TITO PACES SOVIET THREAT

Marshal Tito leads two days of celebrations in Belgrade.

The occasion is the fourth anniversary of the Yugoslav Republic.

From a Pathe News cameraman come the first pictures out of Yugoslavia since that country stepped out from behind the Iron Curtain, 18 months ago. Teday, the Army Tito led against Nasi occupation, prepares to repel Soviet occupation.

With the anniversary celebrations lasting until far into the night, Yugoslavs find time to reflect on the fate history has mapped out for them. Once the keenest of Russia's satellites, Yugoslavia is now just an in-between - precariously balanced between East and West.

Gone are the Stalin portraits from the streets. Where once the entire output of the great copper mines was directed to Russia - it now flows to the West - for pounds and dollars. Helped by her rugged mountains and hoped-for Western aid, Yugoslavia is confident that she can resist attack. While mindful that Tito is still a Communist dictator, the West moves to help him. For if Tito can stand up to Stalin, the possibility of Moscow dominating the world becomes that much less likely.