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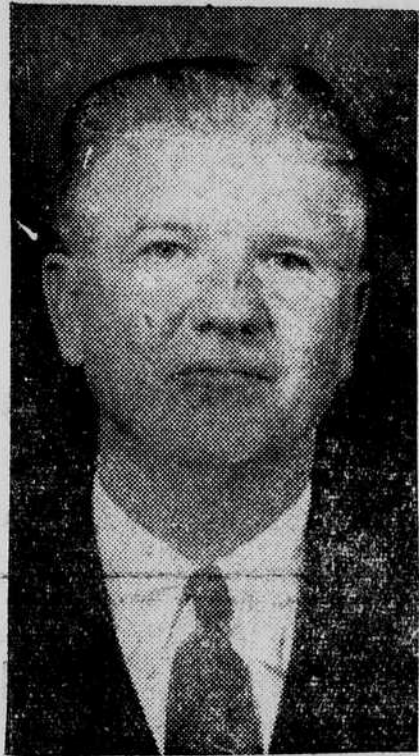
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# V. F. W. OFFERS ARMORY

**Buck Taylor And Wool'm New Mgrs H. I. Jaffe Store**



G. B. "BUCK" TAYLOR



FLOYD WOOLUM

H. I. Jaffe announces a transfer of Mr. W. H. King, until recently manager of our Reliable Clothiers branch store here, to Newport News, Virginia, and the appointment of Mr. G. B. "Buck" Taylor as manager and Mr. Floyd Woolum as assistant manager. This announcement will be of great interest to the many friends of Taylor and Woolum who have been a part of this community for many, many years and who will rejoice with them in their good fortune, etc.

The Jaffe Store was established here the latter part of October, last year, and has been a very successful venture.



JOHN (SLIM) HUTCHINGS

of the Rogers Producing Co., who is here directing "The Gay Nineties", 10th annual Kiwanis Minstrel-Revue to be staged Thursday and Friday nights, March 7th and 8th.

## TESTS SHOW THAT ALCOHOL SLOWS DRIVER REACTION

**Demonstration Given By VEPCO Engineer**

A demonstration of the effect of alcoholic beverages upon drivers of motor vehicles was presented to the employees and officials of the Virginia Electric and Power Company and a number of invited guests by the power company's Safety Engineer, E. C. Bookman, in the large garage at the company power plant last Monday night. The tests proved that the reaction time of the motorist who imbibes whiskey, beer, or ale is stepped up anywhere from four to 26 points, according to the amount drunk and the time intervening between drinks and the test.

The tests, given to voluntary employees of the power company, showed that the reaction time, the time intervening between danger signal and applying brakes, of a man who has drunk 6 ounces of whiskey is doubled in twenty minutes after the drinking. The tests also proved that men who drink beer or ale are victims of slower reaction time over a longer period of time than those who drink whiskey.

In every case the blood pressure

of the drinker rose considerably. Dr. Johnnie Martin, of the local hospital, assisted Mr. Bookman in making the blood pressure tests. Frank Sherry, general manager of the power company, also assisted in the demonstration.

An apparatus, simulating the driving instruments of an automobile or truck was used in the demonstration. The driver tried to keep the steering wheel, by means of an arrow attached to the steering rod, in line with an object that was moved from side to side by an assistant, meanwhile pressing his foot on an "accelerator" which kept a motor in the apparatus running. The assistant flashed a danger light, three of which were located in the left, right, and center front, and the driver took his foot off the accelerator and applied the brakes, the intervening time being recorded by electrical instruments.

The men participating in the demonstration were first tested for normal reaction time, their normal blood pressure being taken in the meantime. Each man was then given a drink of some alcoholic beverage. The seven men in the tests took two ounces, four ounces, and six ounces of whiskey, one bottle and two bottles of beer, one bottle

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## GENERAL METTS IS INVITED HERE FOR GUARD UNIT SESS'N

**Dr. L. G. Harrison New Chiropract'r Moves To City**



Announcement is made this week by Dr. Morris C. Barfield, that he has arranged with Dr. L. G. Harrison to take over his office and practice. Dr. Barfield is a well-known chiropractor of Emporia, and has devoted a part of his time to his Roanoke Rapids office for several years. Dr. Harrison is already located in the office, upstairs over Shell Furniture Co., and will devote his entire time to his Roanoke Rapids practice.

Dr. Harrison is a Chiropractor and Naturopath. He is a graduate of Lincoln Chiropractic College, Indianapolis, and of the National College of Drugless Therapy, of Nashville. He has spent the last 13-months taking post graduate work at Madison College, Madison, Tenn. He has also attended the Carnegie Institute, in New York City, has practiced in Umon, S. C. for two-years, and has performed diagnostic work for the International Diagnostic Research Society of Chicago. He will be assisted in the office by Mrs. Harrison.

Dr. and Mrs. Harrison will make their home in Roanoke Rapids, having already obtained a residence on Jackson Street. Dr. Harrison is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harrison, of Rocky Mount, and is himself a former Roanoke Rapids resident, having resided in the city in 1933 and 1934.

Among the out of town patients at the Roanoke Rapids Hospital this week are H. E. Davis of Littleton; David Dickens of Weldon; Mrs. E. L. Edwards of Seaboard; Mrs. F. A. Hastings of Emporia; Mrs. John Shaw of Paris Store, Va.; William Stoll of Littleton; Mrs. S. B. Spraggins of Gasburg, Va.; and Joseph D. Smith of Conway.

An invitation has been extended to General J. Van B. Metts, Adjutant General of the North Carolina National Guard, to come to Roanoke Rapids in the near future to discuss with citizens groups details concerning the formation of a National Guard unit in Roanoke Rapids.

The action was taken after a meeting held here Monday afternoon when committees from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Lions Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Merchants Association, the doctors and the City Board of Commissioners discussed the proposal in detail.

Gravest problem of providing armory space for the unit appeared solved when F. S. Kemp of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Halifax County Post No. 3702, presented resolutions of that organization pledging support and co-operation in getting the National Guard unit for Roanoke Rapids. The V. F. W. is planning to build a brick building 90 feet by 40 feet on the more than one acre plot owned by that organization at the North city limits on Roanoke Avenue. The Veterans are willing to permit this new building to be used for a temporary armory. The offer was received with much enthusiasm at the meeting. Plans, specifications and bids on the new building are now in the hands of the V.F.W. attorney and plans are to start construction in the near future.

The V.F.W. committee agreed to back the proposed medical unit although preferring a combat unit. It was pointed out that General Metts in his correspondence said only one new unit would be formed in the State: a Collecting Company of the 105th Medical Regiment. It was agreed that Roanoke Rapids would go after this unit with the hope of adding a combat unit in the future.

Senator T. W. M. Long stated he had talked with Dr. T. J. Taylor, a medical officer in the Reserve Corps, and Dr. Taylor would be willing to accept command of the company. Other doctors approached here say they would be glad to assist Dr. Taylor. General Metts stated as one of the requirements that a medical officer in command and a junior officer would be needed as well as other physicians interested in filling any vacancy which might occur. It was pointed out that several doctors in Roanoke Rapids are ex-service men.

The committees discussed the personnel of the company, feeling that when the call came for three year enlistments for a company of 66 men there would be many young men in Roanoke Rapids to respond and to fill future vacancies. Drills once each week and 15 days at Summer camp would be required for which time the members would be paid by the Federal government. The matter of finances was discussed.

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