

# GREAT TRIBUNE SHOW CLIMAX TO CENTENNIAL

Spectacles to Thrill by Air, Lake, and Land

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sky will be filled with man-plotted meteors. The jet-propelled planes, some of which never have performed before a civilian audience before, will stage the most sensational formation maneuver that can be performed by fast military aircraft—the Lufberry circle, two to three miles in diameter and perhaps 5,000 feet high. There will be screaming dives and "passes" before the open-mouthed spectators.

**War Maneuvers by Navy**  
The navy then takes over with a mass flight and demonstration of a 47 plane carrier striking force, consisting of fighters, fighter bombers, and torpedo bombers and patrol planes. The crowd will witness exactly the same maneuvers which struck terror into the Japs over the Pacific. Famous war flyers, with scores of knocked down enemy planes to their credit, will be at the controls, eager to outdo the army in displays of daring.

From then on, until 10:36 p. m., when the grand finale of the fireworks display is completed, thrill will be piled upon thrill. The first of 100 bombs, to be fired at half-second intervals, will be touched off at 7:30 p. m., symbolizing the century which began for THE TRIBUNE on June 10, 1847, when 400 crudely printed copies were run off on a hand press at Lake and L. Salle streets.

**Singing by Audience**  
To the accompaniment of Armin Hand's American Legion band, the vast audience will then sing the national anthem. Huge loudspeakers have been set up along the 1 1/4 mile length of Northerly Island which will carry the music and announcements of events clearly to the assembled thousands. They will hear THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE March, especially composed for the occasion.

More motor boat races at 8 p. m. will be staged and then in rapid succession will be presented water skiers on surf boards behind roaring launches; a helicopter demonstration over water; a fire boat display, a spectacular "Venetian parade," in which 80 yachts will join, and a series of aerial acrobatics on high wires described as eight shows rolled into one.

**125 Feet Long Stage**  
Northerly Island will be lit by thousands of lanterns. In the center, facing the crowds across the lagoon, a great stage, 125 feet long, has been constructed. The gigantic back-drop is a reproduction of a three-tiered birthday cake surmounted by The Tribune Tower, all illumined by vari-colored lights. This construction piece of steel and canvas is the tallest outdoor display ever built.

Throughout the island's expanse yesterday, scores of workmen were busy erecting the elaborate apparatus which will form the basic structure for the fireworks exhibition. One hundred thousand square feet of pictorial displays will light the eastern sky. They will illustrate great historical moments in THE

TRIBUNE's 100 year history, from the Civil war to the second World war.

**Portrait of Lincoln**  
There will be a portrait of Abraham Lincoln at his nomination as President, an event for which THE TRIBUNE was largely responsible. Also to be shown are Civil war scenes, a reproduction of the great Chicago fire of 1871, a scene typifying the World's fair of 1893, which THE TRIBUNE helped to bring to Chicago, battle scenes from the Spanish-American war, and many other historic pictures in fire.

**The Tribune's first building** at Lake and La Salle streets and contrasting pictures of Chicago's skyline today will be shown. Interspersed with all of these, stretching the full mile length of the lagoon, will be a mechanical fireworks design of fountains and pinwheels. Rockets and star shells will continually be bursting in a brilliant sky display.

**Tribune Comes in Outline**  
TRIBUNE comic characters, such as Dick Tracy, Orphan Annie, and Moon Mullins will be outlined in brilliant burning colors as the show progresses. There will be two Niagara Falls displays instead of the customary one.

**The biggest fireworks displays** in history up to today have been those presented at A Century of Progress exposition and the New York World's fair. Frank P. Duffield, producer of The Tribune display, said tonight's exhibition would be greater than both of those record-breakers rolled into one.

The high aerial thrill show will be on an equally unprecedented scale. It will include 11 acts performed on poles, ramps, wires, and platforms ranging from 80 to 150 feet in the air. One man weaves and slips about on a limber pole, describing 30 foot arcs 143 feet above the earth. Another rides a bicycle off an 80 foot chute and dives into the lagoon.

**Girls in Thrill Slides**  
While this is going on, two girls slide by their teeth down wires stretched 110 feet into the air and another man and girl ride bicycles and balance themselves with poles atop a machine which revolves and swoops at the peak of a 100 foot steel tower.

Great searchlights will be trained

upon these acts, which will be performed simultaneously along the one mile stretch in clear view of the spectators.

One of the show's quietly beautiful moments will come when the Venetian garden pageant, extending 3,000 feet, will be presented from 9:20 to 9:45 p. m. The Navy Glee club will sing during this period. Great fans of light in a changing rainbow of colors will sweep the sky as the huge festoons of lighted lanterns on the island are turned on.

**80 Yachts in Pageant**  
Some 80 private yachts which meanwhile have slipped into the lagoon under cover of darkness will suddenly be illumined. Each ship will be decorated with strings of lights, flags, bunting, and searchlights. The skippers with the most tastefully decorated ships will receive rewards.

The public speaking portion of the affair has been made extremely brief. There will be short addresses by Mayor Kennelly, Gov. Green, and Col. Robert R. McCormick, editor and publisher of THE TRIBUNE.

In case of rain, the program will be postponed until the next clear evening. Historical displays, commemorating THE TRIBUNE's centennial, will be exhibited in the windows of several retail stores today.

**Former Government Aid Gets 2 Years in Prison**  
Boleslaw Kenneth Jachimowski, 47, of 2646 Fullerton av., a former government examiner for the war assets administration, was sentenced to two years in prison yesterday by Federal Judge John P. Barnes after conviction of making false claims for priority ratings to purchase surplus war material.

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