

 **THROUGH THE LENS**

 **JANUARY 3, 1944**

 **BOUGAINVILLE**

Soldiers from the 37th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop sit aboard half-tracks and trucks prior to leaving on the first leg of a patrol to Leseipia on Bougainville. (Maj. Gen. Robert S. Bightler Audiovisual Collection)



 **WEEK IN REVIEW**

DECEMBER 31, 1862 – JANUARY 2, 1863: The Battle of Stones River, or Murfreesboro, begins in Tennessee. After three days of back-and-forth fighting, Confederate Gen. Braxton Bragg’s forces abandoned the area, giving control of central Tennessee to Maj. Gen. William Rosecrans’ Army of the Cumberland. During the battle, there were 2,582 Ohioans killed or wounded and 1,103 missing or captured.

JANUARY 1, 1904: Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 112th Medical Battalion is organized as the Medical Department, Ohio National Guard.

 **HALL OF VALOR**

PRIVATE WILSON J. VANCE
COMPANY B,
21ST OHIO VOLUNTEER INFANTRY

DECEMBER 31, 1862
STONES RIVER, TENNESSEE

The President of the United States of America, in the name of Congress, takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to Private Wilson J. Vance, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism on 31 December 1862, while serving with Company B, 21st Ohio Infantry, in action at Stones River, Tennessee. Voluntarily and under a heavy fire, while his command was falling back, Private Vance rescued a wounded and helpless comrade from death or capture.



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