

BARAD-DUR 12

This is BARAD-DUR 12, a magazine of Postal Diplomacy published every 2 weeks by Jack L. Chalker, 5111 Liberty Heights Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, 21207. Available at 10/\$1.00, or in trade for other Postal 'zines. All games at present are filled; we do need ready substitute volunteers, though, for B and C.

A new N3F postal 'zine is being projected by Jerald Jacks, 4203 Labyrinth Road, Baltimore, Maryland, 21215. This is also affiliated with the N3F and will continue the letter system. He is now forming an F game. Rates on all N3F Postal 'zines will rise shortly. Jacks becomes the first under the new rates: \$5.00 per game, \$2.50 for N3F game repeaters, free replacement after 1901 for Games Bureau members, \$1.00 replacement fee for non-Bureau members. The new 'zine will be called, in keeping with the Tolkien tradition, OSGILIATH. Game will begin as soon as the roster is filled.

Players are reminded that BARAD-DUR propaganda may be edited, and if it is it will be done from the bottom up, like a newspaper.

Although nobody's commented, the most striking change in my version from the Games Research version is my refusal to allow any incorrect orders to be valid no matter how obvious. I see all games like a battlefield; incorrect orders can defeat an army there, too. Further, I fail to see where you draw the line on what is or is not an "obvious" move. And, of course, I see no reason why, with about 10 days to make up your mind and to proofread, any incorrect orders are justified. So -- write carefully!

There has been some debate, particularly between Conrad von Metzke and Charles Wells, over whether or not F Gascony could support F Western Med to Spain (SC) or vice-versa. Conrad and I say yes, Charles says no. My rationale is simple: (1) only 1 unit may ever occupy any 1 position at a time, and so must be considered to defend the whole of the country (2) therefore, if we would not allow the support, F West Med & F Lyon could not dislodge F Spain (NC), which is ridiculous, (3) A defending unit in Spain would be forced to split its strength -- $\frac{1}{2}$ the army going to fight W Med, $\frac{1}{2}$ to fight Gascony. This makes 2 battles -- each 1 to $\frac{1}{2}$ in factor, with the 1 winning both times.

Von Metzke notes, too, that he would allow the following order A Ankara (S) A Bulg-Rum via convoy through F Black Sea. In BARAD-DUR this convoy support is not allowed, since F Black Sea can also support and is directly bordering on Rumania. Why convoy support?

Note, please -- the B-D rule says NO conditional moves whatever. Thus, if in winter somebody can retreat into your supply center, and you order a build there, and he does retreat there, you can not build that turn! However, someone retreating in winter to one of your supply centers does not diminish your right to build for that center, since he did not get there on a fall move. He'd have to hold it until the next fall to make you loose the rights to that center.

This issue I've included a set of general rules to follow. I would keep them handy. Until January 29, then, my best...

E GAME BEGINS SOON! See PAGE 2! ...JLC

GB-1966-E:

WINTER, 1900 PREPARAT-
IONS FOR WAR



POWERS BRACED FOR
MAJOR CONFLICT IN 1901

Here we go with BARAD-DUR's third and last game for some time. No new BD game will initiate until B or C (whichever's first) is completed, as things now stand. Take heart -- F is forming in a new magazine, to be edited by Jerry Jacks.

E Game contains 4 newcomers to the N3F Postal family, and only 2 repeaters as far as BARAD-DUR games are concerned, with maximum geographic distribution. The players are as follows. After your name you will note an amount or instructions in brackets. This is how much you owe or what you must send in with or before your 1901 move orders.

All players new to BARAD-DUR, which is played differently than any other Postal version in the details and minor rules dept., read the rules summary in this issue.

All countries were chosen by making a list of the players and then drawing countries out of a hat to match the player list in order of application to the game.

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For players new to Postal I suggest a buck to get you all the back issues of BARAD-DUR's B and C games, and you can see procedure. This will allow you to see the "common law" principle of rulemaking as well as the "Battlefield Interpretation" of Gamesmastering used here.

Diplomacy will count heavily here. All players should know a little something about the others: Dygert is a veteran across-the-board player, student at the UofC at Berkeley; this is his first Postal game//Owings came in 3rd in local postal, has played many across the board//Gemignani, 1st woman postal player, is new to the game//Von Metzke is an old time Postal player, edits Postal 'zine with 3 games, COSTAGUANA;//Brannan, Postal alias of Steve Cartier, who uses the name to separate his mail, is another old-timer, edits WIND N WOOLY and plays Lord knows how many Postal games now//Huff enters his 5th Postal game here, is also a veteran across-the-board player//Miller enters his 5th Postal game, too, is a veteran across the board player & head of the N3F Games Bureau.

DEADLINE FOR YOUR SPRING, 1901 FEES AND MOVE ORDERS IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1966, AT 6 P.M. (EST).

GB-1965-B

FALL, 1904 MOVE ORDERS

B

MOVES IN UPPER CASE SUCCEED
moves in lower case fail

AUSTRIA ATTACKS TURKEY
FRANCE RETAKES BURGUNDY IN WAKE OF GERMAN SHIFT

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.....ARMY LIVONIA TO MOSCOW
A WARSAW (S) A LIVONIA TO MOSC.
army galicia to ukraine
ARMY TYROLIA TO VIENNA
ARMY TRIESTE TO SERBIA
F IONIAN SEA TO ALBANIA

TURKEY.....army moscow to st. petersburg
army sevastopol to moscow
FLEET RUMANIA STANDS
ARMY ANKARA TO ARMENIA
F GREECE TO THE IONIAN SEA
F AEGEAN (S) F GREECE TO IONIAN
A SMYRNA TO CONSTANTINOPLE

FRANCE.....army gascony to spain
FLEET PORTUGAL (S) a gasc.to spain
ARMY PARIS TO BURGUNDY
army picardy (s) a paris to picardy

GERMANY.....A BURGUNDY TO PICARDY
A BELGIUM (S) A BURGUNDY TO PIC.
A RHUR TO MUNICH
A MUNICH TO SILESIA
F HOLLAND TO KIEL
F DENMARK TO SWEDEN

ITALY.....A MARSEILLES (S) F SPAIN (SC)
F SPAIN (SC) (S) A MARSEILLES
F WESTERN MED. TO TUNIS
ARMY VENICE TO APULIA
F NAPLES (S) A VENICE TO APULIA

RUSSIA.....army norway (s) a st. petersburg
army st. petersburg (s) a norway
army ukraine to moscow

ENGLAND.....F SKAGGERAK (S) F NORTH S. TO NORWAY
F NORWEG. SEA (S) F NORTH S. TO NOR.
F NORTH SEA TO NORWAY

Russian A Norway is dislodged and must retreat. French A Picardy is dislodged and must retreat. The supporting order for this unit is obviously invalid anyway. Turkish army moscow is dislodged but can not retreat and is eliminated.

Your instructions for the winter, 1904 move follows on the next page.

AUSTRIA controls the following supply centers: Vienna, Budapest, Serbia, Warsaw, Moscow, and Greece. She has units in Moscow, Warsaw, Ukraina, Vienna, Serbia, and Albania. AUSTRIA MAY BUILD 1 UNIT IN TRIESTE OR BUDAPEST.

TURKEY controls the following supply centers: Constantinople, Ankara, Smyrna, Bulgaria, Rumania, and Sevastopol. She has units in Sevastopol, Rumania, Armenia, Ionian Sea, Aegean Sea, and Constantinople. TURKEY DOES NOT BUILD, REMAINS AT 6 UNITS.

FRANCE controls the following supply centers: Paris, Br est, and Portugal. She has units in Gascony, Portugal, Burgundy, and a retreating unit. FRANCE MUST REMOVE 1 UNIT, UNLESS HE REMOVES THE RETREATING UNIT SHE MUST ALSO SUBMIT A RETREAT MOVE.

GERMANY controls the following supply centers: Munich, Berlin, Kiel, Denmark, Sweden, Holland, and Belgium. She has units in Picardy, Belgium, Munich, Silesia, Kiel, and Sweden. GERMANY MAY BUILD 1 UNIT IN BERLIN. SHE MUST SUBMIT THE BUILD ORDER DESPITE LACK OF CHOICE.

ITALY controls the following supply centers: Venice, Rome, Naples, Tunis, Marseilles, and Spain. She has units in Marseilles, Spain, Tunis, Apulia, and Venice. ITALY MAY BUILD 1 UNIT IN ROME OR NAPLES.

RUSSIA controls the following supply center: St. Petersburg. She has units in St. Petersburg, Ukraina, and a retreating unit. RUSSIA MUST REMOVE 2 UNITS; IF SHE CHOOSES NOT TO REMOVE THE RETREATING UNIT SHE MUST ALSO SUBMIT A RETREAT ORDER FOR IT.

ENGLAND controls the following supply centers: London, Liverpool, Edinburgh, and Norway. She has units in the Norwegian Sea, Skaggerak, and Norway. ENGLAND MAY BUILD 1 UNIT, IN LONDON, EDINBURGH, OR LIVERPOOL.

Austria retains control of Greece since it was the last to occupy Greece on a Fall move. Turkey occupied it on a spring move, moved out in the fall. DEADLINE FOR YOUR WINTER, 1904 BUILDS, RETREATS, AND ELIMINATIONS IS SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, (twenty-ninth), 1966, at 6 P.M.(EST). All players are reminded that builds/retreats must still be submitted even if no choice is involved.

NEWS ITEMS - B

Herr Von Reinsel stated in a news release today that he has decided to shift two armies and two fleets to the Eastern Front to help the White Russians against the invaders from Turkey.

Imperator Senato Romano: Tempus est, patres conscripti, ut Asiam recipiamus.

(Emperor to the Roman Senate: Conscript Fathers, the time has come for us to reconquer Asia.)

From: Napoleon IV, Emperor of France, TO: All whom it may concern. Quote. Memorfrom the Ministry of Information: Emperor's comment on world affairs. DAMN! End quote.

Wein, Oct. 20, 1904 (DWE): At a hastily-called, chaotic press conference from which Turkish newsmen were barred as persona non grata, Maj. Gen. Franz Pfitzenstartz today announced: "East is East and West is West! All who want to share the spoils, join in!"

The recently promoted Pfitzenstartz was able to make this statement.

ling announcement to the thunderstruck audience of newsmen (and one languorous newshen, Yoni Varoom) only because he was just recently graduated from the Royal School of Geography in occupied Warsaw.

After recovering from the shock of losing Marseilles the Emperor of France did some research into the loss. It seems that the General of the Gascony army, Jacques le Traître, had a mistress in Brest and decided to go there instead.

Sultan Donlad has punished the person who typed the spring, 1904 orders for the great Turkish Army in Smyrna by having two of his fingers cut off -- the one which typed the F instead of the A and the one which should have typed the A. Let this be a lesson to all who would displease the Sultan! (According to inconformed reports the typist pleaded that it was "divine intervention" on the side of the Pope which had misguided his fingers -- so the Sultan had his head removed as well.)

FROM: NAPOLEON IV. TO: EVERYONE IN EVERY GAME. Why does everybody hate me?=====+ + + + + + + +=====

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GAME-NATION LIST:

B: E=Bounds; R=Sattel; AH=Clark; T=Miller; I=Mebane; G=Reinsel; F=Huff.
C: E=Gilliland; R=Brooks; AH=Jacks; T=Mebane; I=Huff; G=McDonnell; F=Sattel.
E: E=Huff; R=Dygert; AH=Miller; T=Von Metzke; I=Brannan; G=Gemignani; F=Owings.

GB-1965-C:

SPRING, 1903 MOVE ORDERS

MOVES IN UPPER CASE SUCCEED
moves in lower case fail

AUSTRIA TAKES RUMANIA, BOHEMIA
ITALY FORCED OUT OF IONIAN

GERMANY.....A BERLIN STANDS
F HELGOLAND BIGHT TO DENMARK
F KIEL (S) F HELG.BIG. TO DEN.

AUSTRIA.....A LIVONIA TO BOHEMIA
A GALICIA TO RUMANIA
A SERBIA (S) A GAL. TO RUMANIA
fleet greece to bulgaria (sc)
f albania to the ionian sea

TURKEY.....F EASTERN MED TO IONIAN SEA
F AEGEAN (S) F. E. MED TO IONIAN
army bulgaria (s) russ. a sevas-
topol. to rumania
A CONSTANTINOPLE (S) A BULGARIA

ITALY.....A APULIA TO ROME
A VENICE (S) A APULIA TO ROME
F TYRRHENIAN SEA TO TUNIS
f ionian (s) F TYRR. TO TUNIS

RUSSIA.....ARMY UKRAINA TO GALICIA
A WARSAW (S) A UKRAINA TO GALICIA
army silesia to bohemia
army sevastopol to rumania
F RUMANIA TO THE BLACK SEA
F SWEDEN STANDS

ENGLAND.....F NORTH SEA TO THE SKAGGERAK
F EDINBURGH TO THE NORTH SEA
F LONDON TO THE ENGLISH CHANNEL
A HOLLAND TO THE RHUR
F BELGIUM TO HOLLAND
ARMY NORWAY STANDS

FRANCE.....FLEET TUSCANY TO THE TYRRHENIAN
F W. MED (S) F TUSCANY TO TYRRHEN.
F NORTH AFRICA STANDS
A MUNICH (S) AUST. A TYROL TO BO-
HEMIA
ARMY PARIS TO PICARDY
ARMY SPAIN TO GASCONY

Italian F Ionian is dislodged and must retreat. Huff was con-
tacted and signified that his summer move is: F IONIAN SEA TO NAP-
PLES, which succeeds and also eliminates the need for a summer move.
DEADLINE FOR THE FALL, 1903 MOVE ORDERS IS SATURDAY, JANUARY 29,
AT 6 P.M. (EST).

NEWS DISPATCHES - C

The Sublime Porte has announced that anti-Nazgul missile systems have been installed to protect the Dardanelles.

Lord Gilliland, in a speech to the British Parliament, stated that England believes in absolute freedom of the seas throughout the world.

Austria-Hungary today handed a stiff note to the French Charge d' Affaires at Wein. The note protested the unwarranted attacks upon Italian areas of control in violation of the Multilateral Treaty of 1901.

FRANCE WARNS ENGLAND! The presence of a British Fleet in the English Channel will be interpreted as a hostile act.

At a mammoth May Day parade in Leicester Square, Lord Gilliland told thousands of cheering workers: "We have advanced our fleet into the English Channel to secure Belgium. This is a violation of the Franco-British Treaty of Oct. 30, 1901, but we are not going to hand Belgium over to France regardless of any consequences." The workers chanted "Solidarity With Belgium Forever!" and "Long live Admiral Yamamoto, Duke of Eloster!" referring to the newly appointed commander of the London fleet.

Bungranzi, Greece, Mar. 27, 1903 (Reuters): Imperial observers have noticed huge, shapeless monsters crossing into Grecian territory. The natives have called these creatures "Shoggathusi."

From the Italian War Ministry: Action has been taken against the French fleet now supposedly on maneuvers in Tuscany. Despite claims of friendship, the Caesar is inclined to distrust the power-mad maniac now on the French throne, Gaston the Gazebo.

Italy to Turkey: I'm sure now.

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Use space below for scribbling nasty notes:

RULES FOR PLAYING BARAD-DUR POSTAL DIPLOMACY

1. All original rules as published by Games Research will be adhered to unless contradicted by these rules.
2. Orders must be exactly written or they are not valid.
3. A precedent set during a game is followed throughout the game.
4. No joint moves will be accepted.
5. No conditional moves will be accepted for any reason.
6. A unit if ordered to move may be supported only to the province to which it is ordered; if it's stood off, it can not be supported simultaneously in the square in which it sits!
7. When a unit is successfully attacked from a province that it is attempting to move to, it still stands off any equally or less supported unit(s) that may be attempting to follow the successful attacking unit.
8. No builds, retreats, or moves may be ordered by any save the player except by Gamesmaster's order. Even though there may be no choice involved, a unit that is dislodged and not given a retreat order will be removed from the board. The Gamesmaster, however, may if he so elects carry out this retreat if that retreat and that alone will delay the play of the game.
9. Deadlines are date of receipt. They are absolutely inflexible.
10. Resignations terminate that player's subscription to BARAD-DUR unless he had credit on hand. There will be no refund of game fees. All units of that player hold and may defend themselves as well as being supported by another player. Replacements will be obtained for resignations at a small fee if at all possible, unless the Gamesmaster declares the country unplayable and civil government to have collapsed.
11. No units may exchange places in any way, shape, or form.
12. All decisions of the Gamesmaster, right or wrong, are binding on all participants. No decision is retroactive, and actual mistakes in the rules, while standing for the period of the mistake, may be corrected if the Gamesmaster holds a vote of the players.
12. Players always choose the units they wish to eliminate if necessary to do so. Failure to submit an elimination order will result in the Gamesmaster removing the unit farthest from that player's home supply centers, fleets before armies.
13. A convoy stands unless any one unit in the convoy is dislodged.
14. When two or more units are ordered to retreat to the same space, they are both (or all) unable to do so and are eliminated from the board.
15. The Gamesmaster has the right to edit propaganda, from the bottom up (like a newspaper) in the interests of economics and space.
16. Telephoned, telegraphed, or special delivery orders are acceptable, although no responsibility is assumed either for the Gamesmaster's hearing or your handwriting or diction.
17. When one player sends two sets of orders, the first set of orders received by the Gamesmaster (not necessarily the first sent) are the orders followed. Any superceding orders would make the first set conditional moves, which would violate rule 5 above.

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Fees for N3F Games Bureau Postal Diplomacy games are, after the E game starts, \$5.00 per game payable on or before the spring, 1901 move deadline, for your 1st N3B Postal game (ORTHANC, BARAD-DUR, or OSGIL-IATH), and \$2.50 per additional N3F Postal game. Failure to pay fees by the spring '01 date will result in immediate replacement. The 75¢ installment payment idea has been dropped as impractical.