

ARMY EXERCISES IN BRITAIN.

Over a wide area of Eastern and Southern England, two armies, whose combined strength runs into some hundreds of thousands of men, are directed by General Sir Alan Brooke in large-scale manoeuvres. One of the main objects of the exercise is to study the delivery of a heavy counter-offensive against a serious hostile landing. All the vital lessons learned so arduously and often bitterly from past campaigns are thrown into the operations, and from them emerge other lessons of supreme importance to the high command. Incidental scenes can never give a true impression of the vast conglomeration of men and armoured equipment involved. The close, local picture is as confusing and remote as the realities of the modern battlefield.

Artillery units open fire.

A strong force of tanks makes the manoeuvres strikingly realistic. Valentines, Churchills, Covenanters, Waltzing Matildas and Light Cruisers, are among those participating in this army exercise on the Grand scale.

It's all vastly different from the days before Dunkirk. In two years of war, the science of battle has undergone an amazing change.