Boast of Nazis That Russians Shattered on Long Front Seen As Premature but Foreboding Spectal to The Statesman Germany's boast that Russian power of organized resist-
ance has been shattered "from the springs of the Volga to the Sea of Azov" may be premature; but there is enough grim real ity in that nazi-drawn picture to justify foreboding.
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to the Sea of Azov is a thousand miles, as the crow files. The Vol-
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German forces are German forces are not already
on the upper Volga that
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It still seems possible that the
nazi push to Vyazma came from the north, via Velikie Luki and
Rjev, as well as eastward from Rjev, as. well, as eestward from
Smolensk. If so, Moscow is men-
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## Mayor Shot



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has been executed by a German artigg squad Wave of execerman
in Nazi-dominated countriea foll


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converge from all directions on
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