

ALL BRITAIN PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE RED ARMY.

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Towns and cities and villages throughout Britain have paid tribute to the heroism of Soviet fighting men; in this celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Red Army the people of this country have saluted an ally and a friend. Here in Bristol the great procession marched through scenes of devastation; these could be matched in many cities of the Soviet Union; but this evidence of enemy fury is a true-bond between our two great peoples.

At Bristol, the First Lord of the Admiralty took the salute on a platform with the Mayor and Civic Dignitaries; and past them, in honour of comrades who fight in Kharkov and Kursk, before Leningrad and Moscow and in the Caucasus --- here march our fighting men and women, civilian defence and all war workers.

Now to Cardiff --- another procession, but with the same great purpose: here Mr. Attlee represented the Government with Service officers and a ^{representative} ~~Representation~~ of the Soviet Union.

Now Manchester; another great city of Britain which has given its sons to fight in the same battle and gives its work to the cause of victory. Sir Mr. Oliver Stanley represents the Government --- Major Lebedev the Red Army.

In Oxford --- a city of culture and learning is the scene of no less a warlike pageant. ~~Mr. Brendan Bracken is the Minister upon the platform with~~ General Zénob representing the Red Army.

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And Cambridge --- here too a great procession that symbolizes our unity with the U.S.S.R. and our determination to be with them in peace as well as in war. ~~Here Sir John Anderson represents our Parliament and thousands represent our people.~~

So to London --- a mighty, spectacular and moving pageant at the Albert Hall. Our Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, addresses the crowded thousands --- and through them the millions who are destroying Germans in Europe. *And let talk about Hitler*

~~Honor to the Red Army.~~ On this anniversary Premier Stalin has announced the gigantic losses inflicted by his countrymen on the invading hordes of Germany. Let us hope that the friendship we have won in wartime will continue as a guarantee for civilization in the days of peace to come.