



THROUGH THE LENS

March 18, 2016

A CH-47 Chinook from Company B, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment, performs a sling load of a heavy drop pallet in a muddy drop zone at the 179th Airlift Wing, Mansfield, Ohio.

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

FACILITY FACTS

HAMILTON ARMORY

The first armory built in Hamilton, Ohio was constructed at the corner of 5th and Dayton Streets in 1925 at a cost of \$42,000. The site was donated to the Adjutant General's Department by the local Chamber of Commerce. The building was designed by state armory architect Fred W. Elliott and is symbolic of facilities completed during the inter-war years. The brick building was two stories with the company offices, supply, kitchen, locker, and club rooms on the ground level, while the drill hall was located on the second level. Similar to other armories, the building provided a room to the local American Legion post. The armory remained in use until 1981 when the Maj. Gen. Charles Jones Armory was opened on Symmes Road. The state sold the building in 1983 to the Beckett Paper Company, which used it as a pulp storage and recycling facility until 2012.

