



MARCH 27 - APRIL 2, 2023



THROUGH THE LENS

MARCH 27, 1919: Men of the 145th Infantry, 37th Division on the transport ship Great Northern heading home to the United States.



WEEK IN REVIEW

- M** **MARCH 27, 1911:** Support Company, 216th Engineer Battalion is organized in Cincinnati as Troop C, 1st Cavalry Squadron.
- W** **MARCH 29, 1954:** Battery C, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment is organized as Howitzer Company, 3d Battalion, 107th Armored Cavalry.
- Sa** **APRIL 1, 1925:** Company A, 237th Support Battalion is organized in Cleveland as Troop G, 107th Cavalry.

APRIL 1, 1963: The 37th Infantry Division is reorganized under the ROAD (Reorganization of Army Divisions) tables of organization and equipment. ROAD divisions consisted of three infantry brigades, division artillery and division trains.

APRIL 1, 1980: Rickenbacker Air Force Base is transferred from the United States Air Force's Strategic Air Command to the Ohio Air National Guard.

APRIL 1, 1998: The 1485th Transportation Company is constituted as Detachment 2, 1485th Transportation Company.



IN THEIR OWN WORDS

On March 20, 1919, the 145th Infantry departed Brest, France for the United States on the transport ships Great Northern, President Grant and Aquitania. The below account, taken from the *37th Division in the World War*, described the arrival of the Great Northern on March 27.

"The Great Northern which was one of the speediest boats in the transport made excellent time and on the afternoon of 27th March the transport steamed past the Statue of Liberty and into the harbor of New York.

At 4:00 p.m. the vessel was warped alongside one of the government piers at Hoboken and within a short time a steady stream of men was pouring down the gangplanks. After being supplied with an excellent meal by the Red Cross and laden with candy and cigarettes by the various welfare societies, the troops boarded a ferryboat and were quickly transported to Long Island. After a short ride over the Long Island Railroad the regiment reached Camp Mills at 8:00 p.m. and after being once more deloused was quartered in comfortable barracks. The sojourn at Camp Mills was one of the most pleasant experiences the troops had. The camp officials did everything in their power to make the men comfortable. The quarters left nothing to be desired and the food was excellent. In fact, the treatment accorded the organization was so different from that ordinarily given by the average camp officials to transient organizations that it came as a very pleasant surprise."

