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DANGER.

If you were standing with our cameramen at this moment, you would be risking death. Another German murder mine has been washed up on Britain's East Coast... another for the mine destruction men of the Royal Navy. It may be a magnetic mine so the first thing is to take all the metal out of his pockets. For magnetic mines are so sensitive that even a penknife within a few feet would explode them. He comes forward to find out what type of mine it is. Take it easy go carefully.... don't get too near.

The expert eye soon sees that it isn't a magnetic mine.... so he next tries to find the detonator, and the slightest pressure on any of these horns would still mean instant ~~immediate~~ destruction.

He calls to his men, and as its darned cold, you might as well bring that coat with you.

In this case the Detonator happens to be under the mine....but they daren't roll it over until the cap has been uncrewed. So they dig down underneath to get at the cap.

Carefully, like a ferret rolling an egg, they push it over. And the next job is to remove the detonator cap. Until they have done that, they're still playing with ~~fixx~~ death.

Here it is, the heart of a murder mine. Phew, now we can take things more easily.

Stage by stage they take the mine to pieces, the whole detonating mechanism comes out, and the horns are removed.

Finally they take out the charge. Cylinder after cylinder of high explosive.

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This high explosive only blows up when its lighted in a confined space. If you light it in the open it just fizzles. That's what they're going to do now. And here come the fireworks.

And then they explode the detonator.

Another murder mine has been killed.... another job has been well done.