revision of Knipa and Agemahaubo. Heard complaints. Inspected hemlets of Egnausu, Pusahaubo and Knipa. Very dirty the three of them and cleaned up under supervision. Housing reasonable although poorly set out.

Saturday 10th October Inspected Agenehanbo and listened to more complaints. 1200 returned to Popundetta by Utility.

END OF PATROL

#### NATIVE APPAIRS AND NATIVE SITUATION.

The patrol was one of routine administration. The census was revised for the Saiho Census Division. No Administra than Tax was collected because all the villages are in either the Higaturu or Ilino Local Covernment Councils. A Native Medical Orderly accompanied and carried out a medical inspection in conjunction with the census.

The census revealed the following figures regarding the natural increase in population:-

Births - 129 Deaths - 90 Increase in population 1.8%

This is a natural increase and does not include migrations in and out.

The percentage of Mult Males at work from the 18 - 45 year age group is:-

Inside District - 29.2% Outside District - 8.1%

Nest of the 29.2% working inside the District work in the Sangara area and are not very far from their villages.

All Cruncil Tax Receipts for 1959 were inspected and my tax defaulters sent to the Council Houses for Court of Native Nations. In general most people had paid their tax. There were usually only a couple from each village who had not. The villages of SUI and TURNA were portionizely bad for con-payment of tax and twenty-five men were sent to Higsturu for 'Court'.

The native situation throughout the division appears to be good. The people seen satisfied with all aspects of the Administration. However as in other we su divisions and as mantioned in Petrol Report No. 1 of 1959-60 the people do not show as much interest in the Councils as they could. This will no doubt come about when the Councils expand and the people see more of what the Councils do.

The Ilimo Council Villages som to be a little confused as to where they are administered from, with the Council from Kokoda and the petrols from Popondetta. It was explained that it did not metter whether they went to Kokoda or Popondetta to carry out their business.

quite a lot of new coffee has been planted over the last
year. The people have been getting once returns from coffee planted
previously out have now been given greater insentive to plant more and
look after that they have already. This plus halp from the agricultural
Department and other propagates in abouting the natives that they can do
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The majority of villages were estimated by and orders by provious efficient had been carried out. The Aid Posts were wall potentiand will every assistance given the given the Aid Post Unicellies.

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Marke Structure History Village. In reference to man lo-loc of Slat July, 1969 from the Assistant District Officer (L.C.) to the District Officer out minuted to the Assistant District Officer for attention on patrol, I looked into the active altention of Russia. This patrol was given every assistance possible and all the people on-operated will. It was in this regard one of the best villages visited. The ter Soundillows was in this regard one of the best villages visited. The ter Soundillows was used it appears that the people are patting a Links time of this.

Unlike other times when the possile were required in the village, this time overgone was present. This say have been because tiny know it was a consequent and that they would be punished if they were not present.

The Public Studies Department into also experienced lank of an operation when building on ald Post in the village and it was a long time bufore it was fluided. However it has been completed new. This was not entirely the fault of the Russia people because other villages were also doing some building. The Infant Valfane Statem have also completized don't the pour attendance at Chinica build in the village. This was gone into in the village and the Councillar reid he would come that attendance improved. It has since improved a Little but in still not

The people thermises say they have nothing springs, my sention of the Maintenanties or other private people or missions and ore

#### Mative Affairs Contd.

quite content. It would appear that the people have no anti-Administration feeling but are just lazy and possibly think that they we getting too much work to do and too much of the Government.

AJEKA PRESTRAN. Name 57-4-1/1425 of 17th June, 1988 from the District Officer to the Assistant District Officer refers. The man made reference to complaints about the Ajeka ferrymen not carrying out his job. The ferrymen was interviewed at Ajeka and his duties explained. He has no common and he was told that if it happened again a replacement work be found.

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#### VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

The villages visited belong either to the Highture or Ilino
Native Local Government Councils. The majority are in the Highture and
only the villages near the Kunusa New and Kekeda, namely Maujeta, Sairope,
Peake, Ajeka, Onbisusu and Tarn are in the Ilino.

Nost of the villages were satisfactory with some particularly good ones and some poor ones. The best were Kendata, Manual and Hojavasusu. The first two were well set out and had flowers, bushes and trees planted around the village. The housing and general cleanliness of Hojavasusu were very good.

Awale 1 and 2, Boru, Wasita and Koipa and its haulets were very dirty and the housing poor. No attempt had been made to clean or beautify those villages in any way. The usual orders under the N.R.O.'s were given and some change should be seen by the next patrol.

The big villages of Kiorota and Barawaturu were not quite up to standard, but the people from these villages have not really settled down since the cruption of Mt. Lemington. They have moved back from the old villages on the main road but many people are still migrating in and out and building small hamlets aloser to their own land on the alopes of the mountain. It will be a good thing when they finally settle down, because there is always a little bickering over lawl and other small things.

However each patrol finds these people aloudy returning to their own lands and eventually everything will sort itself put.

#### Villages and Village Officials Contd.

With the Native Local Government Councils each village or group of hamlets has its own Councillor or Councillors. These are assisted by 'Councilteemen' who supervise much of the village work. The Councillors were on the whole most helpful and co-sperative. The majority of them had their villages well organised as far as village and read work were consermed. Some however do not get very much co-operation from their people and it makes their job a little difficult. In cumi cases it often happens that the Councillor gives up and consequently the village becomes neglected. This, fortunately does not happen very often.

The Councillors keep their people very well informed as to what is happening in the Council and generally hold meetings after each Council meeting. This of course gives the people more interest and they know what is being done throughout the area. The people on the whole do not see much of the Councils (Now) but this will come when the Council starts providing more services, such as Aid Posts, schools etc. as it intends to do in the very near future.

Division to help maintain law and order. He were they do not do a good job. Most of their time is spent in their own village, living like a normal villager. Their work, such as bringing forward trouble is usually left to the Councillors. Each one seem was explained his duties and told that he was not only supposed to look after his own village but also the ones in his area.

The Councillors who appeared to be doing the best work were the ones from Mojavasusu, Ombisusu and one from Klarota.

#### LAW AND JUSTICE.

Many complaints were brought before the Patrel's notice. The majority were trivial and where possible were settled without court action and to the agreement of all parties. As the writer is not a Magistrate fee and to the agreement of all parties. As the writer is not a Magistrate fee Mative matters others which could not be settled amicably, or which were lirect breaches of the Native Regulations were sent to the Higaturu

Council House

#### Law and Justice Contd.

on we weakly 'Court Day'.

None of the breaches were of a serious nature. The main complaints were about migs and land. In case willage there were at least two complaints about migs, usually more. I feel that Regulation 116 of the N.R.O.'s favours the minority of the people, i.e. the mig owners and is not comple of dealing with the problem.

The Regulation requires the majority of the people to funce both their subsistence gardens and their commonic erops. These are far more important thus to the people than their pigs, although they might not think so. It would be a much better idea if the pigs were funced and then there would be very few problems. This may open the way for more discussed pigs, but if the area fremend off was sufficiently large and changed escarsionally there would be little difference to the present time.

Lend disputes were also brought up a lot, as in pust years.

These lend to a great deal of animosity between villages and even relatives.

After a lat of discussion most were settled between the natives themselves.

There whether they are content with what has been decided remains to be

On the whole the area is very good in that there were no serious offences and the unjurity were small and trivial.

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#### BOADS AND BRIDGES.

There are vehicular roods to all but a few villages, numbly
Dure, Sasembeta, Samburata, Singi and Putono. These roads are generally
very good and are all sentiner roads for light traffic. The majority were
vall out and close but there were the usual villages which had not done the
required work. The worst offunders were the Assals people whose roads were
shooking. Action was taken against these people.

The villages without vehicular meds are not very far from the reads and for the amount of work involved in constructing vehicular resistit is not worth while.

#### Books and Bridges. Contd.

A vehicle was only used for two days of this petrel and the people had to carry for the rest of the way. Although no trouble was experienced it was obvious that the opple thought it a little hard, seeing that they had vehicular roads. However the position was explained and corriers were readily made available.

The few bridges theroughout the division were quite antisfactory and well maintained.

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#### ACRES WE'UR.

There are two cosh exceps grown in the Saine Commun Distains.

Coffee is the wife the sound in the Highture Council Villages and Coops in the Ilimo Council Villages.

The coffee is bought by the Agricultural Department at the Coffee Pastony mear Population. The Council tractor is used to transport it and the motives pay one peoply per paged freight. They all seem quite happy with the errangement as it is at propert because it saves them a lot of work and does not diminish their returns by werry much.

Some of the coffee gardens were inspected and appeared to be deing very well. However quite a few were dirty and suffered from lack of care. The Council rule re the eleaning of coffee gardens has had little effect on the people of this area because it has not been sufficiently policed and the people are not worried about it. The rule was explained in all willages and the people nor have they it has been introduced and can have no carees in the future.

A lot of the gunion the producing now and the people have been given a greater incenting for the future. Some weeks previous to this patrol on Agricultural resident has spent some months advising the people in their gardens and as a require has been a great deal of activity in the gardens.

The comes growing also games bought by the Agriculture Department at the Comes Permentary at Ajuka in the Ilino Soundil. At the present time

#### Acriculture Contd.

there are a number of gardens producing beams but not in large assumes.

Coose is fermented every three works. The largest garden belongs to askry of Pushe and his returns are now mounting up. The coose seen was well looked after and healthy. Those people are also keen to go shoul now that they have a fermentary and are receiving something for their lebour.

The Commandary was imposted with Mr. Belfield, District
Agricultural Officer and Mr. Convoy, Chief Agricultural Extension. The
fearmentary was built by the people to the specifications of the Agricultural
Dayt. and is mounted by Agricultural Pield Morters from Spendette.

At the time of the Patrol's visit to the area Field Woghers and Trainees were working in the coose gardens, pruning and improving and also lining new gardens.

another Highturu Council Rule passed this year was also explained to the people - the Transfer Of Land Unage Rights. Very few applications were received, mainly because the majority of blocks had already been surveyed in 1956 and the people were satisfied with this. Some of these transfers were re-investigated.

In general the people are very interested in their economic crops and now that they are beginning to get some returns they are showing and will show a greater interest in economic development.

Subsistence gardens were producing more than enough for everyday needs and everyone is well of in this respect. Pigs and fouls were also plentiful and were thriving.

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## MEDICAL, SANITATION AND HYCIPAE.

A Native Nedical Orderly from Saiho Hospital accompanied the paired throughout and serviced out a medical inspection in each dilage. General health throughout the division was good. Any serious cases were sent into Saiho Hospital, others to the Aid Posts and the small things treated on the spot. The main complaints were septic and infected sores.

The Medical Orderly compiled a list of all people treated and was to submit it to the District Medical Officer.

#### Medical Contd.

There are three Government Aid Posts in the Distains - Klosota,
Masseni and Sairope. There is also the Government Hospital at Saiko and an
Anglican Mission Hospital at Sassabata. This gives the people more than enough
radical services and they are very well of in this regard. Thepeople
realise that they are well off and attend the Aid Fosts and Hospitals
whenever they are in need of treatment. The Medical Orderlies at the Aid Posts
reported that they received all the on-operation they needed and had no
trouble whatsoever with the villagers.

Semitation was also good, with practically every house having its own deep pit latzine. A couple of villages however were very poer, the worst being the hamlet of Puteno. Next latrines were good and if not were excited re-constructed. Where there were none, one was ordered for each h

Rubbish pits were antisfactory in most villages, , see were most unestisfactory. In some cases the ground made both latrines and rubbish pits difficult to construct because of its rocky nature. Nevertheless some attempt is to be made and orders were given for some.

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#### FOULATION.

The Administration have a school at Saiho and the Anglican Mission at Agenahambo, Samembeta, Wasita and a number of smaller lower standard village schools. The attendar a rate was not exceptionally good at the small village schools and where-ever possible it was encouraged. The fault lies mainly with the parents in failing to ensure that their children reach school each morning. The people however realise the need for education and know that their children will get nowhere if they do not attend school. However without compulsory attendance it is very difficult.

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The petrol was one of Routine Administration and all aspects of Administration work were reasonably satisfactory. The villagers co-opsi exacts very well with the patrol and at no time was any trouble experienced.

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APPENDIX "A".

REPORT ON POLICE ACCOMPANYING.

Constable ISAM No. 8879.

A very good patrol constable with plenty of initiative and drive Econ and willing to learn and at all times a help.

Constable TAMAI No. 9280.

A reliable constable. Not outstanding but can be depended

upon.

I. McLochilm.

# Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File: 30-1-2.

Sub-District Office, POPONDETTA. Northern District.

13th September, 1959.

Mr. I. McLachlan, Cadet Patrol Officer, POPONDETTA.

#### SAIHO DIVISION PATROL.

Please make arrangements to proceed on a patrol of the above Census Division on the 16th September, 1959.

The objects of your patrol will be:

A complete Census Revision of the Saiho Census Division.

As you know, all villages come within the Higaturu Native Local Government, and you are not therefore required to collect Administration tax. However, when conducting the Census, please check the Council tax receipts, and send to me with suitable advice those men who have not yet paid their tax for 1959.

#### General Administration.

Under this heading I desire you to observe and report upon:-

- (a) Native Agriculture.
- (b) Medical, Sanitation and Hygiene. Make particular note of abnormal number of deaths in any villages, or deaths amongst young children.
- You should endeavour to ascertain discreetly the attitudes of the people towards their economic social, and political development, and their attitude towards the Administration, Missions, Higaturu Council, and private Native Satuation. Europeans.
- Comment on roads and bridges. (a)
- Comment on village officials. (e)
- Explain the Council Rule concerning transfer of land use age rights and accept any applications that may be made.

In addition to the above routine matters I wish you to report on the following matters:

- Interview the AJEKA ferryman reference memo 37-4-131425
- From the District Officer.

  Report on the attitude of the Mumuni people as outlined in memorandum 14-1-1 from the Assistant District Officer 2.

#### Local Government.

- 5. Investigate complaints received from the Ilimo Council that Councillor AUFA from MUMUNI has been representing himself as a Patrol Officer in the Ilimo Council area and in general making a nuisance of himself.
- 4. In your discussions with the people encourage the Orokaiva women to take an active part in the affairs of the Higaturu Council.

#### General.

Office store and a cash advance from Mr. Sherwin.

calculate your cash advance from the amount of N.M.T.A.'s to be paid on patrol plus what you consider a reasonable amount for payment of carriers.

Send out word now to all the villages you will be visiting advising them of your approximate date of arrival, and thereafter give the people one days notice of your arrival.

I regret that I am whable to supply you with transport for this patrol, but should A981 become serviceable this will be sent out for your use.

I wish you an enjoyable patrol.

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(F.V. Esdale) actg/Assistant District Officer.

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