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Anders Rhodin (U.S.A.) recently acquired the N.Z. forces cover shown here, which was mailed from N.S.A.P.O. 150, No.7 sometime in late January or early February 1944, which is presumed by the pencilled notation on the reverse, "Received 13.2.44 from Kieta New Guinea". However, the "Kieta.." portion has been added later, someone having erased an earlier notation which possibly reads "North Solomon Islands". According to Startup's book ("The Mails went Through") this P.O. was assigned to the 3rd Division (of which Harry Voyce was a member) 14th Brigade, and in January/February 1944 that unit was at Joroveto, Vella Lavella, moving to Nissan on 15th February 1944. There is no mention that the unit was ever at Kieta. Can any member clarify this please? Perhaps somebody was in touch with Harry Voyce who was able to give precise information?

