

Illness and malnutrition could not dim the happiness of **Pvt. Reid Shewmaker**, Harrodsburg upon being freed from the Japanese.

"I have never been so happy in all my life," he wrote in a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shewmaker. "I can't express in words the way I felt when our armed forces came in. But I will long remember it."

Pvt. Shewmaker had been in a hospital in Manila since, June 1943. He now is hospitalized in Denver, Colo., but expects to be home within the next three months.

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