

Well, Tudor, it has indeed been a long
time since our summer at Union, when the
Blackburnians sang in the hemlocks. I just
recently read of your return from the Pacific,
more or less of a be-medaled hero. Congratulations
on your fine record. And what opportunity did
you have for birding out there?

My war service has been somewhat less
spectacular - left M.I.T. as 2nd Lt. in Sept 43 -
spent 2 years as weather forecaster at Orlando, Fla.
And that's about all. Expected to go overseas last
summer, but end of war changed that. Had already
sent my family home, then was transferred to
Tampa, where I now lead a rather lonely existence.
Wife and daughter were with me most of the
time in Orlando and I sure miss them now.

I don't need to tell you anything about
Florida - you probably had more than enough of
it. But I have enjoyed the birding opportunities,
and feel I have become quite well acquainted with
the birds. Got into the Everglades, and spent a
great deal of time in the lake region of Central Fla.
Trips by plane have enabled me to pick up some
species in Calif. and Cuba, so my bird list has
progressed nicely. I feel very much out of touch
with forestry, though, and do not know how
to start to get back into it. I imagine that
I will, somehow, though.

Hope you can look forward to an early
discharge, which will indeed make a happy
New Year for you.

Sincerely,

Frank

Card from
Frank McCamey
Old Navy friend
Birding

Here's a special message
for Christmas
To last you the whole
year through,
May the radiant light
of the candles
light a pathway of joy
for YOU!

Frank McCamey

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