



# THE LEGREW MANEUVER

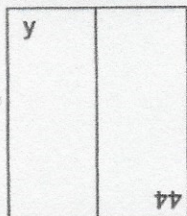
## SCHWERPUNKT SCENARIO SP150

**SITUATION:** SAINT JEAN-ROHRBACH, France, 22 November 1944: The 6<sup>th</sup> Armored Division was attacking toward the Mutterach River and into the Maginot Line zone of defenses. Along the way, the "Super Sixth" and the 35<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division smashed elements of the German 559<sup>th</sup> Volksgrenadier Division in a series of bloody encounters at several fortified villages. Enemy resistance crystallized when the 11<sup>th</sup> Panzer Division moved into the area to restore the collapsing German front. The Americans were now fighting a determined and skilled enemy with PzIVs and Jagdpanzers. Task Force Legrew was assigned the primary objective of clearing Saint Jean-Rohrbach. Up until now, muddy conditions kept vehicular traffic confined to the road, but south of Leyviller, the terrain permitted off-road movement. Task Force Legrew's lead Sherman tank was knocked out just as it approached Saint Jean-Rohrbach. Lieutenant Colonel Legrew maneuvered his tanks around the village, while the 137<sup>th</sup> Infantry assaulted the objective. Simultaneously, Major Jesse York's southern force began to threaten the German withdrawal route out of Saint Jean-Rohrbach. The German position was quickly becoming untenable, so a withdrawal was ordered. A group of PzIVs and Jagdpanzers broke out into the open ground and started fleeing east toward the Mutterbach River, while a group of German infantry moved off to the south. Lieutenant Colonel Legrew's tanks and tank destroyers poured fire into the retreating German AFVs and knocked out two PzIVs and at least one Jagdpanzer IV. All guns were then brought to bear on the German infantry, but dusk was approaching and many of them were able to make good their escape.



**MISSION:** The Germans win immediately upon exiting  $\geq 26$  EVP off the east edge, provided a least 4 of those EVP are non-vehicular crew MMCs (prisoners are worth 0 EVP).

### MAP ORIENTATION:



### OPTIONS:

- ✚ Change the required EVP to  $\geq 24$ .
- ☆ Delete the PSK.

### COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. EC are Wet, with no wind at start. Kindling is NA.
2. Bore Sighting is NA.
3. German AFVs have Sz (D11.2).
4. A +1 LV hindrance begins on turn 4.

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Sources: Hofman, George F. *The Super Sixth: History of the 6th Armored Division in World War II* (Nashville: The Battery Press, 2000) p. 229-231.

### MISSION LENGTH

✚ GERMAN SETS UP FIRST	1	2	3	4	5
☆ AMERICAN MOVES FIRST	☆				



Elements of Panzer Grenadier Regiment 110, Abteilung 2, Panzer Regiment 15, and Panzerjäger Abteilung 61, Panzer Division 11 set up on board y, south of row G in hexes numbered 3 through 8.

4-6-8	4-6-7	8-1	MMG	LMG	PSK	?	8-1 Armor	JgPz IV(L) 1/-	PzIVJ 3/5/2
2	6	2				6		2	3

{ELR: 4}  
{SAN: 2}



Elements of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 137<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, C Company, 603<sup>rd</sup> Tank Destroyer Battalion and B Company, 15<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion, CCB (Task Force Legrew), 6<sup>th</sup> Armored Division enter turn 1 on the west edge.

6-6-7	6-6-6	9-1	8-1	8-0	MMG	M4A3(76)w 2/4/4	M4A3(75)w 2/4/4	M4A3(105) 2/4/4	M10 GMC -/4
4	6				2	2	2		

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