



the avengers

starring

PATRICK MACNEE
as John Steed

and

DIANA RIGG
as Emma Peel

in

"THE TOWN OF NO RETURN"

by

BRIAN CLEMENS

In which Steed finds a town full of ghosts --
and Emma gets into harness ...

Cast also includes:

Brandon.....ALAN MacNAUGHTAN
Smallwood.....PATRICK NEWELL
'Piggy' Warren.....TERENCE ALEXANDER
Vicar.....JEREMY BURNHAM
Saul.....ROBERT BROWN
Jill Manson.....JULIET HARMER
School Inspector.....WALTER HORSBRUGH

Music by LAURIE JOHNSON
directed by ROY BAKER
produced by JULIAN WINTLE

Diana Rigg's Wardrobe Designed by
JOHN BATES



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- short synopsis -

Four Special Agents in succession vanish without trace in Bazeley-by-the-Sea, a bleak, remote village on the Norfolk coast. Steed and Emma set off to solve the mystery and arrive to find subversive elements working in a town from which there is no return.

- detailed synopsis -

Four special agents in succession vanish without trace in Bazeley-by-the-Sea, a bleak, remote village on the Norfolk coast, close to a derelict R. A. F. base of World War II.

THE AVENGERS are alerted.

John Steed, posing as a property dealer, and Emma Peel, as a schoolmistress, arrive at the inn, where they meet the proprietor, Piggy Warren, a battle of Britain veteran complete with flying officer moustache, and Mark Brandon, the local headmaster, with Jill Manson, one of his staff.

Disturbing sounds in the night alarm Steed and Emma; the tramp of an army on the march; the far-off baying of hounds. Their initial attempts to investigate are thwarted, but later they find a mass of bootprints leading up from the sea, and then the body of Jimmy Smallwood, a recent arrival in the village, and an obvious victim of the dogs.

Smallwood had been on a visit to his brother, Tom, the blacksmith, but when Steed and Emma go to the forge they realise that the man claiming to be the blacksmith is a phoney.

Emma calls in at the village church, hoping to find some clues in the parish records, but all recent entries have been removed. She confides her suspicions to the Vicar, but, to her amazement, he holds her at gun point.

Meanwhile, Steed, on a tour of the derelict airfield, unearths evidence which shows that Piggy is also an imposter. When he finds that Emma has disappeared, Steed confronts Piggy and forces him to talk.

The trail takes Steed back to the forge, where the blacksmith lashes out at him with red hot steel. It is a long fight, but Steed is the victor, and he finds Emma trussed up in horse harnessing gear.

Steed and Emma now realise that the whole village has been over-run by subversive elements who have been training a pocket army to make a take-over bid of all Britain.

Returning to the airfield, they discover a well-equipped arsenal in the disused underground shelters. About to leave, Emma and Steed are cornered by Brandon, Jill Manson and the Vicar. An all-out, action-packed battle ensues before the would-be invaders are eventually shut in behind heavy emergency doors.

Another mission tidily concluded, Emma and Steed turn towards London.