

BARAD-DUR 35

BARAD-DUR 35, a biweekly magazine of postal DIPLOMACY edited and published by Jack L. Chalker, 5111 Liberty Heights Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, 21207, USA (301-367-0685). Available in trade or at the 10 for \$1.00 rate. A new game is now forming. See Page 5 for details. Friday, December 2, 1966 issue. "Never a missed deadline or late issue."

CORRECTIONS AND ADDENDA

The Chalker sloppiness continues. Rick Brooks moved A RHUR TO HOLLAND last fall in C; it was counted toward his build but for some reason I had a mental block against it -- didn't publish the move. Then my correction card never reached him. So I've frozen the game for 2 weeks until the mixup's settled. See Page 2 for details.

Ditto, G game -- starting off on the wrong foot, the attempted Austrian move to Venice fails, as does the attempted Italian move to the same province. Both were in caps; should have been lower case. This is the one most common error, and results not from a real error but from my typing so fast that I might hit the shift key to unlock it, get it off-center so that the caps don't unlock, and never notice it. Most of these are corrected in proofreading, but a few slip. Underlining would only compound matters, I fear.

On the roster -- two days after #34 went out Jerry Jacks' BARAD-DUR 33 came back from the Fox Plaza address marked UNKNOWN AT THIS ADDRESS, so either Jerry fouled the address or he didn't move in. Try the old one (% Felice Rolfe) until we get word.

In B game, the one game normally free of serious foul-ups, I did not record Frank Clark's retreat of Rumania to Budapest. Don Miller called and pointed this out to me (I hadn't noticed -- nor, apparently, had Frank or Banks).

Being down to 4 games again I had to resist the urge this time to NOT put a big E on the blank stencil.

Now running are GB-1965-B, which has been running since mid-June of 1965 and is not over yet; GB-1965-C, which, I believe, began in August of 1965 and will complete soon -- I definitely expect a winner within the next 2 game years, but can't hazard a guess as to which of the 2 remaining contenders (Owings now holding the slim balance with his third-party 4) will take it; GB-1966-XF, which began in August of this year with 9 players and a modified board (XF maps: 10/25% and yes, Hal Naus, I've finally remembered), went through some horrible times due to disputed moves and personality conflicts, and now (crossed fingers) seems recovered; and GB-1966-G, begun last issue. Mike Makulin tells me he misread the deadline as Dec. 2. So I've placed him on a stand-by basis in G, to fill in if anyone drops.

A couple of players, after reading what I do for a living, suggested that, if the pace is too great, I should slow down BARAD-DUR as Bounds slowed down ORTHANC. This would not alleviate the problems; it's not free time that I lack, but the pressure I'm under every day. However, something like XF was a fluke and I promise to try harder. Possibly I should buy a DIPLOMACY game. Maybe some of the problems stem from my working out all moves in my head....

One writer asked why I just didn't ignore a certain west-central Pennsylvania gamesmaster who is known for obnoxious egoism and yellow press journalism "like everyone else does." Hell -- it's no fun that way....

GB-1965-B:
SPRING, 1912 MOVES



UPPER CASE SUCCEEDS
Lower case fails

DENMARK IS VICTORIOUS!

AUSTRIA: a kiel to denmark
(Clark) A MUNICH TO BERLIN
a silesia to prussia
A VIENNA TO GALICIA
f trieste to albania
f albania to greece
A GREECE TO SERBIA
a bud (s) vien-galicia

ITALY: A ROME TO VENICE
(Mebane) A BELGIUM TO RHUR
A BURG (S) BELG-RHUR
A PICARDY TO BELGIUM
A VENICE TO TYROLIA
A PIEDMONT (S) VEN-TYROL
f holland to kiel
f north sea to denmark
F IONIAN TO ADRIATIC
F APULIA (S) IONIAN-ADR.
F E. MED TO IONIAN SEA

TURKEY: A ANKARA TO CONSTANT
(Miller) A CONSTANT TO GREECE
A BULGARIA (S) CON-GREECE
a rumania to budapest
A WARSAW (S) LIV-PRUSSIA
A MOSCOW TO UKRAINA
A LIVONIA TO PRUSSIA
a sweden to denmark
A LONDON STANDS
A EDINBURGH STANDS
F AEGEAN (C) CON-GREECE
F SMYRNA (S) F AEGEAN
f black sea (c) ankara-
sevastopol (???)
F NORWEGIAN SEA STANDS

"ENGLAND" F DENMARK STANDS, COWERS,
(Bounds) AND JEERS

===== Don, what's with the convoy to Sev-
===== astopol? There are no retreats.
DEADLINE FOR FALL, 1912 MOVES IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1966, AT 10 PM
EASTERN STANDARD TIME. I suggest mailing earlier than usual this time;
the Christmas Chrush will be in full swing by the 16th.

PROPAGANDA: Wein, April 5: BANZAI!

XX

GB-1965-C
INTERIM



GAME FROZEN ONE MORE
SEASON FOR CORRECTION

"2 WEEK FREEZE IN 'C!'"

The game's frozen for 2 weeks.

Despite a postcard to Rick Brooks 10 days ago explaining the whole bit, Rick seems not to have received word that his moves for last fall, left out accidentally in #33 but credited in the builds (i.e. Rhur to Holland with support) were valid. I was late getting an answer to him because I had to double-check everything (& I seem to have had a mental block against it the first time he mentioned the problem! I didn't see his complaint). But, Rick -- I did write. So, please resubmit your moves for A Holland, A Kiel, A Munich, A Berlin, and A Silesia. Owings removed F Helgoland Bight and retreated Holland to the English Channel. Sorry, folks; blame my schedule and the U.S. Post Office, I guess....

SP-1966-XF
SPRING, 1904 MOVES

UPPER CASE SUCCEEDS
lower case fails

TRIPOLI LIVES! SO AND DOES XF

BARBARY: F IRISH SEA TO IRELAND
(Bounds) f gabes to ionian
F TRIPOLI (S) gab-ion
a sardinia to corsica
f belgium to holland

TURKEY: a serbia to trieste
(Huff) A MONT (S) serb-trieste
a salk to serbia
a greece to salkonia
f ionian to tripoli
A EGYPT (S) ion-tripoli
f aegean to ionian
F S. MED. (S) aegean-ion

ITALY: f corsica to sardinia
(Gemignani) a trieste to serbia
A NAPLES TO APULIA
a rome to venice
f venice to trieste

ENGLAND: A YORKSHIRE STANDS
(Mebane) F LIVERPOOL TO NOR-ATL
F ENG.CHAN TO IRISH SEA
F BREST TO ENG. CHAN.
F MID-ATL TO MOROCCO

FRANCE: F SPAIN (SC) TO LYON
(Miller) F PORT. TO MID-ATLANTIC
A BURG (S) MARS-SWITZ.
A MARS TO SWITZERLAND

SCANDINAVIA: A DEN TO HOLLAND
(Levinson) F NORTH SEA (C) DEN-
F KIEL (S) DEN-HOL. ZHOL.
F SKAG (S) F NORTH SEA
F OSLO TO NORWEGIAN SEA
A CHRISTIANA TO MALMO

RUSSIA: A BERLIN TO MUNICH
(Brooks) A SILESIA (S) BER-MUNICH
F PRUSSIA STANDS
F BALTIC TO BERLIN
A BOHEMIA TO VIENNA
A GALICIA TO RUMANIA
A BUDAPEST (S) I trieste
to serbia
A RUMANIA TO BULGARIA
A MOSCOW TO SIBERIA

GERMANY: A RHUR STANDS
a munich stands

=====AUSTRIA: F ADRIATIC SEA STANDS
German A Munich is dislodged and e-
liminated. If I have another move series like this one, though, I will
quit DIPLOMACY and take up rose growing at the nearest sanitarium. The
Turkish-Barbary question will probably raise all sorts of cries. The
only reason why Barbary got away with it was that, under Koning's Rule,
the support against the Ionian was valid -- since, of course, Egypt
supported Ionian into Tripoli and that didn't cut any support. Aside
from Bounds stalling Huff's drive a bit -- and taking Ireland, which
England exchanged for Morocco -- Turkey now has other worries. This
one could be really fun. Also -- the neutral A Switzerland is dislod-
ged by the French and destroyed. Switzerland's now open, as any other
province. This could affect things considerably in the fight in the
south. Alliance patterns -- totally unexpected ones, I might add --
are now apparent, and the game seems going quite well. Bravo! DEADLINE
FOR FALL, 1904 MOVES IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1966, AT 10 P.M. EASTERN
DAYLIGHT TIME (9 Central, 7 Pacific).

---PROPAGANDA+++

's Gravenhage, Netherlands, Mar. 12, (KA) - Queen Wilhelmina today
signed a treaty with the Kalmar government granting permission for
the landing of Kalmar troops in the Netherlands to protect the coun-
try from the Barbary Pirates, who have already taken Belgium. In re-
turn, the Dutch were given the non-Danish sections of Kiel, except
Hanover District, which was returned to England, and Hamburg, which
was attached to Holstein.

Paris: Hell's Bells! A French-Barbary war was a "natural,"

(PROPAGANDA LTD. PAGE 5)

GB-1966-G
FALL, 1901 MOVES



UPPER CASE SUCCEEDS
lower case does not

ITALY: a rome to venice
(Prosnitz) A PIEDMONT TO TYROLIA
F IONIAN TO RUNIS

TURKEY: a armenia to sevastopol
(Turker) f ankara to black sea
A BULG (S) A GAL-RUM.

FRANCE: A BURG (S) G RHUR-BELG
(Von A SPAIN TO PORTUGAL
Metzke) f mid-atl. to brest

GERMANY: A KIEL TO DENMARK
(Huff) F HOLLAND (S) RHUR-BELG.
A RHUR TO BELGIUM

AUSTRIA: A GALICIA TO RUMANIA
(Dygart) A BUDAPEST TO SERBIA
f trieste to venice

RUSSIA: F BOTHNIA TO SWEDEN
(Latimer) A SILESIA TO WARSAW
a ukraine to rumania
f sevast to black sea

ENGLAND: A YORKSHIRE TO NORWAY
(Bailey) F NORTH SEA (C) YORKS-NWY
f eng. chan. to brest

===== There are no retreats. The Rus-
sian move is a stand-by in ac-
cord with my policy of guaran-
teeing every country a build, if possible. However, effective now no
more stand-bys will be used; you don't submit a move, you stand. Jim
-- is it true you can't keep track of all those games you're in? How
many is it now? FLASH! Latimer just called with moves. Above are his.

For the newcomers; I publish build directions (below) at the end
of every fall move, along with a center roster. Next time: your builds
and a unit roster. Note that you must submit a build even if the build
is obvious or inevitable.

ITALY: Rome, Venice, Naples, & Tunis: BUILD ONE.

FRANCE: Paris, Brest, Marseilles, & Portugal: BUILD ONE.

AUSTRIA: Rumania, Budapest, Serbia, Vienna, and Trieste: BUILD TWO.

ENGLAND: Liverpool, London, Edinburgh. & Norway: BUILD ONE.

TURKEY: Ankara, Constantinople, Smyrna, & Bulgaria: BUILD ONE.

GERMANY: Kiel, Berlin, Munich, Belgium, & Denmark: BUILD TWO.

RUSSIA: Sevastopol, Moscow, Warsaw, St. Pete, & Sweden: BUILD ONE.

DEADLINE FOR WINTER BUILDS IS DECEMBER 16 (FRIDAY), 1966, AT 10 PM
EASTERN STANDARD TIME (7 PM Pacific). I suggest you mail early -- Dec.
16 is right at the height of the Christmas Crush.

+*PROPAGANDA*+

Venice: Rumor has it that a troop of Austrian boy scouts in sailors
uniforms attacked Venice with their sling shots. The rumor cannot be
confirmed as most of the citizens of Venice slept through the inci-
dent.

Constantinople: Pasha Achmed ben Machiavelli denounced today "the
crass imperialism of the Russian Empire in attempting to partition
the Ottoman Fatherland." He also announced the revival of an ancient
Byzantine custom: when the Czar and his ministers are captured, a con-
test will be held to see which of them can swim the Helispont most
quickly when tied in a leathern sack.

Berlin, Oct. 3, 1901: In the midst of the Octoberfest, the Kaiser
suddenly proclaimed that peace had been restored with the great Em-
pire of Russia. Silesian coal will now flow the Russian iron works ((SIL)
in return for Ukrainian wheat. "The peaceful way of settlement exhib-
ited by Russia and Germany should serve as an example to the rest of
the world." Peace feelers to other countries have been accepted in
Italy and France, with all but Turkey promising sincere examination
of the terms.

→ PROPAGANDA IS CONTINUED ((MORE)) NEXT PAGE

G GAME PROPAGANDA, CONTINUED:

Rome: Our intelligence sources have given us the background to the Venetian incident. It seems some wise and benign Habsburg emperor, after concluding an alliance with his powerful neighbors, Russia and Italy, was overthrown in a coup d'etat by the mad Baron of Slovenia, who immediately proceeded to launch a surprise attack on the two most trusted allies the Austrian and Hungarian peoples had.

Salzburg, Tyrolia, Free Austria: The Italian I Corps, speeding east towards Vienna, has already liberated the Tyrol area from the clutches of the mad baron. The Habsburg emperor has been restored to the throne in Free Austria (under the protection of Rome, of course).

Rome: Special memo to Berlin & Constantinople: The treacherous ruler of Austria must be deposed and civilized government restored to Vienna. Don't try to deal with such an unstable and untrustworthy government -- you will be doublecrossed. Also, our heartiest greetings to the valiant defenders of Sevastopol and the Ukraine. The Italian Expeditionary Force is moving rapidly in to assist you.

=====END G GAME PROPAGANDA=====

XX

X XF PROPAGANDA (CONTINUED):

X with Reinsel at the Barbary helm. Now that Reinsel's quit, whom do we fight? Speaking of Reinsel-- he didn't quit because of F Chalker - he was actually fleeing in terror from the new French government!

Ankara, April 3, 1904: The Sultan, Hufasha Allan Alhazred, announced to seizure of Tripoli on April 1st from the bands of the infidel Moslems [sic]. The city fell after a fierce battle, in which over 100,000 men on both sides perished. All major ships of the enemy were sunk. Their [sic] was also a report that one fort had to be reduced to absolute dust because its defenders would not surrender. As they died they sang about some liason between an Aztec chief and the Barbary province.... [I'd say this was premature, Alan].

Italy to Turkey: You know it only takes a little Greece to cook Turkey.

Italy still extends the same offer to the new French government: we want Sardinia and Corsica and Tunis and you can have the rest.

=====END XF GAME PROPAGANDA=====

A NEW GAME FORMS

GB-1966-or, rather, GB-1967-J is now open. I plan to start it with the January 13 issue, which is 8 issues, or 6 weeks, away, so that is confidence. However, considering how I had so many more applicants for G, I decided that the timing is about right. C should be over very soon anyway -- and maybe even B sometime in February? Maybe? So, our very first applicant was Guess Which BARAD-DUR E Game Winner Who's Played in Every B-D Game So Far? Second was Paul Leitch, Humphrey 31, Harvard University, Graduate School of Business Administration, Soldiers Field, Boston, Mass., zone 63. If you'd like to play, write. If you know someone who doesn't now get BARAD-DUR and would like to play Postal, tell him or her to write. First 7 folks get it -- countries picked in the order of application -- with the 8th applicant acting as stand-by. Game fee is \$4/\$5 for first timers. FIRST TIMERS WILL BE GIVEN PREFERENCE IF MORE THAN 7 APPLY.