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Lt. Audie Murphy Visits Wounded

McKINNEY, June 19 (AP)—Lt. Audie Murphy of Farmersville got in the same building with a couple of thousand soldiers Tuesday and really felt at home for the first time since he returned from European battlefields.

The 20-year-old veteran who is one of the two most decorated men in America, said: "It makes me feel fine to be around soldiers again. I'd like to shake hands with every fellow in this place and I'm coming back to do it, too."

Guided by Col. James B. Anderson, commander of Ashburn General Hospital, Murphy visited a number of wards and talked briefly with some of the men.

The little lieutenant got an enthusiastic reception. The fact that T/5 Ray E. Shaffer of Grand Rapids, Mich., had just been wheeled from the operating room didn't stop him from chatting with Murphy. Shaffer was in France with a tank destroyer battalion of the 75th Division.