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It was announced last October that Marshal Budenny and Marshal Vereshilov had been moved from the fighting front, and given the task of forming new forces in the rear in preparation for the Spring. Large numbers of troops drawn from still untapped reserves of Soviet Manpower, are being trained in readiness for the Russian offensive against Germany. In Siberia and the Far East, in the Volga district and the Urals, Red Army Trainees, instructed by officers who have seen active service in the front line, are awaiting the signal that will send them like a tidal wave again the Nazis.

Numbers of well trained divisions are being drilled and equipped. Many of the new reserves are receiving their instruction in the districts recently recaptured from the Germans, especially in the Kaluga and Tula regions.

This simple but ingenious device permits light tanks to surmount obstacles with greater ease. On the vast Siberian Plains new armies are learning the lessons of Russia's gigantic Western front; Tank crews and supporting infantry are receiving practical experience in different methods of attack just as our men do on Salisbury Plain.

A camera switch now to the Leningrad and Moscow sectors where Ski troops, familiar with the locality, move forward at the head of advancing Red Army men. Ski troops can travel silently and quickly into enemy held territory, and dressed in their white outfits cannot be seen against a snow background. Scores of small detachments armed with automatic weapons and mine throwers have assisted greatly in the resolute drive to fling the invaders in headlong retreat.