

First Grenadier Back Arrives in California

Pte. Harold A. Atkinson, the first Winnipeg Grenadier prisoner to reach the American continent, wired his mother, Mrs. Eva Linklater, 385 Aikins st., Monday night from Oakland, Calif., to say he was well, would be home soon, and could she send him some money?

"I guess he wants some clothes," Mrs. Linklater told The Tribune today. "He said he would be home soon but didn't mention any date. I don't know how he was able to get home ahead of the others."

Pte. Atkinson was a clerk in Ash-

down's before he enlisted. He attended Machray Junior High school. He served with the Grenadiers at Jamaica before sailing for Hong Kong. With him was his brother, Pte. Ronald Atkinson.

Harold is single but Ronald is married and has three small children. They live with their mother on Hazeldell st.

The dispatch from Oakland said Harold arrived on a naval transport plane with Pte. Alfred J. Briard, of the Royal Rifles, of Que-