

District Hospital for Sydney Island.

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- (a) Perhaps/<sup>the</sup>most important building required in the Phoenix Islands is a District Hospital where patients from all islands can be treated under the care of a Native Medical Officer. Mr. G.B. Gallagher has gone very carefully into the question and a detailed report by him is annexed. The Hospital as designed will cost only £160 or, without septic tanks and running water, £135, a very small sum considering the boon the Hospital would be, primarily to the population of Sydney Island, and to a lesser extent to all the inhabitants of the Phoenix Group.
- (b) Authority is requested for proceeding with this Hospital, which should be built immediately, as the present makeshift arrangements cannot cope with the rapidly increasing population. It would be a great convenience if the Medical Department could build one of their standard type dispensaries at the same time.

(c) This would entail an expenditure of approximately £200, allocated as under, and would complete the hospital requirements of the Group.

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