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- (a) U.S. Naval Civil Administration Unit, Dispensary, Majuro, (Uluga 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 (Outpatient)

Fungus Infections	43	Hyperacidity	8
Other Skin Conditions	39	Mositis	3
Common Colds	57	G.U.	3
EENT	25	Yaws	3
Arthritis	3	Constipation	1

Total 185

Surgical Cases Treated (Out Patient)

Lacerations, minor	43	Sprain, joint	5
Contusions	8	Abrasions	20
Foreign Bodies, Removal of	3	Wounds, puncture	5
Burns, minor	3		

Total 87

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(2) Number of Marshallese Hospitalized:

CLASS II

Diseases of Circulatory System

Heart Disease, Congenital, Patent
Ductus, Arteriosis
Varicose Veins

1
1
1

CLASS III

Diseases of Digestive System

Colitis, Acute
Gastro-Enteritis, Acute
Hemmorhoids, Internal
Gastritis, Chronic

1
1
1
1

CLASS V

Diseases of Ear, Nose and Throat

Otitis Media, Acute

1

CLASS VIII

Communicable Diseases Transmissible
by Oral and Nasal Discharge

Pneumonia, Broncho
Pneumonia, Primary, Atypical Eti-
ology Unknown

1
1

CLASS XI

Tuberculosis, All Forms
Tuberculosis, Pulmonary Reinfection
Arrested, Minimal

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CLASS XIII	<u>Other Diseases of the Infectious Type</u>	
	Cellulitis, Post Extraction	1
	Cellulitis, Foot, Left	1
	Yaws	2
CLASS XIV	<u>Diseases of Lymphatic System</u>	
	Lymphadenitis, Submaxillary	1
CLASS XVI	<u>Diseases of Motor System</u>	
	Osteomyelitis, Chronic, Humerus Left	1
CLASS XVII	<u>Diseases of Nervous System</u>	
	Paralysis Spastic, Left Side	1
	Paralysis, Lower Extremities	1
CLASS XVIII	<u>Diseases of Respiratory System</u>	
	Asthma	2
CLASS XX	<u>Herniae</u>	
	Hernia, Inguinal, Indirect	1
	Hernia, Umbilical	1
CLASS XXI	<u>Miscellaneous Diseases and Conditions</u>	
	No Disease (Medical Observation)	2
	No Disease (New Born)	1
CLASS XXII	<u>Parasitic Diseases</u>	
	Ascariasis	3
	Hookworm Disease	3
	Teniasis	4
	Parasite Infestation, Intestine	4

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CLASS XXIII

Tumors

Melanoma, Ankle Right

1

Epithelioma, Nose type Undetermined

1

CLASS XXIV

Female Diseases and Conditions

Salpingitis Chronic

1

Pregnancy at Term

2

Abortion Threatened

1

CLASS XXV

Injuries

Fracture, Simple, Skull

1

Foreign Body, Traumatic, Foot, Right

1

Wound Lacerated, Forehead

1

Wound Lacerated, Foot, Left

1

Wound Infected, Eye, Left

1

CLASS XXVII

Dental Diseases and Conditions

Caries, Teeth Advanced

2

TOTAL 52

(3) Dental - Total - 5

Tooth, Uncomplicated, extractions - - - - - 5

Oral examinations - - - - - 7

Local anesthesia - - - - - 5

Restorations - - - - - 0

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This activity does not have a Dental Officer attached. However, during the period 23-29 August 1947, a Dental Officer from NAS Kwajalein was assigned temporary additional duty to this activity. Emergency treatments were rendered to native peoples during this period. In the absence of a Dental Officer, necessary emergency treatment is given by the Medical Officer.

(d) Number of hospital days furnished to natives - - - - - 1078

Number of native patients on last day of month - - - - - 10

(e) Native hospital training program:

(1) Native Nurse Aides.

Number	Rating	Rate of Pay	July	August	Sept.	Quarterly Earnings
1	N.A. (Trained)	\$30. per mo.	\$30.	\$30.	\$30.	\$90.00
6	N.A. (Untrained)	5. per mo.	15.	20.	20.	55.00

NOTE: Three (3) Nurse Aides (Untrained) received during the quarter. Two (2) Nurse Aides (Untrained) were transferred during the quarter. On board Nurse Aides (Trained) 1. Nurse Aides (Untrained) 4. Total on board 5.

(2) Native Health Aides:			Quarterly			
Number	Rating	Rate of Pay	July	August	Sept.	Earnings
1	H.A. (Trained)					
	Instructor	\$25. per mo.	\$25.	-----	-----	\$25.00
4	H.A. (Trained)	8. per mo.	16.	24.	24.	64.00
1	H.A. (Trained)					
	Interpreter	21. per mo.	21.	21.	21.	63.00
2	H.A. (Trained)	6. per mo.	12.	12.	12.	36.00
4	H.A. (Untrained)	5. per mo.	20.	20.	20.	60.00

NOTE: Two (2) Health Aides (Trained) were received during the quarter. One (1) Health Aide (Trained) Instructor was transferred during the quarter and One (1) Health Aide (Trained) transferred during the quarter. There are on board at the present time six (6) Health Aides (Trained) and four (4) Health Aides (Untrained).

(3) Others employed - None:

The reorganized program of classroom and practical instruction outline in the last report (Period ending July 1, 1947) proceeds as planned. In accordance with the latest directive received from ComMar-ianas on instruction of Native Medical Personnel this series of lectures, demonstrations and practical work will extend over a six (6) month period. At the end of this time appropriate examinations will be held to determine the eligibility of the present candidates under instruction to continue work in this field. Under consideration will be several candidates for promotion from "Health Aide (Untrained) to "Health Aide (Trained)",

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and from "Nurse Aide (Untrained)" to "Nurse Aide (Trained)". Those who successfully complete the course of instruction will then be returned to their home islands for independent duty. Those students who now hold ratings of "Trained" and who are at present undergoing further instruction at Majuro will also be examined at the close of the course to determine their fitness to assume positions of greater responsibility either at Uliga Island Dispensary or in the field. Enrolled in the present course which started July 1 and will close December 30 are eight Health Aides and five Nurse Aides.

A course of instruction in the English language for Native Medical trainees was mentioned in our last quarterly report. This class, which convenes three nights weekly for one hour, has been most enthusiastically received by the Dispensary trainees. It is felt that gratifying progress has been attained in the speaking and writing of English. Close cooperation from the Marshallese Teacher Training School in supplying qualified Native instructors for these sessions has assured the success of this course.

Training in Sanitation measures continues as previously described in the last report and preceding ones. Since the last report (July 1947) two field trips have been completed to all the centers of Native population under this command. On the first trip two (2) Health Aides were sent to duty at the large Native Dispensary on Majuro Island. They relieved one Health Aide and one Nurse Aide who were returned to Uliga Island for further training. Also a team of a health aide and one nurse aide were transported with complete medical supplies to Malel village in Arno Atoll. They are the first Native Medical personnel to take up residence in this village of approximately

two hundred persons. Formerly this village had been visited by the Health Aide from Ine village, an arrangement which had proven unsatisfactory. On the return field trip made during the present month, considerable improvement was noted in local medical care. Also on the first field trip in this reporting period, the following rearrangements were made in the personnel of Aur and Maloelap Atolls: Three recently trained Health Aides were substituted in the various Dispensaries for two Health Aides and two Nurse Aides, who were returned to Majuro for further schooling.

On the second trip no changes were effected in resident personnel of the outlying atoll Dispensaries. The Medical Officer accompanied by Medical Department's combined Health Aide and Interpreter visited each Dispensary. The Health and Sanitation problems of each village were discussed with the resident personnel in detail. Sick Call records were examined and methods of treatment were augmented by demonstrations and individual instruction. Particularly stressed everywhere, was the proper dosage and administration of penicillin. A new card system of individual patient records was initiated. This system is supplementary to the regular sick call book which is kept in each Dispensary.

Two Health Aides and two Nurse Aides left Majuro in July for Guam, to attend the School of Medical Practitioners and School of Nurses respectively. (See last report) At present three promising candidates (Two male and One female) are under instruction for future enrollment in the Guam schools.