**Poppop’s History (according to a typed document I found)**

1936 – Graduated from Drexel

Assigned to 315th Infantry 79th Division in Organized Reserve Corps.

Various positions with Reception Center 1941 at Camp Lee, Va.

Duty at Infantry school, Fort Benning GA 1942

1942 – Member of S-3 Staff and Instructor – Commandant of Officers and NCO School (Pre- and Post Officers Training School and Officers Refresher School) Camp Wheeler, GA

1943 – Member of G-3 Section (Plans & Training) and Battalion 00 in 63rd Division at Camp Blanding, and Camp Van Dorn, Miss

1944 – Flown to London as a replacement Battalion Commander during invasion operations and joined 80th Infantry Division as a member of the G-4 Section (Supply and Evacuation and later assumed G-4’s positions)

80th Division – a member of Patton’s 3rd Army – fought in 4 campaigns and served in

England

France

Luxemburg

Belguim

Austria

Germany

Czechoslovakia

Distinguished himself in the Mosselle Valley Operation, Battle of the Bulge, and the relief of Bastogne

Joined a good percentage of the time with the 4th Armored Division as an assault tem in attack operations

Nov. 1945 transferred to 79th Division and returned to states December 16, 1943

Awards

Silver Star

Bronze Star with Cluster

American Defense Ribbon

American Theater Ribbon

RTO Ribbon with 4 stars

World War II Victory Ribbon

Occupation Ribbon – Germany

Meritorious Unit Award

G.S.C. Award

Photos – descriptions on the back noted

1. German soldiers surrender after being pinned down in machine gun nest under wagon and fox holes nearby.

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4. The LCVP bring the wounded back. Rhine Crossing at Mainz

5. Advance on Liverdun France

6. Lt. Roark of 80th RCN Troop near Ettlebruch on Christmas Day

7. Troops dive for cover as Nebelwerfers Land in B Bty 313 FA

8. A pillbox defending the Maginot line near St. Avold

9. This machine gunner killed 9 SS troopers in dawn attack on this position the day before – Bulge near Wiltz

10. Half track knocked out near Lucy

11. Fresh eggs during Normandy campaign

12. German cruiser tank

13. First Armored car of British forces to contact us in Argentan

14. Outpost in the Bulge

15. German trains like this one provided fuel when 80th ran out of gas

16. First 4th armored tank crosses pontoon bridge near [Duiliard] France to begin sweep behind German lines

17. The nerve center of the division communications operated by Sgt. Beatty 80th Sig. Co.

18. French moving back to homes during Normandy Campaign

19. AAF troops liberated near Braunau Austria

20. USAAF liberated in prison camp near Braunau Austria

21. SS Guard at Ohrdruf rescued from Russian prisoners, being questioned

22. Prisoners taken near Lucy

23.

24. Guarding Siegfried line pillbox after 4 days and nights of fighting

25. Tiger tank knocked out at the approach to Kassel

26. Field expedient in the 80th Sig. Co.

27. [Louerdrin] France

28. Chemical smoke covers Seile River Crossing [I think should be Seine?]

29. Platoon regroups after capturing this maginot line pillbox

30. Argentan

31. Prisoners line up as mopping up continues