

AROUND BRITAIN

At York demobilisation centre - a celebration. Demobee No. 500,000 Pte. H. S. Mitchell, passes through the centre on his way to civvy street. Here he gets a foretaste of it - the sergeant brings him tea in bed, and Gordon Highlander Mitchell didn't know whether he was awake or still dreaming. And all this had to come on his last day in the Army. The quartermaster's stores seem a long way off when a tailor measures Mitchell for his new outfit.

By car to the station on his way home the Colonel bids Mister Mitchell a soldier's farewell.

From the Soviet Embassy a Pathe exclusive on a get together of British writers. The occasion - a presentation of recorded readings of contemporary English poets. Handing over the album, Yorkshire author-playwright, J. B. Priestley. Receiving the gift, the new Soviet Ambassador Georgi Zarubin.

Also present - writers Ernest Raymond and Roy Fuller.

Recently back from Czechoslovakia, poet, Stephen Spender.

From the House of Commons, Labour M.P. and writer Tom Driberg (here with Mr. Priestley). And, taking time off from Westminster, author and lawyer, Dennis Pritt. The evening's event was the presentation.

SPEECH

To the Soviet Ambassador the ceremony was a happy start to his stay in London.