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Jan. 27 Hand in charge as Andrew off.

Feb. 8 Pupil teacher Sylvester of Uvahu to be paid - roof going on church.

Feb. 11 Girls trying to go to Uvahu for dance with Maisui boys but Mrs C. had that their fathers didn't want so not allowed by hand after he spoke on the theme of the ID roll.

* - Vincent Mo; sends up £3 and is supposed to have returned the cone to kevonasalp

- David wrote thanks and that "I pray daily for his repentance and apology to God and the Bishop."

Feb. 13 Vincent down from Tufi where he had been taken by Police and had run away. "He tried to bribe me by saying he would be friends with me and the Mission if I saved him from Burport (=sp)" "Round to rebukes interspersed with pleadings to try and to amend and to love our Lord. Burport (?) and him back to Tufi."

March 1 "Morning interviews with Egehiel & Sylvester of Uvahu. Rosey excuses the latter of naughtiness. All through jealousy of Rot Roy. I tell Rosey to mind her own business."

17 March 3 Vincent back home good & promises to make amends

March 11 Walkabout through Maisui villoges - no details

March 31 Ogabakada meeting at Wonigela. Hard complains that people look too much on the Mission "in reference to material compensations. I say I will give no food for the Easter done, though perhaps a little tobacco; because I want them to train the younger folk to realize that man does not live by bread alone;" and that Holy Church is not here to give them

April 25 Found Uvona practices at Iariwaku
Addressed "offences" & ogabakada - no details.Temporary Log book 1942-43

Newmans, Taylor & Tomkins across Abau way

JES Salmon - moved to Wonigela 1 Dec. 7, 1942.

Dec 18 11.30pm. series of bombs at Tufi

- Troops then staying at Wonigela.

Jan. 4, 1943 Tufi bombed again.

7 B 25 crashed near Happle Pt. No injuries

Feb. 15, 1943 Randolph sent to Uvahu (to repair school?)

- Fredrick at post all this time.

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March 3 - Farewell to troops (?)

17. - ~~to~~ AJT arrives & moves on to Tufi

28 Last troops gone - first Aug 1, 1942 ~~is~~? sic

July 14 - Egehid was already at Uvaten

Aug 30 Explosions heard behind Koppaf

Sept. Men home from labour.

Oct 23 Taylor returns (served at Tufi for a time).

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July 30 Giligiti visits - can't make out writing

Aug 16 Ken & Mrs Newman arrive from Eroro

25 Heard that Japs were 10 miles south of Tufi

26 Sergeant Tom Riley back after 19 days in MUSA bush after his B26 crashed

27 News of Sangava & Isiata betrayals

- various reasons all decided to clear out.

NOTE - This still is not straight. Now is the "bit" from 1938-42. Really nothing? Will p.c. the 1st part of the temporary diary & then must review the log for these 4 years. Also when did Giligiti & US troops arrive?

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David Hand (at his birthday according to Helen).

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May 14 - to gardens for blessings - very few people

"People don't seem much interested in God-in-thu-daily-dings"
(sic)

May 16 - Sylvester up bar staves for Uralia teachers.

May 21 - complaining that war compensation would go better into
cut-price trade staves.

May 22 "Very many Mawin boys arrived last night for big dance,
and they started early this morning after breakfast. Therefore it was
with difficulty that Fr. Hand a) persuaded them not to dance
till after school b) mustered over 3 boys together ... for the
northern run"

May 31 Dancing stopped as he came in at 2 am. Told helpers to
get names of "small fry" who ran away at his approach.

"I know I have no legal right to enforce hours, save on the
school children; but I consider ~~that~~ I have a very strong moral
right. 'Dance all night and sleep all day & let others do the
work' is no motto for Christian ~~young~~ YORIB (male youths)."

June 1 - many youths stayed away - scared still 124!

June 2 Oga bada

1. Money "Spend wisely, Bank & save NOW. Fr Benson's
ideas, Co-op."

"2. Dancing: Not my business except in so far as the
boys' bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. ∴ effect
to all men to teach the boys the proper inter-relation
of work & play. School children must be GOAL by 9 pm"

3. Food Offerings: children Tuesdays & Fridays

June 4 Breaking up fight over adultery in Oresesan.

June 5 "Also Jaqueline, who has done 8 years with a death-
Kegati - at Yu-ayu. Give both discipline pending
Fr Andrew's return"

June 11 Row between teachers and Miss Clark after school re.

1. teaching in Ubirri

2. Miss Clark interfering in priest's work

3. wages & food

4. "too much work (!!!)"

5. "The Sisters, who fled through fear in war time,
have no right to be bada."

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dismissed all but 3. Amity restored however.
June 15 Big fight from football match.

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June 16 "Maosin Mass for many Maosin folk staying at barracks a hospital"

July 21 Fr Andrew back from Isobough

July 23. Rob Roy reports that new Uiahu church almost finished

29. At Arara, spoke of Uwona

30. new church almost completed at Arara Sinapa. Uuohu

~~30~~ Rob Roy says that some people in one village are still following Uwona

31 Uiahu Mass 50 comm.

John Hunt's wife died in childbirth and baby being battle Red Waniwela

Aug. 1 Cussell did Uluu Epistles but doesn't know who did Gospel of John

13. Case of leprosy a yaws found by Helen at Uuohu

19. Lots of Maosin in hospital with yaws.

24 1st mention of Mothers Union (at a meeting) also The Guild of St. Mary.

25. No of Maosin come up to Waniwela because they heard that the "government" was coming for carriers to Musa. Went back the next day when Government didn't come.

27. Rob Roy in hospital with pneumonia

M 29 Several Uiahu patients left the hospital. Andrews suspected that they wanted to join grass hut a big feast.

Sept. 3 School day off as it is time for big hut.

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"Gegerau": Report of Uwona's cult. Fr Andrew paid a visit.

Some people have cut down 21 coconuts trees. A woman prophet of Uwona from Marua (named Moro) told them that some of the hills would tumble down, the volcano blow up, the sea come over the land and a great wind would blow all the trees down, so they must cut their palm trees lest they fall on the people.

She is also alleged to have urged the people to disobey the government and the mission. Gave them Christian gin. Said they need not fear Uwona's people if they trusted in God advised them to report Moro's words to the government."

- next day at Arara he heard that she had been taken to Tufi by VC. Saying same things in that place.

Sinapa - "Fredrich is doing a good job"  to 92

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Sept 4-11th.

Airara 23 communicants, service in Maisin. Rest house.
 Sinapa. School has good attendance but, perhaps because of S.E. winds,
 Airara & Marua stopped attending in May
 Uiahu Rob Roy's only son died.

Church almost ready. Fairly good attendance at school. 'Good deal of sickness' mostly yaws. V.C. told to send back 9 children who had left Wanigela hospital too soon.

- told John Hunt to help his child by sending wife in hospital food
 "After dinner Fr A visited Kariwaki, the Uwana centre, and challenged Enoch their leader. He has promised to give up Uwana & do discipline. Several other people said they did not wait Uwana, but did not think they might (sic) to come to Foparoro because they had been mixed up in the business. Told them if they were sorry and had repented, then it was right that they should come to Christian worship to receive God's grace and pardon"

- Ansem said to have discovered gold & was "staking his claim" in the hills

- many people late for H.C., and forbidden to comm.

- no carriers

13 John Hunt brought food for Kirikiri + 7/- for Mission. Sold him a N.T.

24. At Uiahu. Bishop arrives. Fr. interviews Fobitan & Doku for baptism

25 Church dedicated.

- some thought of changing feast day to St. Thomas of Canterbury but found that this is 29th Dec. so still clash with Christmas

|| - Enoch to do discipline till Christmas

- lolly & tobacco scramble

Oct. Regular movement of Uiahu up for treatment. "Phei" sick at Uiahu & wouldn't go to Tufi so Andrew went down to give her treatment.

Oct. 14 Andrew baptised & married Clarence & Mildred, Hillarion and Gertrude

- Livingstone still at Levensasap

Oct. 20 "Abel brought a Yuayua girl to see Fr a. She

- has run away from her husband because of his cruelty to her. She is quite young and they are both heathen. Fra advised her to go back to her father's house and wait."
- 22 Spoke to Abel and Mary (Uichu & Yuoyu) about proper marriage - this is N.G. Wrote to Nat Ray to publish letters.
28. Hand planning a Musa patrol in from Yuoyu.
- Nov. 2 John Hunt's daughter, who had been ill, baptised
- 6 Fr. Gregory to go to Ambassa
- Dec. 8. Allen of Fofu reports that Stella has run off with a Banjiga man called Oyan. Had been brought back but only stayed 4 nights. "problem child" Suggests Alan makes a case
- 17 Marua man come and said that Noah of Sinapa had taken his ~~own~~ daughter Magdaline as a 2nd wife and had gone up to Tufi to register her "as such". Told 'man to bring the couple to Wanigela
- 19th Mr Smith returns from Kewansasap "He is opening a native hospital there to be run by John Benjamin the medical boy"
- 20 Stell 17. Oyan promises to wait a year
Rufus and Gwendoline married.
- 21 St. Thomas good. 5 baptisms at Matinis
- For some reason information recorded again in greater detail
- Dec. 8-21
8. Mr Faithorn had been the one who originally sent Stella home. Mr Smith a patrol officer. The opening of an aid post would be "awkward" as John Benjamin is under threat of ex-communication!
- 17 Beyo was the Marua man
- 20 At first Oyan tried to take Stella away to Kewansasap
21. Oyan now thought that a year was too long and said that he would go up to Tufi to register the marriage. So A arranged a conference at Wanigela with Allen. They agreed to let the couple marry immediately. Oyan to take giva as catechumen "Stella is a most unstable character and one hopes that being married will give her some balance."
- 29 Sinapa "warned the people that unless they finished their church before the end of January Frederick would be removed & the school closed."

Dec. 30. Heard Enoch's Confession and will restore him the next day. "Matthew complains that his wife Jessica has run off with another Ganyiga man and they are in the Musa country. Mr Faithorn had promised him that he would have them both brought back, but after three months nothing done. Promised to write to Mr F. to see what his conjugal rights are in Papuan law."

31 Restoration of Enoch. "Fr. A. walked home along the beach."

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4. Good no. of people up at Tufi for New Year

6 "Matthew, Jessica, Edric and Spencer (V.C.) come today. Edric is Matthew's brother and Jessica was left in his charge while Matthew was at labour. Apparently they formed an attachment for each other. Fr. A. pointed out to Edric the shabbiness of his conduct apart from his shameful behaviour as a Christian. After much talk he said if Jessica wanted to go back to Matthew he would not stop it, but Jessica says she will not go. They have all gone to Tufi to see the D.O."

-working on Siraka altar.

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25 St. Paul's Day being kept in remembrance of consecration of Bishop Stone-Wigg and the 50th anniversary of the Diocese

Feb. 16 Fr Amos bitten by a crocodile

27 Wong. man taken by a crocodile

28 Teachers in for classes. Fred. says that the people were not helping with church so Andrew said to close the school.

March 1 Group up from Sirapa to ask that the station not be closed. Told them that they had to Sunday to finish church.

4. At Naniu went to a heather village (!) Simumu where among the 5 houses was a "topororo house" "with a cross erected in the middle. Fr Andrew made them remove the cross as it can only be used by Christian people. Sevesi says the people want to be baptized, but got tired of going to give and never having baptism. Fr A. suggested that they should not be regular. Promised the people that if they attended Catechumen give regularly they could receive Holy Baptism"

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- March 7 Ex-communicated 5 people at Noniu after several warnings (Obviously Bishop wasn't needed for this ! ?).
14. New church at Sinapa dedicated, 11 children baptised, 10 sticks of tobacco for the new church, Victory medals to the teachers and children.
19. Report from Rob Roy that John Hunt took a heather girl as his wife against the parent's wishes
- 21 Palm Sunday. Letter from John Hunt that he has "put away" Mayo until Andrew gets down.
- April 7 Eventually got down to Uieku, Mayo the daughter of Adam. Adam wanted a brother and sister exchange but JH had no sister. Andrew suspects ulterior motive "Two years ago Anselm wanted to marry J. Hunt's sister Greta, but John would not consent as he wanted to exchange her for a heather wife that he had taken & who has died. Anselm and Adam belong to the same clan, and they are determined that John H. will not have any girl of their's. Warned Adam that if he refused to give Mayo to John Hunt in marriage he must see to it that she did not live loosely with him."
9. Six marriages at Sinapa. 3 Arrara boys request that their banns be read.
- (Fair amount of petty stealing from Mission stores going on)
- 29 Andrew asks Yuayu people if they will send children to Wanigela as boarders at school. 6 or 7 boys to come.
- June 18 Fa Amos back from southern visit & says that the Uieku & Sinapa confirmation candidates know quite well.
- 26 Large quantity of things stolen from Fa's house. Decision to close dispensary (from which things had also been stolen) unless stuff returned.
- July 13 Boy of good up from Uieku to be credited to Peperuan Church Fund (?)
- 19 "Rob Roy reports that St. Clair has gone to Port Moresby with Vincent Moi & other Uieku boys. Some school boys" (St Clair, a pupil teacher ?).
- 30 Sylvester to go to Daguerre Wanigela after August holidays & prepare for College

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- Aug 11 Mr Marlegrand (?) recruiting for Soqari
- 22 "Fr Andrew wrote to Fr Thompson suggesting that the native priest in this district should be stationed at Uvahu to look after the Maisin people."
- Sept. 2 Martyr's Day
- 15 Fr A. inspects a possible new site for the mission. Land belongs to Erok who is willing to sell. Problem of sea encroaching
- 16 Meeting at which suggested that pots be sold through the Mission to Borianai & Sangera.
- 22 Dr Biggs pulls two teeth from Sister Roberts (!)
- 23 "Giles Canasa very rude to Sister C. in school today. Spoke to Fr Amos about this. Giles to behave himself have another chance to behave himself or go to Dogura school."
- 25 Look at Sarad
- 26 People don't want to move inland but will rebuild church where it is.
- 28 Pot Roy asks A. to come to see Oga babada. A very unsatisfactory visit but no details.
Foot balls games & regular M.U (Waney) meetings
(Call from above in Emity Clarke's hand).
- Oct. 22 Sylvester Boga to Tufi with another Uvahu man re War compensation
- Nov. 1 Sylvester's father died at Uvahu - went down & stayed with ^{mother} (A. had been visiting school & now to Tufi to arrange passage back to Australia's mother dying)
- 5 People have now decided that they want to go inland & will begin to clear land
- 8 Fradrich up with P. T. Saul, arm badly mauled by a shark.
- 26 Mission land at Sarad belongs to Lancelot "All villages except Koroaf would move into this area, making the Mission the focal point." Along an existing road.
- 27 Sylvester now wants to start again at Kewansasap
- Dec. 5 2 men of U.S. War Graves Commission. 3 graves in the District - sisters surprised to hear this
- 20 Andrew returns
- 28 Hand drops by on way to Dogura with a group of Martyr Boys to play soccer

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Jan. 3 New site on old air strip

6 At Kewonsarap. Some boys want to go to Songara but not high enough standard

11 At Arara 7 couples to be marriage. In 3 one partner heathen so must have girl & be baptised first.

Reading Lambeth letter in each place

13 Oga baboda at Uialu. No complaints against Rot Roy but had not built new school. Warned them to make it by New Year "No school - No teacher."

3 Wanigela boys off to Martys

21 Sylvester one of new pupil teachers.

23 "23 Uialu women came for sacrament. Want to form a Mother's Union"

28 Saul at Sinapa school wants to do medical work and is permission to go.

Feb. 8. Michael writes from Uialu that the people now working on the school.

14 "Four boys come from Uialu for a school blackboard to write Mother's Union prayers etc on it to be copied."

24 At Arara Martha had made a beautiful topa for the Sinapa church

25 At Uialu "Three mission boys ran home Glassio, Fronbin & Yariyari. Yariyari returned with Fr Andrew"

March 3 Sinapa church dedicated by Bishop.

5 Dr Cappell visiting area.

6 " took service in Ulor, preaching in English

9 Rot Roy returned to Uialu to prepare school

19 "George & Emmanuel, Mission boys, returned to Uialu without notice"

Several visits after this to Sinapa & Uialu - not clear why - Clark writing up register again.

25 Lady Day. Large no. of women from Uialu & Kewonsarap to watch Wang women get probationer's cards. They will receive own (in Wedau) later in the year

April 4 Fr Andrew leaves & Miss Clarke left in charge

Sylvester to start teaching at Uialu. No school at Uialu so far as building not complete

- Fr Anos taking services

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April 16 Easter Eve Fr Liddetter arrives.

17 228 Comm.!

18 "Disturbing reports from Uiatu re Uana (sic) Cult & Rob Roy's dislike of his proposed move. Decided to send Cecil there till Samuel Tutuana arrives."

(Almost immediately working on Uoiri translations?!))

24 "Defiant Communications from Uiatu necessitate a speedy visit."

25 Sings Uoiri

25 ~~28~~ "Visit to Uiatu" ~~At At~~

Preaching in central village - all present

26 175 Communion "In the evening to the Eastern villages where a revival of Uana (sic) singing & dancing has occurred, apparently there is no belief in Uana's teaching."

27 127 at HC. 8 heathens to receive grace. Ambrose desires restoration. Evening at Goujiga

28 Large crowd at church & good offering

30 At Wangela: "Lancelot ... refused to accept the names of those who had eaten an excommunicate's rice, and Vivienne warned 3 Yuayu widows not to come to the sacrament because they were living in sin"

Helen with suspected appendicitis

May 6 Rob Roy off to Dogura soon (12th with Helen)

May 22 11 Maism at Wang school including 3 Uwe

24 Quick run to Uiatu to settle trouble between Cecil & Rosamond - no details

25 It is Sister Clarke who is doing translation of St. John's (finishing Andrew's work?)

June 19 "In the afternoon, a number of women of the Mothers' Union accompanied Fr. L. to the house of Doris & Henrietta, who were in mourning for Alton Allean. As they had reverted to the heathen customs, the women felt they should report them, and urge them to seek restoration to the Church, they being excommunicates. They sang, prayed & Vivienne gave an impassioned address, after which an informal discussion led to the promise of the women to stop the heathen practices and to prepare for restoration. It was an inspiring instance of the real

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spirituality of the women and their zeal for the cause of Christ."

July 5-12 Visit to Eastern stations

- beginning to miss a lot of days

Aug 20 Saul (Uvahu) volunteers to go to Musa as a resident evangelist

Sept 13 At Uvahu during L's visit there was a meeting about coops "revealing inter-village hostility"

"A new Cult in the "Doctor Business" - Ivan Sevesi - who cures through singing incarnations etc He has had too little success with his methods to gain a big following."

Oct 11 "Fr Amos to Namu where the Coop movement has brought a large number of Catechumens into Giv."

- L. to eastern stations.

Through this period holding many meetings to get people working at Sarad. Problem with dry season that many just hunting.

Nov. - Measles quarantine at Wanigela.

14 Sarad survey 8 acres up to edge of airstrip

16 Thompsons visiting

24 "blessed the Yonakero Coop Gardens in a service they had organized very well."

30 Isu & Ganjiga gardens blessed. 120 comm.

Dec 21 Big St. Thomas. 10 irregular marriages of long standing reported

- food offerings coming up

27 200 men dancing at Wang.

31 Uvahu brings tapa & mats.

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Jan. 4 Lid. down for inaugural meetings of Isu & Yonakero Societies

7 Reaga asks for teacher. Suggest they send up someone to Wang to be trained.

Feb. 9 L. moved to Sarad & school being held there.

18 Blessing of coop gardens at Namu

March 3 1st Sacrament at Sarad

9 Amos did Maizin walkabout

April 7 Amos preparing 36 NG marriages

9-11 no boat sent up "So down we went to Uvahu,

Breathing Fire & slaughter - which increased when we found that Michael had refused for hidden one to be sent, because we had refused Easter tobacco in accordance with the Bp's wishes. The Oga Babada accordingly got it in the lick. They were also instructed to get a decent rest house ready for the Bishop. The Ganjiga - Isu Coop Gardens are excessively good - rice & many experimental crops."

12 At Beaya "I heard of the Coop promise - unlimited money because of rice sold in Sydney. Got the low-down on a number of things from there questing & questioning heathen"

14 Uiatuu: "10 people sought restoration as a result of certain inquiries. The M.U. asked for help, in the face of the scorn of the populace. Uiatuu has certainly no conception of Christian marriage."

15 School starts again at Sarod 9 Sinopa, 13 Uiatuu.
- Helen injecting populace for whooping cough.

May: Roger to start a school at Avaca

Biriguni had built a school & church & Gegevan also wanted a teacher.

June Whooping cough. Several deaths at Uiatuu

- off to Doqwa for Consecration of Archdeacon Hand
- Wanigala people trying to 2x price of food to church

Aug. Hand visits on way back from Musa

Oct Bishop confirmed 22 ♂ & 44 ♀ at Uiatuu - very impressive greeting

- Bartholomew & others restored

"Colman, Sergius and Cyril and Cara were excommunicated while a number of others were ~~restored~~ recorded as being out of Communion with the Church."

Sinopa 16 men & 16 women & 10 babies baptised

- adults had long preparation

Nov. Visited Uiatuu where "Lydia gained notoriety by going off with Michael John"

- at Communion on Sunday the Ganjiga girls were away at a Cahudai (dance?) at Yuayuu.

- no tobour or toboun at Wang - Trade? Food problem.

1951. Jan. - news that Fr. Fisher died.
word of Songara disaster

- Feb. Famine time. Chuch comm. at Uvahu (125) - Amos
 March at Wang, 200 fasted and ~~was~~ remained in silence from
 7am to 3pm on Good Friday
 M.U. at Lewonsasap & Uvahu received cards
 - too much rain & trees rotting
- April - teachers stores rationed ~~given~~ they going out too much
 because of famine
- May Air strip cleared for volcanologists
- June People say they will not sell land for the airstrip
 "At Uvahu there is some cause for alarm in the constant
 disregard of the marriage tie, (Barnard has succeeded in
 taking two wives) but there is more strength in the
 opposition to the ? from the Ogababada and Mothers
 Union. They still have to be dragged into Chuch thue for
 marriage - usually well after the actual marriage has
 taken place. Everyone was aroused by the taking of
 two school girls by married men.
- July Lanulot S. began training as a medical boy - to go to
 Eroro Foodstill short
- Aug. Primate of Sydney came to Dogura Fr Cassidy white
 Sept. Helen to Sarad L. on Furlough
- Nov. Fr C. ~~visiting outstations near~~ L. returns
- Dec. Archbishop of York at Dogura
 L. walhobond

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- Feb. 11 school starts.
- April Uvahu - Jane Surei restored. M.U. get badges
- July Dedication of station

End of log notes.