

(a) Field inspections.

During this quarter, all the islands within the Truk Atoll were inspected regularly and the work of improving the sanitary standards continued. The overall sanitation is considered good but much work is still required on community projects. The draining of swamps, the filling of bomb craters, and the elimination of old Japanese structures, such as unused cisterns and partially demolished buildings still remains to be done. Dublon and Eton are particularly slow in accomplishing these jobs.

On the islands outside of the Truk Atoll, great strides have been made in improving sanitary conditions on the islands south and east of Truk. The villages have been cleaned up, and appear neat and tidy in most instances. Nukuoro and Kapingamarangi which were once outstanding in this respect are now below standard because of the improvement made on the other islands. Greater land utilization for cultivation has improved the sanitation of land around the villages. For the most part, the off shore latrine was found in adequate number and of proper construction. Notably poor on this count, however, were the islands of Pis and Etal where they were insufficient in number and Mot and Nama where their construction was improper. Instructions were given to the chiefs of all the islands as to measures to be taken to improve the sanitation of their islands and continued progress is expected. The islands north and west of the Truk Atoll which are not yet staffed with health aides, are much slower in the work of improving their sanitation. The one

island of that group, Nomwin, which has a health aide, is an example of what progress can be made when the health aide and the chief work together and Nomwin is the outstanding island of the group north and west of Truk. Pulusuk and Pulawat have made very little progress but this is true not only of their sanitation but of other endeavors which Military Government is attempting to encourage. Measures have been taken to improve this situation. More frequent visits to the islands of this group will aid greatly in furthering the improvement of their sanitation.

The problem of the increase of flies throughout the area during the season when breadfruit ripens and falls is difficult to solve. An increased effort to pick up the fallen fruit and bury it are the only measures at the disposal of the native to combat this increase in flies and every effort is made to encourage these practises and explain the necessity for them.

(b) Native Sanitary Inspectors.

(1) No. (trn'd) employed.	Location	Rate of Pay	Earning per mo
11	Truk	25.00 per mo.	275.00
12	So Islands	25.00 per mo.	300.00
1	West Isl.	25.00 per mo	25.00
(2) No. (untrained) employed			
4		.85 per diem	86.10
9		.70 per diem	127.00
4		.60 per diem	46.80
11		.50 per diem	102.00

## (3) Nature and degree of supervision:

All health aides staffing the islands in the Truk area serve as sanitary inspectors on the islands to which they are assigned. They are responsible for reporting to the chief any deviation from the sanitary practices they have been taught. They are supervised by regular visits from USN medical personnel as often as trips can be made to their islands. They submit sanitary inspection reports on their work between visits and these are checked by medical personnel during their inspections.

(c) Native cemeteries - No change from reference (b).

(d) Pest Control.

(1) Insects: The islands within the atoll are supplied with 5% DDT in kerosene or diesel oil; and the islands outside the atoll are supplied with DDT emulsion, which is used to aid in the elimination of flies and mosquitoes. In addition to this there is a constant campaign in force to eliminate breeding of flies and mosquitoes by means of drainage, garbage disposal and proper disposal of human excreta.

(2) Rodent Control: Rodent control is effected by the regular use of copra treated with red squill. Results have been good.

(e) Potable Water Supply: Water is obtained by natives chiefly by collecting and storing rainwater. On the higher islands, streams and shallow wells are also used.

(f) Violations of Sanitary Regulations: There were no violations of sanitary regulations during the quarter.