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## MEET YOUR SUPERVISOR

In the late thirties, a young man named Clifford Chappell passed the Pointer every morning on his way to work at Nachman Spring-Filled Corporation. This young man decided he would like to work in a hosiery mill--especially Adams-Millis Corporation's Pointer Plant, so he stopped one morning and applied for a job. Jobs were not so easy to come by in those days and it took several stops before he was successful in getting on. However, perseverance did bring its reward, and in April of 1939, he was hired as a scissor clipper on second shift. Thus Clifford C. Chappell was introduced to Adams-Millis and the hosiery industry.



**C. Chappell**

Clifford was born June 23, 1920, on a farm in Surry County at the foothills of the Blue Ridge. He was educated in the High Point city schools, but each summer he returned to his grandfather's farm in Surry County to help with the tobacco and the thousand-and-one chores to be done on the farm.

Upon his graduation from high school in 1937, however, he decided to stay in High Point and secured a job operating a knotting machine for Nachman Spring-Filled Corporation where he remained until he came to the Pointer in 1939. Clifford worked for about six months as a clipper and was then given the opportunity to learn to knit on "H" machines. About a

year later, when new P. W. machines were installed in the plant, he was transferred to them and soon was promoted to the job of fixing. Then, along came World War II and November of 1942 found Clifford serving in the Armed Forces. When he returned from service in January of 1946, he was promoted to third-shift supervisor of the Knitting Department; but, in 1953, business became slow and it was necessary to close down the third shift for a year. During this time, Clifford moved up to second shift as head fixer on Komet machines, and in 1954 became second shift knitting supervisor. When the Looping and Knitting Departments were moved from the Pointer in July of 1959, he moved to the English Street plant as second-shift supervisor of the combined Pointer and Piedmont Knitting Departments, the position he holds today. For more than 22 years, he has not been absent from work a single day because of illness.

While in service, Clifford served with the Air Force in both the American and Asiatic Theaters, most of the time as a parachute rigger. In September of 1944, he took time off from duty to marry Miss Annie Hughes, the girl he left behind. They have one child, a sixteen-year-old daughter, Carol Ann. They are members of English Street Baptist Church where Clifford serves as assistant secretary. At their home, 3700 North Main Street, Clifford tends a garden and keeps their freezer overflowing. However, he does take time off occasionally to pursue his favorite hobby of hunting and fishing.