

THROUGH THE LENS

 **JUNE 5, 1919**

 **DELAWARE, OHIO**

Soldiers from the 147th Field Hospital, 37th Division march down Sandusky Street during a welcome home parade for Delaware County service members following World War I.



WEEK IN REVIEW

JUNE 3, 1861: The Battle of Philippi — also known mockingly as “The Philippi Races” — took place in and around Philippi, Va. and was the first organized land action of the Civil War. The 14th and 16th Ohio Volunteer Infantry took part and have the honor of being the first Ohio regiments to unfurl their colors in battle.

JUNE 3, 1921: The 1191st Engineer Company is organized in Portsmouth as Battery C, 135th Field Artillery.

JUNE 6, 1944: The 112th Combat Engineer Battalion lands on Omaha Beach in support of the 1st and 29th Infantry Divisions during Operation Neptune, the Allied invasion of Normandy, France.

JUNE 7, 1944: The 987th Field Artillery Battalion lands on Gold Beach in support of the British 50th Division during Operation Neptune.



CONNECTING TO THE COLLECTIONS

DELAWARE COUNTY WELCOME HOME DAY PROGRAM MAJ. GEN. BENSON HOUGH COLLECTION

This souvenir program is from the Delaware County Welcome Home Day that occurred on June 5, 1919. The program included a band concert, parade, welcoming address, banquet, baseball game and dancing at the Delaware Armory. The county was home to three Ohio National Guard units that served in Europe during the war: Company K, 166th Infantry and Medical Detachment, 166th Infantry, both elements of the 42d “Rainbow” Division, and the 147th Field Hospital, 37th “Buckeye” Division, which was recruited in Delaware in May 1917 from the student population of Ohio Wesleyan University. The front cover of the program contains the shoulder sleeve insignia of the 42d Division and the 37th Division.



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