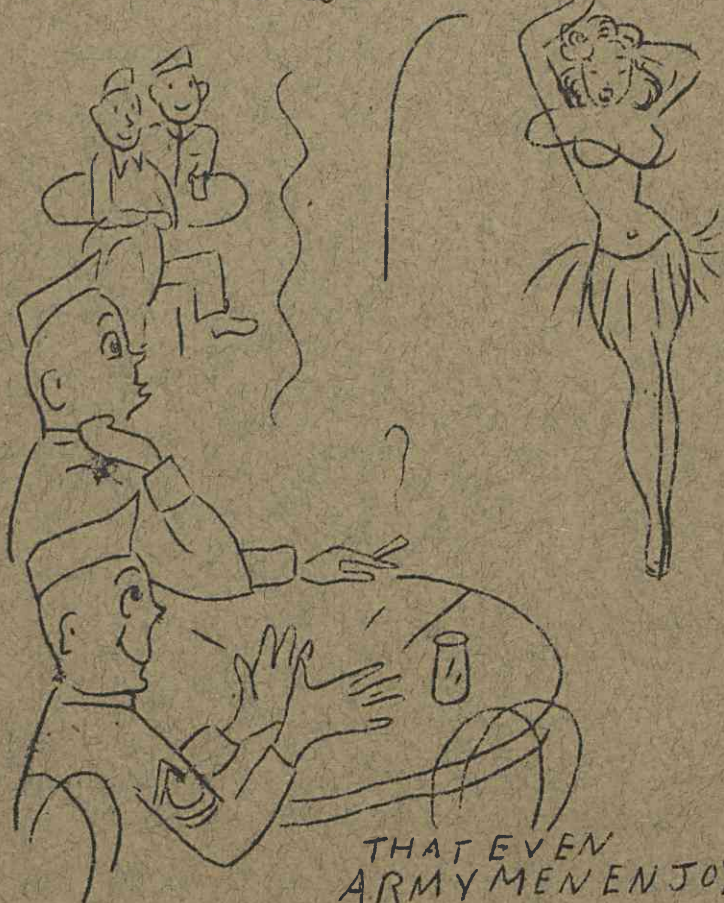


SQUADS WRITE

picture card from Rome....Joe Gay says M. S. Brown has right idea in pictures. (Joe, this guy Brown is never happy unless doing something to really help you boys out. Drop him a card)....Thos. L. Brake, F2/c, attends electric school at Bainbridge. Thinks HFN swell idea....And Zeb V. Alford likes the pictures of HFN girls, as do his buddies. He writes picturesque letter of country around and above Rome. (Zeb, we wish you were writing of scenery around Berlin). Sees awful destruction of medieval cities and towns- of dead and dying- and all that glorifies war. His parting phrase, "My D Day is the invasion of the U.S.A."....

NAVAL MANEUVERS



A la Wat S Smoot-
Candy is Dandy,
But Likker is quicker.

It's all right to tell a girl that she has pretty ankles but don't compliment her too highly.

-A DAILY PRAYER-
HELP ME TODAY, Dear Lord, TO KEEP MY BIG MOUTH SHUT.

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE LITTLE MORON WHO:
Slept on his stomach because he heard the Japs were looking for a new naval base.

Walked home with the sweater girl so he could 'pull the wool' over her eyes.

Planted flowers in his hair so he could be a blooming idiot.

Cpl. Rob't. L. Webb offers entire South Pacific for one of HFN girls. Says he again longs to jump from diving board at Tarboro pool. Says he and Mary Howard in same location....Sgt. Bud Sykes visits London. Very pretty, but give him Tarboro, says he. Says he has flown over London, Berlin, Paris, and Rome, but would like to bail out over Tarboro in preference to all. Now holds DFC and five clusters....Major Thos. Irvin Page tells us he visited Gene Simmons in Italy- had great time. Says Gene still selling Tarboro to everybody. Thomas reminds us of the great days past when "Shine" Howard, "Rat" Boykin, Raymond McDaniel and himself cavorted around Tarboro pool. Things will not be right, Thomas Irvin, until you guys return to this. (Another Tarboro boy who has made good in a big way)....Pfc. G. M. (Tip) Wilson says he's still looking for WACS supposed to be over there in Europe. Sends regards to "Pop" Bryan. Crazy about his HFN and "buckets" of beer. Jno. T. Hoard writes he was with Naval forces in French Invasion- also action in Africa, Sicily, Italy, Burma & India.

A note from Joseph F. Viverette states that he was a member of a U. S. Naval crew which invaded France....Lt. Elliott Taylor writes he has seen Julian Fenner and Roy Conyers in European theatre Great rejoicing there, you bet.....Bill Long, after 21 mos. away from States is ready to return. Thanks Bill for complimentary HFN remarks- they always listen good to us...."Buck" Herbert Brown really writes an interesting letter from England, but has never heard of a "mama bull"....Sgt. Allen Alderman moves up to Manchester, N. H. for summer - says too hot in Ala. Was 7 days late reporting and caught h.l....John Pittman says hot as heck in La. Sends greetings.