



COMMANDER CHATHAM IS DECORATED—Commander Thurmond Chatham, USNR, of Elkin and now stationed in Washington, D. C., is pictured as he received the Bronze Star from Assistant Secretary of the Navy H. Struve Hensel on June 20 in Washington. The award was for meritorious achievement as First Lieutenant and Damage Control Officer aboard the USS Phoenix from December 26, 1943, to May 18, 1944.

Thurmond Chatham Winner Bronze Star

Is Presented For Meritorious Service At Sea

Commander Thurmond Chatham, of Elkin, USNR, now stationed in Washington, has been presented the Bronze Star by Assistant Secretary of the Navy H. Struve Hensel, for meritorious achievement as first lieutenant and damage control officer aboard the USS Phoenix from December 26, 1943, to May 18, 1944.

The award, made in Washington on June 20, was accompanied by the following citation: "For meritorious achievement as First Lieutenant and Damage Control Officer attached to the USS Phoenix during action against enemy Japanese forces in the Southwest Pacific area from December 26, 1943, to May 18, 1944. Instilling in his men his own spirit of determination and high standards of performance, Commander Chatham maintained the hull department and damage control organization of the Phoenix at the peak of efficiency and in readiness for any emergency during a period of fierce hostilities in which his vessel participated with bold aggressiveness. An able leader, he established reliable policies of operation which were resolutely followed by his units subsequent to his detachment and enabled the crews he had so skillfully trained to handle with prompt effectiveness combat damage inflicted by enemy bombs. By his brilliant initiative, forceful direction and constant devotion to duty in the fulfillment of his important assignment, Commander Chatham was largely responsible for the high state of battle readiness maintained on the Phoenix as she operated in advance of base and tender facilities in restricted waters and his exemplary conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

NURSES' AIDES WILL GRADUATE

Third Red Cross Class To Be Guest At Banquet At YMCA Friday Evening

NEW CLASS TO BEGIN

The third Red Cross Nurses' aide class to be trained at Hugh Chatham hospital here, will be graduated at special exercises to be held at the Gilvin Roth YMCA Friday evening at 7:15, following a banquet for the new graduates, which will also be attended by the 42 other Nurses' Aides who have graduated in previous classes. The banquet will be staged by the hospital, and will be attended by hospital officials and the class instructor, Mrs. Seth M. Beale. The graduation exercises to follow will be held in the YMCA parlour and will be open to the public. Ten members make up the class. A new class will begin at the hospital on July 10 at the request of Dr. C. C. Weaver, Sr., general superintendent, and Dr. E. L. Rice. Classes will be held each Tuesday and Friday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 o'clock, with Mrs. Beale again acting as instructor. All women who have the time are urged to enroll.

E-Bond Sales In Surry Now 67 Per Cent

\$506,536 SOLD AS DRIVE HITS FINAL PERIOD

Only Slightly More Than Week Left Until Close

E QUOTA IS \$756,000.00

Elkin E-Bond Sales Since Beginning of Seventh War Loan Now \$254,250

FINAL REPORTS JULY 7

Latest figures on the progress of the Seventh War Loan drive in Surry county, which ends in approximately one week, disclose that the county has reached only 67 per cent of its E-Bond quota, J. F. Yokley, of Mount Airy, county chairman, announced Tuesday. With an E-Bond quota of \$756,000 sales of E-Bonds in Surry this far total \$506,536.25. E-Bond sales in the Elkin district now total \$254,250. Miss Mattie Mae Powell, co-chairman of the drive, announced Wednesday morning. However, many of the bonds included in this figure have also been counted in the county total, it was said. E. C. Boyles, local sales agent, announced Tuesday that the Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, had purchased War Bonds in the amount of \$500,000 in North Carolina in connection with the current drive, and in line with the company's policy of allocating this purchase among the 100 counties of North Carolina in proportion to each county's quota, had allocated Surry county \$5,000. Sale of E-Bonds, to count in the Seventh War Loan drive, must be reported to the Federal Reserve Bank at Richmond on or before July 7. Mr. Yokley stated that if sales of E-Bonds did not pick up within the next week he was fearful that the county would not reach its quota. Complete figures on the county's overall Bond sales are to be announced in the near future, he said.

July 4th Will Be Observed As Holiday Here

Elkin merchants will observe all day Wednesday, July 4th, as a holiday, it was announced Tuesday by G. L. Hill, president of the Elkin Merchants association, following a poll of merchants here Tuesday morning. The poll was taken when it was learned that some of the stores wished to close both Wednesday and Thursday, due to the fact that the Fourth will fall on a half-holiday observed here each week during the summer months. However, a majority did not wish to observe both days, and the Wednesday closing was decided upon.

YADKIN MEN GO TO FORT BRAGG

Three Fail To Report For Induction In Tuesday Call; Had Been Examined

TWO FROM JONESVILLE

Twenty-four Yadkin county boys left Yadkinville Tuesday morning for Fort Bragg, where they will be assigned to the various branches of the armed service. They previously had been examined and passed and they go this time for induction. The 24 leaving were: Weaver Russell Haynes, Cycle; Mack Robert Hemric, Jonesville; Milas Clarence Sparks, Cycle; James Elmer Morrison, Rt. 1, Jonesville; Paul William Frazier, Yadkinville; Bernis Elmer Winters, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Travis Homer Benton, Rt. 1, Booneville; John Henry Matthews, Rt. 2, East Bend; Junior Vernon Hutchens, Rt. 2, East Bend; Joseph Johnson Allen, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Jesse Worth Mikes, Rt. 2, East Bend; Henry Clyde Caudle, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Robert Fred Fletcher, Booneville; James Gaither Sizemore, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; C. E. Nicks, Jr. Cycle; John Preston McCoy, Rt. 2, Yadkinville; Albert Lee Huff, Rt. 1, Booneville; Fred Jay Wooten, Rt. 1, Yadkinville; Thomas Henry Billings, Rt. 2, Hamptonville; Reggie Lee Goss, Rt. 1, Booneville; Glenn Richard Trivette, Rt. 1, Booneville; Enoch Elijah Templeton, Rt. 1, Hamptonville; Thomas Thad Murphy, Yadkinville; Allen Eldred, Rt. 1, Yadkinville.

CHAIRMEN ARE NAMED BY CLUB

Lions Name Committee Heads; Graham Delegate To Durham

SESSION HELD AT YMCA

At the meeting of the Elkin Lions Club, held Tuesday evening at the Gilvin Roth YMCA, committee chairmen for the year were announced, and President W. J. Graham was named a delegate to the district business convention of the state organization, to be held in Durham Saturday, June 30. Committee chairmen were announced as follows: Administrative committees—Attendance, Eugene Lewis; constitution and by-laws, W. A. Poston; convention, John Kennedy; finance, Gene Hall; Lions education, L. C. Richardson; membership, Glen Lewis; program, Fred Eidson; publicity, R. L. Reinhardt; bulletin editor, Graham C. Greene. Activities committees—boys and girls, R. E. Jennings; citizenship and patriotism, J. C. Wall; civic improvement, Jake Jones; education, Colin Pardee; health and safety, Dr. Seth M. Beale; safety, Joe Saylor; sight conservation, C. R. Alexander; initiation, Franklin Miller; military laws, Neil Branch; athletics, George Stockton; community betterment, H. C. Bowman; greeters, J. F. Ludwig; Francis Jarvis, C. R. Alexander, R. L. Reinhardt, L. F. Walker and H. G. York.

SURRY MEN GO TO FORT BRAGG

Report Monday, June 25, For Induction Into U. S. Military Services

FROM DRAFT BOARD 2

The following group of Surry county men, under the jurisdiction of the draft board No. 2, at Dobson, left for Fort Bragg for induction into the armed service Monday, June 25: William Floyd McCormick, Rockford; Grover Walter Haymore, Rt. 4, Mt. Airy; Oliver Key, Jr., Rt. 1, Ararat; Burlie Wilcox Beane, Dobson; Charles Ulysses Kenney, N. Bridge St., Elkin; John Anthony McCormick, Rockford; Greer Oliver Atkins, Rt. 1, Ararat; Warren G. Davis, Rt. 2, Dobson; Calvin Edward Wagoner, Rt. 1, Pilot Mountain; Warren Harding Norman, Thurmond; Calvin Nicholas Johnson, Rt. 2, Dobson; Dick Ward Ramey, Rt. 1, Lowgap; William Harwood Bryant, Rockford; William Gaston Brinkley, Rt. 1, Pilot Mountain; Phillip Wade Holcomb, Elkin; Edward Grant Cockerham, Crutchfield; Garvey Braxton Southern, Elkin.

Boonville Soldier Seriously Wounded

Private First Class Enos G. Stinson, of Booneville, was seriously wounded on Okinawa May 25, according to an official War Department telegram received Wednesday by his wife, Mrs. Edith P. Stinson, of Booneville.

YOUR COUNTRY IS STILL AT WAR—ARE YOU?

TOKYO CLAIMS YANKS INVADE KUME ISLAND

Heavy Fighting Under Way, Japanese Say

STORY NOT CONFIRMED

Island Is Located 50 Miles West of Okinawa; Report May Prove True

GET INVASION JITTERS

Guam, June 27. — Tokyo said today that American invasion forces, enlarging their Ryukyus springboard for landings in Japan and possibly China, stormed ashore yesterday on Kume Island, 50 miles west of Okinawa.

The Japanese garrison intercepted the invaders and heavy fighting is under way, radio Tokyo said.

Capture of Kume would give the Americans their closest base yet to the China Coast, 360 miles to the west. The tiny island lies in the East China Sea some 300 miles northeast of Formosa and 400 miles southwest of Japan proper.

There was no immediate confirmation of the landing report from American sources, but Tokyo said yesterday that 200 American warships and landing craft were assembled in the American-held Kerama Islands, half way between Okinawa and Kume, for new landings in the Ryukyu Island chain or possibly in Japan itself.

In invasion-jittery Japan, the enemy's biggest surviving oil re-

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TRUMAN SEEKS RATIFICATION

Addresses Closing Session of San Francisco Conference Tuesday Night

URGES PROMPT ACTION

San Francisco, June 26. — President Truman told the closing session of the San Francisco conference tonight that the charter for world peace would be sent immediately to the United States senate for America's ratification, and he called on the world to support it wholeheartedly or betray all those who died so that it might be created. The president told united nations delegates that his country, which declined to join the league of nations after world war I, was now "overwhelmingly" in favor of American participation in the new structure for the maintenance of world peace. He spoke to the final plenary session shortly after the delegates completed the formal, ceremonial signing of the blue and gold bound printed charter. With those ceremonies, the charter now will come into operation as soon as it is ratified by the proper number of nations — the big five and a majority, 23, of the other 45 united nations. Mr. Truman gave the delegates a message of hope for permanent peace. But he also injected the warning that now this charter has been written, "the world must use it."

CHATHAM WHIPS KENNEYS 12-9

Local Team Has Yet To Be Beaten This Season; Play Independence Saturday

DEAL GETS HOME RUN

In a game with Kenneys, of Winston-Salem, last Saturday, Chatham's crack baseball aggregation which has yet to lose a game this season, defeated their opponents 12 to 9. A return game was scheduled for Wednesday night at Winston-Salem. Leading the hitting for the Blanketeers were Mounce, Dickerson and Deal, the latter smacking out a home run. Stinson, on the mound for Chatham, allowed 13 hits, while Reece and Hayes, for Kenneys, allowed 10 and four hits respectively.

Organ Music Recital Is To Be Presented

Rev. Stephen Morrisett will present a recital of organ music at the Baptist church Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Morrisett is widely known as an accomplished musician. His program will include a varied selection of organ music. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Conservation Service To Establish Office In Elkin On July 1st

ANNOUNCE NEW SWIM SCHEDULE

New Hours And Regulations Agreed Upon By Officials of YMCA Here

OPEN AT NIGHT JULY 2

A new schedule of swim classes and use of the swimming pool at the Gilvin Roth YMCA has been announced by YMCA officials, along with regulations governing the use of the pool.

The new schedule, except where indicated, is to become effective Monday, July 2, the date upon which it will start remaining open each day except Sundays, until 9:30 p. m.

Children under seven years of age will be allowed to enter the pool only with members of their immediate family or with someone else only by special permission of pool officials. This same regulation applies to boys and girls from 7 to 14 years of age who come to the pool at night. It is also requested that parents keep their children from running while within the pool area.

The schedule, as announced Tuesday, is as follows:

9:30 a. m.—boys' swimming class. (Next class to begin July 9).

10:00 a. m.—girls' swimming class. (Next class to begin July 9).

10:30 to 11:30 a. m.—boys and girls swim, age 7 to 14 years.

11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.—pool closed.

2:00 to 2:30 p. m.—adult swim class. (Register at "Y" for class to begin July 2).

2:30 to 4:00 p. m.—adults 18 years old and over and boys and girls age 7 to 14.

4:00 to 5:30 p. m.—adults and young people 15 to 18 years of age.

5:30 p. m.—adult swim class (Begins July 2).

5:30 to 7:00 p. m.—adults and young people 15 years of age or over.

7:00 to 9:30 p. m.—(beginning July 2)—adults and young people 15 years of age or over.

Regulations and any changes in schedule will be posted on a bulletin board near the pool, it was announced.



J-C OFFICIALS ARE INSTALLED

Alex Biggs Takes Office As Junior Chamber Holds Special Meeting Here

HAVE GOOD PROGRAM

A group of approximately 150, including members and their wives, and guests attended the Junior Chamber of Commerce installation of officers meeting held at Neaves Park here Tuesday afternoon to hear an impressive and highly enjoyable program which featured a number of prominent state Jaycees.

The new president of the Jaycees, Alex Biggs, was installed in office by Clayton Frost, state president, of Winston-Salem, while other officers were installed by Fred Dixon, prominent Raleigh Jaycee. Claude Farrell, a past-

RECEIVES PURPLE HEART—Private First Class Sam S. Sizemore, son of Mrs. Ollie Sizemore, of State Road, has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received on Okinawa on April 11. In addition to the Purple Heart he was also awarded a Combat Ribbon and two Battle Stars. He recently returned to the United States after serving for twelve months overseas and is now stationed at Camp Pickett, Va. Sizemore entered service in 1942 and trained at Camp Wheeler, Ga., before going overseas.

The Federal Soil Conservation Service is to establish a work unit in Elkin similar to ones which are now working with farmers on their soil conservation problems in Dobson, Wilkesboro, and Yadkinville, it was announced by Garland Johnson, chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council, which is sponsoring the project. H. M. Willis, soil conservationist at Yadkinville at the present time, has been assigned to the Elkin office effective July 1. The section in which Mr. Willis will work is roughly bounded by a 10-mile circle around the Elkin trade area. The Soil Conservation Service has been assisting a few farmers in this vicinity up to the present time from the adjoining three counties. Mr. Dunn, conservationist in Wilkes county, and Mr. Trevathan, conservationist in Surry, will assist Mr. Willis in getting started in the Elkin area.

E. B. Garrett, state soil conservationist, in agreeing to establish the work unit here, stated that it is being done as a result of the local agricultural program begun here some years ago by the Elkin Agricultural Council, which is made up of Elkin civic clubs and the business men of the town, and because of the increased demand for technical assistance in soil conservation work by farmers in the Elkin section. T. F. Cooley, manager of Klondike Farm, a member of the council, has been especially active in locating the office here, it was said.

By establishing the office, the Service will be able to serve more

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EXPECTING 120 ENTRIES HERE

Fat Stock Show And Sale To Be Much Larger This Fall, Report Indicates

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN

The third annual Elkin Fat Stock and Wool Show and Sale, which will be held here sometime in October, will see a large increase in the number of entries of baby beavers over previous years, Neill M. Smith, Surry county agent, has announced. Mr. Smith, who has taken an active part in the show and sale each year, stated that 120 head are expected to be entered, as compared with 22 shown in 1943 and 48 shown in 1944.

Calves expected to be entered from various counties this year, number by counties, as follows: Caldwell, 2; Davie, 2; Alexander, 4; Ashe, 5; Stokes, 8; Yadkin, 10; Surry, 20; Alleghany, 22; Iredell, 22; Wilkes, 25.

Calves will be entered by 4-H Club members and Future Farmers of America.

Actual dates of the fat stock show and sale will be announced later.

Graystone Inn At Roaring Gap Open

Graystone Inn, nationally-famous summer resort, at Roaring Gap, formally opened Friday with the Burlington Mills group holding their annual meeting there. Manager Walter T. Bovard announced this week.

Anticipating one of the largest seasons in its history, the Inn again will be under the management of Mr. Bovard, who has been at Roaring Gap for the past nine years. He announced that all cottages were opening and that a large colony was expected.

TO BE LOCATED IN CITY HALL; WILLIS COMING

Will Have Office In Elkin City Hall

FOR FARMERS OF AREA

Move Is Outgrowth of Agricultural Program Begun Here Few Years Ago

SHOULD BE BIG HELP