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HOUSTON COMMUNITY CHEST
P.O. Box 61
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June 16, 1933.

Mr. J. Y. Powell, Chm.,
Advisory Committee, Houston Negro Hospital,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to inform you that the State Committee on Nursing has decided that it is no longer possible to accredit the School of Nursing of the Houston Negro Hospital. This is because the small number of patients does not provide for what are regarded as indispensable factors in the training. The hospital administration is endeavoring to transfer the students to other training schools.

It is also necessary for me to inform you that I can see no way to continue the operation of the hospital. The organization has been cut to the lowest possible terms. It requires an average minimum of ten patients to make ends meet, while the actual number has for some weeks been half that minimum. There was some reason to hope that the collection of outstanding accounts would carry the institution through to September, but the last insurance bill makes this definitely impossible.

There are two serious objections to discontinuance. One is that it is very doubtful if Chest support would be available when the institution decided to resume activity. The other difficulty is the loss of the present administrative personnel, upon whom, in my opinion, much of the success has depended.

In view of the above mentioned conditions I do not feel that I can make any further decisions without instructions from you or your committee or Mr. Cullinan. Hoping that you can give the matter your earliest consideration, I am

Yours very truly,

(signed)

J. W. Slaughter
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