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HOUSTON NEGRO HOSPITAL

Mr. J. S. Cullinan,
Building.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your memo of May 16th.

I talked to Mr. Strauss this noon. He says he has discussed the Houston Negro Hospital pretty thoroughly with Dr. Hutcheson, who was appointed on his (Strauss') recommendation; that Dr. Hutcheson is now vigorously engaged in organizing a staff in an effort to overcome the chaotic conditions surrounding especially Jefferson Davis Hospital.

He promised to make an engagement with Dr. Hutcheson for Monday or Tuesday afternoon of next week to go with Mr. Strauss and me to look over the hospital, at which time we will review more thoroughly with the Doctor the history of the hospital. Mr. Strauss is confident that Dr. Hutcheson will look favorable on working out a proper and satisfactory utilization of these hospital facilities, especially for the indigent negroes of Houston.

Mr. Strauss said that he would like very much for you on some convenient occasion to discuss the Houston Negro Hospital with Judge Monteith personally; that he was sure the Judge would appreciate it, and that he believed if you would do so he would take up the question from your viewpoint with a view of working out its future status. In the meantime, he stated that Judge Monteith is swamped with many perplexing questions requiring urgent attention, and he thinks it would be best not to attempt to approach him in a formal way during business hours on this question for at least thirty days.

Yours truly,

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cc Dr J W Slaughter

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