

# INTERVIEWS

W. Russell Harris, back in civilian life, tells us he was in service 4 yrs. 11 mos. Was in Pacific 51 mos., and was at Pearl Harbor during Jap attack. His brother, Leonard, at Camp Blanding.

Marine Cpl. Max Lee Murr visits us along with Vernon Whitley. Max wounded at Iwo Jima. Went ashore with first wave aboard amphib-tank, or "duck", with 4th Marines. Got inshore 100 yds. when wounded by mortar fire. Only there 30 minutes, but that too long. Says everything on island moving, but denied his bowels a'd. (We doubt it.) Home on convalescent 30 day leave. In service 4 yrs was with Ben Fuller of Pinetops on Iwo.

Pfc. R. L. ("Red") Baker was more than a welcome guest. "Red" was terribly wounded in F.T.O. and is still patient of McGuire-Gen. Hospital in Richmond. He was in camp with Editor Bill and L. P. Hornthal in Mo. He was present at the break-through in Belgium and his description was hair raising. And yet he smiles through it!!! Richmond papers carried his photo and feature his story of his resemblance to Jimmy Cagney. A swell personality, "Red" is studying radio and we wish him worlds of luck.

Pvt. Ted Morgan at home from Camp J. T. Robinson of Ark., gave us the once over. In the Inf., Ted says the going is a bit rough, but says its O. Key by him. Goes to Fort Rucker, Ala. for further training. A Likeable lad, we wish Ted all the luck.

Cpl. Jno. Pittman says, "Look out Pacific! Think I'm going Jap hunting." At home on short furlouth, 5/7.

Bernice D. Brown, RMI/c, after 3 yrs. in Coast Guard with 22 mos. in West Indies, drops in to say "Howdy", and to thank HFN. Says rain, hurricanes, heat and natives down there make coming back a real pleasure. Saw Geo. Newsome, Zeb Umphlet, Raymond Price in Indies. Benny goes to Atlantic City for advanced training, and with our best wishes. A swell chap.

Sgt. T-4 Johnnie Rawls really dropped in after 30 mos. in Burma India theatre. Has 21 days enroute leave. Johnny, tan and hard says Jap hunting is rough stuff. He wears numerous ribbons and decorations. Says natives friendly to G. I's, the whiskey rotten no fair sex there- all on dark side. Raine 6 mos. in a stretch Hot as haydes and HFN with pretty picture like the one of Anne Lovelace, about the brightest side to things out there. Johnny goes to Miami and carries with him our very best wishes. We of the HFN staff will long remember his very interesting letters he used to write from Burma.

Ralph Percival, USN, former High School Band Director, called on us enroute from Florida to be stationed at Newport, R. I. Has been in service nearly 2yrs., and says he is "caught up".

We are always glad to have Cpl. Luther Melton of Camp Lee as a visitor. This guy can truly spread the ink and has written us some fine letters. We predict a success for this lad.

Our fingers are still crossed for T/S Ashton Proctor, gravely wounded and in hospital in England. His beautiful wife, Elizabeth, has kept us informed through letters from his Chaplain and private nurses. (This boy has battlefield record that reads like fiction.) Keep up the fight Sgt., just like you did against the dirty Huns.

We were glad to see Tom Collina, EMI/C USN, who operates from Virginia Beach. Tom married lovely and accomplished Irene Fulford, who holds responsible position with Carolina Tel. & Tel. Co., and who has done much to see HFN gotten to you.