

Grenadiers in High Spirits Despite Scars of Prison

VICTORIA, Oct. 27—(CP)—Despite loss of limbs and long suffering from tropical and deficiency diseases, returning prisoners in the hospital deck of H.M.S. Glory were in high spirits when the 18,000-ton carrier docked in Victoria Friday with nearly 1,400 repatriated prisoners of war.

Pte. Daniel Dunseath, of Winnipeg, speaking of his experiences, said "although I had stomach trouble, the Japs at Kawasaki camp made me work in a coal mine."

"Finally, after I had passed out down in the mine I went to see camp commandant and told him he might as well shoot me, that I couldn't go down the mine any more. He transferred me to the kitchen staff for a year, then sent me down the mine again."

Eddie Hobson, of Winnipeg, told reporters he wanted to be in the army of occupation, adding "I've

got something to pay back to those b - - - - -."

Hobson broke his toe in the mines and went for medical attention. Instead, he was taken to the guard room and beaten up with a two-by-four for over an hour.

Fred Herity, of Winnipeg, said one of his legs was amputated in a Roman Catholic hospital in Kowloon a month after the fall of Hong King in December, 1941. The operation was performed by a Chinese doctor who graduated from McGill University at Montreal.

Sgt. George Coutts, of Winnipeg, had been married only 10 days when he left for Hong Kong. He was farming before he joined the army and hopes to return to the land.

He did not like the idea of anyone of Japanese descent being left in Canada.