



JULY 25-31, 2022



THROUGH THE LENS

JULY 26, 1943: Capt. John C. Guenther (from left) and Lt. Col. William E. Eubank, division engineer officer, point out items on a map to Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler, 37th Infantry Division commander, at the division command post during operations on the island of New Georgia.



WEEK IN REVIEW

M JULY 25, 1788: Gov. Arthur St. Clair organizes the Northwest Territory Militia in Marietta, marking the birth of the Ohio National Guard.

Th JULY 28, 1918: The 166th Infantry, on the left of the 42d Division, attacks German defenses along the Ourcq River in France.

Su JULY 31, 1876: Troop C, 2d Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment is organized in Hillsboro as the Scott Dragoons.

JULY 31, 1943: Pfc. Frank Petrarca of the Medical Detachment, 145th Infantry and Pvt. Rodger Young of Company B, 148th Infantry are both killed during the Battle for Munda Airfield on the island of New Georgia. Both would be awarded the Medal of Honor for their final heroic deeds.



HALL OF VALOR

TECHNICIAN FIFTH GRADE PAUL I. WISHART & PRIVATE CHARLES WISHART

COMPANY F, 145TH INFANTRY
37TH INFANTRY DIVISION

JULY 30, 1943 - NEW GEORGIA

SILVER STAR CITATIONS: When repeated attempts to silence an obstructing enemy pillbox had failed, T/5 Paul Wishart aggressively crawled forward on his own initiative to a point within a few yards of the hostile emplacement. From here he accurately hurled hand grenades directly into the fortification until the enemy fire was neutralized, thus enabling his company to continue its advance.

Pvt. Charles Wishart advanced with great skill through a fire-swept zone and placed fire on and destroyed an enemy pillbox.



Twin brothers Paul (above) and Charles Wishart, of Warren, Ohio, each earned the Silver Star Medal on July 30, 1943. Just five days later, Paul would be killed by enemy mortar fire, just 15 feet from his brother.

