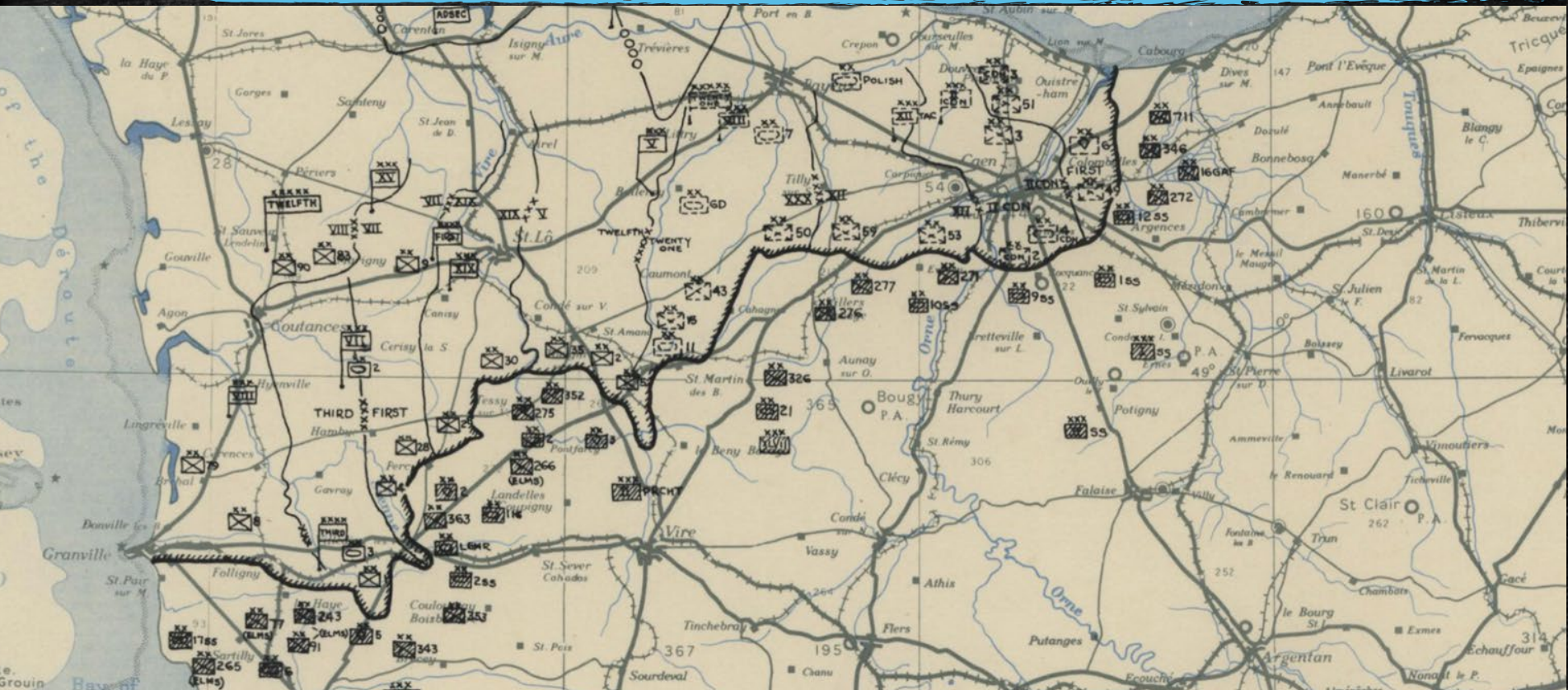
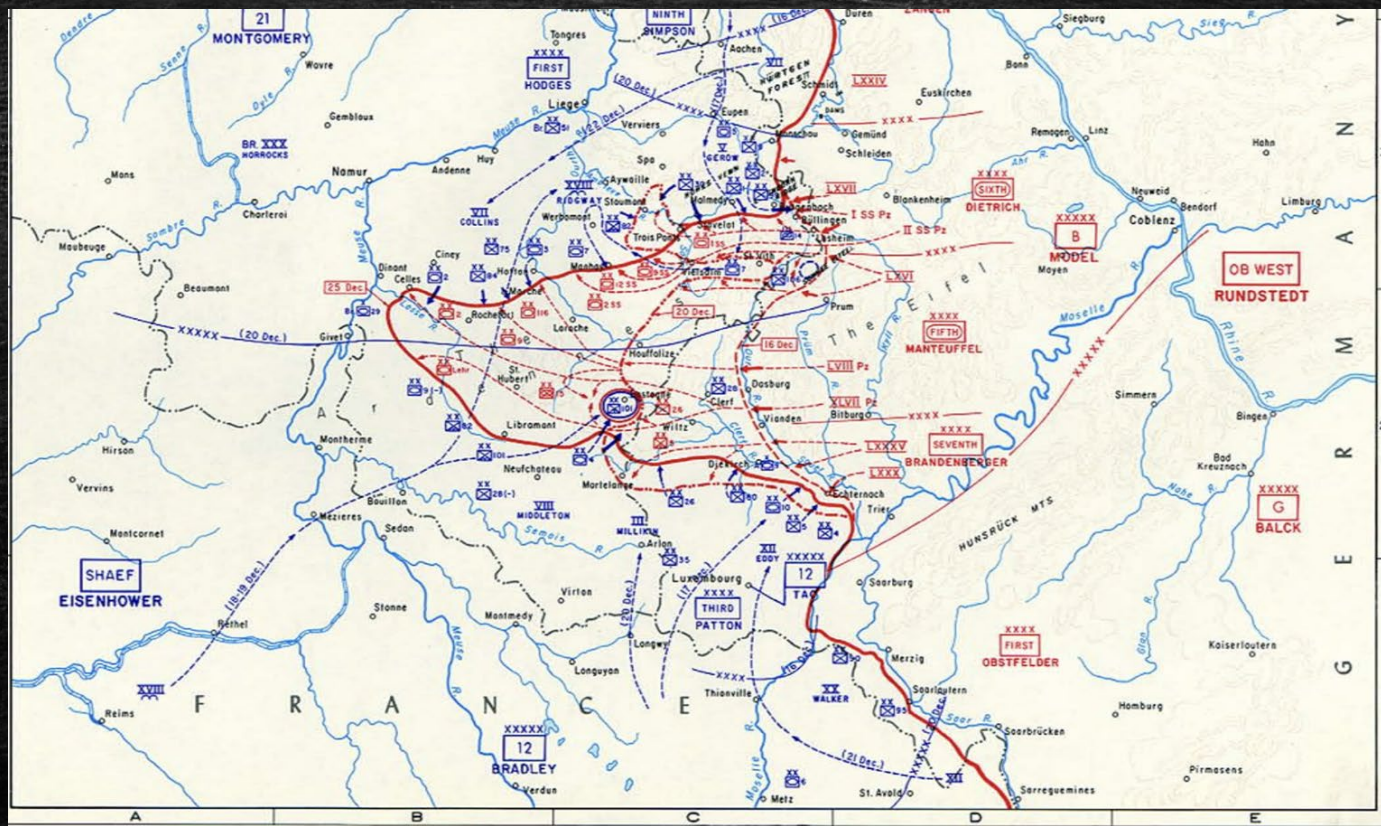


Battle of The Bulge (Context for Discussion)

Discussion: Based on what you see on this US Army map, how are the Allies progressing through Nazi-occupied France on August 1, 1944 (white boxes are Allies, colored in boxes are German)?



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Situation map on December 24th, 1944

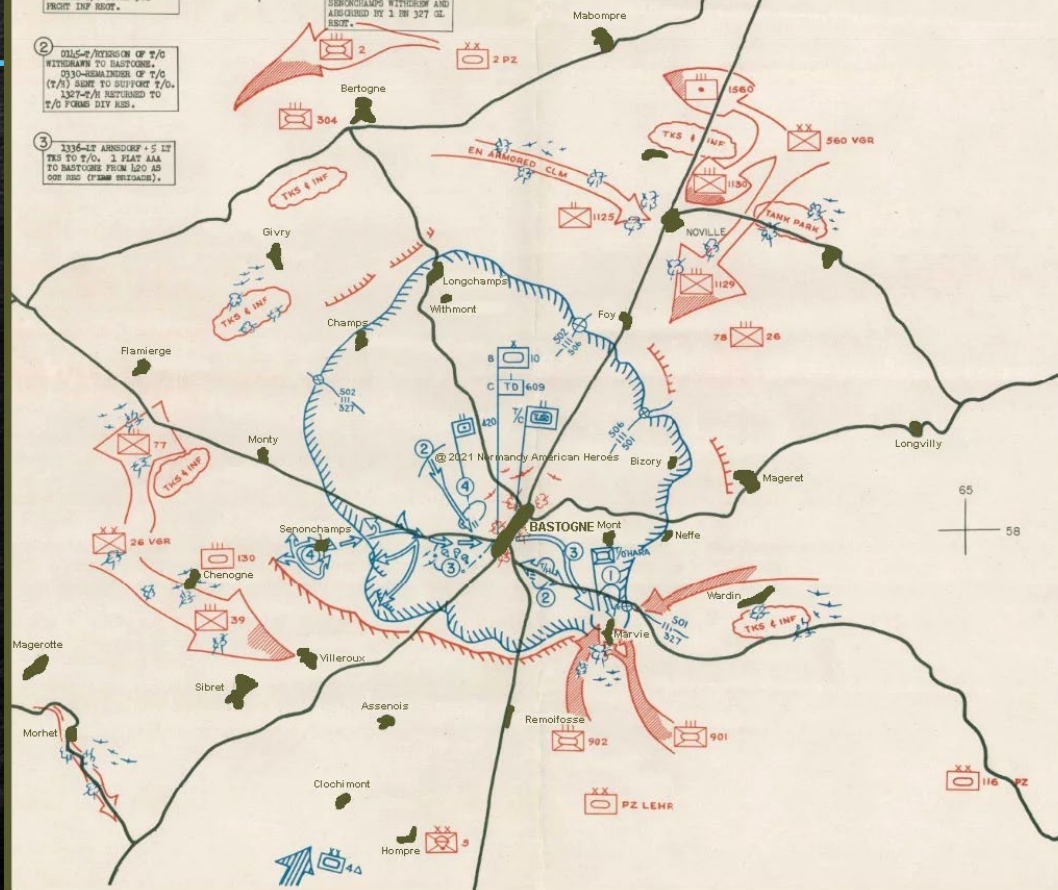
① 0100-2/0 RECD BY EN
ARTY FIRE.
0115-2/0 ATE BY EST
1 IN 4. 35 TKS
0130-28 MOVED INTO
MARVE.
0132-MARVE ASSAULTED.
0500-2/0 501 RECD
RECD C/A WARD 9 PART OF
MARVE - LINE SHOT.
1522-2/0 ATCD 501
FRONT INF REG.

② 0115-2/0 TROOP OF 7/0
WITHDRAWN TO BASTOGNE.
0130-2/0 TROOP OF 7/0
(7/H) SENT TO SUPPORT 7/0.
1327-2/H RETURNED TO
7/0 FORM DIV REG.

③ 1336-12 ASSAULT - 5 12
TKS TO 7/0. 1 PLAT AAA
TO BASTOGNE FROM 120 AS
OUR REG (7/288 BRIGADE).

④ 1000-2/0 RECD BY EN
INTO WOODS TO W FOUND
UNOCCUPIED.
1000-2/0 RECD BY EN
MORTALLY WOUNDED.
1000-2/0 RECD BY EN
TO NEW FORTRESS NE OF
BASTOGNE.
2000-2/0 DEFENSE AT
BASTOGNE WITHDRAWN AND
ASSAULTED BY 1 IN 327 GE
REG.

⑤ 0905-0-4/7 DROPPED SUPPLIES
1115-LARGE EN ARMORED CLM
MOVING S OUT OF WOODS HIT
HARD BY 2/0.
1526-ARMOR DROPPED BY C-47's.
1530-BASTOGNE BOMBED BY EN
BOMBERS FOR 30 MIN. 2000 EN
AID STATION HIT.



Battle of the Bulge (Definition)

December 16, 1944 to January 25, 1945

A large battle in the Ardennes Forest (region of Belgium and Luxembourg) where German soldiers concentrated their resources to repel Allied troops attempting to invade Germany.

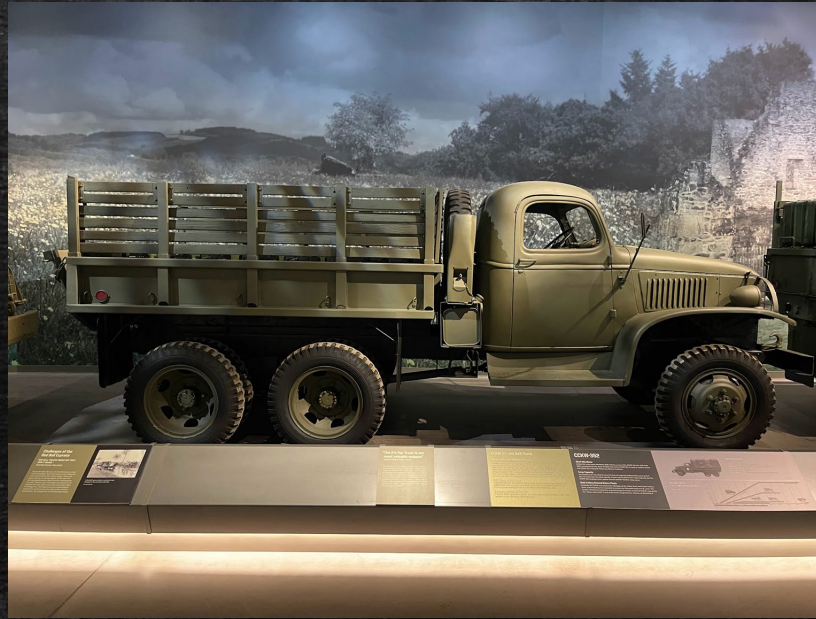
This was the last significant push of German offense in the war.



Sustainability of Armies

Many Allied tactical trucks were filled with equipment while Germany's army was struggling with:

- Maintaining skilled labor
- Supplying factories
- Obtaining raw materials



GMC CCKW-353 and Red Ball Highway, National Museum of Military Vehicles, Dubois, WY

Comparison Between American and German Tanks



American GMC Hellcat and German Panzer III, National Museum of Military Vehicles, Dubois, WY

Activity: Listening to Veteran Stories

We will now be listening to veterans' stories via Witness to War. In groups, you will listen to an assigned veteran's experience during the Battle of the Bulge. You will discuss your oral history with a group and then share your veteran's story with another group. In total, after the example, you will take notes on the experiences of five veterans during the Battle of the Bulge.

Battle of the Bulge: Veteran Experiences

Name: _____

Veteran's Name and Division	What was their role (their company's objective, where they were going, etc.)?	What hardships did they experience?
Example- Fred Moston, 80th Infantry		
(Veteran Experience Assigned)		
(Veteran Experience in Rotation #1)		
(Veteran Experience in Rotation #2)		