

The North Circle



Introduction

Greeting and welcome once again to another issue of The Ninth Circle, your postal news magazine dedicated to the wargaming hobby and, in particular, the play-by-mail Diplomacy hobby. Our current subscription rate is \$5.00 for ten issues, and the subscription fee is a modest \$3.00 per game plus a \$2.00 refundable deposit. The deposit will be returned to you (or credited to your account) if you do not drop your position without prior notification.

The deadline for all games (with certain exceptions) is Thursday, October 11th, 1979. The deadline for games GMed by Konrad is Friday, October 5th, 1979. All Stellar Conquest orders are also due on Friday, October 5th, 1979. Finally, En Garde! orders are due by Saturday, September 29th, 1979. Orders delivered via the telephone are due the day before posted deadlines. And that just about covers that!

The Devil's Den XX

- 1) I don't like starting out on a somewhat depressing note, but it seems that there are an awful lot of magazines folding these days. Bob Beardsley's Brouhaha is no more, and the same is true of Dennis Agosta's Command. I am also given to understand that Jerry Jones is beginning to phase out his magazine, Lies, Deceit & Nefarious Schemes. But the real clincher came in today's mail when I learned that the current issue of Bob Sergeant's St. George & the Dragon would also be the last issue. With the exception of Brouhaha, I have played in every one of these zines, and a better group of gamemasters and publishers one could not find. The hobby is really losing quite a bit here, and you shall all be missed.

- 2) Changes of Address--All players take note!!
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- 3) Our current stand-by list for Diplomacy consists of the following people:
Eric Abbott, Vincent Lieu, Joe Mike, Tom Keller, Phil Cooper, Paul Szauter, Bob Kluge, Gerard Van Alkemade, Tom Fagedes, John Hendry, Larry Boudon, John Beamer, Dale Kemper, Ron Kelly, Peter Manis, Wayne Callahan, David Mueth, Karl Schuetz, Cliff Mann, Wm. Osmanson, Gene Paulson, John Aicken, and Steve Reeder. If any of you wish to have your name added or taken off, get in touch with me and I will gladly do it.
- 4) As of now it looks as if our Crusades game is not going to fill. According to my records, Wm. Osmanson, Peter Sleight, Tom Veal, and Dan Morris have all paid their \$3.00 game fee. Please inform me by next issue if

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1977HC

T9thC-1

Winter & Spring, 1909-10

GM: D. Bunke

ENG:DaveMueth--Bld F LON, A LPL, A EDI
GER:CliffMann(?)--NRR! GM rem A Boh, A Tyl
ITA:KonradBaumeister--Bld F ROM

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ENG:DaveMueth--F Lyo-Tyn; F Tun S F Lyo-Tyn; F Wes S F Lyo-Tun; F N.Af S F Tun;
F Spa(nc)-Spa(sc)(imp); A Mar-Fie; A Bur-Mun; A Fru-War; A Lvn S A
Fru-War; A St.F H; A Edi-Yor; A Lpl-Wal; F Lon-Eng; F Den-Nth;
F Kie S F Ber; F Ber S F Kie
GER:CliffMann(?)--NMR! A Mun H; A Vie H
ITA:KonradBaumeister--F Tyn-Wes(ret Tus, Nap, OTB); F Rom-Tyn; F Ion S F Rom-
Tyn; F Aeg-Gre; F Con-Blk; A Sev S RUS A Mos; F Tus-Lyo; F Fie S F
Tus-Lyo; A Apu-Ven; A Gal-Sil; A Ven-Tyl; A Tri S A Ven-Tyl;
A Bud-Vie
RUS:CivilDisorder--A Mos H; A War H(ret OTB)

PRESS:

ROMA--It is frustrating as Hell to have 13 or 14 centers and watch helplessly all these years as Germany gives England the game without a real fight.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

As our two remaining players can see, the concession and draw votes both failed. Both are being submitted for another vote--please send your votes with your Fall orders.

Fall, 1910, due 10/11/79

1977HK

T9thC-2

Spring, 1908

GM: D. Bunke

AUS:DaleKemper--A Ser-Tri; A Vie S A Ser-Tri(ann); A Bud S A Vie; F Gre S A
Bul; A Bul S F Gre; A Rum-Sev(ret Ser, OTB)
ENG:PhilCrowther--F N.At-Mid; F Iri S F N.At-Mid; F Spa(nc) S F N.At-Mid;
A Mar S F Bre-Gas; F Bre-Gas; F Lpl-N.At; F Lon-Wal; F Edi-Cly
GER:RalphMorton--F Bel-Fic; F Eng S F Bel-Fic; A Far-Gas; A Bur S A Far-Gas;
A Gal-Bud; A Tyl-Vie; A Boh S A Tyl-Vie; A Mun-Tyl; A Sev-Rum;
A Ukr S A Sev-Rum; A War H
ITA:JosephMike(?)--NMR! F Aeg H; F Ion H; F Ven H; A Fie H; A Gas H;
F Mid H(ret Por, Wes, N.Af, OTB)
RUS:JohnHendry--A Smy H
TUR:EricAbbott--F Con-Bul(sc); A Ank-Smy

PRESS:

AUSTRIA--The Erstwhile Emperor of Austria accepts the evacuation of our homeland as a sign of peace. Plans for the invasion of Italy have been cancelled.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Would Phil Cooper (80 E. Brandis Ave., Staten Island, NY 10308) please submit stand-by orders for Italy? Thanks, Phil.

Fall, 1908, due 10/11/79

1977KV

T9thC-3

Spring, 1905 (re-cap)

GM: D. Bunke

ENG:WilliamOsmanson--F Mid; F Bre; F Bot; F Nwy; A Fic; F Lpl
FRA:WayneCallahan--A Mar; A Far; A Bel; F Iri; F Cly
GER:VincentLieu--A Ruh; A Bur; A Mun; A Sil; A Pru; F Bal
RUS:PeteManis--A Fin; F Lvn; A Mos; A War; A Gal; A Vie; F Rum
TUR:JimMcManus--A Bul; A Con; F Aeg; A Tri; F Adr; A Tus; F Lyo; F Tyn; F Ion

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Unfortunately, last issue there was an error which no one seems to have caught in time to correct before the publication of this issue. In fact, Vince is the only one who seems to have caught it at all, and that includes your gamemaster and editor!

The error was that the Russian move F Lvn-St.P(sc) should not have succeeded due to the supported attack made upon the same space by the English. The

T9thC-3

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adjusted tally of unit positions is listed above, and players may re-submit their orders based upon this correction. Orders are currently on file for everyone and these may stand if you wish (all except Russia's of course), or you may change them as desired.

Because of this stupid mistake and oversight (our first major error in a Diplomacy game), the subscriptions of all players in '77KV are being extended one issue at our expense.

Fall, 1905, due 10/11/79

1978AQ

T9thC-4

Winter & Spring, 1906-07

GM: K. Baumeister

AUS:JohnAicken--Rem A Ven; A Boh ret Gal
ENG:BobKluge--Rem F Ska
FRA:LeeKendter,Sr--Bld F MAR, F BRE
GER:KarlSchuetz(?)--NRR! F St.P(sc) ret OTB
TUR:RayCifani--Bld F CON, F SMY, A ANK
A Rom ret Apu

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AUS:JohnAicken--A Gal-War(ret Ukr, OTB)
ENG:BobKluge--F Nwy-Nth
FRA:LeeKendter,Sr--A Edi-Nwy; F Nth C A Edi-Nwy; A Tyl S A Pie-Ven(ret Mun, Pie, OTB); A Pie-Ven; F Rom-Tyn(ret Tus, OTB); F Lyo-Wes; F N.Af S ITA F Tun; F Mar-Lyo; F Bre-Mid
GER:KarlSchuetz(?)--NMR! F Nwg H; A Swe H; A Den H; A Fru H; A Sil H; A Boh H
ITA:CivilDisorder--F Tun H
TUR:RayCifani--A Rum-Gal; A Bud A S Rum-Gal; A War S A Rum-Gal; A Mos S A War A St.P-Lvn; A Tri-Tyl; A Vie S A Tri-Tyl; F Adr-Tri; F Tyn-Rom; A Apu S F Tyn-Rom; F Ion-Nap; F Smy-Eas; F Con-Aeg; A Ank-Con

PLAYER'S NOTES:

All votes failed, and none have been proposed this time around, so we have a short rest from voting. Karl Schuetz has missed moves for some reason (normally he's very reliable), so we'll need a stand-by. No propaganda releases. Is this game slowly beginning to fade into the sunset? Would John Hendry (address on p. 2) please submit stand-by orders for Germany? Thanks, John.

Fall, 1907, due 10/5/79

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T9thC-5(N)

Fall, 1906

GM: F. Noble

ENG:GeraldVanAlkemade--F Nwy S GER F Den-Swe(NSO); F Nth S F Nwy; F Wal-Lpl; F Eng-Bre
FRA:TomFagedes--A Lpl-Wal; F Mid-Eng; F Iri S F Mid-Eng; F N.At-Mid; A Bre-Par; A Pie-Mar(ret Tyl,OTB)
GER:BobKluge(?)--NMR! A Pic H; A Bur H; A Mun H; A Ruh H; A Hol H; F Den H
ITA:PaulSzauter--F Tus-Pie; A Ven S F Tus-Pie; F Spa(sc)-Mar; F Nap-Rom
RUS:LarryBoudon--A St.P-Nwy; F Swe S A St.P-Nwy; A Fin S F Swe; A Sil H; A Vie S TUR A Tri-Tyl; A Bud S F Rum; F Rum H
TUR:MikeMcMillie--F Ion-Tun; F Tyn-Rom; F Alb-Ion; F Aeg S F Alb-Ion; A Bul-Ser; A Ser-Tri; A Tri-Tyl

S.C. Count--

ENG:4centers: lon, edi, nwy, ~~spa~~, BRE.....Even
FRA:4centers: par, ~~bre~~, mar, ~~spa~~, por, lpl.....Rem 2
GER:6centers:3Home, den, hol, bel.....Even
ITA:4centers:3Home, ~~spa~~, SPA.....Even
RUS:8centers:4Home, rum, bud, vie, SWE.....Bld 1
TUR:8centers:3Home, bul, gre, ser, tri, TUN.....Bld 1

PRESS:

LONDON--The Caretaker Government of PM pro-tem Gerald P. James, KC, VC, KBE, etc., declares its commitment to continue its pre- and/or post-decessor's policy of close cooperation with the German nation to promote the consumption of Prog's Legs in every European home.

T9thC-5(N)

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PARIS--With most of the city in a panic over the impending German invasion, our Eastern correspondents are immensely enjoying the game of "hot potato" being played by the Tsar and the Sultan. Have you two thought of taking this show on the road? It's a riot!

MOSCOW--The Tsar has been reported making numerous diplomatic gestures as the Western powers seem to have laid down their arms. Sweden has been recaptured and the loyal Swedes gave ticker-tape parades as Admiral Smirnoff and his naval contingent entered Stockholm.

Winter & Spring, 1906-07, due 10/11/79

1978CJ T9thC-6 Winter & Spring, 1905-06 GM: P. Noble

FRA:SteveReeder--Bld F MAR, F BRE, A PAR
GER:GeneFaulson--Rem F Bel; A Mun ret Bur
ITA:DaveMueth--Bld F NAP, F ROM
RUS:FeteManis--Bld F ST.P(nc), A MOS, A WAR
TUR:CliffMann--Bld A SMY

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FRA:SteveReeder--F Eng-Nth; F Lon S F Eng-Nth; F Edi S F Eng-Nth; A Ruh-Bel;
A Hol S A Ruh-Bel(NSU); A Mun H; F Mar-Lyo; F Bre-Mid; A Par-Bur;
A Kie H(unordered:ret Ruh, OTB)
GER:GeneFaulson--A Bur-Gas
ITA:DaveMueth--F Rom-Tyn; F Nap S F Rom-Tyn; F Adr-Ion; A Ven S A Tri;
A Tri S A Ven
RUS:PeteManis--A Mos-St.P; F St.F(nc)-Nwy; A Nwy-Swe; F Nth-Hol; F Den-Kie;
A Ber S F Den-Kie; A War-Sil; A Vie-Boh; A Bud-Vie; A Rum-Bud;
F Blk H
TUR:CliffMann--A Con-Bul; A Smy-Gre; F Aeg C A Smy-Gre; A Tri H(NSU); A Ser H
(unordered); A Gre H(unordered); F Tyn H(ret Tus, Lyo, Wes, Tun,
OTB)

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Cliff, as I mentioned in my postcard to you, the Italian army in Trieste was able to hold against your supported attack because Austria's dying breath for his F Alb was S ITA A Tri. Look it up, it's there!!
Now, as for your F Tyn, the reason it held (or tried to) was that the situation of ITA building two fleets was not covered in your conditional orders for the TUR F Tyn, therefore it held.

Fall, 1906, due 10/11/79

1978FB T9thC-7 Fall, 1905 GM: D. Bunke

..... AUS:JohnHendry--A Bul ret Ser.....

AUS:JohnHendry--A Ser-Bul; F Gre S A Ser-Bul; A Gal-Vie; A Bud S A Gal-Vie;
A Rum S A Ser-Bul; A Ukr H
ENG:DavidJoy--F Nth S F Bel-Hol; F Bel-Hol; F Eng H; F Mid-Gas; F Den-Kie;
F Hel S F Den-Kie; F St.P(nc) H; A Bre-Par; A Bur S A Bre-Par
FRA:WayneCallahan--A Gas S A Par-Bre; A Par-Bre(ret OTB)
GER:PaulSzauter--A Hol S A Kie(ret Ruh, OTB); A Kie S A Hol; A Mun S A Kie
ITA:JohnAicken--A Tri-Vie; A Tyl S A Tri-Vie; F Ion-Gre; F Por S F Spa(sc);
F Spa(sc) S A Mar; A Mar S F Spa(sc)
RUS:JosephMike(?)--NMR! F Ber H; A War H; A Mos H; F Sev H
TUR:MikeDoelling(?)--NMR! F Blk H; F Aeg H; A Bul H(ret Con, OTB)

S.C. Count--

AUS: 6centers: vie, bud, ~~xxx~~, ser, gre, rum, bul.....Even
ENG:11centers:3Home, nwy, swe, den, bre, st.p, bel, PAR, HOL....Bld 2
FRA: 0centers: ~~par, spa~~.....Out!
GER: 2centers: kie, mun, ~~noX~~.....Rem 1
ITA: 8centers:3Home, tun, por, mar, SPA, TRI.....Bld 2
RUS: 4centers: mos, war, sev, ber.....Even
TUR: 3centers:3Home.....Even

PRESS:

BERLIN--Stability is all we seek.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Two people involved with this game deserve a hefty thanks from all concerned. They are Karl Schuetz for submitting stand-by orders for AUS, and especially Wayne Callahan for playing FRA down to the last supply center. Thanks, gents!

Would Larry Boudon (address on p. 2) please submit stand-by orders for RUS? And would John Beamer (1044 Lake St., San Francisco, CA 94118) please do the same for TUR? Thanks!

Winter & Spring, 1905-06, due 10/11/79

1978HG

T9thC-8(N)

Fall, 1904

GM: D. Bunke

..... FRA:TomKeller(?)--NRR! F Spa(nc) ret OTB

ENG:LarryBoudon--F Eng-Lon; F Yor-Lon; F Nwg-Edi

FRA:TomKeller(?)--NMR! F Fic H; A Par H

GER:GeraldMcDaniel--A Spa S A Mar; A Mar S A Spa; A Bur-Mun; A Bel-Bur;

A Hol-Bel; F Nth S A Hol-Bel; F Den S F Nth

ITA:DaveRohde--F Lyo-Wes; F Tyn-Tun; F Ion-Eas; A Tyl-Boh; A Vie S A Tyl-Boh;

A Bud S TUR A Ser-Rum; A Tri S A Bud

RUS:PaulSzauter--F Bar-Nwg; F Nwy S F Bar-Nwg; A Arm-Smy; A Ank S A Arm-Smy;

F Blk S A Rum; A Rum S A Gal; A Sil S A Gal; A Gal S A Rum

TUR:RichardCarl--A Ser-Rum; A Bul S A Ser-Rum; F Con-Ank; F Smy H

S.C. Count--

ENG:3centers:3Home.....Even

FRA:3centers: par, bre, ~~spa~~, por.....Bld 1

GER:8centers:3Home, den, hol, bel, mar, SPA.....Bld 1

ITA:7centers:3Home, tun, tri, vie, ~~ser~~, BUD.....Even

RUS:8centers:4Home, swe, rum, nwy, ~~ank~~, ank.....Even (1 ann)

TUR:5centers: con, smy, bul, gre, SER.....Bld 1 (imp: plays 1 short)

PRESS:

ANKARA--The Czar, vacationing in Ankara, finds the humor of the former Turkish government vulgar in the extreme and hardly in the spirit of the game. Grow up, Richard.

WARSAW--With great fanfare, officials of the Czar's government unveiled a new monument to the late General Lepanto. "Well now," an official was overheard to say, "at this rate the Italians will be able to see it themselves soon."

PLAYER'S NOTES:

I don't quite understand Tom's NMR--he either forgot, doesn't read the magazine, or simply doesn't want to be bothered with the position. However, since FRA still holds three centers, another stand-by will be called. Would Dale Kemper (address on p. 2) please do the honors? Tom, you can still retain the spot if you want to--just get your orders in next time!

Winter & Spring, 1904-05, due 10/11/79

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T9thC-9

winter & Spring, 1903-04

GM: D. Bunke

AUS:CivilDisorder--NBR! Plays 1 short

FRA:BobKluge--Bld F BRE, F MAR

GER:PhilCooper--Bld F KIE

ITA:TomFagedes--Bld A VEN

RUS:UliBaumeister--Bld F ST.F(nc), A WAR

TUR:WmOsmanson--Rem F Aeg; F Eas

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AUS:CivilDisorder--No units right now!

FRA:BobKluge--F Bre-Eng; A Lpl H; A Lon H; A Par H; F Mar-Lyo; F Spa(sc)-Wes;

F Wes-N.Af

GER:PhilCooper--F Kie-Bal; F Den-Swe; F Nth-Nwy; A Edi H; A Bel-Ruh;

A Mun-Tyl; A Ber-Pru

ITA:TomFagedes--A Ser S RUS A Rum-Bul; A Gre S RUS A Bul-Rum; F Ion-Tun;
F Tyn-Wes; F Adr-Tri; A Ven-Pie
 RUS:UliBaumeister--F Nwy-Nwg; A Fin-Swe; F St.P(nc)-Nwy; A War-Sil; A Rum-Bul;
A Ukr-Rum; F Sev-Blk; A Bud S A Ukr-Rum; A Gal S A Ukr-Rum
 TUR:WilliamOsmanson--A Arm H; F Blk S A Bul; A Bul H(ann); F Con S A Bul

PRESS:

BERLIN--And now for something completely different.

Fall, 1904, due 10/11/79

1978IF

T9thC-10

Fall, 1903

GM: K. Baumeister

.....RUS:WmDoelling--F Blk ret Sev.....

AUS:GenePaulson--NMR; A Gal H
 ENG:CliffMann--F St.P(nc)-Nwy(ret Bar, OTB); F Nwy-Ska(ret Nwg, Bar, OTB);
A Yor-Den; F Nth C A Yor-Den; A Hol-Kie; A Bel S FRE A Bur-Ruh;
F Hel H(unordered)
 FRA:PaulSzauder--F Spa(sc)-Wes; F Lyo S A Pie-Tus; A Bur-Ruh; A Pie-Tus;
A Gas-Mar
 GER:GeraldVanAlkemade--A Swe-Nwy, F Ska S A Swe-Nwy; A Den S A Kie;
A Kie S A Den; A Mun-Ruh
 ITA:GregSteward--F Tun-Tyn, F Nap-Tyn; A Alb-Tri; A Ven S A Alb-Tri; A Tri-Bud;
A Vie S A Tri-Bud
 RUS:WilliamDoelling--A Sil-War; A Lvn-St.P; F Bot S A Lvn-St.P; F Sev H(ret
 Arm, OTB)
 TUR:DavidJoy--F Blk-Sev; A Rum S F Blk-Sev; F Con-Aeg; F Ion-Gre; A Ser-Bud
F Adr-Tri

S.C. Count--

AUS:0centers: ~~ser~~.....Out!
 ENG:5centers:3Home, bel, ~~nwy~~, hol, ~~st/p~~.....Rem 2
 FRA:5centers:3Home, spa, por.....Even
 GER:6centers:3Home, den, swe, NWY.....Bld 1
 ITA:7centers:3Home, tri, tun, vie, BUD.....Bld 1
 RUS:3centers: mos, war, ~~ser~~, ~~bud~~, ST.P.....Rem 1
 TUR:8centers:3Home, bul, rum, gre, SER, SEV.....Bld 2

PRESS:

ENGLAND to RUSSIA--I wish to discuss terms for an alliance against Germany as well as information sharing.

ENGLAND to ITALY--"Boy," are you easy.

BERLIN, DINP--It appears that the much touted "mutual" pacts between John Bull and several other European nations, were nothing more than a lot of bull: the very season after the hypocritical announcement of the mutual defense treaty with Russia, the English navy lands in St. Petersburg, and in the season just passed the trusted frogs leave H.I.M. the Queen standing out in the cold in her royal panties! Various sources have suggested that all this is just Divine retribution for perfidious Albion, although others seem more inclined to believe all this to be the result of plain assininity. The latter view is strongly supported by the fact that the Imperial British High Command ("High",presumably, on Scotch whiskey), ordered two of its crack outfits to support a phantom army of frogs! Meanwhile, battle lines are being drawn and re-drawn as more and more European nations band together in a common determination to eradicate the vermin that has invaded the continent from offshore, as well as the little amphibians who croak loudly but don't jump. "Rub out the ribbits."

MOSCOW to ANKARA--I forget.

MOSCOW to LONDON--No.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Paul Szauder has resigned. Excerpt from his letter: "I am dropping out of T9thC-10. I have never NMRed in any of the other T9thC games (3 Dippy and En Gardel) and I can't stand seeing the game collapse around me because my orders can't seem to reach you." Well, if Paul had sent in his orders one day earlier he would have reached me every time; but I guess that

T9thC-10

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there will always be some people that mail in their orders two days before the deadline, and rely more on prayer than on judicious planning. In any case, I thank Paul for providing a last set of orders for France, and resigning like a gentleman, instead of simply NMRing out. And yes, Jerry, I too have trouble forcing "Munich" from my lips when I really want to say "München." But so it goes . . .

From Dave: Would Ron Kelly (Apt. 314, 6038 Richmond Hwy., Alexandria, VA 22303) please assume the French position? Thanks, Ron, and remember that the GM for this game is Konrad.

Winter & Spring, 1903-04, due 10/5/79

1979CD T9thC-11 Winter, 1901 GM: D. Kemper

AUS:LarryCozzi--Has a vie, a bud, f tri
 ENG:MikeMcGranaghan--Has f nwy, f nth, a lon; Bld F EDI
 FRA:KenPeterson--Has a bel, f mid, a spa; Bld F BRE, A PAR
 GER:SteveMcLendon--Has a mun, a ruh, f den; Bld A KIE
 ITA:RonKelly--Has f tun, a tyl, a apu; Bld F NAP
 RUS:TedGreiner--Has f swe, a rum, f sev, a gal; Bld F ST.F(nc), A MOS
 TUR:BobSergeant--Has a gre, a bul, f con; Bld A ANK, F SMY

PRESS:

LONDON--A vicious rumor that the Black Watch have been flashing their kilts for pay is completely out of line, at least until we find out the exchange rate for Norwegian Skoal.

Spring, 1902, due 10/11/79

1979FC T9thC-12 Fall, 1901 GM: D. Kemper

AUS:JackBrawler--A Bud S RUS A Ukr-Rum; A Ser S F Alb-Gre; F Alb-Gre
 ENG:JHToland--F Eng C A Wal-Bel; A Wal-Bel; F Nth-Nwy
 FRA:GregPerczak--A Pic-Bel; F Mid-Por; A Spa H
 GER:LarryBoudon--F Den-Swe; A Kie-Den; A Ruh-Hol
 ITA:FredHyatt--A Pie-Tyl; A Ven-Tri; F Ion-Tun
 RUS:GeraldVanAlkemede--A Lvn-Swe; F Bot C A Lvn-Swe; A Ukr-Rum; F Sev-Blk
 TUR:PaulSzauter--F Ank-Blk; A Bul-Rum; A Con-Bul

S.C. Count--

AUS:4centers: vie, bud, ~~tyl~~, GRE, SER.....Bld 1
 ENG:4centers:3Home, NWY.....Bld 1
 FRA:5centers:3Home, SPA, POR.....Bld 2
 GER:5centers:3Home, DEN, HOL.....Bld 2
 ITA:5centers:3Home, TUN, TRI.....Bld 2
 RUS:5centers:4Home, RUM.....Bld 1
 TUR:4centers:3Home, BUL.....Bld 1

PRESS:

ENGLAND to AUSTRIA--So soon?
 ENGLAND to FRANCE--Why do you think it's called the English Channel?
 ENGLAND to GERMANY--Did you?
 ENGLAND to ITALY--See what I meant?
 ENGLAND to RUSSIA--No?
 ENGLAND to TURKEY--Do you need more evidence?

THE STEIN (Berlin)--The Kaiser, having checked his royal lineage, has been found a distant relation to the great Gustavus Adolphus, once soldier-king of Sweden. Upon hearing the news, Kaiser Heinrich ordered the High Seas Fleet (presently in Denmark) to Stockholm to protect his "relations" there.

ST. PETERSBURG--The Post Office in St. Petersburg announces that it is perfectly capable of handling incoming mail from all European countries that is properly addressed and franked. It has been rumored that there is a general belief in Western capitals that the Russian postal employees can only read Cyrillic handwriting. This, the Postmaster-General, Post-petersky, emphatically denies.

ANKARA--The Sultan expressed dismay over the recent inability of the fishing fleet to put to sea in the Black Sea. He announced that despite the delay the Turkish two-thousand-mile fishing limit is still in affect, and poachers will be met with force

SWITZERLAND--I squeem, you squeem, we all squeem for Ice Queen.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Please note that Jim Toland's new address is J.H. Toland, c/o Northwest Whitfield High School, Tunnel Hill, GA 30755.

Winter, 1901, due 10/11/79

T9thC-M1(Machiavelli)

Spring, 1456

GM: D. Bunke

Expenditures:

FRA:TomVeal--I-Genoa-21d

PAP:JohnAicken--I-U.Adriatic-18d

VEN:PaulNoble--C-Carinthia-3d; C-Romagna-3d

AUS:MikeDoelling(?)--NMR! A Bosn H; A Tyro H(ret Como, Cari, OTB)

FRA:TomVeal--A Mars-Prov; A Avig-Turi; A Geno-Savo; A Swis S A Avig-Turi;

F E.Lyo S A Geno-Savo

MIL:MikeStriley--EPA Mila-Tyro; A Crem-Mila; A Geno H(NSU); A Mont-Turi

NAP:TomKeller--F W.Tyr S F Cors-W.Lyo; F Cors-W.Lyo; F Fale-B.Tun; F Dura-Alba;

F Ioni S F Fale-B.Tun; F Otra-G.Nap

PAP:JohnAicken--F U.Adr-Istr; F Dalm S F U.Adr-Istr; F Anco S F L.Adr-U.Adr;

F L.Adr-U.Adr; A Pist-Flor; A Pisa S A Pist-Flor; A Bolo-Roma

TUR:PhilCooper--F Tuni-W.Med; F W.Med-Pale; F B.Tun S F W.Med-Fale(ret Tuni,

OTB); A Alba-Dura

VEN:PaulNoble--A Roma-Urbi; F U.Adr H(NSU); F Fadu S F U.Adr; F Veni-V.Lag;

F Croa(sc)-Dalm; A Cari-Aust; A Slav-Hung; A Carn-Friu; A Trev-Vice

STATUS:

AUS--Out! (Remove A Tyrolea & A Bosnia)

FRA--All France, Savoy*, Turin

MIL--All Milan, Pontremoli, Mantua, Montferrat, Genoa

NAP--All Naples (except Palermo), Durazzo, Corsica, Tivoli

PAP--All Papal States (except Tivoli & Urbino), All Florence, Sienna,

Piombino, Dalmatia, Istria

TUR--All Turkey (except Durazzo), Ragusa, Sardinia

VEN--All Venice (except Dalmatia & Istria), All Austria (except Tyrolea),

Trent, Ferrara, Carniola, Slavonia, Croatia, Urbino

PRESS:

MILAN--In a speech here today, His Excellancy the Duke christened a punitive strike against the Austrian by his new Elite Professional Guard by reit-erating his loyalty to his Venitian allies.

VENICE to WORLD--A crack unit of Venitian gondoleers began a single-handed offensive aimed at dethroning the dodering Pope from his therapudic throne. If you want war, you get war.

VENICE to NAPLES--Hello!! Are you awake down there?

PLAYER'S NOTES:

You may now remove all of the famine markers from your board, and, along with them, you may also remove the Auto. Garrison in Saluzzo and the Turkish army in Albania.

Autonomous Garrisons are beginning to get scarce! Only those in Savoy, Lucca and Modena yet survive.

For Summer plague has struck Bergamo, Ancona, Farma, Mantua and Istria. Remove all units in these provinces.

Since it doesn't say anything in the rules, from now on home provinces (such as Bosnia & Como) will revolt and return to their original owner once the conquering power has been removed from the game.

Summer, 1456, due 10/11/79

T9thC-M2 (Machiavelli)

Spring, 1455

GM: F. Noble

Expenditures:

FLO: BobSergeant--C-Fiombino-3d

FRA: DaleKemper--A-Genoa-3d

FLO: BobSergeant--A Piom besiege (2); A Pisa-Pist; A Flor C G Flor; F Lucc-E.Lyo

FRA: DaleKemper--F Cors-E.Lyo; A Avig-Turi; A Swis S A Avig-Turi; A Savo S A

Avig-Turi

MIL: BobGallagher(?)--NMR: A Turi H (ret Prov, Salu, Como, Favi, OTB); A Mont H;

A Geno H

NAP: ChuckPrice--F Pale-W.Tyn; A Alba-Ragu

PAP: PaulBlevins--A Ferr-Croa; F U.Adr T A Ferr-Croa; F Dalm S F U.Adr;

A Roma-Bolo; A Patr-Peru

VEN: JoeMike(?)--NMR: A Tyro H; A Carn H; A Hung H; A Padu H; EFF Ven H

PRESS:

ROME--The Holy Father is willing to listen.

NAPLES to WORLD--Any military operations or movements in the vicinity of Neopolitan territories will be viewed with extreme disfavor, and assassins dispatched immediately.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Remove all famine markers. Along with the famine markers you may also remove the Autonomous Garrisons in Mantua, Lucca and Saluzzo. Moreover, the French fleet in Corsica, the Florentine fleet in Lucca, and the Venitian army in Tyrolea must also come off. (Starving can be hazardous to your health!!)

For Summer, plague hits Bergamo, Ancona, Parma, Mantua, and Istria. (See M1--quite a coincidence, eh?!)

Now, as for the NMRs, we have a spot of trouble. My stand-by list consists solely of people who are either playing in this game or who have played in this game and have been removed. Therefore, I'm turning to the player list for T9thC-M1. Would Tom Veal (5600 N. Sheridan, Apt. 14B, Chicago, ILL 60660) please stand-by for Milan? And would Tom Keller (319 East 12th St., New Albany, IN 47150) please do the same for Venice? I really don't think Bob or Joe are going to drop these positions, but I want to play it safe.

Summer, 1455, due 10/11/79

T9thC-SC1 (Stellar Conquest)

Turn 22

GM: P. Noble

"Alien Presences Reported At . . ."

- (1) The Iduve--0607, 0405, 0905, 0906, 1102.
- (2) Armadillo Exploratory Combine--0708, 1009, 1305, 1611, 1806, 2103, 2509, 2805, 3110.
- (3) The Seven Clans of Omnium--1815, 1818, 2615.
- (4) United Starfaring Sentients--0212, 0613, 1014, 1119, 1214, 1317, 1620.

PRESS:

A.E.C. to IDUVE--What do you have in mind?

SEVEN CLANS to THE DYING RACE OF THE U.S.S.--May your burning ships be a reminder and your destroyed planets a warning--DO NOT ENTER OUR SPACE AGAIN!

SEVEN CLANS to IDUVE--We do wish an alliance: mutual gain in the destruction of the U.S.S.

Turn 23 (+ Prod. 22) due 10/5/79

T9thC-SC2 (Stellar Conquest)

Turn 15

GM: P. Noble

"Alien Presences Reported At . . ."

- (1) Estron Explorers--0603, 0410, 0607, 1102, 1611, 1804.
- (2) The Gorn Legions--1614, 1703, 1711, 1806, 1809, 1903, 2108, 2208, 2803, 2412, 2508, 3110.
- (3) Dragon Lords of Melnibone--2115, 2316, 2514, 2712.
- (4) The Acons--0613, 1214, 1412, 1620, 1817, 1913, 2118.

PRESS:

ESTRON EXPLORERS to THE GORN LEG IRONS--How dare your sub-human race destroy an unarmed ship? We were peaceful, but now you will feel our wrath. Die!!!

Turn 16 due 10/5/79

T9thC-SC3(Stellar Conquest)

Turn 13

GM: P. Noble

"Alien Presences Reported At . . ."

- (1) Empire of the Arachnid--0212, 0905, 1412, 1602.
- (2) The Boon-phards of Yxyltpx--1703, 1806, 2103, 2108, 2406, 2412, 2908.
- (3) K'cunac--1620, 1719, 1818, 1913, 2115, 2119, 2213, 2413.
- (4) Universal Stellar Enterprises--0410, 0513, 0607, 0613, 0808, 0912, 1214, 1317.

PRESS:

THE BOON-PHARDS--All hail . . . Ah, forget it!

It is with great regret and deep trepidation that His Holiness, the Pepsi-Cola Homainly, has ordered Fleet Admiral Kurds n' Whey across the border into K'cunac territory. According to a spokesman for the Pepsi-Cola, the move was made in reaction to the continual presence of K'cunac scouts and escorts in areas claimed by the Revolutionary Council. It is sincerely hoped that any and all disputes can be settled before lives are lost on either side, and that the K'cunac and Yxyltpxians can once again work in brotherhood and peace.

Turn 14 due 10/5/79

T9thC-SC4(Stellar Conquest)

Turn 11

GM: J. Schnieders

"Alien Presences Reported At . . ."

- (1) Mnuhas--0410, 0613, 0607, 0414, 1309.
- (2) ??? --2712, 2509, 2307, 2412, 2011.
- (3) Pan-Sentient Federation--2617, 2815, 1818, 2514, 2511, 3110, 1614, 2614.
- (4) The Immortal Valkars--0516, 0507, 0916, 0813, 0712.

PRESS:

THE IMMORTAL VALKARS OF THE HOLY SCOURGE--Hail, oh sentient beings, for the Scourge has eaten his own holy flame. On Wezen, three turns ago, the Valkars didst destroy two invading Mnuhas Esc's. But two turns ago Wezen was attacked by two Atk and three Esc's from the Mnuhas. The Valkar mission was destroyed and Wezen's population of ten million on an NM planet enslaved. Where doth one receive such power this early, we ask? Methinks Dubhe to be an MT or ST with NM. Beware, oh ???, lest the strong bonds of oppression turn thine way. All Valkar missionaries hath been put on alert. Hope, oh ???, thatst the Scourge holds out lest thou be next. Praise be the humbled Scourge!!!

VALKAR EXPLORATION REPORT--Hamal: 1 million Mnuhas population. Procyon: 1 million Mnuhas population. Scorpii: 24 million Mnuhas population.

GUESS WHO--Dost thou knowest, oh sentient beings, how difficult it is to talk like this, even for the Scourge?

Turn 12 due 10/5/79

T9thC-SC5(Stellar Conquest)

Turn 7

GM: J. Schnieders

"Alien Presences Reported At . . ."

- (1) Kaabal--0311, 0410, 1009, 0405.
- (2) A German Mug--3010, 2509, 2808, 2405, 2104, 2908.
- (3) Sandow Exploration & Development Group--2712, 1719, 2617.
- (4) The British Empire--0613, 0212, 1619, 1214, 1614, 0818.

Turn 8 due 10/5/79

T9thC-EG1(En Garde!)

Winter, 1602-03

GM: E. Paulson

CHARACTER	SL	STR	END	CON	MA	RANK & REG.	MIS	CLUB	DUEL EXP.
Biscarat	11	10	70	7	8	Lt.Col.27th	5	Hunt	11 ½ R
Charbeau	9	11	121	11	3	Major R.M.	2	B.G.	11 C
Corbeau	10	13	156	12	1	Lt.Col. KM		Hunt	13 R
De Costa	23	8	96	12	4	Col. C.G.	14	Both	21 ¼ R
de Guttiersnipe	13	9	54	6	10	Gen. UA	6	Both	13 2H
Durak	9	11	187	17	2	Col. QOC		H.G.	15 ½ S
Ess-Orzy	17	8	88	11	9	Brg.Gen 2nd F		Both	17 ¾ S
Gilbert	17	11	154	14	2	Col. RFG	13	Both	17 2H
Le Dogg	3	12	132	11	10	Maj. RNH			14 ?
Montcalm	5	9	117	13	4		7	R.P.	14 R
Montfaucon	14	12	156	13	11	Maj.Gen Drgn		Both	17 ¾ 2H
Straate	5	12	132	11	5	Maj. CPC	8	Fr&P	13 ¾ S
Storm	14	15	180	12	10	Brg.Gen. UA	3	Both	7 ½ S

TITLES:

Knights--Sir Pierre Biscarat, Sir Dammit de Guttiersnipe
 Barons--Lord Ess-Orzy, Lord Montfaucon
 Marquis--Lord Storm
 Count--Lord DeCosta

MILITARY & GOVT. APPOINTMENTS:

Minister of State--Count DeCosta
 Commissioner of Public Safety--Sir Dammit de Guttiersnipe
 1st Army Adjutant--Colonel Gilbert
 2nd Army Adjutant--Colonel DeCosta
 1st Division Adjutant--Lt. Colonel Biscarat
 1st Foot Brigade Major--Major Charbeau

MISTRESSES

NAME	S.L.	ATTRIBUTES	SEASONAL INFLUENCE
1. Ariadne	12		3
2. Mary	13	I	4
3. Joan	15		4
4. Penelope	21	B I	3
5. Caroline	11	I	4
6. Jean	17		4
7. Anne	6	B	4
8. Heather	6	B W	4
9. Meredith	14		4
10. Harriet	14	B W	3
11. Olga	17	I W	3
12. Margaret	10	B I W	4
13. Ruth	17	I	4
14. Joyce	19	B I W	2

PLAYER

J. Beamer
 R. Gallagher
 P. Szauter
 J. Schnieders
 S. Blohm
 M. Matuschak
 M.J. Nishcon
 J. Mike
 P. Cooper
 S. Reeder
 M. DeMeis
 D. Morris
 D. Rapp

Mentioned:

Favors:

Funds:

Shares:

Dividend:

Fund:

Loan & Due Date:

PLAYER'S NOTES:

Tom Veal has been dropped from the game.
 Dan Morris' new character is a fellow by the name of Jacques Straate, 2nd son of a Very Wealthy Gentleman.

All investments for the summer campaign for Arms and Finance must be sent in with your spring moves.

Spring, 1603, due 9/29/79

T9thC-K1(Kingmaker)

Turn 14

GM: D. Bunke

AUDLEY, Earl of Essex, Archbishop of York, Sheriff of Shrewsbury, Marshall of a Co. of Scots & Saxons, besieges Denbigh
 BEAUFORT, Duke of Somerset, holds in Cardiff
 BOURCHIER, Earl of Kent, holds in Fleshey
 CLIFFORD, Bishop of Durham, moves to the forest north of Corfe
 COURTENAY, Earl of Devon, Chamberlain of the County Palatine of Chester, Capt. of Le Lucas, Sheriff of Lancaster, Marshall of a Co. of Flemish Cross., besieges Denbigh
 CROMWELL moves to the forest north of Corfe
 FITZALAN, Earl of Arundel, Lt. of Ireland, moves to the forest north of Corfe
 GREY, Earl of Wiltshire, Admiral of England, Sheriff of Carisbrooke & Northampton lands at Dover aboard Le Christopher
 GREYSTOKE, Earl of Richmond, Treasurer of England, Sheriff of Nottingham & Newcastle, holds in Cardiff
 HASTINGS holds in Cardiff
 HERBERT, Earl of Salisbury, holds in Dover
 HOLLAND, Bishop of Norwich, holds in the square east of Conisborough
 HOWARD, Duke of Exeter, holds in Cardiff
 MOWBRAY, Duke of Norfolk, Chancellor of the Duchy of Cornwall, holds in Denbigh
 NEVILLE, Earl of Warwick, holds in bamburgh
 PERCY, Earl of Northumberland, holds in the thin square west of York
 PLANTAGENET, Duke of Lancaster, puts to sea aboard Le Lucas
 PLANTAGENET, Duke of York, moves to Dover
 POLE, Duke of Suffolk, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, holds in Conway
 ROOS, Bishop of Carlisle, holds in Helmsley
 SCROFE, Earl of Worcester, Warden of the Northern Marches, Sheriff of York, holds in Dover
 STAFFORD, Duke of Buckingham, Constable of Dover Castle, Archbishop of Canterbury, Marshall of a Co. of Saxons, Capt. of Le Nicholas, holds in Dover

HENRY, King of England, is with Lord Plantagenet of Lancaster aboard Le Lucas
 RICHARD, King of England, is with Lord Neville in Bamburgh
 EDWARD, Earl of March, is with Lord Fitzalan north of Corfe

Le Christopher of Southampton moves to Dover (from Gaister)
 Le Margaret of Lynn moves to Bamburgh (from Caister)
 Le George & Le Trinity of Rye hold in Dartmouth
 Le Lucas of Whitby moves to sea square containing word 'Devon'
 Le Nicholas of the Tower moves to sea square off Ravenser
 Le Michael of Bristol holds in Dartmouth
 Le Rose of Plymouth & Le Swan of Berwick hold in ports of beginning

TURN 15 CONTINGENCIES: Plague strikes Newcastle, Durham, and Bristol. A peasant revolt in Essex calls Mowbray to Framlingham. All Scots archers have received the call to return home. Ships must take refuge. Oh, and plague also strikes Cardigan and Swansea.

PRESS:

ANNONYMOUS PRESS (AP)--Tension is growing among the Lancastrian factions recessed in Wales as followers and supporters of the Duke of Somerset begin to call for the ouster of England's feeblest monarch, lunatic Henry. Well-informed sources close to the Cardiff alliance spoke of increasing vexation at King Henry's pusillanimity. Many ask what right this poltroon has to reign when the gallant and spirited Lord Beaufort shows nobler blood. It is openly agreed that Somerset is the rightful heir to the Red Rose.

PLAYER'S NOTES:

There were several mistakes among the orders this time 'round. I suggest everyone note where their nobles are, and to be sure of how you count your land and sea squares for the proper movement.

The battle of Denbigh was rather inconclusive due to heavy rainfall in Wales this past turn.

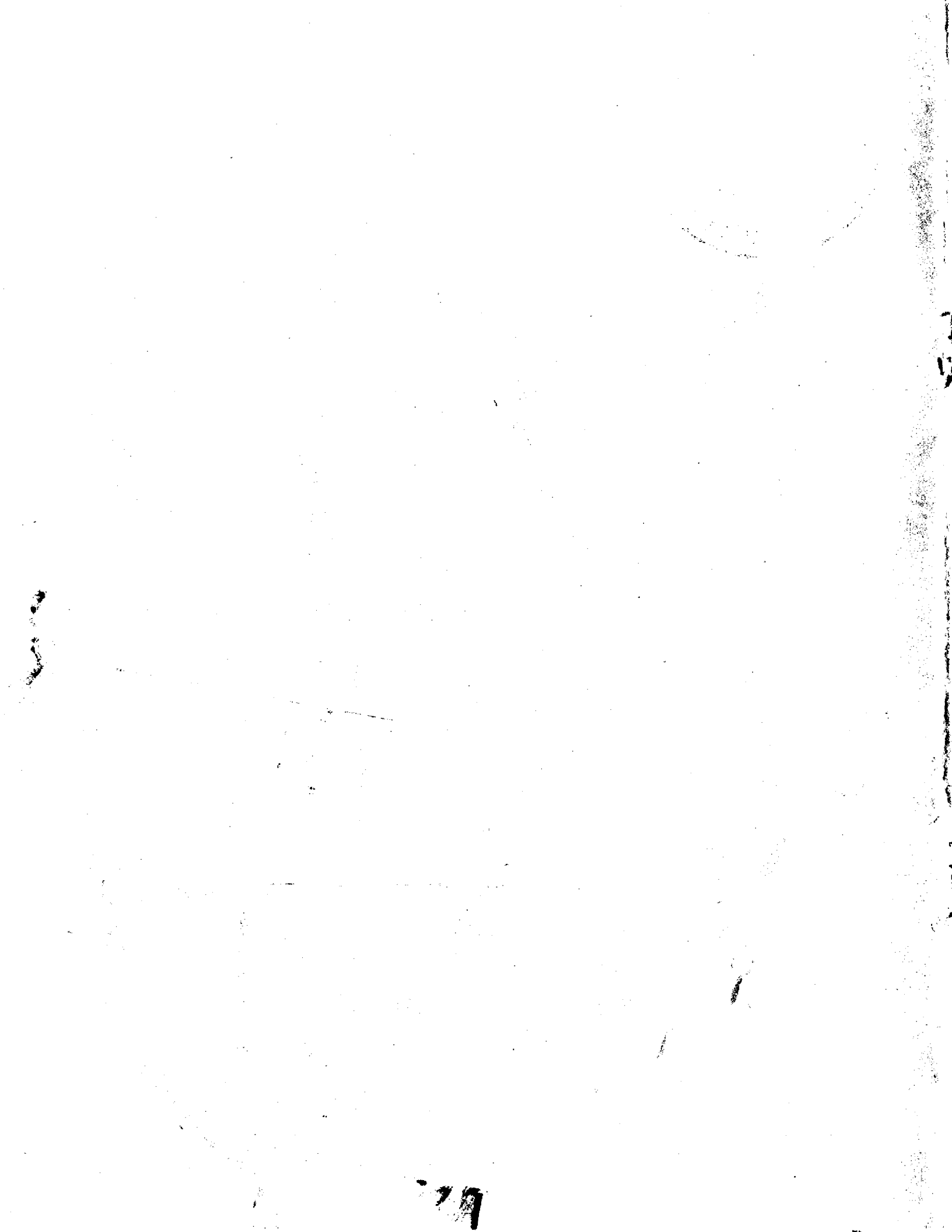
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For those of you who are still interested in giving this game a try, I've been informed by John Boardman that he is looking for stand-bys to take over some spots in his Crusades games in Empire. You wouldn't have to pay any game fee for this; all you'd have to do is keep your subscription current. If you are willing to give it a go, write John Boardman at 234 East 19th St., Brooklyn, NY 11226. Sub rates are \$5.00 for ten issues, and well worth it.

- 5) I have been asked how one gets into our En Gardel game. Well, it's very simple actually. All you have to do is send \$2.00 to Gene Paulson (address on p. 2)--\$1.00 is for your character, which Gene will send out right away, and the other buck is to cover your first two game years of play. The only other thing you might wish to do is subscribe to Over The Bar, The Ninth Circle's sub-zine devoted exclusively to our En Gardel game. Subscriptions are only \$1.50 for ten issues (the cost of postage), and that money should be sent to me (Dave). After that you're all set to swashbuckle!
- 6) The response to the Variant question from last issue was somewhat less than overwhelming. In all I got about five or six preferences, which wouldn't be enough people to fill even one of the Variants even if all of you had voted for the same game! The leader at this point is Colonia V, but the problem here is that I don't have anyone who is interested in doing the gamemastering. So I think the question of a Diplomacy Variant in the pages of The Ninth Circle will just have to slide for the time being. Mayhaps at some future date I can bring it up again.
- 7) I have been trying to get in touch with Gary for the past couple days, but it seems that he is working triple duty out at Procter & Gamble right now and has been unable to get the results for Kingmaker #1 and A Mighty Fortress adjudicated. I don't know how long this extra heavy work load is going to last, but to play it on the safe side I'm going to take up some of the slack. Temporarily at least I will be taking over Diplomacy games 3 and 7. Players in these games should now send their orders to me and I will take care of it. As for K2 and AMF1, the results will be mailed out shortly.
- 8) Speaking of work, yours truly now has a full-time job--I've finally joined the ranks of the gainfully employed! Yes, you heard it first right here! The problem with this is that if you thought it was tough getting in touch with me by phone before now, you ain't seen nothin' yet. Rather than risk it, and if at all possible, I would suggest that some of you start sending in your moves by mail--it could save you a lot of hassle, and would definitely cut down on your chances of an NMR.
- 9) I think I've said just about everything I had planned on saying (and then some!), even though we do have one more page to fill. Ah, well, so it goes. For this issue only, I'll leave p. 15 for personal messages to individual players. Hopefully, this will be the last issue in the chain of warehouseers we've been putting out recently. It's about time I took up the pen once more and churn out a couple articles--maybe I can even steal a few from other zines! But we'll have something on the bill o' fare for you next time, rest assured!
- 10) See you next month!!



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