

**N. Y. ELKS FRATERNAL CENTER.** Of all the stories this Center could tell, the tale of Pvt. Elliott Kirk Chan is one of the most fascinating. Pvt. Chan, the son of a Chinese father and a Danish mother, was born in Queens, N. Y. When he was seven years old his father died and Chan went to China to his paternal grandfather. When the Japs took the province where he lived, he moved on, was captured and interned. He escaped from the internment camp and got himself into American-held territory where he enlisted in the U. S. Army.

After serving in the Pacific he arrived in New York for discharge and checked in at the Center on Jan. 23rd. He spent practically that whole day ringing doorbells in his old neighborhood looking for information on his mother's whereabouts. During his search he met a newspaper reporter and told him his story, which appeared in the early editions on Jan. 24th. Before eleven o'clock that morning Private Chan's mother was located through phone calls received at the Center.