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To approximately 160 other infantrymen was awarded the Expert Infantryman badge, based on a series of grueling training tests and combat knowledge.

Cloudy skies greeted start of the ceremonies at 10:20 a. m. but before the last of the thousands of 106th Division troops had marched by in review the sun was beginning to beat down on the spectators.

Firing of a 13-gun salute to the visiting generals marked opening of the ceremonies. The father of Lieutenant Craig and Generals Terrell, Collins and Jones, riding in jeeps, then inspected the 106th's troops and equipment, lined up across the parade ground in a formation that covered more than a quarter of a mile.

Upon the party's return to the reviewing stand, the colors were brought forward and the presentation of awards was made.

The citation of Lieutenant Craig, "who sacrificed himself so that his platoon might carry on," was read by Lt. Col. Frank Agule, 106th Division adjutant general.

Troops Pass in Review.

A review of the full 106th Division followed the presentation ceremonies and completed the morning's open house program. Marching to the strains of the 106th band, the troops of the division walked and rode by the reviewing stand and the big crowd of onlookers in an endless stream. Equipment included jeeps, staff cars, half-tracks, the division's light weapons and artillery, special troops and medical units with their cross-marked ambulances.

This afternoon the guests of the 106th Division were to witness a Ranger training demonstration, display of equipment, a baseball game and a retreat-parade on the post baseball field. The crowd of visitors at the camp had increased to an estimated 10,000 at noon and a total of 15,000 was expected to visit the installation before close of the day.

The 106th Division also was playing host to approximately 60 members of the Indiana and Kentucky Manufacturers associations. The manufacturers arrived at Camp Atterbury Wednesday afternoon and witnessed an impressive combat demonstration with use of live ammunition Wednesday night. They were up with the soldiers at crack of dawn today and made a tour of the Hoosier Army camp before attending the award ceremonies and review.

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