THE WEEK'S BIGGEST NEWS

An Old Soldier Comes Home

After 14 years away from America, Old Soldier Douglas MacArthur came home to: 1) receive a tumultuous welcome as a military hero; 2) become the central figure in a rousing new controversy over basic U. S. foreign policy; 3) cast his sometimes arrogant but always dramatic personality into 1952's Presidential picture.

The issues: Pres. Truman's dismissal of MacArthur because of insubordination inflamed the foreign-policy debate on two points. 1) Should the U. S. center its fight on Communism in Asia? MacArthur partisans said yes. Truman said no—Europe still is our first concern. 2) Should U.N. forces extend the Korean war to China by bombing and invasion, using Chiang Kai-shek's troops? MacArthur supporters said yes. Truman said no—the U.N. wants to halt aggression, work out a negotiated peace.



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