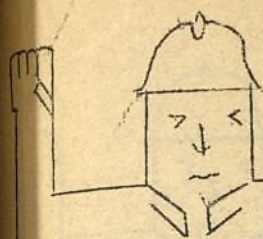


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ORGAN OF THE FRONT OF THE XV BRIGADE.

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Dame Rumour once more has reared her ugly head. Whispering may be heard in the ranks -- "Sixteen sick comrades in the trenches! Typhoid! Epidemics!"

These rumours are lies, shameful, tarnished lies. They are demoralising! They must and shall be stopped. These reports would bring joy to the heart of every fascist! Anyone who persistently gives credence to, and repeats these rumours is our enemy.

There is and has been no typhoid in our ranks. A suspected case in which this ugly rumour rested, has definitely proved to be grippe. Meanwhile, proper care of the ground, proper care and use of the latrines, proper care of our water supply, will minimise the danger of typhoid. Even now plans for immunising are going on, not because of the rumours but because the enemy is approaching and immunisation could be done in any event.

After weeks of patient publicising, proving that there are medical services in the field, with well trained personnel, ready and anxious to serve our sick comrades, there are some cowardly souls who, like gossip-mongering fishwives, talking about their symptoms, prefer weeping about their symptoms to being examined and treated. There are others who are afraid of being called "gold-brick" or "lingerer" or do not like the way a doctor parts his hair. To all of these - failure to report symptoms is disastrous for the sufferer and so around him and constitutes a breach of military discipline. Once a sick call, for all with symptoms, is held daily at the nearest first-aid post, between 9 A.M. for the American Battalion and 9 A.M. and 10 A.M. for the British.

Every comrade in conserving his health, is discharging a sacred trust, not only to himself and his comrades, but also to the great cause in which he has enlisted.

Dr. W. PIKE.

News From the Fronts.

FURTHER ADVANCE ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT.

Our troops in the South are still advancing. Towards Penarroja we have taken in succession the strategically important hill of LA GRANA, then the hill of UMBRIA LARGA and this gave us the town of VILLAHARTA. We now control all the roads into PENARROYA, and we are now only 4 km. away. This capture enables the contact made with the Estramadura troops to be more effective. In addition we have taken LOS FORNALES, in this retreat the enemy left 600 dead.

ALCAÑIZ (Aragon) We have made an advance of 3 km.

MADRID. Yesterday we saw our Republican aircraft at work. Valladolid, Toledo, Penarroja and Malaga were bombed.

Latests News by Radio.

We have captured the Military Hospital at Carabanchel.

On the sector Casa del Campo we have captured the mountain "Monte los Garabitos".

On the Estramadura Road we have advanced 4 km.

Details tomorrow.

International News.

BILBAO; Compulsory military service has been established.

PARIS; It is reported that the fascists get more disorganised daily, that Mussolini has condemned to death many officers from Guadalajara and that Mussolini's representative in Spain, General Bersonsoli has committed suicide.

TANGIER; Another plot against Franco has been discovered, and several officers shot.

MEXICO. Enemies of the Spanish Republic are prohibited from entering Mexico.

MOSCOW. A decree has annulled all collective farm debts to the state.

VALENCIA. The Government issues a reminder that prisoners and deserters from the Fascist lines are to be treated humanely.

The U.G.T. is undertaking a cleaning out of undesirable elements from its new members joining after July, 18th

Ayuntamiento de Madrid

