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ARMA-1

Fall 1906

BALKAN FRONT SHIFTS AGAIN IN AUSTRO-TURKISH WAR! ITALIANS REGAIN NAPLES!
GERMAN GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE RETURNS HOME AS ENGLISH ADVANCE CONTINUES!

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN EMPIRE (Reinsel): A Moscow-Ukraina; A Sevastopol (S)
A Moscow-Ukraina; A Silesia (S) A Tyrolia-Munich; A Tyrolia-Munich;
A Venice-Rome; A Trieste (S) A Budapest-Serbia; A Budapest-Serbia;
A Rumania (S) A Bulgaria; A Bulgaria (S) A Budapest-Serbia;
F Naples-Rome.

BRITISH EMPIRE (Dygert): A Ukraina (S) TURKISH A Serbia-Rumania;
A Livonia-St Petersburg; A Warsaw-Moscow; F North Africa-Tunis;
F Mid Atlantic-Western Mediterranean Sea; F North Sea-Denmark;
F Baltic Sea (C) GERMAN A Denmark-Berlin; A Burgundy-Munich;
A Belgium-Burgundy; A Picardy-Paris.

GERMANY (Johnson): A Denmark-Berlin.

HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE (Tzudiker): F Tyrrhenian Sea-Naples; A Piedmont-Tuscany; A Ruhr (S) ENGLISH A Burgundy-Munich; A Holland-Kiel;
F Spain (s.c.)-Western Mediterranean Sea.

OTTOMAN EMPIRE (Brannan): F Ionian Sea (S) ITALIAN F Tyrrhenian Sea-Naples; A Armenia-Sevastopol; A Serbia-Rumania; A Constantinople-Bulgaria; A Greece (S) A Constantinople-Bulgaria.

All of those underlined moves fail. The Turkish A Serbia is dislodged and must retreat to Albania. The Austrian F Naples is dislodged and must retreat to Apulia. The Austrian A Bulgaria is dislodged and annihilated since there is no space available for a retreat.

England may build two new units. There are no other builds or removals unless Turkey or Austria wish to exercise their option and not retreat a dislodged unit (in which case either of them could build one).

Since I will discover the English builds and whether or not Turkey will build when ARMA is published this evening, a note will be inclosed to each player informing of same. If, for some strange reason, Charles Reinsel wishes to remove his dislodge fleet, he should let the games-master know immediately. The deadline for Spring 1907 moves is

THURSDAY 16 MARCH 1967 c/o C. Turner, 843 Santa Fe, Albany, Calif. 94706.

CONSTANTINOPLE: There can be no peace with A-H until the entirety of Italy has been restored to Italian control!

SUPPLY CENTER COUNT:

AUSTRIA: Vie, Bud, Tri, Rom, Ven, Ser, Rum, Sev, Mos (9). Constant.
ENGLAND: War, St Pet, Swe, Nor, Den, Edi, Lon, Liv, Bel, Par, Bre,
Tun (12). Build two.
GERMANY: Ber (1). Constant.
ITALY: Hol, Mun, Mar, Spa, Por, Nap (6). No place to build.
TURKEY: Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre (5) constant.

ARMA-2

Winter 1903

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Fletcher): Build A Vienna.
ENGLAND (Powlesland & Maddux): Build D London
ITALY (Brannan): Declines to build.
TURKEY (Alexander): Gamesmaster removes A Syria.

Spring 1904 moves must be received by THURSDAY 16 MARCH 1967 c/o
the European Concertmaster (J.J. Dyger), 2090 Blackwood Drive,
Walnut Creek, California 94596.

ROME: "Once more! Into the breach!" The Fantastics

AMSTERDAM: P.M. Maddux, in a speech to the Dutch people, given shortly
after the liberation had been completed, expressed the joy of the
British people as the result of the completion of this effort which
had begun some two years before. "All we desire is that all peoples
will be free from aggression. We shall continue in our efforts--
ultimately freeing all of Scandinavia, and carrying the war to the
very strongholds of aggression.

AMSTERDAM: Angry crowds awaited P.M. Maddux's appearance here, carrying
arm-loads of rotten fruit (due to the English blockade it takes
months for fruit to arrive from the tropics). Before the P.M.'s
speech, these onlookers were cleared away by British military personal
wearing armbands marked "S.S." (for Special Services, of course).
Maddux's speech was noteworthy for the number of times it was not
interrupted by applause.

WHITEHALL: Intelligence reported today, that a large number of
Russian fishing trawlers had been sighted near the British coast,
shortly after the area had been vacated by the fleet, which was
operating around Holland.

ZURICH: What's the word on the English-French-Russian short-term alliance?

ATHENS: Crown Prinz Engen spoke for the Imperial Austrian fleet today,
in reply to the petition presented yesterday by a group of Macedonian
peasants: "Despite rumors to the contrary, the imperial fleet is
probably not the cause of the heavy smog coating Macedonia, since the
fleet consists of 11 submarines, 2 minesweepers, 1 destroyer, and the
heavy cruiser Schweinhund. We feel that the installation of smog
control devices is somewhat unnecessary.

On the other hand, if we hear of any more of those hideous vegetable
sacrifices to the "great god DGRT," the imperial navy will take
suppressive action. The mythical "European Concertmaster" notwithstanding,
the smog conditions are probably caused by a freak atmospheric disturbance
in the vicinity of Mt. Olympus. On the suggestion of Dr. Quackenbush,
the fleet meteorologist, we may try to disperse the disturbance
with a naval bombardment..."

ARMA-3

TEAM GAME

Winter 1902

SEATTLE:

AUSTRIA (Beyerlein): Build A Vienna.

RUSSIA (Long*): Build A Warsaw.

LTA:

ENGLAND (Dygert*): Build F London.

Spring 1903 moves will be due on or before THURSDAY 16 MARCH 1967 c/o Charles Turner, 843 Santa Fe, Albany, Calif. 94706.

FLORENCE: His Royal Majesty, Louis Cosimo IX has just resumed his trip north to his newest villa in France. His Majesty there will meet with dignitaries of the newly incorporated territories at his new Villa de Triompho where he will be begged by his Royal subjects to accept the titles of Duc de Savoy et Languedoc and Compt de Toulouse. Naturally, out of the goodness of his heart, he will accept.

ROME: His Majesty's First Minister of State, Count Tutti today held discussions with Lord Welby Farthingwort-Chumberleigh, English Ambassador to the Royal Court. Strangely enough, no one has the slightest idea what they were about. There is some speculation that it might be a commercial treaty because the words bologna and bull were mentioned.

Elsewhere there was an uproar--in fact most of the city could be included in "elsewhere." It seems that an English country gentleman, Squire James Thwackham-Bogert had the bad taste and foolishness to try to lecture to Cardinal Giacobbi of the Holy Office on what was wrong with him. This caused somewhat of a tiff. A regiment of Swiss Guards was bowled over when a grey tweed blob and black thorn cane engaged in fisticuffs with a crimson blob with an immense candlestick roared by. The Pope was last seen walling himself into the Crypt of St. Peter until the row was over--"for peace and quiet," quoth he.

QUESTION FOR OTHER GAMESMASTERS:

Occasionally, players order pieces to nonsensical or non-existent places instead of just writing a "dull" stand order. In such instances it is obvious that they intend for the unit to stand, but the rules specify that a unit ordered to move may not be supported in place. How do you rule when a unit is ordered to a ridiculous or non-existent place and then they or someone else attempts to support the so-ordered unit?

In Broddingnag #52 John McCallum posed the following two questions:

1. May a power simultaneously attack and support the same foreign unit? Example: A Tyrolia-Munich and A Burgundy (S) GERMAN A Munich.

McCallum points out that this maneuver might be used to cut A Munich's support for a unit in Kiel, but would also prevent another power (say Russia) from being able to successfully enter Munich. In ARMAGEDDONIA, such a move is legal. There is nothing in the rules prohibiting it.

2. Can a unit cut support being given to itself?
Example given on page following.

Self-referential

X-AMIA

TURKEY: A Moscow-Warsaw; A Ukraina (S) A Moscow-Warsaw.
GERMANY: A Silesia (S) RUSSIAN A Warsaw.
RUSSIA: A Warsaw-Silesia.

Since the rules state that support given to a unit standing in position is rendered invalid by an attempted move by that unit, the German support of the Russian A Warsaw fails. I don't know if you could say that it was "cut," but it certainly is rendered invalid, allowing Turkey to seize Warsaw.

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ARMA-4

OMNIBUS

Summer 1915

RETREATS:

RUSSIAN A Warsaw-Galicia
ITALIAN A Tirol-Lombardy
ITALIAN A Fiume-Slavonia

Fall 1915:

AUSTRIA-hungary (Walker): A Tirol-Trieste; A Vienna (S) A Tirol-Trieste;
F Fiume (S) A Tirol-Trieste; A Budapest (S) A Tirol-Trieste;
A Prague (S) A Cracow; A Cracow (S) A Prague; A Rumania-Debrecen;
A Serbia hold.

ENGLAND (Alexander): A Edinburgh, A Sinai, F Suez, F Andalusia (wc),
F South Atlantic Ocean, F North Atlantic Ocean, F Norwegian Sea,
F Barents Sea, and F North Sea all stand. A Norway dislodged and
annihilated.

FRANCE (Powlesland): F Gulf of Lions-Pyrenees (e.c.); A Pyrenees-
Languedoc; F Brest-Normandy; A Picardy-Belgium; A Orleans-Champagne;
A Paris (S) A Orleans-Champagne; A Champagne-Lorraine;
A Besancon (S) A Champagne-Lorraine; F Madrid and A Lyon stand.

GERMANY (Celestre): A Belgium (S) A Ardennes-Champagne; A Ardennes-
Champagne; A Lorraine-Besancon; A Alsace (S) A Lorraine-Besancon;
A Netherlands (S) A Belgium; A Cologne-Luxembourg; F Denmark (S)
F Kiel-Baltic Sea; F Kiel-Baltic Sea; A Danzig-Warsaw; A Warsaw-Cracow;
A Posen-Silesia; A Leipzig-Prague; A Munich (S) A Leipzig-Prague.

ITALY (Long): A Slavonia-Budapest; A Lombardy-Tirol; A Trieste-Fiume;
F Adriatic Sea (S) A Trieste-Fiume; A Venice-Trieste; A Genoa hold;
F Western Mediterranean Sea hold.

RUSSIA (Brannan): A Sweden-Norway; A Archangel (S) A Sweden-Norway;
A Vilna-Danzig; F Baltic Sea (C) A Vilna-Danzig; A East Prussia (S)
A Vilna-Danzig; F Riga (S) F Baltic Sea; A Galicia-Warsaw;
A Grodno (S) A Galicia-Warsaw; A Kiev-Volhynia; A Rostov-Voronezh;
A Caucasus-Astrakhan; A Armenia (S) Duplicator paper to Ankara (stands);
F Odessa-Black Sea.

TURKEY (Schow): F Eastern Mediterranean stands; A Persia-Armenia;
F Trebizond-Black Sea; A Ankara-Damascus; A Bulgaria (S) A Greece;
A Greece (S) A Bulgaria.

Underlined moves fail. The German A Warsaw is dislodged and must

retreat to Posen or Suwalki. The German A Danzig is dislodged and must retreat to Pomerania, Berlin, or Posen. The French A Besancon is dislodged and must retreat to Burgundy. The Austrian F Fiume is dislodged and must retreat to Dalmatia. The Austrian A Prague is dislodged and must retreat to Salzburg. The English A Norway is dislodged and annihilated.

Russia may build two new units. Germany and Turkey may each build one new unit. England and Italy remain constant. France and Austria must each remove one unit. Bu\$lds and removals may be made conditional on the directions of retreats. Winter 1915 orders are due on or before THURSDAY 16 MARCH 1967 c/o JJ Dygert, 2090 Blackwood Dr, Walnut Creek, California 94596.

ROME: Upon request from Franz-Joseph, Italy has been asked to sieze numerous press agencies claiming to have formed a nation called "Hungary." The chief instigator of this plot is one M.M. Zoltani (former resident of Salona and Rome) who has let a band of social outcasts into a facticious rule. Italy cannot stand by to see this group of peasants smear the good name of Austria.

MOSCOW: Officials here are in a dither over the ppor results of Diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary. A-H has declared an "armed neutrality". Rumours have it that Russia may withdraw its offer of support into Munich and Frankfurt for Austria-Hungary. However, both Munich and Frankfurt are still considered to be Austrian terrtiory.

ST PETERSBURG: His Majesty's most inept fishing fleet should be advised that the Barents Sea freezes over in the winter time.

NAMUR: General Diegull, commander of the French First Army, which had just retreated from its occupation of Belgium, was quoted today as saying "I shall return--again!!" The general, who had already returned to Belgium once, apparently intends to make a habit of it. He did not comment when asked when the next attempt would be.

PARIS: Premier Clemency rose in Parliament today to comment on the Russian invasion of Germany. "We have nothing but praise for the valiant soldiers of the Czar, and their efforts on behalf of self-determination for all people. We regret that the Austrian gov't has seen fit to withdraw from the common cause, but we are confident that at some time in the near futrue, all nations will see the need to stop German expansion."

BUDAPEST (31 October 1915): Despite the war against Italian despot Gregorius Longine-Whittenauer, the entire capital turned out joyously tonight to celebrate the birthday of Her Imperial Majesty the Empress. At the height of the celebration, Her Majesty proposed t@ hng Gregorius in Effigy (a small down near the capital), but he was not present. The party ended in a Grand Orgy, presided over by His Holiness Pope Innocent XIV, Her Majesty's father. The Empress, as always, was her usual charming, graceful self. Several amusing games were played at the Orgy, including Spin the Land Mine, Pin the Tail on the Italian, and Diplomacy. "Not a game for innocents," commented the Pope. Later, many of the guests departed to throw napalm at Italian war prisoners.

BUDAPEST (12 October 1915): Her Imperial Majesty, Empress Lucrezia, wife of Emperor Zoltan II, today exhorted the people of the Hungarian Empire to exert all efforts to kill the Italian infidels, and offered 2 gold sovereigns for every Italian scalp brought to the capital. "Kill," said Her Majesty.

ANKARA (18 February 1967): Ha! That's all you know. The Imperial Hungarian Calendar dates from the only really important date of the 1st Century, the date of the death of the beloved Emperor Caius Julius Caesar Augustus Octavianus. Owing to a slight miscalculation by the astronomer Cn. Ulpus Myopius, the year is a tad too short, so a year has been gained and we are now only 13 years behind the infidel calendar. Hmph! However, to please you, we are now using your barbaric dates. 1915 indeed!

ALBANY, CALIF: The editor of ARMAGEDDONIA, an expert on Assyriology, reveals that the Hungarian calendar is actually based, not on the year of the death of Augustus, but on the year of the death of Sargon XXVII, the founder of Budapest. The Hungarians of today still retain many of the characteristics of their ancestors, the Assyrians.

BUDAPEST (15 November 1915): The hot air for the airships of the imposter "Franz-Josef" is obviously being supplied by the European Concertmaster himself. ZAP! Ha! Got you first, E.C.M. P.S. Hungary protests the use of the appellation "Austria-Hungary"! There is no Austria.

ALBANY: Correction. There will soon be no Austria. (You listening Italy and Germany?)

PRAGUE: Newsmen have come to interview the German Army Commander in Prague about an unprecedented attack upon Austria. Enrico Dager allayed all their fears when he addressed the group, clad in a blue and gold parka, head skis and boots, stated that he and his friends heard that skiing in the Austrian Alps this time of year was the best in the world so we decided to test out the slopes.

ARMA-5

Winter 1901

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Pendergrass): Build F Trieste and A Budapest.

ENGLAND (Tzudiker): Build F London.

FRANCE (Alexander): No builds received.

GERMANY (Peery): Build A Berlin.

ITALY (Swenson): Build F Rome and F Naples.

RUSSIA (Leitch): F Sevastopol and A Moscow.

TURKEY (Willard): Build F Smyrna.

BERLIN: I'll never join another ARMA game, you people are savages. Lick, lick!

ST PETERSBURG: The hottest rumor in Moscow these days is that our maximum leader Prince Nikolas Knoudniche (pronounced Noodnik) has dismissed the entire government. Prince Nikolas returned recently from the annual conference on Near-Eastern Horticulture to find the resident officials in complete confusion (a side rumor is that everyone presumed Prince Nikolas dead--despite the previous pronouncements

that harmony had at long last been established in Kremlin offices).

Prince Nikolas is now, however, attempting to redress any grievances in foreign affairs incurred while he was absent. The Prince--always a peace loving ruler has his interest in horticulture attests (how could a man who cultivates delicate lotus blooms order 150,000 men to arms--besides where in Muscovia are there 150,000 able meh?) is devoting particular attention to a 15 hour speech in which he apologizes for being the only ruler in all Europe to make hostile moves this past spring.

ARMA-6

The MMM is unavoidably delayed in getting in its moves. The gamesmaster will send out the results by letter when the MMM moves are received.

OOOPS. THE ARMA-5 DEADLINE FOR SPRING 1902 MOVES IS THURSDAY 16 MARCH 1967 c/o JJ Dygert, 2090 Blackwood Dr, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94596.

KONING'S RULE AND RETREATS:

In the course of publishing ARMA #10, your editor went over to Charles Brannan's apartment on Telegraph Avenue. In the course of a discussion, I confronted him with the following situation:

RUSSIA: A Silesia-Prussia; A Warsaw (S) A Silesia-Prussia.

GERMANY: A Prussia-Silesia.

QUESTION: Is the province of Silesia open for the retreat of a dislodged unit (e.g. from Bohemia)?

Notice that this is very similar to the Koning's Rule situation, though not exactly the same, since the movement into Silesia is not simultaneous.

Anyway, having (unfairly) already looked at the rules, I innocently posed the question to Brannan: "How do you rule?" He replied that he would rule the province closed to a retreat, since he does not believe in the Koning Rule (in W&W, that is). Triumphantly, I pulled out the rules, and pointed to the passage on retreats. "There was no stand-off in Silesia, was there?" said I; "So what's your reason for denying that Silesia is open for a retreat?" But I had not counted on the wily Brannan mentality! "Of course there was a stand-off. The German A Prussia was stood-off in its attempt to enter Silesia." Again appealing to the rules, I attempted to get Brannan to show me where the rules defined stand-off in that manner. But to no avail; he refused to look. "Besides," he said, "it's dangerous to play by the rules. I've been making my own up as I go along..."

Anyway, I stick to my guns, and maintain that, in the example given, Silesia is open for a retreat from Bohemia. Other gamesmasters please comment.

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