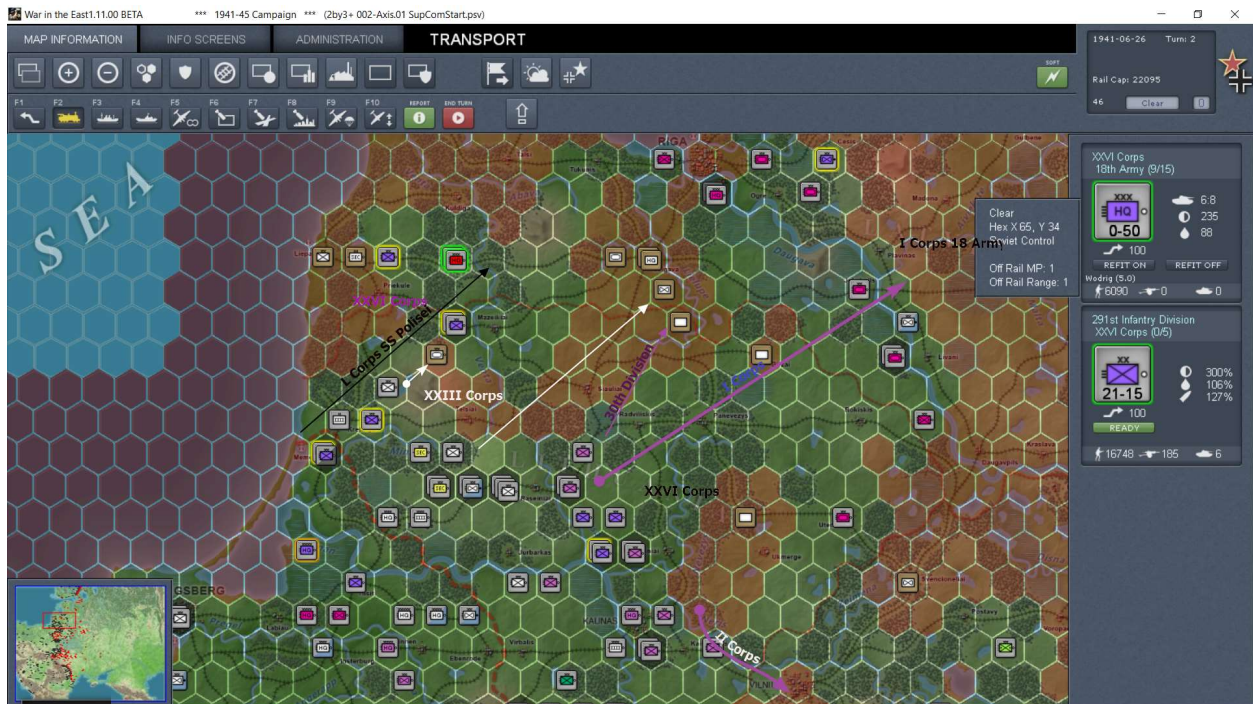


## Plan

Turn 2 is one set for driving east as fast as possible. The Soviets have obliged by moving units to open supply rather than impede progress. However, XXIII Corps and L Corps will be tasked to clean up stragglers. 30<sup>th</sup> division will be tasked to take on the armored unit left behind. The main goal for II Corps is clear the rail line from Kaunas to Vilnius. The panzers will drive east (not shown).

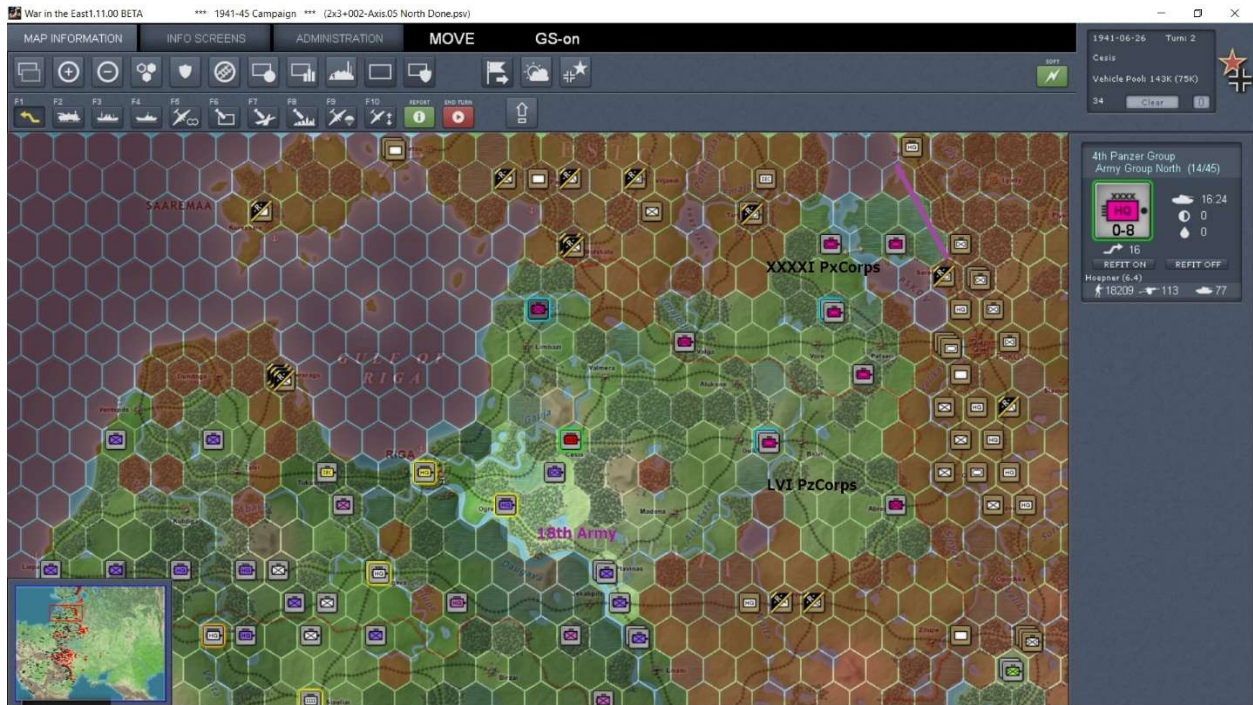


## Execution

The Dunkirk like abandonment of Riga sets the XXXXI PzCorps free. Advanced use of recon showed that the land bridge crossing north of lake Pskov was empty of Soviet units. In my opinion, this unhinges the Pskov defense. To reinforce and try and save this indefensible position will hasten the fall of Leningrad. Now a decision to continue to Novgorod, or possibly set up a crossing at the Narva on turn six?

The XXXXI Corps established a bridgehead, while maintaining some integrity of a line facing north. 18 Army had to clear out stragglers, leaving just a few isolated routed units.

My concern at this point is fatigue and the Soviets have +1 attack. A single isolated German unit can be destroyed in place if left unsupported.



I see the below possibilities:

1. Somehow the Soviets try to salvage the situation by keeping the Pskov line and setting up unfortified positions to defend the rail net East of the bridgehead. This offers 2 responses.

a. Try and pocket these forces – this will require both PzXXX HQBU's

b. Avoid crossing the Velikaya River, and continue to exploit my single bridgehead north of Pskov 1 HQBU. I Corps will be at the Velikaya River without MP's to attack.

i. Then exploit what the soviets give me Turn 4 with LVI and I corps crossing the Velikaya River turn 4.

c. Cross Pskov line without a HQBU and exploit the northern bridgehead with a HQBU.

d. Cross Pskov with a HQBU and exploit the Bridgehead as best I can without a HQBU.

2. Soviets abandon Pskov line.

a. Continue to push I Corps and LVI corps toward Novgorod. XXXXI exploits the bridgehead and forms the left flank for a joint attack (Delaying HQBU's but needing 2) turn 4

b. I will have XXXXI continue to exploit the bridgehead with 2 pzXX, with a HQBU, and 2 pzXX moves directly north. LVI flips as many hexes as given. Cross the Narva turn 6 with units already on the east side of the river.

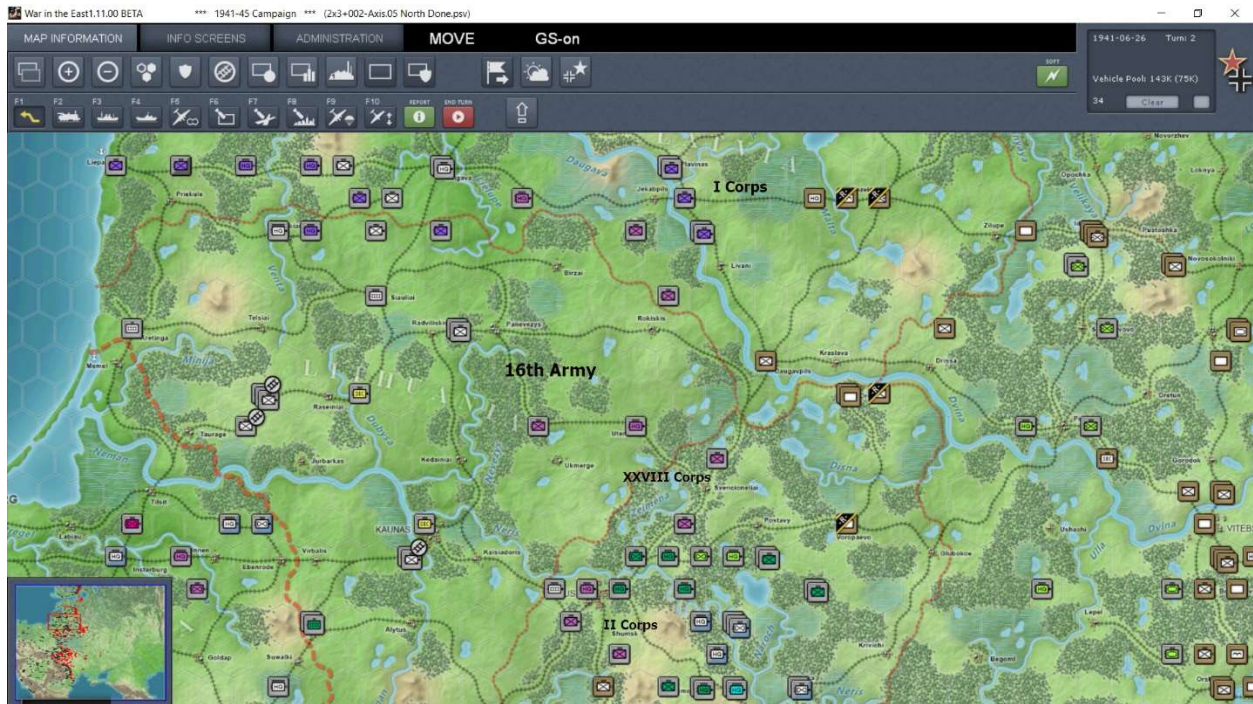
### AGN Flank

In the southern portion of Army Group North II Corps was tasked to clear the rail line from Kaunas to Vilnius. Toward the end of AGS turn it was noted free Soviet units that could cause problems and a

division moved further south to put pressure on the pocket. The rest of 16<sup>th</sup> Army moved east as far as possible.

A small “Falaise pocket” occurred due to a miscommunication with the AGS commander. Likely 2 soviet units will escape.

The picture below shows positions.



The plan for turn 3:

It is clear at this point that 16<sup>th</sup> Army needs to consolidate in a north by northeast direction, likely due to fatigue the rally point is just across the Daugava river as shown below.

