

The new era.

in Minsk there was a 25 ft. Stalin monument
to Stalin which stood even after the final
denunciation of Stalin by Khrushchev, and
the monument of Stalin in Leningrad which
was then down immediately. This immense
bronze and marble structure was standing
for as long as it was due to the efforts
of Richard Stalinist such as Coln. Petrov
Kofman and others. Office in Minsk and
others. However, after the 22nd Congress
meeting when Khrushchev again denounced
Stalin, on Nov. 5. Two days before the
Nov. 7 revolutionary celebrations, a force
of 100 men descended upon the Stalin
square (now Lenin square) and with
bulldozers and pile driver ~~was~~ commenced
to tear up (not salvage) the structure.
They must have been very enthusiastic
because next day they had removed the
10 ton bronze statue of a man revered
by the older generation and laughed at
by the sarcastic younger generation.

The most remarkable thing about
the destruction of this giant monument
was that work was ceased on the 6th of
November. But started again on the 7th
the very day the big parade of workers
came by. The monument was right across
from the reviewing stand as it was

In full view of all the people
and workers going by the destruction of
Stalin and the symbolic denunciation of
Stalinism (Khrushchev hoped) was
concluded.

But Belorussia as in Stalin's
native Georgia is still a stronghold
of Stalinism.

and a revival of Stalinism
is a very real, possible thing in
these two republics