

2 (Religion)

(a) Religion is predominantly Protestant, there being less than 5% Catholics, _____ are located on Ebon, Jaluit, and Likiep. There is a Protestant Church on all islands with any habitation of consequence, approximately 24 in number. The Boston Missionary Society trained practically all native pastors or church elders. at their headquarters on Kusaie. There are no missionaries in the area under the jurisdiction of this Unit. Miss Eleanor Wilson, a missionary of the American Board of Missions (Congregational-Christ), is located on Majuro and native delegates to a Missionary Conference to be held there in December are being transported by this Unit from all atolls in this area.

(b) There are no church schools in this area.

(c) The relation between Military Government and the churches and pastors of this is entirely satisfactory. Salvaged material to repair churches is furnished and local problems are discussed with the pastors on each field trip. Church services are held twice weekly at the Navy Base Chapel for laborers at the Kwajalein Labor Camp.

E (Education and Social Services)
2 (Religion)

4 Jan 1947

Kwajalein Dist.

(a) (b) No change since last report.

(c) Ten (10) delegates to the Missionary Conference were picked up on field trips and brought to Kwajalein for transportation to Majuro.

E (Education and Social Service)
2 (Religion)

4 February 1947

Kwajalein Dist.

(a)(b) No change since last report.

(c) Delegates to the Christmas Conference in Majuro are being returned to their home islands.

E (Educ. & Soc. Serv.)
2 (Religion)

8 March 1947

Kwajalein Dist.

(a)-(b) No change since last report.

(c) Delegates to the Christmass Conference in Majuro are still being returned to their home islands.

E (Education and Social Service)
2 (Religion)

8 April 1947

Kwajalein Dist.

No change since last report.

E. (Education)

8 July 1947

Kwajalein Dist.

2 (Religion)

(a) Miss Eleanor Wilson, a missionary reported aboard this command 23 June, 1947 from a visit in Kusie, Ponape and Truk. She proceeded on to Majuro where she will operate as previously

(b) and (c) No change since last report.

(a) The Marshalls are predominantly Protestant with a small Catholic minority. Each atoll has a church and in most cases the better constructed building in the atoll. There are no so called foreign missionaries.

(b) There are no church schools in this area.

(c) The people in the Kwajalein Labor Camp attend the NOB chapel on Sunday in large numbers.

(a) The Marshallese are predominantly protestant with a small minority of Catholics. Each atoll has a church. At present there are two Catholic missionaries in the area with headquarters in the Likiep Atoll.

(b) The Catholic missionaries have requested permission to create a school of industrial arts at Likiep. The Civil Administrator Kwajalein highly sanctions this undertaking and will afford all possible cooperation in connection therewith. Many hand books on manual training have been received.

(c) No change since last report.

E (Education and Social Services)
2 (Religion)

6 April 48

Kwajalein Dist.

(a) The two Catholic Missionaries, Father Feeney and Father Donahue, are making good progress with their mission and school on Likiep Atoll. Although the missionaries have visited other atolls via Civil Administration Unit vessels and native craft their major activities are restricted to Likiep at present.

(b) Exhibit I is submitted as prepared by the missionary Father Feeney, who heads the church school at Likiep.

(c) Relations of the missionaries continue to be the most cooperative and pleasant.

The following is a report submitted by Father Feeney on the Likiep School program.

1. Literature in Marshallese promised last report has now been published this included.

(a) Bwebwenate an aesoj - Aesojis Fables in Marshallese - 1000 copies.

(b) Jar im Al - Prayer in Song - 1000 copies.

(c) Blue Book - 32 pages Marshallese Religious Literature - 1000 copies.

2. New school building completed 24' x 24'. Classes begin with September term. Teachers T. J. Feeney, S. J., M.A. AND TC. Donohoe, S.J., M.A. and two graduated from Majuro Training School for Teachers.

3. Fifty K.W. generator on hand for sawing wood in boat building program and trade school curriculum. This is in addition to 1-10 K.W.; 2-1500 watts and 2-3000 watts.

4. Students in Trade School will be from Ailinglaplap, Arno, Jaluit Kwajalein, Majuro and Likiep.

5. Cooperation with Civil Administration Unit and educational advisors excellent.
Thomas J. Feeney, S.J.

2 (Religion)

(a) The Catholic Missionaries, Father Feeney and Father Donahue, are still in the Marshalls and in addition Miss E. Wilson (Boston Missionarie), is now at Kwajalein.

(b) No change since last report.

(c) Relations between Civil Administration Unit, personnel and the missionaries are excellent.

2 (Religion)

(a) Father Thomas J. Feeney S.J., and Father Thomas C. Donahue S.J., have established their northern base of operations at Likiep Atoll. Upon the decision to move CivAd to Majuro they have selected Majuro as their southern base. In the absence of a regular navy chaplain for the Catholics on Eniwetok, Father Feeney and Donahue will make alternate trips monthly. Father Feeney started this program Wednesday, September 15, 1948. Educational talk on citizenship are given over and above the regular spiritual administration.

(b) Out of wood from dismantled buildings on Kwajalein, Roi, and Ebeye a 24' x 20' large schoolroom has been erected at Likiep by these Catholic Fathers. The roof is aluminum and the walls functions both as protection against rain and as blackboards. This provides the school children with blackboard space equivalent to 288 square feet. The blackboards are of ply wood with double coat of sapolin all purpose black paint. Seats and desks in units of five have been provided.

A building for trade school lumber and tools has been erected and the cement deck for the Trade School itself can now be laid since cement finally arrived on September 16, 1948.

Ways are being laid for boats on which school boys and those beyond compulsory school age will work as apprentices.

The school opened on September 7, 1948 with 65 pupils in four grades 29 girls and 36 boys. The teachers are in order of training.

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| Rev. Thomas J. Feeney | English and Religion. |
| Rev. Thomas C. Donahue | English and Religion. |
| Ellen Capelle | Arithmetic, Geography, History, Spelling. |
| Almira DeBrum | Arithmetic, Geography, History, Spelling. |
| Guilia DeBrum | English, Marshallese, Music. --There are two pianos. |
| Monica Capelle | Hygiene. |

1 October 1948

Kwajalein

(c) Relation with CivAd Unit and Catholic Priest continue excellent. The recent decision at the Truk conference in August to make available text books to private schools has met with like cooperation on part of the Jesuit Father. They have donated 500 copies of Bwelenate on Aesop Aesops Tabler to the Educational Advisor of the Marshallese for distribution among Government Schools.