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On the flat, sun-baked plains outside Kasvin the advance columns of British and Russian troops meet. The British General and the Russian Divisional Commander exchange courtesies, and a friendly spirit soon springs up between the men of the Soviet and the contingent of Empire troops. The men come forward to meet for the first time, and their respective Commanders set an example of co-operation, and overcome language difficulties with friendly inspections of each others armoured equipment. The British Contingent is composed largely of troops from India. A Gurkha proudly displays his razor-edged Kookry, Tradition has it that before returning it to its scabbard the Gurkha will always draw blood (usually nicking his finger. On entering Kasvin a celebration is held in the Officers Mess. The Russian officers acting as hosts to their British Allies, the toast is given to the defeat of Nazi Germany. "For Victory" - "ZAPO-DE-A-DO".

And now the march towards Teheran as the Russians move down from the North and the British sweep up from the South, to cement the strategic line across Iran. Great Advantages to Russia and Britain are brought about by the establishment of wartime control over that part of Iran situated between Iraq, Turkey, Soviet Transcaucasia and the Caspian Sea. All credit to the troops from India who played such a conspicuous part in this strategic victory.

For the first time we see the new Shah arriving at Parliament House to take over the reins of office in succession to his abdicated father. Shahpur Mohammed Riza, the former Crown Prince now occupies the Peacock Throne. Inside are assembled his Cabinet Ministers to witness the taking of the Oath.

The new Shah has had to provide evidence that he will display a less pro-German attitude than his deposed predecessor. The ex-Shah of Persia exploited his people until his own coffers were filled to overflowing. The new Shah has no easy task ahead of him. Iran is likely to remain muzz in the news.