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# BOOKS OPEN SATURDAY!

## Guard Unit Formation Is Complete

### Final Inspection Made Saturday; First Drill Held

62 Enlisted Men And 2 Officers On Roster

Inspection for Federal recognition was made of the national guard unit here last Saturday by Colonel H. R. Melton, attache of the Adjutant General's office. No official word has been received from the War Department yet, but it is believed here that the formal recognition will be made within the next few days.

The unit here, which is Collecting Company B of the 105th Medical Regiment with headquarters in Henderson, has 62 privates on its roster at the present with a Commander and assistant Commander, making a total of 64 men. Dr. T. J. Taylor, a lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the North Carolina National Guard is the Commander and Dr. B. E. Stephenson, another lieutenant, is the assistant Commander.

In time of war the duties of the local unit is to collect the wounded from the battalion aid stations and transport them by stretcher to the collecting stations. From there the wounded are carried by ambulance to the station hospitals.

The company was organized last week, Dr. Stephenson and Dr. Taylor, with the aid of officers from headquarters, working day and night in order to get the examinations of enlisted men completed for the Federal inspection Saturday. The minimum of 60 men was surpassed by two. The full strength of 66 men is expected to be reached within a short time. A great number of eligible men are on the waiting list.

After the unit starts functioning smoothly, 12 non-commissioned officers will be appointed from the ranks. There will be one technical sergeant, two staff sergeants, six sergeants and three corporals.

First drill was held in the high school gymnasium last Monday night. The Articles of War were read to the men and the smallpox vaccination was given to each. A short introductory drill was held. Drills will be held each Monday night at 7:30 in the high school gymnasium hereafter.

Following is a list of officers and privates making up the Company: (Continued on Page 12, Sec. A)

## APPEAR HERE APRIL 28



As a part of their tour of the state Brevard College Concert Choir will give a concert program at the First Methodist Church in Roanoke Rapids on Sunday, April 28, at 11 A.M.

The Brevard Choir, composed of thirty-three members, is under the direction of Brevard's talented young music director, John M. Hawkins. The choir has achieved phenomenal success since it was organized less than a year ago. In their appearances elsewhere this year, they have been highly praised. Mr. Hawkins attributes this success in large part to his system of Eurhythmic instruction which centralizes upon a physical practice of concentration in rhythm. Hawkins is probably the only proponent of this system in the South.

In their tour of the state the choir will make a total of twenty or more appearances in high schools and churches on an eleven hundred mile itinerary.

## VOTERS TO REGISTER APRIL 27

### New Law Says Everybody Must Register To Vote

Everything is in readiness for the new registration of voters in Halifax County, the registering to begin Saturday morning, April 27, at 9 o'clock and to continue until sunset Saturday, May 11. On Saturdays April 27, May 4, and May 11, the various Registrars of the 16 precincts in the County will attend the polling places with registration books from 9 a.m. until sunset of each day. During the week, the Registrars will have their books with them in their various homes or places of business for the convenience of those who cannot reach the polling places on Saturday.

Every voter must register, in compliance with the new election laws of 1939. The County Election Boards were given the privilege of choosing between relisting from old books or having a new registration. The Halifax County Board with Kelly Jenkins Chairman chose the new registration.

Two registration books will be used this year, one for the Democratic party and one for the Republican party. Another still will be used for the general election in the fall.

Registrars will be at the four precincts in Roanoke Rapids. For precinct No. 1 R. O. Mays will be the Registrar with E. H. Ricks and W. T. Edwards judges. The polling place will be at the Marks Warehouse.

Roanoke Rapids No. 2, R. C. Jolley III will be the Registrar with W. A. China and Curtis Gore judges. Polling place will be at Fire Department hall.

Roanoke Rapids No. 3 W. B. Brown will be the Registrar with R. O. Carpenter and Tom Bush judges. Polling place will be at Rosemary graded school.

Roanoke Rapids No. 4 Hannibal Shearin will be the Registrar with C. B. Wrenn and S. D. Brown judges. Polling place will be at L. A. Daniel corner, South Rosemary.

One change in Registrars is announced by the Elections Board this week. Lee Wheeden, who was appointed to serve as Registrar at the Roanoke Rapids third precinct, informed the Board that he would be unable to serve. W. B. Brown was appointed to serve in his place in that precinct.

## SPEAKER



CHARLES W. PHILLIPS

Delivering the keynote address before the students of the Roanoke Rapids high school at their Social Standards Conference will be Professor Charles W. Phillips, Director of Public Relations at W.C.U.N.C. Professor Phillips, who is one of the outstanding educators of the State, will speak to the assembled students in the high school auditorium at 8:45 a.m., after which they will form in groups to attend the various discussions



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