

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

OMINOUS headlines: "Italian Fleet to Blockade Russia. It Duce Orders Gunboats to Keep Soviet Ships Away from Spain."

RUSSIA has been left-handedly helping the Spanish government. Italy and Germany have been left-handedly helping the Spanish insurgents. So far, this help has been unofficial and more or less subtle. But suppose Italian war vessels DO blockade Russian ports to keep Russian help away from Spain. Suppose the Russians decide to CONVOY their ships bound for Spanish ports. THEN suppose these armed Russian convoys clash with the armed Italian invaders.

In that event, war would probably follow.

WHAT will happen in Europe in the next few days (or perhaps weeks) will depend pretty largely on what Mussolini and Hitler are thinking. If they think that now is as good a time as any (finances, armed forces, etc., considered) there is apt to be another European war.

SOMETHING like a decade and a half ago, 12 senators prevented the United States from entering the League of Nations. At that time, the League of Nations was even more popular than President Roosevelt's proposal to pack the supreme court is now.

But TODAY there are few normal-minded persons in the entire country who don't PERVENTLY THANK those 12 senators for KEEPING US OUT.

If we were in the League of Nations now, we would be all mixed up with this mess in Europe.

As it is, we are free to do as we please.

(If the President's supreme court packing plan is defeated, the time will probably come when we shall be exceedingly thankful for its defeat.)

WE had a two-day holiday over the past week-end, and as a result ELEVEN lives were lost in violent accidents in Oregon alone.

If the time comes (as it probably will if we get the 80-hour week) when we have a two-day holiday EVERY week-end, what will the annual toll of accidents be?

You can't answer that question, of course, NOBODY can. But the toll will be large. That much seems certain.

Champagne Celebration. PORTLAND, June 4.—(AP)—Civic and veteran organizations will meet July 4 at Champage park, where Oregon's state government was founded, in the park's largest gathering in history, Milton A. Miller, chairman of the Champage park commission, said today.

Postal Gain. PORTLAND, June 4.—(AP)—May postal receipts of \$271,602 were 11.8 per cent higher than for May, 1936, Postmaster E. T. Hedlund said today.

Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

June 4, 1927

(It was Saturday)
"Good luck" is wish of Col. Lindbergh, for Charles Chamberlain, now in flight across Atlantic. Fire whistle will blow once to inform public, plane has landed safely.

Second trial of Hugh DeAutremont, slayer of tunnel worker, to start Monday.

David Rosenberg is elected a trustee of Fruit Shippers' council.

State bankers meet at Gearhart, and Vernon Vawter is chosen vice-president of the organization.

Orchard thinning scheduled to start coming week. Shortage of help reported.

Hot weather continues, with no relief in sight.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

June 4, 1917

(It was Monday)
Light vote being cast in good roads election today.

Grants Pass youth and four Gold Hill girls have narrow escape in auto accident.

Mary Pickford in "The Poor Little Rich Girl" at the Page; Bryant Washburn in "Skinner's Bubble" at the Star.

Southern Oregon dentists elected Dr. E. G. Riddell, president.

Jackson county votes for good roads bonds by majority of 450; bonds carry in state at special election.

Fish lake dam develops leak, but danger of break is over.

Fern Valley

FERN VALLEY, June 4.—(SI.)—Ben Dawson of the Steamboat district who has a band of sheep in the Bonson pasture is having them sheared.

Robt. Lytle and family drove to Bonanza Sunday and they report a dust storm.

Leon Frink of Talent was a business caller in the valley Tuesday.

Henry Kantor has a bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Clower and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clower and little daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cummings drove to Grants Pass Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hughes and T. H. Hughes drove up to the Mountain View cemetery Sunday. On the way home they called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pederson in Ashland.

Harry Steele, Jr., has returned home from Montana where he spent about six weeks helping his father put in his grain crop.

D. Wood of the Bear Creek orchards was transacting business in Fern Valley Thursday.

We are glad to announce that Twila Ferns is improved from her recent serious illness and was able to return to her home Saturday.

A number of Fern Valley residents attended graduation exercises at Ashland May 28. Those graduating from the eighth grade in Fern valley were Henry Kantor and a Brack boy.

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It will give the nation something to think and talk about other than the supreme court (now adjourned, unpacked), the minimum wage and maximum hours discussion, and other pending hurrings, red, dead or dying. No one ever accused the administration of not knowing its publicity.

Another herring which seems to have left a befuddling scent may be found in the Congressional Record, page 6708, first column. There Senate Leader Robinson is recorded as speaking some good words for the O'Mahoney bill, proposing a federal charter for all corporations. Up to then, Mr. Robinson had not said anything good about it during the year or more it has been pending. The measure was supposed to have been relegated to the filing case of unwanted legislation. The unofficial Attorneys-General Corcoran and Cohen were against it, and all trustworthy inside advices indicates the president was also.

Naturally, word spread among lobbyists, observers and even legislators that the administration was going to take the bill out of moth balls and push it as a method of controlling production, prices (in lieu of the expected fair trade practices method)

and corporate control. Robinson, it is being said, was playing advance agent for a White House move to this effect.

Don't be too sure. There may be other explanations of the Robinson endorsement, personal and senatorial. At least, the best of trustworthy sources are guaranteeing that the bill will not pass.

Note—Unannounced administration objections to the O'Mahoney bill are grounded primarily in fear that it would open the federal courts wide to suits by corporations, which would tie up application of the act, perhaps for years, with the outcome uncertain. Also the liberals in the administration believe the standards of incorporation for most states (New York, for instance) are now high. As a result of years of experience, and a federal standard would wreck the reforms thus accomplished and necessitate a lower general standard.

At least, it would open a whole new field of corporate law for which no one now can see the end.

Off the Record.
Floor Leader Rayburn was delivering an impassioned plea to the house, urging it to accept the president's compromise on the relief bill. He had just reached the climax when a page boy pulled at his coat, saying: "The Lord is calling upon you."

Rayburn, hurriedly, in an aside, whispered:
"Tell him to wait."

The boy, realizing Rayburn had probably failed to catch the name, said, louder this time:
"The Lord is outside."

There was no use whispering any more, as a number of colleagues were noticing the scene, so Rayburn turned to the lad and said aloud:
"It is a bad time for the Lord or anyone else to be calling on me for help, just now."

Explanation developed that the leader of the British house of peers, called was Lord Marley, minority Rayburn told him about it later.

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