

Ivan George Is *June 22* *Recovering from* *1945* *Injuries at Okinawa*

Private Morris Ivan George of the Marines writes his wife that he is feeling fine and will be reassigned to duty in the next few days. He is in a Navy hospital in the Mariannas.

Private George entered the Marine Corps in June, 1944, and received his boot training in San Diego and Camp Pendleton, California. He left for overseas duty December 1, 1944 after a two and one-half day furlough, which he spent in Springfield. Since then he has served twenty-seven days on Okinawa landing there April 1 with the First Marine division. He was on the USS Comfort when it was hit off the shores of Okinawa, on April 29.

Ivan is a grand-son of T. Frank George of Bogota. His wife and son Bobbie reside in Springfield.

Wounded Man Visiting Here

James H. Combs, electrician's mate third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Combs of Bluford, has been spending part of his leave with Hidalgo and Champaign relatives. He has been overseas one year.

He has five service stars and the Purple Heart for wounds received while aboard an aircraft carrier in the Pacific on October 25, 1944, during the Philippine Liberation campaign. He has spent the time since in hospitals.

He reports to St. Louis, June 26 for a new assignment. He is a brother of Mrs. Ruth Healy and a grand-son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Combs of near Hidalgo. His parents were former residents of Jasper county.