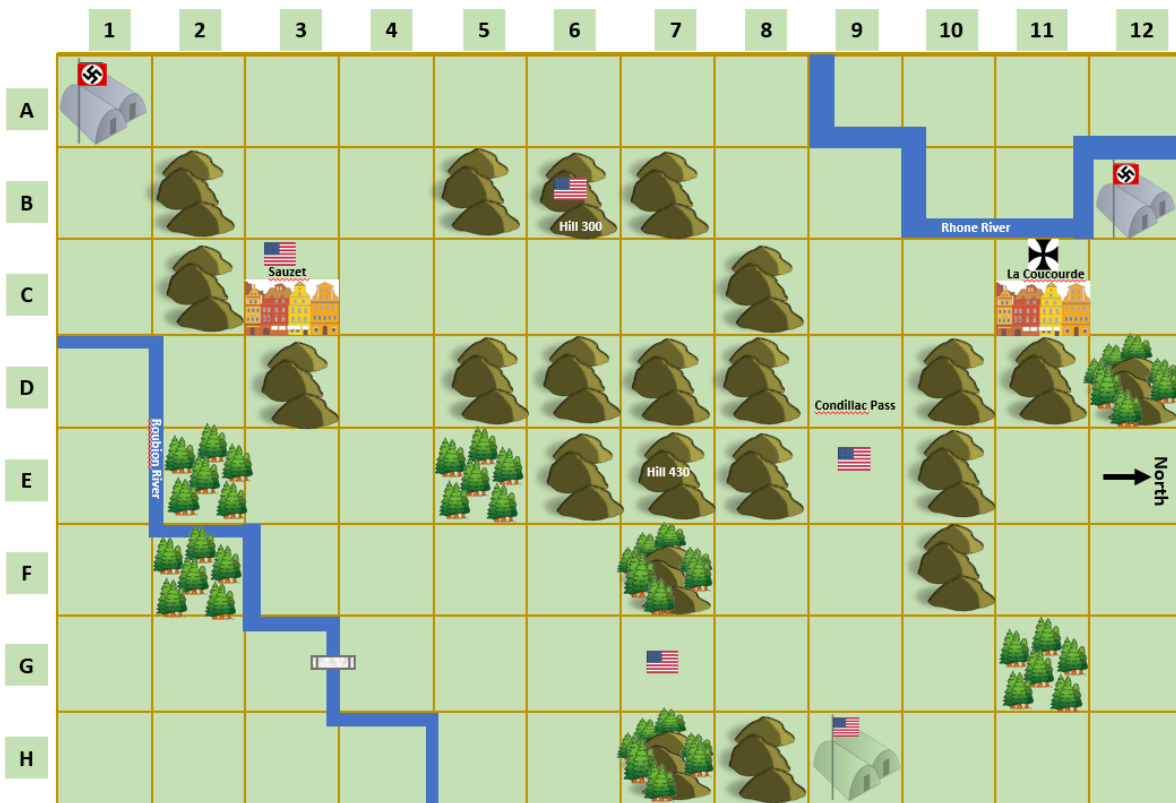


ROMMEL SCENARIO

Montelimar 25 August 1944



The weather is clear. All units start in supply. The Roubion River can only be crossed at the bridge. The Rhone cannot be crossed. The Germans have two supply points. One leads back to depots in Southern France and the other to Central France. A supply line can cross the Roubion River anywhere, but it cannot cross the Rhone. No road moves are allowed in mountain squares as the only decent roads were where the various passes through the mountains are.

Starting Ops:

Both sides start with 6 Ops. Both sides use their Late War Ops. Axis forces move first.

Description:

The Allied 7th Army has landed in Southern France and quickly established a foothold. As the German forces in Normandy are forced back in defeat the Axis troops in the South are ordered to break off contact and withdraw in order to form the left flank of a new German defensive line. The US 36th Infantry Division under Major General John Dahlquist is in a good position to attack the flank of the retreating Germans at Montelimar. Realising this vulnerability German General Weiss ordered the 11th Panzer Division to push the Americans back. Historically a series of confused actions over several days proved indecisive. The 25th of August was the first day that both commanders committed significant forces to the combat.

Victory:

The game is a standard single day of 16 moves. To win a side must capture 4 objective squares and be holding them at the end of the day.

Elements:

The Axis have 3 Elements. The 11th Panzer Division, units from the 198th Infantry Division and some ad hoc Luftwaffe units. The Allies have 3 Elements. The 141st, 142nd and 143rd Regimental Combat Teams from the 36th Infantry Division supported by armoured units from Task Force Butler. The US divisional assets can support any unit without penalty.

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Set Up:

The Germans can deploy in line A. Additionally they can deploy up to six units in C11 [La Coucourde] and C12. At least one Panzer IV and three panzer grenadier units, and a maximum of 6 units, must deploy South of the Roubion River, in column 1 and 2. This means that they will need to cross the bridge to get into the battle.

The US forces [less the 143rd RCT] deploy anywhere in columns 5 to 8 but not in line A B or C. Up to 3 stands can deploy in the Hill 300 square [B6]. No units are concealed. Hill 300 has 1 prepared position.

Reinforcements:

143rd RCT arrives in the marker phase of turn 2 anywhere on line H from H5 to H12.

ALLIED FORMATIONS	COMBAT	ARMOUR	SPECIAL
36th Infantry Division RCT			
141st RCT			
8 x United States Infantry	4-3-2		Motorised
142nd RCT			
8 x United States Infantry	4-3-2		Motorised
143rd RCT			
8 x United States Infantry	4-3-2		Motorised
Divisional Assets			
2 x Sherman	4-3-2	3	
1 x M10	4-3-2	3-2	
1 x Light Armor	4-3-2	1	Recon [fire first on 4+]
1 x Armoured Infantry	4-3-2		Armoured
2 x 105mm	12 / 3 / [0-1]		Towed Artillery
AXIS FORMATIONS	COMBAT	ARMOUR	SPECIAL
11th Panzer Division			
4 x Panzer IV	4-3-2	3	
3 x Panzergrenadier Units	4-3-2		Armoured
3 x Panzergrenadier Units	4-3-2		Motorised
1 x Wespe	12 / 3 / [0-2]		Self-Propelled Artillery
198th Division			
12 x Infantry	4-3-2		Motorised
1 x Stug	4-3-2	2-3	
1 x 105mm	12 / 3 / [0-1]		Towed Artillery
Luftwaffe Infantry			
3 x Infantry	3 [4] – 2[3] – 1[2]		Motorised

Axis	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15
Allied	2R	4	6	8	10	12	14	16