BATTLE OF THE BULGE: THE ARDENNES CAMPAIGN

A Working Bibliography of MHI Sources

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GENERAL SOURCES


4 articles.


Nice overview.


Pathfinders who led the re-supply drop.


Focuses on individual situations and small-group actions. Orders of battles pp. 630-35.


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Vol. 1 – *The Losheim Gap/Holding the Line*  
Vol. 2 – *Hell at Bütgenbach/Sieze the Bridges*


INTELLIGENCE


Argues that German security was better than US intelligence.


Reprints 5 USAREUR Foreign Military Studies (#B-712, P-044a, b, c, and P-096) plus testimony of Skorzeny re Ardennes. See esp.#6, ca 150 p.


Thaden uses two historical examples: Ardennes, 1944 & Manchuria, 1945.

OTHER SPECIAL ASPECTS


Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge


Critical analysis of Allied counter-strategy.


Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge


  During Ardennes Campaign.


  See Chaps. 7-9.


  Manhay.


See also:
- Bibliographies on Operations Greif & Operation Nordwind in Ardennes.
BASTOGNE


Pathfinders who led the re-supply drop.


101st Airborne Division surrounded.


Reproduces McAuliffe's holiday greetings, German surrender proposal & the reply.


101st Airborne Division.
ALLIED/UNIT/PERSONAL/PERSPECTIVE-Above Division Level

See pp. 43-45 and Map VI.


See Chap 15.


ALLIED/UNIT/PERSONAL/PERSPECTIVE-Division


Wilson, Robert Ed. *Papers*. 1 Box. Arch. Correspondence, personal documents & clippings; includes coverage of 106th Division, Ardennes, 1944-45.
See also:
- Personal Papers, Arch.
  Notably those of Oscar Koch, Matthew Ridgway, Ernest Harmon, Alvan Gillem, Bruce Clarke, & Ferdinand Chesarek.
- Unit History Coll, UHRm.
  Includes items from most participating units, including the following US Divisions:
  Armored: 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th & 7th.
  Infantry: 1st, 2nd, 5th, 9th, 25th, 26th, 28th, 30th, 75th, 83rd, 84th, 87th, 99th & 106th.
  Airborne: 17th, 82nd & 101st.
- WWII Documents on microfilm. 4th Infantry Division: G-2 journal, Reels 2085-2087; G-3 Journal, Reels 2116-17. 9th Infantry Division: Reports, Reel 59. 82nd Airborne Division: G-2 Journal, Reel 2014-2016; G-3, 2033-2034.

ALLIED/UNIT/PERSONAL/PERSPECTIVE-Below Division


  A former platoon leader of the 110th Infantry Regiment, 28th Division, maintains that the unit's role in stopping the German Ardennes counter offensive has not received proper recognition.


  By member Co C, 51st Armored Infantry, 4th Armored Division, 22 Dec 44-13 Jan 45.

  Action of 589th Field Artillery Battalion, 106th Division.
Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge

See index.

I&R Platoon, 394th Infantry, 99th Division, 16 Dec 44.

Per.  
Charles B. MacDonald revisits sites of his WWII combat experiences.


Hill, Ralph G. Papers. 2 Boxes. Arch.  
Correspondence & research materials re mistreatment of German POWs in Italy and re Battle of the Bulge, especially 106th Infantry Division, 7th Armored Division & 14th Cavalry Group.

14th Cavalry Group (18th & 32nd Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadrons), Dec 44.

394th Infantry Regiment, I&R Platoon.

On the exact location of “an Alamo stand” by the 687th Field Artillery Battalion.

9th Infantry Regiment.

99th Division.

99th Quartermaster Company.

551st Parachute Infantry Battalion.
598th Field Artillery Battalion, Belgium, Dec 44.


Story of William Schuchert, of unidentified element of 28th Infantry Division.


Includes info on its combat employment.

Interviews by US Army Historical Section, 1944-45, ETO, as taken from National Archives records. Pub guide indexes by unit, operation, place & chronology.

ALLIED/UNIT/PERSONAL/PERSPECTIVE—Collective


Includes numerous memoirs, letters & org documents.


GERMAN UNIT/PERSONAL/PERSPECTIVE—General Sources

See pp. 19-22 and the two accompanying maps that show the front line as of 1 & 8 Jan 1945, revealing German troop dispositions down to regimental level.


Covers 19 Dec 1944-14 Jan 1945.


Parker, Danny S. "German Tiger Tanks...at the Battle of the Bulge...." *World War II* (Mar 1990): pp. 8, 54, 56, 58 & 60-61. Per.

Only 87 actually participated, not 250; examines reasons for overestimation.


FOREIGN MILITARY STUDIES ON ARDENNES CAMPAIGN

The following German officer reports are mostly carbon typescripts of draft translations into English prepared under USAREUR's Foreign Military Studies Program (D739.F6713):

Author kept war diary of Wehrmacht Operations Staff.

Command organization for the offensive.

A-862 "The Preparations for the German Offensive in the Ardennes (Sep to 16 Dec 1944)." By MAJ Percy Ernest Schramm. 281 p. 1946.
By the war diary officer of the Wehrmacht Operations Staff. Includes views of Commander in Chief West and various army commanders concerned as well as those of Hitler and OKW.

A-873 "Commitment of the 116th Panzer Division in the Ardennes (16-6 Dec 1944)." By General Major Siegfried von Waldenburg. 28 p. 1945.


A-924 "Operations of Sixth Panzer Army (1944-45)." By SS Generalmajor Fritz Kraemer. 60 p. 1945.
By its chief of staff.


Answered in July 1945.

A-929 "Ardennes Campaign." By General der Artillerie W. Lucht. 2 p. 18th Infantry Division.
Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge


A-931 "212th Volks Grenadier Division - Ardennes." By Generalleutnant Franz Sensfuss, 9 p. 1946.

A-932 "Evaluation and Equipment of the Units Attached to Seventh Army during the Ardennes Offensive." By Generalmajor R. von Gerdorff. 5 p.

A-933 "Results of the Ardennes Offensive." By Generalmajor R. von Gersdorff. 8 p. 1946.


A-941 "Panzer Lehr Division (1 Dec 1944 - 26 Jan 1945)." By Generalleutnant F. Bayerlein. 8 p. 1945.


A-961 "Fifth Panzer Army-Ardennes (Special Questions)." By Generalmajor Carl Wagener. 8 p. 1945.


A-978 "Commitment of the 3d Panzer Grenadier Division during the Ardennes Offensive." By Generalmajor Walter Denkert. 5 p. 1946.
Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge

B-024 "560th Volks Grenadier Division (11 Nov 1944 - 25 Jan 1945)." By Generalmajor Rudolph Bader. 11 p. 1946.

B-025 "989th Grenadier Regiment (14 - 17 Dec 1944)." By Oberst Georg Fieger. 6 p. 1946.

B-027 "560th Volks Grenadier Division (15 - 29 Dec 1944) and 12th Volks Grenadier Division (1-28 Jan 1945)." By Generalmajor Rud. Langhaeuser. 67 p. 1946.


B-030 "LXXV Corps (1 Dec 1944 - 10 Jan 1945)." By General der Infanterie Baptist Kniess. 8 p. 1946.

B-031 "326th Volks Grenadier Division (Ardennes)." By Generalmajor Erwin Kaschner. 2 p. 1946. Answers to a special questionnaire.

B-032 "LIII Corps (1 Dec 1944 - 22 Jan 1945)." By Oberst I.G. Werner Bodenstein. 13 p. By the corps chief of staff.

B-038 "116th Panzer Division (Ardennes)." By Generalmajor Siegfried von Waldenburg. 17 p. Answers of the division commander to a special questionnaire.


B-040 "26th Volks Grenadier Division in the Ardennes Offensive." By Generalmajor Keinz Kokott. 16 p. By the division commander.


B-073 "212th Volks Grenadier Division (Ardennes)." By General-lieutenant Franz Sensfuss. 8 p. 1946. Answers to a questionnaire.

B-092 "326th Volks Grenadier Division (16 Dec 1944-25 Jan 1945)." By Generalmajor Erwin Kaschner. 10 p.
Planning and preparations described by the army commander.

B-151a "Sequel to MS# B-151."  By General der Panzertruppen Hasso von Manteufel. 161 p.
A detailed history and critique.


B-286  "15th Volks Werfer Brigade (16 Dec 1944 - 25 Jan 1945)."  By Generalmajor Leo Zanssen. 4 p. 1946.
A rocket projector unit.


B-332  "LVIII Panzer Corps in the Ardennes Offensive (13 Jan-2 Feb 1945)."  By General der Panzertruppen Walter Krueger. 6 p.
Continuation of MS# B-321.

B-333  "LXVI Corps (Oct - 23 Dec 1944)."  By General der Artillerie Walter Lucht. 31 p. 1946.
By the corps commander.

B-456  2d Panzer Division (21 - 26 Dec 1944)."  By Oberstleutnant Ruediger Weiz. 10 p.

B-467  "Seventh Army (Preparations for Ardennes Offensive)."  By Generalmajor Paul Reidel. 19 p.

B-477  "LXVI Corps (23 Dec 1944 - 2 Jan 1945)."  By General der Artillerie Walter Lucht. 9 p.


B-521  "9th Volks Grenadier Division (1 Nov 1944 - Feb 1945)."  By Generalmajor Werner Kolb. 33 p. 1947.

Preparation and assembly.

Comment on #A-924.

B-759  "Sixth Panzer Army (15 Dec 1944 - 21 Jan 1945)."  By SS Generalleutnant Walter Staudinger. 33 p. 1948.
Ardennes/Battle of the Bulge

B-769  "LXVI Corps (3 - 15 Jan 1945)." By General der Artillerie Walter Lucht. 10 p. 1948.


C-004  "Kampfgruppe Peiper (15 - 26 Dec 1944)." By Oberst der Waffen-SS Joachim Peiper. 16 p. 1948.


MISCELLANEOUS


CASUALTIES (US in the Ardennes)

US battle casualties in the European Theater, 7 Dec 1941 to 31 Dec 1946, totaled 586,628, as follows:

- Killed: 116,991
- Wounded: 381,350
- Captured: 73,759
- Missing: 14,528

For the period 16 Dec 1944-2 Jan 1945, the US suffered 41,315 killed, wounded and missing. The official Ardennes campaign extended to 25 Jan 1945 and included American counteroffensives. Total US battle casualties for the entire campaign, including those of the Army Air Force, were 105,102. See:


The 106th Infantry Division's losses in the Battle of the Bulge were 415 killed, 1,254 wounded, and 6,821 captured and missing, from its effective strength of 14,024 on 16 Dec 1944. See: