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READY FOR ANYTHING..... THE ARMY ON ITS TOES.

In manoeuvres by sections of our Coastal Defence Forces, zero hour has arrived and the invading Hun is (for the purpose of this mimic attack) approaching our shores. Within a matter of seconds from the time the "Alert" is sounded, the whole machinery of our coast defence springs to action. Behind a seemingly pleasant coast line, which has suddenly spouted fire and death from hundreds of unexpected places, the Hair-trigger men the first line of reserves ~~the~~ come into the vivid picture as aircraft drop their practice bombs among their lorries. From behind the shelter of a crest, our camera catches the rapid movement of the steel helmeted defenders, in this mimic phase of the Battle for Britain.

Behind the protection of a smoke screen we catch a glimpse of the men who are taking the part of the invading forces. To the uninitiated eye, defenders and attackers are hard to distinguish; but to trained soldiers the evolution of the manoeuvre, is heartening proof of the effective way in which our army is prepared for all eventualities. Linking the utterances of our Prime Minister and the Attorney General of Australia, "The possibility of invasion has by no means passed away" but "I would rather be an Englishman than a German in the event of a German invasion." Britain's troops are "on their toes" and they'll give the Nazis all they've got.