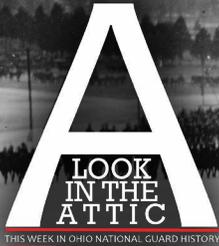


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145 Inf. Band  
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## THROUGH THE LENS June 7, 1918

145th Infantry Band on review at Camp Lee, Va. just prior to embarking for France during World War I.

### WEEK IN REVIEW:

June 7, 1944: The 987th Field Artillery Battalion lands on Gold Beach in support of the British 50th Division during Operation Neptune.

June 10, 1942: The 37th Infantry Division arrives at Suva, Fiji Islands.

June 10, 1966: The **180th Communications Flight** is federally recognized in Toledo.

June 11, 1966: The **121st Communications Flight** is federally recognized in Columbus.

June 12, 1966: The **179th Communications Flight** is federally recognized in Mansfield.

### IN THEIR OWN WORDS

987TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION LANDING ON GOLD BEACH

“Under lowering clouds and a threatening sky the 987th Field Artillery Battalion sailed beneath the Cliffs of Dover early on the morning of June 6, 1944. The four LST’s threaded their way through the mass of shipping to make anchorage off the French coast late on D-day. Heavy seas prevented the landing of the unwieldy M-12’s as scheduled on the second tide of the assault and it was not until the following day after a night of intense aerial fireworks, that the battalion landed. It went directly into firing position to support the British 50th Division in the vicinity of Bayeux. After the beachhead was firmly established the battalion reverted to the British 30th Corps, but not before they had made acquaintance with the famed “Desert Rat” (British 7th Armored) Division in a direct support role during the vicious fighting for Tilly-sur-Seulles.”

*The Continental History of 987th Field Artillery Battalion*