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Two technical commissions of the Regional Council for Education will hold their first meetings in Atlanta, Georgia, November 22-23. Governor J. S. Thurmond announced that the Commission on Human Medicine and Health Services will be headed by Dr. W. T. Sanger of the Medical College of Virginia. Dr. Harold W. Stoke, President of Louisiana State University, is chairman of the Commission on Graduate Studies.

Fourteen prominent educators from all over the South will serve on these Commissions. From their deliberations there will come recommendations designed to improve higher education through the development of regional services or schools for white and Negro students. The Commission reports will be studied by presidents of more than 70 southern institutions at a regional work conference December 12. Plans matured at this conference will go before the Regional Council for Education which will meet concurrently with the Southern Governors' Conference December 13. The Council will then present proposals to legislatures in eight states next Spring to obtain appropriations needed to set up regional services in the fall of 1949.

Members of the Commission on Human Medicine and Health Services include:

Dr. S. S. Arnim, University of Texas; Dr. Murray C. Brown, Meharry Medical College;
Dean M. E. L. Carnegie, Florida A. and M. College; Dr. O. W. Hyman, University of Tennessee; Dr. Robert C. Wilson, University of Georgia; Dr. R. Hugh Wood, Emory
University; and Dean Frances H. Zeigler, Vanderbilt University. Members of the Commission on Graduate Studies are: President John T. Caldwell, Alabama College; Dean W. W. Pierson, Graduate School, University of North Carolina; Dean Phillip G. Davidson, Graduate School, Vanderbilt University; Dr. George N. Redd, Fisk University; Dean S. M. Nabrit, Graduate School, Atlanta University; President William H. Gray, Jr., Florida A. and M. College; Dean D. C. McIntosh, Graduate School, Oklahoma A. and M. College; Dean O. C. Aderhold, College of Education, University of Georgia.

The purpose of the Council, Governor __Thurmond____ explained, is to obtain joint support of several states for specialized graduate, professional or technical schools, largely at present institutions. Better training can be provided for both white and Negro students in this way, Governor __Thurmond____ stated, because costs can be shared among the participating states. The Council expects to make further studies to discover other fields in which regional support is desirable.