Devoted to variant postal Diplomacy and Origins of WW II, BLOOD AND IRON is available from the editor-publisher, Lewis Pulsipher 321A Twin Towers, Albion, Mich. 49224 for 15¢ each or 8/\$1. Games are open -- see below. This is Orion Press Publication Number 15.

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The first game of Origins has filled. Here is the lineup:
DRITAIN: John Caton, 2704 "I" St., Vancouver, Wash. 98663.
FRANCE: John Hendry, 17 Price Rd., Peabody, Mass. 01960
GERMANY: Edi Eirsan, 48-20 39 St., Long Island City, NY 11104
RUSSIA: Barry Eynon, 0318 Kelsey, So Quad, 600 E Madison, Ann Arbor,
Mich. 48104

UNITED STATES: Martin C Campion, History Dept. KSC, Pittsburg, Kansas 66762

Everybody should have the House Rules by now. Positions were determined in accordance with the HR and the players preference lists:

Caton Bfgru
Hendry Fbgru
Birsan Grfbu
Eynon bRgfu
Campion - - - -

Campion submitted no list. If everybody had chosen U last, I would have assigned the combination of positions which would give the highest average (which we happen to have among the other four, as you'll not e).

1935A, the placement c? PF's for the first turn, is due at noon, May 1 at 321A Twin Towers, Albion, Michigan 49224. This may be more time than you need -- I'd appreciate comments. Hereafter deadlines will be shorter.

"Miller" Fumbers

1972Ebu (There should be a number following the bu, but until my records are complete I don't know what it is). YOUNGSTOWN VARIANT. Mark Weidmark (MARCUS). CHINA-Bob Eawtinhimer, AUSTRIA-John Opstapkovich, ENGLAND-Bruce Gletty, FRANCE-Feter Bennett, GERMANY-Payton Turpin, INDIA-Bill Lafosse, ITALY-Elair Cusack, JAPAN-Doug Ryan, RUSSIA-Ed Rack, TURKEY-Chris Driscoll.

1972Fcy ANONYMITY (all propaganda white; which makes this the first time this variation has been played, although other versions of ANONYMITY were played and completed long ago). John Boyer (IMPASSABLE). No player list, naturally.

1971Gcz ATLANTICA (possibly with optional rules). Pred Davis (BUSH-WACKER). CANADA-Mark Weidmark, CONFEDERATE STATES, OF AMERICA-Robert Keathley, ENGLAND-John Figgott, FRANCE-Herb Barents, GERMANY-Stan Wrobel, ITALY-Russ Vane, UNITED STATES-Richard Root.

CPENINGS

PRINCEPS. Chris Schleicher, 5122 W Carmen Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60630. In his 'zine MU, which also carries one regular game. NO FEE! This information comes from THE GAMESLETTER, January issue (the latest).

AIR-SEA I, HYPERSPACE, KRIEGSPIEL DIPLOMACY. Buddy Tretick, 3702 Wendy Lane. Silver Springs, Md. 20906. In his 'zine LA GUERRE.

Tretick's schedule is very irregular, and his integrity questionable.
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YOUNGSTOWN VARIANT. Karl Pettis, 2250 N.W. 20th Ct., Gainesville, Fla. 32601. In CRUSH. "Fee" is subscription (8/\$1?) plus
position deposit (31). Karl is also thinking of starting a 'zine
devoted solely to variants (CRUSH carries one regular game).
Joe Antosiak, 3637 Arden Ave., Brookfield, Ill 60513, will

run variants in ANSCHLUSS, which curently carries an Origins game. Fee will be 34. Joe will run whatever variants people want to play -- if three (or maybe two) people ask to play a particular game, he'll

open it up.

The above are in addition to the listing in BI 2, as are the variant rules listed below. Openings in BLOOD AND IRON include one game of Origins, historical version, one "what if?" version of Origins (I haven't decided which), and Diplomacy variants MILITARISM I. ANARCHY IV, ANONYMITY?, and DIADOKHI II. The last is a change from DIADOKHI I -- the new version has must been printed. Rules for the other variants are in BI 2. See below for D II.

VARIANT RULES

These rules are additions to those listed in BI 2.
JIHAD, by Dick Vedder. 35¢ from Rod Walker, 4917 Felton,
San Diego, Calif. 92116. Europe and N. Africa, 641AD. Powers
include Arabia, Germans, Frankish Empire, Byzantine Empire, Lombards,
Persian Empire, and Exarchate of Spain and North Africa. In many
respects the game resembles DIADOKHI.

DIADOKHI II, same as above except 15¢. Revision of D I (see

BI 2.

YOUNGSTOWN VARIANT. Andy Phillips, 128 Oliver St, Daly City, CA 94014 may have a few sets, as may Mark Weidmark, 528 Park Cr., Pickering, Ontario, CANADA. Rod Walker also has a few sets. And Rod is also having a big sale of back issues of his 'zines, including many sets of variant rules.

Finally, in GRAUSTARK 260 Robert Bryan Lipton describes the rules for PARANOIA. GRAU is available from John Boardman,

234 East 19th St. Brooklyn, NY 11226.

Next issue I hope to publish a list of all active variant games, and make some comments concerning FTF Origins and ANARCHY IV games which took place at the spring MOW (Michigan Organized Wargamers) meeting in Zeeland.

The editor is a member of MOW, IFW, TDA, PDC, and the Diporg.
More on all that some other time.

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