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WESTERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT REPORTS

1970-1971

KANDELA PORGERA

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Officer conducting patrol</u>	<u>Area patrolled</u>
1-70-71	L.E. Warr	Kindili-Impiak Wage C.D.
2-70-71	L.E. Warr	Ial-Kariant C.D.
3-70-71	R. Mockett	Wage C.D.
4-70-71	J.R. Hughes	Part of Ial Kariant C.D., Hantay Local govt Council area
1-70-71(Porgera)	M.J. Brereton	Hawa C.D.
2-70-71	R.W. Daubenoisek	Wale-Targa C.D.



SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE
28 JUL A.M.
LAIAGAM - W.H.D.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WESTERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 1950/11
 Patrol Conducted by L. B. WARR (A.D.O.)
 Area Patrolled KUNGIAN - LAIBAK - LAKE SENGIS Division
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans None
 Natives 1 Inspector & Sen. Constable P.H.C.C.
 Duration—From 1/7/1950 to 3/7/1950

Number of Days 3

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? None

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 17/7/1950

Medical LAIBAK /19

Map Reference FOURTH LAIBAK

Objects of Patrol Political Education Survey
Road Inspection

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$.....

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

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Division of District Administration,

BARBADOS.

18th August, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
BARBADOS.

SECRET FILE 10000/10-71

Your reference W.H.D. 858 of 18th August, 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report
dated 11th August, 1970, Assistant District Officer, of part 10000
General Division.

I agree that this survey has confirmed the widespread
lack of political awareness. It will be a difficult task to
change this situation.

(S. G. Ellis)

Secretary

Department of the Administrator.

C.C.
Mr. T.B. Carr,
Patrol Post,
W.H.D.
Western Highlands District.

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LAGAIP Sub District Office,
LAJAN G.H.D.
4th August, 1970

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
LAJAN

Patrol Report No. 70/71
Special Report - POLITICAL SURVEY

Forwarded herewith three copies of the above report for your perusal and comment. The only comment I have to make on the Survey is that the people seem to know only answers to the question of the work of the Patrol Officer and the functions of a Court.

D
A.A. Van Rata
Asst. District Commissioner

11th August, 1970.

ANDRE
The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONKOPET.

The report confirms the widespread political ignorance commented on, on many previous occasions.

S. M. Folet
S. M. FOLET
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

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11/8/70

Patrol Report L.B. WALKER A.D.O.

Kandep Patrol Report No I 1970/71

Section Wage Census Division

- 1/7/70 P.M. Departed Kandep per Toyota Land Cruiser for KIRDULI. Set up camp at road head of INAPIAK road. Camped.
- 2/7/70 0800 - 1200 Walked to other section of road where INAPIAK people were working. Talked with people re roadwork.
1200 - 1700 Returned to camp at KIRDULI.
1700 - 2100 Discussions with people from INAPIAK and KIRDULI areas. Political Education Survey.
- 3/7/70 Returned to Kandep.
End of Patrol.

SITUATION REPORT

Introduction

The objects of this short patrol to the KINBURI and INAPLAK areas of the Wage Census Division, were two fold. One to inspect the work so far completed on the KINBURI - INAPLAK road and secondly to carry out a political education survey as directed by the District Commissioner.

Work is proceeding well on the road and the people are anxious for its completion.

Because of the limited scope and time of the patrol the report will of necessity be short. There is more work to be done than was included in the area staff of the Council area recently submitted.

Political Education

As has been stated previously, although the people in the Kandep area have become aware of the functions of the local Government they are still basically unaware of the function of the House of Assembly and the Administration in Port Moresby. This has been shown in the listed answers to the questions asked.

The survey has been included in the report.

Economic

KINBURI - INAPLAK (WAGE) ROAD

All the people in the Southern end of the WAGE area are working on this road. Work is being carried out in two sections; from KINBURI towards INAPLAK and vice versa from the other end. If work continues at the present rate the road should be completed by the end of this year or early next.

The Council tractor recently purchased with Rural Development funds, will soon be working at KINBURI. The tractor is at present employed at KINBURI on the LONGAP - YINBIS (WAGE) Road.

Conclusion

The object of the Patrol was completed without incident.

[Signature]
LEO WARR

Assistant District Officer

Appen. A Political Education Survey
Appen. B Report R.P. & N.E.C.

London Patrol Report No I 1970/71

APPROVAL P-

Report on R.P. & N.G.C. accompanying Patrol

Det. Constable IREANI 0551

A capable policeman of great assistance especially while working with the local people.

LEON 4201

Assistant District Officer

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PRELIMINARY POLITICAL AWARENESS SURVEY
INDIAN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

1. Name of Station . . . **KANUP**
2. Name of Council . . . **KANUP LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL**
Name of Person
3. Conducting the Survey . . . **L.S. JARR**
4. Designation **ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER**
5. Date Held . . . **2/17/70**
6. Place Held . . . **LADUNI S. IMAPIAK**
7. Population of Village Group
8. Distance of last house of village
from nearest main Government Station . . . **15 miles**
9. Language spoken **SIPI and ENIA**
10. Name of influential people
in the group **COUNCILLOR HONE**
LADUNI S. IMAPIAK
11. No. of radios owned by or accessible to the group . . . **NIL**
12. Type of information brought home by school children
NIL SCHOOL
13. Type of information brought by Councillor . . . **MAINLY COUNCIL**
AND LOCAL MATERIAL
14. Type of information brought by M.E.A. . . . **NIL AREA NEVER**
VISITED BY M.E.A.
15. Written material and publications used by the group
NIL
16. Amount of information brought by Admin Officials
17. Film courses etc. brought to group recently **NIL**
18. Officers recommendations for improved communication of political
ideas and concepts
A REGULAR PATROL OR VISIT WITH TRAINED OFFICER (LOCAL)
WITH CASE RECORDS WITH PERTINENT CURRENT EVENTS

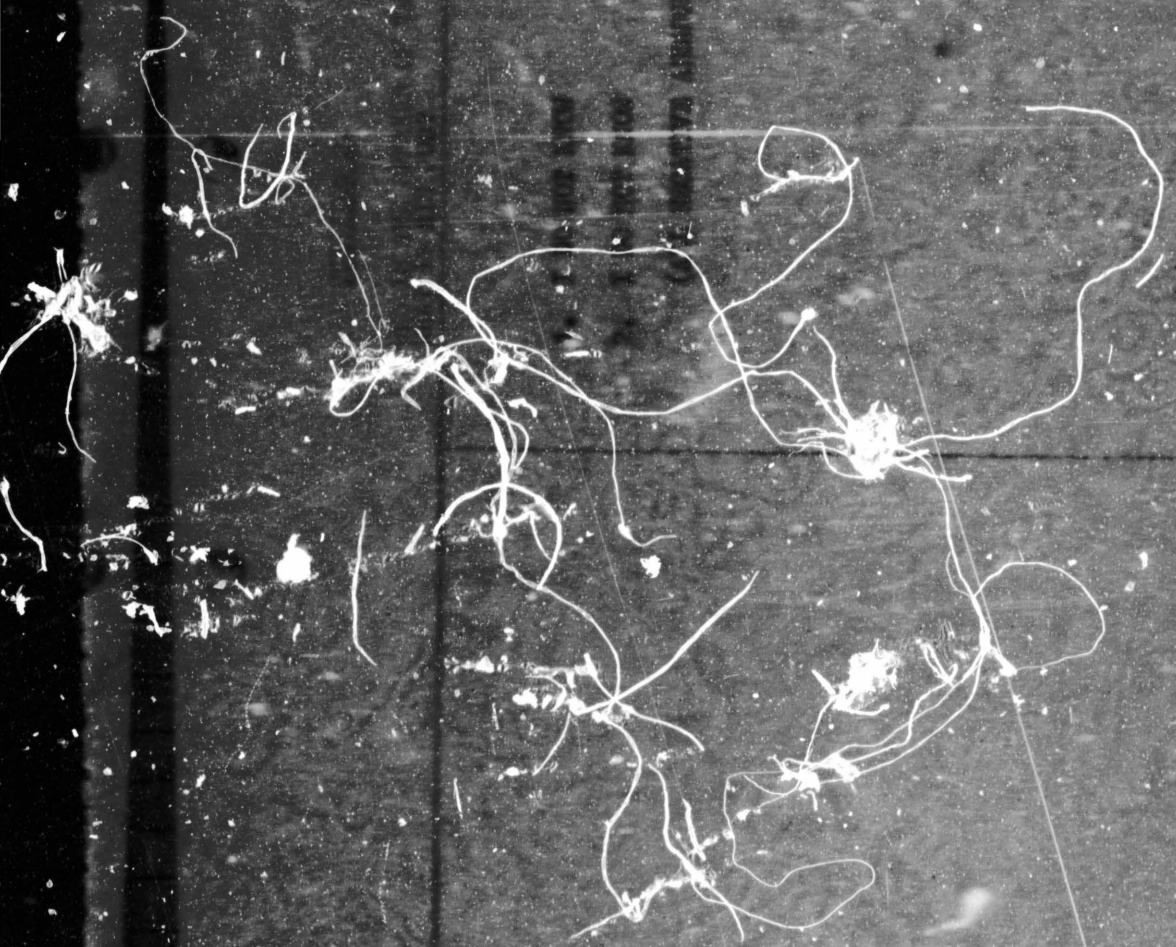
LLOYD JARR

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1. I HAVE THE HONOR
2. I HAVE THE HONOR
(I HAVE THE HONOR)

1. I HAVE THE HONOR
2. I HAVE THE HONOR
3. I HAVE THE HONOR FOR T.P.H.O.
4. I HAVE NEVER MET A MEMBER



QUESTION 2

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT YOUR MIA TO DO?

1. TO TEACH US WHAT THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY IS AND DOES
2. I DO NOT KNOW
3. TO TELL US WHAT HAS SAID IN THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

QUESTION 1

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HOUSEMAN AND ONE'S MIA?

1. I DO NOT KNOW

ALL INDICATIVE

QUESTION 5

WAS I EVER AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS?

1. I DO NOT KNOW

ALL NEGATIVE

WAS I EVER AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS?

1. ALTERNATIVE HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN CHARGE, NOW THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY HAS TAKEN THE LEAD.

2. THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY HAS TAKEN THE LEAD.

3. I DO NOT KNOW

Section 2

1950 March 20, 1951

- 1. THE HOUSE ASSEMBLY
- 2. THE GOVERNMENT

- 1. THE GOVERNMENT CALLS THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
- 2. THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MEETS AT 10 AM AND IT MEETS IN
- 3. THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
- 4. THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

QUESTION

WHAT IS A COURT AND WHY IS IT NOT

1. IF A MAN BREAKS THE LAW HE MUST GO TO COURT.
2. WE HAVE STOPPED FOLLOWING THE TRADITIONAL WAY
3. A COURT IS WHERE PEOPLE CAN SETTLE DISPUTES
4. A COURT ALLOWS US TO SET DOWN TOGETHER WITHOUT FIGHTING

ANSWER

WHAT IS A COURT AND WHY

1. THE KING HAS STOPPED US FIGHTING AND HAS TAUGHT US TO LIVE TOGETHER PEACEFULLY.
2. THE KING MAKES OUR DECISIONS AND TEACHES US HOW TO SETTLE
3. IF THE KING SAYS NOT FIGHT WE SHOULD NOT LIVE TOGETHER PEACEFULLY BECAUSE WE WOULD FIGHT
4. THE KING HELPS US TO BUILD OUR HOMES AND HELP THE PEOPLE

AGENDA

WHAT IS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL'S JOB?

1. THE COUNCIL'S JOB IS TO HELP THE LEAF
2. THE COUNCIL'S HELP US TO LIVE TOGETHER.

THE COUNCIL'S JOB IS TO

1. TO GET THE BEST USE OF THE AREA WE LIVE IN.
2. TO GET THE BEST OF THE AREA (COUNCILS).
3. TO MAKE SURE TO GET THE BEST, BUILD BRIDGES AND HOSPITALS IN THE COUNCIL AREA.

QUESTION 12

WHY DO YOU BELIEVE THE PEOPLE

QUESTION 13
WHY IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LOCALITY
AND COUNCIL TAX?

1. SO HE CAN HELP THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE STAYED BEHIND IN THEIR PLACES
2. SO THEY CAN GET A GOOD JOB
3. IF THEY DO NOT GO TO SCHOOL THEY WILL ALWAYS STAY IN THEIR PLACES

1. THE COUNCIL TAX IS FOR THE FANDED AREA
2. I DO NOT KNOW
3. INCOME TAX IS TO PAY FOR THE HOUSE AND THE ROADS
4. COUNCIL TAX WORKS IN THE COUNCIL AREA, AND A TAX HOODS IN THE WHOLE TERRITORY

100-100000-100000

1. WHERE MEN DRINK BEER.
2. I DO NOT KNOW
3. WHERE MEN HAVE THE SAME LINA
4. THE PANDU PARTY

100-100000-100000

1. WHEN THE SCHOOL CHILDREN GRAB UP THEY WILL TAKE THE KIAP'S WORK
2. THE THAI PEOPLE WANT TO TAKE THE KIAP'S JOB AND TAKE THEM WITH THEM FIGHTING.
3. I DO NOT KNOW

1. FBI ABEL, PCIO IUG, EZEI, MAMMI (MSTUDI)
2. FBI, MARSABE (TARI)
3. I DO NOT KNOW ANY

1. AMERICA SENDS US MONEY TO BUY THE THINGS (GOODS)
2. TO ENABLE US TO BUY CARS AND OTHER THINGS
3. TO SEE SOME MONEY

IN THE MAJORITY OF JAMES BLAKE AND RELATIVE AFFAIRS NOT SAVED.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WESTERN DISTRICT Report No. 111/2 1970/71

Patrol Conducted by Mr. B. JAMES A.D.D.

Area Patrolled LAL-MARLEK GENDER DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans 11/1

 Natives 5

Duration From 5 / 11 / 1970 to 3 / 12 / 1970

Number of Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by District Services 1 / 10 / 1970

Medical / / 1970

Map Reference Journal WADAC

Objects of Patrol Census Revision, Road Works, Political Education and General Administration

Not done on New Guinea

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$

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

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KORONAI, 14/34

23rd April, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
KORONAI.

LAND PATROL, 2 OF 1970/71.

Your reference is WD 898 of 25th March, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Annual Census and Situation Report by Mr. L.S. Varr, Assistant District Officer, to the L.S. - SOLINT Census Division.

The patrol appears to have fulfilled its objects, however, could officers compiling Census Figures ensure that the Village Directory be consulted regarding correct spelling and order of villages.

Generally a well conducted patrol by Mr. Varr. Your comments together with those of the Assistant District Commissioner adequately cover the report.

(T.M. HALLS)
Secretary.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

TO: SECRET
FROM: SECRET



to: SECRET
from: SECRET

Department of the Administrator,
Division of District
Administration,
District Headquarters,
KORORUA, WEST PAPUA.

26th March, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KORORUA.

KORORUA PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1970/71

The above report is submitted herewith.

The patrol was carried out primarily to review the census by the late and Honorary Member, Hon. J. H. G. ...
Copies of the revised census figures are attached. The population increase of 430 people shows a natural increase of 2.1%.

The Department of Agriculture will be asked to make a concerted effort to ensure that everything possible is done to maintain the pyrethrum industry in this area. At present pyrethrum is the only worthwhile source of income for these people. Until large numbers of small scale cattle-raising projects are established in this area pyrethrum must be treated as the economic mainstay of the Kororua administrative area.

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R. AISETT,
District Commissioner

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Laga^s, Sub District,
LAIAGAN, W.H.D.
15th March, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Dep. of the Administrator,
MUSKAT BAY.

RAKESH PATROL NO. 2 of 1970/71
LAI/MARIANT CENSUS DIVISION.

This patrol was conducted from 5th November to 3rd December 1970.
Enclosed also is the reporter's Field Officer's Journal.

POLITICAL

The Councillors generally are an unimpressive group of members and their degree of acceptance of responsibility is well below that which one would expect from a Council established in 1967. They are indeed most parochial being concerned more with such matters as competing against one another for employment of their people on the Council staff rather than doing anything constructive, which would benefit the Council or their area. They cannot be complimented on the self-help provided for the construction of the Council Chamber. This project was commenced over twelve months ago and at the time of my last visit in February was still not completed.

The people have a legitimate complaint against their Member for the House of Assembly. He is from the Tambul area and has made only brief visits to Kandep, and has made little or no effort to make contact with the people. Even so I do not think there is a great deal of interest shown by the people in politics. A recent visit to Kandep by the District Education Officer resulted in only a handful of people attending the meeting - mostly station staff - though admittedly it was a very bad day - weatherwise.

ECONOMIC

The people, rightly so, are still attaching a great deal of importance to construction of new roads. Work is still progressing on the Kandep/Mandi road and there remains only approximately three miles to be completed.

The decline in pyrethrum production is regretted as it was the only real source of income to the people. Pyrethrum growing still requires constant supervision and follow up action by Agricultural field staff to maintain a constant level of production.

SOCIAL

The construction of a new hospital at Kandep is a step in the right direction as the existing buildings are in an appalling condition. Kandep in common with Laiagan and Porgera now have no infant welfare services. It is about time some attention was given to this by the Department of Public Health.

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Summary

Mr. Warr has conducted a good patrol. The revised census figures will be used in the revision of the common roll.

J. J. [Signature]

Assistant District Attorney

PATROL REPORT NO. 2 1970/71.

1971.

- 5-11 Departure for Kasa. Set up camp and prepared census. Talked with village officials.
- 6-11 Returned to Kandep for Local Court Sitings.
- 9-11 Returned to Kasa. 1300 - 1300 Completed census. 1400 - 1800 Talked with people purchased food for patrol. Pt. Compiled statistics.
- 10-11 Patrol to Warabia 1300 - 1370 Completed census 1375 Talked with several people on various matters. Purchased food for patrol. Pt. Compiled statistics.
- 11-11 Surveyed last section of Warabia road 1300 Returned to Kandep to finalize official correspondence. Patrol walked to Kasa.
- 12-11 To Kasa. Completed census and statistics 1800 - 1850 Talked with assembled people Camped. Purchased local food for patrol.
- 13-11 0800 Patrol moved to Jaba. Completed Census 1600 Pt. Compiled Census statistics and purchased food for patrol after discussions with local people Camped.
- 14-11 Returned to Kandep.
- 17-11 Patrol moved to Yeterac. Census and statistics compiled after discussions with people Camped.
- 18-11 Walked to Pimbur. Censused five groups. 1800 Political Education Discussions. Pt. Compiled statistics Camped.
- 19-11 Returned to Kandep. Censused these large groups around Kandep Station
- 20-11 Completed last group near Kandep Pt. Local Court Sitings.

- 24-11 To Kambia 0800 Completed census of two groups Kambia and Minkiki. Held discussions with people and later completed statistics. Camped after purchasing local foods.
- 25-11 Patrol walked to Kinja where two groups were censused. Held talks with assembled people. Purchased food for patrol Camped.
- 26-11 0800 Patrol moved to Lagalap. 1000-1300. Censused three groups at Lagalap. Talks held with local people. Several disputes brought before the patrol. EL. Completed statistics. Camped.
- 27-11 Returned to Kanding for local Court sittings.
- 28-11 To the camp after purchasing food for patrol.
- 29-11 Censused groups at Far 1000 moved to Kudipala 1000 - 1200 Completed Census EL. Talks with people and Camped statistics.
- 1-12 Patrol moved to Sapi where three groups were censused by 1500. 1600 - 1800 Talks with assembled people. Camped after purchasing food for patrol.
- 2-12 Patrol moved to Kamboro 1000 - 1200 Censused five groups 1400 - EL. Talks with assembled people Completed statistics. Camped.
- 3-12 Walked to Kanding end of patrol.

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PATROL REPORT NO. 2 1970/71.

LAI-MARLANE CENSUS DIVISION.

SITUATION REPORT.

EXECUTIVE.

The patrol of the Lai-Marlane Census Division of the Kandepe Local Government Council area was carried out over a period from the 7th November to the 4th December, 1970.

The objects of the patrol included census revision, road construction, political education, and general administration.

As previously the patrol was well received in all areas and there was no difficulty in obtaining carriers. A food shortage was apparent in the Marlane Valley, and although the people held sufficient to feed themselves the patrol found difficulty in obtaining food for their personal.

GENERAL.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COUNCILLORS.

The awareness of the responsibilities of the Councillors is growing and the general populace is also attending Council meetings with interest.

The native material Council Chambers are now in use and will no doubt be of assistance in moulding the Councillors from the various areas into a productive unit by giving them something to identify with.

The Councillors still at this stage seem preoccupied with parochial matters and very rarely bring up matters of national importance for discussion.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY AND MEMBERS.

The situation as expressed in previous reports has altered little. The people will sit and listen to political education discussions but will offer little to the discussions. This attitude has not been helped by the current member for the Kandepe area, who has only briefly visited the patrol post over

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the last twelve months, and has had very little contact with the people themselves.

The House of Assembly is still the large "Haus Kunsil" where the members go to talk with the Administration.

POLITICAL EDUCATION.

As mentioned above the people are still unable, and seem unwilling, to initiate any discussions on political matters. In keeping with the conservative attitudes of the highland people they are loathe to discuss possible changes from the status quo.

I consider that only a concentrated programme of Political Education by informed officers with prepared material would achieve any progress in this matter. The discussions encouraged by the various patrols is not enough, it appears, to make any impression on the people.

The Council President Mr. Mark Paul recently attended the "inaugural" meeting of the Oupena Party near Kuf. However it appears that, although he agrees with the party's platform, he has not discussed the matter with anyone other than his close associates.

ROADS.

The people of the Waraba are at present completing the gravelling and recutting of a small section on the Laune-Waraba Road. This should be now completed early in January.

Recently approximately 900 workers completed the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile ^{at} recent of the last section on the Kandep side of the Hendi-Kandep Road. The work was completed in two weeks. It is anticipated that a small number of Kandep workers will continue cutting down the Hendi side of the road to link up with the Hendi people working on their way up. The Hendi Local Government Council had provided funds to enable this work to be completed.

CASH INCOME.

Pyrethrum remains an important source of cash income but unfortunately as mentioned in the last report on this area production dropped drastically over

the first three months of 1970.

FIGURES OF PRODUCTION--

November 69.	9,173	June	70.	2,313
December 69.	10,190	July	70.	4,680
January 70.	8,732	August	70.	3,628
February 70.	5,753	September 70.	4,127	
March 70.	2,817	October 70.	4,127	
April 70.	4,020	November 70.	3,941	
May 70.	2,996			

The Agriculture Department is endeavouring to remedy the situation with fertiliser trials and replanting.

Unfortunately it would appear that some of the lower areas adjacent to the Lai-Mariant Swamps are unsuitable to pyrethrum cultivation and the people have now become to regard pyrethrum in an unfavourable light. This has caused many of the people to refuse to replant, even with assistance from Agricultural field Assistants. It is hoped that the Department of Agriculture can come up with some good results from the trials now in progress.

NON - INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT.

Few developments have taken place in this area since the last patrol.

Both Maso and Flower Power Trading have in fact decreased the number of small stores that they previously maintained throughout the area.

Maso's enterprise at Kandep is now managed by a local man.

SOCIAL.

MEDICAL.

It now appears that the Lutheran Mission will be unable to replace the Infant Welfare Sister who left at the beginning of the year. No Infant Welfare work has been carried out since her departure. This is a retrograde step and is regretted.

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The new Kandap Hospital complex (wards and administration centre) is now at last under construction. If work continues as planned completion of the project can be expected some time in the New Year.

As mentioned previously there is a slight food shortage in the Mariant Valley. The shortage is a direct result of the pandanus season earlier this year, where families left their gardens for up to three months and moved to the high slopes of the ranges to harvest and eat the pandanus nut. During this period few gardens were replanted. Consequently the food shortage has appeared some six months later.

A number of families have moved to other areas because of the shortage. The shortage meant that little food is available for sale at Kandap, however the people have enough to carry them over the next two months when the new gardens planted at the end of the pandanus season will come in to production.

EDUCATION.

In the Lai-Mariant area 342 children are attending primary schools (Standards 1-6), 109 in the Administration school at Kandap and 233 in the various mission schools.

A new Primary T School was opened by the Capuchin Mission at Winja. The school initially opened with two classes.

LAW AND ORDER.

The people of the Lai-Mariant area are basically law abiding with few major offences committed over the last twelve months.

As in most other Lenga areas land disputes seem to be foremost in the peoples minds. Fortunately the Kandap area has not the pressing land shortage problem that is apparent in the Wabag and Wapenamanda areas. However there are a number of disputes that should be settled in the near future as they could possibly flare up at a later date.

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The two major disputes found by the patrol were at Teteras and Legalap. At Legalap between the ~~Kapait~~ and ~~Teteras~~ groups and at Teteras between the Teteras Warabin and Even groups.

It is also noticeable that over the last few years a number of groups living in the higher areas (8000 ft and above) have begun to move to lower areas to start food gardens. Some moved to Repere, Warabin and some to Teteras. These groups have not abandoned their previous land holdings but utilize land they claim in the lower areas where the food crops will grow more successfully.

Most of this land has been vacant for years being the cause of a war a year previously. This again may cause trouble unless the landowners can be successfully demarcated.

MISSIONS.

The Lutheran Mission (MISSOURI SYNOD) has abandoned their station at Tinjipak in the Mariant Valley. The station was closed as part of the general cut back of mission work in the Enga area caused by a decrease of 10% in the annual grant from the church in the United States.

The mission will continue to maintain its other two stations at Warabin and Kokas.

The Apostolic Mission station at Samai has reopened with the arrival of a European pastor and family who have returned after twelve months in New Zealand.

CONCLUSION.

All objects of the patrol were completed without incident. As all areas in the Lai-Mariant Census Division are now accessible by all weather roads the people should now be able to concentrate on some economic development.

It is thus important that some steps be taken to commence land demarcation in the area.


FLOYD WARR.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.

AREA STUDY 1969/70.

REVISED 1970/71.

INTRODUCTION.

As the Area Study for the Census Division was completed last year, twelve months previously, little revision at this stage is required.

Sections have been revised as required.

POPULATION.

The total population of the Lal-Narhari Census Division is an increase of 4% over the 1969/70 census. The statistics showed a natural increase of 2.1%.

CONSIDERATIONS.

THE ROAD.

3. ROADWAY (MOUNTAIN) ROAD.

The Hindi people are at present working on the remaining three miles on the Hindi side of the range. The required reworking of the last 1/2 mile of the Kandy side has now been completed.

It is expected that the road will be opened to light traffic in the first half of 1971.


ALLEN BROWN

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

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TABLE FIVE, REPORT NO. 2, 1970/71.

LAB-MARINE COUNTY DIVISION.

POPULATION.

TABLE 1.

Attached are the census statistics of the Lab-Marine County Division, total population of 13,407; with an average overall increase in population including births deaths and migration in and out of the area since the last 1960/70 census of 400.

POPULATION DATA FOR LAB-MARINE COUNTY.

Total population 1960/70	=	12,317
Migration In	=	518
Births	=	440
<u>Total</u>	=	<u>13,275</u>
Migration Out	=	461
Deaths	=	121
<u>Present Total</u>	=	<u>12,693</u>
<u>Total Total</u>	=	<u>13,407</u>
Increase	=	400

NAME

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

UNDER PATROL REPORT NO. 2 1970/71.

LAI-MAJANT OFFICERS REVIEW.

MR. SMITH.

OFFICER 2.

Report on P.P. & S.D.C. members accompanying the patrol for varying

periods.

1. OFFICER 1/2 JAMES 202.

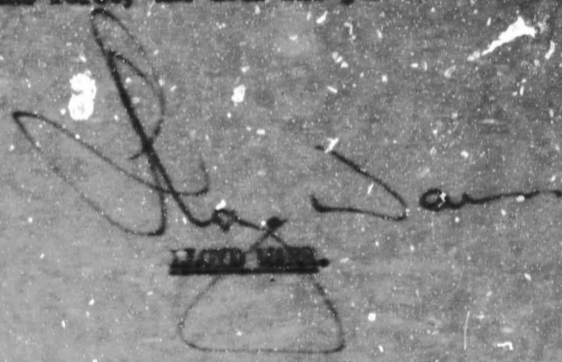
A very accomplished member with twelve years service. Good his very good command of his rank and job. He deserves promotion.

2. OFFICER 1/2 JAMES 182.

A good hard working constable. Good senior SD material.

3. OFFICER 1/2 AMOS 212.

An easy going member of the force, who does his job with little fuss.



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ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.

Secretary
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WEST MILNEBAI Report No. 5 of 1970

Patrol Conducted by W. J. ...

Area Patrolled ...

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans ...

Native ...

Duration From ... / ... / 1970 to ... / ... / 1970

Number of Days ...

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? ...

Last Patrol to Area by District Services ... / ... / 1970 to ... / ... / 1970

Medical ... / ... / 1970 to ... / ... / 1970

Map Reference ...

Object of Patrol ...

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Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY ...

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... / ... / 1970 ...
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... \$...

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

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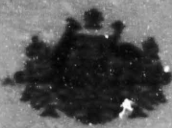
The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
PORT MASP

LAND REVENUE UNIT OF 1970/71

Your reference is RD. 945 of 22nd July, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report
by Mr. J. Bennett.

[Handwritten Signature]
(C. W. BARR)
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District Headquarters,
MOUNT HAGEN, W.H.S.

22nd July, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KORORUA.

KANDEP PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1970/71

The above Report, together with maps and Census
Figures are forwarded herewith.

The covering comments on the report, from the
Assistant District Officer, Kandep, adequately cover
matters raised in the report.

It is important that the road access to this
area be completed as soon as possible. When the two
roads at present being built into the area are completed,
a comprehensive economic development programme can be
organised. It would cover increased pyrethrum pro-
duction, cattle grazing, commercial vegetable production
and fish production.

There is no possibility during the present staff
shortage within the District of a Patrol Officer being
stationed on a base camp in the Waga.

An informative report, but submitted far too long
after the completion of the Patrol.

S. M. Foley
S. M. FOLEY
District Commissioner

c.c. The A.D.C.,
Laigam.

The A.D.O.,
Kandep.

ERRATA

STATION: Knappton Post.

NO. DISTRICT: 12, 13.

AREA: Western Highlands.

PERIOD COVERED: 3 of 1970/71.

NAME OF CONTACT: Neil Heston, P.O.

AREA OFFICE: Wage Census Division.

PERSONNEL:

NAME: Brian Connelley MBE

1st Class Constable MBE

B.S.A. Interpreter HINE (23-2-70 to 23-2-70)

Council Interpreter HINE (15-2-70 to 23-2-70)

1st Post Officer HINE

DATE OF REPORT: 23-2-70

Date Completed: 2-2-70.

(I was recalled to the station for two days (15-2-70 to 16-2-70) to go through some Council matters with S.L.G.O., Abing.)

DATE OF VISIT TO AREA: B.S.A. (23-2-70 to 17-3-70)

B.A.S.F.

P.S.A. (15-2-70 to 21-2-70)

OBJECTS OF VISIT:

1. Collect Council Box.
2. Hold general council.
3. Put in grades onilly sections of new road works.
4. Gather information for Rural Development Plan. (Rivers, creeks and tributaries there of)
5. Familiarizing myself with the Wage Census Division Area in my capacity as Council Administrative Officer.

DATE OF REPORT: Council of Abing.

PATROL DIARY.

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- 23/8/70 - Patrol left station and went to Kaniak.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 24/8/70 - Carried out some Council correspondence.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 25/8/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection
at Tombelye.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 26/8/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection at
Wapi.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 27/8/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection at
Kaniak.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 28/8/70 - Settled disputes from Kaniak, Tombelye and Wapi.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 29/8/70 - Worked on some Council correspondence.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 30/8/70 - Patrol moved from Kaniak to Rumbipak. A walk of two
hours.
Overnight Rumbipak.
- 31/8/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection at
Rumbipak.
Overnight Rumbipak.
- 1/9/70 - A.M. settled some minor disputes. P.M. worked on
some Council correspondence.
Overnight Rumbipak.
- 2/9/70 - A.M. patrol moved to Biako. A walk of 2 hours.
P.M. I looked at road works progress between Biako
and the Margarik border.
Overnight Biako.
- 3/9/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection at
Biako.
Overnight Biako.
- 4/9/70 - A.M. settled various disputes. P.M. patrol
moved to Maru. A walk of 2 1/2 hours.
Overnight Maru.
- 5/9/70 - Walked from Maru to Winja return to look at two
possible routes where a road could be built to
join the two places.
Overnight Maru.
- 6/9/70 - Sunday observed.
Overnight Maru.
- 7/9/70 - Collected Council tax at Maru.
Overnight Maru.
- 8/9/70 - A.M. settled some minor disputes. P.M. patrol moved
to Kaniak. A walk of 3 1/2 hours.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 9/9/70 - Carried out general census and collected tax at
Kaniak. Settled a minor dispute. At about 8 pm.
a man axed his wife just near the rest houses. I
investigated the case, and got a vehicle sent from
Kandep to pick up the man and his wife.
Overnight Kaniak.
- 10/9/70 - Patrol moved to Mambala. A walk of 1 hour.
Carried out a general census and collected Council
tax. Some minor disputes were then settled.
Overnight Mambala.
- 11/9/70 - Patrol moved to Angarolye. A walk of 1 1/2 hours.
Carried out general census and collected tax for
both Angarolye and Poragali.
Overnight Angarolye.

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- 12/9/70 - All day spent settling various disputes.
Overnight Angarolye.
- 13/9/70 - Went to Poragali to investigate a land dispute.
Returned to Angarolye.
Overnight Angarolye.
- 14/9/70 - Walked back to Kandep Patrol Post. A walk of 5 1/2 hours.
Overnight Kandep.
- 15/9/70 - Went through Council finances with Senior Local Government Officer from Wabag.
Overnight Kandep.
- 16/9/70 - Went through Council Annual Returns with Senior Local Government Officer, and showed him what progress had been made on the Council Administration Centre.
Overnight Kandep.
- 17/9/70 - Went to Kinduli, where I met with patrol. Carried out a general census and collected Council tax.
Settled a minor dispute.
Overnight Kinduli.
- 18/9/70 - A.M. patrol moved to Laguni. A walk of 3 1/2 hours.
P.M. carried out general census and collected Council tax.
Overnight Laguni.
- 19/9/70 - Put in marks per a clinometer where road construction is taking place on a mountain between Kinduli and Laguni.
Overnight Laguni.
- 20/9/70 - A.M. settled various disputes. P.M. patrol moved to Imapiak. A walk of 3 1/2 hours.
Overnight Imapiak.
- 21/9/70 - Carried out general census and collected Council tax for both Imapiak No.1 and No.2. Settled some minor disputes.
Overnight Imapiak.
- 22/9/70 - Patrol moved to Petendak. A walk of 6 hours.
Overnight Petendak.
- 23/9/70 - Carried out general census, collected Council tax and settled some minor disputes.
Overnight Petendak.
- 24/9/70 - A.M. patrol moved to KareKare, myself looking at road construction progress as I went. A walk of 3 1/2 hours. P.M. carried out general census and collected Council tax.
Overnight KareKare.
- 25/9/70 - A.M. went to the KareKare United Church airstrip to take a few measurements and grades. Returned to KareKare. P.M. settled minor disputes.
Overnight KareKare.
- 26/9/70 - A.M. patrol moved to Iumbis. Whilst on the way, investigated a land dispute and had a look at the progress of road construction. A walk of 2 hours. P.M. started carrying out general census and Council tax collection.
Overnight Iumbis.
- 27/9/70 - A.M. completed general census and collection of Council tax. P.M. settled some minor disputes.
Overnight Iumbis.
- 28/9/70 - Patrol moved to Longap. A walk of 8 hours.
Overnight Longap.
- 29/9/70 - Carried out general census and tax collection.
P.M. settled some minor disputes. Patrol moved to Talingu.
Overnight Talingu (A walk of 3/4 hour)
- 30/9/70 - Carried out general census collected Council tax and investigated a land dispute. Patrol returned to Kandep Patrol Post by vehicle, thus ending the patrol.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

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WAGE CENSUS DIVISION PATROL.

SITUATION REPORT.

Introduction:-

The main purposes of the patrol were to carry out a general census, collect Council Tax, and to check the progress of road works and bridge construction in the area. The Wage Census Division is situated between the Wage and Lai Rivers, west of Kandep Patrol Post. Basically it consists of undulating grass lands, heavily timbered mountains and low lying swamp areas.

Reception of Patrol:-

The patrol was received exceptionally well as there is quite a large group of people in the Wage proper where it is still inaccessible by road, the people only see a proper patrol once or twice a year. At every rest house the police, interpreter and myself, made a point of sitting down at nights with the locals and discussing various topics.

SOCIAL.

Villages:-

Villages as on the coast do not exist in the Wage. Individual houses are dotted all over the gardening lands. The Houses, although exceptionally well constructed, do not appear to be very hygienic. Especially when pigs and humans are sharing the same abode.

Throughout the Wage there are very good water supplies, which if utilized, could improve the health and hygiene standards of the community greatly. But the people refuse to wash. Their reason being, that if the skin is covered with a fair amount of dirt, the less they will suffer from insect bites. This is quite feasible as their houses are full of insects, which can cause great irritation. The people basically follow their traditional existence.

Health:-

An Aid Post orderly accompanied the patrol and examined the people as they lined for census. Some 30 people were treated on the patrol for various sicknesses, and only 1 was referred to the Kandep Hospital.

Although the patrol was carried out through an area ranging from 7,600 to 9,000 feet above sea level, the patrol personnel were not adversely effected, all having spent enough time in the Kandep area to adjust to the high altitudes.

Senior Constable Lewak suffered from an attack of diarrhoea which was probably due to eating bad pig meat.

I have attached an Appendix pertaining to Aid Posts. The only Aid Post which does not offer the people the service that it should is the one at Kinduli. The patrol received several complaints regarding the service provided by this Aid Post.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL.

This can be gone into rather deeply but time did not allow me. Besides hearing a few traditional stories, the only point I found rather interesting was that raw materials used for the manufacture of fighting weapons, such as axes, bows and spears, had to be imported. Local materials are available but do not make a good weapon. Generally, black palm and other timber was imported from the Maramuni, and stone for their axes from the Mendi area.

ECONOMIC.

Agriculture:-

a) Pyrethrum.

This is the only "economic" crop which D.A.S.F. are pushing. The best areas in the Wage for pyrethrum are KaroKaro and Iumbis, because of their higher altitudes.

Basically the pyrethrum gardens range from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre in size and are planted by the individual on his own land. Generally the maintenance of the pyrethrum garden is left to the women, who earn only a small amount of income as a result of their work. Although there are quite a few pyrethrum gardens in the Wage, the anti-pyrethrum feeling is quite evident.

b) Sweet potatoes and Potatoes.

Sweet potato grows in abundance and is the people's staple diet. It can be purchased for 1c. per pound. Potatoes also grow in abundance but only support the people's staple diet. They can be purchased for 2c. per pound. The sweet potato, I feel, is of a poorer quality as with compared with the coastal variety, but the European potato is really top quality as compared with Southern standards.

The people of the Wage do not suffer from sweet potato and potato shortages as do the people in the Lai-Mariant area of the Kandep, hence quite a lot of money is earned selling to the Corrective Institution and the Station people. When I say a lot of money, this is in comparison with money earned from the sale of pyrethrum.

c) Miscellaneous.

Whilst on patrol we bought quite a variety of vegetables, and local foods. Among these were sugar cane, cabbages, min (an edible form of pig pit), cumu and onions, all of which grow in abundance. The Seventh Day Adventists, being keen gardeners sold us peas, beans, carrots, leeks, celery and banana passionfruits.

The only thing being of poor quality was the celery, which was very tough.

The Wage would be an excellent area for market gardening, but transport and the finding of a market would be big problems. Taking these into account it would not be worth starting off a market gardening industry on a commercial scale.

Livestock:-

a) Pigs.

The Wage people's whole life revolves around pigs. It is basically the only form of currency and wealth they have. They are used for Bride Price, buying people's bodies after death, payment of insult, purchase of boys, axes, kina and so on. The Wage abounds with pigs but they are not of good quality compared with European standards. The pigs are mostly fat with very little meat on them, because they are left to scrounge for food and are thrown the occasional piece of sweet potato. The only actual meat diet the pigs have are a few grubs they find in the low lying areas of swamp.

Pigs are by far the major money winner in the Wage, quite an active trade market exists across the Southern Highlands border. Locals claim that during a sing sing Paris will pay up to \$200.00 for a large pig, as will the Margarimas. Before European contact, if someone stole or killed another person's pig, and was found out, reprisals would take place unless suitable compensation was offered.

b) Cattle.

There are not many cattle in the Wage. However, when the Kinduli road is pushed through to Imapiak, it will open up some of the best cattle land in the Kandep.

Forests:-

There are some quite large stands of good millable timber throughout the Wage, however, at the present time they are too inaccessible to have a commercial interest shown in them. In the event of a mill being set up there in the future, the ruggedness of the

terrain and remoteness of the area, would present great difficulties.

Commerce and Industry:-

The only commerce which is carried out in the area is the trade stores. These are dotted all over the Wage and are only built for their prestige value. Maybe if they were operated on a co-operative basis there would be a lot less stores, but they would be financially successful. At the present time the trade store owner who can make the greatest loss in the least amount of time, gains the most prestige. In most of these stores the owners keep no records and lose a lot of money with "dinaus". One thing which might improve the trade store situation is a Business Advisory Officer visiting Kandep to give a talk to trade store owners who could meet on the station. The talk would not be in great detail but could cover the basic principles of a good business.

POLITICAL.

Village Officials:-

All of the Wage is under Local Government and I have attached an Appendix to cover the Wage Councillors.

Outline of Political Situation.

Political discussions were held on both Local Government and a Territory wide basis, namely Kandep Local Government Council and the House of Assembly and their functions. All the men to whom I talked seemed to have a fair understanding of the functions of Local Government and what part it plays in a large community. Their views on what are the functions of the House of Assembly and what purpose it plays in the Territory, were simply that it is like a big Local Government Council. They were not really interested in discussing these topics and only answered questions because I asked them, and listened to me because I introduced the topic. Discussion as it is, did not really exist, what they were really vocal about was:-

An Open Electorate for Kandep Area:-

At every rest house I stopped at this topic was brought up again and again. In the first House of Assembly elections they were in the same electorate as Laiagam, and a Laiagam won the election. Hence Kandep had no representation. In the second elections they were in the same electorate as Tambula and a Tambula man won, his face they have never seen; hence no representation again. They figured that if Kandep had their own electorate, a Kandep would definitely win and the Kandep area would have direct representation in the House of Assembly. They also realize that the Kandep has the population to warrant an Open Electorate.

Base Camp for the Wage:-

Many men asked me when the Wage area was getting a Base Camp. This point ~~was~~ could lead to some Anti-Administration feeling, I will discuss it freely in the Area Study. The Wage is pro-Administration. It must be if they want a D.D.A officer and a Base Camp. They don't have much contact with a great number of Europeans, as European population of the Kandep is fairly small. There does not appear to be any conflict between locals and the Europeans who live in the Wage or pass through the area. Their only bone of contention is when missionaries involve themselves with marriage disputes. Sort of Church Marriage versus Traditional Marriage. The Wage people speak their own dialect, Huri, and Enga, but side more with the Huris than the Lai-Mariant Engas. In fact there is quite an age old conflict between the Wage and the Lai-Mariants. This really stands out at Council Meetings. From what I was told, that age old "birau" was played upon by earlier D.D.A. officers to get road work completed quickly, Eg. "Come on you Lai-Mariants, the Wages can build roads faster than you in the dark." However, no hatred exists between the groups which would be liable to cause a fight of any great magnitude.

Missions:-

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There seems to be no dissention between the missionaries and the people. They have a mutual understanding in that they tolerate one another.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Land:-

Nobody in the Wage is short of land for their current needs, which is growing food to subsist on. However, plenty of land disputes arise around the pandanus bearing time. These are caused because pandanus, or koroka nuts, are their only delicacy. Everyone gets what is called "Koroka Fever". There are big areas of gardening, future pastoral land, and forest land, which if utilized properly in the future could make the Wage into quite a wealthy area. There is definitely not as much useless swamp land as in the Lai-Mariant area of the Kandeap. As regards purchase of land for a Base Camp, and adjoining airstrip I feel there would be no problems, B.D.A. could get any area they wished, the people would be so happy to have a B.D.A. officer based in the Wage.

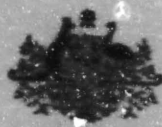
Complaints:-

The patrol straightened out numerous complaints, the majority of which were Marriage Disputes, especially the paying back of bride prices, and men who were married but hadn't paid any Bride Price at all. As regards these disputes, the people involved abided by the decisions made by the police, 2 Tax Review Councillors and myself. Three Land Disputes were investigated and notes taken so they can be referred to the Demarcation Committee when it starts to function again. In all three cases I declared the land neutral and placed a "Tambu" on it for both disputing lines until the Demarcation Committee settles the disputes. This was to prevent any fights after the patrol left.

Rest Houses:-

These had their locations shown on the Patrol Map, their condition or otherwise commented on in a Rest House Appendix. Walking times between them are recorded in the Patrol Diary. Generally the condition and sites of the Rest Houses weren't the best.

END OF SITUATION REPORT.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number Landop No. 4 of 1970/71
 Subdistrict Logatp
 District Western Highlands
 Type of Patrol SPECIAL PATROL, Gomon Ball Revision, General Administration, Road Works,
 Patrol Conducted by J.R. Hughes, A.D.C.

Area Patrolled } Part of the Logatp District
 (Council and/or } Division, Logatp Local Government
 Council Division, etc) } Council Area.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol
Interpreter: Elial/Lano Const. 1/c Ganderl 1909.
Const. 1/c. Anare 0250
" " Dora 5736

Duration of Patrol—from 7/6 /71 to 10/6 /71 and 20/6/71 to 24/6/71

No. of Days 8 days (6 nights)

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: 3/12/70 Mr. L.R. War, A.D.C. (Census and Area Study)

Date 5/11/70 to 3/12/70

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) Gomon Ball Revision, General Administration, Road Works,
Political Education, Familiarisation with Area.

Total Population of Area Patrolled 1st Variant C/S. 13,807, part patrolled 4343.

The Secretary,
 Department of the Administrator,
 Konedobu.

Forwarded, please.

 District Commissioner.

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P.O. Box 2396,
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14th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Eastern Highlands District,
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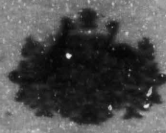
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Dear Sir, I am in 223 940 of 23rd November, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special and Education
Reports by Mr. J. H. Hughes of part of 1st District Eastern Highlands.

Mr. Hughes' reports are complete and most informative.

(S. G. HILL)
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MOUNT HAGEN, W.H.D.

23rd November, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
MARSDEN.

LAUDEP PATROL REPORT No. 4 - 1970/71

This report has been prepared with Mr. Hughes' usual thoroughness.

It is a good factor in the economic development of the Laidep area that the people are prepared to diversify their interests. However this should not be allowed to reduce one aspect, as in the case of pyrethrum in favour of another - in this case cattle.

The Department of Agriculture should make an urgent appraisal of the pyrethrum operation in Laidep with a view to revitalising it. They will be asked to do this.

J. A. Gilbert
(J. A. GILBERT)
District Commissioner

- c.c. The A.D.C.,
Laigak.
- The A.D.C.,
Harden.
- The D.R.D.O.,
Mount Hagen.

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LAGAIP Sub District Office,
LAISAGAN M.L.D.

29th October, 1971

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN

SPECIAL PATROL REPORT - KANDOP HQ. 4 - 70/71

Attached herewith I forward three copies of the above report and contingencies for your signature.

The report indicates the great interest Mr. Hughes has in his work and in his area.

Political: Would you please make a national flag available to Kandop and to Porgera. The people will have to realise and be informed more and more frequently that localisation is how to stay and they must learn to give Local Officers their trust or else they will stand still instead of progressing. It will certainly be a step in the right direction for Kandop to have its own Member for the House of Assembly. I doubt, however, that it would make much difference to the people's anti-change views regarding self government and independence. In Mabag and in Laigagan people expressed a dislike for the new flag and people in Laigagan said, on National Day, that they would take it down if ever it was flown level with the Australian flag and similar remarks were made in Mabag. Both the Mabag and Lagaip electorates have had a Member of their own for years but this has not changed their political attitudes to any great extent. The desire for a separate Kandop Member of the House of Assembly is understandable. However, as there is a rift between the Waga and Upper Lai people and the Lower Lai and Mariant valleys, it will be difficult to find a suitable candidate acceptable to all concerned and every endeavour should be made to point out to the people that as long as this rift remains it will be hard to win from a united group like the Porgeras. A good start would be made if the opposing Kandop groups could come up with one or two candidates they wish to nominate, and all fully support.

Economic: Inaccurate assessment. Some mechanical cultivation with Council equipment hired at a cheap rate to the local Pyrethrum grower may give this cash crop a greater opportunity to show monetary results and receive support from the people. Pyrethrum is too important to this area to allow any risk of failure. It is up to the O.I.C. Kandop to fully assess the situation and find out why local D.A.S.F. officers are letting the extension of the crop deteriorate and if necessary, call in expert opinion and assistance as soon as possible. According to Agriculture experts, the Pyrethrum industry when properly implemented and followed through as in Kenya (E. Africa) is more lucrative than the cattle industry. However, from experience, I would say that the Laigagan and Kandop people are rapidly beginning to regard their cattle as of higher importance than their pigs, let alone Pyrethrum.

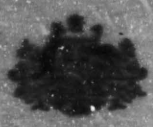
According to Mr. R. McFlear, the D.A.S.F. Officer at Canton, the decrease in the Pyrethrum intake, which decreased from 21,100 lbs for 69/70 to a total of 13,470 lbs for the year 70/71, the decrease is due to a number of factors, the main one being that Foreign Market Development Officers lack patience in buying techniques. When a local grower appears with a small "billet" bag of dried flowers, they are inclined to say, "That is not worth buying," and walk off to the next buying point. No wonder local growers are discouraged. Local officers will have to be advised by the U.S.C. that this procedure is to cease forthwith and at the same time local officers need to be given an official introduction to the people and leading from consular officers to the local growers. Such actions will have to be carried out on their own initiative and they need to get the necessary follow-up action from the U.S.C.

Mr. Hughes has observed his area well and has a good insight into the feelings of the people of his area.

MAE

Asst. District Commissioner

- cc. Mr. J. Hughes,
LAMP,.....
- cc. Deputy District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District-
MCA Division,.....



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Department of the Administrator
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ASSE. M. M. M.
8th. October, 1971.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
LAHMAN.

PATROL REPORT— ORDER NO. 1 of 1970/71 (Part Lal Harient G/Division).

Herewith please find the above SPECIAL REPORT. I have enclosed five copies, so that one can be forwarded to the Deputy District Commissioner, Kaga Division, Mabeg.
Personnel accompanying the patrol conducted themselves well and their Records of Service have been accordingly commented in under the relevant section.
A full patrol will be mounted in the Lal Harient commencing 2/1/71, just under a year since the last patrol finished in the area.

[Handwritten Signature]
.....
J. L. Hughes, A.D.C.

Patrol and New Guinea.

PATROL DIARY.

- 7/6/71..... To Lawa Rest House at 4.00 p.m., arriving there at 5.00 p.m. Set up camp and held informal talks with elders.
- 8/6/71..... Organised work parties around rest house and on main road; revised Common Roll for Lawa and Muan. Gave talk on political education and settled minor disputes.
- 9/6/71..... Heard Local Court. Walked to Warobia Rest House. — 1½ hours. Gave political education talk to gathering; revised Common Roll for Warobia. Rifle shoot with police.
- 10/6/71..... Organised work parties around rest house and on three nearby bridges. Heard a land dispute which is always festering at Warobia. A temporary boundary was settled until a permanent settlement can be arranged legally. Inspected the road to the Warobia Lutheran Mission. By vehicle to Landep.
- 11/6/71
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20/6/71..... Station duties and murder investigation into the killing of Warobau/Kan at Taitenges on 11/6/71.
- 21/6/71..... To Iabun Rest House by vehicle, arriving there at 11.00 a.m. Talk given on political education, Common Roll revised for Iabun and Mikan. Work parties set. Local Court heard, back work in p.m.
- 22/6/71..... Made enquiries re Forestry land in the Landep Basin. Walked to Teteres Rest House — 2 hours. Called in at the Mary Catholic Mission en route. Set up camp, revised Common Roll for Teteres and gave political education talk in p.m.
- 23/6/71..... Walked to Dip — 1 hour. Revised Common Roll for Teteres No. 1 at Dip. This line not big enough to warrant a separate rest house centre as the group requests. Gave political education talk and settled several minor disputes. Walked back to Teteres. Murder investigation in p.m. Walked to Pumbur in late p.m., arriving there at 7 p.m. Set up camp.
- 24/6/71..... Organised work parties on the main road. Revised Common Roll for Pumbur and Kopere. Settled minor disputes in p.m. Returned to Landep in evening by vehicle.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

SPECIAL PATROL REPORT - LAI MARIENT
CENSUS DIVISION.

The main purpose of the writer's patrol was to revise the Census Roll for part of the Lai Marient C/Division, in conjunction with Political Education and last but not least to give close supervision to work being carried out on upgrading the main road from Landep to Laiagan.

I had intended to revise the Census Roll, physically in the field, for the whole division, but my Territory Census duties took up more time than I had anticipated and in order to get the roll completed I handed the task over to station wives. In this way, they were able to complete a large part of the roll during July, when the Territory Census was in progress. They worked at home from the census registers.

Many sections of the Laiagan road and several large bridges, in particular the three Kolik and Iamut River bridges were repaired. Local businessmen were concerned that bridges were not being maintained, this is now being done, they now inform us that the road is the best it has been for several years.


Political Educational talks were given at all six centres visited and I feel the people appreciated and learned something from them. They are extremely backward politically and more education is required. Councillors expressed a wish to be allowed to visit other areas to see what other Councils are doing and keep in touch with Territory affairs. The Landep Council could well organise visits to outside areas. I also feel that the Council would do well to allocate radios throughout its area.

All missions in the area were visited and talks held re their problems and activities:- Lutheran Mission at Warobin, Catholic Mission at Mong, Apostolic Missions at Kurap and Murip. Relations with the missions are good, but they feel that the Council should assist more with their education work. The local people are not great church followers and the large number of missions is preventing any one of them assuming a powerful position with the people.

All rent houses in the division were re-built before the patrol. This was needed urgently as they had been let go and other patrolling departments had been making complaints.

The division has numerous small land disputes and if an officer let them, the people would inundate him with them. The Landeps are over-endowed with land and they seldom resort to violence in settling land disputes. They will usually listen to the decision of their Councillor, if backed up by an Administration (D.D.A.) officer.

The people are very law abiding. However, the second murder in the space of three years in the Landep, occurred on the 11/6/71 at Taitenges just outside the area patrolled. A woman has been convicted for five years for this offence.


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PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

SITUATION REPORT.

a). Political.

The area patrolled is in the Kandep Local Government Council. Councillors are usually traditional leaders, however, Kaipua from Iabun is a young mission worker, is very influential and is possibly the most active councillor in the Council. He appears to be the foremost leader in the area patrolled and the name could be said for the whole division. Pastor Torpa, also of Iabun, is another young leader, he operates a truck and has a large trade store. Both these men follow the Apostolic Church and have broken away from traditional existence.

People are very backward politically, as can be expected in such a remote division. Nevertheless they are extremely pleased that Kandep has been grouped with Pargera in the same electorate for the next elections and the elections are much talked about. Kandep with 22,000 people and Pargera with only 8,000, will give the Kandeps more than an equal chance of electing their first house member. I have heard of several persons who wish to stand and I have warned against too many nominations. However, nobody can control the numerous young upstarts who I expect will flood in to nominate when the time comes. Generally people are very conservative and talk of rapid political change upsets them. They feel that the Administration is trying to get rid of them and so of course-- misconception talk will dispell this feeling. They have a mistrust for Local Officers and fear a breakdown in law and order after Self Government. They want more time to develop economically before they will accept political change. It is extremely hard to cram political education down their throats, as they are not interested and simply say come back and talk to us when my son is grown up!

After the recent National Day celebrations which we held at Kandep, I was interested to learn that had I flown the new flag on the station, an attempt would have been made to take it down. Whether this would have in fact happened I doubt very much, but the anti-change feeling is there, even after we have shown the design to many people. I have not yet received a new flag, but would request to be issued with one, so that it can be flown at Kandep. This would have a profound effect here and might jolt people out of their refusal to accept what is happening in their country.

Time and a way of arousing awareness of political matters on a national scale is required. Perhaps with one of their people as their Member, this awareness may come and then political education will go over.

b). Economic.

Pyrethrum is failing in the Kandep. The area patrolled is one of the better pyrethrum regions in the Kandep. Yet production is falling. People state that they don't like working the long hours for such small returns. Why is the price so low and why is D.A.S.F. letting the whole thing slide away? There is some interest being shown in cattle, but people will not release large enough tracts of land for worthwhile schemes. I feel that the Administration has failed to get the area onto a even a semi cash economy and pig exchange and the sale of pigs is still their main concern. Cattle is the answer here I feel and some headway is being made to increase the size of holdings. D.A.S.F. have started several projects recently and people are showing a real interest, but this will dwindle if the supply of cattle can't be increased. Road communications are good, large areas of flat grassland is available and the interest is there to start an industry. The staple diet of the Kandeps is sweet potato and complaints were received that the present crop was not coming to maturity. This they said would lead to a food shortage around October, November and December, 1971. I have since seen evidence of this fact, the potato foliage is there in abundance and when normally the

crop should be better, the roots are still small. The whole Baga region had two or three bad frosts in August and although actual frost damage was slight, I feel that food crops were retarded, adding to the situation already outlined. A sharp lookout will be kept on this situation. Baga people are lucky that they have lakes which abound with fish. Even if these fish are on the small side, they can still be eaten. Vegetables grow well here, if a little slowly, but the revenue derived from them would only be slight as markets are so distant. With the opening of the Mend road soon, new markets could be found and this will also make the distance to Mount Hagen about 30 miles shorter (approx 110).

c). Social.

The area patrolled as with the people of Baga generally, are pleasant to work with. They are pro- Administration and keen to develop. P.H.D. aid posts were seen at Law and Lu'ua, both were well run and good. Health in the area is good. Mission primary schools were seen at Law and Marip, they are well run and keenly attended. No signs of unrest were evident.

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