

Ballek, Ernest

### Riegelsville Marine Back From Pacific

CAMP PENDLETON, OCEAN-SIDE, Cal.—Marine Corporal Ernest Ballek, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ballek, Riegelsville Pa., R. D. 1, has returned here after 25 months' duty in the Southwest Pacific, and will leave soon on furlough for Riegelsville.

He served with the First Marine Division in the Guadalcanal and Cape Gloucester campaigns.

Born November 4, 1917, at Bethlehem, Pa., Corporal Ballek was employed as a ladle craneman and mouldman by the Bethlehem Steel Company before enlisting in the Marine Corps January 3, 1942, at Allentown, Pa.

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