

FOR BURKE ELECTION

Headquarters Opened For College Campaign

A headquarters office was opened today to serve as a center of activity for a campaign to approve a comprehensive community college for Burke County.

A county-wide steering committee seeking approval for the institution in an election March 21 said office space will be used in the Patton building on North Sterling Street, over the Jackson Office Supply and next door to the old News-Herald building.

A corps of volunteers will staff the headquarters from 2 to 5:30 p.m. from Monday through Fridays and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 on Saturday. A telephone has been installed, and the number is 437-7611.

Dr. E. W. Phifer Jr., general chairman, said the office will be a focal point for seeking additional information for themselves and their neighbors before the March 21 election.

The headquarters staff, he explained, will hand out folders explaining the benefits of a comprehensive college, with its various vocational, trade and technical courses, and will arrange to supply answers to any questions which may be raised.

The office space, across the street from the Fox Theatre, is being made available by the owner of the building, Frank C. Patton, who is himself a leader. See HEADQUARTERS Page 3-A

Headquarters

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in the community college movement.

A large sign designating it as "Burke County Community College Campaign Headquarters" is expected to be hoisted into place this afternoon.

"It's the purpose of the steering committee," Dr. Phifer said, "to have a central place where people can drop in to ask any questions which they may have in mind about the comprehensive community college."

"Perhaps they will want a brochure to give to a neighbor or friend," he added.

With the election now less than two weeks away, the committee, made up of citizens throughout the county, wants to use all practical means of letting the people know the great opportunity which Burke County has to obtain one of the new college units which largely will be supported by the State.

The March 21 election will give the people a chance to vote on two necessary issues—authorizing bonds for the county's part of the cost of constructing a college on Interstate 40 and authorizing the county to appropriate funds for Burke's relatively small share of operating costs, it was explained. Both issues must be approved if Burke is to get a college.

Since the State approved Burke County as the site for a college, subject to the forthcoming election, many civic, religious and fraternal organizations have endorsed the plan, as have leaders of both political parties who have been identified with the movement from the start.



MAPPING HEADQUARTERS SCHEDULE—

A few of the women who will arrange to staff the headquarters for the Burke County community college campaign are shown in the office, opened today in the Patton building over the Jackson Office Supply on North Sterling Street, next door to the old News-Herald building. With many other volunteers helping, the headquarters will be open each afternoon and all day on Saturday until the county-wide election March 21. Left to right,

seated: Mrs. Douglas O. Cutting, Mrs. Walter Carter, Mrs. Maurice V. Talley, Mrs. Claude P. Russell, Mrs. Leslie Farfour, Mrs. John A. Pohns. Standing: Mrs. Sherrod Salsbury, Mrs. W. C. Bussert, Mrs. W. Randolph Loftis and Mrs. D. Holman Sigmon. The headquarters staff will receive questions and supply folders and other information about the proposed comprehensive community college. (Staff Photo by F. H. Dixon).