

HEADQUARTERS
SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION
APO 1050Takamatsu, Shikoku
3 January 1949

SUBJECT: Nursing Activities Report for the
period 26 December - 2 January

TO : Commanding Officer
Shikoku Military Government Region
APO 1050

1. An emergency trip was made to Kochi to assist in care of allied personnel who were sick. Dr Kinard had been tentatively diagnosed as a case of Diphtheria and evacuated.
2. Monday morning, everybody in the entire area was inspected and those with sore throats and temperatures were placed in bed and isolated for one day. At the end of this time, report was received that Dr. Kinard did not have diphtheria so the cases were released as their temperatures subsided.
3. DAC DYNAN then developed symptoms of Acute Appendix. White blood count was taken and found to be 14,800. Contact was made with Dr. House, symptoms reported, and arrangements for evacuation were made.
4. The next day, Sgt. Prather's small child came down with Acute Respiratory symptoms. Temperature starting at 101 continued to rise until it was over 103. Contact with Dr. House was made and drugs given according to his direction.
5. At the same time, one of the BCOF men developed symptoms of Acute Nausea and vomiting. Blood pressure was found to be normal, pulse rate very low. Tentative diagnoses was Acute Alcoholism. He was immediately advised to leave liquor alone and case dismissed.
6. Sgt. Prather's child, upon the return of Dr. Kinard Friday evening, was starting to get better.
7. I returned to Takamatsu on Sunday.

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period 19 - 24 December 1948

TO : Commanding Officer
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1. This was the usual week for Kochi and the days were spent in visiting in the nursing regions and assisting with the rural work. Twelve nursing areas were visited, accompanied by the prefectural health nurse and the prefectural health officer. Dr. Kinard accompanied me also and discussed sanitation as I discussed the nursing program.

2. It was pleasing to note the way the nurses are taking hold in their districts. They had been out less than oneweek, but without exception they had acquired an office and clinical room and already had all of the statistics regarding their particular villages. One nurse was having a pre-natal clinic the following day and had made 15 home visits to pregnant women to invite them into the clinic. The cooperation of the mayors and local people with the nurse in her program was outstanding.

3. On Thursday, we visited Aki Health Center and met all of the mayors of the villages in an effort to organize Aki Health Center in the same way. Excellent cooperation was received.

4. A Public Health Conference was planned and program outlined for the last week of March. See Special Report.

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SUBJECT: Nursing Activities Report for the period
10-18 December, 1948.

TO : Commanding Officer
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1. Miss Alt, Director, Nursing Service, SCAP, visited this island for a brief inspection trip. During the week, we visited the following hospitals - Besha, Matsuyama National, Kochi Red Cross, Kochi National, Tokushima National, Tokushima Nishio Sanatorium, Tokushima Banzai Sanatorium, Tokushima University Hospital, Takamatsu Red Cross Hospital, Takamatsu Railroad Hospital, Zentsuji National, and Zentsuji Sanatorium.
2. The four Model Health Centers were also visited and inspected, one in each prefecture. Military government personnel and Japanese personnel were met and conferred with. Three of the model health centers are running along fairly modern standards with nurses districted and in the field. Matsuyama Health Center is now in process of being reorganized.
3. Of the hospitals inspected, the following will probably meet requirements for Class "A" training schools - Besha, the four national hospitals, Kochi Red Cross, and Takamatsu Railroad, making a total of seven hospitals that have a fair opportunity of becoming Class "A" training schools. Tokushima University Hospital expects to become a Class "A" training school but has made no improvement and is, without exception, one of the worst hospitals on the island. Miss Alt reports that this is no different from all the other university hospitals she has inspected.
4. Miss Alt was most helpful in her suggestions and assistance given to me during this inspection tour. Since her return, I have received a quantity of material that will assist in furthering the work on this island.

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SUBJECT: Special Report - Nursing Activities

TO : Commanding Officer
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1. Public Health Conference.

A public health conference in Kochi has been planned for the third week of March. This conference, if it meets with the approval of the American health officers, will be not only a public health nurses conference, but a public health nursing and medical conference. Two evenings were spent the week before Christmas in planning the program for this conference. It is planned to demonstrate the use of the techniques learned by the nurses and doctors in the past courses and how to apply them to the field.

Both Dr. Kinard and Dr. Saijo are anxious that this be a complete public health course as all three of us feel it is very necessary for the doctors in the health centers to be aware of how to work with the nurses and plan schedules to cover their entire population. Miss Alt has promised to send a representative for this conference from her office and it is also hoped that an invitation may be extended to General Sams for the conference.

The program as outlined will be completed within the next week or so and a copy forwarded to you.

2. Refresher Course for Clinical Nurses.

At present, there is a refresher course for clinical nurses going on in Tokyo to which I am entitled to send six nurses. All six have been chosen. We understand, however, that that is the last clinical nurses refresher course to be held in Tokyo. Henceforth, such refresher courses will have to be held on a regional level. With this in mind, the national hospitals and others have been contacted, and it has been agreed that the hospital which is ready first will be chosen as the refresher institution. It seems evident that Zentsuji Hospital is making the most progress and will probably be ready first, so tentative plans are that the first of March, a refresher course will start at Zentsuji. Two nurses from every other hospital on the island will be invited to attend this course.

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Miss Alt has promised assistance from SCAP to work with these nurses on curriculum planning for training schools. Between Miss Betz and myself, one of us will be present at the course all the time to see that proper techniques and working schedules are carried out.

Tentative plans are that the course will be from three to four months in length.

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