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ST.ATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, REGARDING CEREMONIES TO BE HELD JUNE 2, 1948, AT THE STATE CAPITOL, TO ACCEPT IN BEHALF OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF EDUCATION A TRACT OF LAND AT CHARLESTON.

Governor J. Strom Thurmond and State Superintendent of Education Jesse T. Anderson will officially accept a deed to approximately 97 acres of land, located at the Charleston Army Air Base, at appropriate ceremonies in the Governor's office on Wednesday, June 2 at 12 noon. The tract of land, which includes the hospital area of the former Charleston Army Air Base, is being acquired by the South Carolina Board of Education for the purpose of expanding the South Carolina Area Trade Schools' program.

Mr. J. A. Gresham, representative of the Federal government, will present the deed to Governor Thurmond. Other officials slated to attend the impressive ceremony are: L. W. Bishop, Director of the South Carolina Research, Planning and Development Board, B. R. Turner, Director and J. M. Cherry, Business Manager of the South Carolina Area Trade Schools.

The acquisition of the 97 acres of land and the buildings in the hospital area will be a valuable addition to the rapidly growing Trade Schools program, which was advocated by Governor Thurmond in his Inaugural Address.

The Columbia Branch of the South Carolina Area Trade Schools was opened for white students on September 15, 1947. In less than a year's time 398 students have enrolled at the Columbia Branch located at the Capitol Airport on property which was acquired from the War Assets Administration. George W. Fricks is principal of the Columbia Branch. Courses offered for white students are:
Machine Shop, Carpentry, Cabinet Making, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration,
Barbering, Electricity, Watch Repairing, Radio, Cosmetology, Auto Mechanics and
Diesel Engines.

The Denmark Branch of the South Carolina Area Trade Schools for
Negro students was opened on March 1, 1948. This school now has 114 Negro students
enrolled in the following courses: Painting, Tailoring, Shoe Repairing, Electrical
Appliance Repairs, Barbering, Auto Mechanics, Cooks and Bakers, Masonry, and
Carpentry. L. H. Dawkins is Principal of the Denmark Branch.

The combined enrollment at the Columbia and Denmark Branches now
totals 512 students. Both schools are planning to operate a summer session.
Students interested in attending either of these schools can secure additional
information from the principals of the respective schools.