

S.C.A.,
Yes-please do so.

Sd. D.K. Daniels,
f. C.S. 16.1.51

Hon. C.S.,
I regret the delay.

The C.A.B. had nothing better to offer by way of a name than that we should call it the Yeo Chu Kang Hospital. They showed, however, no particular aversion for Woodbridge. But they seem to be under the impression that the hospital might be rebuilt in another part of the Island. I don't know if this is the intention, but if it is neither Yeo Chu Kang nor Woodbridge would be any longer appropriate. I am not myself particularly enamoured of either suggestion.

Would it be out of order to associate it with past royalty? If not, what about calling it the George III Hospital. He was, I believe, the reigning monarch when Raffles founded Singapore, and he was mad anyway!

Sd. J.W. Biddulph.
24.1.51

Hon. C.S.,
D.M.S. in (1) made a suggestion for change of name of the Mental Hospital. You will note from the preceding minutes that various names of Royalty have been suggested and that having got away from the idea of associating the hospital name with that of any individual the E. S.C.A. has now brought us back once again with the suggestion that it ~~was~~ should be called the "George III Hospital".

The only name which appears to me to be acceptable is "Woodbridge Hospital". The case for giving it such a name rests on the fact that there used to exist a wooden bridge over the local stream which flows under the drive to the hospital and that the institution was already known to the Chinese by the name proposed.

? approve change of name to "Woodbridge Hospital".

Sd. D.K. Daniels,
30.1.51

Yes
Sd. W.L. Blythe,
31.1.51

D.M.S.,
The change of name of the Mental Hospital to "Woodbridge Hospital" approved.

Sd. V.E. Dawson,
2.2.51.

M.S. Woodbridge Hospital,

To note new title,
Sd. R.D. Gross,
f. D.M.S. 5/2/51.

D.R.S.

valid please.

9-2-51.

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Mr. M. S. Woodbridge,
Mental Hospital,
Singapore.