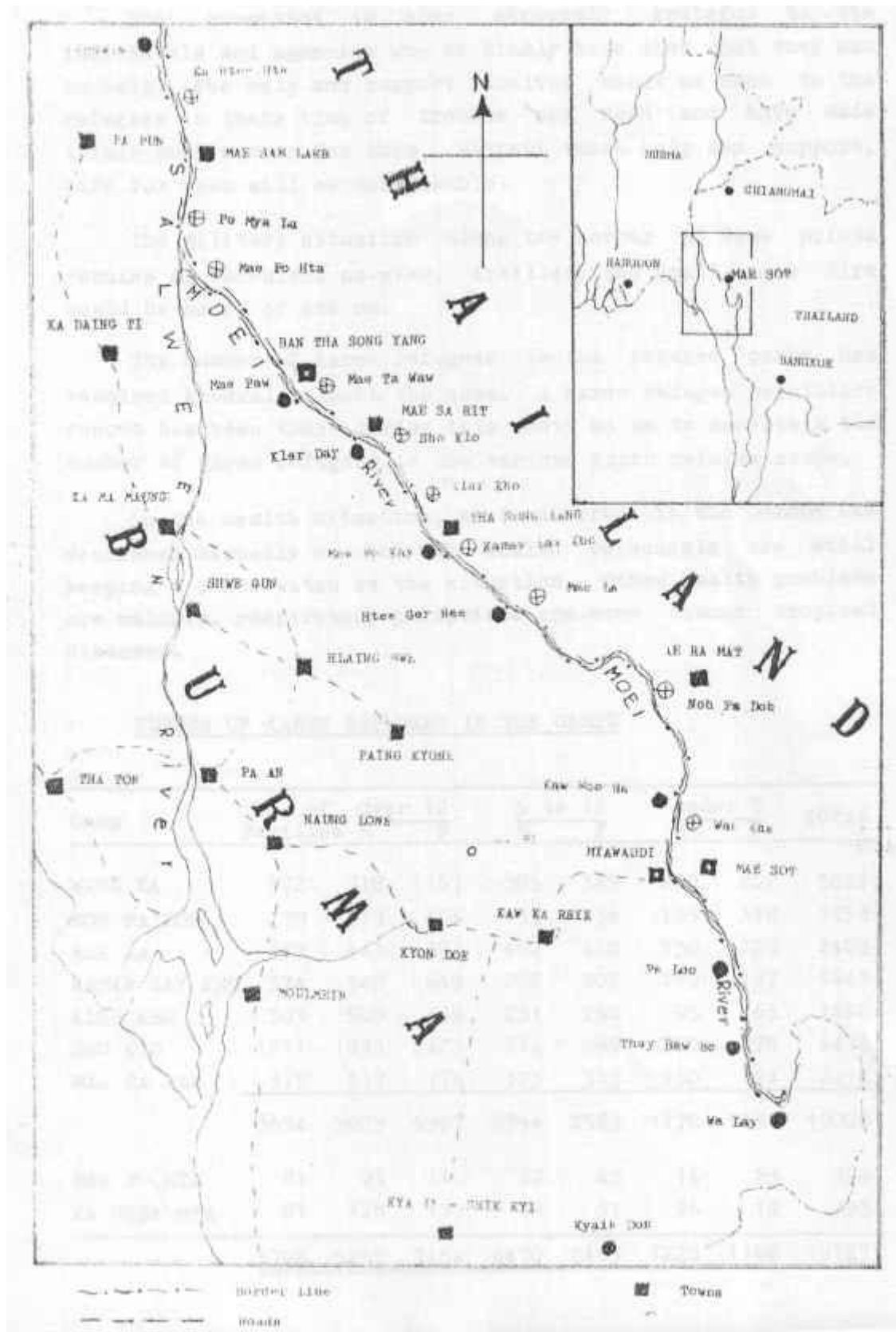




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The Karen Refugee Committee expresses its sincere thanks to the Thai authorities concerned and to the people of the Kingdom of Thailand for their kindness in granting temporary refuge to the Karen refugees displaced by the fighting across the border. This benevolent gesture of goodwill is sincerely appreciated and will forever be cherished by the Karen people.

The committee is also sincerely grateful to the individuals and agencies who so kindly have done what they can to help. The help and support received meant so much to the refugees in their time of trouble and need and have made things much easier for them. Without these help and support, life for them will be unthinkable.

The military situation along the border at some points remains as turbulent as ever. Artillery and small arms fire could be heard of and on.

The number of Karen refugees in the refugee camps has remained generally about the same. A Karen refugee population census has been taken during this month so as to ascertain the number of Karen refugees in the various Karen refugee camps.

On the health situation, acute diarrhea in the camps has decreased markedly now but the health personnels are still keeping a close watch on the situation. Other health problems are malaria, respiratory infections and some common tropical diseases.

NUMBER OF KAREN REFUGEES IN THE CAMPS

Camp	No. of Families	Over 12 M F	5 to 12 M F	Under 5 M F	TOTAL
WANG KA	572	718 1167	385 349	200 202	3021
NOK PA DOH	270	373 454	137 136	135 118	1353
MAE LA	549	441 892	402 418	130 120	2403
KAMAW LAY KHO	374	548 649	202 202	119 127	1847
KLER KHO	303	509 546	231 250	95 65	1696
SHO KLO	1211	1893 2423	714 699	369 378	6476
MAE TA WAW	375	547 176	323 315	130 121	2212
	3654	5029 6907	2394 2369	1178 1131	19008
MAE PO HTA	61	95 110	37 45	16 23	326
HTA HTEE HTA	81	128 135	39 51	26 14	393
	3796	5232 7132	2470 2465	1220 1168	19727

RICE RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH

From:-

CONSORTIUM OF CHRISTIAN AGENCIES	...	2,000	sacks
I C A	...	300	"
C O E R R	...	225	"
FULL GOSPEL CHURCH	...	100	"
ARCHBISHOP RENATO R. MARTINO	...	55	"
TOTAL	...	<u>2,680</u>	<u>sacks</u>

NEED OF RICE AND RICE SUPPLIED

<u>Camp</u>	<u>Rice Needed</u>	<u>Rice Supplied (100 kg./sack)</u>
WANG KA	470	380
NOH PA DOH	204	183
MAE LA	380	376
KAMAW LAY KHO	287	266
KLER KHO	269	215
SHO KLO	1017	950
MAE TA WAW	348	310
	<u>2975</u>	<u>2680</u>

OTHER ITEMS RECEIVED DURING THE MONTH

From:-

CONSORTIUM OF CHRISTIAN AGENCIES	...	Fish Paste	...	865	tins
	...	Salt	...	150	bags
-I C A	...	Fish Paste	...	135	tins

DISTRIBUTION OF OTHER ITEMS RECEIVED

<u>Camp</u>	<u>Salt (bags)</u>	<u>Fish Paste (tins)</u>
WANG KA	21	142
NOH PA DOH	10	70
MAE LA	20	138
KAMAW LAY KHO	16	110
KLER KHO	14	87
SHO KLO	50	326
MAE TA WAW	19	127
	<u>150</u>	<u>1000</u>

We are sincerely grateful to all parties concerned for the noble work done to make life easier for the Karen refugees who are displaced by the fighting that is raging on in Burma. Most of them are here in the refugee camps for more than five years now. Their future is bleak and dreary. Your continued help and support is earnestly needed for them to go through this difficult time. Please also remember them in your prayers.

May God bless all of you for the noble deeds that you have done for us the least of your brethren in distress,,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Robert Htwe', is centered above the typed name.

Robert Htwe
Chairman
Karen Refugee Committee