



**THROUGH THE LENS:**

**March 16, 1940:** Soldiers of Troop A, 22d Reconnaissance Squadron show off one of the nine new scout cars delivered to the Cleveland-based unit.

**WEEK IN REVIEW:**

**March 18, 1910:** Battery B, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment is organized in Hamilton as Company M, 1st Infantry Regiment.

**March 21, 1945:** The 147th Infantry lands on Iwo Jima and immediately begins operations to take over security of the island from the U.S. Marines. The regiment remained on the island until September and conducted ambush patrols, combat patrols and cave explorations in order to eliminate the remaining enemy forces.

 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

**CONNECTING TO THE COLLECTIONS: Japanese Shin Guntō**



This Japanese Shin Guntō (new military sword) was brought home by Maj. Darrell A. Williams (right) from Iwo Jima. Williams, a pre-war guardsman from Washington Court House, Ohio, was a battalion commander in the 147th Infantry during the battle. The Shin Guntō was a weapon and symbol of rank used by the Imperial Japanese Army during World War II. The sword was styled after a traditionally slung tachi (traditionally made Japanese sword worn by the samurai class of Japan) of the Kamakura Period (1185-1332). There were four types of this military sword produced between 1935 and 1945 that varied in manufacturing process and quality.