

PLAN HOSPITAL TO CARE FOR • NEGRO TUBERCULAR PATIENTS.

Representatives of the City Health Department will go before the County Commissioners' Court within a few days to request that body to appropriate a sum of money to be used in constructing a hospital for tubercular negroes. Dr. Carnes announced yesterday afternoon, following a conference with Mayor Joe E. Lawther and Dr. R. S. Loving, Assistant City Health Director.

Mayor Lawther conferred with representatives of the United Charities yesterday morning and promised them that efforts will be made to provide shelter and comfort for negroes suffering with tuberculosis.

An agreement between the City and County Commissioners to provide a ward at Woodlawn Hospital was reached several months ago, but the County Commissioners failed to live up to their agreement, Dr. Carnes said, and as a consequence the hospital was not built.

Numerous complaints have been filed with Mayor Lawther and the Health Department against the indiscriminate coming and going of negro sufferers. They have no place to go, it is said, and are forced to sleep in one place or another.

"A negro citizen is entitled to humane treatment and will get it," the Mayor said. "It is necessary that we provide some place for them to stay, at least, in an effort to put an end to the spreading of the disease."

Negroes suffer more from tuberculosis than do whites, Dr. Loving said, for the reason that their environment is so much poorer than the average white family.

It is proposed by Dr. Carnes to erect a frame building, possibly 20x10 feet, at Woodlawn and use this as a ward for the treatment of negroes.