

WITH THE FLEET IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

R.A.F. men cheer the return of H.M.S. ILLUSTRIOUS as the twenty three thousand ton aircraft carrier returns to base after the victorious attack on Taranto. On board a destroyer of the Royal Australian Navy we head out to sea from Alexandria to escort a convoy of cargo ships. An opportune moment to check over the destroyers teeth, including a captured Italian Breda quick firing gun mounted on deck. And there's the convoy. The lookout scans the...hallo, trouble already. An Italian plane coming in to attack. From the bridge the alarm is given, and every man spring to action stations. (Whistle ) Oi!

The Wops are trying an aerial torpedo and machine gun attack, but they're keeping well away - they feel safer; they don't fancy the gun fire.

Its all over folks. Nice smooth trip, wasn't it.

Convoy and escort make Malta, to schedule, and that's ~~what~~ just what the Navy intended.