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BUSUT, A 'RED' VILLAGE, PAYS THE PENALTY

From Our Staff Correspondent
KUALA LUMPUR, Monday.
POLICE and military today swooped on the
Min Yuen-riddled area of Busut in South

Selangor and cordoned it off before removing
450 men, women and children to a resettlement
area.

It was a smaller, less severe Jenderam,
although a spokesman of the South Selangor War
Executive Committee admitted that the area's
record was almost — though not quite — as bad as
Jenderam's.

Mortar shells boomed all
through the morning as a
section of the First Suffolks
fired round after round from
the centre of the area at a
group of 30 bandits who fled
north as the troops moved in.

Otherwise there were no
incidents during the raid,
except that amid the shelling
and the evacuation, a baby
was born to a 42-year-old
Hainanese tapper's wife, Yang
Tun Wah, before the dresser
could arrive.

The official reason for the
people of Busut not being
sent to a detention camp —
as the people of Jenderam
were — was "there is not so
much proof. We will have to
give them the benefit of the
doubt."

It is understood, however, that
had there been sufficient accommo-

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Security Men Kill 6 More Bandits

25 January 1951 - From Our Staff Correspondent
KUALA LUMPUR, Wednesday. QIX more bandits have
been killed and another four wounded, the Federation
police reported tonight. Two of the bandits were
killed in the Kuala Kubu area of Selangor this
morning. A security forces patrol was moving
through...

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There is gloom in Selangor

17 April 1951 - There is gloom in Selangor Malaya
under the Emergency 32 gELANGOR has not yet felt
the impact of the Briggs Plan. It is time it did, for the
present situation is somewhat depressing. The
recent killing of two notorious terrorists. Hithl and
Manap, and the cleaning up of Jenderam, have...

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But Kajang Gang Is Back In Action

20 January 1950 - From Our Staff Correspondent
KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday. T»HE notorious Kajang
Gang, led by Lew Kon Kiem, 1 is back in action after
three months' hiding in a swamp in South-East
Selangor. Patrols of the First Suffolks have been
chasing the gang during the...

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JENDERAM CRITICS ARE TOLD: NONSENSE'

22 February 1951 - JENDERAM CRITICS ARE TOLD:
NONSENSE' Malays Wanted Area Cleared From Our
Staff Correspondent KUALA LUMPUR, Wednesday. IT
was nonsense to compare the evacuation of
Jenderam in Selangor with the razing of the Czech
town of Lidice by the Germans in 1942, said the
Director of Information, Mr. J. N. McHugh,...

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Villagers Near Jenderam Flee



...dation in detention camps in the Federation, a different penalty would have been meted out to the people of Busut.

Tomorrow they will be removed from their area to Sungai Chua, near Kajang, where they will become "prisoners" within the Kajang mukim.

They cannot move outside the mukim.

The indictment against the people of Busut lists five general crimes:

1. Harboursing bandits;
2. Complicity in bandit crimes;
3. Failing to supply information about bandits in the area;

4. Supplying food to the bandits; and

5. Subscribing to bandit funds.

More particularly, the spokesman of the South Selangor War Executive Committee said today, the people of Busut had paid \$900 a

month to the bandits for several months. Everyone of the 60 families paid monthly dues.

There have been 37 major incidents in the district from the time the Emergency was declared. A number of people have been murdered and both the managers of the adjoining Lothian and Bute estates have been shot at, and one of them wounded.

"liberated" it.

Massed meetings of the Min Yuen had been held in the area and the police had evidence that as many as 150 people had assembled at the district coffeeshop for this purpose.

The Busut school had flown the three-star Communist flag repeatedly.

In this area, some of the worst labour unrest and strikes have been experienced. The spokesman said today that the M.C.P.-controlled Selat, Bute, and

Police know that the notorious Kajang bandit leader, Liew Kong Kim, has lived near the area and has been helped by the residents.

The operation against Busut began last night when the First Suffolks and police formed a cordon round the three-mile by two-mile area. No one was allowed in or out.

Pamphlets were distributed to all householders telling them of the forced evacuation and ordering them to be ready to move in



Villagers Near Jenderam Flee

Their Homes

23 February 1951 - Villagers Near Jenderam Flee Their Homes From Our Staff Correspondent KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday. VILLAGERS living v near to Jenderam the South Selangor kampong evacuated last week of all its inhabitants are leaving their homes to seek shelter in nearby towns. Eighty of the 90 houses in Kampong Bukit Raya the...

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'NO SURRENDER' BANDITS GIVE IN

5 May 1950 - 10 Killed Or Captured In Kajang Fight From Our Staff Correspondent KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday. fHE personal bodyguard of the bearded Kajang bandit leader, Liew Kon Kim, was wiped out today. Four were killed, a fifth died of wounds and another five dropped their guns >'...

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Forces kill 3 bandits

16 October 1951 - KUALA LUMPUR. Mon. CHIA WAH alias Lew Huay, a 30-year-old bandit and member of the Beladinß branch if the Mm Yuen, was killed m an ambush by security forces m the Muar area of Johore yesterday. In the same area, security forces killed another bandit this...

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INHABITANTS of Busut (upper picture) await the arrival of rubber dealers to buy their rubber stocks.

In the background is Busut's only coffee shop, which was the meeting place, for the Min Yuen in the area. Police said there were sometimes nearly 150 Min Yuen there.

LOWER PICTURE : Tan Nyen Loon, 42-year-old rubber tapper, and his wife, Yang Tun Wah, with their six children.

The youngest, who is lying beside his mother on the stretcher was born at 10 a.m. yesterday during the raid.—Straits Times pictures



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