

STATEMENT FROM SEN. STROM THURMOND (D-SC)
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Washington, May 20--The Rural Electrification Administration announced today that a loan in the amount of \$230,000 has been approved for the Peedee Electric Coop, Darlington, South Carolina. Mr. T. E. Wilkes is president of the Coop.

The money will be used in connecting 408 new members and in making system improvements. Also, a new lot will be purchased, on which the Coop plans to build a new headquarters building later.

The Peedee Copperative covers four counties--Darlington, Lee, Florence, and Chesterfield.