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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

**South Carolina State
Hospital**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1953



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REPORT OF ARCHITECTS

July 1, 1953

Dr. William S. Hall, Superintendent
South Carolina State Hospital
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Hall:

We submit herewith our report for the year ending June 30, 1953, covering construction program under our charge at the South Carolina State Hospital.

The appropriation which has been approved for construction work at the hospital has enabled the institution to start work on some of its more urgent needs. Sufficient funds have been provided so that buildings of the highest class of construction could be erected.

The first units decided upon by the Commission were the construction of four ward buildings at the Columbia Division to house disturbed patients. Studies were made in a preliminary way after which members of the Commission and the architects made an inspection trip of institutions in Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina to study the newest buildings erected at State Hospitals and to learn all we could to perfect our own designs.

The final design of the buildings was completed and working plans and specifications were prepared. To save time in construction a preliminary contract was awarded for the grading of the site. The specifications for this work were completed on August 4, 1952, bids received on August 21, 1952, and the contract awarded to Boyle Construction Company of Sumter, South Carolina.

The plans and specifications for the four ward buildings were completed and bids were received for the construction on January 29, 1953. The low bidder was Daniel Construction Company of Greenville, South Carolina who were awarded the contract by the Commission. Their contract was dated February 5, 1953, they were instructed to start work on March 2, 1953, with a completion date of November 27, 1953. On the date of this report the contractor has been making excellent progress, the work being approximately 30% completed. From appearances it looks as if he should complete on time.

Other contracts were awarded by the Commission for the construction of utilities to these four buildings including water, sewer, steam distribution and electrical distribution. Work on these contracts is progressing satisfactorily.

We have in the meantime been working with the Commission and the hospital on preliminary studies of other projects the hospital intends to erect with the funds already appropriated. The two principal buildings being the Auditorium-Library Building at the Columbia Division and the Auditorium Building at the State Park Division.

In connection with the four ward buildings in Columbia, the State Highway Department has agreed to pave the roads and drives around these buildings. This work is now being designed by the Highway Department with construction to start on completion of the buildings.

Respectfully submitted

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