

Near the end of our tour of duty in WESTPAC a group of DALLAS crewmen prefabricated a building to replace a makeshift dispensary in the Hamlet of Song Ong Doc.

The old dispensary had already seen more than 1000 patients treated by DALLAS' medical team. The new dispensary was a permanent one in which the villagers could receive medical aid under much improved conditions. It took two months to collect all the construction materials for the building, most of which was salvaged from large packing crates and discarded lumber.



The floor being put in place for the new dispensary.



The building measured 20' x 10'.

The Senior U.S. Advisor in the area, District Chief, and local officials as well as DALLAS crewmembers and most of the village population were on hand for the dedication ceremony which officially turned over the new building to the community.

