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A. General Aspects.

One of the problems of NAF Honolulu during the last six months has been the establishment of satisfactory working relations with the Territory of Hawaii. On 1 October 1946, the territory assumed the administrative control of the airfield for its operation as a commercial airport. The control tower was turned over to CAA personnel a few weeks later. NAF Honolulu, has been occupied to a great extent with consolidating its activities into specific areas of operation and with providing security for men and materials. Security has been a major problem due to the scattered areas of operation and the reductions in personnel. Diligent, alert, and continual effort on the part of personnel of NAF has been necessary and responsible for the high degree of security maintained under the existing conditions. The transfer of the control of the airfield has been accomplished with a minimum of interference with the primary mission of NAF Honolulu; to maintain and operate a base for Naval Air Transport Units, Pacific Wing.

The decisions, problems and policies have been made so as to most efficiently carry out the primary mission of the station and also to create a harmonious relationship with the Territory of Hawaii and the CAA.

On Friday, 14 February 1947, NAF Honolulu, received its first annual postwar military inspection. The station was thoroughly inspected by Commander Naval Air Bases of the 14th Naval District, the command to which NAF is directly responsible.

B. Changes in Command.

The present Commanding Officer of NAF, Honolulu, is Captain Albert C. Perkins, USN. He assumed command 8 December 1945, relieving Commander W. H. Gardner, USNR. Commander R. H. Dale, USN, reported aboard in January 1947 and relieved Lt. Commander A. C. Lubberts as Executive Officer.

C. Changes in Function and Size.

NAF Honolulu was practically at a post war operating basis on 1 October 1946, and therefore, little change in workload and navy personnel figures has resulted up to 31 March 1947.

NAF Honolulu has continued to provide facilities for the efficient operation of Naval Air Transport Service squadrons. During the last six months the attached squadrons have been redesignated. VR-11 is now VR-8 and VRJ-1 is now VRU-1. VR-2 continues to use NAF Honolulu as it's Hawaiian terminal.

(1) Personnel.

The number of officers attached to NAF is the same for 31 March 1947, as it was for 1 October 1946. The number of enlisted men attached to NAF has dropped from 277 on 1 October 1946 to 237 on 31 March 1947. The number of enlisted men attached to the NATS Pac has increased slightly from 1,038 on 1 October 1946, to 1,120 on 31 March 1947. As of 1 March 1947, the enlisted postwar complement for NAF was increased from 232 to 248.^{1/} The complement for Officers remained at 26. The crash boat station at Haleiwa and the Naval Detachment at Canton Island have recently been added to the complement of NAF Honolulu.

1/ BuPers-21432-Serial 2955 dated 24 January 1947.

The civilian personnel employed at NAF has steadily decreased from 228 employees as of 1 October 1946, to 158 as of 31 March 1947. This curtailment of civilian employees is a direct result of the decrease in appropriation, for station maintenance and operation, of from \$75,000 for October 1946 to \$40,000 for the month of December 1946. The original monthly appropriation for the third quarter of fiscal 1947 was \$40,000, with an additional \$15,000 per month being received at a later date. The present ceiling for civilian personnel for this activity is 258.

(2) Supply and Accounting.

The inventory of plant account material as requested by the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts is underway and is being accomplished according to the instructions as covered by Facilities Inventory Handbook.

Additional work was taken on in Supply when the responsibility for the accounting of NATS Kwajalein was taken over 1 January 1947. However a task was completed with the transfer of R5D peculiar material to the Aviation Supply Depot. The Supply and Accounting Department is being reorganized according to the suggested plans covered by the new Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Manual.

The Air Cargo Section is now a part of the Incoming Stores Group of the Supply Department. An "Intransit Shed" has been established for the purpose of separating in transit cargo from local generated cargo in compliance with a request from ComNATS, Alameda.

(3) Transportation.

The transportation department reports having serviced 82 passenger cars and 96 trucks in March 1947 as compared with 135 passenger cars and 108 trucks in September 1946.

(4) Disbursing.

On 1 October 1946, over 2,800 accounts were carried by the Disbursing Office of NAF for the following activities: Naval Air Bases, 14th Naval District; NAS, Navy #24; NAF, Navy #29; NAS, Navy #309; NAS, Navy #311; NOB, Navy #1504; NAS, Navy #1504; C.B. Detachment #1505, Navy #1504; A.F.D. 3, Navy #1504; Naval Air Transport Service Command, Pacific Wing; Utility Transport Squadron One and Air Transport Squadron Eleven. Pay days for outlying island were handled by air travel, making a pay day once each month. In addition to Naval personnel, British Native Laborers under contract with the U.S. Navy at Navy #1504 and Navy #311 were paid monthly.

On 1 January 1947, the 170 accounts of NAS, Navy #24, and NAS, Navy #309 were transferred to NAS Navy #128 and NAS Navy #28 respectively. The training of six seaman for disbursing duty at Midway and Johnston Islands was started at NAF on 1 December 1946. On 15 March, 1947, the accounts for Navy #311 and Navy #1504 were returned to their respective commands.

The disbursements of the NAF, Disbursing Office for this report period averaged \$340,000 per month, and an average of 500 Public Vouchers were paid each month. At the present time between 1,500 and 1,600 accounts are being carried at the NAF Disbursing Office.

(5) Station Maintenance and Security.

The First Lieutenant's and the Public Works Divisions of NAF have a major problem in maintaining the buildings and grounds of the station. Many barracks and BOQ's have been secured. The "forward area" type of construction used in constructing the station during the war has resulted in a greater maintenance problem for Public Works and the First Lieutenant. Faulty showers, wiring, steam lines, and other maintenance problems together with a diminishing labor force has resulted in the station's maintenance being limited to emergency and very essential repairs.

The NAF Fire Department of the First Lieutenant's Division, although consisting of only seventeen men is very highly regarded. Due to the careful surveillance of the Fire Department only one major fire has occurred during 1946. A barracks in the old army area burned down at two o'clock in the morning. With the aid of the large cardox truck the few aircraft engine fires occurring have been quickly extinguished. The Territory furnishes the crash line standby during the day and the NAF Fire Department has the crash line standby at night. The NAF Fire Department has been called out for three recent off station fires at the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard, at Camp Catlin, and at Civilian Housing Area III.

(6) Communications.

Dispatch Communications have been constantly increasing the past few months at NAF. 8,235 messages were handled in January 1947, a daily average of 275, and in March 1947, 9,610 messages were handled. This shows an increase of 45 messages a day in March over January.

The NAF Post Office is a Class Four Post Office and has been handling approximately 60,000 pieces of mail a month and taking in a monthly average of \$12,000 for money orders. During the Christmas season of 1946, over 100,000 pieces of mail came in, while 80,000 pieces of outgoing mail were handled.

(7) Ship's Service.

Navy personnel assigned via the central Navy Ship's Stores Office in New York city, a field activity of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts for the purpose of operating Ship's Stores, Commissary Stores, and Ship's Service Stores, took over the management of all Ship's Service Stores of the 14th Naval District on 1 March 1947. Coincidental with the "take-over" by the new management, the Ship's Service activities of Naval Air Facility, Honolulu, were placed under the cognizance of and operated as a branch of the Submarine Base Ship's Service, Pearl Harbor.

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1 April 1947 to 30 June 1947**

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A. General Aspects

The satisfactory working relations with the Territory of Hawaii continued to be a major problem in this command during this period. The Territory now occupies or controls all previously owned Navy land and structures turned over to them in the last quarter. Many problems arise because of the close contact this station has with the Territory. One continues to be that of security of the station. The scattered areas of operations plus constant rotation of personnel caused by transfers and discharges make security a difficult problem. However, the effort put forth by all hands, including the Marine Detachment aboard has kept a high degree of security on board.

All departments have been occupied with the consolidation of activities on a peacetime level which has also been a major item in the general aspect of this quarter. This activity has played a large part in aiding in "rolling up" the other air bases of Naval Air Bases, FOURTEENTH Naval District command.

Another large problem has been affecting the transfer of utilities to the Territory, incidental to the operation of the air field. The transfer is not as yet completed, but is well underway.

B. Command

The present Commanding Officer of NAF, Honolulu, is Albert C. PERKINS, U.S. Navy. He assumed command 8 December 1945. The Executive Officer, Commander Roland H. DALE, U.S. Navy, reported aboard 28 January 1947.

C. Changes in Function and Size

NAF Honolulu was in a post war operating status 1 April 1947, and therefore, little change in workload and navy personnel on-board figures has resulted up to 30 June 1947.

NAF Honolulu continues to provide facilities for the operation of Naval Air Transport Service squadrons based on this activity.

(1) Personnel

The number of officers and enlisted personnel attached to NAF is the same for 30 June 1947, as it was for 1 April 1947. The number of enlisted men attached to NATSPac has increased slightly from 1,120 on 1 April 1947, to 1,234 on 30 June 1947. The enlisted post-war complement for NAF remains at 248, as does the officer allowance of 26. The civilian personnel employed at NAF has decreased from 158 as of 1 April 1947, to 144 as of 30 June 1947.

(2) Supply and Accounting

A complete inspection of the entire Supply Department including Commissary, Disbursing and Small Stores, Fuel Farm, Air Cargo and the Supply and Accounting Groups was made by the Fourteenth Naval District Supply Facilities Inspector and his assistants. The results of the inspection and reports covering it indicated a satisfactory condition of the station Supply Department. A few minor discrepancies were noted and the corresponding recommendations are being placed into effect as rapidly as possible.

On 15 April 1947, the Commissary and the Disbursing Departments became divisions of the Supply Department.

Planning was completed to inaugurate the Stock Control System of pre-posting issues of stores beginning 1 July 1947. This system of posting is in accordance with current instructions and will result in a considerable saving of time in the Control Group.

With the advance notice and directive from the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts that the Fleet Aviation Accounting office would take over the accounting function for fleet aviation squadrons and units, the use of new forms and procedures to effect this change by 1 July 1947 was planned and implemented.

Due to the extremely limited facilities of the Air Cargo Intransit Shed, a project request was submitted to the Bureau of Aeronautics to asphalt the approaches, provide lighting and generally improve the operating condition of this cargo shed. This project was approved by the Bureau of Aeronautics and work will begin as soon as possible.

The reorganization of the Supply Department, to conform with the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Manual, has for the most part been completed. The problem of maintaining experienced civilian personnel has been a continuing one. However, with the new organization chart completed and new job sheets written, it is expected that the post-war Supply Department civilian organization will become stabilized.

(3) Transportation

Transportation mileage was reduced from the preceding quarter by 58,000 miles.

The number of jeeps was reduced by eight (8); the reduction of vehicles was accomplished by declaring them surplus.

(4) Utility Flight Unit

The Utility Flight Unit (UFU) flew a total of 528 hours during the quarter ending 30 June 1947. Included in this total were 287 regularly scheduled R4D transport flights between Honolulu, Kahului, and Hilo on which were carried a total of 389,350 pounds of freight and 1,440 passengers. Our two JRB's flew numerous hops between the Islands carrying senior officers and other personnel on business missions. Several search hops were flown by the TBM under the direction of Hawaiian Sea Frontier Search and Rescue Control Center. UFU also flew instrument training, check-out, familiarization, and ground control approach flights in keeping with a training program to improve pilot efficiency.

During the quarter, Lt.Cdr. A.C. Lubberts was relieved as Operations Officer and Officer-in-Charge of UFU by Lt.Cdr. J.G. Daniels. Lt.Cdr. Daniels recently completed a tour of duty at the General Line School, while Lt.Cdr. Lubberts was ordered to report to the same school.

On 1 April 1947, UFU had three (3) officers and 30 enlisted men attached as compared to 4 officers and 25 enlisted personnel at present. These personnel maintain eight aircraft, five of which are twin engine, operate the NAF flight clearance office and the UFU freight and passenger office.

The boat division performed daily channel sweeps prior to arrival and take-off of JRM's. Seventeen crash calls were received from Search and Rescue Headquarters. Routine maintenance of fourteen boats was accomplished by fifteen men assigned to the boat house. One boat and six enlisted personnel stationed at Canton Island secured the crash boat on 26 June 1947 and returned to NAF to resume their regular duties. Haleiwa crash boat station consists of eight (8) enlisted men and two (2) boats.

The Air Navigation Office made 64 issues of air navigation charts totaling 3,165; made up and issued 137 H.O. 503's; published and distributed 5,000 ANO bulletins weekly. ANO also distributed three sets of changes to H.O. 503 holders in the Pacific areas, each set containing 3,025 changes. Nine hundred JACPACS (Joint Pacific and Navy Radio Facility Charts) were distributed monthly. ANO maintained liason through medium of personal contacts with CinCPac Air Operations, ComAirPac Operations, ComNATSPac Operations, 71st AACCS, ATC, Coast Guard Operations, CAA and Branch Hydrographic Office, Honolulu. Liason was maintained through a medium of monthly reports, letters and dispatches with each U.S. Naval activity concerned with Air Operations in the Pacific Ocean Area, Philippines and Japan. All pertinent air navigation information was forwarded to the Hydrographic Office in Washington for publication. ANO drew up and submitted to CAA for approval a revised set of arrival and departure procedures for the Hawaiian Islands.

When approved, these procedures will be published in H.O. 503. During the quarter ending 30 June 1947, a total of 9,951 photographic prints were processed and delivered by the Photographic Laboratory. The distribution of these prints are as follows:

NAF	3,183
VR-8	2,314
ComNATSPac	612
VRU-1	352
ComNAB-14N.D.	28
Com14	541
UFU	32
Misc. (training)	505

(5) Medical

During the period covered by this summary, there were no unusual incidents nor changes in the policy of the Medical Department. All current directives were complied with. There were no serious accidents or unusual outbreak of disease.

(6) Dental

On 21 April 1947, the two junior Dental Officers of this activity were detached to inactive duty. This left the Dental Department in a critical situation, there only being one Dental Officer remaining to render treatment to approximately 1,750 personnel. During the quarter, there were two requests for an increase in the Dental Department allowance of this activity. As a result of these requests, one Dental Officer was ordered to this activity to report on or about 28 June 1947.

Two work requests were submitted to Public Works for alterations and construction of a Dental Department Store Room. Action on these requests is pending.

(7) Communications

Two men have been made available to the communication officer by Commander, Naval Air Bases, 14th Naval District, for teletype maintenance work. These men are required to maintain a regular servicing schedule to all Naval Air Bases in the district except NAS Kaneohe where a man has been assigned permanently for this work. In addition, at least one man is available at all times for trouble calls to the various activities on the Island of Oahu.

(8) First Lieutenant

Chief Gunner E. Eubanks relieved Lt. C.R. Burbach as First Lieutenant on 27 May 1947. The NAF armory was moved from the fire house to Quonset Hut No. T-42 during the quarter covered by this report. Additional chemical warfare equipment was received during the quarter. 187 rifles were received for use by the station's emergency infantry company.

(9) Public Works

During the quarter covered by this summary, the following special projects from BuAer were completed:

- P.O. 674-46.- Repair of U-Dock
- P.O. 840-46 - Repair of Public Quarters.

In addition, the following special project from Bureau of Yards and Docks was completed:

- P.O. BuD 212 - Consolidation of NATS facilities.

Funds in the amount of \$4,200 were appropriated for boiler change at General Mess Hall, Building No. 82, and the securing of the Central Boiler Plant. Work is to be accomplished by station personnel.

Hangar #1, Building No. 205, occupied by Territory of Hawaii and commercial companies, was completely destroyed by fire on 10 June 1947; cause not yet determined. Approximately 190 manhours overtime, for repair of telephone, electric, and water lines resulted as expense to Navy.

NATS disposal unit for aircraft head facilities, as requested by the Senior Medical Officer, has been completed. Replacement of runway lights, by formal contract, on Runway 8-26 has been started. Initial steps for the turnover of electrical distribution system from the Navy to Territory of Hawaii has been effected. Public Works Department has received approval from BuAer for consolidation of NAF telephone services with FMF Pac, Damon Tract, and Sixth Service Depot.

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1 July 1947 to 30 September 1947.

A. General Aspects

The working relations with the Territory of Hawaii, due to the increased self-sufficiency of the Territory in operating the Honolulu Airport, have become less of a problem during this period. A continued effort has been made on the part of this command to satisfy the demands of the Territory without compromising their interests of the Navy. The security of the station itself has improved in spite of a reduction in the Marine Detachment. This has in part been accomplished through a more rigid liberty control and the erection of a wire fence enclosing the barracks area of the station. In spite of the continued decrease in personnel, the support of Naval Air Transport Service units based here has been improved by consolidating messing, billiting, and transportation facilities. These, along with other economies, have permitted the station to stay within its reduced budget. The transfer of utilities to the Territory is under consideration by the District Public Works Officer and promises further economies to the Navy.

B. Command

The present Commanding Officer of NAF Honolulu is Captain Albert C. Perkins, U.S.N., who assumed command 8 October 1945. He will be relieved in the very near future by Captain John P. Rembert Jr, U.S.N.. The Executive Officer, Commander Roland H. Dale, U.S.N., reported aboard 28 January 1947.

C. Changes in Function and Size

NAF Honolulu is now below authorized post-war strength, having lost some personnel during this quarter. The workload has not been reduced proportionately because the station has continued to provide facilities for the efficient operation on the Naval Air Transport Service Squadrons, VR-8 and VRU-1, and for the Commander, Naval Air Transport Service, Pacific Wing, which operate on a 24 hour schedule, 7 days a week.

(1) Personnel

The number of enlisted personnel attached to NAF has decreased from 237 on 1 July 1947 to 218 on 30 September 1947. The officer personnel attached to NAF has decreased one, from 26 to 25.

The number of enlisted personnel attached to NATSPAC has decreased from 1234 on 1 July 1947 to 1141 on 30 September 1947.

The civilian personnel employed at NAF has decreased slightly during the past quarter from 145 on 1 July 1947 to 141 on 30 September 1947.

(2) Supply and Accounting

With S&A Form 132 Shop Stores Replenishment Requisition replacing the S&A Form 127 Receipt and Expenditure Invoice, the processing of paper work through the Control Group has been speeded up and issues made easier and faster to the dependent activities. Also, the S&A Form 132 has lowered the amount of time spent on cutting stubs, and curbed the amount of duplications.

The rearrangement of desks, filing and Kardex cabinets has facilitated the flow of work and reduced the amount of movement necessary for the checking of stock status and furnishing information in the Kardex Section. A new filing system has been originated in the Stock Control Office and the manuals brought up to date with existing supplements. The turnover in personnel has been excessive during this period due to the departure of a number of mainland employees and the enforcement of reduction in force regulations affecting employees with temporary status. Chief Pay Clerk Benjamin, Executive Assistant and Air Cargo Officer, was transferred to NAS Kaneohe. Among the newcomers aboard are Lt. F. E. Saling, Air Cargo and Division Officer; O. A. Wilkerson, Administrative Assistant; C. Y. Yamanaka, Control Group Supervisor; Miss Clara McDaniel, Accounting Group Supervisor and Mrs. Kinney, Correspondance and Files supervisor. The Accounting Group has been handicapped for lack of experienced personnel necessitating delay in submission of periodic reports and returns. However, eligibles are being processed for certification from civil service registers and when the vacant positions are filled, and the new employees receive indoctrination as to their particular assignments, the various groups will be able to function efficiently.

The reorganization of the Supply Department to conform with the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Manual had been practically completed. However, Joint Letter of the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts dated 29 July 1947 requested that the Supply Corps functions at each air station be organized with a view toward a combined "Supply and Fiscal Department."

The aforementioned letter also requested that a copy of each station's detailed organization chart be forwarded to the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts. Conferences are being held regarding this change in organization and appropriate action will be taken. It is anticipated that the Supply Department will take over the handling of oil for the squadrons in the near future.

The inventory of the following classes has been taken: 1, 3, 12, 18, 25, 26, 31, 35, 39, 42, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 55, 59, 62, 64, 71, 73, 74, 76, 81, 82, 86, 87, and 88. Consolidation has been completed and a report submitted to the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts as of 30 September 1947.

(3) Public Works

Bureau of Aeronautics approved the temporary expansion of per diem employees, two electricians and two electrician helpers until 15 December 1947 to work on Rehabilitation of the Seadrome, project BuAer 287-47. Work is now in progress. BuAer project

583-47 (General Mess Boiler Project), (In-transit Air Cargo Modification), assistance in the rehabilitation of barracks, BuAer project 761-47, and the modification of Ship's Service are all underway. Moving of the Utility Flight Unit has been started. CAA has leased buildings in old WAVES area. Air raid siren has been relocated to a position in front of Marine Barracks. Plans were received and approved and funds made available for conversion of old WAVE recreation center to New CPO Club. One thousand yards of sand has been hauled to and spread upon Keehi Beach.

(4) Operations

During the quarter ending 30 September 1947, the Utility Flight Unit of the Operations Department continued its work of assisting NAF Hilo and NAS Kahului in the roll-up of their respective stations. NAF Hilo's roll-up is now complete, while Kahului will complete rolling up in several weeks. A total of 96 R4D transport flights totalling 223.1 hours were flown between Honolulu, Kahului and Hilo which hauled a total of 768 passengers and 136, 120 freight pounds, average pounds of freight per flight 1420. Two R4D's were transferred to Fasron ELEVEN for shipment to the mainland for overhaul, and in turn received one newly overhauled R4D-6. The Unit now has two R4D's, 2JRB's, 1TBM, 1SNJ and 1OY. These seven aircraft flew a total of 502.3 hours during the quarter.

Two pilots check out as transport plane commanders. They were Lt. McClanahan and Lt. Clift.

One Quonset Hut #144 was moved to the new Operations area (enlisted men's tennis courts) and after clearing the general area in preparation for moving it was decided to let the Territory take the next steps which are required to clear an access to this area from the airfield. Operations Department had 4 officers and 25 enlisted men at the beginning of the quarter and now has 4 officers and 27 enlisted men.

(a) Air Navigation Office.

During the quarter ending 30 September 1947, Air Navigation made 60 issues of 1403 charts, issued 40 HO 503's and distributed 3300 bulletins. Four sets of HO 503 were issued, each set contained 2450 changes. Seven hundred and fifty JACSPAC were issued monthly. Normal liason was maintained with CinCPac, ComAirPac, ComNATSPac, 71st AACS, ATC, Coast Guard, CAA, and Branch Hydrographic Office, Honolulu. Liason also was maintained through a medium of monthly reports, letters, and dispatches with each U.S. Naval Activity concerned with air operations in the Pacific Ocean Area, Philippines and Japan. All pertinent air navigation information was forwarded to the Hydrographic Office in Washington for publication.

(b) Photographic Laboratory

During the month of September 1947, a total of 858 photographic

prints were processed and delivered by this photographic laboratory. The distribution of these prints was: ComNATSPac, 268; Com14ND, 0; NAF, 67; VR-8, 316; VRU-1, 107; Misc, 100. The Naval Air Facility Photographic Laboratory has continued to finish a large number of prints in the support of Naval Air Transport Service Publicity. Over 55 per cent of the finished prints was used for the purpose of telling the general public the story of NATS work and activities at NAF Honolulu. Pictures from this Laboratory were prominent in local publicity and in the NATS monthly publication ALNATS. A few pictures processed by this Laboratory have been requested for national publication including pictures of the hangar fire at Honolulu AirPort, pictures of the visiting governors from the States and pictures of NATS Mars and R5D's. Approximately 25 per cent of the prints made was requested by the engineering department VR-8 for the purpose of RUDM's. Copy work, identification printing and training pictures make up the last 25 per cent of the 10,000 prints produced by the Laboratory during the last quarter.

(5) Medical Department

During the period covered by this report there were no unusual incidents nor changes in the policy of the Medical Department. All current directives were complied with. There were no serious accidents or unusual outbreaks of disease.

(6) Transportation

A mileage campaign was instituted to decrease the use of

government vehicles, which resulted in a decrease of 21,000 miles. A painter has been added to this department and all vehicles are to be repainted. A maintenance division for gasoline fuel trucks has been added to this department now that a private corporation has leased the Fuel Farm.

(7) Communications

There have been two noted changes in the Communications Department during the past month. First, the post office has been divided into two parts with the extra section being secured. Second, the entire Communication Office has been reorganized with a new office for the Communication Officer being built in one corner of the previous office. All the classified files and the classified teletype will be housed within this new enclosure thus enhancing the security of said files and teletype.

(8) Ship's Service

The letting of the contract for Repairs and Alterations to Ship's Service Building has been accomplished. Re-modeling began 24 September and is moving very rapidly. Plans are under consideration for an Enlisted Men's Recreation Hall, to be run by the Ship's Service. Ship's Service under Navy Ship's Service Store Office is believed to be getting wider assortment of merchandise, the major obstacles at take-over being overcome.

(9) Mess Treasurer

During the current period three BOQ's have been secured and all officers have been quartered in BOQ Sr. #1, and BOQ Sr. #2. All civilian personnel formerly assigned to BOQ's have been relieved by service personnel compliance with AlNavSta #35. The number of meals served at the Commissioned Officer's Mess has been decreasing daily, with the average now running about 185 meals daily. The conditions and service at the Mess has greatly improved. Special Steak dinners are being served the officers at the Mess twice weekly.

A Putting Green is rapidly being installed in the immediate vicinity of the Officer's Club for the pleasure of the officers and will be ready for use in the very near future.

(10) First Lieutenant

(a) Boat House

The NAF Boat House effected routine upkeep and minor repair on eleven boats stationed at NAF Honolulu. This work was accomplished by fifteen men, also routine upkeep and minor repair on two boats stationed at Haliewa Crash Boat Station was accomplished by eight men on detached duty from NAF Honolulu. NAF Honolulu turned in five 33' Plane Rearing boats to Waipio Small Boat Depot and in return received one 33' Plane Rearing boat. Routine tending and sweeping of the sea-drome channels for JRM operations required ninety-six hours and fifty-three minutes of boat operations.

The crash-boat crews were called out on eleven Air Sea Rescue missions with a total of forty-one underway hours being logged. Operations with Radar Test Crews from Naval Air Station Barber's Point totalled sixteen hours and fifty-four minutes underway. The last crash call sent the 63' AVR to Maui in very rough seas. Seams were opened and the boat may be surveyed.

(b) Fire Department

During the last three months the fire department has responded to eight standbys for stricken aircraft and attended six structural fires. The rate of false alarms during the past three months has reached an all time low with three false alarms responded to. Of the six structural fires, two occurred on territory property outside the jurisdiction of this command. There was a large turnover in fire-fighting personnel. New members in the fire department have been thoroughly indoctrinated in fire-fighting and collateral duties.

(c) Ordnance

New magazines were constructed for JATO units and igniters in a location convenient to the NATS area. These were formerly stored in Hickam Field magazines.

(d) Master at Arms

In this period the Master at Arms Forces of the squadrons have been consolidated into one MAA Force and placed under the NAF First Lieutenant.