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reasons for the journey.

Utilities:

Water: Bandjermasin (South Borneo) Sep 44: Inhabitants were charged one cent per 18 litre tin of water. A Government official was placed at each hydrant to receive payment.

Power: Bandjermasin (South Borneo) Sep 44: Electric lighting was used in the city of Bandjermasin, but new houses built during the Japanese occupation had no installations due to the lack of electrical equipment. Owing to a shortage of electric light bulbs informant saw the bulbs removed from street lamps in May 44.

Finance:

Currency: Bandjermasin (South Borneo) Sep 44:
Dutch currency of 10 cents and upwards was still in circulation. When the Japanese first occupied Borneo they put aluminium coins into circulation, but six months later they recalled these coins and replaced them with paper money ranging from one cent up to /10.00. Inf never saw notes above /10.00.

Clothing: Bandjermasin (South Borneo) Sep 44: The Dajaks were meeting the clothing shortage by making garments from tree bark and the dried husk of coconuts.

X. PROPAGANDA AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE INFORMATION.

Enemy:

Movies: Bandjermasin (South Borneo) Jun 14: The former Rex Theatre, now known as the "Tokio Theatre", showed a Japanese film of the battle of the Philippines in 1942. A short newsreel showing the grawing of cotton in Makassar, how the cotton was treated in the factories, and the making of cotton goods, etc. was also seen at the same time.

XIII.GENERAL.

Prostitution: Bandjermasin (South Bornoo) Sep 44:
Next to the hospital on the road to Oelin the Japanese built a house in which were kept approximately 60 Javanese women for use of the Japanese forces. This brothel was surrounded by a barbed wire fence. The women were seen by informant to move in and out of this area.

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