

Strategic overview

Turn 52: Strategic Considerations

Situational analysis

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-	Vehicle Repair	A	-	4035	570355	0
-	Port	69	0	0	0	0
-	Railyard	180	0	0	0	0
-	Manpower	2456	1	86210	6088064	0
-	Vehicle	114	0	147276	329381	0
-	Heavy Industry	195	0	0	4701800	0
-	Oil Production	128	0	0	3264000	0
-	Fuel Production	149	0	0	1823760	0
-	Resource Production	157	0	0	8621000	0
-	Armaments Production	288	0	320219	3970475	0

Yet again, the losses report I have received is badly lacking. German losses over the past turn are recorded as 430 men in total, which is obviously wrong. As VP are heavily dependant on the losses in a Bitter End scenario, I REALLY hope that the game engine can calculate the correct numbers and that it is only the reports I receive that are broken. If not, that is VP for more than 150.000 German dead I have missed so far in the campaign.

Other main news are

- The weather has turned mud both in the north and in the south. None of the areas where combat currently occurs are free of it, so there has been almost no action during the Axis phase.
- German AFV OoB has risen by another 40, giving a total of 5550 AFV in the Wehrmacht. The Luftwaffe is just below 2900 machines.

Axis VP advantage is 4.1 to 1.

The North



Situational Assessment

Nothing unexpected has happened in the northern mud. The Germans have encircled the Rifle divisions of the Northwestern Front that I had no way of withdrawing. Other than that, they have strengthened their lines.

The weather prediction for next turn is clear weather, but the German Panzers furthest to the north are mostly red in fuel, so movement should be somewhat restricted.

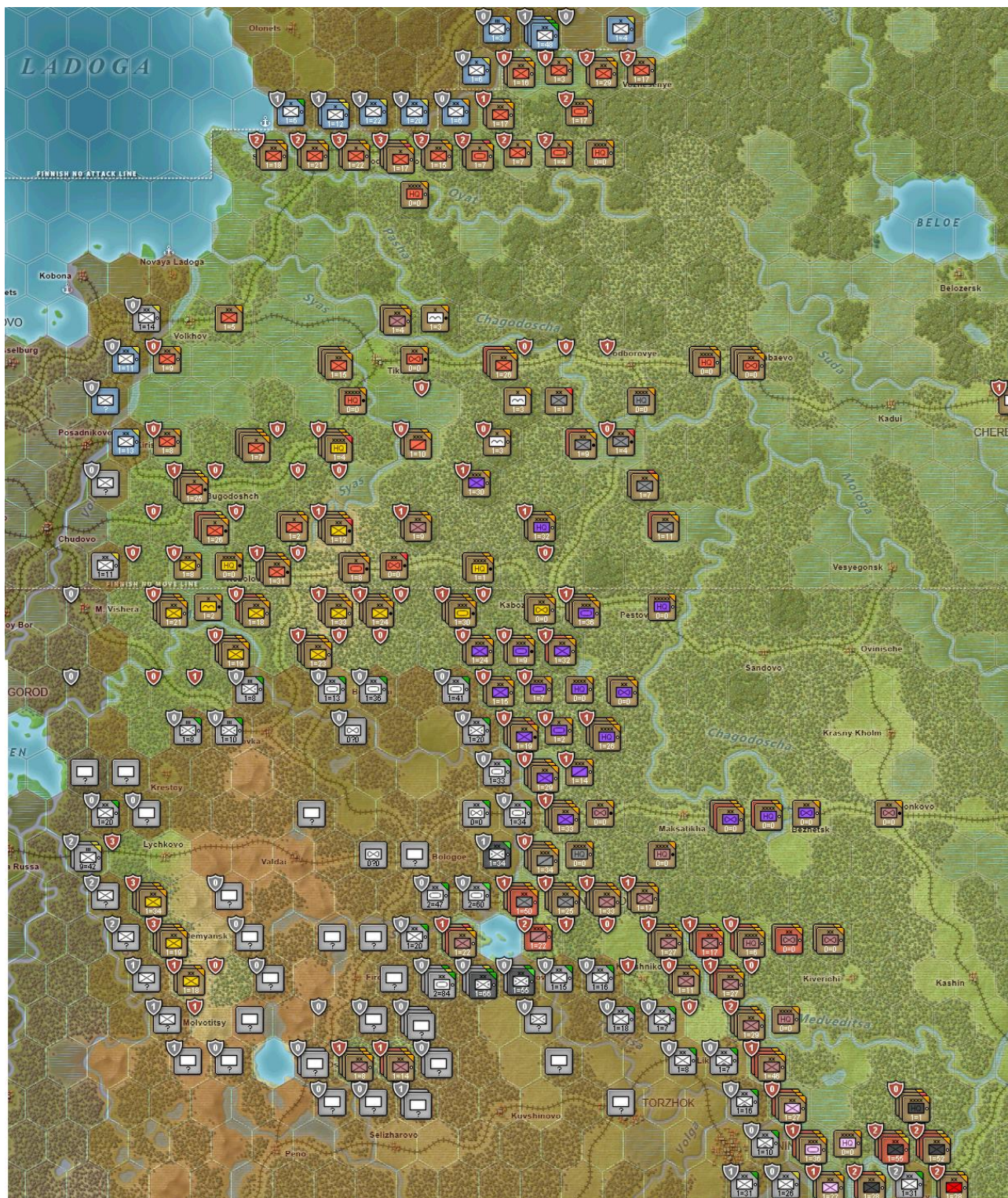
Planning

I will continue to form a new defensive line in this area, hoping to force the German Panzers into another series of attacks on this sector of the front if Pelton wants to take the area.

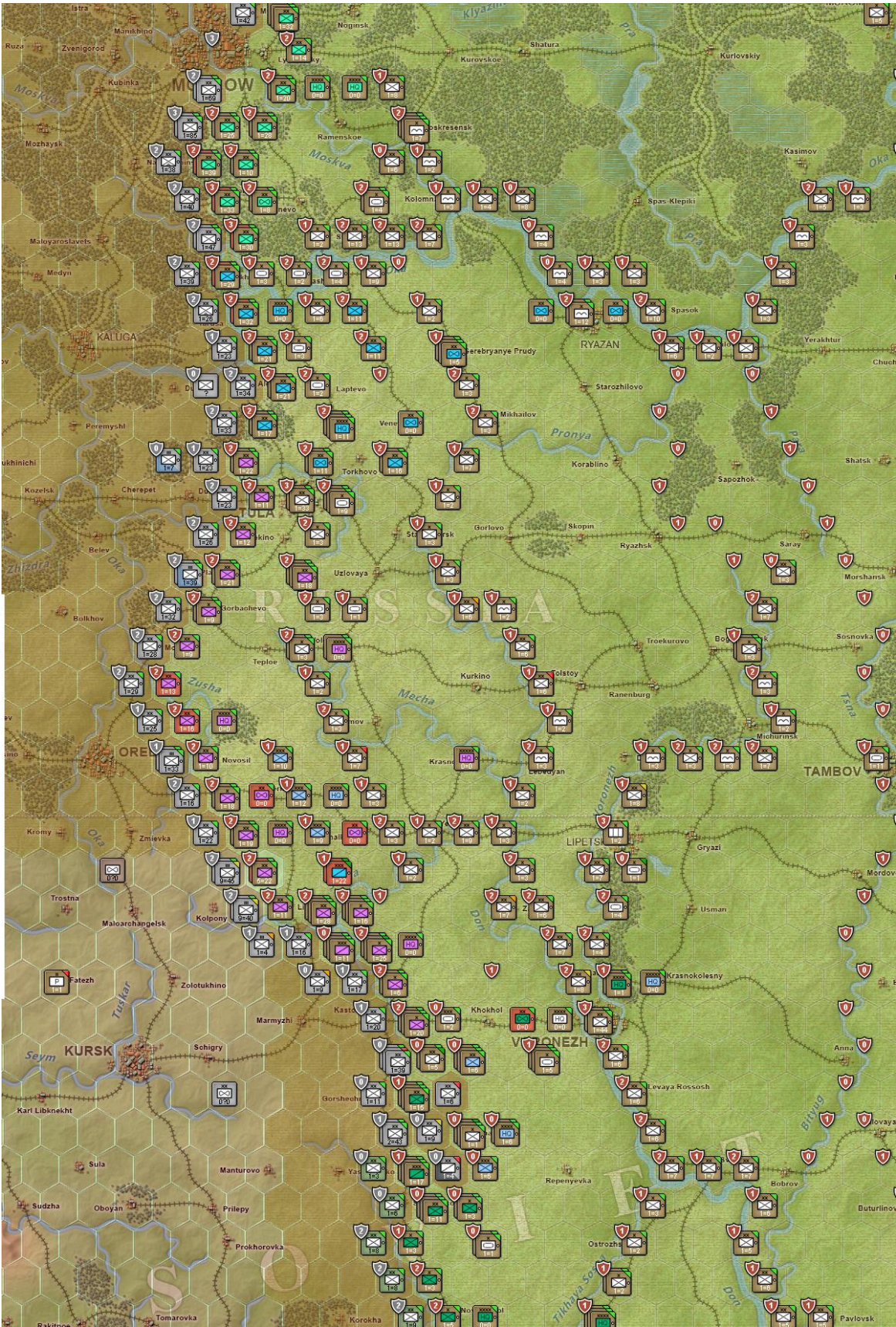
Execution

No attacks have been conducted in the north.

Below is an image of the North, as I give the turn to Pelton.



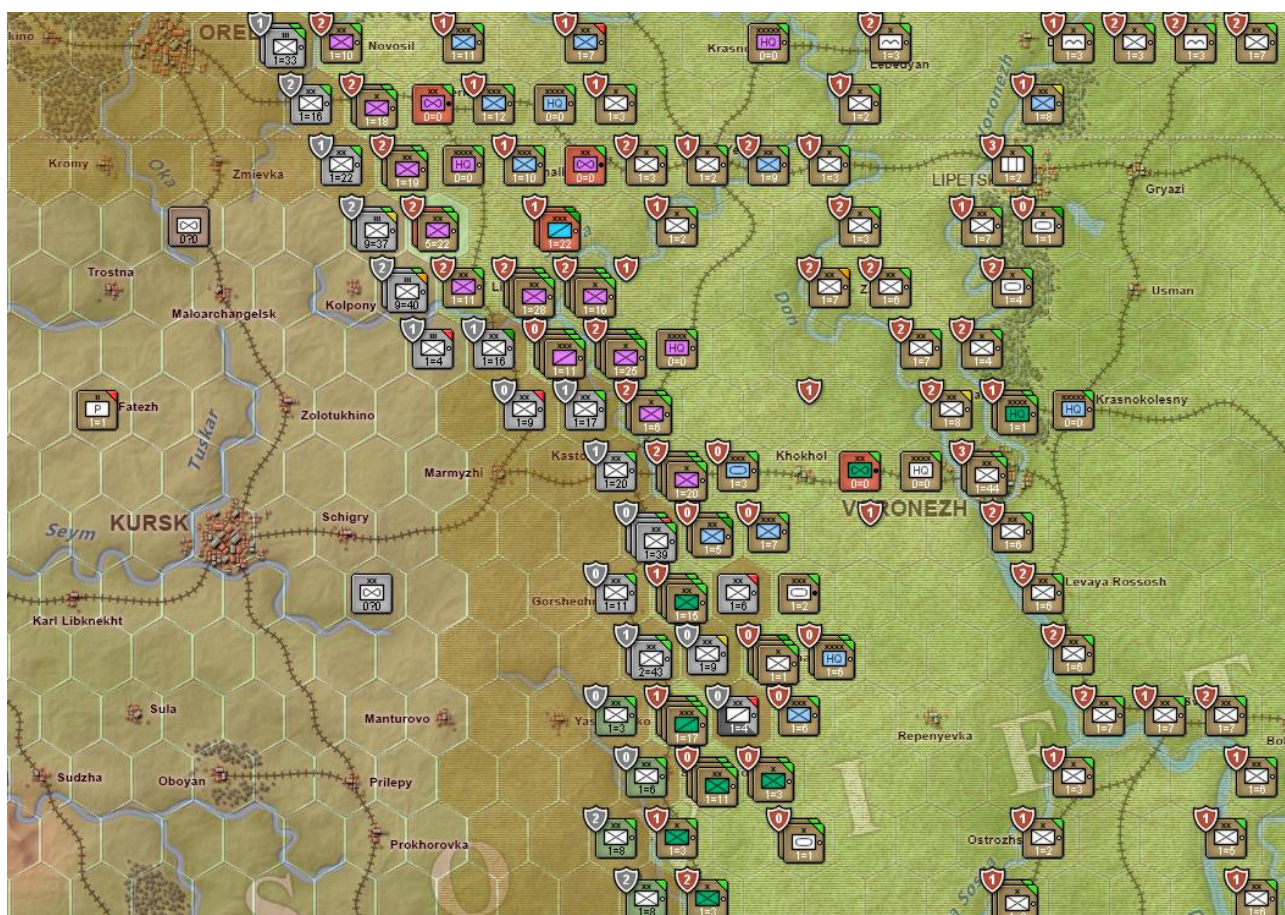
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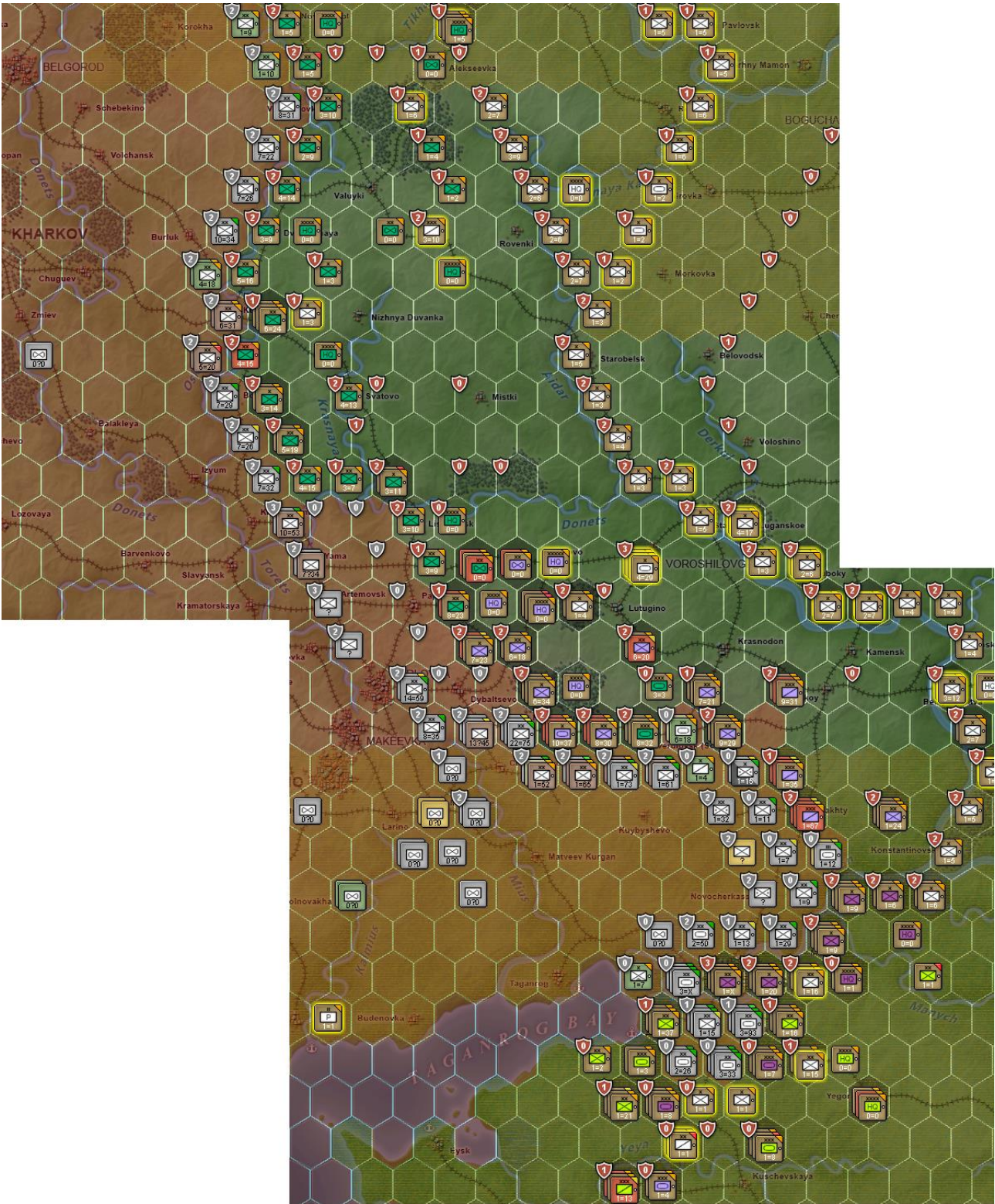
The only interesting development on this part of the front is west of Voronezh. Contrary to my expectations, the Germans have pushed forward through the mud instead of retreating. It seems Pelton and I disagree as to who exactly is on the offensive on this sector of the front.

I intend to keep pouting my rifle units forward under the command of the Voronezh Front and will also reassign Konev to this Front in order to give it some extra little punch.

Nothing much has happened in the center except a little maneuvering before the next turn. The front west of Voronezh looks like this as I give the turn to Pelton.



The South



Situational Assessment

Nothing much has happened on this sector this turn either. The mud prevents most of the fighting.

The weather predicts another mud turn next turn.

Planning

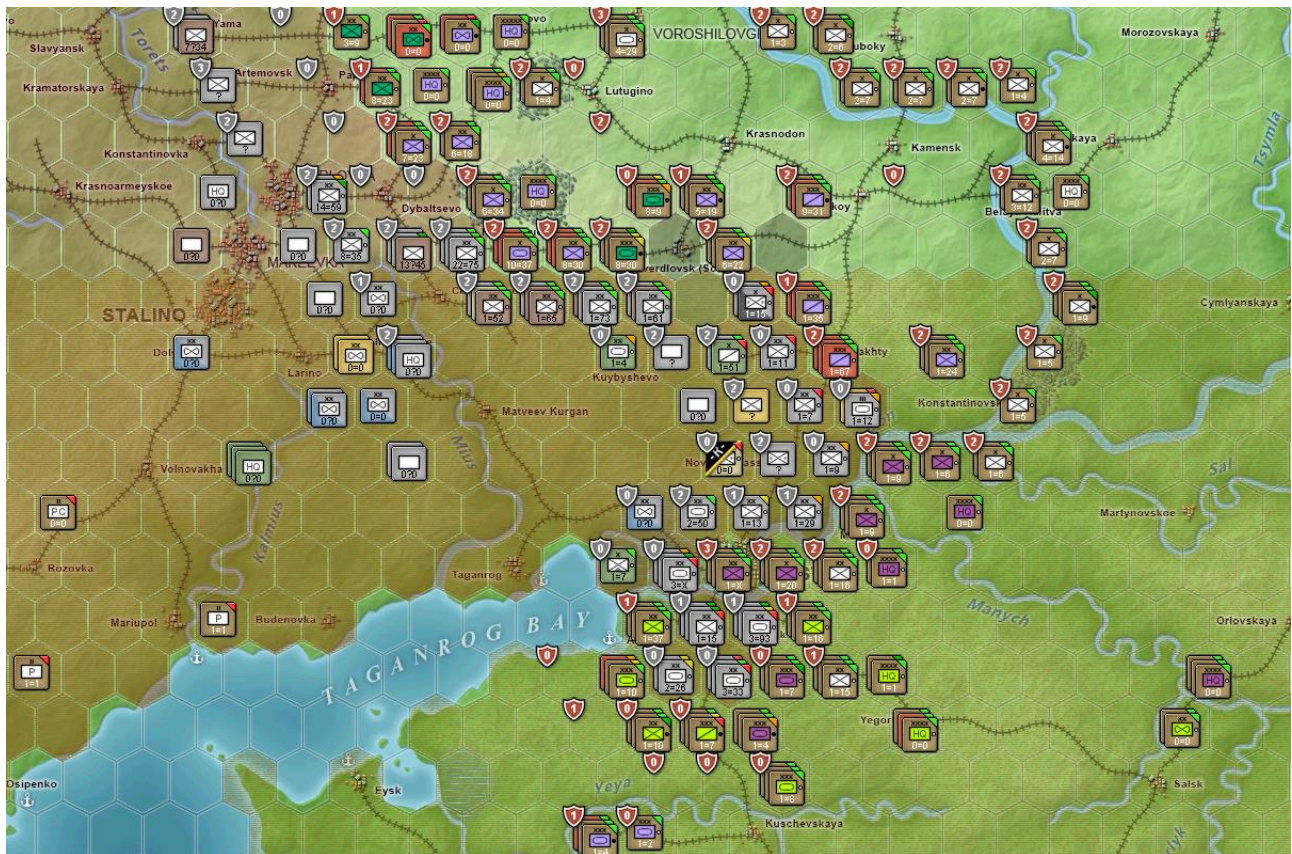
In this area, I will attempt to push back the Hungarians in the eastern part of the Axis salient. South of the river, the mud prevents most action this turn, and I will simply spend my time strengthening my lines.

Execution

North of Rostov, I have attacked the Hungarian Armored Division, resulting in another big loss of German Level Bombers.

Axis Forces Defending (W):	Forces Engaged	Soviet Forces Attacking:
1st Panzer Army 1st Hun. Armored Division (107) Slovakian Mobile Division (56) II/70th Artillery Battalion (0) V Fliegerkorps 6 Bf 109E-4B 2 Bf 110E-2	DEF: men 18104, art 177, afv 149 DAM: men 634, art 14, afv 4 LOST: men 463, art 15, afv 11 DEF: flt 8, bmr 98, utl 0 LOST: flt 3, bmr 52, utl 0 1st Hun. Armored Division RETREATED Slovakian Mobile Division ROUTED	26th Army -30% 8th Tank Corps (16) 131st Sep. Tank Bn (1) 132nd Sep. Tank Bn (1) 133rd Sep. Tank Bn (1) 12th Army -30% 6th Tank Corps (18) 125th Sep. Tank Bn (1)
CV: 163->99.7 Comm HQ: 1st Panzer Army GO Ewald von Kleist	122.96 = Clear (Sverdlovsk (3)) = Clear Turn 52 1942-06-11 Odds 7.41 : 1	CV: 313->738.8 Eng Val: 10 Comm HQ: 37th Army GM Mikhail Kazakov
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After the battles here, the front looks like this as I give the turn to Pelton



Conclusion

Another waiting turn before the summer comes.

With the north Soviet Zone predicted as clear weather next turn, I expect the war to “reignite”.