WASHINGTON--Senator Strom Thurmond has been advised by the National Science Foundation that three South Carolinians have been awarded fellowships for graduate study in science for 1957-58 and that five other South Carolinians have received honorable mention.

These awards, valued at a minimum of $1,600 per year, are made to encourage gifted college graduates to obtain advanced training in the sciences on a full-time basis.

The three South Carolinians selected by the National Science Foundation Board on recommendation of Dr. Alan T. Waterman, director of the Foundation, are:

Thomas C. Degges, of Heath Springs, who studied at Yale University, majoring in physics.

Charles R. Hamilton, of 117 E. Earle Street, Greenville, who studied at the University of the South, majoring in biophysics.

Harolyn King, of St. George, who attended Wake Forest College, majoring in chemistry.

The five who received honorable mention are:

Charles F. Jumper, of Prosperity Route 2, who attended the University of South Carolina, majoring in chemistry.

James G. Martin, of 4002 Kilbourne Road, Columbia, who attended Davidson College, majoring in chemistry.

Richard H. Patty, of Greenville Route 6, who attended Vanderbilt University, majoring in physics.
Samuel E. Poteat, of Ben Tillman Apts., Charleston Heights, who attended the Citadel, majoring in engineering.

Paul B. Price, Jr., of 1089 Evergreen Circle, Rock Hill, who attended the University of Virginia, majoring in physics.

South Carolina's three successful applicants for the fellowships were among 3,028 pre-doctoral degree candidates who applied and only 845 who received awards.

They were required to take examinations for scientific aptitude and achievement. The tests were administered by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N. J.

Taken into consideration in making the awards were the test scores, academic records, and the recommendations received for each candidate.

The National Science Foundation is an agency of the Federal Government in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.