

OUR FIGHT

ORGAN OF THE FRONT OF THE XV² BRIGADE

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A NEW MEDICAL UNIT.

A new Medical Unit is on its way from America, to carry on and extend the splendid work of the Medical Units in Spain. It consists of 15 surgeons, 45 nurses and 20 drivers, with quantities of supplies. The cost of this Unit was borne by the writers and authors of the U.S., bearing witness to the widespread concern the heroic struggle of the Spanish People has aroused in literary and artistic circles.

Among the drivers will be found such well-known names as Hemingway, Sinclair Lewis and Dos Passos. This selfless work is being carried on by the friends of Spanish Democracy in their fight to alleviate the sufferings of the Spanish People.

W. PIKE.

UNIVERSITY CITY. Our Madrid troops have succeeded in surrounding the University City, and have successfully cleared out all fascist troops from it. In utter desperation, 600 of them deserted to us. As a result of this important victory, the enemy has been thrown back six kilometres.

GUADALAJARA. In an attempt to cut the Madrid road in this sector, the enemy used 35,000 troops, composed entirely of Germans, Italians and Portuguese. There were definitely no Spanish troops engaged. The fascists used 150 tanks. So far the attempt has availed them nothing in the way of an advance.

VALENCIA. The Minister of War has warned all soldiers and civilians to be on their guard during the next few days, to repulse expected attacks on all fronts.

TOLEDO. Our troops are fighting to recapture Toledo, and the retaking of the City is expected within a few days.

BILBAO. The merchant ship "Yorbourg" loaded with war materials, was captured by the loyal ship "Vizcaya", and escorted to Bilbao.

In the Abidjan Sector our troops have captured 4,000 rounds of ammunition,

boxes of bombs, and canned foods, besides having caused the enemy heavy losses.

ASTURIAS. The enemy has made a desperate attack at Al Fresno. Three fascist companies attacked simultaneously, but they were met by our forces and completely routed; they left 50 dead, a large number of wounded, and one prisoner. Our forces also captured a number of rifles and machine guns.

GIJON. Bad weather interfered with our attack in this sector. The fascists are trying to break through to Oviedo and are now very close to our lines. Their artillery sent over 3,000 shells without doing any serious damage, before being silenced by our batteries.

BURGOS. The fascists have moved their capital from Burgos to Salamanca, only a 100 kilometres from the Portuguese frontier.

After the civilian population, mostly anti-fascist, was evacuated, we were able to bombard the city, and the fascist General Staff found themselves in a very uncomfortable situation.

ABYSSINIA. The Emperor of Abyssinia has been invited to send a representative to the Coronation, and will be represented by the Crown Prince.

LONDON. The Non-Intervention Committee has announced that the British Patrol has arrived in Portugal to police the frontier, and are seeking a suitable location.

Up till now Germany has still refused to pay her full share of expenses.

At the recent International Trade Union Conference at which delegates from most European Countries were present, the principle resolution was one calling upon the Democratic Countries to aid the Spanish Government.

GLASGOW. 25,000 people are affected by a transport workers' strike.



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THE RESOLUTION

The resolution on the Spanish situation which was sent round the British Lines should serve a very useful purpose in Britain. It is proposed to forward it to the General Council of the T.U.C. and the Labour Party, E.C. and also to a number of British newspapers.

It will help to expose the lies of all the supporters of Franco in Britain.

The resolution will make it still more difficult for the British Labour Leaders to continue their shameful policy in connection with the Spanish Civil War.

Finally our resolution gives a short but effective reply to the slanderous statements about our battalion, which have been published in the Daily Mail and other papers.

On the basis of supposed statements of British Prisoners, in fascist hands, the "Daily Mail" has asserted that the vast majority in the British Battalion were gulled into coming to Spain by promises of easy money. They also state that our treatment in Spain has been very bad.

Our resolution will convince people that no anti fascist fighter who is here from Britain gave a single thought to money questions when he volunteered; That we came to Spain solely because of our hatred of fascism and desire to assist the Spanish Workers, and that we are all as enthusiastic as ever for the fight.

All comrades are asked to send a copy to their Trade Union Branch, local Trades Council, or branch of the Labour Party.

G. Aitken.

NEWS FROM THE FRONT.

BARCELONA. Delegates of the French and Belgian Parliaments sent to observe, at first hand, the situation in Spain, stated "We were on the Guadalupe Front yesterday, and were able to talk to some of the prisoners, all of whom were Italians. They told us

News from the Front Cont.

that the fascists have four divisions of the Italian Regular Army on this front under the command of Generals Mazzomi, Coppi, Nuvolini, and Berganazzoni. The latter was in command of the Italian attack on Addis Ababa.

These four divisions are supported by two divisions of Germans and Portugese.

Our troops counter attacked on this front yesterday, destroying four Italian tanks, and large quantities of trucks and ammunition.

BARCELONA. Four fascist planes bombed the city yesterday, and were driven off by our planes. One of the bombs struck a ship in the harbour.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

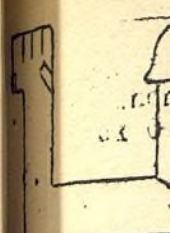
LONDON. Last night at midnight the Non Intervention Committee announced that the complete patrol of Spanish waters would commence immediately. The English, French, German, and Italian ships are already at their posts. The Commander in Chief is a Dutchman, Van Dalm.

The members of the British Patrol, who will police the Spanish-Portugese Frontier will have Diplomatic Immunity from arrest.

BERLIN. As a result of an unflattering speech about Hitler, made by Mayor La Guardia, of N.Y. the Nazi press began an attack against the United States. The U.S. Ambassador has lodged a sharp protest with the Nazi Government.

PARIS. All issues of the Times, Morning Post, Daily Telegraph, and Evening Star, were confiscated, and the Manchester Guardian and Daily Herald have been forbidden entirely. This was due to the fact that they were publishing news of German troops in Spain.

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