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SUB FEE GOES UP!!

Yes, judging from last month's issue and what needs to be crammed into this one, an increase in the sub fee appears warranted. Henceforth the sub fee will be \$9 for 12 issues, but for those of you whose subscription runs out between now and issue #15 inclusive, we've got such a deal. Renew on time and still pay the old \$6 for 12 issues rate. All you guys whose sub is up with this issue (ten of you) or the next need to send your money with your next orders to qualify for this good deal. An E-mail sub remains a paltry \$1.

We're now running 14 games here, counting The Hunt and The Bourse. That's about the limit that's humanly doable over a weekend, so we won't be opening any new games until one of the current ones finishes up. The threatened Gunalinger game won't be run under these auspices, but will be starting in about a month under the benign direction of Jim Marvin, the developer of the GSL postal system. If your trigger finger feels itchy, give him a call at (407) 281-7928. Last I heard, we had nine players, a very awkward number. With one or two more we could break it up into two five-man games.

We're doing a five week cycle this time for a myriad of reasons, but the main ones are that my mother-in-law will be here for the normal weekend, I'll be operating a spotlight that weekend for the local community theater's production of *Faint Your Wagon*, and I'll be out of town a couple of days after the weekend, making the usual publication ritual highly unlikely. Note that the deadline is Easter weekend so mail early, as it's likely to be difficult to get a long distance line that weekend.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE SEASON: Looking at a cake is like looking at the future. You never quite know about it until you've tasted it. --Merlin in *Excalibur*

Rick Egredit tells me that he can get copies of 1853, the 1829/1830 variant set in India, for \$64 each - maybe less in a large enough quantity. All those interested, let him know.

In addition to the two polls advertised on pages 17 and 18, we have word of two others, the Runestone Poll (ed to be published next month) and the Rusty Nail Awards. I was going to list the latter, but at press time, I can't find the flyer. Pity, one of the categories was "The Ms. Hes Award for the Most Entertaining Press." Maybe next month...

I figures somebody would correct my "Turkish dollars" in the Bourse, but no one has. The present currency is lira (with kurus as the small change). The crossword puzzle dictionaries also give akche, asper, aslik, beshlik, iklik, mshbur, onlik, para, piaster, and yuzluk. Anybody out there know what the Ottoman monetary unit was? In the meantime, we'll use the dinar, a fairly widespread unit throughout Islam.

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award goes to Boris for the lead article in BORIS VI.

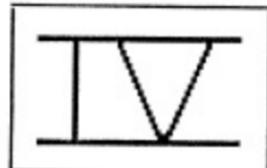
There will be no Ms. Hes Super-Suds Bomb this month.

THIS SPACE FOR A PERSONAL MESSAGE AND/OR AFTERTHOUGHTS

DEADLINE FOR ALL GAMES IS NOON (CST) 10 APR 93



TURKEY INVADED!! KRIER BEFuddled!



Spring 1906

CLIFFHOME--It may be curtains for the Ottoman Empire as Emperor Wormlongue and Tsar Paul both have footholds in Anatolia. Italy's maneuvering is curious to say the least. Could Monsieur Rezzarday have actually made a compelling case for Italian withdrawal? The Kaiser's orders to A BER and DEN are perplexing too; perhaps His Imperial Highness had too much sun on his spring break. Meanwhile, Lord One-Eyed just keeps rolling along.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Austria builds A VIE, England builds A LPL, France tears A RUH & A TRL, Germany builds A BER & A KIE, Italy builds F NAP, and Russia tears F STP.

AUS (Fryling): A Boh-Sil, A Bud-Rum, A Bul-Con, A Ukr S RUS A War-Mos, A Vie-Gal, F Gre S ITA F Nap-Ion;
ENG (Shacklett): A Lpl-Wal, [A Sev-Mos], F Bot S F Lvn-StP(sc), F Hel S F Nth-Den, [F Itri-Eng], F Lon-Nth, F Lvn-STP(sc), F Nth-Den, [F Por-Mid];
FRA (Rezzarday): A Bur-Bel, A Gas-Spa, A Hol H, [F Eng-Mid];
GER (J. Fisher): [A Ber-Mun], [A Den S A Ber-Mun](imp)(r-??), A Kie-Ruh, A Mun S A Kie-Ruh;
ITA (Klausutis): A Mar-Pie, A Tun H, F Aeg S AUS A Bul-Con, F Nap-Ion, F Tyn S F Nap-Ion, F Tri-Alb;
RUS (Saunders): A War-Mos, F Bla-Ank;
TUR (Tsak): [A Con-Bul](r-??), F Alb-Adr, F Ion-Eas.

Orders in brackets fail; d = destroyed due to lack of legal retreat, nso = unit not so ordered, otb = off the board, uom = unit on the move, r-?? unit must retreat, u = unordered. German A KIE must retreat otb or to KIE or SWE. Turkish A CON must retreat otb or to SMY.

Due next time are orders for retreats and for Fall 1906. The latter may be conditional on the former. Note COAs for Germany and Italy.

EMBASSY BEAT

BERN--The following broadcast was intercepted by a Reuters office located in Turkey. It was obviously aimed at the Fleet in BLA: Sailors of the Fleet! Rejoice! Although times have been hard, they will soon be better. Fight on against the vile Turks, as your bases will soon be in friendly hands and revenge will be yours. Never despair. Your time is coming. The message seemed to end, and then the following partly garbled transmission was heard: "Oh\$dtwv'I cannot believe I have sold my soul to that Austrian Devil" & fuy3\$!

LONDON--Whitehall: The Royal Navy, quickly responding to threatened invasion by the French yacht club, has ordered the London fleet into NTH and the Irish Fleet to force the French east. Although this leaves open the English capital, the King has decided that the beefeaters are a match for any French privateers.

The King is very displeased with the German misunderstanding concerning the Scandinavian countries. The North Sea fleet will steam to Copenhagen to confer with the German army concerning movements in breach of the Holland Accords.

BORIS WORLD PRESS REVIEW

Warsaw Times--Rasputin was seen leaving the Tsar's train, fueling speculation as to the next military and political moves of the beleaguered Russian Government. Rasputin is reputedly an Austrian agent, and is held in high esteem by the Tsarina.

CLASSIFIEDS

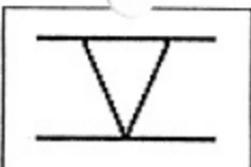
Made a mistake. Should have listened to the Austria delegate and never moved into MAR.



UNITS SHIFT EASTWARD!!

AUSTRIA ENVELOPED!

SPRING 1906



Merkwood--The Tudor King appears to have "crossed the Rubicon" and is making a move on the Czar who is merely positioning his forces to swallow Austria whole in the Fall. The King's move may prove too late to save the Habsburgs, but Flapjack and Charles Napoleon can breathe a bit easier. It remains to be seen who will "get the fustest with the mostest".

TURDOP MOVEMENTS

Turkish P ALB retreated orb. Austria builds A VII, England builds P EDI.

AUS (R. Fishes):	[A Pit-Mar], [A Set-Tri](d), A Tri-Tri, A Vie S A Tri-Tri;
EIG (Morrison):	A Ber-Mun, A Bis-Par, A Mun-Kie, A Par-Bur, A Wal-Hwy, P Bel-Hol, [P EDI-Hth], P Eng C A Wal-Hwy, P Kie-Bal, P Hth C A Wal-Hwy, P Pic-Bre;
FRA (Hanna):	[A Mar-Pie], [P Por-Mid], [P Spa(sc)-Mid], P Wes-Tun;
ITA (McLugh):	A Tus S A Ven, A Ven II, [P Ion II](r-??);
RUS (Shacklett):	[A Alb-Tri], A Bul-Ser, A Gal-Bud, A Gne S A Bel-Ser, A Rum S A Gal-Bud, A Sil-Boh, A Smy-Con, A Ukr-Oal, P Aeg-Ion, P Ber II, P Con-Aeg, P Bas S P Aeg-Ion.

Orders in brackets fail; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; nso = unit not so ordered; nsu = no such unit; orb = off the board; otm = unit on the move, r-?? = unit is disbanded and must retreat; u = unordered. Italian P IOII must retreat orb or to ADR, APU, HAP, or TYH.

Due next time are orders for the retreat and for Fall 1906. The latter may be conditional on the former.

EMBASSY BEAT

VICHY--The Emperor Charles Napoleon announced today that he has relocated the Imperial capital in Marseilles. He declared that he had developed a taste for seafood during his stay in Maryland before claiming the throne. (A journalist who referred to his "exile" in Maryland was summarily executed.) The emperor renewed his promise of an impending assault on MOS, but today suggested that his mighty armies would travel via GRE. He did not directly mention the British troops reportedly occupying Paris, but did order the execution of one journalist, two aides, and a bystander when the journalist referred to Ch. Mergaux as "claret."

BORER WORLD PRESS REVIEW

St Petersburg Chronicle--The CZAR has announced plans to build several ski resorts in the Balkan mountains. Unfortunately, the current unrest between Serbs, Croats, and Muslims (which kicked off this war) has become a problem. The Tudor King Morrison has graciously allowed the use of Zeppelins to airdrop supplies to advance units of the Imperial Russian Army. The delivery is quite accurate but the General Staff has suggested another new invention, the parachute, might prevent the supplies from developing large foxholes, which also tend to squash Serbs trying to catch the supplies.

CLASSIFIEDS

Tudor King to Czar: If you don't talk to me bad things happen!

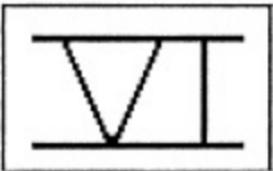
Austria to petty, x-great Powers: Yeah! Well, this puppet will be dancing in your capitals (personally I like Russian music) you excrement! You lousy hypocritical whining toadies! You cheesy-lover second-hand-election donkey-bottom biters! (with a tip of the hat to John Cleese)

GM to Austria: Yup, you've described Flapjack to a "T". That's capital "T", that rhymes with "P" that stands for "pusillanimous".



COUP IN FRANCE!! AUSTRIA INVaded!

SPRING 1901



WALL STREET JOURNAL--News of the coup against President Devoneaux's government came as a bombshell on the world currency markets. The fact that Marshal Antoine "Mad Dog" Rezzarday appears to be in control of France has forced closing of all the world's currency exchanges until the crisis blows over or until next Spring, whichever is sooner, lest the franc fall well below its real value due to panic selling. In the interim, the kroner looks weak, considering the Russian incursion into GAL. The Brits seem to have seen the coup coming and have stationed a fleet staunchly in ENG; had the market been open, surely panic selling of the franc would be the order of the day. The pound, mark, lira, ruble, and dinar should go up. With so many pro-Devoneaux nations in play, the franc is looking shaky. On the other hand, Marshal Rezzarday has pulled many a victory from his, er, hat before by invoking "The Swami." Unfortunately, the Swami is well-known to have sway only over dice rolls.

TROOP MOUEMENTS

AUS (Vandine):	A Bud-Ser, A Vit-Bud, F Tri-Alb;
ENG (McHugh):	A Lpl-Yor, F Edi-Nth, F Lon-Eng;
FRA (Rezzarday):	A Mar-Spa, [A Par-Bur], F Bre-Mid;
GER (Ford):	A Ber-Kie, [A Mun-Bur], F Kie-Hel;
ITA (Cameron):	A Rom-Tus, A Ven-Pie, F Nap-Tyn;
RUS (Egtvedt):	A Mos-SIP, A War-Gal, F Sev-Bla, F StP(sc)-Bot
TUR (Cohn):	A Con-Bul, A Smy-Ank, F Ank-Con.

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Due next time are orders for Fall 1902.

The Bourse results appear on page 12.

EMBASSY BEAT

CONSTANTINOPLE--In an unexpected move today, the Turkish Emir, Sultan Martin Attaboy pronounced execution orders for the entire Turkish General Staff. The Sultan cited general ineptitude as the reasons for the executions.

Immediately following the death warrants, a proclamation was issued promoting several members of the Sultan's harem to replace the executed generals. This move incited many members of the nobility to harsh language towards the Emir.

"Attaboy must die!" were the words of one excited noble. "Such an act is an affront to Allah and must be met with Jihad." After shouting these remarks into the Palace the noble was arrested by the order of the new Chief of Staff Fatima Attaboy, the Sultan's number 3 wife.

The official orders promoting the harem to replace the General Staff give the major reason for the change as, "a need to nurture the military back to a state of health."

A confidential source within the Porte was said to have overheard the Emir make this comment: "Who is this Aristophanes, but another Greek meddler. Bring me his head and the head of whoever brought the cursed play into my kingdom."

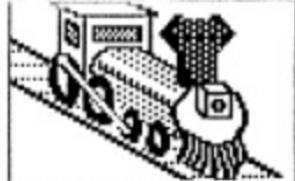
VIENNA--His Majesty Franz Josef has directed the Austrian army to occupy SER. This move is undertaken only with great reluctance and after considerable Serbian provocation. It is hoped that this occupation will prevent any recurrence of the illegal and reprehensible actions of the so-called "Black Hand". On a more positive note, the Austrian Imperial fleet is visiting Tirana in order to extend the hand of Austrian people to ALB.

CLASSIFIEDS

London-Paris: Prepare to die!

Message to France: My dear, dear M'sieur, I most deeply regret what must appear to you to be an unforgiveable intrusion into your territory. Alas, your repeated failure to acknowledge either my messages or telephone attempts has left me no alternative but to anticipate you intend hostile movements against my humble territories. If this is not the case, I will withdraw forthwith tendering a most abject apology!

Yours (convincingly, I hope)
Foster Della, Duke of the Dutch and Dodo



CRUELTY IS IN OR 7.2 & 7.3 DONE WHEN/IF A DIESEL?



DATA: The NYNH&H should have only 3 shares in the pool and its price is D110, not D112. The PA has \$60 in treasury and both a 5- and a 6-train. The C&O has two unused tokens. NYC had a \$120 run last time vs the \$160 run reported; WM and TJK have been credited with another \$10 and \$3.

PLAYER STATUS:

Morrison: \$206, 5 C&O(Prez), 6 NYC(Prez), 6 CP(Prez) <Priority>

Klausutis: \$165, 6 PA(Prez), 3 B&O(VP), 5 NYNH&H(Prez), 2 B&M(VP), 1 Erie, 1 NYC

Frueth: \$225, 1 NYNH&H, 2 B&O, 1 C&O, 6 B&M (Prez), 4 PA(VP), 3 Erie

Henne: \$255, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 NYNH&H, 6 ERIE(Prez), 2 B&M

CORPORATION STATUS:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	A200	0	0	n/a	\$110	45	0
ERIE	A112	0	0	n/a	\$220	5	1
NYNH&H	D110	3	0	n/a	\$5	4	0
C&O	E100	4	0	n/a	\$401	4	2
PA	A100	0	0	n/a	\$60	56	3
B&M	A90	0	0	n/a	\$0	6	0
CP	B82	1	3	\$100	\$370	6	3
NYC	F71	0	3	\$67	\$330	4	2

OPERATIONS ROUND 7.3:

B&O: Lay Tile #61 in I15(sw). Run G19S-G17-H16-H18 (\$170) and G19S-H18-I15-J14-K13 (\$260). Pay dividends (CCH +\$215, TJK +\$129, MMF +\$86); price moves to A225.

ERIE: Lay Tile #8 in D12(e). Run E11-D14-E11 (\$120). Pay dividends (CCH +\$72, MMF +\$36, TJK +\$12); price goes to A126.

NYNH&H: Lay Tile #39 in F18(ne). Runs G19N-F20-F22-E23 (\$180). Pay dividends (TJK +\$90, NYNH&H +\$54, MMF +\$18, CCH +\$18); price moves to D120. Buy 5-train from PA for \$5. ($\$5 + \$54 = \54).

C&O: Lay Tile #14 in H4(ne). Run J2-H4-F6-G7E (\$130). Pay dividend (WM +\$65, C&O +\$52, MMF +\$13); price rises to D110.

PA: Lay Tile #63 in H16(e). Run H18-G19S-G17-H16-H12-H10 (\$220). Pay dividends (TJK +\$132, MMF +\$88); price climbs to A112. Buy 4-train from NYNH&H for \$1 ($\$60 + \$1 - \$64 = \64).

B&M: Lay Tile #25 in D20(e). Run G19N-F20-F22-F24-E23-E19 (\$220). Pay dividend (MMF +\$132, TJK +\$44, CCH +\$44); stock goes to A100.

CP: Lay Tile #8 in C19(ne) ($\$370 - \$80 = \$290$). Run A19-B20 (\$50). Pay dividend (WM +\$30, CP +\$5); price returns to B90.

NYC: Run E23-E19-G19N-F20S (\$190). Pay dividend (WM +\$114, TJK +\$19); price moves to F75.

OPERATIONS ROUND 7.3:

B&O: Run H18W-H16-I15-H10 (\$180) and G19S-H18E-I15-J14-K13 (\$260). Pay dividends (CCH +\$220, TJK +\$132, MMF +\$88); price soars to A250.

ERIE: Lay Tile #59 in D10(w) ($\$220 - \$20 = \$200$). Run E11S-D14-E11N-D10 (\$160). Pay dividends (CCH +\$96, MMF +\$48, TJK +\$16); price goes to A142.

NYNH&H: Runs E19-G19H-F20S-F22-E23 (\$220). Pay dividends (TJK +\$110, NYNH&H +\$66, MMF +\$22, CCH +\$22); price increases to D130.

PA: Lay Tile #63 in H4(e). Play token in H16 ($\$64 - \$40 = \$24$). Run G19S-G17S-H16-H10-H4-J2 (\$260) & G17N-H18-H16-I15 (\$160). Pay dividends (TJK +\$252, MMF +\$168); price climbs to A126.

C&O: Lay Tile #9 in G3(se). Run F2-H4-F6-G7E (\$150). Pay dividends (WM +\$75, C&O +\$60, MMF +\$15); price rises to D120.

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GREED IS GOOD

NOTHING FANCY

ERRATA: What is it about this particular game that causes me to screw it up so much? PA cannot play tile in hex H8 because the B&O token blocks him! PA upgrades Pittsburgh instead. Morrison collected only \$5 from privates last time; even then we forgot to credit it to him. The Corporation Status figures for the company treasury are correct, rather than the OR 5.1 reports. Don questioned HYNH&H's play of a tile on H18 while the C&A was owned by the PA. Rule 18.0, Paragraph 6, Sentence 2, allows it, stating: "Tiles may be placed there if the Private Company is owned by a Corporation or closed."

PLAYER STATUS:

Zieske:	\$141, 1 NYNH&H, 1 PA, 5 NYC(Prez), 1 B&O, 1 B&M, 1 CP
Morrison:	\$185, SVNR&R, 1 PA, 5 NYC(VP), 3 CP(VP)
Bliss:	\$198, 5 NYNH&H(Prez), 6 CP(Prez) < PRIORITY >
Kuntz:	\$18, 5 PA(Prez), 6 C&O(Prez)
Paffenberger (G&D):	\$48, 4 B&O(VP), 4 B&M(Prez)
Chinnery (TRC):	\$27, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 PA, 2 B&M(VP)

CORPORATION STATUS:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	B126	0	0	n/a	\$ 570	3	0
HYNH&H	D110	4	0	n/a	\$ 362	3	0, C&SL
NYC	A90	0	0	n/a	\$ 785	3	3, D&H
B&M	B62	0	3	\$90	\$ 720	3	1
C&O	C76	0	4	\$82	\$ 520	4	2
CP	D71	0	0	n/a	\$ 330	4	3
PA	E67	1	1	\$76	\$ 375	3	3, C&A

OPERATING ROUND 6.E:

Private Companies pay Morrison \$5, NYNH&H \$10, NYC \$15, and PA \$25.

B&O: Lays Tile #8 in I13(ne). Run J14-I15-H16 (\$110). Pay dividends (TRC +\$55, G&D +\$44, PZ +\$11), so price surges to B142.

HYNH&H: Lays Tile #29 in F18(se). Run G19S-G17-G19N (\$130). Pay dividends (JB +\$140, NYNH&H +\$112, PZ +\$28); price rises to D120. Buy 4-train (\$362+10+112-300 = \$184).

NYC: Lays Tile #9 in E21(w) (\$785+15-120 = \$600). Run E19-E23 (\$70). Pay dividends (PZ +\$35, WM +\$35); price returns to A100.

B&M: Run G19H-F20S-F22 (\$100). Pay dividends (G&D +\$40, TRC +\$20, PZ +\$10); price moves to B90. Buy 4-train (\$720-300 = \$420).

C&O: Lays Tile #9 in G5(sw). Run F6-G7 (\$40). Pay dividend (GK +\$24); price returns to C82.

CP: Lays Tile #57 in B16(e). Run A19-B20-B16 (\$70); pay dividends (JB +\$42, WM +\$21, PZ +\$7), so price returns to D76.

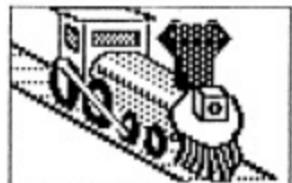
PA: Run I15-H12-H10 (\$90). Pay dividends (GK +\$45, PA +\$9, TRC +\$9, PZ +\$9, WM +\$9); price edges to E71.

Due next time are orders for SR 6. Bliss has the Priority Card. Note COA for Kuntz.

PLAYER STATUS:

Zieske:	\$241, 1 NYNH&H, 1 PA, 5 NYC(Prez), 1 B&O, 1 B&M, 1 CP
Morrison:	\$250, SVNR&R, 1 PA, 5 NYC(VP), 3 CP(VP)
Bliss:	\$380, 5 NYNH&H(Prez), 6 CP(Prez) < PRIORITY >
Kuntz:	\$ 87, 5 PA(Prez), 6 C&O(Prez)
Paffenberger (G&D):	\$132, 4 B&O(VP), 4 B&M(Prez)
Chinnery/ TRC:	" 115, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 PA, 2 B&M(VP)

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16 TONS NOW STARTED! C&O FLOATS!!



DISCLAIMER: Last month's map omitted the PA token in H16. All the ending stock prices were wrong.

PRIVATE RAILROADS

Rick Egvedt	\$50, D&H, M&H, 2 B&O
Mark Frueh	\$6, C&A, 4 PA
Paul Zieske	\$10, 4 B&O(Prez)
Mike Paffenberger	\$20, 5 NYNH&H(Prez) <Priority>
James Bliss	\$5, SVH&RR, 5 PA(Prez)
Don Chinnery	\$42, C&SL, 1 B&O, 3 NYNH&H

MANUFACTURERS

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	A90	0	3	\$100	\$760	22	2
PA	D71a	0	1	\$76	\$560	22	2
NYNH&H	D71b	0	2	\$76	\$420	223	1

OPERATING RULES

Privates pay RE (\$15+20 = \$35), MMF (+\$25), JB (+\$5), and DC (+\$10).

B&O: Lay Tile #53 in I15(sw). Run I15-J14 (\$70) & I15-H14 (\$60). Pay dividend (PZ +\$52, RTE +\$26, DC +\$13); price returns to A100. Buy 3-train (\$760-100 = \$580).

PA: Play Tile #57 in H10(v). Place token in I15 (\$560-100 = \$460). Run I15-J14 (\$70) & H10-I15 (\$70). Pay dividend (JB +\$70, MMF +\$56); price returns to D76. Buy 3-train (\$460-100 = \$280).

NYNH&H: Play Tile #54 in G19(sw) (\$420-80 = \$340). Run G19H-F20 (\$80). Pay dividend (MP +\$40, DC +\$24); price returns to D76b.

OPERATING RULES

Privates pay RE (\$15+20 = \$35), MMF (+\$25), JB (+\$5), and DC (+\$10).

B&O: Lay Tile #9 in I17 (\$580-80 = \$500). Run I15-J14 (\$70), I15-I19 (\$60), H10-I15 (\$70). Pay dividend (PZ +\$84, RTE +\$42, DC +\$21); price soars to A112.

PA: Play Tile #14 in H10(e). Run I15-J14 (\$70), H12-I15 (\$60) & H12-H10 (\$40). Pay dividend (JB +\$85, MMF +\$68); price moves to D82. Buy SVH&RR from Bliss (\$280-40 = \$240).

NYNH&H: Play Tile #7 in F18(se). Run G19H-F20 (\$80). Pay dividend (MP +\$40, DC +\$24); price climbs to D82b.

EXCHANGES

Paffenberger buys 1 B&O (\$100-100 = \$0)

Bliss buys Prez share of N&W, setting par at \$76 (\$210-152 = \$58)

Chinnery passes. Egivedt buys 1 B&O (\$180-100 = \$80).

Frueh sells 4 PA, buys Prez share of C&O, setting par at \$82. (\$180+328-164 = \$344) PA plummets to H68

Zieske buys 1 B&O (\$110-100 = \$10). B&O sold out!

Paffenberger and Bliss pass. Chinnery buys 1 PA from the Pool (\$144-68 = \$76)

Egivedt buys 1 PA from the Pool (\$88-68 = \$20)

Frueh buys 1 C&O (\$344-82 = \$262)

Zieske, Paffenberger and Bliss pass. Chinnery buys 1 PA from the Pool (\$76-68 = \$8)

Egivedt passes. Frueh buys 1 C&O (\$262-82 = \$180).

Zieske, Paffenberger, Bliss, Chinnery & Egivedt pass. Frueh buys 1 C&O (\$180-82 = \$98).

Zieske, Paffenberger, Bliss, Chinnery & Egivedt pass.

Frueh buys 1 C&O (\$98-82 = \$16). C&O floats!

Zieske, Paffenberger, Bliss, Chinnery & Egivedt pass.

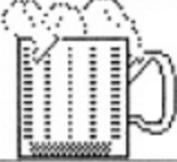
Frueh sells 1 C&O & buys 1 NYNH&H (\$16+82-76 = \$22).

All pass.

The next time we offer for OPS 3, I, S, 3, 2 and SR4 Paul has the Priority Card.

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~~Shuffles Trains~~
~~Swaps Some Too~~

**Player Status:**

Chuck Hanna (CCH): 92M, #1, #4, #5, #6, 6 BA(Dir), 1 WT <Der Zug>

Rick Egvedt (RTE): 65M, NF, OB, 5 BY(Dir), 2 WT(Dir)

Don Chinnery (Der Bahn Corp - DBC): 65M, #3, 6 SX(Dir), 1 WT

John Butta (Volksdampfzug - Vdz): 2M, #2, Braun, Hnn, PB, 5 BY, 1 WT

Corporation Status:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
#1	--				100	2	0
#2	--				145	2	0
#3	--				100	2	0
#4	--				230	2	0
#5	--				125	2	0
#6	--				150	2	0
BY	B120	0	0	n/a	502	2,2+,3	4
SX	F92	4	0	n/a	496	2,2+2+2+	2
WT	D84	0	5	84	420	---	2
BA	D78	0	4	84	14	2,33	2
PR	D154	0	4	154			

Operating Round 7.1:

Privates pay RTE (5M+10 = 15M) & Vdz (25M+30+15 = 70M)

- #1: Lay Tile #207 in H2(ne). Run H2-I3 (70M). (#1 +35M, CCH +35M) Buy 2-train from #4 for 134M (100M+35-134 = 1M)
#2: Lay Tile #209 in E19(nw). Run E19-C11 (80M). (#2 +40M, Vdz +40M). Buy 2+2-train from SX for 100M (145M+40-100 = 85M)
#3: Lay Tile #28 in F20(nw). Run F14-E19 (60M); (#3 +30M, DBC +30M).
#4: Lay Tile #207 in I3(w). No runs. Buy 3-train from Bank and 2-train from BA for 184M (230M+134-184 = 0M)
#5: Lay Tile #87 in B14(e). Run E19-C11 (80M). (#5 +40M, CCH +40M) Buy 2-train from #6 for 120M (125M+40-120 = 45M)
#6: Lay Tile #12 in A11(sw). No run. Buy 3+3-train (150+120-270 = 0M)
BY: Lay Tile #14 in M9(se). Play token in M9 (502M-80 = 422M). Run O15-L14 (60M), O15-H12 (50M), M9-H10 (60M). Pay dividend (RTE +85M, Vdz +85M); price soars to B120.
SX: Lay Tile #15 on H16(nw). Play token in E19(496M+100-60 = 536M) Run E19-C11 (80M), E21-E19-H20 (90M) & H20-H16-I17 (70M). Pay dividends (DBC +144M, SX +96M); price climbs to P98. Buy 3+3-train (536M+96-270 = 362M)
BA: Lay Tile #215 on G3(sw) (14M+184-50 = 148M). Play token in I3 (148M-60 = 88M). Run K3-L6-M5 (90M), I3-H2-G3 (110M). Pay dividend (CCH +120M); price returns to D84. Buy 2-train from #4 for 1M (88M-1 = 87M).
WT: Play initial token in M9. Lay Tile #14 in N12(e). No run, so price slips to D84. Buy 3+3-train (420M-270 = 150M).

OPERATING ROUND 7.2:

Privates pay RTE (5M+10 = 15M) & Vdz (25M+30+15 = 70M)

- #1: Lay Tile #24 in I5(se). Run H2-I3 (80M) & H2-G3 (70M). (#1 +75M, CCH +75M)
#2: Lay Tile #19 in E17(ne). Run E19-C11 (70M) & E21-E19-H20 (80M). (#2 +75M, Vdz +75M).
#3: Lay Tile #67 in H10(ne). Run F14-E19 (60M); (#3 +30M, DBC +30M).
#4: Lay Tile #205 in G5(sw). Run G5-G3-H2 (100M). (#4 +50M, CCH +50M)
#5: Lay Tile #8 in C15(nw). Run E19-C11 (100M) & E19-H20 (70M). (#5 +85M, CCH +85M)
#6: Lay Tile #29 in D14(nw). Run C11-A11-B12-C11-B14-B16 (140M). (#6 +70M, CCH +70M)
BY: Lay Tile #69 in L8(sw). Run O15-L14 (60M), O15-H12-H10 (60M) & M9-L8-L6 (70M). Pay dividend (RTE +95M, Vdz +95M); price soars to B134.
SX: Lay Tile #9 on K15(v) (362M-70 = 292M). Run E19-C11 (80M), E21-E19-H20 (90M), E19-C21 (60M) & H20-H16-I17-L14N(100M). Pay dividends (DBC +198M, SX +132M); price climbs to P106.
BA: Lay Tile #213 on J6(e) (87M-50 = 37M). Run L6-M5 (80M), I3-H2-G3 (110M), I3-J6-J8 (\$110). Pay dividend (CCH +180M); price moves to D88.
WT: Lay Tile #9 in K7(sw) (150M-50 = 100M). Run M9-L8-L6-J8 (110M); pay dividend (RTE +22M, DBC +11M, Vdz +11M, CCH +11M). Price returns to D84.

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PREMLIN

SPIES EVERYWHERE!
KRAKEMHEDS DEAD



YEAR 5

THE CAST

Dan Farrow: Committee of Modern Marxists into Expanding Socialism (COMMIES) <2 Waves>
 Mark Luedt: OM Red Fests (ORF)
 Mark Prueh: Marginal Mechanics Faction (MMF) <1 Wave>
 Paul Saunders: Party of Cartographic Socialists (PCS) <1 Wave>

Party Chief:	Satin (O), 63	1 IP (PCS*)
KGB Head:	Niewitko (D), 73, +	4 IP (PCS*)
Foreign Minister:	Krakemheds (B), 85(w), ++, ?	2 IP (MMF*)
Defense Minister:	Schrunkutov (B), 75	2 IP (MMF*)
Ideology Chief:	Purgemoff (P), 71	
Industry Minister:	Goferbrook (C), 74(s)	2 IP (ORF*) 1 IP (MMF)
Economy Minister:	Protzky (U), 56	
Sports Minister:	Palavrian (G), 70	
Candidates:	J,K,L,M<? 64, 2 IP (PCS*)>,P(62)	
People:	R,S,T,V,W,Z	
Siberia:	I(74), M(67), Q, Y(53)	
The Kremlin Wall:	A,H,S,X	

CORE PHASE All Comrades remain at work. Satin ages 1 SP to 64 & Krakemheds ages 4 SP to 89.

PURGE PHASE Niewitko fails (6) to purge Schrunkutov, aging 3 SPs to 76.

SPY PHASE Schrunkutov opens Investigations on Satin (O), Niewitko (D), and Goferbrook (C), then condemns Batstamuch (M) to Siberia, aging 5 SPs to 80.

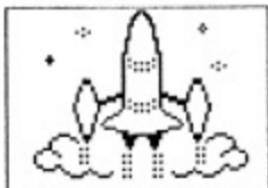
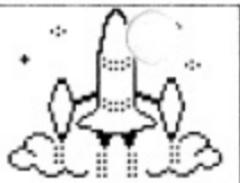
HEALTH PHASE

Oleg "O" (64, ?) attends "13" diplomatic receptions.
 Petr "D" (76, ?) personally interrogates "16" dissidents.
 Karel "E" (89,++) chugs "3" liters of vodka to win a 100 ruble bet, but dies of alcohol poisoning.
 Lech "B" (80) swims "3" kilometers in the Volga and contracts something nasty (++)
 Andzej "F" (71) wins a "13" round chess tournament.
 Alexej "C" (74) climbs "19" flights of stairs daily to and from his apartment.
 Wassily "U" (56) sleeps through an "11" hour speech.
 Diwan "G" (70) becomes ill (++) after eating "2" kilos of caviar.

Due next time are orders for Turn 5's Replacement, Rehab, and Parade Phases. The default promotions are "C" to Foreign Minister, "J" to Industry Minister, and "R" & "S" to Candidates.

Party Chief:	Satin (O), 64, ?	1 IP (PCS*)
KGB Head:	Niewitko (D), 76, +, ?	4 IP (PCS*)
Foreign Minister:	<Vacant>	
Defense Minister:	Schrunkutov (B), 80, ++	2 IP (MMF*)
Ideology Chief:	Purgemoff (P), 71	
Industry Minister:	Goferbrook (C), 74(s), ?	2 IP (ORF*) 1 IP (MMF)
Economy Minister:	Protzky (U), 56	
Sports Minister:	Palavrian (G), 70, ++	
Candidates:	J,K,L,P(62),<Vacant>	
People:	R,S,T,V,W,Z	
Siberia:	I(74), M(64?), N(67), Q, Y(53)	
The Kremlin Wall:	A,E,H,S,X	

STELLAR CONQUEST



3 Games in Progress

Figured I could address y'all at once using this format, and perhaps let this page be an occasional forum for rules interpretations, suggestions for variants for later, and whatever ideas might emanate from far off in space. One such idea was to allow Press to keep the games from getting boring. Hmm, my original idea was that a completely blind game would be tease, anxiety-ridden, and paranoia prone—never boring! My main objection to Press was that it could enable you to deduce an opponent's identity from stylistic analysis, but publishing here, with all three games intermingled, would lessen that objection. So we have Press starting next time.

What are your thoughts on the players assuming *nom de guerre*?

FLESH GORDON: (Turns 4-8)

You are Player #

SIMON WAGSTAFF: (Turns 1-4)

You are Player #

GOLAN TREVIZE: (Game Start)

You are Player #

Due next time are:
FLESH GORDON-- Turn 8 Production and Movement for Turns 9-12
SIMON WAGSTAFF-- Turn 4 Production and Movement for Turns 5-8
GOLAN TREVIZE-- Initial Production and Movement for Turns 1-4

--1835 (continued from p8)

Due next time are orders for SR 8. Chuck has *der Zug*. Your certificate limit is 15, including Privates and Minors. Shares in the HE and PR may be purchased. Shares in the MS may not be purchased until all BA, WT, PR, and HE shares have been purchased from the initial offering.

MARKET SHAREGS:

Chuck Hanna (CCH): 758M, #1, #4, #5, #6, 6 BA(Dir), 1 WT <*Der Zug*>

Rick Egliwelt (RTE): 297M, HF, OB, 5 BY(Dir), 2 WT(Dir)

Don Chinnery (Der Bahn Corp = DBC): 476M, #3, 6 SX(Dir), 1 WT

John Buttitta (Volksdampfzug = Vdz): 448M, #2, Braun, Hann, PB, 5 BY, 1 WT

MARKET CAPITALIZATION:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
#1	--				76	22	0
#2	--				160	2	0
#3	--				160	2	0
#4	--				51	3	0
#5	--				130	22	0
#6	--				70	3+	0
BY	B134	0	0	n/a	422	2,2+,3	3
SX	F106	3	0	n/a	496	2,2+2,+3	2
BA	D88	0	4	84	37	2,33	0
WT	D84	0	5	84	100	3+	1
PR	D154	0	4	154			

MARKET ANALYSIS: 444,4+,55,5+,66,6+6+6+6+.

The Bank has 8,391M.

MARKET PREDICTION: #1(0), #2(1), #3(2), #4(1), #5(3), #6(3), #7(8), #8(6), #9(1), #12(1), #13(2), #14(0), #15(1), #16(2), #18(1), #19(1), #20(2), #23(3), #24(2), #25(3), #26(2), #27(2), #28(1), #29(1), #55(1), #56(1), #57(0), #58(0), #69(1), #87(0), #88(2), #203(2), #204(1), #205(0), #206(1), #207(0), #208(2), #209(0), #210(1), #211(1), #212(1), #213(0), #214(0), #215(0).

MARKET: Reichs Tagliche Eisenbahn announces the doubling of its firm's services between Augsburg and Stuttgart, and the initiation of new service to Frankfurt in time for the annual Weinfest season (*Prost!*)

MAGIC REALM

WOOLLY JOINS GHOSTBUSTERS WULF DIES SHAVING

The Cast:

John Buttle:	"Moondoggie" the Sorcerer (Bushytail, Misty)
Scott Cameron:	"Wulf Ironhelm" the Berserker (Requiescat In Pace)
Don Chinnery:	"Black Bert" the Black Knight (as of the 12th -- see Rule 2.8/3)
Den Farrow:	"Scitch" the Witch King (Ribbit! Silky)
Richard Price:	"Woolly" the optional Wizard
Jack Shacklett:	"Sir Jordan" the White Knight
Michael Tsuk:	"Fang Gulfwolf" the Berserker
	"Capt Avalon" the optional Captain

BATTLES: Wulf does so have Roger (R6) in tow; the two of them and Raoul (R5) take on the Company. Woolly activated the Ghosts in CV2; he gets to duke it out too.

EVENING 10

Scitch casts BROOMSTICK using MAGIC IV3* and BLACK 3.

Monster Roll = 1

Woolly is confronted by the two ghosts. Woolly swings his axe M5 at the louder ghost while dodging M4*. Spooky (the loud mouth(?)) attacks L2/L2 dodge/swing and dies(?), while cousin Casper attacks L2/L2 smash/duck. Woolly is wounded (MOVE M5).

Woolly again swings M5 while dodging M4; Casper attacks H4/H4 smash/duck.

Woolly casts FIERY BLAST using MAGIC IV3* and PURPLE 4. Casper again attacks H4/H4 smash/duck, the BLAST hits him (2,1) for maximum damage, so Casper is milktoast. Woolly gains 6N.

Wulf, facing certain death, "accidentally" cuts his jugular while shaving with his Great Axe. Roger (R6) and Raoul (R5) become unhired. Wulf's stuff goes to the bottom of the abandoned pile at the Inn.

DAY 11

Monster Roll = 0

Scitch @ PW4: R(MAGIC IV3*), M EV4, M EV1, M OW2; reveals RUINS W.

Moondoggie @ LWS=LCF, Bashkars & Lancers: R(MAGIC IV2*), SPX, SP(enchant LW using MAGIC IV3* & PURPLE 6), M LW4, R(MAGIC IV6*).

Sir Jordan @ C15 w/R4: H(5,5 = y), M C13, M C15, M BV2.

Capt Avalon @ G. House: H(3,3 = y), H, M BL1, M MW4, M MW2, M Rul; reveals DANK C.

PLUTTER 1. A H Bat arrives at Rul to join the two H F dragons there.

Woolly @ CV1: H(3,1), R(MOVE M5), R(MAGIC IV3*), R(MAGIC IV4*)

Fang & R7 @ MW4: H(4,4 = y), M EV4, M EV1, M OW2.

BATTLES: Fang and Ralph can break concealment and attack Scitch in OW2. Capt A may break concealment and take on two H F dragons and a H bat.

STUFF OF NOTE: A T. Demon at C11, a sixpack of axe-goblins at BL2, a sixpack of spear-goblins at BL5, a Giant, a H Spider and an abandoned treasure at C13, a pile of stuff abandoned at BV5. The ghosts are (temporarily) dead. The Vault is open and still has two treasures therein. Borderland, Pine and Linden Woods are enchanted. All the Rogues are available for hire except R4 and R7. New map on p 14.

PRESS:

The Moondoggie senses a great disturbance in the force. (Moondoggie is part Jedi on his mother's side). There is a voice crying "de Leanys" and more voices crying "de Rogues". Moondoggie then feels a righteous sense of peace and all of this thinking puts Moondoggie to sleep.

Sorry, Boris. May your Peace with Nature extend to other characters in the next Magic Realm.
S.o.B.L.

Tuttle II to Moondoggie/Son of Big Lenny: Not so fast, buster!

Fang: Don't like all those loud noises behind us Ralph. Maybe we should go find a nice quiet woods.

Who are you going to call, Ghostbusters! -Woolly



THE HUNT

Farrow in Lead Again!!

Morrison Trails by 0.67!



Inspired by Lipton's book, "An Exaltation of Larks", this is a word game where we propose a noun and the players are asked to propose a collective noun to fit, such as "flock" for "sheep", or "pride" for lions. Boris and Ms Nar will rank each entry for each word and the best score will be the winner, regardless of Mr. Lipton's proclamations. Each word gives a possible 1 point, but the point may be split if either more than one player suggests it or two or more words are ranked equally. The first player to score 10 points wins six free issues of this rag. The Hunt is run in "Chases" or rounds. This is the 4th Chase. To the Hunt!

CHASE 4:

1. boats	armada, awash, flotilla(2*/B/N), skipper
2. alligators	belt, jaw(+), river(B), slither(N), swamp(3+)
3. magnets	attraction(2/N), gauss(B), lodestone, pole, pull(*)
4. models	assembly, bevy, build, calendar(B), cast, posing(N), shutterful(*), slouch(L)
5. antelope	deer, herd(2*/B/H), leap(+), play
6. gaus	E/h(B), implausibility(L), guest(*), knock, news, whazzit, zoo
7. electrons	cloud(B), orbit(*), random, shell(2/L), stream
8. quarks	bar, collision, fundamental, muster(B), presumption, quantum(*)
9. superbowl	fifto, game, hyperbole(B), party, secession, tradition(*)

LEGEND: B = Boris's suggestion, L = Lipton's suggestion(s), N = Ms Nar's suggestion, * = winner, + = duplicate suggestions, + = tie for first, / = B/L/N suggested it too

AFTERTHOUGHTS: a replica of model (kits), a horn of antelopes, a cantelope of antelopes

Score this time: Dan Farrow 3.67, John Butitta 3.00, Wayne Morrison 1.17, Scott Cameron 0.92, and Ron Fisher 0.25.

Total score: Dan Farrow 8.50, Wayne Morrison 7.63, Scott Cameron 7.42, John Butitta 4.67, Dick Martin 3.33, Jason Fisher 3, Ron Fisher 2.25, Mark Luedi 1.

CHASE 5:

1. catchers	2. pitchers	3. umpires	4. infielders	5. outfielders
1. managers	7. DHs	8. batters	9. announcers	10. bases



THE BOURSE

Franc Favorite Buy

Lira & Dinar Scorned



Company	Dollars	Kroner	Pounds	Francs	Marks	Lire	Rubles	Dinars
CCH	1	0	0	333	0	0	0	0
B	0	50	50	50	50	30	54	30
IT	0	110	0	111	111	0	1	0
PRB	0	0	0	300	32	0	1	0
RF	0	50	50	50	50	0	100	0
RVE	1	0	0	0	333	0	0	0
WOMEX	1	0	0	333	0	0	0	0
WMMNM	0	0	130	140	50	0	10	0

LEGEND: CCH = Corporation for Currency Holding, PRB = People's Revolutionary Bank, RVE = RV Exchange, WOMEX = Wordelmann's Monetary Exchange, WMMNM = WMM Network Market

The Bourse will be closed this season. It will reopen in Winter 1981/02 and Spring 1982.

--CRUELTY IS IN (continued from p5)

B&M: Lay Tile #23 in C19(ne). Run G19H-F20-F22-E23-B20-A19 (\$230). Pay dividends (MMR +\$138, TJK +\$46, CCH +\$46); stock goes to A112.

CP: Lay Tile #7 in B18(nw). Run A19-B20-E23 (\$110). Pay dividend (WM +\$66, CP +\$110); price rises to B100.

Due next time are orders for SR 8; Wayne has the Priority Card. TJ and Mark are both at their certificate limit. Note COA for TJ.

PLAYER STATUS:

Morrison: \$ 670, 5 C&O(Prez), 6 NYC(Prez), 6 CP(Prez) <Priority>
 Klausunis: \$1166, 6 PA(Prez), 3 B&O(VP), 5 NYNH&H(Prez), 2 B&M(VP), 1 Erie, 1 NYC
 Frueh: \$1077, 1 NYNH&H, 2 B&O, 1 C&O, 6 B&M (Pres), 4 PA(VP), 3 Erie
 Hanna: \$ 988, 5 B&O(Prez), 1 NYNH&H, 6 ERIE(Prez), 2 B&M

COMPARTMENT STATUS:

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	A250	0	0	n/a	\$110	45	0
NYNH&H	D130	3	0	n/a	\$71	5	0
ERIE	A142	0	0	n/a	\$140	5	1
C&O	D120	4	0	n/a	\$462	4	2
PA	A126	0	0	n/a	\$24	46	2
B&M	A112	0	0	n/a	\$0	6	0
CP	B100	1	3	\$100	\$306	6	3
NYC	F80	0	3	\$67	\$330	4	2

TRAINS AVAILABLE: DDDDDD. The Bank has \$6,560.

TIRES AVAILABLE: #2(1), #3(2), #4(2), #7(2), #8(4), #9(3), #14(1), #15(1), #16(1), #18(1), #19(1), #20(1), #23(1), #24(3), #27(1), #28(1), #40(1), #41(2), #42(2), #43(2), #44(1), #45(2), #46(2), #47(1), #55(1), #57(4), #58(1), #59(2), #64(1), #65(1), #76(1)

--GREED IS GOOD (continued from p6)**COMPARTMENT STATUS:**

Company	Value	Pool	Bank	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	B142	0	0	n/a	\$ 570	3	0
NYNH&H	D120	4	0	n/a	\$ 184	34	0,C&SL
NYC	A100	0	0	n/a	\$ 680	3	3,D&H
B&M	B90	0	3	\$90	\$ 420	34	1
C&O	C82	0	4	\$82	\$ 520	4	2
CP	D76	0	0	n/a	\$ 330	4	3
PA	E71	1	1	\$76	\$ 409	3	3,C&A

TRAINS AVAILABLE: 555666DDDDDD.

The Bank has \$7,686.

--16 TONS (continued from p7)**PLAYER STATUS**

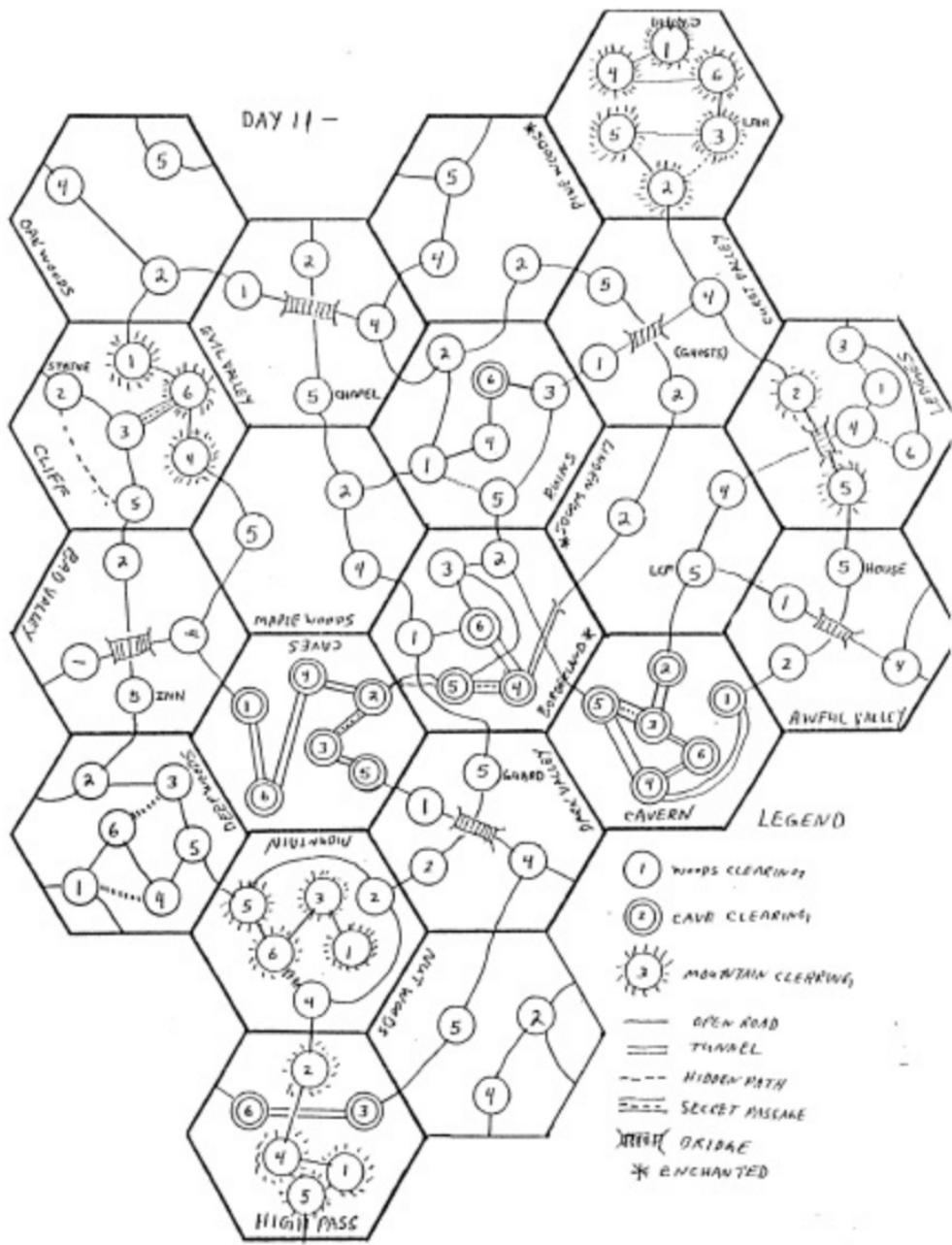
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 Mark Frueh: \$22, C&A, 5 C&O(Prez), 1 NYNH&H
 Paul Zieske: \$46, 5 B&O(Prez) <Priority>
 Mike Paffenberger: \$ 0, 5 NYNH&H(Prez), 1 B&O
 James Bliss: \$58, 5 PA(Prez), 2 H&W(Prez)
 Don Chinney: \$ 8, C&SL, 1 B&O, 3 NYNH&H, 2 PA

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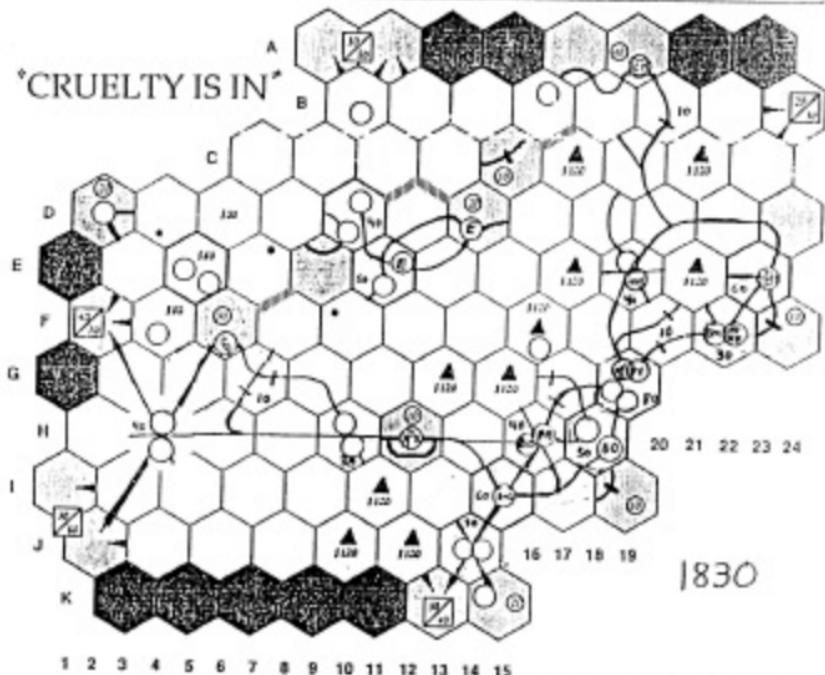
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NYNH&H	D82	0	2	\$ 76	\$160	223	1
C&O	C82	1	4	\$ 82	---	---	3
H&W	D76	0	8	\$ 76	---	---	3
PA	H68	1	1	\$ 76	\$240	223	1,SVN&RR

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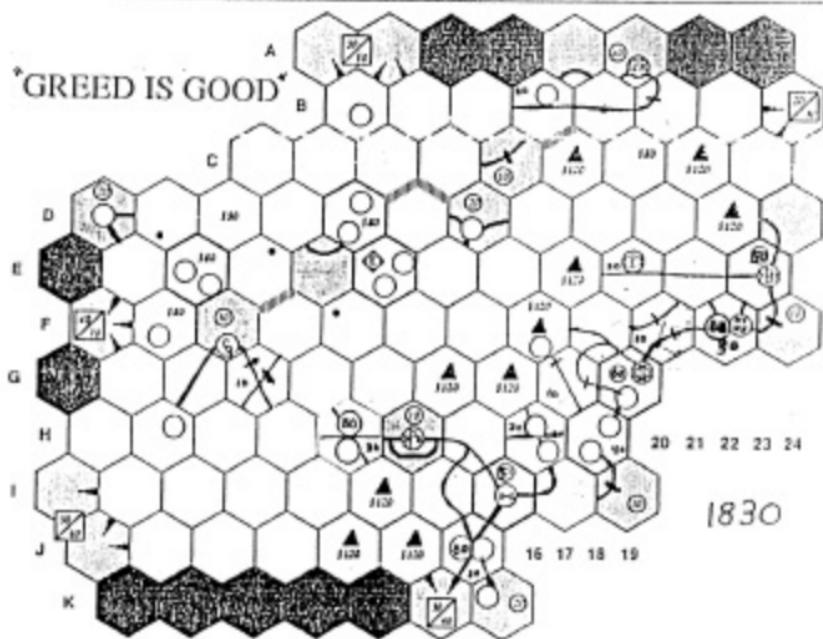
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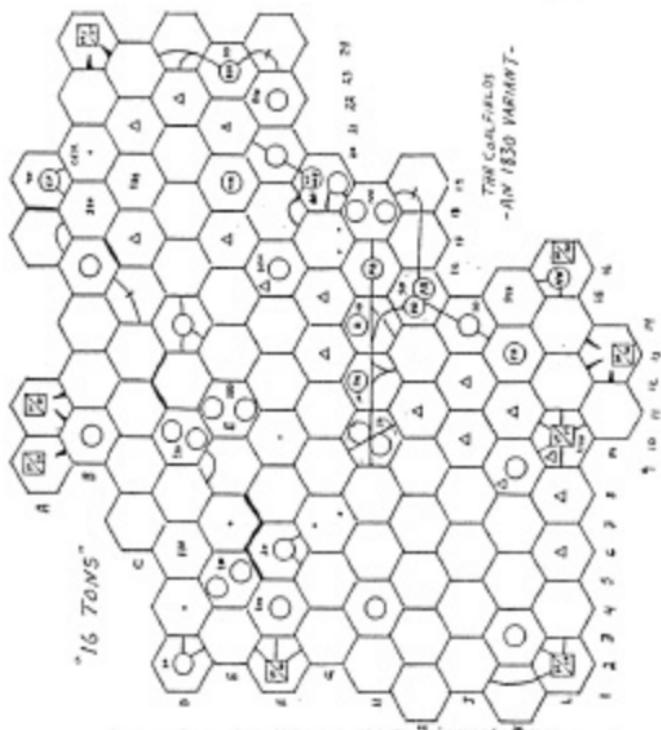
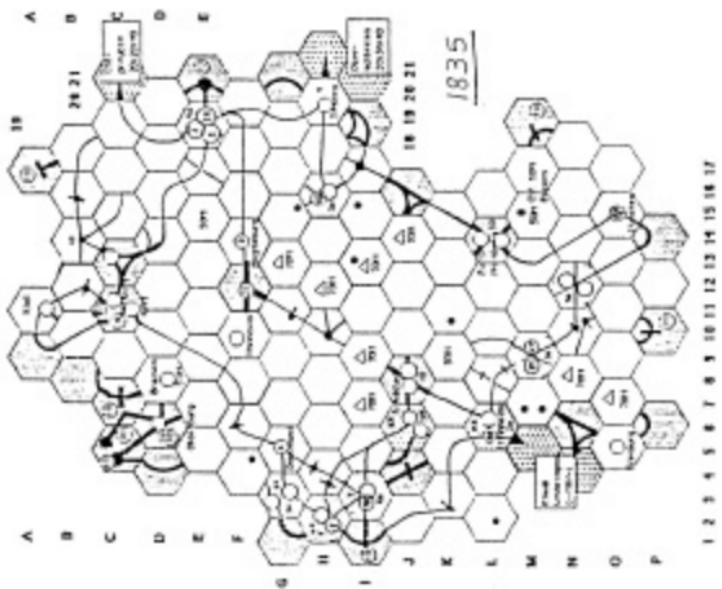


"CRUELTY IS IN"



"GREED IS GOOD"





The Third Annual Hobby Favorites Poll (for 1992)

Publishers are encouraged and welcome to reprint this ballot, which is free upon request—but an SASE would be nice.

You may not vote for yourself or your works—stop being so egotistical for once and give someone else their due! The top vote-getter(s) in each category will be reported in the final results. Your secret ballot will not be revealed to anyone.

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Vote once for each of the following categories. (Multiple votes for a category result in no vote cast.)

1. Recognition for Outstanding Hobby Service (in 1992) _____
2. Favorite Diplomacy Variant (which you played in 1992) _____
3. Favorite Player (as GM or against whom you played in 1992) _____
4. Most Feared Player (against whom you played in 1992) _____
5. Favorite Press Writer (whose press you read in 1992) _____
6. Favorite GM (for whom you played in 1992) _____
7. Favorite Hobby Personality (in 1992) _____
8. Favorite Feature Writer (whose article or column you read, published in 1992) _____
9. Favorite Subzine (which you read in 1992) _____
10. Favorite Playing Zine (in which you played, published in 1992) _____
11. Favorite Reading Zine (which you read, published in 1992) _____
12. Favorite New Zine (which you saw, first published in 1992) _____
13. Favorite Overall Zine (which you saw, published in 1992) _____
14. Favorite Zine No Longer Being Published (which you have seen) _____

Circle or enter the appropriate answer

Age: -20 20's 30's 40's 50's 60's 70+

State or province of residence: _____

Number of cons attended in 1992: _____

Years playing Diplomacy: -2 2-5 6-10 11-20 20+

Approximate number of games won: _____

(Career—FTP and PBM, Dip and variants)

Years in PBM Dip hobby: -2 2-5 6-10 11-20 20+

Approximate number of games drawn: _____

Least favorite country to play: A E F G I R T

Favorite country to play: A E F G I R T

Rank from 1 (most) to 6 (least) how important these factors are to you when considering a zine:

____ Appearance ____ Contest ____ Frequency ____ Longevity ____ Price ____ Reputation

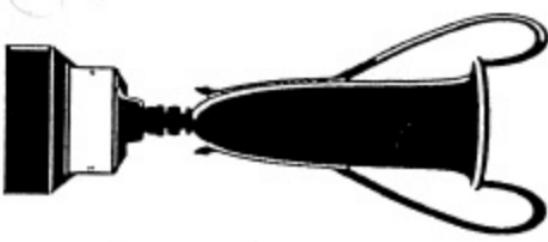
Rank from 1 (most) to 6 (least) how important these factors are to you when considering to play a game:

____ Game Fee ____ GM's Reputation ____ House Rules ____ Maps ____ Press ____ Type of Players

The 1993 Marco Poll

Your First Chance to Reward the Best!

In each category, you may list up to five choices.
List your choices in order from #1 (favorite) to #5 (fifth-favorite).



**Best Zine of 1992
Best Player of 1992
Freshman Zine of 1992**

Restrictions: *Perselandia* is not eligible for Best Zine, and Gary Behnen is not eligible for Best Player. A Freshman Zine is any zine whose first three issues came out in 1992. This includes but is not limited to the following: *36 Miles of Trouble*, *Zero Sum*, *iGOL!*, *Loco Motives*, *Foolhardy*, *Pennant Madness*, *Election Head-Quarters*, *Aren't You the Guy Who Hit Me in the Eye?*, *Metamorphosis* and *Rainbow Warrior*. (For the purpose of the Freshman Zine Poll, *Call Me President*, *Making Loue in a Canoe*, *Wild Gypsy Rose*, off-the-shelf and Standard Gauge will be considered 1993 start-ups.)

Send ballots, before May 1, to:

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Editors: I hope you will be able to publicize the Poll—if possible, reprint one of these announcements. Thanks!

On Deck

1830: Chinnery signed up, need 5 more. Alternates Chinnery, Frueh, Tsuk & Wordelmann.

1835: Chinnery & Zieske signed up; Chinnery and Farrow signed up for any variant. Alternates Frueh, Tsuk & Wordelmann.

DIPLOMACY: Alternates Ford, Franz, Frueh, Morrison, Tsuk, Wilson.

DUNE: R. Fisher and Morrison signed up.

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