

JUNGLE MEN JOIN UP.

The Pacific Islands, Regiment (its strength recently increased to 600) paraded before the C.O. at Iaurama Barracks near Port Moresby, capital of New Guinea. They're the complete answer to people who once thought that natives of the jungle in this country couldn't be trained as soldiers. Australian instructors find that recruits take to military life like ducks to water. In a very short time they get the hang of modern weapons. Yet, not far away, tribes live the life of the jungle, as they have for centuries. These pictures were taken not long ago. Police recently raided a village in search of a man wanted for killing. And that's a crime cannibals take in their stride. They couldn't understand what the fuss was about.

For jungle fighting in military style the new soldiers train in the foothills of the Owen Stanley Mountains, scene of hard fighting in the World War.

In the Pacific Islands Regiment, Australia has a more than useful addition to her regular army.