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GERMANY AND ITALY DISAGREE OVER WHO SKIIS IN TYROLIA FIRST!
WHILE IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL....

GERMANY (Tretick):

F Kie-Den

A Ber-Kie

A Mun-Tyr

AUSTRIA (Jones):

A Bud-Ser A Vie-Bud

F Tri-Alb

TURKEY (Leahey):

A Con-Bul

A Smy-Con

F Ank-Bla

FRANCE (White):

F Bre-Eng

A Par-Gas

A Mar-Spa

ITALY (Hoyer):

A Ven-Tyr

A Rom-Ven

F Nap-Ion

ENGLAND (Beckman):

F Lon-Eng

A Liv holds

F Edi-Nth

RUSSIA (Horvath):

A Mos-Sev

A War-Ukr

F Sev-Rum

I StP (sc)-Bot

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#### PRESS RELEASES (1971R)

#### Marseilles

The 2nd French Army has so enjoyed their R & R in sunny southern France that they will stay till FALL.

#### Brest

The French 1st Fleet left for maneuvers in the Mid Atlantic Ocean with rumors that they will stop in either Portugal, North Africa, West Med, Nth Atlantic, or Irish Sea. This correspondant can prove or disprove none of these rumors.

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CURIOUS NAVAL BATTLES IN WATERS SURROUNDING GREECE. RUSSIAN MOVES DISRUPT TURKS, GERMANS! TTALTANS, AUSTRIANS BATTLE IN PIEDMONT!

ITALY (Gygax):

F Aeg-Ion

F Tyr (S) F Aeg-Ion

A Ven (S) A Rom

A Spa-Mar

A Mar-Pie

A Rom (S) A Ven

ENGLAND (Lakofka):

F Por-Mid

F Eng (S) A Hol-Bel

F Den-Kie

A Hol-Bel

F Bel-Pic

F Nth-Nor

F Ed1-Nth

A Liv-Edi

GERMANY (MacDonald):

A Ruh (S) A Mun-Kie

F Kie-Ber

A Mun-Kie

A War-Pru

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY (Lichtenstein):

F Ion (S) TURKISH F Eas-Aeg [dislodged]

A Rum-Bul

A Gal-Boh

A Tyr-Pie

RUSSIA (Gaylord):

F Bal-Ber

A Ukr-Mos

TURKEY (Berlin):

A Mos-StP

A Sev-Mos

A Arm-Sev

A Gre (S) AUSTRIAN A Rum-Bul

F Bla∞Con

F Eas-Aeg

F Smy (S) F Eas-Aeg

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FRANCE (Inzer):

A Bur [no moves received]
A Bre [all units hold]

Underlined moves do not succeed. The direction of the retreat for the Austrian F Ion should be sent to the GM <u>immediately</u>. The other players will be informed as soon as possible. A new player is needed for the position of France. Anyone who wishes to play whould send in "Fall 1904" moves for France. The first person to reply will become the new player for France.

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## PRESS RELEASES (1970AJ)

[From the translations of Patrick Albermarion]

On the road from Eyeaff Dubbleue:

"What are they waiting for?" hissed Halfflower, tiring of his perch in a tall tree.

Some minutes ago Leomund had halted on the road for no apparant reason. A small but distinct flash of blue light was seen and Leomund's band began to move onward toward the hissing of cs.

As they approached, King Leomund was deep in thought. His knights, Tie-roan, Chriswise, Lord Henry and Prince Leo were all in animated conversation, especially Prince Leo. Almost without warning the orcs swing from the trees, hacking and thrusting with their crescent-shaped blades. Tie-roan and Prince Leo were unhorsed, Chriswise was beset by 4 orcs and Lord Henry was lying wounded, about to be finished by Halfflower's blade when Leomund snaped back to full awarness. He wielded his giant sword VETO and called upon the heat of the Star of Calenhad and the tumult of rain from the Gem of the Misty Mountains.

At once VETO gleamed a radiant red, and dark clouds filled the sky. The orcs were terrified, some fleeing at the display. Just as Halfflower was about to drive his blade home he screamed in untold agony as the red-hot VETO clove his arm from his body. Amid the terror and confusion the swords of Eyeaff Dubbleue; VETO, FIASCO, LEGION, CALIF and TINTINABULIUM, slaughtered the score-plus-one of orcs. Only Halfflower escaped, screaming obscene incantations of the Black Tongue at the victor-ious Forces of the King.

In the Land of Cycle (pronounced as Sickel) Morgoth quickly prepared a force of orcs to overtake Lumberman and slay Leomund. He saw the power of the Star of Calenhad and the Gem of the Misty Mountains, but he felt the Silmaril and the "Golden Glow" of Barad Hawley were their match. Just as he was to leave to vanquish the King of Eyeaff Dubbleue, he cursed loudly and returned to the citadel. Were Gygax to come while he was gone, he could lay waste to Barad Hawley of Sanas A Diego!

The orcs were sent forth, but Morgoth held little hope for their success. He would have to match Leomund himself.

At the Bridge of Osgilath:

Gygax stood on the bridge in his deep blue cloak awaiting the men of Barad Tirit. He saw the victory of the Star of Calenhad, and only hoped he would fair as well. As long as none of the robbers could wield the 'Seman' he was safe!

Before him stood the band of Barad Tirith. Their leader, Fill Prithurd, swag-gered forward to challenge the stranger in blue.

Where are you bound for, gentlement and Sygam.

# PRESS RELEASES [continued]

"None of your affair, beggar. Leave the bridge so we may pass" lisped Prithurd. "I come to regain what you have stolen, you brigand."

"Not hardly, honey" lisped the trembly-lipped Prithurd.

Gygax drew his blue-white sword, PROLIFIC, and simed it at the cloven-tongued thief. Prithurd's band had remained immobile, but now they joined their leader, approaching with menacing blades.

Gygax called upon the Blue Ring of the Havens and PROLIFIC became alive with flashes of blue-white discharges.

Yet Prithurd was unmoved. Then Pill began to edge forward. The Purple light of Durknen was also summoned, and the sky became black as the bitterest midnight in the caves of Orodruin. Only PROLIFIC cast its sober light.

But then the darkness fell, PROLIFIC ceased its glow. Before Gygax stood Pill holding the 'Seman' of Roddy Wacker before him. He tittered insanely.

"So you will try your tricks, beggar!" he whistled.

How could be wield the 'Seman' so quickly mused Gygax. Then, all at once, Prithurd's face awoke as the bear struck by lightening. The 'Seman' dropped to the ground as Prithurd fell to his knees in anguish. PROLIFIC blazed and darkness fell. The band vanished in the darkness, carrying their hopelessly insane leader. The stone of arachonite had claimed the mind of another too weak to use it!

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

John J. Beshara, 155 West 68th Street, Apt. 1021, New York, New York 10023. (March 17, 1971)

Dear Chris,

It was a pleasure seeing your revised houserules in ATLANTIS 34. My congratulations for having the clearest houserules of any publisher.

While I've not checked them thoroughly for typographical errors, I did note there are errors in Sample Ruling B, which I hope you will correct. I also note in Sample Ruling D the move of <u>A Vie-Bud</u> should be underlined. [That is only because you received one of the first copies to be mailed. I caught the error early, before all copies were put in envelopes, so only about a dozen copies escaped my pen. Most people will see that <u>A Vie-Bud</u> was underlined in ink in their copy.]

Your policy regarding substitutes is particularly gratifying. Moves submitted by a substitute with whom no one has a opportunity to negotiate and which oftentimes are not used is non-productive in running an orderly game.

I would be happier if, as I do, you also refused to annihilate unordered units which are dislodged. Since there are too many missed moves in most postal games, the opposing players get enough of an advantage without having their opponents units annihilated.

My general feeling about houserules is maximum simplicity and clarity by keeping verbiage at a minimum. Only cloudy areas in the Games Research Rulebook should be singled out for Sample Rulings. For example, Sample Rulings E and F could be combined as:

While units cannot normally exchange spaces, an exchange of units by convoy is allowed:

A Bel-Hol, F Nth (C) A Bel-Hol, A Hol-Bel

It is my policy, too, not to inform players to which space(s) they may retreat. It is not within the province of the GM to give advice to players about their play. In my games, if a player does submit a retreat to a space not allowed within the rules.

the unit is annihilated. While I know of no other GM who follows this practice, I've heard of no reason why a GM should interfere in the course of the game.

My thanks, too, for your support of THE DIPLOMACY ASSOCIATION. Membership fees are literally pouring in. The membership will undoubtedly encompass the bulk of existing players. Every effort is to be expended in bringing new players into postal Diplomacy.

John J. Beshara

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ITALY (Gygax): F Tyr retreats to Tus [annihilated]
GERMANY (Lakofka): Removes F Kie
ENGLAND (Becker): Builds A Lon
RUSSIA (Peery): A Pru retreats to War; Builds A Sev
FRANCE (Comber): A Ven retreats to Tus [annihilated]; Builds F Mar, A Par
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                           TURKEY TAKES A DIVE: IN IONIAN!
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TURKEY (Tulp):
                                       F Con " :
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ITALY (CD):
                                        F Nap holds
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AUSTRIA (CD):
                                        A Ber-Sil
GERMANY (Locke):
                                        A Mun-Boh
                                        A Pie-Tus
                                        A Mar-Pie
                                        A Tyr (S) A Vie-Tri
                                        A Boh-Vie
                                        Λ Vie-Tri
                                        A War holds
                                        A Gal (S) AUSTRIAN A Bud
                                        F Den-Bal
                                        A Liv-StP
 ENGLAND (Lakofka):
                                        A Por-Spa
                                        F Nth (C) A Edi-Nor
                                        F Eng (C) A Lon-Naf
                                        F Mid (C) A Lon-Naf
                                        F Tun (S) F Tyr-Ion
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F Tus-Rom F Tyr-Ion A Lon-Naf A Edi-Nor