

# BUCHHOLZ STATION



## ASL SCENARIO I



**BUCHHOLZ, GERMANY, 16 December 1944:** The original German opening for the Battle of the Bulge was somewhat subdued. German infantry, with little armor support, was to seize key road junctions early so the armored formations could quickly pass through and exploit a breakthrough. One such place was the town of Buchholz, which sat alongside an abandoned railroad. It was held by a company of American infantry who were lined up for chow outside the town when a company of the German 27th Fusilier Regiment came down the road. Neither side expected to find the other here, and there was a dramatic moment of mutual surprise as both sides scrambled to deploy.

### BOARD CONFIGURATION:



### BALANCE:

- ☆ Increase the U.S. ELR to 4.
- ♣ Increase the German ELR to 4.

**VICTORY CONDITIONS:** The Americans win immediately by amassing 13 Casualty VP; the Germans win immediately by amassing 13 CVP or by exiting 9 VP off the south edge of Board 3 from either 3Q1 or 3Y1. Any other result is an American victory.

### TURN RECORD CHART

Simultaneous Set Up ☆ [115]	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	END
♣ GERMAN Moves First [120]											

**Advance Company of Fusilier Regiment 27, 12th Volksgrenadier Division [ELR: 3] set up as indicated: {SAN: 2}**



4Y10: 4Z9: 4Z8: 4AA8:

4EE6: 4EE7: 4FF5: 4BB7:

4DD5: 4FF4: 4DD6: 4CC7:

**Company L, 3rd Battalion, 349th Infantry Regiment, 99th Infantry Division [ELR: 3] set up as indicated: {SAN: 4}**



3Y9: 3Z6: 3W2: 3P7:

3R5: 3R6: 3Q8: 3S7: 3R7:

### SPECIAL RULES:

1. EC are Moderate, with no wind at start.
2. All American vehicles start in Motion facing due east.
3. The dm .50-cal HMG must set up as a Passenger in the Jeep.

**AFTERMATH:** The fighting opened about 0700, but neither side was able to gain a decisive advantage. Losses were given and taken; the battle would probably go to the first side to receive reinforcements. Surprisingly, it was the Americans who were reinforced first when both Company Kand a section of M-10 TDs arrived to bolster their position. The Germans promptly withdrew. Tactically, it was a draw with moderate casualties taken by both sides. Strategically, it was another of the small American victories that would add up to the German frustration in the early hours of the Battle of the Bulge.