

Governor J. Strom Thurmond announced today that a change in plans will enable him to attend the convention of Southern Democrats in Birmingham, Alabama, Saturday, July 17.

The Governor said he has been able to arrange his full Saturday schedule so as to include a flying trip to Birmingham. He had previously announced that prior commitments would prevent him from attending the convention.

"I had accepted an invitation to participate in an inspection and review of the Hq. 228th AAA Group, South Carolina National Guard, at their encampment at Camp Stewart, Georgia, at 10 a. m. Saturday," Governor Thurmond said, "and I did not wish to interfere with this appointment. However, I am now making plans to rush to Birmingham after the Camp Stewart ceremonies."

"I am delighted that it is possible for me to go to Birmingham," the Governor continued, "since I am wholeheartedly in favor of continuing the great fight for States' Rights in which we are engaged."

Several other South Carolina party leaders are expected to attend the Birmingham meeting, the Governor added.

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