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'MONTY' COMES HOME

On his last day as Rhine Army Commander, Field Marshal Montgomery says goodbye with a procession through the streets of his headquarters-town of Bad Gynshausen, Germany. A new stage begins in the long road that led from Alamein to the Baltic without a lost battle. Before taking up his appointment as chief of the Imperial General Staff, Monty's first stopping-place in Britain is Amesbury School in Surrey. Pomp and ceremonial left behind, Monty's son David brings out Kerby the Canary - a veteran of many campaigns and scheduled for a berth in the Field Marshal's future home. For his holiday, Monty's hosts are his old friends Major and Mrs Reynolds.

This is a rest well earned. But it's only a preliminary to Monty's next assignment - the building of Britain's peace-time army.