JOHN M. STANHOPE, The Language of the Kire People, Bogia, Madang District, New Guinea









a Kire woman, seen in Sivi hamlet, Giri village; firewood in the bag behind her and a baby in the bag in front. Her clothing is a grass skirt.

b Kire vegetable garden, located in a bamboo forest. The fence is made of bamboo poles. The crossed sticks

bar the entrance and signify that a spell has been cast to make garden thieves sick.

c Kire men sitting in the men's house (ivənam) in Tung village. Note the slit drums (pən) the stick (ttor) resting in each drum. The corner of the long communal bed is seen to the left. Traditional designs painted in imported pigments adorn the post. d Kire woman making a net bag. Her food is cooking in bamboo tubes over a smouldering fire. In her mouth

is a cigarette made of newspaper and home-grown tobacco.

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