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REPORT OF ARCHITECTS

July 1, 1942

Dr. C. F. Williams, Superintendent
South Carolina State Hospital
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Sir:

We submit a report covering the construction activities at South Carolina State Hospital since July 1, 1941.

One of the most needed buildings at the State Hospital was a building for criminal insane in Columbia. Pending final decision as to what other buildings would be constructed, the Board of Regents authorized the architects to proceed with the plans and specifications for this building. This was in April, 1942. Before the plans and specifications were entirely completed, an application was made to the War Production Board for a preference rating and authorization to construct this building. The War Production Board rejected this application, because of the amount of critical material involved. We were advised to contact the War Production Board with the idea of designing buildings that would use less critical material. Dr. Williams and Robert S. Lafaye went to Washington and had a conference with the War Production Board and outlined the type of buildings required.

Before this application could be approved by the War Production Board it was necessary that the application first be approved by the Department of Public Health. Approval by Dr. Crabtree enabled us to prepare plans and estimates for re-submission to the War Production Board. A building program was then decided on as follows:

Construct in Columbia, S. C. and State Park, S. C. eight (8) buildings, planned exactly alike.

2 buildings for male patients, Columbia, 100 patients each	200 patients
2 buildings for female patients, Columbia, 100 patients each	200 patients
2 buildings for male patients, State Park, 100 patients each	200 patients
2 buildings for female patients, State Park, 100 patients each	200 patients
Total	800 patients

Preference Rating Order P-19-h, with a rating of A-8 was issued as a blanket rating for the entire project. Contracts have been awarded, and work is progressing satisfactorily on all buildings. During the progress of the work, it has been necessary to obtain higher ratings, through application to the War Production Board, for special materials. We have received ratings as high as AA-3 on some materials.

The architects wish to state at this point that we have had fine cooperation in connection with required priorities, from the War Production Board. This project has withstood several investigations as to its necessity since construction was started, but to date no stop orders have been issued. All materials, including critical, have been purchased, with the exception of eight electric motors required for heating plants. We expect these to come through shortly, however.

Below is a statement of contracts awarded:

General Construction Co., Buildings	\$359,000.00
Clark Heating Company, Heating	32,000.00
Total cost of 8 buildings	\$398,980.00

The buildings being constructed are one-story with brick walls; concrete floors on grade, or earth fill; hollow tile partitions plastered; wood ceiling joists and rafters; interior ceilings covered with insulated fibre board; roof asbestos shingles.

The buildings are being heated with forced warm air heating systems.

This type of construction has used the least amount of critical material, hence approval of the application was secured from the War Production Board.

With reference to the plans and specifications for the Criminal Insane Building, these are about 90 per cent complete. The Board of Regents has authorized payment to the architects for the work done to date, and the documents are to be held until such time when funds are available to construct the building. This cannot be done until the present emergency is over, and it

is possible to obtain the necessary steel and other materials to
construct a building of this type.

Respectfully submitted

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