

MOUNTBATTEN RETURNS

As a York aircraft touches down at Heathrow, there comes to an end an era in imperial history. The Duke of Edinburgh - wearing the aigillettes of personal A.D.C. to the King - greets Lady Mountbatten - and his uncle Lord Louis - last Viceroy of India and the first and last British-born Governor-General. With Earl Mountbatten's departure, the King's representative is now Indian-born Mr. Rajagopalachari. On arrival, Lord Louis inspects a Guard of Honour drawn from the cruiser Achilles, soon to be transferred to the Indian Navy. Refusing to be interviewed, he makes a statement to newsreel reporters.

Pressed by Pathe's reporter, Lord Louis answers one question.