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W L Doe Collection

Size	1 box
Contents	Black and white photographs of Papua New Guinea, mainly depicting Bulolo gold fields. Handwritten identifying notes on the back of most photographs; some of these notes are by John Murphy.
Date range	1932 to 1948
Biography	W L Doe was a dredge master with the Bulolo Gold Dredging Company in Papua New Guinea, in the 1930s and 1940s.
Notes	Open access

Box 1

Series A: Photographs

See index below for details.

Item no.	Year	Description (from back of photos)
1	1932	Bulwa. Bulolo Gold Dredging Co. staff W.L. Doe, F. Marshall, G. Stephenson, J.R. Connor, H. Meek, A. Barham, P. McDowell, E. McSkimming
2	1933	Baiune. J. Connor, L. Crawford, W.L. Doe, H. Meek
3	1933-34	Junkers G31. Pilot Bill Wiltshire, 3rd from right; Wally Doe, 3rd from left. BGD personnel departing for leave
4	1935	domestic servants of BGD. Employees of Bulwa
5	1932-3	Bulolo. Road to Wau is shown and on left is spoil from one of the dredges
6	1938	Bulwa. K. Woodman, Mrs Woodman, S. Atkinson, W. Doe, Mrs Doe
7	1933	Salamaua. Looking towards the mainland from the point
8	1934	Salamaua from Samoa
9	1935	Bulwa
10	1936	Bulwa
11	1933	1st street Bulwa

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12	1933	2nd street Bulwa
13	1935	Wau
14	1933	Watut Airstrip
15	1934	Baiune water race for Pawa House
16	1933	Part of Bulolo married quarters 1933 (Bulolo Gold Dredging Co)
17	1935	Bulwa. Swimming pool mid left
18	1932-33	Bulwa
19	1933	Bulwa
20	1935	Bulwa staff houses
21	1933 Oct.	Bulwa. Orm Denny's Fox Moth VHUQR after wings removed. Two passengers were on board by [sic] the pilot made a fantastic "crash" - not a landing - nobody hurt
22	c1934	Pilot George Mendham ("Bustem and Mendem"). Bulwa
23	c1936	Ford aircraft, pilot Orme Denny. Bulwa
24	1935	Bulwa. Ford aircraft
25	1935	Bulwa. Ford aircraft. Pilot Orme Denny and his straw hat
26	c. 1936	Before [Mrs Doe?] left Salamaua
27	n.d.	Two of first N.G.V.R. recruits, Wally Doe (left), Harry Jones (right)
28	1936	Samarai from the deck of MV Montoro. Large building is Burus Philp store and offices
29	1936	Port Moresby. Market of model [?] on wharf
30	1.3.35	Port Moresby. Jim Anderson of BGD.
31	1936	Wau, pre-war, upper end of strip. Sub-district office mid-foreground, police station on the right, De Haviland "Dragon" behind the crane
32	1936	Wau
33	c1934	The buckets have jumped the rollers and jammed. Bulwa

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34	c1934	The buckets have jumped off the rollers. Bulwa
35	c1934	Gantry head collapsed on one of the 8 dredges. Bulwa
36	1933	Floating No.4 dredge. Bulwa
37	1934	No.4 dredge. Bulwa
38	1935	No.4 dredge. Bulwa
39	c1939-40	Broken digging ladder hanger caused by bucket coming off lower tumbler. No.4 dredge
40	1933	No.4 dredge [?] nearing completion
41	1933	Bulwa. No.4 dredge (There were 8 altogether)
42	1933-34	Construction No.4 dredge. Bulwa. N. Andersen, W.L. Doe, E. McSkimming
43	c1934	Bulwa. Dredge at work in Bulolo Valley. The long arm at front (the rear of the dredge) discharges the treated gravel
44	c1934	Bulwa. Dredge at work in Bulolo Valley, front end
45	1933	Bulwa. A Ruston Bucyrus power shovel or excavator
46	1932	Bulwa construction camp. In foreground, digging ladder and stack [?] construction for No. 3 dredge
47	1936	A room in bachelor's quarters. Bulwa, B.G.D.
48	1933	Bulwa, a Sunday morning. The house is built from local pine
49	28.10.33	Bulolo. No.3 finished, ready to start digging
50	1933	Bulwa. No.3 dredge
51	1936	Xmas Day. B.G.D. Bulwa staff
52	1933	[Christmas postcard]
53	1934	O.B. Hart ctr. with racquet
54	1938	Bulolo golfers. (K. Woodman, Bill Johns, Bob Allen, S. Atkinson, Mrs (Billie) Doe, G. Scott)
55	1933	Bulwa. Cricket team prepares for Levien trophy (Taffy Evans, R. MacDonald, W. Smith, Ted Knight, Bill MacDonald)

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56	1933-34	Levien Trophy - a visiting team - possibly Salamaua as the man standing 4th from left appears to be Alf Koskey
58	1938	Bulwa. First BSA motorcycles imported into New Guinea - Wally Doe, agent
59	193-	Baiune power house nearing completion
60	1947	Lower Baiune powerhouse shifted off its foundations by a land slide after heavy rain
61	1947	Lower Baiune powerhouse after land slide
62	1947	Lower Baiune powerhouse landslide
63	1933	Guinea airways UOW at Bulwa. Unloading for Baiune powerhouse
64	1933	Bulwa. Drive wheel for No.4 dredge - in the cargo space of the junker G31 VH-UOW hatch off
65	1933	Bulwa. Guinea Airways G31 Junker unloading Wally Doe's Willy's Knight
66	1933	Bulwa. Unloading a car from the Junkers G31. Wally Doe's Willy's Knight
67	c. 1936	Bulwa Cricketers about to leave for Bulolo with supporters. (Levien Trophy),(A. Barham, J.R. Connor, W.L. Doe, J. Macmillan, J. Crooks, Joe -, G. Scott, Stan -, J. Anderson)
68	1938	A Baiune living quarters (W.L. Doe, Mrs Jones, J.R. Connor and Norman Anderson)
69	c. 1934-5	B.G.D. employees paddling in Baiune River
70	1933	Bulwa. Butterfly hunt - American sources had asked for specimens (Taffy Evans, C. Mackey, H. Meek, J. Crooks)
71	c. 1934	Canoe built at Bulolo on a pond left by No.3 Dredge at Bulwa
72	c. 1933-4	B.G.D. employees picnic to Baiune River
73	1932	Wau. VH-UHW Canberra
74	1934	Bulwa. B.G.D. Red's UOV
75	1933	Bob Guerney and Fox broth (?) at Bulwa.
76	1935	Bulwa airstrip

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77	1944	Lake Wanim, Markham area, New Guinea, about 12 miles from Lae
78	1944	Lake Wanim off Markham River and south of it about 12 miles from Lae.
79	1944	On the banks of the Markham River
80	1944	Lake Wanim. Member of RAAF party has a shot at a crocodile
81	1944	Markham River. RAAF team was to inspect Lake Wanim for suitability for seaplane base
82	1944	Markham River. Wally Doe seated on canoe. This is RAAF party escorted by Wally Doe inspecting Lake Wanim for seaplane alighting area
83	1944	Crossing Markham River. The RAAF party's canoe
84	1944	Markham River mud. Two of the RAAF team and Wally Doe (rear) flounder ashore
85	1944	Markham River. Native guide for RAAF party on inspection trip
86	1944	Markham River. Guide to Wally Doe and RAAF party inspecting Lake Wanim
87	1944	Vicinity of Markham Point near Lae
88	1944	Markham River. Cockatoo stew for lunch
89	1944	Markham River. RAAF party on way to inspect Lake Wanim for seaplane base
90	1944	Approaching Lake Wanim from Markham River. Wally Doe and RAAF party
91	1944	Markham River, near Lae
92	1944	Markham Point. Part of Lae-Markham Road, built by Australian Army
93	1944	The hills round Lake Wanim, Markham Valley
94	1944	Lake Wanin, Markham area, Lae
95	1944	Lake Wanim
96	1944	RAAF party, Lake Wanim - Markham area - looking for aeroplane alighting area
97	nd	The same bridge - myself and servant. He has got the box for my camera hanging from his shoulder

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98	c1938	Going on shift. No.4 Dredge. Bulwa
99	c1933	Bulolo powerhouse
100	c1933-4	Mechanical shovel, B.G.D., in a little trouble on the Bulwa - Baiune Road
101	1935	Salamaua. Champions of Morobe District : Mrs Waut (?) and Ray Sowerby
102	1935	Opening of Salamaua Swimming baths
103	1935	Salamaua
104	1935	Opening of Salamaua Baths
105	nd	[Buang people?]
106	c1934	Men and women of the Buang people from the Snake River area, near Bulwa
107	c1934	Opening of the Bulwa swimming pool
108	c1934	Opening of the swimming pool, Bulwa, Morobe District. The pool was fed from a hot spring
109	c1934	Singers and dancers from the Buangs arrive at Bulwa for the opening of the swimming pool
110	nd	[Buang people?]
111	1936	Opening of new staff swimming pool, Bulwa
113	1933-4	Bulwa : opening of the new swimming pool
114	1933	Murderers of Naylor and Clarehs, killed at Surprise Creek, 7 Jan. 1933
115	1933	Port Moresby natives in headdress
116	1934	Two Buang men from near Bulolo
117	1934	Two Buang men from near Bulolo
118	1934	A Buang man gives a demonstration at Bulwa
119	1934	A troupe of dancers from the Buangs who were hired to perform at the opening of the Bulwa swimming pool
120	1939?	[Plane] lost power and put down on a small hill short of Wau. Brian Carpenter, pilot

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121	1934	Mrs H. Jones and house staff. Baiune
122	1934	A gathering of B.G.D. employees at Baiune
123	c. 1936	Mrs Daph Jones, Mrs Mackey and Harry Jones
124	c. 1936	Bulwa. (Frank McClafferty, Wally Doe, Keith Woolman, Russ Pearce, John Rutherford)
125	1933	Bulwa. A G31 Junkers . Pilot not known
126	1933	Bulwa. Single-engine Junkers about to go
127	1933	Bulwa. Single engine Junkers landing

Series B. Photograph album

Photographs of silting up of Bulolo Gold Dredges, during World War II. Typed historical notes on front cover of album

Series C: Photographs

[Received with the Papers of the Papua New Guinea Association]

Folder 1

Packet 1: 6 photos of Port Moresby (1929)

- young native girl
- lakatois (canoes) on Fairfax Harbour
- Elevala village, approx 20 kilometres west of Port Moresby
- view of Port Moresby looking towards Papa Point/Hill
- (1935) native children swimming for coins tossed from visiting ships
- natives selling curios on wharf
- ship (?Burns, Philp's *M.V. Bulolo*)

Packet 2: 5 photos of Samarai, Milne Bay District (1935)

- sunset over Samarai
- entrance to Samarai
- Eboma island near Samarai
- boats in harbour and bulk copra store (?Buntings & Co.) on wharf
- Wally Doe on Samarai footpath

Packets 3 – 12 are of Baiune, Bulwa, Bulolo and Wau - all on the Morobe District goldfields

Packet 3: 7 photos of Baiune 1933-1935:

- Baiune river
- Daph Jones and Norm Anderson
- Baiune hills
- Baiune river gorge
- water race for Baiune power house no.1
- Norm Anderson and John Connor in Baiune river
- visitors from Bulwa

Packet 4: 8 photos of Bulwa (1933):

- general view
- European house
- in party mood
- sluicing for gold on Teaupeka mine - Ted Nichterlien
- John R. Connor
- part of dredge left side with tailings mound on right
- VH-UQR a few minutes after crashing. Pilot Orme Denny was ca.1950 Qantas manager in Lae

Packet 5: 10 photos of Bulwa (1934):

- Junkers W34 leaving Bulwa with the Nichterlien house across Bulowat river lower left
- staff photo of Bulolo Gold Dredging Ltd.
- opening of the Bulwa swimming pool by the Administrator of New Guinea Brigadier McNicoll
- general photos of the pool
- "Les Follies Buang" - native dancers at the pool opening (Buang is a local tribal group)

Packet 6: 1 photo of Bulwa (1935): European women and children

Packet 7: 3 photos of Bulwa (1936):

- baby Brian Jones
- group of European residents;
- group of male Europeans including schoolboy in Australian school uniform

Packet 8: 3 photos of Bulwa (1937): dredge machinery

Packet 9: 4 photos of Bulwa (1938): European residents

Packet 10: 5 photos undated:

- company house
- construction no.4 dredge
- Doe house and garden servants
- swimming pool (note native nursemaid)
- dredge machinery

Packet 11: 2 photos of Wau (1933 - 1936): looking up Wau airstrip 1933; Wau 1936

Packet 12: 1 photo of Wau (1948): Mr & Mrs Doe and Army surplus jeep

Kavieng, New Ireland District

Packet 13: 2 photos of Kolube plantation (1933) showing former German owned coconut plantation expropriated by Australia and successfully tendered for by W.R. Carpenter & Company

Salamaua, Morobe District

Packet 14: 3 photos of 1935:

- opening of swimming pool
- departing Salamaua
- swimming champion Roy Sowerby (see Elizabeth Sowerby collection: UQFL387)

Lower Watut, Morobe District

Packet 15: 2 photos (1948) prospector's camp employed by Lower Bulolo Gold Dredging NL

Bulolo, Morobe District

Packet 16: 1 photo of European men outside house

General photographs

Packet 17: Mahedno 1935; the Does at Port Said; in London 1951; NGVR-ANGAU Association Anzac Day 1994 reunion, Sydney NGVR = New Guinea Volunteer Rifles; ANGAU = Australia New Guinea Administrative Unit)

1 photo 1944 allegedly of Markham river. The hills in the background are more like Port Moresby topography.

Folder 2

[Some of these are duplicates of the collection Folder 1]

1 of 1932: Bulolo Gold Dredging staff, Bulwa, 1932

11 of 1933-1934, 1934, "before 1935": sporting/social scenes; BGD employees (2); Anderson, Doe and Jones at Baiune river 1934; Bulwa soccer team (1st game v. Bulolo)

5 of 1935: mother's meeting at the Bulwa pool; Doe and Charles Mackey, Bulwa; bathers at Bulwa; Crooked creek on road to Bulwa; opening of Salamaua (Morobe District) Baths, February

4 of Bulwa 1936: group and social scenes

4 of 1937: Bulwa team 2d game ((?soccer); group at Bulwa; "Bulolo Rose" under sail on a dredge pond; relaxing in married quarters

2 of 1938: leaving Bulwa by plane; European children and minders

2 of 1935: Samarai foreshore from boat; leaving Port Moresby (note rain catchment "reservoir" white area centre top)

1 of 1937: baby Brian Jones, Bulwa

1 of 1944: taken by RAAF photographer with survey unit searching for sea plane base, Markham River, Morobe District, 1944

1 undated: canvas town Burleigh Heads (?holiday camp ?depression era)

6 of 1933: resting by Crooked creek falls near Bulolo; at Baiune power house site; view to Baiune power house, Bulwa (bottom left); employees of Bulowat Dept; Bulwa 'drome in centre, camp to the left - taken from Baiune area; clearing a land slide on Bulolo/Wau road through Bulolo gorge

3 of 1934: no.4 dredge under construction Bulwa; buckets have jumped the rollers and jammed; Bulwa employees of BGD on picnic at Baiune river

2 of 1935: 2 European men and nurse, Bulwa; view of Bulolo

2 of 1936: returned servicemen/women at Chelmer Rd ... Convalescent Home; no.4 dredge in trouble

1 of 1938: Mrs Doe and baby Lynette Halliday, Bulwa

7 of 1948: Does at Wau in army disposals jeep; Mrs Doe and friend's child; crossing lower Watut; lower Watut with (gold) drill rig; Dragon Rapide at Wau; prospector relaxing at (unreadable); Wally Doe prospecting in the lower Watut