

# NATIONAL GUARD NEWS

National Guard affairs are booming on Hawaii, where Col. Samuel I. Johnson, the adjutant-general, is inspecting the present companies and looking over prospective organizations. Reports from the Big Island create some confusion, as it cannot be ascertained whether the colonel has one new infantry regiment, or if another is to be added to the active personnel.

Before he left, Col. Johnson announced here to Company D that at that time 900 new men were in, plus the new men enlisted by the old companies. His papers quote Col. Johnson as demanding a 5000 man National Guard for the territory—and not letting up until he gets it. Interviews with him there credit him as saying the 2nd Regiment will be a Hawaii county affair, plus Maui companies.

At 7:30 o'clock this evening a meeting will be held in the armory which all students or alumni of the Kamehameha schools interested in military affairs are asked to attend. The gathering is for the purpose of organizing the new Company K, N. G. H. On the committee of organization for the company are 1st Lieut. A. J. Booth, U. S. A.; Harold Godfrey, Charles R. Bogtwick and E. C. Webster. All Kamehameha boys now in the guard will be allowed to transfer to the new company, which the organizers plan to make a "Kam" military unit.

Bids for further improvement of the National Guard armory have been advertised for. The plans contemplate fitting up six company rooms in the big structure's interior, which now has only about a third of its available room space utilized. The extensions will give each company two rooms where they now have only one.