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**CONGRATULATIONS!** "Uncle Dave" Woodruff, for 48 years a valued employee of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, shakes hands with Lieutenant Commander Thurmond Chatham, U. S. N., president of the Company, just prior to receiving from Brig. General Clifford Lee Corbin a beautiful "E" pin which he accepted on behalf of the employees of the Company, who later received individual pins. Photo was made during exercises at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. Monday in which Army-Navy "E" Award was presented the Chatham Company.—Tribune Photo.



## FIGHT WAY INTO SOLOMONS

### Americans Pushing Way Into Interior Of Three Islands

#### FACING STRONG JAPANESE AIR, LAND ATTACKS

Few Details of Fighting Received

PLANES PLAYING PART

Marines Fighting Inland With Bayonet and Hand Grenades

APPROACH OBJECTIVE

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Australia. — United States Marines are fighting their way into the interior of three key Solomon Islands against a desperate Japanese defense and under a furious attack by enemy bomber and fighter planes, reports indicated today.

Details of the fighting were awaited eagerly at headquarters especially because of a belief that the marines, in effecting their first landings, used parachutists.

On the sixth day of the first great American offensive in the Pacific, it was indicated that the Japanese were fighting a desperate delaying action while from bases all over the southwest Pacific they rushed every warship, troop ship and plane they could in a determined attempt to break the foothold the marines, in a combined naval, land and aerial attack, had won at the southern end of the Solomons.

(An Australian broadcasting commission correspondent reported from an advanced base that it was believed the marines were making progress and the marines and other shock troops were firmly established in the Tulagi area, aided by the full weight of an allied naval and aerial offensive.)

Allied naval and land based planes were reported fighting a wild battle with increasing numbers of Japanese planes, including Zero fighters.

The American forces had no land-based fighter planes and their only land-based bombers were those of the United Nations forces in the Australian zone, based 1,000 miles or more from the nearest allied flying field to the battle area.

The marines, landed from their Commando invasion boats, were believed to have secured their footholds on Tulagi, Florida, and Guadalcanal islands and were fighting their way inland with bayonet and hand grenade against strong Japanese forces.

They were battling through swamps, coconut groves, undulating grasslands and clumps of trees, and filtering up the streams where crocodiles lurked waiting to attack the wounded.

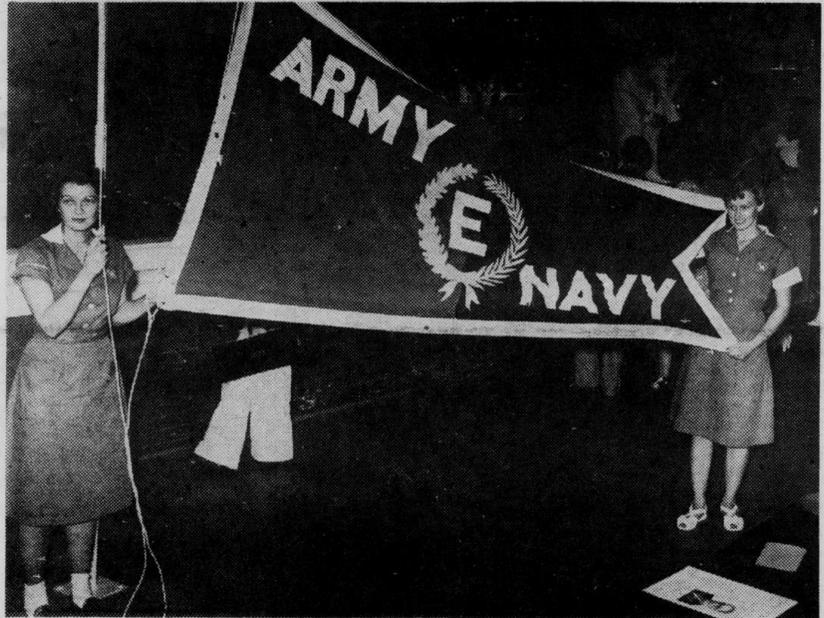
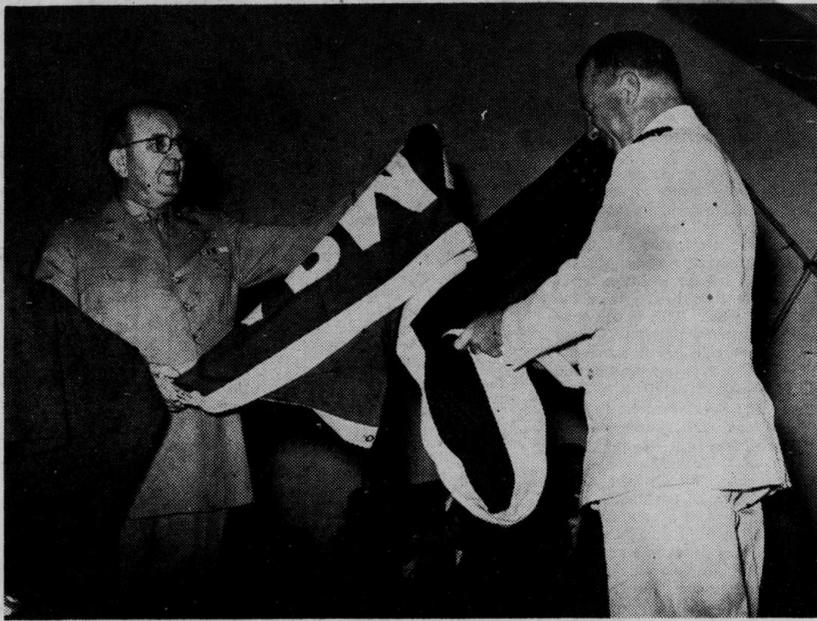
There was every indication that despite losses which the United States Navy command calculated in advance would be severe, the United States forces, naval land and aerial, were approaching their objective of occupying islands in the Tulagi area as the first step in pushing the Japanese back toward home.

#### Defense Meet For Today Is Postponed

The meeting of members of the local Citizens Defense Corps, announced last week for this evening, has been cancelled until further notice, it was learned Wednesday from Roy Kane, of the Defense Office.

Further notice as to when the meeting will be held will be forthcoming later, it is understood.

### AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE



Brig. Gen. Clifford Lee Corbin presents the coveted Army-Navy "E" pennant to Lieut. Comdr. Thurmond Chatham, U. S. N., and president of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, in photo at top, made during the presentation exercises of the Excellence Award at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. Monday afternoon. Lower photo shows the pennant displayed by Miss Ann Lineback and Miss Ann Gross, who raised it on high from a staff which had been erected in the auditorium, immediately after Commander Chatham had accepted it from the hands of General Corbin.—Tribune Photos.

## Chatham Company Is Presented "E" Award

Excellence Pennant Unfurled in Presence of High Army, Navy Officers, State and National Figures, and Employees of Company Monday Afternoon

On behalf of the Chatham Manufacturing Company, Lieutenant Commander Thurmond Chatham, U. S. N. R., and president of the Chatham Manufacturing Company here, Monday afternoon received the highest honor that can be paid to an industrial plant in war time — the Army-Navy Award of Excellence.

The attractive "E" pennant was presented Chatham by Brigadier General Clifford Lee Corbin, of the quartermaster's corps, Washington, D. C., in an impressive presentation ceremony held at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A., in the presence of Chatham employees and high ranking officers of the army, navy and marine corps, and high state and national officials.

To "Uncle Dave" Woodruff, one of the company's oldest employees, but now retired after 48 years of service, General Corbin presented a sterling silver pin emblematic of the individual's effort in the program. Mr. Woodruff received the pin in behalf of the

Chatham employees, who received similar pins following the ceremony.

The ceremony, held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, was broadcast over a state-wide network of radio stations, and was presided over by Former Gov. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby. The program was opened by Albert L. Butler, vice-president of the Chatham Manufacturing Company and actively in charge of the company during the absence of Mr. Chatham.

Mr. Hoey, who presented General Corbin and introduced the other notables present, praised the spirit of the Chatham workers and expressed the desire that the entire nation might develop a similar enthusiasm to end the war victoriously.

General Corbin, in his presentation address, paid tribute to the men on the production line. "That the Chatham Company has been deemed worthy to receive this honor is a tribute not only to effective management on the part of company officials, but to the untiring efforts on the part of each and every employee," he said.

The Chatham company has converted and expanded its plant to meet wartime needs to the point where 80 per cent of its entire effort is directed toward war production, the speaker said. At the time the recommendation for the "E" award was placed before the army board for production awards, he said, the firm had completed the manufacture of more than two and one-quarter

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### Guernsey School To Be Held At Klondike

One of the three Guernsey judging schools to be held in North Carolina during the week of August 17, will be held at Klondike Farm here on August 18, with dairy farmers, county agents and vocational teachers attending.

Other schools will be held in Durham and Haywood counties. The school here will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning. Dean H. H. Kildee of Ohio State College, will be the principal instructor for each school and Prof. J. P. LaMaster of Clemson College, S. C., will assist with the show here.

Five classes of cows and heifers and two classes of bulls will be judged at each of the shows.

## Draftees To Be Guests At Banquet August 18

### Large Number Of Men To Leave Soon For Induction Into Army

A banquet will be staged at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. here Tuesday evening, August 18, at 7:30 for all selective service draftees who will leave for induction into the United States Army on August 20 from the Dobson draft board. The banquet, which will be similar to those staged for other draftees, will again be sponsored by the George Gray Post of the American Legion, in cooperation with other civic organizations and individuals. Each of the men leaving for camp will be presented a gift.

An interesting program will be presented for the entertainment of the guests. The program will be highlighted with a talk by T. C. McKnight, superintendent of the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A.

The list of men who are to go to the Army this month was released by the local draft board Wednesday, and appears below. It marks the largest quota yet sent from this area.

Sam David Thomas, transferred from other board; James Robert Young, Elkin; Jefferson Emery Poindexter, Rt. 4, Mt. Airy; Charlie Henry Crissman, Rt. 1, Siloam; James Paul Sprinkle, Rt. 1, Pilot Mountain; Harvey Wil-

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## FOLGER SPEAKS TO JR. CHAMBER

Tells of Experiences in Congress and Urges Full War Effort

GUESTS ARE PRESENT

John H. Folger, congressman from this district, was guest speaker for the Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting held Monday evening at the Neaves picnic park. Mr. Folger was here for the formal exercises attendant to the awarding of the Army-Navy pennant to Chatham Manufacturing company for excellence in production of war materials.

A picnic supper was served, consisting of country ham and numerous accessories.

Special guests in addition to Congressman Folger were Dr. E. G. Click, Hugh Royall, R. C. Lewellyn and J. W. L. Benson.

Mr. Folger spoke briefly on his experiences in congress and urged the Jaycees to put forth every effort for war duties now and for the period following our victory.

C. C. Weaver, Jr., president of the group, presided over the session. The electric generators on a big U. S. battleship or carrier could fill the electric power requirements of a city the size of Newark, N. J. Such warships have power plants generating an output two-thirds as great as that of TVA's Norris Dam.

### Curb Market Has Customers, Not Enough Sellers

The Elkin Curb Market, which opened here several weeks ago is faced with a peculiar situation due to the fact that it has more calls for produce than it has produce to offer.

Claude Farrell, a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the organization which sponsored the market, said Tuesday that more sellers are needed to supply the demand.

To date, Mr. Farrell said, the market has had to close around 10:30 or 11:00 o'clock in the morning due to the fact that all sellers who brought in produce had sold out, and that each Saturday numerous persons seeking to buy at the market were disappointed because nothing was left.

"We want all farmers who have produce to sell to use the market," Mr. Farrell said. The customers are there waiting to buy. All they have to do is bring in their goods.

Farmers are required to go through no red tape to use the market and are urged to sell their produce there each Saturday.

## ARE PLANNING SALVAGE DRIVE

Local Committee Hears Radio Talk By Governor Broughton Thursday

EVERYONE CAN HELP

A. O. Bryan, chairman of the local Scrap Salvage committee, said Wednesday that plans are under way here for the local Scrap Salvage Campaign, and that as soon as complete information is available as to packing, shipping and disposing of the various scrap materials wanted for the war effort, full details will be announced.

One feature that is being planned is a "Junk Rally" to which everyone will be invited to attend and bring as much junk as they can, but complete details have not been announced.

The committee met last Thursday evening and heard a Radio pep talk by Governor Broughton, who spoke from Raleigh.

He pointed out, in discussing the materials wanted, that even housewives can help make bombs for Berlin by preparing to do their part in the campaign.

House furnishings and other equipment owned by the average American housewife contain a total of nearly 1,000 pounds of iron

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## Liquor Flows Freely Here Over Week-end

Twelve persons were arrested here during the past week-end on charges of public drunkenness. Tried Monday before Magistrate J. L. Hall, the cases were disposed of as follows:

Frank Martin, colored; T. C. Lear, Charlie Combs, Willie Martin, Bob Allen, colored; Dewey Blackburn, Boyd Shepherd, and Archie Combs, public drunkenness, each fined \$2.50 and costs.

David Shore, public drunkenness, \$1.00 and costs; DeWitt Crabb, public drunkenness, 30 days; David Watts, public drunkenness, taxed with costs; Paul Swain, public drunkenness, \$2.00 and costs.

Romey Marion, no driver's license, taxed with costs.

## REPLY RECEIVED TO BOND WIRES

Treasury Department Calls July Bond Sales Remarkable Achievement

POSTMASTER NOTIFIED

Mayor J. R. Poindexter has received a letter from R. W. Coyne, field director, War Savings Staff, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., in reply to the telegram sent to President Roosevelt, July 31 concerning the sale of bonds here in July.

The letter follows: We have your telegram of July 31, addressed to the President, announcing the highly successful War Bond campaign in Elkin during the month of July.

In a letter to Mr. F. W. Graham (Elkin Postmaster), we explained that official figures are not broken down for sales units smaller than counties. Although it is not possible to measure the success with which cities throughout the United States exceeded sales objectives in July, we wish to thank the leaders of Elkin and all who participated in this remarkable achievement.

We hope that succeeding sales objectives will be surpassed by an equally generous margin.