

Thousands Expected to See Huge Military Parade, Rally On Plaza

Because of wartime restrictions on transportation that add patriotic significance to "at home" observance of Independence day, thousands of Indianapolis citizens are expected to include as a high light in their recreation the mammoth military parade here Tuesday morning and the rally to follow in Memorial Plaza.

Lieut. Gen. Erehon Somervell, chief of the Army Service Forces, which supply the implements of war to the nation's 7,000,000 soldiers on the world's war fronts, will be guest of the city and speak at the rally.

The following units, totaling 6,500 men, will participate in the parade, in the order named: Band of the 106th Division, combat team from the 18th Division, reconnaissance troop from the 106th Division, medical company, Ninth Ambulance, band, Second Army; service units from Camp Atterbury, Stout field band, 3586th Service Unit (ASFTC), 738th Military Police Battalion (scout cars), 342d Army Service Forces band, 1532d Service Unit, 1530th Service Unit, WAC, 3586th Service Unit, WAC, and Billings General Hospital medical technicians school.

Largest Demonstration.

The parade, which is expected to be the largest military demonstration in Indianapolis since World War I, will start at 10 o'clock. The route will be down Pennsylvania street to Washington street, west on Washington street to Meridian street and north on Meridian street to North street. Gen. Somervell, other high army officers, state and city officials and representatives of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce will review the parade from a stand on the west steps of the

World War Memorial Shrine building.

As the troops reach North street they will be massed on the plaza in front of the speakers' stand to hear Gen. Somervell's address. Ample space will be available for the public on the steps, the esplanade and the plaza, and a loud speaker will carry the general's address.

General to Speak at Luncheon.

Gen. Somervell is expected to discuss war-production status and prospects at the luncheon, which will be attended by local business and industrial executives.

Following the invocation by Chaplain Albert M. B. Snapp, post chaplain at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Harold B. West, chairman of the luncheon committee, who is to preside, will introduce the guests at the speakers' table. Col. Louis R. Markun, chief of staff, Indiana State Guard, representing Governor Henry F. Schrieker, will speak briefly, and Mayor Robert H. Tyndall will speak for the city. Mayor Tyndall, as chairman of the Blood Donor Service of the Indianapolis chapter of the American Red Cross, then will make a presentation of the 1,000th membership in the chapter's Blood Donor Gallon Club. Gen. Somervell's address will follow. A musical program will be provided by the Shortridge High School band.

Arranged by Commerce Chamber.

Others at the speakers' table will be Maj. Gen. James L. Collins, commanding general, Fifth Service Command; Brig. Gen. Joseph F. Battley, deputy chief of staff, Army Service Forces; Brig. Gen. Frederick W. Evans, commanding general, First Troop Carrier Command, Stout field; Maj. Gen. Allan Jones, commanding general, 106th Division, Camp Atterbury; Brig. Gen. L. T. McMahon, artillery commander, 106th Division; Brig. Gen. Guy I. Rowe, commanding general, quartermaster depot, Jeffersonville; Col. Henry E. Tisdale, commanding officer, Fort Benjamin Harrison; Col. Welton M. Modisette, commanding officer, Camp Atterbury; Col. Harry L. Dale, commanding officer, Billings General Hospital, and representatives of Indianapolis newspapers.

The Fourth of July observance is being arranged by the military affairs committee of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, in co-operation with army officers representing Fort Benjamin Harrison and the Fifth Service Command. Neal Grider is chairman of the committee and Ralph B. Gregg is vice-chairman.

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playground adjoins the building and is available for this purpose."

Judge Rhoads said he long had favored improvements in the personnel and physical facilities for accommodating delinquent boys and girls and declared that "the present evils will be corrected with trained personnel and occupation of the county-owned structures at Keystone avenue and 25th street."

The judge said he and the new superintendent of the home, a Californian whose name he said he is not ready to reveal, would meet next week with county commissioners to lay the ground work for needed improvements to the new quarters and hiring of the new staff.

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The county commissioners yesterday voted to notify the United States Treasury Department that they would dismiss damage claims

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