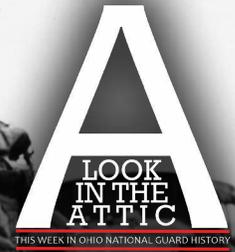


August 10-16, 2020



Frank Maloney

THROUGH THE LENS:

August 10, 1940: Alliance Mayor Floyd H. Senn bids goodbye to Capt. Gage Spies of Battery C, 135th Field Artillery as the unit prepares to depart Alliance, Ohio for annual training at Camp McCoy, Wisc.

WEEK IN REVIEW:

August 14, 1950: The 987th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, with units in Canton and Alliance, is ordered into active Federal service for the Korean War. The 987th would be the only Ohio Army National Guard unit to deploy to Korea as a unit, where it earned the Meritorious Unit Commendation for its support of U.S. and Republic of Korea units.

August 15, 1945: World War II ends when Imperial Japan accepts the terms of the Potsdam Declaration.

August 15, 2010: The **121st, 178th, 179th and 180th Comptroller Flights** are constituted in the Air Force and allotted to the Ohio Air National Guard.

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

NEWS OF THE JAPANESE SURRENDER

“On the evening of 14 August, the 145th was having a movie in the regimental area. About one third way through the movie I was called to the telephone. It was General Craig, who advised me that the war was over. I debated whether to pass the news on to the troops. At a film spot change, I took the microphone and said, “Gentlemen, this is Colonel Windom. I know that you will be glad to know that the war is over.” Everyone stood and cheered for about one minute – then everyone sat down and enjoyed the rest of the movie. I was mighty proud of the outfit!”

Col. Loren Windom, 145th Infantry commander

