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Mrs. James Edward Thompson of Newton has received word from her husband, stating that he received a cut on his hand a few days ago when he was attacked by an unidentified Mexican. His injuries weren't serious.

He is a shore patrolman for the Navy and was patrolling his beat between Ninth and Tenth streets in Modesto, California, when the Mexican jumped out from an alley and attacked him with a knife. He beat off his assailant and tried to capture him, but the man got away. Later other members of the shore patrol searched throughout the Modesto streets, but were never able to find any trace of the man.

Jim was an aviation machinist's mate and saw service at Guadalcanal before being returned to the United States after the Japs were overpowered there.