Yaskin and Herrick “History”

YASKIN, JOSEPH C. and WILLIAM P. HERRICK. “History of U.S.A. General Hospital No. 1 (Columbia War Hospital), Gunhill Road and Bainbridge Avenue, New York City, prepared for the Surgeon General by Joseph C. Yaskin…/History of Columbia War Hospital and Data from July 1st, 1919 by William P. Herrick…Historian from September 3rd, 1919.” 1 volume ([5], viii, 57 p. and 20 photographs); 27 cm. x 21 cm.

HISTORICAL NOTE: The Columbia War Hospital was established by Columbia University in March 1917 and opened in May of that year. It was transferred to the control of the U.S. Army in July 1917 and renamed General Hospital No. 1. The hospital was located in the northern part of the Bronx, N.Y. It closed on Oct. 15, 1919.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Typescript history of the U.S. Army’s General Hospital No. 1, completed in Oct. 1919 and covering the entire time of its operation, 1917-1919. Included are a brief account of its origin as the Columbia War Hospital; descriptions of its buildings and medical services; statistics on admissions, discharges, and types of illnesses treated; lists of personnel; and photographs of grounds; exteriors and interiors of buildings; and physicians and patients.

Though Yaskin and Herrick are named as authors on the title page, it is impossible to tell from the manuscript which parts they wrote.

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SUBJECTS

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