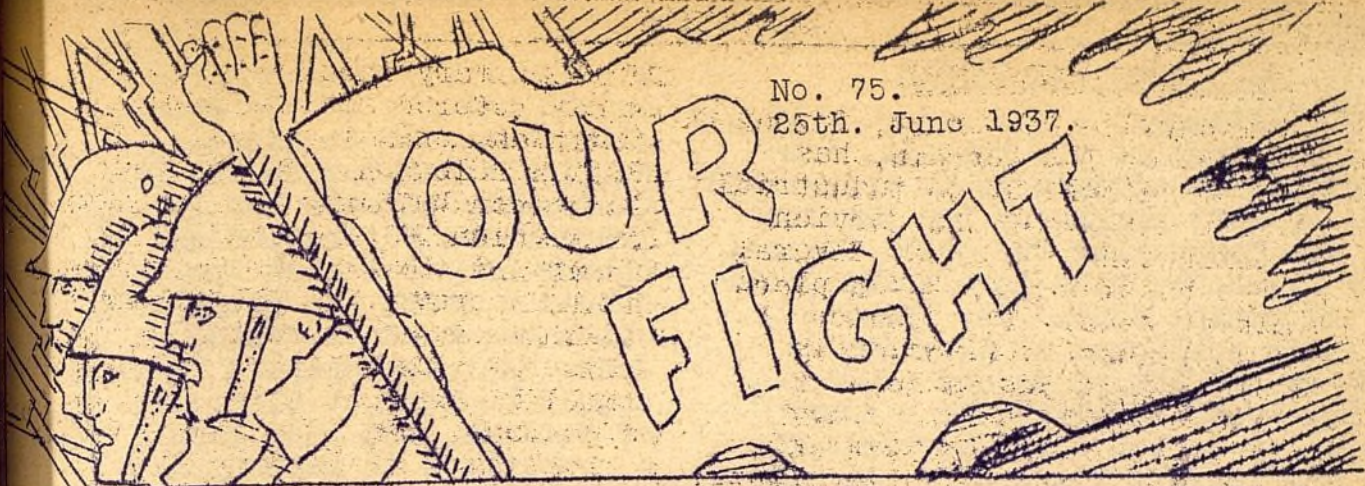


OUR FIGHT



ORGAN OF THE FRONT OF THE XV BRIGADE.

THE LATEST PROVOCATION.

Italy and Germany have quit the Control Committee, this is the most provocative gesture. And why have they left? Officially, because the Committee has not listened to their suggestions concerning the proposed recent attempt against the Nazi warship, Leipzig. In reality take a new step, perhaps the gravest of all, in their policy of aggression against Spain.

The incident which serves as a basis for their decision has all the characteristics of a provocative act in the classic method. Their aim is to find a "justification" for new moves against the Spanish people, just as they "justified" the criminal bombardment of Almeria. The London Committee and the representatives of France and Britain followed the line which proved so convenient for fascism when the case of the Reichsmarine was examined. With such a magnificent precedent, Hitler and Mussolini have lost no time in improvising this infamous comedy of a pretended Leipzig, convinced that they will be as successful as the last time. But the French and British Governments have refuted the incident, and at the present moment the comedy is still being played out. The fascist solution is the sudden and warlike withdrawal from the maritime control of the Spanish coasts.

All this signifies that the Fascist International intends to take the ultimate steps of their adventure in Spain, which is, fundamentally a crusade against world democracy, world peace and world culture. Hitler and Mussolini are in hurry, they wish to intensify their criminal intervention in this country; they wish to bring it to a close and present it as a "fait accompli" to the democratic governments, who will accept as usual thanks to their suicidal weakness.

They had no necessity to abandon the control, yet they have withdrawn from it, not because it impeded their action in Spain - this is becoming an even greater joke - but because they wish to show the whole world their readiness to go as far as necessary and to get rid of all embarrassing formulae (and they are nothing but formulae) which are in their way.

These are the fascist intention. The new provocation augurs further steps on their part, a thousand times more criminal than ever before. These must be answered. And without doubt they will be answered. First of all by our energy and by our will not to submit to anyone, and secondly by rallying round the Government to continue the heroic defence of our Netherlands against the foreigners who have invaded it. And finally by the international unity of the workers of the world, the mere declaration of which made the fascist tremble in their shoes and forced them to alter their plans. The unity will bring to nothing every provocation

NEWS FROM THE FRONTS.

NORTH: (Vizcaya) - The enemy, favoured by the nature of the terrain, has been able to advance up to industrial zone of left margin of the Nervion and are dominating the area. Several very fierce battles have taken place in the mining zone. The fascist aviation continues to ferociously bombard all the roads and accesses to the west, resulting in a heavy mortality to the civil population, who are leaving Vizcaya by the route. During last night the enemy attacked the position of Dubalza, which he succeeded in occupying, but a little later our forces managed to retake it. The fascists launched an attack with tanks on the Sodupe road, but they were repulsed.

ASTURIAS: - Our troops blew up a powder dump of the fascists in the Pico del Paisano, and dispersed a concentration of enemy forces in the Escamplero, causing a great loss among them.

PARIS, 24th. The Political Bureau of the French Communist Party has issued a note after a meeting this morning in which it states that the object of the meeting was to examine the political situation created by the lamentable resignation of the Blum Government.

After listening to the report of Comrade Cachin, the Bureau expressed its satisfaction of the results of the conference between the two Internationals at Annemare, and its confidence that this would be the starting point for common International action of help for the Spanish people by respect for International law, raising of the blockade and the application of the clauses of the League of Nations Pact against the fascist aggressors of Republican Spain.

PARIS, 24th. The joint meeting of the International Trade Union Federation and the Labour and Socialist International commenced at 10 a.m. today in the premises of the C.G.T.

LONDON, 24th. Yesterday afternoon a meeting took place in the House of Commons between the T.U.C. the Executive Committee of the Labour Party and the Executive of the

Parliamentary Labour Party. The agenda referred to the Spanish situation, and it agreed that the British delegates to the Paris Conference between the International Trade Union Federation and the Labour and Socialist International should approve the proposition which has been presented in the sense that the Spanish Question should be brought before the League of Nations, and they should demand a resolution in harmony with the Pact of the League of Nations.

In view of the farce of non intervention the British delegates will insist on the necessity of Spanish Government's right to buy arms.

The British Delegation will consist of the General Secretary of the T.U.C. Sir Walter Citrine and three Labour M.Ps.

BERLIN, 23rd. Today the French and British Ambassadors had a conference with the Minister of Foreign Negotiations, von Neurath. It is believed that the meeting was about the Spanish events and that the Minister outlined to the diplomatists his Government's resolution in consequence of the "Leipzig" incident.

ZURICH, 23rd. The Italian Press is continuing its campaign against England. The "Popolo de Italia" attacks the English press, it refers to it as "jackals", "hyenas", "cowards" and "bandits" and ends by stating that the English Press has rushed to drink the Italian blood as if it were whisky.

Viena, 23rd. During the course of the trial here of "11 Nazis, the chief accused, Baugartor, has confessed that the "section of Austria Assault" wish to launch an attack on the arms deposits of the ancient Heimwehrh.

PARIS, 23rd. The organ of the Trotskyists Doriot has been inculpated for wishing to prejudice the credit of the nation.

PRAGUE, 23rd. A very important strike is taking place in the wood industry of Yugoslavia, where 2000 workers



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