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Veterinary Corps

The Army Veterinary Corps Protects The Health Of Iwakuni Servicemen

When most of us hear the word "veterinarian," we immediately think of an animal doctor, scalpel in hand, leaning over an animal performing an operation.

The men assigned to the U. S. Army Veterinary office here perform a much more important task. Their primary interests are the health of Station personnel and the quality of our government foodstuffs purchased locally.

While the Veterinary Corps of the Army was originally formed to look after the cavalry's horses and pack mules, they are rarely needed for this purpose in today's modern, mechanized armed forces. They do, however, still administer shots to pets kept aboard



INCOMING CANNED GOODS GET EYE-BALLED



EACH TRUCKLOAD OF INCOMING PRODUCE IS INSPECTED



LOCAL ICEHOUSE GETS PURITY INSPECTION

the Station.

Members of the veterinary service today are primarily food inspectors. All food that comes here for local consumption, whether it be purchased locally or shipped from the States, is inspected by this agency.

When a truckload of meat arrives on Station, as an example, the "vets" normally sample five percent of the load. They choose a piece of meat from each side and end of a case, and one piece from the center. The meat is inspected visually by odor and a sample core is taken from the meat.

If anything wrong is detected or suspected, samples of the product are sent to the Far East Medical Laboratory at Zama where they undergo rigid laboratory tests. If the tests prove the product to be below acceptable standards, the load is rejected.



LETTUCE GETS AN INSPECTION BEFORE GOING IN REEFER

prepared. The bread is also inspected each day as it arrives on station.

Food supplied to the various clubs does not escape the scrutiny of the veterinary office. Although club foodstuffs are purchased with non-appropriated funds, they are still inspected to ensure their edibility and the health of the consumers.

There are no approved dairy sources in Japan, so all the milk and butter must come from the States. The dairy products, in particular, are constantly checked for sterile quality.

Our milk is supplied by the International Dairy Association in the U. S. and is recombined at Itazuke. After it is processed there, it is

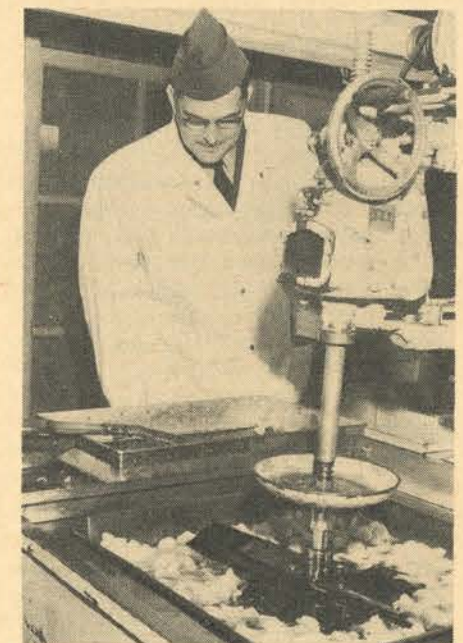
brought to Iwakuni by truck.

Canned foods from the States are periodically sent to the lab at Zama for quality testing. Nothing which could be a potential health-hazard is overlooked.

Ice is supplied to the station by local sources and, although monthly inspections of the ice plant are required, the vets make periodic courtesy inspections of the ice houses also.

The veterinarians' duties today are much more intricate than shoeing horses and treating sores on pack mules. The Veterinary Service has progressed, along with all other facets of the military and readily meets today's stringent requirements.

We may not notice them running around from messhall to messhall but they are always around. on the job.



POTATO CHIPS ARE INSPECTED BEFORE AND AFTER COOKING



SOIL-SAMPLING LOCAL FARM



VET CHECKS HAM TEMPERATURE



ICE IS CHECKED DURING FREEZING

The vendor stands to lose a lot of money if his shipment is rejected, so accuracy is the keyword during these various tests. The health of the troops is foremost, though.

In addition, the appearance of the truck is checked and the interior temperature is noted.

The Marine Corps Air Station at Iwakuni is the only U. S. military installation in Japan getting its bread from a local source.

The vets check and inspect the local bakeries monthly and more often when needed. If a discrepancy is observed by a sharp-eyed vet, inspections will be made every night until corrective action is assured. The bakery inspections are performed during the night and early morning hours when the next day's bread is being



FARM PRODUCE GETS CHECKED IN THE FIELD

Sports



TERRY IN ACTION

Local judoist threw all opponents

Judo Tournament

The MCAS Judo Team went as far as the finals in the First Yokota Invitational Judo Tournament last Friday, but had to be content with the third place position as teams from other commands proved more experienced.

Local mat grapplers competed at the Yokota Air Base with teams representing each of the services from Itazuke, Tachikawa, Kadena, Camp Drake and Sasebo.

Iwakuni judoists went into the finals with one of the two teams representing Yokota and were defeated.

Headed by Odell N. Terry, the local team was comprised of Hubert W. Erlich, James N. Wallenburg and two comparative newcomers to the art of judo, Lonnie M. Baxter and George F. Nichols. All of the players demonstrated exceptional performances during the team events, but were obviously outclassed by opponents boasting third and fourth degrees with ten to thirteen years of experience in the sport.

The Kadena Air Base team led by Robby R. Reed, a highly rated contender for the Air Force judo championship, captured top honors during the tournament.

In individual middleweight competition held Saturday evening, Terry of MABS-17 defeated each man he was matched against to become champion for that particular weight division. The local second degree black belt holder made beautiful, clean throws on his opponents throughout the tournament.

Also in individual competition, Iwakuni's Wallenburg of MAMS-17 won four straight matches before giving up a decision to Richard H. Therrien of Itazuke. The 180-pound Wallenburg flipped two of his opponents, made one "give-up" with a painful arm hold,

and won a decision over a 260-pound airman from the Yokota team. He was knocked out of the running when he was defeated by a decision in three minutes of overtime play called when the officials were unable to decide the winner. Many spectators agreed that this was the most evenly matched contest of the tournament, with two very talented judoists vying for top honors.

Reed from Kadena won the heavy-weight championship, and Itazuke's Ference P. Mercz captured the top honor in the lightweight bracket.

Intramural Basketball

The Station's best basketball team will be named tonight as VP-50 and H&HS-17 clash in the final game of the season at the MCAS gym.

The VP-50 team proved its championship potential in front of a wild and roaring crowd last Sunday by defeating highly touted H&HS-17. The Navy men controlled the entire game and kept an eight point margin right up until the final buzzer. Can they do it again? Tonight will tell!

The games played last week were: **February 3:** MABS-12 beat MACS-4, 50-29; H&HS-17 outclassed VMA-223 with a 69 to 48 score; and VP-50 downed VMCJ-1, 49-29.

February 4: VMGR-152 slipped by Station Hospital, 46-44, and VMA-242 netted a total of 34 points to barely edge by NAMD, 34-32.

February 5: MABS-17 outplayed VMCJ-1 and beat that team in the first game of the 5th. The lopsided final score was MABS-17, 73; VMCJ, 39. In other, unevenly matched contests

Basketball Standings

Here are Station intramural basketball standings including all games except the final one to be played tonight:

	W	L	Pct.
VP-50	15	2	.882
H&HS-17	15	2	.882
MABS-12	14	3	.824
MABS-17	14	3	.824
H&HS-1	14	3	.824
VP-22	12	5	.706
MACS-4	11	6	.647
VMA-242	9	8	.529
VMGR-152	9	8	.529
VMA-223	7	10	.412
Sup&Fis	7	10	.412
StaHosp	6	11	.353
H&MS-12	5	12	.294
NAMD	5	12	.294
MAMS-17	3	14	.176
VMCJ-1	3	14	.176
FAW-6	3	14	.176
LST-1122	1	16	.059

played that same day, H&HS-17 handed MAMS-17 a 62-42 defeat; StaHosp's record was improved with a 62-33 victory over H&MS-12; and VP-50 continued its winning streak by outscoring Sup&Fis, 51 to 28.

February 6: VMCJ-1 moved up from next to last place position, by defeating Sup&Fis, 64-49. The second game saw VP-22 win over VMA-242, 57-35.

February 7: FAW-6 forfeited to VMA-242; VP-50 chalked up one more victory by downing MABS-12, 64-44; and StaHosp beat VMA-223, 56-45.

February 8: The Sup&Fis team handed the hospitalmen a 56-37 loss in the first game of Saturday, and played another game that same day after warming up. In the other contest the Navy supply basketball players won a close 58-56 victory over H&MS-12. Also on Saturday, H&HS-1 scored a total of 80 points to NAMD's 24, and FAW-6 forfeited to StaHosp.

February 9: H&HS-1 secured its second place position with a tight 46-45 victory over VP-22, and H&MS-12 players failed to show for their game with VMA-223. The last contest played Sunday night saw the spirited VP-50 team win over H&HS-17, 47-42.

February 10: VP-50 won a 49-37 triumph over VMGR-152, thus insuring the fact that the patrol squadron will meet again with H&HS-17 to determine which is really the best team at MCAS Iwakuni.

February 11: In the final game of regular season play, VMGR-152 downed MAMS-17, 53-29.

A capacity crowd is expected tonight to witness the championship playoff at the Station gymnasium at 7:30 pm between H&HS-17 and VP-50. Trophies will be awarded at a later date. At present, three teams are tied for second place, and it is planned to distribute evenly between those squadrons the proficiency points awarded for the commanding officer's athletic cup.

9125 Sit-Ups

Cpl. Wayne Rollings has probably done more consecutive sit-ups than anyone else in the world.

The Parris Island drill instructor polished off 9125 without stopping last month in the presence of his CO and several friends who served as official counters. He finished the feat in less than five hours, and averaged 30 sit-ups per minute.

Shooters Win

Sgt. Robert E. Snodgrass, an H&HS-1 rifleman, was the first place winner of the 600 yard, long-range aggregate at the First Annual Hawaii Marine Open Rifle Tournament held the first week of February at Camp H. M. Smith.

Snodgrass and members of the 1st MAW pistol team were invited to the tournament which featured shooters, both military and civilian, from all over the world.

By shooting a score of 200 with 23 Vs, Snodgrass became the winner of a huge trophy and a \$30 gift certificate.

Although not familiar with rifle competition, local pistol shooters also placed in several of the events.

Sgt. David G. Croy won Third Expert at the 600 yard line by shooting 97-10V. The winner of the Sixth Master at that range was Iwakuni's Sgt. Phillip J. Fitch. Fitch also won Seventh Master for the 600 yard line aggregate with a score of 197-27V. Placing thirteenth at the 600 mark was LCpl. H. C. Chandler. At the 200 yard line, PFC Rodney A. Brown won Third Expert in rapid fire and Third Aggregate for the 200 and 300 yard line rapid fire combination.

The pistol team left Hawaii and arrived at Atsugi at 3:30 am last Saturday. Just four hours after their arrival, the local shooters competed in the Atsugi 1200 Aggregate Pistol Match and captured first place in the team event.

The team, comprised of Fitch, HM1 Tommy L. Keigley, Cpl. Richard A. Foster and SSgt. Clifford C. Hale, blasted out a winning score of 1101 with 25 Xs.

In individual competition, Fitch won First Master by firing 1129-33X, and Keigley took Second Master with four points less.

Cpl. Foster shot 1103-25X and won Third Expert.

Any servicemen interested in joining the 1st MAW team should contact GySgt. Norman M. Renfro at Extension 3221.

Rod and Gun

Since February 15 marks the end of hunting season, local servicemen will be required to turn in their hunting licenses prior to March 1. They will, however, be allowed to keep their gun registration books.

Although many pheasant were killed this season, there seemed to have been no interest at all in duck hunting. A great number of ducks stayed in and around the city of Yanai, and those that did fly this far north usually checked into the area near the ordnance section. The "no hunting" signs were accused of attracting the birds to that area.

Boar hunting permits will be issued shortly after Feb. 15. There will be no additional charge for the license, but local hunters must have a valid 1963 hunting license. For further information, local outdoorsmen should contact Cpl. Koncal at Extension 3677.

Professional Progress

Air Medals

MAG-16 — 1st Lts. James S. Allen, Joseph T. Baranowski, George W. Brown and James A. Spaith received their second Air Medal awards for missions flown under enemy fire in the Republic of Vietnam.

Promotions

VP-22 — Lt. Cmdr. Vern H. Trowbridge.

VMA-242 — Capt. Richard S. Cooper.

VMGR-152 1st Lt. Joseph J. Bennett.

H&MS-16 — SSgt. Paul P. Anderson.

HMM-364 — Cpls. James J. Davolio, Gerald R. Jones, Robert W. King and Vernon E. Powers; PFC Thomas J. Spect.

MABS-16 — Cpl. Russel E. Schwaband and LCpl. William I. Essex.

H&HS-1 PFC J. L. Werner Jr.

Reenlistments

VP-50 — AX3 William H. Hermesen and ABH3 Benny L. Mitchell.

Education

VMA-223 — These men completed the following MCI courses: Capt. Gerald H. Smith, Introduction to Personnel Administration; Sgt. Umphis L. Brown, Jet Propulsion Power Plants; Cpl. Robert B. Meyer, Marine Rifle Squad; Cpl. Christian K. Barlage, The Marine Noncommissioned Officer; LCpl. Charles A. Barnes, Punctuation; and LCpl. Sidney E. Dodson, Shop Math I.

Meritorious Masts

VMA-223 — Cpl. Linvell W. Dockery was awarded official recognition for his outstanding performance and contributions to the hydraulic shop and the squadron.

MABS-17 — Cpl. Joseph S. Mowatt



MAJ. GOULD LCPL. KLEIN
At H&HS-1 "merit mast" ceremony

received a meritorious mast for the diligent application and initiative shown by him in mastering the prerequisites of filling the position of meat market manager in the Sales Commissary, a position for which he was not trained by MOS.

LCpl. Roger I. Busby was awarded a meritorious mast for the sense of responsibility shown by him in the supervision and training of men in the MABS-17 Camp Maintenance Generator Shop.

H&HS-1 — LCpl. Robert H. Klein was honored at a meritorious mast for the outstanding performance of duty shown by him while working in the Joint Informational Services Office during the period from April 22, 1963 to February 5, 1964.

Good Conduct Awards

H&HS-1 — SSgt. R. S. Hackworth, 4th award; Cpls. D. K. Condon and J. J. Walker, both first awards.

VMA-223 Cpl. Roger G. Oakley; LCpls. Robert F. Burton, Bernard R. Cook, Tony A. Cook, Tony A. Cook, Robert J. Cubello, Roger L. Forkner, Kevin M. O'Sullivan, Harold R. Shonborn, Charles T. Trochelman and Curtis Williams; and PFC Walter L. Nelson, all received their first awards.

VMA-242 — Cpls. Robert J. Childs and Richard W. Crosby, first awards; LCpls. Jack C. Jorgenson, Donald L. Boerner, Raymond N. Fent, James D. White and Eugene C. O'Neill, all received first awards.

MABS-16 — LCpl. John V. Eby, first award.

MAMS-17 — MSgt. Joseph E. Bunn, sixth award; SSgt. Lewis W. Beasley, fourth award; Cpl. Stephen L. Hoehn, first award; LCpls. T. J. Chvala, J. D. Farrar, Matthew G. Farrell and Marvin L. Langer, all received first awards.



LT COL. PICKETT - LT. BENNETT
Changing the gold bars for silver ones