

DUKE IN GERMANY

His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh wears the insignia of a Field Marshal for the first time during his tour of British units in Germany. At Soltan, about forty miles south of Hamburg, a mechanical mine layer is demonstrated for the Duke's benefit.

A few moments later the Duke joins men of the Hampshire Regiment and the Essex Regiment in a slit trench to see some of the latest weapons now adopted by the Army.

The Duke shows a considerable working knowledge of the equipment used by the Sixth and Seventh Armoured Divisions. And, at a tank range at Hohms, he takes an especially keen interest as Centurions open up.

The Duke himself decides to fire a Centurion's 20 pounder --- and scores direct hits on the target a thousand yards away.

"A very apt pupil" is the tank boys' summing-up of his marksmanship. During his tour the Duke makes a really big impression on our troops in Germany.