



THROUGH THE LENS: January 24, 2015: Members of the 122nd Army Band's rock ensemble "Flashbang" — lead vocalist Spc. Grant Gowen (from left), drummer Spc. Calvin Miller, bass guitarist Spc. Derrick Adkins and guitarist/vocalist Staff Sgt. Jeremy Strem — close out the show during the Tri-C High School Rock Off's last semi-final round at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland.

WEEK IN REVIEW:

January 21, 1903: The Militia Act sponsored by Ohio Congressman and Ohio National Guard Maj. Gen. Charles Dick is enacted. It was benchmark legislation that repealed the outdated Militia Act of 1792. With its passage the modern National Guard, as part of the federal reserve, was born. The Guard now had to meet stricter federal requirement for training and equipment, though now the government paid most of the bills. The Guard's officer corps would be required to be "federally recognized" – certified as to physical, professional and moral standards. Its enlisted personnel would also have

to attain higher standards than under the old militia period. All ranks would get pay and allowances for their attendance at a five day summer encampment. Eventually, federal monies for all training periods, annual and drill, would be added as well as monies for armory construction and maintenance. Many aspects of "Guard service" as it is understood today date from the passage of the Dick Act of 1903.

CONNECTING TO THE COLLECTIONS:

Sgt. Jess Cauthorn Sketch

Cauthorn, a trained artist, was a member of Company K, 148th Infantry and published a booklet of his sketches that were made during the Luzon Campaign. This sketch depicts Buckeye Division Soldiers entering San Carlos in January 1945 to the delight of local Filipino residents.

"San Carlos was more than a barrio; it was a town, our first town. Reaching the city was a milestone for us, it put us six miles short of the Army beachhead line. Along the main street of San Carlos were familiar signs advertising Coca-Cola, ice, Standard Oil gasoline, Burma Shave shaving cream, and other stateside products. Our presence must have attracted all the residents of San Carlos for the number of Filipinos in the column and standing along the side of the street seemed to double."

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