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November 18, 1918.

Dr. Arthur H. White, U. S. N.,
On Duty, Red Cross Hospital,
Civic Center, San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Dr. White:

As you are about to close the Red Cross building as a convalescent hospital for influenza patients, I beg to express the thanks of the people of San Francisco for the help rendered in the influenza epidemic by you and all of the men of the Mare Island Hospital Unit who have manned the hospital. Your Unit came to San Francisco in a time of great public necessity. Your own enthusiasm and that of the men under you was a great factor in combatting the epidemic. Your presence at the hospital brought new confidence, and your work undoubtedly has saved many lives and prevented much suffering. I have had many occasions for personal observation of the conduct of the hospital,

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November 18, 1918.

Dr. Arthur S. Judy, U. S. N.,
On Duty, Red Cross Hospital,
Civic Center, San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Dr. Judy:

As you are about to close the Red Cross building as a convalescent hospital for influenza patients, I beg to express the thanks of the people of San Francisco for the help rendered in the influenza epidemic by you and all of the men of the Mare Island Hospital Unit who have manned the hospital. Your Unit came to San Francisco in a time of great public necessity. Your own enthusiasm and that of the men under you was a great factor in combating the epidemic. Your presence at the hospital brought new confidence, and your work undoubtedly has saved many lives and prevented much suffering. I have had many occasions for personal observation of the conduct of the hospital,

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Dr. Wm. P. Hare, U. S. N.,
On Duty, Red Cross Hospital,
Civic Center, San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Dr. Hare:

As you are about to close the Red Cross building as a convalescent hospital for influenza patients, I beg to express the thanks of the people of San Francisco for the help rendered in the influenza epidemic by you and all of the men of the Mare Island Hospital Unit who have manned the hospital. Your Unit came to San Francisco in a time of great public necessity. Your own enthusiasm and that of the men under you was a great factor in combating the epidemic. Your presence at the hospital brought new confidence, and your work undoubtedly has saved many lives and prevented much suffering. I have had many occasions for personal observation of the conduct of the hospital.

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and beg to compliment you upon all that I saw.

Again expressing to you San Francisco's very sincere

thanks, I am,

Very truly yours,

My dear Mr. Mayor:

As you are about to close the last Green Building as

a coronavirus hospital for infectious patients, I beg to

Mayor.

express the thanks of the people of San Francisco for the

help rendered in the infectious epidemic by you and all of

the men of the State Island Hospital who have nursed

the hospital. Your help came to San Francisco in a time

of great public necessity. Your own efforts and those

of the men under your able control in conducting this

enterprise. Your presence at the hospital brought new con-

fidence, and your work undoubtedly has saved many lives

and prevented much suffering. I have had many occasions

to commend the action of the conduct of the hospital.

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November 18, 1918.

Dr. J. B. Hogan,
Mare Island,
California.

Sir:

Members of the Board of Public Health of this City, and the Health Officer, have told me of your very great help in the matter of arranging for the attendance of the Mare Island Hospital Unit at the temporary Red Cross Influenza hospital in this City, and I am writing to thank you in behalf of the people of San Francisco for your very timely assistance.

Please be assured of the gratitude of all of our people and of their very sincere appreciation of your courtesy.

Yours very truly,

Mayor.

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Commandant Harry George,
Navy Yard, Mare Island,
California.

Sir:

As the epidemic of "Spanish Influenza" draws practically to a close in San Francisco, I take this means of expressing the City's thanks to you for your splendid co-operation in our fight to save lives and prevent suffering. Your assignment of Doctors White, Judy and Hare, with their complement of men, to work at the Red Cross hospital in this city, was one of the big things that helped to overcome the epidemic, and, in expressing the City's thanks to you, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to commend in the highest possible way the work of the officers, non-commissioned officers, and men who have rendered such excellent service in the care of the men, women and children in their charge at the Red Cross hospital.

I had frequent occasion to observe the fine spirit of all these men in taking care of their patients, and desire at this time to compliment you upon the personnel of the Unit. I assure you that San Francisco greatly appreciates all that has been done by you and every one connected with your hospital service, and, in behalf of all the people, I thank you very sincerely for the help you so promptly rendered in our time of need.

Yours very truly,

Mayor.

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