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THE DIPLOMAT:

The AEOLUS deadlines will be a bit longer during the first three weeks in June, due to the editor's annual vacation with Uncle Sam. It even appears that this summer's adventures will be recorded in the official "Aggressor Handbook", (groan). As additional punishment, the editor may make an effort to subdue the Youngstown-Girard region of Ohio, during the weekend of 15-16 June (you-all come and help). Of course this last is subject to the approval of my sweet-pea.

STAB #48 contained the pleasant news that I do exist (re: Dave Lebling's letter); which brought up my decision of whether or not to reveal my very own "Boardman" maneuver. Well there it is, BB#7, France, Italy, and Russia (I had to go one better). And if you don't believe it - take a look.

DIPLONALYSIS:

The latest live Diplomacy game here in Florida, was most unusual. The situation after Winter 1903, is given below, as a problem to be analyzed and solved(?). Before the positions, a resume of the action through 1903.

1900: Russia and Turkey ally against Austria.

Austria and Italy ally against Turkey.

England, France, Germany negotiate - but all three ride the fence.

Germany and Russia agree to a non-aggression pact.

1901: Italy stabs Austria.

France attacks Germany.

1902: Stalemate on the French-German border brings on a three-way pact (England-France-Germany).

Turkish stab into Russia fizzles.

Italy stabs Austria again (brief peace between the two in W01 & S02).

1903: England stabs Germany (and the three-way pact).

France attacks Italy.

Turkey makes peace with Russia.

W1903: Adjustments are made as usual, and then !

Austria declares civil-disorder.

ITALY declares civil-disorder.

Turkey declares civil-disorder.

Russia declares civil-disorder.

England and France declare war on Germany.

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THE BOARD AT THE END OF WINTER 1903.

& F Wes,

ENGLAND: F Nwg, F Swe, F Lon, A Yor. FRANCE: A Pie, A Gas, A Tun, F Mar, F Lyo.

VERBUN FALLES - ENGLISH NAVY MOVES SOUTH

MOMENT OF DECISION LOOMS IN BALKANS

RUSSIA: A Sto to Mos; F Sve to Mos; A Mos to Ukr; A Rum (S) A Gal;
(Proskita) A Gal (S) A Rum; F Sev (S) A Rum.

AUSTRIA: F Gre to Aug; A Sar to Gre; A Bud to Ser; A Tel (S) A Bud to Ser;
(McClellan) A Via to Bud.

ENGLAND: F Lon to Eng; F Lpl to Irly; F Nth Stand; A Dep to Swe
(Latimer) F Nth Stand.

FRANCE: A Bur to Par; A Bur (S) A Bur; A Par to Plo; A Spa to Ser;
(Cerey) F Por to Hid.

GERMANY: A Wgh to Bur; A Gal (S) A Ruh to Bur; A Hun (S) A Rum to Bur;
(Koning) A Kie to Ruh; F Pol to Kie.

ITALY: A Tun to Alb; F Ion (C) A Tun to Alb; F Nap to Apu; A Ven Stand.
(Lake)

TURKEY: F Ank to Con; A Bul to Ser; A Con to Bul; F Syr(aw) to Mos
(Cochran)

DEADLINES: Spring Retreat 1902: 26 March 1968.
Fall 1902: 4 April 1968.

French A Bur retreats to Paris. 26 March 1968 is the removal option deadline.

PRESS RELEASES:

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 16, 1902 (Yenj Turkiya): Diplomatic quarters here are puzzled about recent foreign office changes. Minister Ozal Pasha, late Third Undersecretary to the Dragoman of the South, suddenly vanished a week ago. At the same time, his mansion burned to the ground. Firemen were unable to approach the burning building because of the dense cloud of stinking, choking smoke that rose from the blue flames. Oddly, no trace of Ozal Pasha or any member of his household was found when the flames were extinguished, although he was known to have returned to his office after the Mid-Winter holiday. The Imperial Government has requested the estates of the missing official, and it is understood that a team of theaturgists was summoned by the District Wall to assist police in their investigations. Surely all Turks must rally upon the protection of Allah in these troubled times!

In another sudden government change, Dr. Mustafa Salim Selal of the mathematical faculty of the University of Istanbul has been appointed Astronomer Royal and Chief Calendar-Keeper to the Sultan, in the room of Dr. Yahya Ramel, whose body was found floating in the harbor yesterday.

PARIS (22 March 1902): King Charles XI today addressed the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, and spoke mainly on the grave situation of European affairs. "Reliable sources in the British Isles have informed the French government of the building of two fleets of warships in English shipyards," said His Majesty. "These fleets are obviously not for the defense of England or any other nation;

rather, they have been constructed with the single purpose of laying waste to French coastal villages and towns. The German army moves upon us from the East, threatening to overrun our beloved country as they have already overrun Belgium and Holland, neutral by mutual agreement. It is obvious that the Imperial German government is masterminding these operations, and is in full control of the English Parliament. Until her seduction by the Hun, England was our dearest friend; now she is united with our perpetual enemy from across the Rhine. Nevertheless, these two nations will be taxed to the nth degree should they choose to wage war against La Belle France. Already our armies take up defensive positions in anticipation of the coming onslaught, and the navy is steaming north from Lisbon to meet the new British dreadnoughts in combat. We shall fight the good fight, and we shall neither flag nor fail. The German lust for world power and domination must, and will, be brought to a halt, even though it cost the life of every man, woman, and child who bears the name 'Liberté et Justice en France'. Long live La Belle France!!!

ISTANBUL TO OMAR PASHA (Diplomatic Rouch), 3/8/1320 A.H.: "If you're asked what's going on in the Caspian, indicate that it's just the usual maneuvers there after the ice breaks up. If they press you, tell them the story about the scorpion and the fish. We are a Middle Eastern country, after all!"

CABLE FROM RHODES TO SININTCOM (decoded), March 8, 1902: "A43 reports for orders. In company of Count George von Slesvig to Constantinople 2/6/01. Penetrated the Seraglio as 'archeology student' per orders, 4/1/01. Presented to the Sultan (wearing the customary rug) 9/6/01. Too late to stop the advance toward Serbia, but did stop the fleet move into the Black Sea, and massed up the orders for construction of the second fleet, so it was built somewhere beyond Erzerum, and not at Izmir. Operation discovered 2/3/02. Customary execution carried out, 2/4/02. Wriggled off the hook and swam down the Dardanelles. Picked up by SS Lucania, bound Istanbul-Rhodes-Alexandria-Naples. Crida." (the sender of the cable is listed on the passenger list of SS Lucania as Miss Kitty Nicelegs, of Kings Road, London)

BERLIN (DWE): The French fever dreams and rantings about fanciful victories over German forces supposedly violating French territory are an insult to German honor! Let's see how the French forces stand up to a German invasion that is not just a product of their press releases!

THE LAY OF LUCIFER (Part 4): Wherein His Satanic Majesty receives another caller.

The Suppliants, refreshed from their night's sleep, assembled in the ebony walls of the Infernal Audience Chamber. Bulletins of the war had been posted on the Earth Situation Board during the night, and they were surprised to note that during the time they had gotten a few hours' sleep, several months had passed above. But time, like space, is somewhat illusory in Hell (the chief illusion being that they are not entirely illusory), so this was not unexpected. Baron von Rottenegg, the German Suppliant, had bandages on a stab wound he received when a person unknown (he suspected the French Suppliant) tried to assassinate him, and most of the others were nursing cuts and bruises of various sorts. Only the Italian Suppliant seemed unharmed. "With Russia attacking Austria," said he, "and France preoccupied with Germany, everybody might leave us alone."

"Don't count on it, O'Higgins!" A deep, booming voice came from near the Infernal Throne. Standing there was a fuzzy, indistinct figure— instantly recognized as the dread demon, Leer-Sin. "Before the witch Della and I are through, all Europe will be engulfed in war. Ha, ha, ha, hahahahahahahahaha!"

Just then, the Devil entered, preceded by imps scattering glowing embers and hearth flowers, and a brass band and chorus ("tantantara, tantantara, tantantara, tzing boom!"). His Infernal Majesty mounted His throne and turned to face the Suppliants. He opened His mouth to speak.

"Halt! Stop these horrible proceedings!" A figure darted into the Infernal Audience Chamber, waving its arms frantically, its mustache sticking almost straight out in excitement. The entire Chamber watched as the figure approached. Aside from its frantic cries, there was dead silence, broken only by the shocked whisper of the English Suppliant, Sir Cecil Hardesty-Posh, who stammered out two words: "B-b-b-bram D-d-d-dooan!"

Who (or what) is Bram Doan? Where is Della Stallas? Will any of the Suppliants get what they came for? Will they get anything they didn't come for? Where is all this heading? Does it matter? As usual, you are going to have to wait until next time to get the answers (if any), in case you were interested in getting any answers.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: The first player to identify correctly (and Printably) exactly what ceremonial act occurs during a witch initiation, and to which His Satanic Majesty referred earlier, will receive a free supply center and may build a free unit on it in Fall 1902.

DIPLOMALYSIS (cont.):

GERMANY: F Bal, A Ber, A Bel, A Tyr, A Boh, A Gal.
 AUSTRIA: A Boh, A Bud, A Tri.
 ITALY: A Ven, A Tus, F Rom.
 RUSSIA: F Nwy, F Con, A Stp, A Mos, A War, A Rum, A Sev, A Ser.
 TURKEY: A Gre, A Smy, F Ank.

SUPPLY CENTERS HELD:

ENGLAND: 3 Home, Swe.
 FRANCE: 3 Home, Por, Spa, Tun.
 GERMANY: 3 Home, Den, Bel, Hol.
 AUSTRIA: 3 Home.
 ITALY: 3 Home.
 RUSSIA: 4 Home, Nyw, Rum, Ser, Bul, Con.
 TURKEY: Ank, Smy, Gre.

THE QUESTIONS:

- 1) What should be the general course of action for each remaining power?
- 2) Who has the best opportunity to win (discounting a permanent Eng-Fre pact)?
- 3) Knowing that your editor played Germany, who did win?

DIPLOMACY MILIEU CORRECTION: Rod Walker's address has been changed to: 1575-A White Drive, Rantoul, Illinois 61866.

DIPLOMACY MILIEU:

1. BRODDINGNAG 81: Summer 1968 is a long time coming, especially when it brings the dormant "BROB", back to life. Koning's expression "the incomparable BROB-DINGNAG", should be taken to heart by potential subscribers (John McCallum, Ralston, Alberta, Canada).

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I S A U S T R I A P L A Y I N G W A T E R L O O ?
S K I R M I S H E S I N S C A N D A N A V I A
E N G L I S H S W E E P F R E N C H N A V Y F R O M M I D

RUSSIA: A Rum to Bud; A Gal (S) A Rum to Bud; A Ukr to Rum; A Stp to Nwy;
(Prosnitz) F Sev (S) A Ukr to Rum; F Swe (S) A Stp to Nwy.

AUSTRIA: A Ser to Bul; F Aeg (S) A Ser to Bul; A Gre (S) A Ser to Bul;
(McCallum) A Bud to Rum; A Tri to Vie.

ENGLAND: F Eng to Mid; F Iri (S) F Eng to Mid; F Nth to Eng; A Den to Swe;
(Latimer) F Nwy Stand.

FRANCE: A Pic to Bur; A Par (S) A Pic to Bur; A Gas (S) A Pic to Bur;
(Carey) A Mar (S) A Pic to Bur; F Mid Stand.

GERMANY: F Kie Stand; A Bur to Pic; A Bel (S) A Bur to Pic; A Ruh to Bur;
(Koning) A Mun (S) A Ruh to Bur.

ITALY: A Alb to Ser; A Ven to Tri; F Ion to Gre; F Apu to Adr.
(Lake)

TURKEY: F Ank to Bla; A Con (S) A Bul; A Bul (S) Italian F Ion to Gre.
(Cochran)

DEADLINES: Winter 1902: 15 April 1968.
Spring 1903: 29 April 1968.

The French F Mid has been ordered to retreat to Por. The German A Bur and the Austrian A Bud are annihilated.

SUPPLY CENTER COUNT: (Gains, Losses).

RUSSIA:	4 Home, Swe, Rum, <u>Bud.</u>	(7) Build 1
AUSTRIA:	Vie, <u>Bud</u> , <u>Tri</u> , Ser, Gre.	(3) Remove 1
ENGLAND:	3 Home, Nwy, Den.	(5) No Change
FRANCE:	3 Home, Spa, Por.	(5) No Change
GERMANY:	3 Home, Hol, Bel.	(5) Build 1
ITALY:	3 Home, Tun, <u>Tri.</u>	(5) Build 1
TURKEY:	3 Home, Bul.	(4) Build 1

TEMPORARY CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Jim Latimer, 4011 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD.
20023 (12 April 68 thru 20 April 68).

PRESS RELEASES:

PARIS (12 June 1902): Defense Minister General Louis Franchet d'Esperey today announced that General Guillaume Ligereux has been replaced as Chief of Army Intelligence, and that General Homer Casmatte will be his successor. The change was reportedly brought about by the successful German invasion of Burgundy last April after General Ligereux assured the French High Command that the invasion would come through Picardy.

In other developments, reports from Le Havre indicate that the peasants of

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Normandy are hard at work building up their fortifications to protect themselves from the lecherous British navy. Great has been evacuated, and the entire coast from Nantes to the Belgian border is securing for the inevitable invasion.

The economy of France is suffering its first discernible setback from the war. The Paris Gold Exchange closed down this morning following a three-day run on the gold supply. Prime Minister Joseph Gaillard was unavailable for comment.

MOSCOW (Dear Pasha to the Dragoman of the Vase - Diplomatic Pouch) 6/19/1320 AH: Well, Idiots, see what you have done now. I told you and I told you what to expect of anybody who would vote for Lyndon Baines Johnson once, against anybody, for anything! And for this Casplan bit, you should learn that if you are going to shoot at a king you must shoot to KILL!

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Winter 1902

15 April 1963

RUSSIA(Prosnitz): Build A War.

AUSTRIA(McCallum): Remove A Via.

GERMANY(Koning): Build A Der.

ITALY(Lako): Build F Nap.

TURKEY(Cochran): Build F Say.

PRESS RELEASES:

THE SUBLIME PORTE TO TSARKOE SELD (XII-21-1320): As previously indicated to you we were a bit hounded last winter by that charming bit of fluff, Kiel Haislak. A Sullible spell having been laid on the Fleet then laid down on the East Coast of Our province of Syria, certain other measures previously discussed with your Ambassador are now being carried out, and will be carried out forthwith, in the Aegean and Western Mediterranean areas, the basis of that Fluff having been carried on muleback to Smyrna.

THE SUBLIME PORTE TO AMBASSADOR OZEL (in PANDEMONIUM (via Diplomatic Pouch) X-18-1320: Since we still have a BUTTO coming, don't let H.I.M. take it away! Steady on, old man! -- And if you have any idea what these Westerners think is printable cry for that special build, that H.I.M. is offering -- unless maybe it's going to be a Fleet in Switzerland or something. The Exchequer will not stand paying out good gold dirhams for the flagship of the Swiss Navy! -- Nor is Our knee quite that flexible.

People who are forced to eat their own words must often suffer from gas attacks.

And then this evening, the radio commentator reported the arrival of LBJ in Hawaii, -- and being this country's foremost tourist he was warmly greeted with the customary!

Some people who change their minds should have kept the ones they had.

BALKAN BATTLE JUST AROUND THE CORNER

GERMAN ARMY SUCCEUMBS

FRENCH MARINES LAND UNOPPOSED IN LIVERPOOL

ITALY: A Ven Stand; A Tyr to Tri; A Via (S); A Tyr to Tri; A Tri to Alb;
(Leitch) F Gre (S); A Tri to Alb; F Nap to Ion; F Adr (S); F Nap to Ion.

FRANCE: A Bur Stand; A Ple (S); A Bur; A Mar (S); A Bur; F Bre to Eng;
(Reinsel) F Iri to Lep; F Lon to Yor;

GERMANY: F Kie to Dan; A Swe (S); F Kie to Den; F Hol to Nth; A Mun Stand;
(Kuch) A Bel Stand; A Ruh (S); A Bel;

RUSSIA: F Bie to Rum; A Bur (S); F Bie to Rum; A Ser (S); F Bie to Rum;
(Wells) F Stp(nc) Stand; A Mos (S); F Stp(nc); F Den Stand.

TURKEY: A Rum to Ser; A Arm Stand; F Con to Bul(sc); F Ark to Con;
(Long) F Aeg (S); F Con to Bul(sc).

ENGLAND: F Nwy to Swe; A Fin (S); F Nwy to Swe; F Bar to Stp(nc).
(Austin)

AUSTRIA: A Ser Stand.
(Griffin)

DEADLINES: Spring Retreat 1903: 4 April 1968.

Fall 1903: 16 April 1968.

Turkish A Rum may retreat to Gal or Ukr. German A Swe is annihilated.

PRESS RELEASE:

FRANCE: The French populace declared that the North Sea is to be French controlled. It is suggested that all foreign powers who desire peace with the Empire stay out of the North Sea.

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4 April 1968

TURKEY (Long): A Rum to Ukr.

DIPLOMACY MILIEU (cont.):

2. COSTAGUANA III, 4: Game openings still available; \$3.00 fee (Conrad von Matzka, 5327 Hilltop Drive, San Diego, CA 92114).

3. GLOCKORLA 17: GLOCKORLA has become one of the most dependable magazines in the variant field. We consider the opening of regular game positions (\$3.00 fee), to be prize plums for the regular Diplomacy fan because of Glock's regularity. Every issue also contains plentiful discussion (Dave LeBling, Box 2234 Burton House, 420 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA 02139).

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A U S T R I A N S D I S P E R S E D
T U R K I S H F L E E T S O R T I E S I N T O T H E B L A C K

ITALY: A Vie Stand; A Alb to Ser; A Tri (S) A Alb to Ser; A Ven to Alb;
(Leitch) F Adr (C) A Ven to Alb; F Gre (S) F Ion; F Ion (S) F Gre.

FRANCE: A Bur to Bel; A Pic (S) A Bur to Bel; A Mar to Bur; F Lpl Stand;
(Reinsel) F Eng (S) A Bur to Bel; F Yor to Edi.

GERMANY: F Kie to Den; F Nth (S) Russian F Stp(nc) to Nwy; A Mun Stand;
(Kuch) A Bel Stand; A Ruh (S) A Bel.

RUSSIA: A Sev (S) F Rum; F Rum (S) A Sev; A Bud (S) Italian A Tri to Ser;
(Wells) A Mos to War; F Stp(nc) to Nwy; F Den (S) German F Nth.

TURKEY: A Ukr to War; A Arm to Sev; F Con to Bla; F Bul(sc) (S) F Aeg;
(Long) F Aeg (S) F Bul(sc).

ENGLAND: F Bar to Nwy; A Fin to Stp; F Swe (S) F Bar to Nwy.
(Austin)

AUSTRIA: A Ser Stand.
(Griffin)

DEADLINES: Fall Retreat 1903: 25 April 1968.

Winter 1903: 25 April 1968.

Spring 1904: 7 May 1968.

The Austrian A Ser was annihilated. The German A Bel retreats to Hol (25 April 1968 is the removal option deadline).

SUPPLY CENTER COUNT (Gains, Losses).

ITALY:	3 Home, Vie, Tun, Tri, Gre, <u>Ser</u> .	(8) Build 1
FRANCE:	3 Home, Spa, Por, Lon, <u>Lpl</u> , <u>Edi</u> , <u>Bel</u> .	(9) Build 3
GERMANY:	3 Home, Hol, <u>Bel</u> , <u>Sve</u> .	(4) Remove 1
RUSSIA:	4 Home, Den, Bud, <u>Rum</u> .	(7) Build 1
TURKEY:	3 Home, Bul, <u>Ruh</u> .	(4) Remove 1
ENGLAND:	<u>Lpl</u> , <u>Edi</u> , Nwy, <u>Swe</u> .	(2) Remove 1
AUSTRIA:	<u>Ser</u> .	(0) Out

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Charles Wells, 3021 Washington Blvd, Cleveland, Ohio 44118
(Effective 1 May 1968).

PRESS RELEASES:

NEWS ITEM: "Sink the Bismark!"

S.I.C. HEADQUARTERS, LONDON: At a Soho bistro which shall remain forever nameless, Miss Twiggy, the new Unpublicity Director of SIC, granted an interview today to a few selected reporters.

"I feel real groovy about my new SIC position," said the slender, vivacious blonde, batting her formidable eyelids.

"Of course," she continued, "I'm all up tight about what happened to poor Miss Pussy Katz, who had the job before me. She was last seen, you know, disappearing into a Vienna storm sewer with fifty Italian soldiers and a large Ph.D. I'm afraid she's gone beyond human help."

Twiggy brushed a large tear and a ton of mascara from one limpid eye and took a sip of Kool-Ade before continuing.

"But let's talk about happier things. At SIC, we all think it's simply fab that France has invaded England. I hear that Yves St. Laurent is moving to Carnaby Street! Old General de Reinsel may not be a swinger, but SIC'll fix his wagon.

"Oh, these are stirring times to be in SIC, I always say (what I really say is 'man, it's where it's at, 'but I have to translate for you yokes). Look how we're stirring up Russia and Turkey -- Well, Well, Well it won't be long now."

Twiggy finished her Kool-Ade and stood up. "I've got to split," she said. "I just wanted you to know that SIC is still with it."

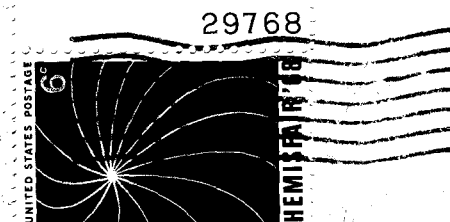
DIPLOMACY MILIEU (cont.):

4. LA GUERRE ?: A new magazine with regular and variant game openings. Fee \$3.00 Air Mail; \$2.00 First Class (Buddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Lane, Silver Springs, MD 20906).

5. THE OZ FREE PRESS 2: Chronicles the adventures of 27 fictional Diplomacy born countries, brought to life in a sidereal earth world. Recommended for Confrontation enthusiasts (Rod Walker, 1611 Lowry Drive, Rantoul, IL 61866).

6. VALHALLA 1: The first issue of this eagerly awaited publication, contained rule clarifications for Diplomacy (especially for the postal version), a directory of all existing postal Diplomacy magazines, and the player list for Val's first game. Following issues will contain two types of "Opponent Want-Ad" listings and other wargaming departments (John Koning, 2008 Sherman Avenue, Apt. 1, Evanston, IL 60201).

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"How do you know I am a diplomat?
By the skillful way you hide your claws."

- Rostand