

## THE BLATCHFORD COLLECTION - 1944

*Material on the pre and post-World War II period has been placed at the beginning of the 1944 summaries to help researchers place the post-war efforts into perspective.*

**RC Ralph, The Development of the Sogeri Education Centre As a Teacher Training Institution.** These are notes and a draft of Ralph's self published book. 59 pages cover every aspect of the Centre down to the finest detail such as, "His Honour then presented each of the students with a certificate (printed by the Government Printer, Port Moresby) and a ten shilling note ('New if possible,' Director of Education to Treasurer, 12 December 1946)." There are three sections: The General Development of the Sogeri Education Centre from 1944 to 1947; The Development of Policy and Plans for Teacher-Training to the end of 1947; Teacher-Training at Sogeri from 1948 to 1951. Ralph's main source was Department of Education files and footnotes are provided.

**Curriculum Vitae of WC Groves.** Covers 1898 to 1959.

**Mrs D Groves to RC Ralph, 17 October 1971.** Mrs Groves answers a series of questions on her husband's career. Groves born Ballarat Victoria 18 August 1898, died London 11 July 1971.

**Mrs D Groves to M Duncan, 13 February 1972.** Mrs Groves makes some observations on Meg Duncan's M Ed draft thesis.

**Administration Pre-War Teachers.** Lists names of 16 native teachers, schooling, dates and places of service, current posting.

## 1944 correspondence and papers

**B Morris to CCG Abel, 24 May 1944.** ANGAU planning an undenominational and secular Central School for 200 students near Port Moresby. Perhaps 50% of students will become teachers. Site available, buildings in existence but need boys 15 - 17 years with Standard V and working knowledge of English. After 1 June 1944. Can the missions help?

**FN Boisen to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Monthly Report June 1944, 1 July 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Situation and General Description, Staff, Activities During Month Students, Grounds and Gardens, Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, School Stores, Sporting Activities, Technical Training, Lighting, General.

**FN Boisen to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Monthly Report July 1944, 4 August 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Staff, Enrolments, Organization, Agriculture, Grounds and Gardens, School Stores, Sporting Activities, Lighting, Water, Technical Training, Visitors, Religious, General.

**FN Boisen to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Monthly Report July 1944, 15 August 1944.** Sogeri enrolment increased to 75 students including 14 being coached for Medical School.

**FN Boisen to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Monthly Report August 1944, 5 September 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Staff, Enrolments, Organization, Agriculture, Grounds and Gardens, Buildings, Native Labour, Sporting Activities, Lighting, Technical Training, Visitors, Religious, General.

**FN Boisen to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Monthly Report September 1944, 6 October 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Staff , Enrolment, Organization, Agriculture, Grounds and Gardens, Buildings, Native Labour, Technical Training, Hygiene, Religious, Sporting Activities, General.

**DDCA to HQ Southern Region, Papuan Central Training School, Port Moresby, 30 October 1944.** Now 92 boarders. Asks District Officers to make known the desire for former Grade Vs who are under the age of 19 years and to facilitate their movement to your HQ.

**AR Buckland to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Papuan Central Training School Report October 1944, 6 November 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Staff , Enrolment, Organization, Agriculture, Grounds and Gardens, Buildings, Native Labour, Hygiene, Religious, Amenities, Visitors, Health of Students, General.

**AR Buckland to Staff Officer Civil Affairs ANGAU, Papuan Central Training School Report November 1944, 6 December 1944.** Central School Sogeri: Staff , Enrolment, Organization, Agriculture, Grounds and Gardens, Buildings, Native Labour, Hygiene, Religious, Amenities, Visitors, Health of Students, General.

**AR Buckland to DDCA HQ ANGAU, Report on New Site Proposed for Papuan Central Training School, 28 December 1944.** Buckland recommends against moving the school from Sogeri to Taurama Road approximately 4 miles from Moresby.