

BULGANIN IN INDIA.

Soviet premier Marshal Bulganin and party secretary Khrushchev lay wreaths on Mahatma Gandhi's memorial in Delhi during their visit to India. Indian rules of hospitality demand that their reception should outshine the welcome Moscow gave to Prime Minister Nehru. So Delhi greets the two Russian leaders in a way they will long remember. Official introductions are only the beginning.

Decorated archways, with welcoming slogans in Russian, English and Hindustani, span the visitor's route.

Half the gardens in Delhi must have been emptied to provide all these flowers. The Russians are garlanded with them wherever they go, and their road is literally carpeted with blossom.

For Western eyes, there is a warning in the warmth of this greeting, for none can doubt its sincerity. India, newly independent, stands aside from any Iron Curtain, ready in Nehru's words: "To make friends with all, holding on at the same time to its own convictions and principals". India is conscious of the achievements of her powerful Asiatic neighbours Russia and China; it is up to Britain to see that India's admiration for us does not go by default.