

THE RUSSIAN FRONT --- THE RED ARMY SWEEPS FORWARD ON ITS GREAT OFFENSIVE

This news film of the great Russian offensive is old history --- but it is the first we have received and therefore very much worth while showing. <sup>This</sup> ~~■~~ was one of the great cities of southern Russia, north west of Rostov and Stalingrad. In August 1943 the Red Army drove the Germans out of Kharkhov --- and returned to <sup>this</sup> ~~the~~ tragic shell that had been a prosperous place --- before the Nazis came to power. This was the scene --- as you have read of it. This is why the whole Soviet people fight with such passionate hatred.

The famous General ~~Kon~~ Koniev is here --- one of the most brilliant of all the Red Army Generals who are teaching lessons to the Prussians in the art and science of warfare.

Now the first Soviet newspapers are being distributed; the first true knowledge of what is really happening on this gigantic battlefield.

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Other famous Generals are here, including Zhukov, defender of Moscow; ~~rightly, these are the heroes of modern Russia.~~ These are the men who are delivering their people from Nazi enslavement --- ~~and~~ ~~hurling the invaders back where they came from.~~ No wonder the guns of Moscow have so often had cause to crash out salvos for victory.

On a different sector, a column of Polish men marches to join in the fight against the Germans; there is a camp nearby for a Polish Division named after their famous patriot Kosciusko. Many of the newcomers were officers and men in the old Polish Army they take the oath to fight beside Soviet Divisions in the common battle. They take the oath --- and one could wish that all Soviet-Polish relations were as clear-cut as this symbolic union beneath the ~~draped~~ <sup>draped</sup> flags of the Allies.

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Further south --- to the Black Sea port of Novorossisk: after a year of German occupation, it falls again to the onslaught of the returning legions of the Red Army. Heavy guns <sup>pounded</sup> ~~and~~ enemy positions for four days and nights.

~~Katashna --- the enemy's rocket gun, here in action.~~

On the fifth day the Black Sea fleet is standing by ready to attack. Red Navy Marines crowd the landing craft for a smashing assault from the sea. They fought the Germans desperately in Odessa and Sebastopol. Now they are coming back, street by street, and house by house.

Once again, the Red Flag waves its message of freedom over the gateway to the Caucasus; this is ~~the~~ the great advance that still goes on --- ~~to Hitler's Germany.~~

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