

# Hospital staff learns decimals

Several staff members of Gosford District Hospital will attend the seminar on Decimal Currency which is being held on August 3 and 4, under the auspices of the Hospitals Commission, in Sydney.

Those present will be Mr. N. Boyce, secretary of the Gosford Hospital, Mr. Ellis, accountant, and Mr. K. Cubis, senior pay officer.

Notice of the public is drawn to the fact that the telephone number of the hospital has been altered.

In anticipation of extra lines being required when the hospital accommodation is doubled in the near future, ten lines have been reserved in a block. The first three lines are already allotted to the hospital, being 20471-2-3.

At present these three lines are taped to the old

lines, and will ring automatically through to the hospital switchboard. The new numbers will be included in the new phone book, and on all future hospital printing.

Figures just released show that a record number of babies was born at the Gosford Hospital during the year ending June 30, 1965.

A total of 721 births was recorded for 1965, being an increase of three for the 1964 period. The number for the 1963 period registered a total of 684 births.

Mr. Boyce and Matron Inskip have received invitations to attend the Annual Meetings of local Hospital Auxiliaries, and are hoping to attend Ourimbah on July 13, Kincumber on July 14, Gosford on July 15, and the Hardys Bay-Kilcare meetings on July 16.

The first Auxiliary was formed 21 years ago to provide extra amenities for the hospital patients, and the work has continued continuously ever since.

With the extensions now being made, the needs of the hospital will be doubled, and new members will be welcomed by all auxiliaries in the Central Coast area.

The hospital has been granted a block of Crown land, free of charge in Bateau Bay, where it is proposed to erect a holiday home for nurses.

The block adjacent to this block is also available, so the hospital has made application to gain the lease of this block in addition, to hold for the expansion which it is hoped will take place in the future.

The nurses of the Gosford Hospital are already raising funds for this building project. As soon as the title comes through, they will clear the land, and fence it out of funds which they already have in hand.

It will then be available for them to hold barbecues and other outdoor activities on, until such time as the building can be erected.