



Korean Mountain Rescue

WHEN a Marine HTL-4 helicopter crash-landed in snow-covered mountain terrain while carrying supplies to an isolated Marine unit, it landed in a Korean farmer's front yard. The farmer guarded the pinwheel until 1st Lt. John L. Scott and S/Sgt. Richard E. Hipple flew another Bell helicopter in to repair the downed plane. After paying off the farmer in rations and feeding themselves, they loaded a 40-pound battery for the damaged helicopter on Scott's back and hiked from the rescue helicopter back to the "farm" to make necessary repairs. The rugged terrain and snow combined to make the rescue operation unusual. Note farmer's thatched hut and "out-buildings" in top picture, showing repair crewmen at work. This series of photographs depicting the dramatic rescue taken by Marine cameraman T/Sgt. Vance Jobe.

