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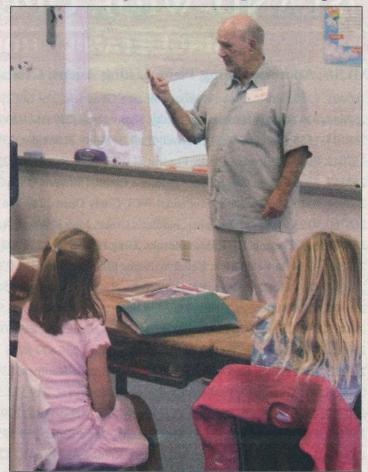


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Tommie Barflield Elementary School fifth graders were recently visited by a few veterans of World War II as part of a history project. Dan Moriarty, a WWII Navy CB involved in construction, Bedford Biles, who flew with the 101st Army Airborne 501 Parachute Regiment, and Jay R. Jones, a U.S. Marine who was wounded three times in Vietnam, all spoke to Mrs. Kalten's class on Feb. 16. Biles, pictured above, was among the paratroopers who landed on the beach at Normandy. He described flying across the English Channel in fog with the planes getting off course. "Things didn't go the way they expected," he said. "We had men scattered all over that peninsula. Very few landed where they were supposed to." The presentation was a great success with the students, who learned much about the "human" side of war.