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ROYAL VISIT TO SOUTHERN COMMAND.

Regiments of the Guards in training in the Southern Command are watched by the King and Queen and Queen Mary, as they send their new mechanised equipment charging over the ground in mass formation. This is the first war-time appearance of Queen Mary with the King and Queen.

Some of the Army's new airborne troops are used in a spectacular assault from the sky. The signal for the start of the attack comes with low flying aircraft putting down a smoke screen. Dense white clouds roll across the valley as Blenheims prepare the way for the Paratroops. From Whitley Bombers come billowing parachutes as the attacking force sails to earth behind the screen.

The whole thing is over in an amazingly short time, ably illustrating the effectiveness of surprise.