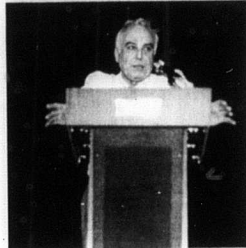


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France on June 10, 1944 as anti-aircraft support for the 1st Infantry and the 32nd Field Artillery units equipped with 105 mm cannons.

After the invasion of France, the famed D-Day, the unit set up positions on the cliffs over the English Channel.

Despite the success of the invasion, Nazi planes still bombarded the troops constantly.

Rawlings and the Carlisle unit were responsible for protecting the Allied forces as they secured the wharf on Omaha Beachhead.

"I'll never forget breakthrough," Rawlings said, referring to General George Patton's plan for a sweep across France.

Over 3000 bombers flew together and they completely leveled the whole forest. There was nothing but a clear path for Patton and his armor.

After training in Fort Sheridan until August, the unit was shipped to Lake Village, Arkansas. The soldiers practiced maneuvers there until February of 1942.

After more training in Fort Sheridan, the unit left for Northern Ireland from New York City.

Rawlings said, "In Ireland we trained on heavier weapons like 50 caliber machine guns and four millimeter cannons."

"We were poorly equipped and poorly trained on these weapons, but we caught up."

Since December numbers...

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Paris, and marched under the Arch De Triumph.

Even though the war still raged in the east, Rawlings said the liberation of France made it all worthwhile.

"There were so many people crowding around you

"You could feel the whole ground shake every time a bomb hit. It was exhilarating."

The local unit followed the cleared path to offer anti-aircraft support to the ground forces.

Rawlings said the destruction was overwhelming. "The thing I remember most was all the dead horses of the German troops. Thousands of them, just lying around. The smell was horrible."

The march continued on to Paris.

On the way to Paris, Rawlings remembers being caught in the open by German planes.

"We were just about ready to cross this river when the planes came out of nowhere. A couple of bombs hit near us, but the armored division in front of us got hit pretty bad."

The 103rd finally made it to Paris, and marched under the Arch De Triumph.

while we were on the trucks for occupied Paris.

"Of course, we all noticed the pretty young girls. They were all happy to see us, and it was one of my favorite experiences."

The rest in Paris did not provide service. Go to the city."

Discussion involved possible annexation, as their water bill as well.

In other action, the city council accepted the only bid for tobacco rental submitted by Gayle Tinscher.

Guests included Charlie Gates expressing concern that the Desert Storm veterans from Nicholas County were given equal recognition when they returned home.

Mayor Hughes responded that there would be recognition during the Fourth of July celebration and that monies were allocated for the local veterans' organizations for such purpose.

Gates also presented a list of items to Hughes, who forwarded the list to Carlisle City Attorney Skip Watson for review.

A joint maintenance agreement was to be entered into from Chlorination Company for preventive maintenance on the Sewer and Water Plants. It would also save mileage to do both at the same

time. Carlisle Fire Chief Tommy Crawford was directed to get prices for the purchase of a new generator.

Another agreement was entered into for the Level III PM computerized pump for maintenance.

Area Development Funds are being allocated from the Bluegrass Area Development. "The city and the county will share approximately \$40,000," according to Hughes.

Suggestions for additions to the Fire House and the rest is applied to a new dump truck, came from Mayor Hughes. Vinyl replacement windows for the apartment above the city offices are to be purchased.

Betty Barton was given permission to attend and have her expenses paid for by the city to attend the AFD meeting in Atlantic City. A roll call vote was taken with Garrett and Clark opposing.

Mary Tracy, Carlisle City Clerk, was given permission to attend a Mentor's User Group at IBM in Lexington.



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Council hears of Hilander's concerns

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