

CAMERAMAN: Jack Yowell

ERY COVERED: Running battle - Security Forces/Mau Mau DATE OF EVENT 9th March 1954

PLACE OF EVENT: South Kinankop, foot of Aberdare Mountains, 60 miles North of Nairobi

LENGTH EXPOSED: 300 feet STOCK USED: PLUS X REMARKS: EXCLUSIVE

THE STORY.

At 2.45 p.m. on 8th March, Security Forces made contact with a gang of about 50 terrorists in the forest straddling the South Kinankop, which is part of the Aberdare Forest. By 6 p.m. ten terrorists had been killed and contact was lost with the gang. At 1.45 p.m. on the 9th news was received that the gang were making their way back into the area from which they had escaped. No.16 Platoon of General Service Unit of the Kenya Police, who had inflicted the ten casualties on the gang the previous day, and who is led by Asst. Inspector Neill (from Perth, Scotland, and who has been in this country for only five months) immediately rushed to the affected area. Contact was made with parts of the gang at about 4 p.m. - a running battle ensued in the thick forest and it is believed that four of the gang were killed while the rest have again dispersed.

Note: - as this film was actually taken in action, and due to the very poor light and conditions, the exposures may be completely haywire. I worked mostly at f 2.8 and f.2

REEL BREAKDOWN.

Men of No.16 Platoon General Service Unit, Kenya Police, deploy in the forest
Contact is made with terrorists and the platoon goes into action
Two or three short shots of running terrorists
Closeup of a dead terrorist
Continuing the engagement
(the chase having been taken up by forces from the Kijabe area, No.16 Platoon withdraws)
Shot of platoon filing past down the path in the forest at about 6 p.m.
Closeup of Asst. Inspector Neill, who recently joined the Kenya Police

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