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I enjoy looking for patterns and making connections.

Right, wrong or indifferent, I sure do learn a lot when I dig.

This short thread is a compilation of my findings from a "Big Red" rabbit hole....

US Army 1st Infantry Division - "The Big Red One"

United States Army 1st Infantry Division Ratings Patch "The Big Red One".

- ■Constituted into the US Army on 24 May 1917
- ■Celebrated 100th anniversary in 2017
- ■Oldest continuously serving division in the US Army
- ■The Big Red One had many roles that helped shape the country's history

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This first permanent division in the regular US Army has seen action in all American wars since 1917, except the Korean War.

Often the first unit of the U.S. Army to deploy and engage the enemy, the division has been characterized by an ability to learn systematically from experience and to distill this learning into techniques and methods to improve battlefield performance.

The Old Executive Office Building is in the background.

The First Division Monument sits on a plaza in President's Park, Washington, D.C., west of the White House at the corner of 17th Street and State Place, NW.

SEVENTEENTH STREET.

First Division Monument

(Looks like Michael the Archangel to me)

Described as an allegorical figure of victory clutching a flag in one hand & with the other, pronounces a benediction on 5,516 1st Division soldiers whose names are inscribed at the base. https://t.co/W52tmziabY

The "Big Red One" (so called for the red numeral that has adorned its shoulder patch since 1918) has also been characterized by a remarkable esprit that has remained with the veterans long after their active service has ended.

DUTY FIRST: COUNTERINSURGENCY Museum Exhibit

Defined as "finding & confronting enemies hidden in a population," counterinsurgency can look like traditional combat. Insurgents are unknown enemies—they attack, then fade back into the population.

https://t.co/4l9GMnITMk

The Big Red One is headquartered at Fort Riley, Kansas.

"Trust KANSAS"...?■

The lightning is a nice touch! ■■■■■ #TheStorm

The Story Of the 1st Infantry Division: D-DAY WAS "PURE MIRACLE" https://t.co/KSxAMVczYK

https://t.co/NXZzDJQR7h

https://t.co/TFeL8BUeem

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God bless our military heroes.

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