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1. USNCAU Hospitals and Dispensaries

(a) U.S. Naval Civil Administration Unit, Dispensary, Majuro, (Ulga Island) Marshall Islands.

(b) Present Bed Capacity - 50. All beds devoted to native care. Ten (10) of these are beds available for Tuberculosis cases and are Located in a separate and isolated building.

(c) Number of Marshallese Treated:

(1) Medical Cases Treated (Out Patient)

Fungus Infections	46	Gastritis	12
Other Skin Conditions	11	GU Infection	1
Common Colds	103	Constipation	1
Headaches	4	Yaws	2
EENT	25	Myositis	3

TOTAL 208

Surgical Cases Treated (Out Patient)

Minor Burns	10	Puncture wounds	11
Lacerations	42	Sprain, joint	7
Abrasions	11		

TOTAL 81

(2) Number of Marshallese Hospitalized:

CLASS I	<u>Diseases of Blood</u>		
	Anemia, Chronic Deficiency		1
CLASS II	<u>Diseases of Circulatory System</u>		
	Thrombosis, Artery, Cord		1

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CLASS III	<u>Diseases of Digestive System</u>	
	Gastro Enteritis, Acute	4
	Appendicitis, Acute	1
	Hemorrhoids	1
	Vomiting	1
CLASS IV	<u>Diseases of Ductless Glands and Spleen</u>	
	Hypopituitarism	1
CLASS V	<u>Diseases of Ear, Nose, and Throat</u>	
	Otitis Media, Acute	2
	Otitis Externa	1
CLASS VII	<u>Diseases of Genito Urinary System</u>	
	Varicocele	1
CLASS VIII A	<u>Communicable Diseases Transmissible by Oral and Nasal Discharge</u>	
	Pneumonia, Lobar	1
CLASS VIII B	<u>Common Infectious Diseases of the Respiratory Type</u>	
	Catarrhal Fever, Acute	1
	Tonsillitis, Acute	1
CLASS XI	<u>Tuberculosis, (All Forms)</u>	
	Tuberculosis, Extra Pulmonary, Cervical Gland	1

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CLASS XII	<u>Venereal Diseases</u>	
	Gonococcus Infection, Urethra	1
CLASS XIII	<u>Other Diseases of the Infectious Type</u>	
	Cellulitis, Leg, Left	2
	Cellulitis, Penis	1
	Cellulitis, Arm, Left	1
CLASS XIV	<u>Diseases of Lymphatic System</u>	
	Lymphadenitis, Cervical	1
CLASS XVII	<u>Diseases of Nervous System</u>	
	Neuritis, Sciatic	1
CLASS XVIII	<u>Diseases of Respiratory System</u>	
	Pleurisy, Fibrinous, Acute	1
	Bronchitis, Chronic	2
CLASS XIX	<u>Diseases of Skin, Hair, and Nails</u>	
	Impetigo, Contagiosa	1
	Impetigo, Herpetiformis	1
CLASS XX	<u>Herniae</u>	
	Hernia, Inguinal, Indirect	1
CLASS XXI	<u>Miscellaneous Diseases and Conditions</u>	
	DU(Perinephritic, Abscess)	1
	DU(Medical Observation)	1
	No Disease (NewBorn)	4
	Absence Acquired, Eye, Left	1



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CLASS XXII	<u>Parasitic Diseases (Fungi and Certain Animal Parasites)</u>	
	Ascariasis	1
	Parasitic Infestation	1
	Tinia Imbricata	1
CLASS XXIII	<u>Tumors</u>	
	Lipoma, Back	1
	Tumor, Mixed, Activity Unknown, Tibia	1
	Carcinoma, Cervix, Grade Four	1
CLASS XXIV	<u>Female Diseases and Conditions</u>	
	Pregnancy at Term	5
	Pregnancy with Hydramniotic	1
	Salpingitis, Acute	1
	Dysmenorrhea	1
	Salpingitis, Chronic	1
CLASS XXV	<u>Injuries</u>	
	Fracture, Simple, Radius, Left	1
CLASS XXVII	<u>Dental Diseases and Conditions</u>	
	Abscess, Tooth	2
	Caries, Teeth	2
	TOTAL	58

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## (3) Dental - Total - 4

Tooth, Uncomplicated extractions -----	2
Oral Examinations-----	4
Local Anaesthesia-----	2
Restorations-----	0

This activity does not have a Dental Officer attached. In the absence of a Dental Officer, necessary emergency treatment is given by the Medical Officer.

(d) Number of hospital days furnished to natives----- 907

Number of native patients on last day of month----- 24

(e) Native hospital training program:

(1) Marshallese Nurse Aides.

Number	Rating	Rate of Pay	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Quarterly Earnings
1	N.A.(Trained)	\$30. per mo.	\$30.	\$30.	\$30.	\$90.00
1	N.A.(Untrained)	5. per mo.	5.	5.	--	10.00
1	N.A.(Untrained)	5. per mo.	--	5.	5.	10.00
3	N.A.(Untrained)	5. per mo.	15.	15.	15.	45.00

## NOTE:

One (1) Nurse Aide (Untrained) received during the quarter. One (1) Nurse Aide (Untrained) was transferred to Guam for a course of instruction at the School of Nursing. Present "On Board" break-down:

1 Nurse Aide (Trained)  
4 Nurse Aide (Untrained)



## (2) Marshallese Health Aides:

Number	Rating	Rate of Pay	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Quarterly Earnings
1	H.A.(Trained) Interpreter	\$21. per mo.	\$21.	\$21.	\$21.	\$63.00
2	H.A.(Trained)	8. per mo.	16.	16.	16.	48.00
3	H.A.(Trained)	6. per mo.	18.	18.	18.	54.00
4	H.A.(Untrained)	5. per mo.	20.	20.	20.	60.00

NOTE: There were no changes in the "On Board" Health Aide Personnel during the quarter.

## (3) Others employed - None.

The program of instruction to Health Aide and Nurse Aide Trainees is continuing, with the first formal six month period drawing to a close. Prior to this reorganized schedule (discussed in previous reports) personnel were transferred at varying times and no definite class could be maintained, with the result that some received only part of the requisite studies, while others repeated many times.

Beginning with 1 July 1947, however, a scheduled period of instruction was begun and there were no transfers during this period. Although this has meant that some personnel have been in the field longer than advisable, it is felt that getting on to a definite schedule has been of great value. It is now possible for Health Aides and Nurse Aides to count on returning to USNCAU Dispensary after a year in the field, for a six months instruction, which is eagerly anticipated by all concerned.

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To facilitate this rotation, a plan has been set up whereby the total personnel under this command's jurisdiction are divided into three groups, one group at a given time in the Main Dispensary for training while the other two groups are in the field, with rotations taking place every six months. This plan has necessitated establishing a "numerical relief" system for each person to maintain adequate staffing of all sub-dispensaries. Where loss in the rotation occurs through transfer to the Practitioner School at Guam or to the School of Nursing at Guam, new personnel have been recruited.

The previous policy of returning personnel only to their own homes has been discarded as being cumbersome and unnecessary. It is felt by both the Administration and the Marshallese personnel concerned that the training has been adequate enough for a man to acquire prestige and confidence through his abilities, without having to depend upon his former village status. In some cases this may prove advantageous in that a man goes to a village as a "government employee", and not just as a former resident returning home. That this plan is feasible has been proven in two instances where it was necessary to "farm out" personnel who have since accomplished far more than anticipated.

No changes in personnel have been effected since the previous report except for the transfer to the School of Nursing, Guam, of one girl in November. Ria, a Japanese-trained Health Aide at Majuro Village, has been relieved for a short period for a "refresher course" by a trained man of high calibre.

The recent visits to Jaluit, Ebon and Wotje Atolls introduced new problems to this Unit, in that the men found in these dispensaries are very much



in need of further training, but have no "numerical reliefs" at present. It is understood that there are several Health Aides from these atolls at Kwajalein who have not transferred to Majuro since the atoll transfer was effected. It was also found that each atoll was under-staffed. Recruits for the training program will be brought in from these atolls for the next class. Generally speaking, the sub-dispensaries in these newly assigned atolls were found to be in excellent physical shape, with competent personnel in charge, but badly in need of supplies. The native-type Dispensary building at Imroj V Village in Jaluit Atoll was noted with particular approval. Plans and details of this building are being used as a model for other villages needing new buildings.

Progress in all phases of training has been noted at the Main Dispensary. The English classes have proven more than satisfactory, and it can be stated that all Health Aides and Nurse Aides now have a working knowledge of English. They understand written and spoken English fairly well, and while having more difficulty in speaking English, can get along. At least four of the younger men are very proficient in the language, and have been used as interpreters. One man has voluntarily taken on an extra hour a day instruction at the Teacher Training School in an effort to improve even more.

With improvement in English, instructions in the other phases has become easier, as, while instruction is given through an interpreter, enough English is understood to eliminate most of the misunderstanding which is almost inevitable when working in two languages. This has not been all one-sided in that the Medical Officers themselves have made distinct efforts to learn Marshallese



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Instruction in Anatomy, Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics, Dermatology, Elementary Physiology, Mathematics and English is given in formal classes to total of about ten (10) hours a week, while Physical Diagnosis, Therapeutics, Medical Records, Surgical and Obstetrical technique are given at the bedside or in the operating room to a total of at least another ten (10) hours. All Health Aides and Nurse Aides rotate through the various service, i.e. Sick Call, Surgery, Ward, TB, and Sanitation and have definite parts in all procedure carried out, such as deliveries, operations, reading of X-Rays, treatment, etc. These personnel have proven themselves apt students. A period of rotation through the laboratory and pharmacy is anticipated but has not yet been instituted.