

ZERO HOUR FOR FRANCO SPAIN.

First anti-democratic government to be outlawed by the United Nations is Franco's Spain. The days of this sort of swashbuckling parade are fast running to an end as the last of Europe's Fascist dictatorships starts on the downward path that leads to history's dustbin. Even the salute wasn't original. Banners, mass parades, swaggering Falange Party members,,, they were all a shoddy imitation of Franco's late immortal unlamented sponsors Hitler and Mussolini. A world sick of militarism is glad that the United Nations Organisation has teeth and that Falangist Spain is to be the first offender to peace to get bitten. Justice catches up with General Franco. These shots show the days of his success. He had a good run for it while it lasted and now the democratic world is tired of him and the system he represents. The frontier of France and Spain saw the tragic consequences of Franco's victory in the Spanish Civil War. Defeated republicans crossed into France to begin the eight year wait for Franco's fall. French troops took over and watched the sabre rattling ceremonial with which the Franco flag was hoisted over a new Spain that looked to Germany and Italy for a model. Today, from this same frontier, reports say that Franco's reaction to the world's warning has been to turn Spain into an armed camp. In 1938, the Falangista tore down the flag of their defeated opponents'

Today, with the backing of the Big Three, Republican leader Del Vayo says, "This is the greatest moment in the lives of Spanish Republicans".

France's Victory Parade through Madrid with German and Italian planes overhead is pictured here, a reminder that for France, the Army's allegiance is the query mark in the situation. In the Civil war his victory was won for him by his Moorish Troops, dark skinned mercenaries now manning the frontier which, angered France, has declared closed.

With Spain's Dictator on the down grade, one man of the hour is claimant-to-the-throne Don Juan, seen here with his wife when they passed through London last month.

Now standing by in Portugal, the Big Three's condemnation of France may put a crown on Don Juan's head.

UNO's indictment against Francesco Franco alleges that he is harbouring twelve hundred war criminals and quantities of Nazi loot.

The sands of time are running out for Spain's Little Caesar.