

## Last Pacific Canadian Is On The Way Home

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 8-  
(AP)-The last Canadian pris-  
oner-of-war to leave the  
Pacific theatre -- Pte. Earl  
Mossman of Lunenburg, N.S.  
-- is heading for home on  
the Canadian hospital ship  
'Letitia.

Mossman, 36, was taken  
prisoner with the Royal  
Rifles of Canada at Hong  
Kong and was so ill when  
he was liberated at Kyushu  
that he was unable to return  
home earlier.

"I couldn't even tell my  
wife all that I've been  
through," he said Wednesday.  
"At the last we were eating  
snakes and rats."

Lt. Mae Waters, of Win-  
nipeg, one of the nursing  
staff, was herself a Japanese  
prisoner. She was captured  
at Hong Kong and repatriated  
in November 1943, on the  
Gripsholm's second trip.