



DECEMBER 19-25, 2022



THROUGH THE LENS

**DECEMBER 25, 1943:** With a Christmas tree in the foreground, Chaplain (Maj.) Joel M. Wareing, from the 148th Infantry, 37th Infantry Division, conducts Christmas services on Bougainville.

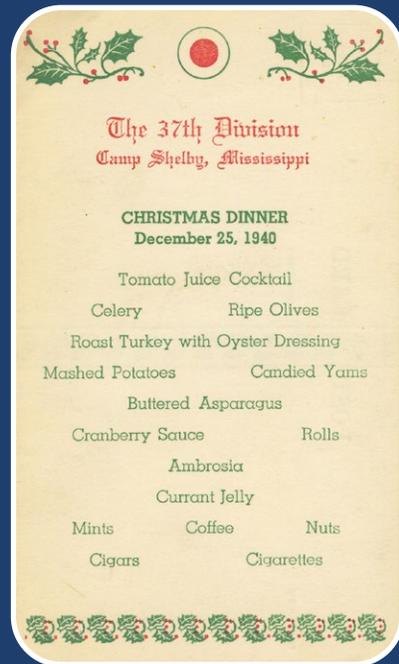


WEEK IN REVIEW

**Tu** **DECEMBER 20, 1989:** The 180th Tactical Fighter Group supports Operation Just Cause: the Invasion of Panama. Beginning in November 1989, elements of the 180th were deployed to Howard Air Force Base, Panama for a scheduled rotation of units. While there, the operation launched in the early morning of Dec. 20 with numerous Army units making ground and airborne attacks at various locations. The 180th flew more than 20 combat sorties in the unit's A-7D Corsair II aircraft and expended 2,715 rounds of ammunition in support of those ground troops. The group became the first Air National Guard unit in the Tactical Air Command to experience combat since the Vietnam War.



CONNECTING TO THE COLLECTIONS



**37TH DIVISION CHRISTMAS DINNER CARD**

This post card describes the Christmas Dinner eaten by members of the 37th Division at Camp Shelby, Miss. in 1940 — their first Christmas away from home during World War II.

