



JUNE 19-25, 2023



**THROUGH THE LENS**

**JUNE 1989:** Senior Airman Douglas Keiffer, a cable slicer assigned to the 220th Engineering Installation Squadron, terminates a cable on a type 66 punch-down block, while wearing chemical gear, during the 1989 EI Combat Shootout at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla.



**WEEK IN REVIEW**

- M** **JUNE 19, 1875:** The 1192d Engineer Company is organized in Youngstown as the Iron City Guards.
- Tu** **JUNE 20, 1927:** Ohio's first air unit, the 37th Division Aviation, is organized at the Central Armory in Cleveland. It had 101 men but no airplanes or building. The first-year anniversary of the unit marked the dedication of a new hangar at Cleveland Hopkins Airport and four aircraft.
- JUNE 20, 1948:** The 164th Weather Flight is organized in Mansfield as the 164th Weather Station (Type A).
- W** **JUNE 21, 1860:** The Signal Corps is established by the appointment of Maj. Albert H. Myers as signal officer.
- JUNE 21, 1920:** Company D, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment is organized in Port Clinton as Company H, Tank Corps.
- F** **JUNE 23, 1846:** The 148th Infantry Regiment is organized as the 2d Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry and mustered into federal service for the Mexican War.

**JUNE 23, 1918:** The 37th Division, less artillery and trains, arrives in Brest, France during World War I.



**IN THEIR OWN WORDS**

This account, from the World War I history of the 37th Division, relates the first experiences of the Soldiers when they arrived at Brest, France in late June 1918.

"The troops from the Leviathan formed on the docks as they hiked into the city of Brest, heartened not a little by the throngs of solemn-faced urchins who swept into the street and then into the column, to grasp and silently cling to some swinging hand. The units that were not quartered at the Barracks went to an open field not far beyond and pitched a shelter tent camp.

The men were not permitted to leave the limits of this first camp, but company commanders were permitted to exercise their units by marching them into some of the small villages that dotted the countryside, there to permit them to fall out for a first indulgence in the mild, mellow wines of the land and in their first attempts to "parlez." These attempts might have left something to be desired linguistically but they seemed to establish a friendly relation with the gentle, smiling ladies who presided at the local estaminet. The 145th Infantry was complete in its shelter tent camp that afternoon when the 3rd Battalion under Major A.S. Houts was played gaily into camp by its band that awoke the regiment, next morning, with the challenge: "Where do we go from here, boys? Where do we go from here?"

