

MILITARY BUDGET LIMIT ASKED

Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN London today, King George and Queen Elizabeth celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. As the day begins, London plunges into the biggest display of pageantry since Princess Elizabeth and Philip were married last November.

The big event of the day is a procession. The royal family drives in state from Buckingham palace to St. Paul's cathedral for a NATIONAL SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING. Two 41-gun salutes signal the procession's start, and along the route people perch in trees and jam every window and balcony for a glimpse of the royal couple.

The dispatches tell us the crowd arrived early to get good observation points but "few camped out all night as they did for the Princess' wedding last fall." After all, an anniversary is only an anniversary, whereas a wedding is a WEDDING. Radiant with happiness, Queen Elizabeth acknowledges the cheers of the crowd with waves of a white-gloved hand.

NOTE the little touch about the "national service of thanksgiving." As we compare the standard of living of the British, who are enduring a period of austerity while they recover from the effects of a devastating war, with our much higher standard, we are apt to wonder vaguely what they have to be thankful for.

Pause here a moment. Recall the dark day when Winston Churchill appeared before parliament and put into immortal words the grim determination of the British people to fight in the streets and in the high seas and along the helms but NEVER TO GIVE UP. In blood and tears and sweat, he said, they would preserve their liberties.

Well, they did. They are still FREE. No foreign conqueror tells them what they can do and what they can't. If their lives are austere, it is because they themselves will it so.

IF you will recall that sharp contrast—balancing those grim days when Britain's military power was smashed, when France had fallen, when Hitler's victorious armies stood across the channel, only a few miles away, with the present time, you will be inclined to agree that the British have something to celebrate.

IN Hollywood this afternoon, there is a bling of a different sort. Lana Turner and Bob Topping are getting married. It ought to be a fairly professional spectacle. Each has been married three times before. Their should be no false moves anywhere along the line. At every point, both should know exactly what to do next.

Practice, you know, makes perfect. THROUGHOUT the story, dollars are mentioned casually in thousands. Bob got loose on Friday from his third wife. He handed her \$100,000 in alimony. After the wedding and the reception, Lana will don her \$25,000 tulle dress and prepare to leave on a New York-London honeymoon with the first stop at Palm Springs.

One correspondent says: "The festive board will groan 'neath the weight of lobsters flown from Boston and assorted delicacies flown from New York and Louisiana."

WHO are they? Well, Bob is the playboy descendant of a tough and competent ancestor who learned how to put tin permanently onto steel, thus making tin-can civilization possible. Lana is a former Hollywood hit, a school girl who has demonstrated outstanding ability to pack people into theatres.

THESE celebrations in London and Hollywood differ sharply in one respect. The London dispatches tell us that George and Elizabeth's DOMESTICITY has endeared them to home-loving Britons. Bob and Lana gain an added luster from the fact that this is their fourth wedding.

The British are amused and diverted by royal spectacles. So they pay the price for royalty. As a part of their show, they don't care for divorce. Witness Edward and Wallis. Over here, among our playboy aristocrats and entertainers, the more the merrier.

It all depends, you see, on what the cash customers like.

Oregon Congress Of Parents And Teachers To Convene Here Tuesday For Three-Day Confab

Close to 500 Oregon mothers and housewives, who are also members of state or local units of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, will take off their kitchen aprons, pack their bags and start for Klamath Falls today to participate in the 35th state convention of the PTA.

Klamath Falls County Council and individual units will be hosts group to the state meet which will be conducted both at Klamath Union high school and OVS. The session is formally slated for three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 27, 28 and 29, but this does not include the many days and hours of work that has gone into the planning of the big session.

"The World At Our Doorstep" is the theme of the convention as announced by Mrs. H. H. Hargreaves of Portland, Oregon congress president.

The convention will provide instruction, information and inspiration. For instruction there will be two schools, a president's break-

WEATHER

Max. (April 25) 46 Min. 37

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