

# TOWN TALKS ON

The Southerner reports Marine Hy. M. Harrell wounded on Guam. Attended Pinetops High School, is married and has 2 children. Last reported in base hospital in Pacific. HFN conveys very best wishes to Henry. Engign Joe T. Stoker of La., visits Misses Lois Sowell and Ruby Hudson. Prof. Mike Wetzel addresses Kiwanis. Says local school has accredited rating of 1AA by State Board. Co-pilot. Lt. James W. Smoot, B-24 Liberator operator, wins air medal in European conflict. Wat has what it takes and we predict he will distinguish himself further. His dad was a Captain in World War I and served with distinction in France. Mrs. Buddie Bostain visits husband Col E. P. Bostain in Miami. Mrs. H. H. Keck attends funeral of Sterling Gates, who recently died of heart attack. Sterling former tobaccoist here. A/S Geo. F. Shipp with 8th Army Air Force in England, killed in action. His home in Washington, D. C. He formerly lived in Leggett and Tarboro. Merchants and business men meet to protest location of Gypsy camp in Princeville. Camp disperses few days after meeting. Sgt. Lyman E. Everett of Conetoe with air force in England. Lt. & Mrs. Jay Boynton of N. H. visit the Cameron Weeks. Pleasant Hill Home Club meets in Community Building, Mrs Mayo Cherry presiding with Mrs. VanLandingham, J. C. Powell, Athlea Boone on program. Pvt. William Curtis Clark, son of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Clark, killed in action in Europe. Formerly employed by M. A. Clark. Dave Lee now joint Manager of Water and Milk Plant.

Mrs. J. T. Sadler is appointed regional chairman of Region 2 by War Finance Committee. This region comprises Wilson, Nash, Halifax, Northampton and Edgecombe Counties. Rev. Geo. A. Hudson, Presbyterian missionary from China, preaches 1/21 at Howard Presbyterian Church. Was once Jap prisoner and recently returned on Gripsholm, also he lost a son in action vs. Japs. Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Pulley received word that Pvt. Robert H. Long, Jr., is missing in action in Europe. Jim Gaskin, Scout Executive Eastern Area, accepts executiveship of Heart of Texas Council at Waco. We regret to learn Col. Willie B. Harrell has been sick. Had pneumonia in Belgium, hospitalized in France & England. Now in hospital at Bourmar Field Louisville. A swell kid, this Willie. Orchids to Melba Verona Grimmer who marries S/S V. J. Pomante of Columbus, Ohio. Ceremony performed in Columbus, Dec. 23rd. Clarence G. Brown made Asst. Cashier of Edgecombe Bank & Trust Co. Miss Nan Bryant, A. T. Nicholson and Paul Godfrey hurt in auto wreck Saturday night, 11 o'clock Main St. at Court House corner. Several stitches required in face and head of both Miss Nan and Dr. Nick. Jodie Whitley of Hart Mill unhurt as was Malcolm Nicholson. S/S Claude B. Cherry, member engineer boat regiment in Italy. Thieves make night entrance to Wooten Lunchroom and swine approximately \$25. T/S Geo. Killebrew goes to AAF Redistribution Sta. #2, Miami. He is a C-47 Transport Serial engineer. Won citations in Pacific- has been in since August, '41 Miss Mary Howard, who has been with Red Cross in S. Pacific, home on furlough. Parker Mills visits parents after duty in China-Burma area where he was decorated. Large crowds at airport on Sunday as Manager Hatch and assistants flew sight-seeing passengers. Ruby Hudson and Prince Nufer begin training for Senior National Swimming Meet at Chicago.

Orchids to Staff member Phoebe Jane Harris, who was married to Sgt. David ("Nut") R. Sugg at 6 P. M. Friday, January 19, the pretty ceremony being at the Methodist Church. Mrs. Edgar Hart was the pianist and Mrs. Lewis Heilbroner sang two beautiful selections. Ushers were Lyn Bond, Dr. H. E. Weeks, "Ching" Marrow and Geo. Earnhart. After the ceremony an informal reception was held at the home of Mrs. Harris on Battle Ave. David and Phoebe left for Greensboro where he is stationed, but she will return to resume her position with the Security Bank. An overcrowded church evidenced the popularity of the couple and the entire staff of the HFN and the Rotary Club wish for Phoebe and "Nut" a long and prosperous union.

S/G Allen L. Harrell, B-24 Liberator gunner is awarded air medal. Edgecombe County budgeted for \$4,500.00 Infantile Paralysis Drive, with Dr. McDowell as Chairman.