

PUBLIC INVITED TO ATTERBURY 'INFANTRY DAY'

Review by 106th Division, Medal Presentation Highlight Program.

DISPLAY IS PLANNED

Manufacturers from Two States Also to Be Guests Next Week.

Program

10 to 11:30 a. m.—Formal review of 106th Infantry division and posthumous award of Congressional Medal of Honor to Lt. Robert Craig.

1 to 2:30 p. m.—Ranger training demonstration by 424th Infantry regiment.

1 to 4 p. m.—Display of weapons and equipment in Regimental area.

4:15 to 6:30 p. m.—Attaboys vs. Lion division in Indiana Service League baseball game at Post field, Division and Clark streets.

5:30 to 8 p. m.—Following game, retreat-parade on post baseball field.

Hail the Infantry!

All residents of Bartholomew county and other neighboring communities are being invited to an "open house" this Thursday at Camp Atterbury, marking observance of "Infantry day."

Highlight of the program will be a formal review of the 106th Infantry division at 10 o'clock Thursday morning and posthumous award of the Congressional Medal of Honor to Lt. Robert Craig, Infantry hero, who was killed in action last July in Sicily. The medal will be presented by Maj. Gen. Alan W. Jones, 106th Division commander, to Lieutenant Craig's father, William F. Craig of Toledo, Ohio.

Ranger Demonstration Planned.

There also will be a Ranger training demonstration by the 424th Infantry regiment in the afternoon, along with display of weapons and equipment, a baseball game between the Attaboys and Lion division units and a retreat-parade, closing the program at 8 o'clock.

Infantry day will be observed over the nation Thursday. It was on June 15, 1776, that the Second Continental Congress chose Gen. George Washington as commander-in-chief of the Continental army, which consisted almost entirely of infantry.

"Infantry day," the current name of the Camp Atterbury weekly paper points out, gives general recognition to the dignity, importance and danger of the role of the individual infantryman in combat. Past events have more and more proved that no major campaign is won until the infantry has occupied its objective. With the Allied invasion of Europe underway, there is a growing appreciation of this fact.

To Entertain Manufacturers.

The 106th Infantry division also will play host next week at Atterbury to 200 manufacturers from Indiana and Kentucky. The manufacturers, members of the Indiana and Kentucky associations, will arrive at camp today and will witness a night demonstration as a prelude to Thursday's Infantry day ceremonies, which will be open to the general public.

On Wednesday, the manufacturers will witness a reconnaissance survey and occupation of position by the 888th Field Artillery battalion and a demonstration of defenses of a prepared position by the Second battalion, 423rd Infantry regiment.

Women members of the manufacturers group will be housed in the WAC quarters, while the men will be assigned to division barracks. Preceding the public ceremonies Thursday morning, the manufacturers group will be taken on a tour of the post.

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