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POPOV COMMANDS MILITARY

One of the first acts of Marshall Zhukov as Supreme Commander of Greater Russia has been the appointment of Field Marshall Markian Mihailovics Popov as overall military chief of the armies in the field. Having served more than thirty years in the army, this is not the first time he has come to public notice. Marshall Popov has distinguished himself repeatedly in the defence of the Western approaches, holding the Axis forces at bay at the River Dvina for far longer than anyone thought possible. He is now demonstrating that defence is not his only talent. At the other end of the Motherland the Russian army has made significant early gains in the struggle to overthrow the Japanese invasion of Manchuria and Korea.



ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT

An ominous silence hangs over the West of Russia from Murmansk in the North to Dnepropetrovsk in the South. It would be a mistake to assume that silence denotes hibernation. Both sides have finished licking their wounds and are now racing the end of Winter with preparations for the Spring offensives. With the melting of the snows will come the ultimate testing of Russian mettle as the Axis attempt to take Smolensk in their first step to wiping the name of free Russia from the map. Until the Spring then!

NOT SO QUIET IN THE EAST

In Manchuria and Korea it is quite a different story. For some time the Russian people have listened to the cries of the victims of Japanese expansionism. Hitherto we have been unable to help because of our own similar problems in the West. However, with the war against Fascism turning in our favour we have at long last been able to respond to the pleas for help from Korea and China. Pictured right is Guards Colonel Simonov accepting the surrender of the Japanese military and civil authorities in Pyongyang.

