

HISTORY

MAY 1945

1. Original Unit.

Designation - 80th Infantry Division.

Date of Organization - 15 July 1942.

Place of Organization - Camp Forrest, Tennessee.

Authority for Organization - Letter, War Department, AG 320.2 Organized Reserve (3-19-43), NR-M-GN, Subject: Organized Reserve Divisions Ordered into Active Service during June and July 1942.

Sources from which personnel was obtained - Completed.

2. Changes in Organization.

The Ordnance Platoon of the 80th Infantry Division was redesignated and activated at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, as the 780th Ordnance (Light Maintenance) Company under T/O 9-8, Authority: War Department Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, AG 320.2 (10-18-42) OB-I GN-M dated 31 October 1942, and General Order Number 10, Headquarters 80th Infantry Division, dated 8 November 1942.

The 405th Quartermaster Battalion, 80th Infantry Division, was redesignated and activated at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, as the 80th Quartermaster Company, 80th Infantry Division, under T/O 10-17, Authority: War Department Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, AG 320.2 (10-28-42) OB-I-GN-M, dated 31 October 1942, and General Order Number 11, Headquarters 80th Infantry Division, dated 13 November 1942.

The 80th Infantry Division was reorganized 12 August 1943 in accordance with T/O Number 7 and allied tables, 15 July 1942, with authorized strength of 737 Officers, 44 Warrant Officers, and 13,472 Enlisted Men.

In accordance with T/O Number 7-3, Headquarters Special Troops, 80th Infantry Division, was activated 12 August 1943, units assigned and/or attached to Special Troops are as follows: Headquarters Special Troops, Headquarters Company, MP Platoon, 780th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, 80th Quartermaster Company, 80th Signal Company, Attached Medical, Attached Chaplains, Attached Band.

On 15 March 1944, the 80th Quartermaster Company was reorganized under T/O & E 10-17 dated February 1944.

Military Police platoon was increased 33 Enlisted Men and one Officer per letter Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 September 1944, file AG 320.2-GNMCC, Subject: Reorganization of Military Police Platoons, Infantry Division.

3. Strength.

	<u>Officers</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>Enlisted Men</u>
At beginning of May 1945.	750	39	13,523
Net increase for month.	97		421
Net decrease for month.			
Strength 31 May 45.	847	39	13,944

4. Stations.

GERMANY - Arrived 26 February 1945.
AUSTRIA - Arrived 5 May 1945.

5. Marches.

2 May 1945 - Closed Command Post vicinity ERGOLESBACH, GERMANY 1315, traveled by motor convoy thirty eight miles, arrived vicinity FRONTENHAUSEN, GERMANY 1545.
3 May 1945 - Closed Command Post vicinity FRONTENHAUSEN, GERMANY 1500, traveled by motor convoy forty three miles, arrived vicinity SIMBACH, GERMANY 1745.
5 May 1945 - Closed Command Post vicinity SIMBACH, GERMANY 1320, traveled forty six miles by motor convoy, arrived vicinity VOCKIABRUCK, AUSTRIA 1600.

6. Campaigns.

Name - Central Europe.
Duration - 22 March 1945 to 8 May 1945.
Purpose - Liberation of France and other occupied countries and the invasion of Germany.
Authority Ordering - Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces.

7. Battles.

See Index.

8. Commanding Officers in Important Engagements.

Central Europe Campaign.

Names.

Commanding General

Major General Horace L. McBride, 04430, U. S. Army

Personal Staff

Captain Henry K. Clark, Jr., 01285011, Aide-de-Camp (Inf)

First Lieutenant John L. Scull, Jr., 01165564, Aide-de-Camp (PA)

Assistant Division Commander

Colonel George W. Smythe, 015816, Inf

Personal Staff

First Lieutenant Broadman F. Lockwood, 035805, Aide-de-Camp (Inf)

Chief of Staff

Colonel Samuel P. Walker, 012179, Cav

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Lieutenant Colonel Leon O. Clayton, 0282406, GSC (Inf)

Assistant to Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Captain Roger F. Bone, 01296641, Inf

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Lieutenant Colonel Richard H. Fielsher, 0500312, GSC (PA)

Assistant to Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Captain James R. Johnson, 0374044, PA

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Lieutenant Colonel Augustus C. Alegar, 018625, GSC (Inf)

Assistant to Assistant Chief of Staff G-3

Major George N. Craig, 0296674, GSC (Inf)

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Lieutenant Colonel Ariand L. Sandberg, 0215877, GSC (Inf)

Assistant to Assistant Chief of Staff G-4

Major Creedin E. M ppley, 01577140, GSC (QMC)

Military Government Officer

Lieutenant Colonel Edmund A. Ball, 0118828, PA

Adjutant General

Lieutenant Colonel John W. Irone, 0243502, AGD (Cav)

Assistant to Adjutant General

Major Sylvester W. Roth, 0380985, AGD (Inf)

Chemical Officer

Major Thomas B. Crawford, 0225830, CWS

Assistant to Chemical Officer

Captain Ralph A. Creek, 01036086, CWS

Finance Officer

Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Jeffrey, 0464213, FD

Assistant to Finance Officer

Captain James H. Rice, Jr., 0455419, FD

Inspector General

Captain Vernon A. Nelson, 0346827, IGD

Assistant to Inspector General

Captain Robert W. Muffer, 0321249, IGD

Judge Advocate

Lieutenant Colonel George W. Weeks, 0345668, JAGD

Assistant to Judge Advocate

Captain Henry C. Todd, 01291544, JAGD

Special Service Officer

Captain Clarence E. Boston, 0383227, FA

Assistant to Special Service Officer

Captain Vilas F. Lacy, 0389068, Inf

Surgeon

Lieutenant Colonel Harold J. Hilleck, 0245498, MC

Assistant to Surgeon

Major Charles S. Winston, 021690, DC

Chaplain

Lieutenant Colonel John O. Woods, 022755, Ch C

Assistant to Chaplain

Major Edward J. Comer, 0461788, Ch C

Public Relations Officer
First Lieutenant Bernard Didinsky, 01297009, Inf

Information and Education Officer
Captain Robert D. Hanson, 0375980, Inf

CIC Officer
Captain Thomas R. McMillen, 01304421, Inf

Assistant to CIC Officer
First Lieutenant Carl F. O'Neal, 01946826, TC

PI Team No. 69
(Atchd to TUSA for duty with 80th Inf Div)
Captain Michael E. Derbin, 01010653, MI

IPW Team No. 75
Captain Paul Loeser, Jr., 0324075, CAC

IPW Team No. 76
First Lieutenant Theodore E. Gutman, 01081820, CAC

MII Team No. 444
First Lieutenant Erich R. Denzer, 01326078, Inf

OB Team No. 34
First Lieutenant Armand V. Paolino, 01052514, CAC

In addition to their duty as Unit Commanders, the Officers listed below are also members of the Division Staff:

Division Artillery Commander
Brigadier General Jay W. MacKelvie, 05476, U. S. Army

Personal Staff
First Lieutenant David J. Hindlemann, 01185058, Aide-de-Camp (FA)
First Lieutenant Robert B. Betts, 0536920, Aide-de-Camp (FA)

Engineer Officer
Lieutenant Colonel Albert E. McCollam, 021748, CE

Assistant to Engineer Officer
None assigned as yet

Ordnance Officer
Lieutenant Colonel Maurice M. Mitchell, 0122871, Ord

Assistant to Ordnance Officer
Major Ralph A. McCool, 023940, Ord

Quartermaster
Lieutenant Colonel Herbert L. Smith, 0352829, QMC

Assistant to Quartermaster
Major Charles J. Powell, 0384334, QMC

Signal Officer
Lieutenant Colonel Alvin L. Burke, 021148, Sig C

Assistant to Signal Officer
Major Donald E. Borah, 01633085, Sig C

Provost Marshal
Major Donald K. Hughes, 0344503, CMP (PA)

Special Troops Commanding Officer
Lieutenant Colonel John G. Hardy, 0212436, Inf

Air Liaison Officer
Captain Ray G. Fuchs, 0335246, AC

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9. Losses in action; officers and enlisted men.

a. Engagement - CENTRAL EUROPE

UNIT	1 LIA	2 DCW	3 DOI	4 SWA	5 SIA	6 LWA	7 LIA	8 CAP	9 LIA	10 OFF	11 EM
Div Hq											
Sp Troops											
Hq											
Hq Co											
MP Plat											
Ord Co											
QM Co											
Sig Co											
Med Det											
Band											
317th Inf	1 20					3			12	1	35
318th Inf	11					5			4		20
319th Inf	8	2				4					14
Hq Artv						1					1
Hq Btry											
313th FA Bn						1					1
314th FA Bn											
315th FA Bn											
905th FA Bn											
80th Ren Tr											
305th Engr Bn				1		1				1	1
305th Med Bn											
TOTAL	1 39	2		1		15			16	2	72

