

Grenadier, Boy Captive Of Japs, Arrives Home

Pte. Arthur Bennett, 305 Inglewood st., St. James, was a boy of 16 when he was captured with the Winnipeg Grenadiers at Hong Kong, Dec., 1941.

Sunday night he came home—a man—“but he still looks the same,” his mother said.

Pte. Bennett was one of 13 Grenadiers to return home Sunday night over C.P.R. lines.

The others are: Pte. Alvin Guy, Neepawa; Pte. Henry Mallows,

217 Linden ave., East Kildonan; Pte. William Cox, 72 Langside st.; Pte. Henry Militaire, Carman; Pte. Ralph Forsberg, Keewatin, Ont.; Pte. Kenneth Vidal, Woodlands.

L/Cpl. Stanley Gold, Pine Falls; C.S.M. Cauldwell, 722 McGee st.; Pte. Danielson, Port Arthur; Pte. F. Harris, Langruth; Pte. Poquet, St. Claude; and Pte. Arseneau.

Cpl. Gold, who was met at the station by his sister, two brothers and his fiancée, Miss Elin Johnson, was held at Camp 5 Kowasaki, where he worked in the coal mines two miles underground.

Vidal, who was in the same camp as Gold, was asked if he had ever slapped or slugged a Jap guard.

“Ha, we didn't dare, but I sure would like to slap one around,” he replied.

Militaire, who was in the hospital for more than a year with diphtheria, is now 34 pounds above his normal weight.
