Statement by J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of South Carolina, Announcing the Appointment of Mr. Warren H. Abernathy, of Spartanburg, as Administrative Assistant in the Office of the Governor. February 15, 1949.

Governor J. Strom Thurmond said today he had appointed Warren H. Abernathy, of Spartanburg, to the position of Administrative Assistant in the Governor's office.

Mr. Abernathy is a veteran, having served with the Army for three years. He was attached to the 36th Infantry Division during the campaigns of Southern France, Rhineland and Central Europe, and was commissioned overseas.

He attended the city schools of Spartanburg, the Spartanburg Junior College, Wofford College, and received a B.S. degree from the University of South Carolina last August.

While attending the University, Mr. Abernathy was a member of the KSK honor service fraternity, the Cotillion Club, the Booster Club, and was head cheer-leader.

The son of George F. Abernathy, city building inspector of Spartanburg and the late Effie Hines Abernathy, he is married to the former Margaretta Scruggs, of Spartanburg. Mr. and Mrs. Abernathy are making their home at 111 1/2 Barnwell Street, Columbia.

In announcing the appointment, Governor Thurmond said:

"I feel that the State is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Abernathy. He is well qualified to fill the position of Administrative Assistant to the Governor, and I am confident he will render a real service to our State in this post."