

HFN MIXTURE

TOWN TALK: Chief Radioman Chas. S. Savin & Mrs. Savin of Staten Island visit parents, the Fred Hills. Family of Lt. Albert Alexander receive wire from him that he has been liberated from Nazi prison and enroute home soon. Berry Sherwood Sessoms killed Sunday, 4/24, in auto collision at Old Sparta. Was known throughout the state as lad who overcame affliction of osteomyelitis by riggin up bicycle tires and small motor into a mid-get truck- he rode the county roads lying flat on his stomach, guiding machine by handlebars. His life and determination to overcome physical handicap has left a glowing example. Southerner publishes fine HFN letter by Sgt. J. W. (Bill) O'Neill, former McCrory 5 & 10¢ Mgr. here. Is now in India. Mother of Mrs. Ben Taylor dies in Terrell, Texas. Sgt. John H. Long with 15th A.A.F. in Italy as ball turrett gunner on B-17 is awarded Air Medal. Helen Lane is heard on California radio quiz program, winning \$18.00. Bob Strickland soloing 4/25 at local airport. "Skinny" Fountain now with Federal Government as Deputy Collector. Sgt. Elwood Sutton's new address is 1016 N. 35th St., Richmond, Va. Carl Bailey from Washington County and C. A. Dickens of Wilson campaigning to succeed Don Gilliam as Solicitor. Tarboro High defeats Scotland Neck 13 - 7. Billy Page pitched. Pfc. Thomas E. Andrews, 291st Inf. in Germany, wins combat Inf. Badge. Local Bar Assn. endorses Geo. M. Fountain to succeed Don Gilliam as Solicitor 22nd Dist. 4-H Club with H. C. Scott and Athlea room directors, stage program for Rotary 4/26. Southerner of 4/26 carries beautiful poem by Miss Mattie Shackelford on President Roosevelt.

SQUADS WRITE: Pfc. Earl W. Worsley in Italy, compliments HFN and nuts about pictures, 4/13. Was in 33rd Gen Hospital. His outfit is 91st Sig. of 91st Inf. Div. Col. Maude Lee Sykes from Camp Campbell, Ky., sends us photo. Says her WAC friends like our stories, pictures and news. Tells us to be sure to read Ernie Pyle's book, "Brave Men". Pfc. Herman Morris in on Okinawa. No HFN in 4 mos. Has been away 7 yrs., and has had numerous close calls. Col. Craig Harrell in Brazil, says paper just right as is. A real booster letter, and says to change our style when boys say so. Spencer Bailey on LST, was at Okinawa. His crew got a couple Jap planes. Was first ship to hit beach. Sends his very best to all friends, and thanks for paper. Col. Willie-Harrell from AAF Convalescent Hospital in Louisville, writes good suggestions- that list of those from County be exhibited in Court House for convenience to those wishing to send eats, letters, etc. to our boys over. Pfc. Herbert (Buck) Brown from France, says boy, Oh boy! We'll soon sew this one up over here. (We can say you-guys have surely had your tails over the spatter board on Germany) My excellent friend Col. Mabrey Bass in camp back from Iwo Jima, says he read two copies of HFN on Iwo. Says when cigarettes were issued he drew one that was donated by Mayo's Mill, Tarboro. (This is one for Ripley) Jack Hearne, former bank teller here and Greensboro, in Alutians 14 mos., promoted to Tech. 3rd grade. Flt. Officer Rat Boykin enjoys vacation in Sidney, Australia. Shines a plenty on beaches and with mamas. Assists in life saving eight different times. Says Aussies like the Yanks best of all soldiers. From letter I saw, Rat might even adopt that country. Major Geo. Howard now located at Lawson Gen. Hospital, Atlanta. Writes a great plug for HFN and home folks. Mail addressed to Col. Jonas B. Harrell of Macclesfield, and with 325th Medical Bn., APO 447, N.Y.C., was returned 4/24 with the dreaded notation, "Deceased" Jonas entered the service 11/23/42, and we pause to pay tribute- to Jonas and to extend our sympathy to the bereaved family. Thanks to Capt. Billy Bryan for native bouloou knife. Expect to use it on Roanoke River.

INTERVIEWS: A FINE TALK WITH Lt-Col. Worth Wicker, former citizen here. Now in Washington with Inspector General Department. Worth touched lightly on his duties. We recall funny experience with the Colonel. Lyn Bond and your editor, being vets who won the last war, solicited Worth's membership in the American Legion. He replied by saying he had been a member for 23 years. Lyn Bond, Jr., prep. at Bainbridge for U. S. Naval Academy, home-for 10 days, 4/23. Says navy O.K. and he can't be an Admiral too- soon. A great guy, this Lyn, a fine athlete, a woman killer, and if Annapolis doesn't take him, John Paul Jones should shut 'em down