

Houston, Texas,  
April 19, 1929.

HOUSTON NEGRO HOSPITAL

Mr. J. S. Cullinan,  
25 West 43rd Street,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I enclose copy of letter from Dr. Sidney Israel, a Jew eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, who approached Dr. Slaughter some time ago stating that a certain individual whose name he refused at that time to disclose, would donate \$3500.00 to the Houston Negro Hospital for X-ray equipment conditioned that the equipment be purchased under his direction and that he be elected as chairman of the medical staff.

Dr. Slaughter told me of this conference with Israel and I told him something of what I had observed and what I think of Dr. Israel, and that if this or any other gift should be accepted from him the name of the donor should be disclosed and the gift should be unconditional. Following this Israel came to my house one morning very angry at Dr. Slaughter for not having carried out his directions with reference to calling the Advisory Committee and the staff together for his election as Chairman. I was patient with him at the time but had him understand that we would not tolerate any attacks on Dr. Slaughter of that character and that the proposed donor must be disclosed and the gift be unconditional.

I would not be at all surprised if he himself were not the one who proposed to make the gift with the idea of exploiting the situation.

The hospital is progressing nicely, more patients and less friction than there has been since the beginning.

This for your information.

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Yours truly,

(SGD) W. W. MOORE