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Mr. Edward W. P. Bond,
The American Legion,
Augusta, Georgia.

HOUSTON NEGRO HOSPITAL ✓
CARRINGTON PROPERTY

My dear Mr. Bond:

LT. EDWARD A. HAYES

This owns receipt of your letter of June 3rd reporting on what the members of the Louis L. Battey Post No. 4 of the American Legion are desirous of doing, advising further that this was the ambition of the late Lieut. Edward A. Hayes, who I had the good fortune to know as an intimate friend and buddy of my late son, Lieut. John Halm Gullinan.

As applied to myself, I built here in Houston what I understand is credited with being the first Negro Hospital in America, in memory of my son, regarding which the enclosed pamphlet was issued in 1928.

I have worked with our Texas Congressman, Wright Patman, since his initial attempt to secure the (so-called) bonus for the veterans, a work that will be consummated by Federal payment to the veterans within the next thirty days.

At the beginning of the depression I turned over to the veterans a large brick residence and lot that I own in the central part of the City, and they have made continual use of it since, at times they tell me feeding as many as ninety and sleeping as many as thirty veterans, of which, through securing jobs or more satisfactory quarters, I am pleased to say the number has now been reduced to three part-time occupants, who are planning to vacate the premises next week that such may be turned over to a women's organiza-

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tion who are doing an exceptionally worthy community work.

I mention these as reflecting my continuing interest in the veterans. However, under the changed conditions that apply to myself and many others in like circumstances, under the present national (Jew guided) administration I doubt whether I will be in a position to contribute to the worthy work you are proposing for Augusta. However, when you have your financial plans thoroughly and soundly worked out you may feel free to communicate with me again.

Meantime, believe me,

Yours very truly,

(Sgd) J. S. CULLINAN

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