



THE GOVERNMENT OF PRESTIGE AND ENERGY

All honest people of the world, including those who do not fully understand that ours is a war of independence against the fascist invaders, have energetically condemned the crime of the German Naval squadron committed in the bombing of the civil population of Almeria. The whole world is shocked before this new demonstration of the work of criminal fascism, before the bloody action of this scourge of the world, before the actions of these war-makers - Hitler and Mussolini.

The German aggression of Almeria, with its sum balance of assassinations of women and children, has had a painful effect; demonstrating to the world the exact character of the war in Spain, of a war in which the people are fighting against the invasion of Germany and Italy.

Since the first day Hitler and Mussolini have practiced the most barefaced interventions, sending to the rebel generals tanks, airplanes, hundreds of cannons, and thousands of machine guns. Later, when this aid did not have sufficient result, Hitler and Mussolini sent their troops on Spanish soil.

Even this was not sufficient to result in the conquest of the Spanish people. And to-day, German ships in battle order, flying the bloody standard of Hitler, fired their shells over our city. Then, the Nazis, cynically, declared to the world that they were the authors of this crime, they boasted to the world of a crime which is without precedent even in the history of the Right International.

Fascism, desperate, having no other policy than war, provokes the world in the ports of Spain. But to-day, more than ever the People of Spain are ready to defend their independence, not to allow fascism to crush underfoot one part of their native soil.

To-day more than ever our war is a war of independence. All Spaniards have a debt to fulfil. And our debt as Spaniards is, in the first place, to form a closed square with our government. In the fronts and in the rearguard. With all our fighting strength and all our discipline. Alone the traitors can only sit back or create difficulties for the government which, with the mass of the people, at the head of all anti-fascist fighters, is defending the motherland and the popular revolution.

The government has shown its authority with its correct policy and its firm steps in the Sierras and its attitude to the criminal bombardment of Almeria. The government is drawing all the means of the people to obtain the victory. In foreign affairs its political energy and dignified decisions have given it a growing and indubitable prestige.

Our Government, synthesis and representative of all the eager-ness of the anti-fascist masses, works energetically against the traitors and the foreign interventionists. This is the road which will bring security to all the people who are at the back of this government. The continuous admissions which have been received - THE LATEST BEING FROM THE C.N.T. - show that the people are with the government energetically, decidedly in its defence of its interests for the independence of Spain and the popular revolution.

WORLD COMMENTS ON LEAGUE

London: "The act was inopportune and unjustified. It will place difficulties in the work of the Non-intervention Committee and the Plan of Control."

France: Madame Tabucis declares "I will realise the gravity of the situation and its threat to the peace of the world. It is now a question for the League of Nations the Committee of London having exhausted all its diplomatic measures."

Belgium: The National Council of the Socialist Party met and a resolution was passed calling for an enquiry to be instituted by the League into the bombing of the Deutschland, and also against the bombing of Almeria which it stated constituted a grave threat to world peace

United States: Newspapers stated "Situation is very delicate and it should be tackled with all coolness in order not to extend this serious act into another European war."

Switzerland: The Social Democrat says "Germany has gone out of her way to commit hostilities against the Government of Spain."

Portugal: The work of the Committee of Non-Intervention and also those countries which are working with it and it goes on "... we should not lose hope that the general tranquillity of Europe can be restored and with it strengthen the peace of the world. It calls on the League to institute an enquiry into the alleged bombing of the Deutschland."

C.N.T. Behind the Government

Valencia 1st: To-day a representative of the National Council of the C.N.T. visited the Premier Dr. Negrin and the meeting lasted half an hour. Later a statement was issued stating that the C.N.T. had given its full confidence to the New Government and promised it its help in the huge tasks which faced it.

House of Commons to-day

London 2nd By Radio: "To-day in the House of Commons Mr. EDEN stated that the draft plan of the Technical Sub Committee of Non-Intervention had been approved and forwarded to the interested governments. A reply was expected at the end of the week. The plan deals with the withdrawal of foreign combatants in Spain."

Lisbon 1st The counter torpedo "VOUG" has received orders to return to Lisbon. This ship is Portuguese representative in the International Fleet

in the Plan of Control.

The Italian ships which were at first withdrawn from the Plan of Control have returned.

THE COMMUNICATION

North: Vizcaya: Our troops have attacked and taken the town of ARINTZANU. They have continued to fortify these positions recently gained.

On the other sectors of this front nothing new of importance.

Centre During the night the enemy executed an attack of the French Bridge and also in the West Park both were beaten back by our forces without any great loss on our part.

At the front of Navacerrado our troops have continued their victorious offensive. They have taken various new positions and improved those taken yesterday causing heavy losses to the enemy who abandoned many dead. Many prisoners were taken among them many officers. We also captured one machine gun, large numbers of rifles and a large quantity of munitions.

South: The troops in this front have taken the initiative and gained a small advance.

THE COMMUNICATION

Six monoplanes and eleven biplanes have bombed the enemy concentrations on the road from Legovia to Revanga. 18 pursuit planes and 18 bombers have also bombed and machine gunned the enemy positions and especially the artillery emplacements.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Moscow: The vice Commissar of Defence Jan GILBERNIK, has committed suicide. An Official communication has stated that he was implicated with anti-soviet elements.

Warsaw: On authoritative information received from Dantzic it is learned that the Socialist Deputy has been kidnapped in the streets of the Free City and taken to Berlin. He was arrested by the Police but Officials in Dantzic declare that he is not in any of the jails of that town.

Valencia 1st: The President of the Council has called a meeting of all representatives of Spain in foreign countries to take part on June 15th. This will include all ambassadors, plenipotentiary ministers and all chiefs of Spanish Foreign Affairs.

Paris 1st: The French ship "Finistère" was arrested close to Majorca by a rebel fishing boat, which ordered it to proceed to Palma. The French torpedo ship "Imoul" came to its assistance without insisting on the carrying out its orders.