

(With comments and recommendations).

The patient load at the Koror Dispensary has increased tremendously over the past 14 months until at the present time the daily sick list averages upward of 60 patients.

During November the village of Nguial on Babelthaup donated 500 pairs of slippers made from coconut and pandanus leaves to the Dispensary for the use of patients.

Two 60-cycle GMC-6 diesel generators have been installed and are now operating satisfactorily. A Ray power is good and very satisfactory plates are being obtained both with the 100 MA Model R-3 and the 15 MA portable machines. Hot water supply for the galley is now satisfactory. For the laundry and the operating room suite, heaters are now operating but will not be entirely satisfactory until minor adjustments in fuel jets, mercoid switches, and electrical connections are completed.

A 20 x 48' quonset, constructed by volunteers from various villages of the islands, has been completed and is being used as a cook house and mess hall by both employees and non-infectious ambulatory patients. This permitted the conversion of the former mess hall located on the main floor of the dispensary as a six bed tuberculosis isolation ward.

Plans are now drawn up and work will commence early in 1948 on a water carried sewage system for the Dispensary.