

MOCK MILITARY CAMPAIGN WILL BE STAGED HERE

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All Branches of Service
Will Be Engaged in
Maneuvers, Said

Boulder dam will be piece de resistance of a mock military campaign on Armistice Day and two days afterward if present plans of army officials at Fort McArthur work out.

The campaign calls for sending in almost a full regiment of "regulars" from California, accompanied by a sizeable air force of fighting and observation planes and four batteries of field artillery, it was learned this afternoon, and all units will remain at the dam from November 10 to November 14.

PRELIMINARY PLANS for the event were discussed yesterday with City Manager Sims Ely and Project Chief Ralph Lowry by Captain Aldrich, who was dispatched from Fort McArthur to arrange the details of the trip.

Captain Aldrich did not reveal detailed plans for the campaign, stating only that maneuvers would be carried out with the defense of Boulder dam as the objective.

IT WAS RUMORED that the navy also would participate in the campaign but this could not be confirmed. Full details of the program have not been completely worked out but are expected to be revealed at an early date.

Captain Aldrich said that the detachment of troops will be accompanied by the regimental band which will give a series of concerts while here.

The United Press, checking with army officials in southern California reported late this afternoon that it was admitted that tentative plans had been completed for a motorized march in the general direction of the dam early in November, leaving Fort McArthur for a period of two or three weeks on their annual practice march.

THE DETAIL will comprise the Sixty-third Anti-aircraft regiment of about 450 men.

Army heads refused to verify the Boulder dam angle, the United Press said, but Boulder City authorities definitely announced that arrangements had been made to quarter the men over a three-day period.