

THE PANAMA CANAL  
Canal Zone  
Executive Department

Cable Address:  
"PANCANAL, PANAMA"

Balboa Heights, C. Z.,  
June 26, 1925.

HOUSTON HOSPITAL

Mr. Maurice J. Sullivan,  
Architect,  
Houston, Texas.

*Building*

S i r :

With reference to your correspondence with the Chief of the Washington Office of The Panama Canal, and in response to the request contained in your letter of June 8, 1925, there are being forwarded to you under separate cover a copy of each of the following blueprints relative to the Canal hospitals:

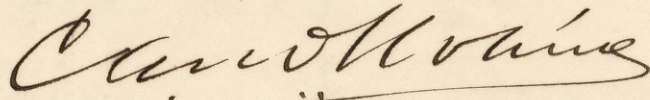
- No. 4188-12 - Ancon Hospital, Ward group, Section C, second and third floors of south wing;
- 4196-11 - Ancon Hospital, ward group, Section D, second and third floors of south wing;
- 4196-12 - Ancon Hospital, Ward group, Section D, second and third floors of north wing;
- 4188-19 - Ancon Hospital, Ward group, Section C, sections of wards and service building;
- 4188-15 - Ancon Hospital, Ward group, Section C, front and rear elevations;
- 4021-12 - Ancon Hospital, Group No. 4, first floor plan;
- 4071-5 - Ancon Hospital, Group No. 5, first and second floor plans.

In connection with the second paragraph of your letter, the following additional data are furnished:

1. Width of wards, wall to wall: 22 ft. to 25 ft.
2. Distance between beds:
  - (a) Wards for adult patients - 8 ft. centers;
  - (b) Wards for infants - 5 ft. 4 in. centers.
3. Relation of windows to beds: Between beds, spaced 8 ft. centers
4. Type of casement: Openings about 3' x 5', with casement sashes glazed, hinged to the jambs of the frames, opening out to corridor or porch, folding back against the wall.
5. Particular patented hardware: No special hardware used. Hinges for sashes, plain brass butts. Casement catch, ordinary sash turnbuckle. Small brass hooks to hold sashes against wall. Sill height, about 3 ft.  
Special attention to verandas or porches - with mosquito screening, both sides of wards.  
Ventilating space - both sides of ward, an open space about 2 ft. high near ceiling.

It is hoped the blueprints and the data given above will be of benefit to you in connection with the design of the projected hospital in your city. If we can be of further service to you in this matter, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "C. A. McIlvaine". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

C. A. McILVAINE  
Executive Secretary.

Enclosures:  
Under separate cover,  
7 blueprints, as listed.