

Sailor Is Home from Guadalcanal

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**James Edward Thompson Hopes
for a Change of Scene After
Twenty Months in the Pacific**

James Edward "Jimmie" Thompson, aviation machinist's mate first class, United States Navy, is home for a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thompson of near Newton after twenty months in the Pacific area, seven or eight of them on Guadalcanal and nearby islands. He is feeling fine although he is somewhat jittery after his experiences against the Japs.

He is wearing several campaign bars, signifying his service at the fighting front. He has participated in a number of forays against the Japs in the Guadalcanal area and helped to down the monkeys.

He doesn't have much to say about his experiences and won't until after the war is over, but he hopes for a change of scene to some other theatre of war.

He and Miss Betty Dillman of Newton will be married soon, it is said.