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AIRBORNE INVADERS—Eight-man Invaders' Steel Band waving to relatives and friends before emplaning yesterday for New York where they are scheduled to broadcast on Monday.

Invaders To Broadcast Tomorrow

Guardian Airport Reporter

PIARCO, Oct. 20—Trinidad exported steelband music to America this morning when eight steelbandmen of the Invaders Steelband flew to New York on "Operation United States."

On Monday night, in a 12-minute broadcast, "Operation United States" will be heard from coast-to-coast over a nationwide radio programme. Five tunes will be played by the steelband on the broadcast.

This broadcast was made possible through Mrs. Ogden Reid, owner-publisher of the "New York Herald-Tribune", Pan American World Airways, who arranged all travel negotiations from this end, and the United States Attorney-General.

PERMISSION GRANTED

Permission for the steelband to appear in the States had to be obtained from the Attorney-General, Washington. This was done to

counter the U.S. Musicians' Act which prevents foreign professional musicians from playing in that country.

The steelbandmen will appear in "hot shirts" and bee-bop caps.

A letter received by Mr. J. E. Probst, Senior Representative for P.A.A., from the Hon. P. M. Renison, Colonial Secretary, reads in part:

"I hope that the tour will be a great success and that the bandmen will prove worthy representatives of Trinidad and Tobago."

Evening News has the same photograph but the archives is missing this particular newspaper. 21 Oct. 1951 of the Evening News. Only available on microfilm.

STEELBAND DISPLAY — Mr. David de la Rosa, airport traffic manager of Pan American Airways, at Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, presents a steelbandsman doll to Mrs. Ogden Reid, owner-publisher of the "New York Herald Tribune," while the Invaders steel orchestra was giving a display in New York. The band performed at the Condado Beach Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico, yesterday afternoon and is due back in Trinidad today.
