

**STATEMENT RELATIVE TO THE PARADE HELD BY  
THE TWENTY-SIXTH DIVISION.**

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**April 25, 1919.**

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A parade which will be historic in this Commonwealth has just been finished with great success. I desire to express my thanks to all those who have made it a success; first to the soldiers for their sacrifice in remaining in the service, and to all the civil authorities and the special committees which have co-operated so splendidly in every way. It was especially gratifying to have present the Governors of the New England States and their guests. Their co-operation was very helpful in making the day complete. It should also be remembered that the city of Boston has extended every possible hospitality to the many guests who came here for this occasion. It has been an experience for the Commonwealth which will richly repay every expenditure of time and money that was necessary to bring it about.

For further information see newspapers of April 25 and 26, 1919, and records on file in State Library.