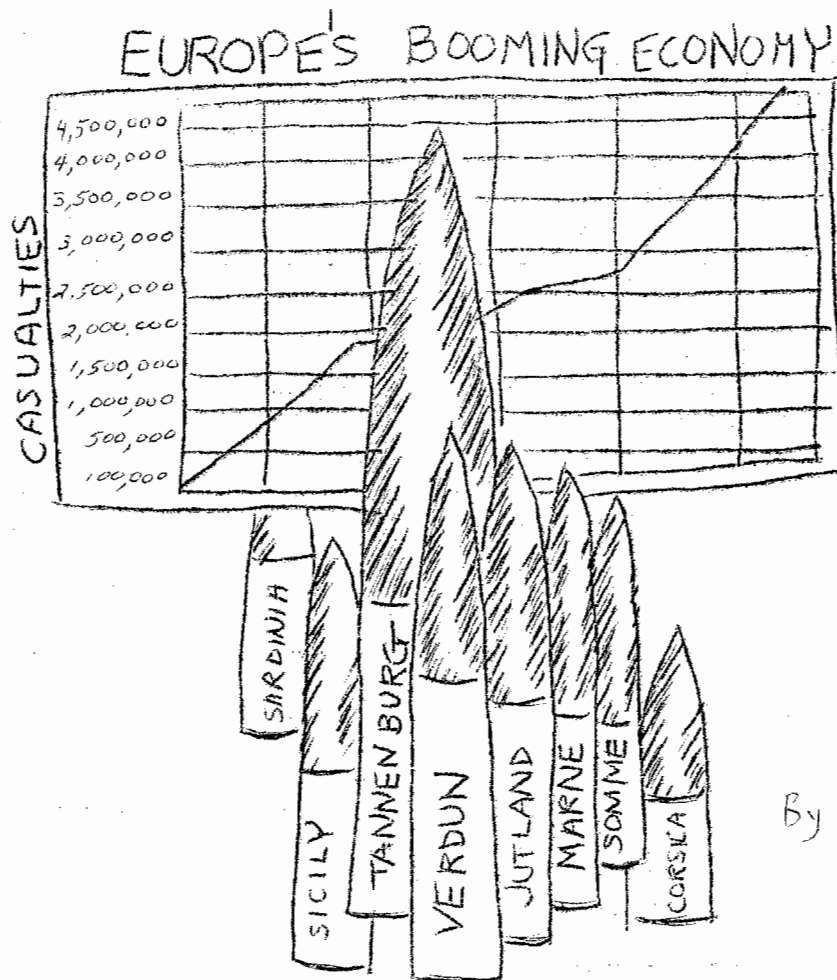


AQUARIUS 13



By Douglas Dick.

SPRING 1916 ISSUE

AUSTRIA SUFFERS REVERSAL IN SERBIA!

SWITZERLAND RECOVERS ENERGY

Bern, Switzerland (CHP)--The new Prime Minister of Switzerland announced today that the Swiss Confederation has survived the recent energy crisis. All industries and services are back to normal. However, he warned that it may be possible that the government would be forced to ration during any worsening of the Swiss energy crisis. The recent energy crisis just weathered was caused by the traditional holiday season and in no way meant or portend future successive energy crises. The paper shortage was solved by rationing of paper used within the Confederation, and the shortage of labor was solved by importation of labor from Corsica. The Prime Minister was positive that future slowdowns in the Swiss newspaper industry would not be caused by any recurrent energy problems. In short, he bid farewell to the Swiss people and promised that Switzerland, in the future, would manage its own affairs more competently. The Prime Minister was asked what sort of rationing program that the government would employ, if forced to ration its energy. In reply, the Prime Minister stated that he did not know what the final program would be like, but that there were basically two alternatives: shorter issues or longer deadlines. As for the latter, the case may be longer periods between the deadlines for publishing purposes rather than for game purposes. What the government would actually do would depend upon any recurrence of the energy crisis and upon what the people wanted.

MASS EXECUTIONS IN GÖTEBORG

Göteborg (SINS)--Baron Selvinisky, Ferdinand Knudsen, Robert Carnegie along with 350 other Swedish nationals have been murdered in Göteborg since the German invasion. Each individual was accorded thirty seconds to state and plead his case before Kommander Kraus, military governor of Sweden, before being shot. Not a single citizen was acquitted before this mockery of justice.

Baron Selvinisky was the grand nephew of the King. Mr. Knudsen was Finance Under-Secretary and Robert Carnegie was the founder of SINS. Reportedly other leading citizens and government officials have been murdered in Stockholm and Malmö.

GERMANY ANNOUNCES CHANGE

Munich (HBP)--The German government today announced another sudden shift in the course of the war. It announced that the Spanish government in exile, at Außer-Roden would be taking over the financial affairs of the German state. This would mean that on the foreign market that all currencies, etc. would be handled by this government. Herr Barents announced that this step was made because of the rare knowledge that they had in money. "I have complete confidence that they will perform with the best possible results."

STATTHOLDER MEDIATES

Amsterdam (DPS)--The Stattholder today called for a truce between Germany and Russia. "Who is behind the Italian invasion of Munich? Austria! Who is greedy for Rumania? Austria! Our gallant Richard Douglas and his flying Tiger Lillies have been doing their best, but we call on Germany and Russia for help. Exterminate the Buda-pests!"

PORTUGAL DIVIDED UP!

Fez (NATO)--After 3½ month's of heavy fighting the Portuguese militia was routed into non-existence by the North Africans and the French. The conquered lands have been divided 60/40 amongst the two nations 60% NAF and 40% French. The majority of troops have been transported south, to Marethurania, but a garrison has been maintained.

HEIR TO THE PORTUGUESE THRONE

Bern, Switzerland (CHP)--The grand-daughter of King Genignani was found in Bern meeting with top Swiss officials. Princess Margaret was pleading her case for Queenship of Portugal since the death of her father, King Paulo.

The Swiss government supports publicly the self-determination of civilized and organized nations and will back Queen Margaret's claim to the Portuguese throne. Further meetings were scheduled with leaders of France and North Africa. Rumors have it that the Queen who is distantly related to the famous Tuscany

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HEIR TO THRONE CONT.

ruling family of the Caesars might be placed in the Italian state of Tuscany if further gains are made by the Swiss Army in Italy. Meanwhile, peace talks have started between Switzerland and Italy, but many thorny problems remain. Insiders are guessing that both sides may make concessions, but that a ceasefire must first be implemented before the talks can become serious. Many are saying that only a general and bilateral pullback of both sides would ensure successful conclusion of the peace talks to be held in Geneva, Switzerland. It appears that Queen Gemignani may become the leading force and negotiator in any peace settlement, but what will actually happens remains to be seen.

ITALY DENIES SWISS ALLEGATIONS

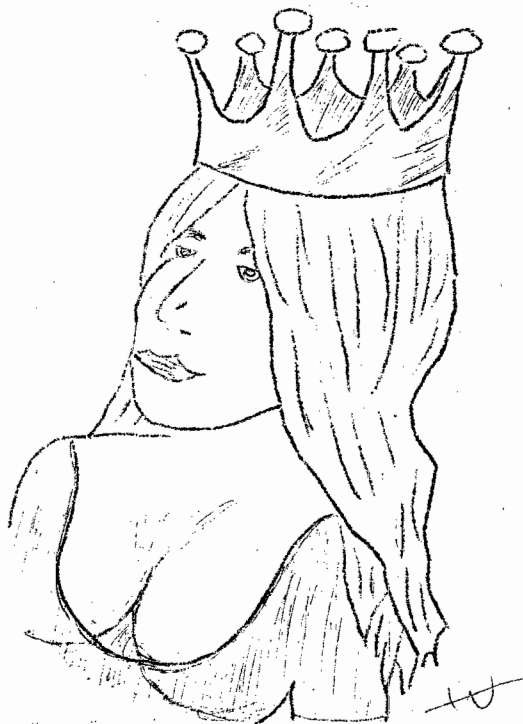
Rome (April 2nd)--Coming out of the Papal Chambers, a young lass of quite miraculous proportions spoke to waiting reporters thusly: "Rumors of His Holiness' capture have been quite exaggerated." Then, smiling beautifully, she vanished mysteriously through the corridors of The Vatican.

An hour later, however, all doubt was removed when His Holiness made a personal appearance in St. Peter's Square. Denouncing as preposterous Swiss claims as to the capture of His Holy Self and the Holy City he stated that "far from capturing Rome, the two Swiss tugboats which attempted to steam up the Tiber were destroyed to the last man. It is no doubt evidence of the Swiss rulers' credibility that they would attempt to pass off this crushing defeat and ridiculous fiasco as a victory to their people. Attacking Sardinia is one thing, but attempting to capture our beloved city, no matter how ridiculous is another. I am therefore declaring that henceforth a state of war exists between the states of Switzerland and the Italian Empire, to last until the Swiss are utterly beaten and Switzerland has been added to the ever-growing Italian Empire."

Hen then added, "We gave the Swiss government fair warning of our intentions in the Fall and Winter of last year. That they chose to ignore our warnings is their own fault and now they must suffer the consequences. Our terms are final." When asked about a possible switch in Swiss foreign policy under their new Prime Minister, Johann Boyer, Jr., His Holiness replied that "as far as we know, there has been no indication of such a policy change,"

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THE SULTAN IS DEAD!
WOMAN TO BE THE NEXT SULTAN?



CYNTHIA OF SYRIA 1900

Constantinople, Turkey--The wails of Moslem high priests now echo throughout the Ottoman Empire from every Mosque in every small village in the land. It was learned that after 4 months of covering up that the Sultan had died minutes after a Swiss letter bomb, thought to be one of the several sent by crazed Johann Boyer, ex-council President, ripped apart the Sultan's bedroom. Military leaders have announced that the nation has been ruled by a joint military junta for the past 4 months and that now after the announcement of the Sultan's death, the military leaders are willing to give up their power to a suitable new leader who will be able to unify the torn nation for the upcoming battles. When asked whom they had been considering, Abdul C. Nile, spokesman for the group, confessed that their search for a suitable male heir to the throne had been a hard one with many of the possible successors being cast aside due to their affiliation with many subversive groups and their outside ties to foreigners. C. Nile stated that Cynthia of Syria (photo above), a distant relative of the late Sultan was number one on the list right now and that the leaders had sent Cynthia an invitation to come to Constantinople to lead the new government.

(Cynthia is a 23 year old temptress who has

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ITALY DENIES, CONT.

and things have gone almost too far at this late stage. We will not consider any terms which permit the Swiss to hold any territory but that which they held before the beginnings of this European war, nor which allows them any freedom of action in foreign endeavors save at the express permission of the Italian government. If they do not abide by these demands, they will be destroyed."

WOMAN TO BE? CONT.

led Syria for 6 years now and is very popular throughout the Moslem world for her charitable acts and renowned beauty. Syria has long been one of the most favored dominions of the Ottoman Empire with her leader having much to do with its position through a long long friendship with the late Sultan. Cynthia also is exceedingly popular in the whole of Asia Minor having toured the Empire numerous times always to the cheers of hundreds of thousands of the Sultan's subjects. It is hoped that Cynthia will accept Turkish leadership for it is of certainty that she will unify the nation as never before done.)

THE BLACKHAND STRIKES:

Serbia--The Anarchist group known as the Blackhand infiltrated across the Austrian border to carry out its plan to assassinate Archduke Tonneson. This group was led by non other than Nob Job himself. Nob Job's plan was to blow the Archduke to bits.

The Blackhand assembled outside the Emperors Palace at 1 pm Thursday, April 3, 1916. They scaled the Palace walls with knives and guns ready to battle Palace guards defending the Archduke.

What they found was astounding. There were no guards, in fact there was nobody but a big for sale sign in the courtyard. The Archduke had apparently died of apathy over a year ago and nobody wanted to take his position. That is why the wind no longer blows from the windy city.

EIRE PRESIDENT ORDERS MOBILIZATION:

Dublin(E.P.I.)--Eire President O'Brian announced today that he has ordered the Eire Army mobilized following the news that Cullen- (cont. next col.)

Hendry had fled the country. He stated that his government planned to begin the task of rebuilding the country and to do that, United Ireland must be disarmed.

ENGLISH MOVE OUT OF ST. PETE

St. Petersburg(WASP)--The BEF today marched out of this city. In a co-ordinated pincer movement with the non-Bolshevik Russian armies, our army has begun a great offensive against the Bolshevik stronghold of Riga.

SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL SPEAKS

London(E.P.I.)--Sir Winston Churchill today informed Parliament that English naval units had been attacked by French destroyers off Brest with the loss of two English and three French destroyers. In view of the continued silence of France on the question of Irish disarmament, His Majesty's government has concluded that Bolshevik forces now hold Brest. With that in mind....

FRANCE DECLARES ALLIANCE

Marseilles, France--Premier Chin today spoke in front of 20,000 people on the war efforts against Germany. "We are holding our current position versus the German invaders, however, we can no longer guarantee the safety of the rest of our country. We have allies in Italy and North Africa, and we now declare our alliance with Switzerland. However, only our Italian ally could possibly defeat the ghastly German plan to conquer our country. We will fight to the last man, woman and child! We will fight in the streets of Marseilles! We will not surrender our land to the Huns!

PRESIDENT HENDRY BECOMES RUSSIAN CZAR!

Dublin, Ireland(MICK), Jan. 4, 1916--Well, it finally happened. President Cullen-Hendry did so well at governing Ireland that he has been promoted to Russia as Czar. He will take all Irish military forces and the European Champion soccer team, the IRISH CLOVERS with him to Russia (they'll become THE RUSSKIES). In case of problems such as Russia being wiped out, the Presidential ballon stands ready and waiting to return the President to Dublin.

President Cullen-Hendry said good-bye to (cont. pg. 5, col. 1)

PRESIDENT NOW CZAR CONT.

to the public before taking off for Russia. He said, "I'm leaving the country in the hands of my brother, and in case there are any problems in Russia, I'll be back."

GERMANS ATTEMPT PRESS CENSORSHIP

Boras(SINS)--The barbaric Germans in their illegal invasion of Sweden have attempted to destroy the free press. By murder, arson and beatings; the military governors appointed by Berlin have unsuccessfully halted SINS.

The German military governors and their traitorous Swedish national puppets issued orders banning newspapers, public assembly, parliament and travel after 1900 hours every night.

Occupying forces have arrested over 5000 Swedish nationals and murdered nearly one thousand others. The reported charges range from black marketeering to resisting the legal government. Many leading citizens and government officials have reportedly been murdered.

ENGLISH NAVY ON EXERCISES

London(E.P.I.)--The Admiralty today announced plans for massive fleet exercises to be held in the Spring and Fall of this year. Among the plans announced were practice amphibious landings in the Plymouth-Isle of Man area; practice blockading and the world-famous destroy the Bolshevik fleet maneuver (which might prove difficult since England seems to have run out of Bolshevik fleets to practice that maneuver upon.)

CULLEN-HENDRY FLEES

Dublin(WASPS)--Reports continue to come in from the northern counties that Cullen-Hendry has fled the country and gone into hiding in Russia. If such is the case then political experts here believe that the United Ireland Government is probably on the verge of collapse. Sir Edward Grey, informed WASPS that he was returning to London until events in the North are clarified.

POPE SURPRISES ITALY

Rome(April 10)--His Holiness, Pope Infalli- (cont. next col.)

bility II, greeted the peoples of the Empire today with an Easter present of stunning proportions. He announced that the first phase of the campaign against the Enemy has been successfully concluded, with Sardinia now completely in the hands of the Empire's troops. It was also reported that plans are now being formulated to attack Corsica as well, with or without French permission.

ome troops from Sardinia, it is rumored, were successfully ferried across under cover of darkness to Corsica and His Holiness is determined to see that none shall ever see their native soil again as punishment for daring to challenge the might of the Empire.

Later, the Department of Wars and Orgies, DWO, gave a summary of the military operations in Sicily to date. Passed out was a map showing Italian and Mafiosi positions, which is given below.

SICILIAN OPERATIONS



--- Italian + Free Sicilian forces
— Sicilian, Tunisian + N. African Mercenaries.

As can be seen, Italian forces have freed Palermo and have repulsed attacks designed to recapture the city. Meanwhile, a determined effort has been launched to link up with the force at Palermo with an attack along the northern coast. Although the front was broken Italian commanders are waiting for further reinforcements--possibly from Sardinia now that the fight is over there--before pressing their advantage. New Tunisian and North African mercenary reinforcements have been spotted as moving northward from Gela and the spearhead does not want to be in danger of being cut off from a flanking attack. Free Sicilian forces raised in freed areas have joined the Italian and Mafiosi forces and it is reported that Free Sicily undergrounds are springing up all over the island and causing the oppressive Sicilian government much trouble.

Don Massaro had this to say: "Although we haven't come as far as fast as we would have (cont. col. 1, pg. 6)

SICILIAN OPERATIONS CONT.

liberated, free Sicilians and the Mafiosi in conjunction with our Italian allies will strive unrelentingly to defeat the forces of the Sicilian oppressor and restore the true government of Sicily to its rightful position." The Don then went on to applaud all those in the Free Sicily underground and called on all Sicilian patriots everywhere to aid these underground forces whenever possible. The Mafiosi Brigade, operating north of Catania, has not seen much action lately as things have settled down on this part of the front, but operations to free Catania and capture Mt. Etna are being prepared for the Autumn and the Mafiosi brigade will be in the thick of the action.

CYNTHIA GOES TO CONSTANTINOPLE

Damascus, Dec. 17--It was released today that in response to the Turkish invitation to ascend the Sultanate of the Ottoman Empire that Syria's beloved leader has accepted and is now preparing to depart for Constantinople and is hoping to be acclaimed Sultanis by the first of the New Year. Cynthia appeared before her people early this morning to announce her intentions and asked them all to remain calm in this time of trouble for the Moslem world. Seemingly aware of the potentially disastrous military situation and discourse running throughout the Ottoman Empire at the time of the late Sultan's death, Cynthia also outlined a preliminary policy for her inherited country. Stating that the Turkish Diplomatic standings must be altered to allow any chance for success, Cynthia has in advance instructed all her ambassadors to start laying a road of friendly relations to all countries and that she would after sifting through the facts decide if Switzerland was at fault in anyway at all for the action of Johann Boyer during his insanity. Cynthia has also invited the Serbians to consultations immediately and has requested that they also bring along Blackhand's agent Nob Job, ex-lover of Cynthia some 5 years ago.

NEW SWISS PRIME MINISTER TO TRAVEL TO TURKEY

Bern, Switzerland(CHP)--It was announced that during the coming summer that Prime Minister Johann Boyer, Jr. would make a state visit to see Cynthia, new Sultanis of the Ottoman (cont. next col.)

Empire. It was reported that the main mission of the trip was to heal the wounds caused by the late Johann Boyer, ex-ambassador to the Council of Nations. It was released at this time that Johann Boyer died in prison when he hung himself on his suspenders.

SWEDISH UNDERGROUND FORMED

Malmo(SINS)--Bernard Frazier, ex-SSS chief, is reportedly heading an underground to combat the unlawful and barbaric occupation of our homeland. A reward of ten thousand marks has been posted for the capture of Frazier by the military governor of Sweden. Frazier has predicted by the end of Summer, half of the present military district governors will have been killed by his new organization. The aim of the underground is to impress the Germans with the fact that it is not feasible to occupy Sweden.

Germany's policy of crushing the Swedish government and democracy will only serve to strengthen our resolve to fight. Unless Germany withdraws from Sweden and pays reparations in an amount agreed upon by the legal government and Germany.

NEWS FROM GERMANY

Berlin(HBP)--The German representative to the Council of Nations today made a motion that shocked the rest of the world. It was proposed that the war be slowed up to every six weeks instead of every third week. It was noted that the Swiss didn't have the time for all this and that to help, it was noted that Herr Boyer would have more time if this was so.

Also announced was that Herr Mahler would be taking over for the Germans as the C of N was called home. Thus Herr Mahler would have two votes, one for Holland and the other for Germany. It is well known that the Dutch are very close to the Germans and that they should be able to work together as they had the same ideas. ((Please consider a motion for allowing two votes for one man--otherwise, the rules do not permit this possibility.))

Denmark(HBP)--Today the assassin of the late Kaiser was hung in the city where he killed the Kaiser. It was two years after he killed the Kaiser, but at last the Germans had their day. It did not take long for the trial, but due to appeals, etc., the execution was delayed until the exact day that the Kaiser was killed.

Warsaw(HBP)--Today it was announced that Russia and Germany have signed a pact to stop the Austrian march on this city. The pact was one

GERMAN NEWS CONT.

in which it called for the stop of Austrian movements along the border, to leave Silesia, and to stop their war with the Turks. Motions were also proposed for the Austrians to move with Germany and Russia versus the Pope. Munich(HBP)--It was announced that the Pope was a false one, and the People of Germany to put their faith in the Pope of Germany. The government went on to say that the Italian Pope was following the wrong path. He was not a Prince of Peace, but Satan himself dressed as a green giant.

SWISS-ITALIAN WAR NEWS

Bern, Switzerland(CHP)--The new Prime Minister of Switzerland today reported to the Canon on the latest war efforts against Italy: "Gentlemen; as the new leader of our country, I have taken steps to negotiate a peace with the enemy. The prior government was an insane government--to have sent mail bombs and to wage war with Italy were both folly and illogical. With this in mind, I have begun to wage diplomatic war and to increase our chances for ending the war with Italy. In Italy, our invasion of Rome has failed with remnants of our third wave now in the hills in Tuscany. There are contingent plans to have another invasion in Tuscany in an effort to supply and reinforce our men there. It is possible that we will have several divisions from Portugal. On this line, we have been talking with Queen Margaret of Portugal. With the recent settlement of Portugal between France and North Africa, they are now able to help us in our war, if the need arises. Meanwhile, discussion is being held with the Southwest Mediterranean Alliance (France, North Africa, Portugal, Sicily, Spain and Switzerland) on whether we should help with the defense of Sicily. Meanwhile, our navy, operating out of Corsica, have bombarded Sardinia in the preliminary phase of retaking that island. Reports have filtered in that our men are still intact in their mountain fortress. Also, I have in my hand a report that we have increased our navy to the point where combined with the fleets of the other members of the Southwest Mediterranean Alliance, that we now equal the effective Italian naval forces in the area. This will ensure our chances for supplying the forces in Tuscany and Sardinia as well as the possible aid to the allies in Sicily.

In spite of all this preparation to continue

the war with Italy, we realize that in the long run that the resources of our little country--even with the might of the Alliance, will be hard pressed to stand off the Italian Empire. Only their diversion in other wars prevent them from defeating us in detail. Accordingly, I have begun negotiations for a ceasefire and for a peace settlement. Geneva has been offered as the site for our peace talks, and we are awaiting word from Rome.

Last, I have just been informed that the capture of the Italian Pope was false and due to the overzealous members of the task force assigned to capturing the Pope. For this, I am glad that we have not done the idiotic thing to capture the Pope. The last thing we want is a religious war with Italy.

Also, I have begun to mend our diplomatic relations with the Ottoman Empire. In the event that the war goes bad, we will be needing their help in our fight against the aggressive Italian Empire. The fact that they admit it is an Empire and a growing Empire should indicate to all that we have a cancerous government on our hands. We can only hope that the Pope will right things religiously in the Christian way."

SWEDEN CONTINUES TO FIGHT

Somewhere in Stockholm(SINS)--(Aware that the Germans are presenting a false picture of the real situation in Sweden, we the surviving members of the SINS Agency pledge to continue to report and attempt to publish the truth despite the oppressive invasion.)

A True account of the German invasion, compiled from English, German and Russian military sources: August found the German fleet in Denmark attempting to support the fleet in the Baltic to Sweden. The combined Swedish-Russian navies were holding their positions. Admittedly it was a precarious situation. The 18th of September: word reached the Czarist forces that a Russian Republic was formed earlier in the month. Within two days all Czarist forces had surrendered, deserted, or joined the Swedish units nearby. The Germans were informed on the 17th by the English, of the Russian vote, and therefore redoubled their attack.

Stockholm and Goteborg suffered extensive damage. Particularly the government buildings were singled out for destruction. If no military forces were in the vicinity, the buildings mysteriously caught fire.

Minister of Defense Joffa ordered all Swedish forces to Bollnas and prepare to fight (cont. col. 1, pg. 8)

(as you have chosen).

ALBANIANS TRAIN

Albania--Albania's Soccer team, the Dwarves, wish to congratulate the Irish team on their World Series win. Next time, well, you never know. Coach Grumpey felt he could have pulled off the title had it not been for early injuries to the stars of the team. Dopey and

Bern--the most famous horse of all Swiss history won the prized Bern Buttercup Race by 10 lengths over his nearest competitor, Dutchie Boy. After Dutchie by five lengths was the Danish horse, Porno. Will the Swiss phenom, Swiss Cheese win at Liege? Who can tell? Will Dutchie Boy pull a recovery? Will some other horse win? The entire Swiss population will be holding their breath!

Williams Bay has the world's largest refractor.

SWEDEN CONTINUES, CONT.

until help arrives. The remnants of the air force flew to Finland, the remaining Russian and Swedish warships took Aland and still hold it.

COUNCIL OF NATIONS' NEWS

THE COUNCIL PASSES NEW MOTIONS: 31, 33 and 34

MEDITERRANEAN UNDER NAF CONTROL

Fez (NATO)--Now that North Africa owns both Gibraltar, a control point has been setup to regulate traffic flow throughout the Mediterranean passage to the Mid-Atlantic. The North Africans would like to take this opportunity to publicly apologize to the Swiss. We would like them to know that we will stand behind them in all propositions and problems.

CORNPEPPER ASSUMES COMMAND

St. Petersburg (WASPS)--Sir Arnold T. Cornpepper has today assumed command of the British Expeditionary Force. This move came following the re-call of the First and Second Corps to England for training in amphibious operations. Col. Cornpepper felt his Battalion of the Green's Guards and three regiments of Dragoons will be sufficient to capture the last Bolshevik stronghold of Riga and thus end once and for all the Bolshevik threat to Europe.

NORTH AFRICA-SWISS ALLIANCE SWEEPS THE BOARD CLAIMS FEZ

Portugal (NATO Abroad)--In the last several years, the Swiss and North Africans with their allies have conquered Southwest Mediterranean! Oppressors beware! Remember the Fezian motto: Deo, Regē, Patriae!

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS?

Rome (May 1)--Thus spake the Oracle of Delphi to the Turks, "The Lion That Roared has become a mouse, but actions speak louder than words." RSVP, por favor?

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Carlisle, PA--Chapel Hill Publications wishes everyone a happy new year for 1974. We will endeavor to succeed with our new year resolutions--among them one being regular deadlines for Aquarius. Feliz Nuevo Ano!

Bern, Switzerland--During the Spring 1916 session, the Council of Nations passed three motions into law. They were:

CN#31: Prizes were established for sports and the Olympics. The new law will provide certain amounts of prestige points for various places and wins. For further details read the motion as introduced in Aquarius #11. The new law will go into effect for the Olympics and for Soccer games in 1917.

CN#32: This was a mistake of Swiss Publication editor, Johann Boyer, Jr., IX. It is said that he was too inexperienced with publishing and has been replaced with his older brother, Johann the X. Nevertheless, the motion contained within was defeated, nevertheless.

CN#33: The passing of this motion makes possible the operation of the newly established Belgian Liege Race Track.

CN#34: This (censored) motion was (censored) passed by the (censored) body of (censored) so-called (censored) diplomats in disguise as (censored). Nevertheless, Switzerland will refrain from voting this (censored) motion. It was reported that the new Council representative, Johann Boyer, Sr., II stated that the (censored) diplomats could (censored) (Censored) (censored) with their (censored) self-centered ideas. When the (censored) body of (censored) diplomats fall apart, Switzerland will not move to help the (censored) (censored). For further (censored) details of this (censored) motion, refer to Aquarius #11.

NEW MOTIONS INTRODUCED

CN#39 (Belgian)--Fellow delegates; as you all know, our first Secretary General, Mr. Hilliker, has resigned due to personal reasons. With this, I have automatically risen to the post of Secretary General, in accordance with Council of Nations' rules. Unfortunately for all of us, Mr. Hilliker resigned one year before his term was due to expire. This means we have a vacancy for one full year. Should I resign, or for other reasons leave my post, the Council would be without a Secretary General or Deputy Secretary General for some period of time.

Since there is still one full year until the next elections, I am hereby appointing Mr. Amsden of Spain to fill the post of Deputy

Secretary General until the coming elections.

I fully realize that there is no precedent to draw upon for guidance in this matter. Obviously no one, including myself, had the foresight to consider this happening.

Therefore, Belgium would like to make the following resolution: In the event the post of Deputy Secretary General is vacated, the Secretary General will appoint a replacement to fill out the term. This appointment will immediately be voted on by the delegates the following season. A majority vote will be necessary to confirm the appointment.

CN#40 (North African): I would like to suggest that each minor country on the board has one home unit to begin in their own province. These units are to be ordered in press from the owner country, but they will in no way hinder the major countries of the game, as they are only "press units." I make this motion on the grounds that it will make the game more interesting for the minor players, and it will cause no more work for the GM. The units must, however, be moved, built, retreated and removed according to the rules of Diplomacy. ((What do you mean, no more work? Still, I won't oppose the extra work for adjudicating these press units.))

CN#41 (Switzerland): We wish to propose that the Council of Nations raise units to police a ceasefire between Italy and our country. Not only for our proposed ceasefire with Italy, but to allow the C of N participate in any ceasefire two warring nations may desire. It is, therefore, in the interest of peace that we propose allowing the C of N to raise the necessary military units to impose effective control on ceasefires. We further propose that the General Secretary be allowed to allocate these C of N units when requested by ceasefire participants. Last, this power of the General Secretary can only be overridden by a majority vote of the C of N representatives, if they do not wish to send C. of N. units to police a ceasefire.

DEBATE ON MOTIONS

Bern, Switzerland (CHP)--From the current session, we have the following debates: Italian: My fellow delegates. In regard to CN#35, we most heartily agree with Belgium on Switzerland's advantages in this esteemed body. However, by denying Mr. Boyer the right to engage in discussion with us we deny Switzerland the right to be recognized as a (cont. next col.)

England	6	0	4	12
Belgium	5	1	4	11
Austria	4	3	3	11
Albania	2	1	7	5

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

	W	T	L	Pts
Russia	7	0	3	14
Turkey	5	1	4	11
N Africa	4	1	5	9
Serbia	2	3	5	7

The next report will list second half results along with the report on the playoffs and the world series for 1916:

EXPLANATION ON SOCCER #S

Bern (CHP)--We are asking only for 3 sets of numbers, but you can give as many as you want. In any case, we go through in alphabetical order with teams in your own division first and then of the other division and back to

Nation	#31	#32	#33	#34	Ppts.*
Alb	Y-5000	N	Y-135	Y	15320
Aus	Y	Y-13120	Y	Y	50
Bel	Y	N	Y-3000	Y-3000	15665
Bul	Y-1000	A	N	Y-1000	4150
Eng	Y	A	A	Y-3000	9100
Fra	Y-7650	A	Y	N	15350
Ger	-75 penalty				359
Hol	N-50	N	Y	Y-50	5270
Ita	N	N	Y-1860	Y	3770
Lic	-75 penalty				1925
Naf	Y	Y	Y	Y	
	-50 penalty for no points placed				425
Rus	Y-100	N	Y	Y	1650
Ser	N	N	Y-50	N	2580
Sic	-75 penalty				500
Spa	-75 penalty				125
Swe	Y-50	Y-50	Y-50	A	768
Tur	Y-100	N-100	N	Y-10000	21250
Tot.	10-3	3-7	10-2	10-2	
	Passed	Defeat	Passed	Passed	

*Prestige points total includes annual 50 Ppts.

sovereign state. While Switzerland may soon become a part of the Italian Empire, it is not now, and must be treated as any other country. Therefore, we hope that this proposal will be defeated, but that Mr. Boyer will use more judgement and prudence in the future regarding these debates and in his news releases.

Thank you Mr. Secretary.

Turkey: In an effort to use his entire prestige won under the isolationish policy of the late Sultan, Rasha Gorbals has pushed extremely hard for motion #34. It is expected when Cynthia hears of this violation of her announced policy she will publicly denounce Rasha and appoint a new council representative.

Denmark: We are requesting full vote authority in this esteemed body.

Switzerland: Request approved. Denmark will participate starting with the Fall session.

Switzerland: We must vehemently oppose the Belgian motion calling for our censorship. We, under our new government, have tried our best to reform our various foreign policies. We are trying to restore rationality and peace to Europe. In this we have begun peace talks with Italy. We wish to denounce the Italian proposal (CN#36) and contrary to their claims, they have done more than we have to increase their war efforts and military conquests. We wish to last note that CN#38 is being withdrawn by the power of Switzerland's general authority as sole Security Council member. The motion has been passed as CN#33. We ask that Belgium inform us of the first races.

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	Cr	Fr	Li	Ma	Pl	Po	Ro	
Albania	-500	+100	-500	+500	+757	-500	-435	Bern, Switzerland (CHP)---The
Austria	+2035	+800	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	Swiss officials in charge of
Belgium	-500	0	+515*	+577	0	+739	-500	the seasonal National Holdings
Bulgaria	0	0	0	-500	0	0	+962	report have failed to adjust
France	-500	+3204	-500	0	-500	-500	-500	the totals the last time for
Holland	-500	-433	-500	-500	+500	+370	+2000	the majority of nations. Thus,
Italy	+1000	+1000	-500	-500	-270	+1	-1	we are sorry that it has
North Africa	+500	-309	0	+500	-500	+186	-500	happened and with this report,
Russia	0	-500	0	0	-500	-10	+1130	we hope everyone will be up to
Serbia	+1601	-500	0	-500	-500	0	0	date on their relative worth
Sweden	0	+250	+116	0	0	+175	-250	versus other nations of Europe.
Turkey	+1000	+954	-500	-500	+411	-500	0	Alb: 2500Cr, 100Fr, 5150Ma,
Old Price	157	128	260	233	142	182	121	2828Pl, 500 Po; Aus: 2536Cr,
Total Change	+4436	+4066	-2369	-1423	-1102	-539	+1406	2000Fr, 1951Li, 2285Ma, 1002Pl,
Now Price	201	168	237	219	131	177	135	2426Po, 1684Ro; Bel: 7349Cr,
Trading Volume: 39.391								1494Li, 3577Ma, 2739Po; Bul:
* Left out purchase of 1000 Li last season								500Cr, 500Fr, 2773Li, 500Pl,
								1000Po, 2422Ro; Den: 500Cr,
								500Fr, 2859Li, 500Ma, 500Pl,
								1502Po, 500Ro; Eng: 5568Li,
								500Ma, 375Pl, 3991Po; Fra:
								2612Cr, 4204Fr, 1282Ma, 185Pl,
								615Po, 3219Ro; Ger: 1000Cr,
								233Fr, 1700Li, 2418Pl, 1100Po;
								Hol: 800Cr, 1682Li, 2400Ma,
								2340Pl, 2470Po, 3442Ro; Ita:
								2311Cr, 1000Fr, 1500Li, 979Ma,
								1669Pl, 2340Po, 1499Ro; Lic:
								2200Fr, 500Li, 3039Ma, 2082Pl,
								1000Po; NAF: 2658Cr, 1454Li,
								662Ma, 1295Pl, 1100Po; Por:
								1705Cr, 1000Fr, 1500Li, 1500Ma,
								500Pl, 1000Po, 1500Ro; Rus:
								3096Fr, 2785Li, 2711Ma, 3236Ro;
								Ser: 1601Cr, 1787Fr, 1357Li,
								2423Ma, 3262Pl, 467Po; Sic:
								500Cr, 500Fr, 1000Li, 1000Ma,
								1000Pl, 2589Po, 1000Ro; Spa:
								2811Fr, 2210Li, 482Ma, 500Po,
								671Ro; Swe: 930Cr, 423Fr, 1695
								Li, 1269Ma, 1050Pl, 1515Po,
								150Ro; Tur: 1000Cr, 3454Fr,
								1368Li, 852Ma, 2781Pl, 567Po,
								2000Ro.

A SWISS GOVERNMENTAL REPORT

Bern, Switzerland (CHP)---The Chairman of the Swiss International Monetary Fund Control Board reported recently on the general currency situation in Europe. First point made was that the general inflationary spiral has continued without much letup--in fact, the rate just increased this current season! Second point made was that national holdings have almost quadrupled since the beginning of the Swiss Currency Exchange. Today, rare is the country that is poorer than when it started in 1914! The report given out also included a statistical study of the market transactions. What was found was shocking! Many of the European nations' finance leaders do not yet know how to add or subtract or even multiply! The Board, a source was quoted, recommends a rule re-examination for those who have been failing to do the elementary arithmetic correctly. Most frequent errors were the following: 1) The current price of the German Mark is now "219". This is said to be the equivalent to 219 grams of gold, but this does not matter, the point is that "219" is the market "number" for 2.19. In reality, the current price of the German Mark is now 2.19 times the starting price in 1914 (100 or 1.00). Consequently, the price is also looked upon as 219 units of an international value (such as grams of gold) for 100 units of Marks. The prices given are all based upon 100 units of currency. Therefore, when the price of the Mark is quoted as "219" it is also saying that 1 German Mark equals 2.19 grams of gold. All currencies, remember, started out at 100 per 100 units or 1 gram of gold per unit (the Mark started at 1 gm of gold for 1 Mark and is now worth 2.19 gms of gold.). If you sell 500 Marks, you multiply 2.19 times 500 and get 1095.00. This is the equal of 1095 gms of gold. Now, you want to buy some different currency. 1095 gms of gold will buy you: (at current prices) 544 Crowns (1095 divided by 2.01). 462 Francs, 835 Piastres, 818 Pounds or 811 Roubles. Players should first determine what they will sell, find their total available "grams of gold" and then buy other currencies. Please check to be sure that you do not buy more than what you have in gold (due to your selling of currencies)! Most common error is thinking 500 Marks equal 500 Crowns, etc.! NO! 500 Marks equal 1095 gms of gold and that equals 544 Crowns! So, watch it and balance your sales and purchases!

SPORTS NEWS

EUROPEAN SOCCER STARTS!

Bern, Switzerland (CHP)---The league had a few last minute changes. For one, Spain and Sicily have dropped out along with Ireland! As for Ireland, the world champions, The Clovers, were disbanded when their coach, Cullen-Hendry, left for Russia. Just at this time, the league accepted a replacement for Ireland in Russia. It has now been confirmed that the earlier rumors were true about the coach of the Russians was the former Irish coach, Cullen-Hendry. If so, the coach has continued his winning ways with his secret formula for success. So, on with the half-way standings!

CONTINENTAL DIVISION

	W	T	L	Pts
England	6	0	4	12
Belgium	5	1	4	11
Austria	4	3	3	11
Albania	2	1	7	5

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

	W	T	L	Pts
Russia	7	0	3	14
Turkey	5	1	4	11
N. Africa	4	1	5	9
Serbia	2	3	5	7

The next report will list second half results along with the report on the playoffs and the world series for 1916!

EXPLANATION ON SOCCER #S

Bern (CHP)---We are asking only for 3 sets of numbers, but you can give as many as you want. In any case, we go through in alphabetical order with teams in your own division first and then of the other division and back to teams in your division. The same numbers starting with the first set will be used in order for both the playoffs and world series (if you make them).

ALBANIANS TRAIN

Albania---Albania's Soccer team, the Dwarves, wish to congratulate the Irish team on their World Series win. Next time, well, you never know. Coach Grumpy felt he could have pulled off the title had it not been for early injuries to the stars of the team. Dopey and

and Sleepy. King Zog made a great showing in all games he participated in this season. Welcome to the League, Belgium!

THE LIEGE RACE TRACK

Belgium, Liege (LGB)---Mr. Boyer brought up a good point about the running of the races at the Liege Track. The race will be run on JM's "Winner Circle" race track. The only difference being that instead of using JM's horse tokens I'll be using the color of each major power. The horses' names denote which country they represent. In future races, all countries active in Aquarius will be represented. After the first seven races, a special stakes race will be run featuring all previous seven winners.

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SWISS SPEED PHENOM WINS AGAIN!

Bern---The most famous horse of all Swiss history won the prized Bern Buttercup Race by 10 lengths over his nearest competitor, Dutchie Boy. After Dutchie by five lengths was the Danish horse, Porno. Will the Swiss phenom, Swiss Cheese win at Liege? Who can tell? Will Dutchie Boy pull a recovery? Will some other horse win? The entire Swiss population will be holding their breath!

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W15 errors: F Aeg is Turkish, not Italian, and Italy has A Mun, not A Boh.

AUSTRIA(Tonnesen): A Alb-Gre, A Gre-Bul, A Ser S A Gre-Bul/r/, A Bud-Gal, A Sil-Ber

ENGLAND(Greenwell): F Ivp-Nat, F Eng-Bre, F Nor-Nth, F Bar-Nor, A StP-Liv

FRANCE(Chin): F Bre H, F Mid S F Bre H, A Mar S Ita A Mun-Bur/nso/, A Spa-Gas

GERMANY(Barents): F Den-Kie, F Swe H, F Bel-Pic, A Par-Gas, A Bur-Mar, A Ruh-Mun, A Ber-Sil

ITALY(Massar): F Tyr S F Ion, F Ion S Aus A Alb-Gre, A Mun S Aus A Sil-Ber, A Tyr S A Mun, A Ven/u/

RUSSIA(Hendry): A Ukr-Mos, A War-Mos, A Rum S Tur A bul-Ser, F Sev S A Rum

TURKEY(Blank): A Bul-Ser, A Con-Bul, F Aeg-Gre, F Eas-Aeg

SUMMER & FALL 1916 ORDERS DUE JANUARY 31, 1974 at noon, Eastern Daylight Saving Time!

OTHER ORDERS DUE JAN. 31 ST

Bourse transactions for Fall 1916; Council of Nations votes on CN#35, 36, 37, new motions, debate, etc.; Soccer numbers; as well as any press. WE HAVE ON HAND PRESS AND ENTERTAINMENT WHICH WE WILL PRINT NEXT ISSUE! SO WAIT!

HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR 1974!

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Aquarius is finally out!
The holidays are over!
(and so is my vacation)

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A few thin issues in my various zines will straighten out the problem, but I'm hoping that this will be the last thin issue period. Aquarius got the brunt of the holiday backlog while the others were out fairly on time. Peace.



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