

THE SOVIET CAUCASUS

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AND OTHERS WHO DID NOT LIVE TO SEE
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THE SOVIET CAUCASUS

The Caucasus is Nature's own Maginot Line between Europe and Asia—nine hundred miles of mountains higher than any in Europe, intersected with deep valleys wherein live peoples who have preserved their own language and customs for centuries through the simple fact of the impossibility of lateral communication with the next valley. Yet the Caucasus—Georgia especially—remained the battle-ground of Persians, Turks, and Russians, each in turn striving to subdue the warrior peoples, who were thus for ever fighting to defend their homes from the invader. The so-called pacification by Catherine the Great led only to unrest, which persisted until the last two decades, when Georgia, Transcaucasia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, and the smaller states became incorporated into the Union of Soviet Republics. These states were not compelled to join the Union. Unwilling at first, they gradually perceived the economic advantages of collective effort in agriculture and government, and under the successive Five Year Plans the region has prospered as never before. Moreover, it has become united for the first time in history, and should Hitler's armies ever succeed in reaching any part of it they will encounter stiff resistance from any and all the Caucasian peoples.

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