

Five hundred men of the Second Battalion the Parachute Regiment disembarked from the troopship Empire Ken at Southampton on returning home after three years service in Egypt. Their ~~CO~~ C.O. is Lt.-Col Coxen D.S.O., M.C. --- a famous amateur athlete who has played football for Plymouth Argyle. ~~The battalion was welcomed~~ ~~officially by~~ ~~the~~ ~~town~~ ~~and~~ ~~unofficially~~ by a happy crowd of friends and relatives. ~~Many~~ Many times in the recent past they've been in the news --- they were stationed ~~in~~ in the hot spot of the Suez Canal Zone. But for them --- this is their best news so far.

And so at last they're on the train in England, bound for home and beauty ----- Aldershot.

On the barrack-square ~~at~~ under the benevolent eye of their mascot Pegasus --- the Airborne Battalion has a last parade before a well-earned spot of leave.