

CITY OF HOUSTON TEXAS

March 17 - 1933

Mr. J. S. Cullinan,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

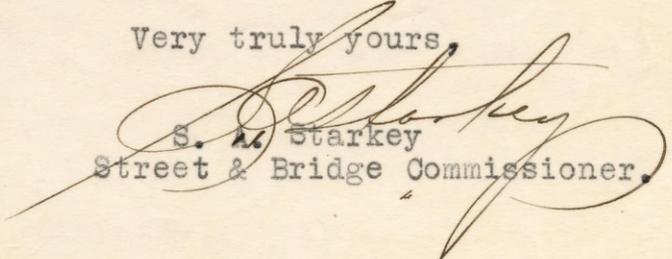
Wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 2nd calling my attention to condition of Elgin from Dowling to the hospital, as well as Ennis from the hospital to and beyond the negro school.

I am handing copy of this letter to my superintendent with instructions that these conditions be corrected.

With reference to the low place in the hospital grounds, I assure you that the superintendent will haul surplus dirt he has in the vicinity to fill holes mentioned in your letter.

With reference to the last paragraph of your letter which you state you understand a Federal Government agency has designed the hospital as one of the three Government clinics being established in Houston for the care of that race, I was very much pleased to know that this is the first independent negro hospital in the country. This is not only a monument to the founders, but in my opinion is a most important step toward the up lifting of the negro race in our community, and I want to assure you that any time I can be of any assistance to further the cause of this institution do not hesitate to command me to do so.

Very truly yours,


S. A. Starkey
Street & Bridge Commissioner.

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cc Mr. Ed Gibson,
Superintendent.