

With the outbreak of influenza epidemic in 1919 all inner city schools were set up as inoculation depots. Pyrmont Public School in John Street became a designated relief depot run by Government officials and the Red Cross.

**AIDING CITY DWELLERS. (1919, February 1).
The Sydney Morning Herald**

From each of these depots, which are under the control of officers of the Board of Health along with officers of the City Council sanitary staff, a local organisation is being built up in order that any possible extension of the disease can be dealt with effectively and expeditiously. The commandants of the Red Cross voluntary aids and relief officers, with other assistants, are co-operating in this work. Should the disease extend to these areas medicines and general aid will be afforded from the centres established. Various forms of helpful literature in connection with the disease are being distributed from these centres.

The above depots will also be open today, from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m., for inoculation purposes.

**RELIEF DEPOTS. (1919, June 16).
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The Government proposes to open 68 depots for the purpose of giving medical attention, nurses, and medical comforts in necessitous cases as soon as the necessary staffs are available. Many of them will be open this morning. All applications for assistance must be made to the nearest depots. No applications can be entertained at head-quarters.

Arrangements are being made to keep the depots open continuously night and day. The teachers in charge of the various cookery schools in the metropolitan area will prepare invalid foods for influenza patients. The material necessary for invalid foods will be provided from the depot nearest to the cookery school.

In connection with the shortage of nurses, a special call is made for domestic helpers, voluntary or otherwise, who would be prepared to go into the homes of sick people and attend to their wants. Anyone used to doing domestic duties would be suitable for this special work.