While the swimmers swam at the swimming meet W. S. Clark & Sons two store buildings burst into flames. Local fireman battled the blaze all night and are to be tha nked for saving the main store from serious damage and preventing the fire from spreading to other buildings. Estimated damage was set at \$50,000 which was fully covered by insurance. The Ladies Ready to Wear Dept. was destroyed completely and the Hardware Dept. almost a total loss. It was believed that the fire started by a defective electric cable in the upstairs section. It is expected that the store will be fully repaired by Jan. 1st, 1944.

#### LADIES CIVIC CLUB ORGANIZED

Tarboro has organized a Pilot Club for business and professional women of the city. Pilot Clubs are members of a national organization with the object of Community Service. The Officers of the Local Club are: Pres. Phoebe J. Harris, 1st Vice-Pres; Athlea Boone, 2nd Vice-Pres. Myrtle Prescott; Recor ding Sec. Josephine Arnold; Corresponding Sec. Elizabeth Ruffin; Treas. Anne Lovelace. Directors: Marian Watt, Delores Cobb, Janie Allsbrooks, Christine Whitehead, Deno Creech & Gretchen Grantham The first civic project undertaken by the group has had a most succe ssful beginning. A dance, with refreshments, was had at the communi ty House for visiting service men In the future each Sat. night from 8:30 Until 11:30 the club will offer similar entertainment at the same place and wishes the HFN to advertise their invitation to all service men, local or other wise who are visiting in Tarboro to attend any or all of these entertainments.

#### DOOLITTLE READS HOME FRONT NEWS

1st. Lt. Eugene Simmons, Ex Edgecombe Tobacco Auctioneer, Radio Announcer, Furniture Man & Playboy ( ex not intended to prefix playboy) spread the HFN on a bull etin board either in Africe or in Sicily & who should stop & read the World's Widest Circulated Newspaper but Gen. Doolittle. You know if the Tokyo Terrorizer would write Ye Editor a personal request he would be put on the mailing list and be able to read the HFN sitting down). Gene is afraid th at if both Hal and Dinksie should come overseas he will need a pay raise.

From a far advanced air base in The South Pacific comes the information that the Air Medal was awarded S/Sgt Geo. W. Killebrew, of Tarboro for his exceptional service in "Thirsty Thirteens" of the Air Force that had such an important part in winning the battle of Quadalcanal.

### JAP BOMBERS BESTED and Concession Addition

Capt. D. J. Moore, while in New Calodonia, looked up Pfc. Willie T. Phillips and thereafter while at Guadalcanal sought & found sgt. Vincent Batts....how did he know their addresses? why he found out in the HFN of course Later Capt Moore of the U.S. A. ... and Sgt. Batts of the USMC found themselves in the same Campalan The Battery commanded by Captain Moore shot down a Jap Bomber or the 14th and then discovered Sgt Batts! Battery had shot down two bombers 4 days before. The Capt. says "this goes to show you the. Marines are hard to beat It shows Ye Editor that any Maccles field fighter is hard to beat.

## CURIOUS TO ME

Camp Van porn Newspaper: "Free mail not bearing the proper return address will be returned to the sender."

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Johnnie Pender, USN of the Pacific has eaten goat meat until he bleats & feelsstrange hard knots upon his head. Jasper L. Fulford USN was with the first outfit of "Sea Bees" to leave the states; has been 16 months on an island in the Southwest Pacific --- m, tos spend spare time wishing the ocean would turn to beer & the mountains to ice cream--has seen no Lamours, LaMarrs or in fact any white woman for the 16 menths. S/Sgt.Sam R. Brown of somewhere in the Pacific gives the censor a fit---every time Sgt Sam would write HFN(abreviation) the censor would cut it our; it could have been a code you know Cpl. Joseph Everett has been in the Air Corps 6 months & in Alas ka 24 months; mailed Ye Editor the Glazier Gazette--- has got the Japs out now and soon will be showing the tourists around Cpl. Paul J. Hartman has been in Africa for 9 months & sends word to those who call the American deserts hot should look over his fox hole for real heat.