



OUR FIGHT

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LETTERS TO BE PROUD OF.

The extracts given below are from two letters which were received by Comrade Lees from his mother, who is 63 years of age.

These letters are remarkable for the vigour with which they denounce fascism. This working class woman expresses with vigour her pride in her son who is playing his part in the fight against fascism.

"Last week I made a patchwork quilt and they were showing it at the 'Defence of Madrid'. They are going to raffle it for the Spanish Front, and all around me I could hear them remark how lovely it was, of course they did not give any names, so I didn't care about remarks. Prague the motor-driver was there and he thinks it will make a good bit. I have started another and any little job I can do.".....

"My word, Joe, you have got the Italians on the run. Talk about pluck! But perhaps they saw that they were on the wrong side. Well, Joe, I would rather a son of mine died fighting on the government side, than live on Franco's side. I know that you won't show the white feather because you know what you are fighting for - a just cause and an ideal of justice for the Spanish people. I don't know, Joe, what the English Government is thinking about, but it seems to be rubbing the masses of workers the wrong way. If gory Goering comes to England it is going to turn the public, and it means trouble over the country, so lets hope they will have the good sense to bar him, and then there will be no trouble at the Coronation. Well Joe, keep your courage up, do your duty, and look well after yourself, you have our best wishes."

MADRID. A spy arrested in Madrid and belonging to the Fascist "Phalanx" was found to be in possession of forged CNT papers.

Ayuntamiento de Madrid

News From the Fronts.

NEW VICTORIES ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT.

We have captured Esparragosa and Blazquez. The capture of these two towns opens up the way to Penarroja, which should be taken soon, as it is almost surrounded. Penarroja is an important mining centre and of great strategic importance. During the last week we have advanced 52 km. on this front.

ESCAMPLERO. 2 officers, 7 soldiers and 32 civilians came over to our lines.

OVIEDO. The fascist position is getting steadily worse. Yesterday they took revenge by shooting the well known Rector of the University Leopoldo Alas.

International News.

MOSCOW. Children from Madrid and Malaga have left Moscow for homes near the Black Sea.

BELGRADE. The Czechoslovakian Prime Minister, Benes, has arrived in Belgrade. This can be taken as a demonstration against the Italo-Yugo-slavian Pact, which the French papers say has had little effect on the good relations of the Little Entente - still a force for Peace.

LONDON. By the end of 1937, England will have 10,000 planes and 70,000 pilots.

VIENNA. The Nazi press is attacking their fascist ally Hungary.

GERMANY. Many more arrests have been made this past week for showing sympathy with the Spanish Republic.

PARIS. Below are figures of members of the French parties.

Party.	1937.	1932.
Communist	304,916	25,000
Socialist	202,000	130,000
Young Comm.	92,000	-
Young Soc.	40,000	-

GERMANY. For several weeks the Wireless station of the German Communist Party has been speaking daily to the German workers, in spite of the most widespread enquiries on the part of the Gestapo which is furious.

