



BORIS THE SPIDER

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Baw Power, and Naked Bread**
*"It, when a scolded up to every
 When for so practice to discuss!"*
 -Sir Walter Scott-



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BALKAN WARS OVER!

Congratulations to Dave Andrews on his skill and decisive win at Balkan Wars. Shall we get 'em up again? All those interested should send their country preferences and maybe a no war start and lose. Otherwise...

We begin new games of 1856 and SETTLERS OF CATAAN this issue. We also have a quiz on for HISTORY OF THE WORLD, so those signed up should send their color preferences and optional rule changes to Boris Wilcox, the designated GM.

STANDBY ALERT:

"Bats For Sale": Grace & Patra.

"What Inquisition?": Barolona.

MAGIC BEARDS: Fiva & Kyle.

SETTLERS OF CATAAN: Osborne.

Interested parties should send in orders for each position they are interested in. If the present player again fails to do a last order as time, a random drawing will be held.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: "When everyday is a risk, needs and time are not quite as interesting as they used to be."
 -- Erpence-Eber Londa Molart

Note new addresses for Andy York and Eddie Ludwig and corrections to Wayne Morrison's address and Debbie Osborne's phone number.

Jerin McQuinn is holding Crossing the Rubicon. He plans to run the remaining games by e-mail or by fax if they can't find a house. I suppose some of the DEP and COL DEP games I'm not to could end up here as there aren't a lot of other places they could go.

Note that the next deadline falls on a federal holiday so mail will not be delivered that day. The two or three of you that will use mail-card should card early.

BOOK & RECORD

This month's Modern Dolfac Press Excellence Award card free target goes to Rex Fisher for his BALKAN WARS Press.

This month's Mr New Super-Surby Bomb is lobbed at Mr Osborne and Mr Coandeanu.

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION HERE jaybes

Deadline for most games is Noon EDT 4 Jul 98



ERST SORRIBLES!! England Rolls Out!

XI

1997D

Spring 1998

MIDWOODS: England continues his reduction of the French Empire nearly unimpeded by the French or any other Power. Italy, Russia, and Turkey continue to squabble amongst themselves heedless of the growing specter of British hegemony.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Russia retreats A BUD to RUM. England builds A LON. Italy builds F ROM. Russia loses F ADD. Turkey builds F ANS.

ENGLAND (Anderson): A SHP B NIG A Mis-Gov. F 983 Spact. F 840-Gov. F 801 S A Lon-Bel. F Eng C A Lon-Bel. A Por B F Mid-Spact. F 94 M4. (A War-RuBil-777). F 923 S A Lon-Bel. A Lon-Bel.

FRANCE (Martinez): A Par-Gov. F Bre H. (A Bel H3-777). A Mas-Gov. A Rak B A Mas-Gov.

ITALY (Wilson): A Ber-Mis. A Ital S A Trl-Trl. A Vic S A Bel. A Trl-Trl. F 800-Gov. IF Nap-Inv. F Trl-Bel. F 800-Tyr.

RUSSIA (Pabst): A War-Mos. A Russ B A New-Ber. A Rev B ITN F 800-Gov. A Mis-Gov.

TURKEY (McCabe): F 800-Ang. IF Cav B A Cav-BuBil-777. IF Eng-Inv. (A Sev-Rum B-777). A Cav-Bel.

Orders in brackets fall; orb = ambiguous order; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; trap = impossible; no = unit not as ordered; sep = no special place; sta = no such unit; orb = off the board; cts = unit on the move; hd = unit unshowered.

English A RBE must retreat either orb or to DEN. French A BEL must retreat either orb or to BEL or PIC. Turkish A SEV must retreat either orb or to ARM or UNB. Turkish F GBE must retreat either orb or to AIL.

Our next line are the retreat and orders for Fall 1998.

EMBASSY BEAT

The Tsar expressed great dismay on the Turkish invasion of Sev and issued the following orders to his war minister: "Beats the heathen bastards, kick his wretched head in!"

GM to all: Heeee, "wreathen"? Perhaps an archaic form of the past participle of "to wreath" meaning "wreaked, lashed, flogged, or hammered." Makes sense with "wreath", I guess.

PBM TITAN Rules (continued)

IE.C. Masterboard play is not suspended or delayed for Battles. All legions involved in Battle will be removed from the Masterboard until the Battle is concluded. The victorious legion will reenter the Masterboard upon the same land from which it departed according to the following:

1. The victorious legion must attempt to reenter the Masterboard on the first Masterboard turn following the conclusion of the Battle. It may do this either by trying to Hold in the land where the Battle took place, or by trying to move from it.
2. The victorious legion may not enter another engagement on the turn in which it is reentering the Masterboard:
 - a. If the land where the battle took place and all the lands the reentering legion could move to are occupied, the legion does not reenter the Masterboard on that turn and must attempt to reenter on the next turn.
 - b. If any of these lands are not occupied, the legion must hold/move there. If more than one land is vacant, the legion may move to either land, if moving may master normally.
 - c. A legion reentering the Masterboard is not halted by enemy legions ordered to Hold or may move through them. It must obey Signs, however.

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Europe Mobilizes Reserves!

Winter 1901/02

XII

1996!

NEWS MORSEL: The die has been cast. The dogs of war have been loosed. For whom will the bell toll? Which Great Powers will be relegated to the dustbin of history? Don't touch that dial, and all will be made clear.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Austria builds A VIE & F TIR. England builds F LON. France builds F MAR & A FIN. Germany builds F GER. Italy builds F NAP. Russia builds A STP & F SER. Turkey builds A ANK.

AUSTRIA (Frying): A Bud, A Ser, F Gas, A Vis, F Tir;

ENGLAND (Shackleton): A Nay, F Sig, F NA, F Lon;

FRANCE (Beyoncé): A Spa, A Bar, F Par, F Mar, A Par;

GERMANY (Falset): A Ek, A Sub, F Mid, F Ber;

ITALY (McCart): A Tr, A Po, F Tus, F Nap;

RUSSIA (Pawtlet): F Ser, A Mos, A Ukr, F Man, A SF, F Ser;

TURKEY (Mantoux): A Bud-Ser, A Arm, F Sil, A Ank.

Orders in brackets fall, see = not an order.

Do not forget any orders for Spring 1902 (several already on file) and Pows. **Ms Nav** covers Pruss!

--POM TITAN Rules (continued from p 2)

4. If ever there are two battles occurring in the same land (being joined from different Mainboards) toward the victorious legion from the battle legions nearest has priority in the event of any conflict between them in resolving.
5. If the legions receiving the Mainboard does not have valid orders on where to resolve, the GM will have it fixed if possible. If correct, and more than one land to which it could move is correct, this land is determined randomly.

IV. Combat System

A. Battle proceeds as follows:

1. Defender makes his first turn movement to the Attacker.
2. Attacker makes his first turn movement, targetting, and strikes for Attacker Turn 1 to the Defender.
3. Defender makes his counterstrike for Attacker Turn 1, and Defender Turn 2 movement, targetting, and strikes to the Attacker.
4. Attacker makes his counterstrike for Defender Turn 2 and Attacker Turn 2 movement, targetting, and strikes to the Defender.
5. This procedure continues until the battle is reached.

B. Each Battle Mailing should contain the following information:

1. Date
2. Names of Attacking & Defending legions
3. Battlefield
4. Battlefield
5. Locations and status of all remaining characters.
6. Counterstrike, movement, targetting, strikes, and hit inflicted for the current Battlefield.

C. The GM is to receive a copy of each mailing. He will not make any corrections to any battle unless requested by one of the players.

D. The position of each character engaged in battle is indicated by using the Movement Chart accompanying these rules. As examples, the Vikings and the central Tower box are both #28. The five boats in the Woods are #1, #5, #11, #20, & #23, and the hilltops in the Hills are #4, #13, #16, #20, & #22.

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BALKAN WARS VI
RUMANIA WINS!
 Three Eliminated!
 Fall 1913

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CLIFFHANGER: And then it was over as quickly as it started. Rumania has wrested Balkan hegemony rights by force of arms. Albania, Bulgaria, and Serbia disappear, at least for the present, from the geography books. Greece and Turkey remain, defiant as always.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Bulgarian: now SER, GM retreats F AED off.

ALB (K Wilson): F Aya-GMS, IF Moo-Tri (p-777)

BL: (Crawford) SER A Ard 18a, A Thr 18a, p-777

GRE (York): F Cyo-Cro, F Aug 5 F Sal-Thr, F Sal-Thr, IA Tr 5-ALB F Moo-Tri, IA Ska-Sal, F Kho-EMS, F Mal H.

RUM (Anderson): A Na-Moo, A Baa-Boo, F SER 3 F SER: Iss, A SER 3 A Na-Moo, A Baa-Boo, IA Tr 5 A Fla A Co-Na, A Cro-Tri, F SER: Iss, A Plo 5 A Baa-Sal.

SER (McCabe): No units.

TUR (Parker): (F Iss-GER (p-777), F Baa-Moo, IA Cro-Via), F GM: Cyo.

Centers in brackets (a): imp = impossible, no = not so ordered, ran = ran south unit, off = off the board, r = must retreat to, u = unceded

Albanian F MOO & Bulgarian A TRH must retreat but will ultimately end up "in the box". Turkish F GM must retreat off or to BFF, or SMY but it doesn't matter.

SUPPLY CENTER GRANT:

ALB: -Tri -Min

(3) Tear 2 = OUT

BL: -Plo -Thr -Cyo

(3) Tear 2 = OUT

GRE: Ais Sal Ska Cro Ska Kho Val +Mal -Thr

(10) Build 3

RUM: Baa-Croa Gal Cha Dub Baa Sal Bel Na Var +Iss +Moo +Plo +Tri

(14) Build 4 = WWS

SER: -Tri

(3) Iss = OUT

TUR: Croa -Mal -Iss Ska -Cyo

(3) Tear 1

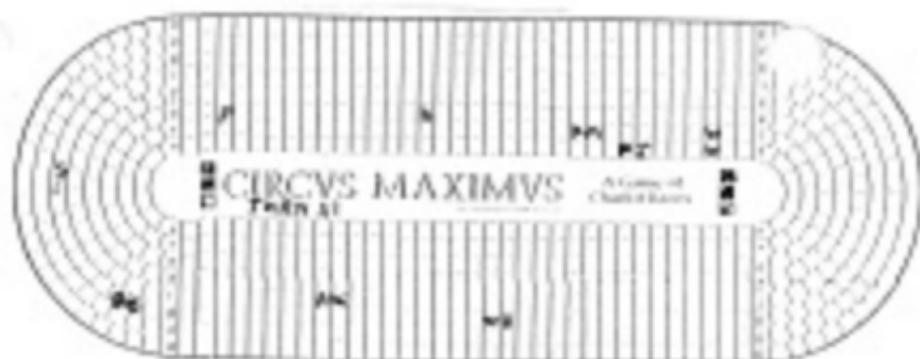
Due next time see retreats and best part to tidy things up and end of game statements.

EMBASSY HEAT

Ataman, Turkey: Sultan al-Noo, Master of Ottomans, used hell on Soratocid Defiler of women, Dark Blot on the Map of Civilization...hey, who's writing this...Behad Har! Now start over...

Sultan al-Noo, Master of Ottomans, Defender of Arcane Knowledge, Wielder of the Mighty Sword of Islam, calls on all civilized peoples to rise up and smite the dark hordes pouring out of Rumania, bringing death, pestilence, and foul-smelling stench to the cradle of ancient empires, frustrating the very fabric of civilization. The only hope for all mankind is to drive the demons far back to the hell it came from and slam the door real tight, and lock it, ah and pile furniture against it...ah...H! get back to you...where's that Hooka?

GM Albania: Looks like I was right about the jugular and wrong about needing TRH. Oh, well.



RESULTS FROM QUIT

ODDS	COLOR	DRIVER	CDM/DIG	CART	Whip	Wheels	TEAM	END	Speed	D/E
4-1	Red	Roscoe Al-Ghul (+2/8)	L	y	0/0	7528	2	23	2/2	
6-1	Black	Joseph (+2/10)	M	y	0/0	3454	18	16	2/1	
6-1	Blue	Sartorius (+2/10)	L	n	0/0	6445	21	21	2/1	
12-1	White	Flippus Maximus (+1/8)	M	y	0/0	5442	24	17	2/1	
247-1	Yellow	Won Hung Lo (+2/10)	H	y	0/0	2025	5	14	1/1	
	Brown	-	-	-	-	6433	20	16	2/1	
	Purple	-	-	-	-	6433	20	18	2/1	
	Green	-	L	-	0/0	7435	04	20	2/1	

Andreas has beta \$500 a on RAG. Zed has beta \$900 a on RAG & 2500 a on Sartorius. Pryingles beta \$900 a on RAG and 4000 a on FM. Carwas beta \$800 a on Sartorius & 900 a on RAG.

7/27/82

JOSEPHS: 18, no whip, ahead 7, in 1 corner struts @ 1 over: 10-2 = 10 - n/c - 1 END; ahead 2, Green last attack. F Maximus fails to evade @+1 vs 9+21. Whip series (4-2) - (8-1) = 4 columns. Attack: 5 - 0, J loses whip. Ahead 1, attack over to home. FM again fails to evade (2+1 vs 8+2) so takes 6 - 1 by pt to #1 home. Ahead 2.

FLIPPUS MAXIMUS: 17, no whip, low 1 by pt = 15. Ahead 2, attack J cart over. J evades (5+2 vs 8+1), FM follows and attacks again; J evades (8+2 vs 7+1), FM follows and attacks again; J evades (7+2 vs 8+1), FM follows and attacks again; J is up against the wall so cannot evade again, so accepts the attack. TDR is 14+1-2 = 13 = defender's car damaged, 9 - 2 pts to R wheel, wheel check = 5 - 0/0. Ahead 4.

GREEN Team: 20. Ahead 2, corner struts @ 5 over (9 = 20), ahead 1, out 1, ahead 14.

PURPLE Team: 18. Ahead 18.

ANDRE AL-GHUL: 23, no whip. Ahead 1 corner struts @ 6 over: 6-2 = n/c, -6 END. OUT OF END. Immediately low 1 from CDM (and hence cannot speed. See Note). Ahead 21.

WON HUNG LO: 2, no whip. In 1.

SARTORIUS: 21. In 1, ahead 9 corner struts @ 1 over: 10-2 = n/c - 1 END; ahead 18.

BROWN Team: 18. Ahead 16.

NOTE: Roscoe Al-Ghul has run out of endurance as causal breaker or struts for the rest of the game. He will also lose 1 MP/turn for the duration on top of any damage inflicted. Josephs must do a wheel check any time he struts faster than 14 or corner struts.

One next time are orders for Turn 33. These should include the usual speed, whether to whip or not, where to attack and how if the opportunity arises, to break, trade, or take it if attacked, and what line to back in if possible. Orders for Won Hung Lo will be randomly chosen from those submitted except that R/L, N, & DD have priority.

NOTE: Reported from last month since the last list was out of

Flippus reminding again: "Smokin' popcorn! What was he doin' out here anyway? Now I need to clean out their stupid houses again!"



ERRATA: Genoa didn't have the cash to buy "Hussars Ready", but did pay her stabilization cost; refs with 800. London did not buy a Galley-4, but did buy a card using "Urban Acrobacy"; he also placed 4t (-c) to Cors. Pavia cannot attack West Africa since it is 3 spaces away, and even if he could, he couldn't have attacked again, as alternative attacks raised so rats (c. came 675, rat 580 so has 804. Barcelona's 2t @ Nix insufficient for a 'v', but income remains the same since he didn't lose WC. We ran 6 cards into the 2nd dock.

TURN 5: (in the break order)

LONDON (Pavani) 875, 5K, 40M, 12C, Ship-10
BARCELONA (Fruite) 685, 5K, 30M, 13C, Gal-4
GENOA (Daboret) 800, 3K, 30M, 5C
VENICE (J Bagraden) 975, 5K, 40M, 5C, Gal-2
PARIS (Crandement) 894, 5K, 40M, 13C, 1K, Gal-4

ADV: 5V
ADV: A, E, L, R, V
ADV: E, N, R
ADV: I
ADV: A

TURN 5: TOKEN ALLOCATION

Genoa (NMR) buys 0t. Wins the break.

Pavia (NMR) buys 0t.

Venice buys 11t.

Barcelona buys 12t.

London buys 22t.

Genoa (NMR) cannot remove supplies or shortage markers from Iberia and Sic respectively.

TURN 6: CARD PLAY

Genoa (NMR) has 3 cards, plays none.

Pavia (NMR) has 5 cards, plays none.

V has 5 cards, plays "Civil War" on Barcelona IC because IT, cost at least 628 at 0t and gain 1 Merry level, "Heresy", and "War" on Barcelona IV.D 2-1.A - B with, gains 1 Merry Level. V gains 2 Merry Levels and must exile 1 C to B.

B has 5 cards, plays none.

I has 3 cards, plays "Crusade" to Alexandria I-2 BE, +c, gain 1 Merry Level.

STATUS

GENOA (Daboret) 800, 5K, 30M, 5C
PARIS (Crandement) 894, 5K, 40M, 13C, Gal-4
VENICE (J Bagraden) 965, 2K, 30M, 5C, Gal-2, 11t
BARCELONA (Fruite) 675, 5K, 40M, 13C, Gal-4, 12t
LONDON (Pavani) 872, 2K, 30M, 12C, Ship-10, 22t

ADV: E, N, R
ADV: A
ADV: I
ADV: A, E, L, R, V
ADV: 5V

ACT:

B: C @ Alg, Bess, Cor, Fla, Goa, Lak, Sev, Sic, Tal, Tuz, Val, WRE IT @ Arts, B, Berra, Lem, Lfs, Ora, Pal, Pof

G: C @ Fla, Goa, Mar, Nap, Rom, IT @ Bari

L: C @ Ant, Alps, Cal, Chin, Cors, Ed, Lon, Sary, Sic, Wal, Yoc; c @ Nix; IT @ Cor, Jor, Lem, Pof

P: C @ Bnd, Ber, Bre, Col, Dj, Lys, Maa, Nax, Par, SEM, Sic, Trs, IT @ SG, Tuz

V: C @ Dub, ME, Pfa, Ven, Vic, IT @ Bel, Solo, Sic

Due next time are Venice's war contracts A Turn 4 Purchase and Expense Phase.

Your cards (Katt) are:

(E, L, R) B = Barcelona, C = Established Market (colored circle), e = new market (white circle), G = Genoa, Gal = galley, K = cards, L = London, N = merry level, P = Pavia, T = established taxera, I = new tokens, V = Venice.

Player Holdings (in Capital Choice order)

VENICE (Burgundy) 891, 28, 90M, 9C 2-Gal
 BARCELONA (Croatia) 9124, 5K, 90M, 16C 8-Gal
 PARIS (McCabe) 884, 3K, 90M, 9C 10-Ship
 GENOVA (Coburn) 893, 2K, 90M, 10C 8-Gal
 HAMBURG (Capehart) 867, 5K, 90M, 10C 4-Gal
 LONDON (Babbe) 885, 3K, 90M, 9C 4-Gal

Turn 4: Shortage of Metal & Surplus of Grain

No orders received from Piti-Croatia ... (waited 90M to avoid appearance of leader in the game - later?)

Takes Allocation:

BAR - 0 L, LON - 0 L, VEN - 10 L, GEN - 12 L, PAR - 12 L & HAM - 14 L

Card Play:

BAR - no card play

LON - Play "Timber" - Payoff - +502 HAM, +60 BAR, VEN, PAR & LON

VEN - Play "Masonic Capricious" - 1st Leader

GEN - no card play

PAR - Play "Spire" - Payoff - +688 GEN, +69 PAR; play "Actor"

HAM - Play "The Crusader" - place C in Barre and add 1 entry; play "Papal Decree" - Pope Rick declares no Religion purchases for Turn 4; play "Gold Hoary" - payment on Gold - +840 HAM

Mapboard: IC = City of Dominant Market, L = Taken

HAM: C @ Hamburg, Cologne, Warszawa, Praga, Novgorod, Riga, Stockholm, Lubeck, Dantzig,
 Rost & Saxe 11 @ Berlin, Copenhagen & Salzburg

PAR: C @ Paris, St. Malo, Muzpelt, Dijon, Braunschweig, Bordeaux, Bruges & Tretbond; 11 @ Taux

BAR: C @ Barcelona, Valencia, Granada, Toledo, Bazaan, Ladoa, Sevilla, Fez, Algiers, Waa Africa,
 Tripoli, Tunis, Sicily, Bab-el-Mandeb, Cebe & Constantinople; 11 @ Teu-brac, Palma, Leoni, Oran,
 Tunis & Levant

VEN: C @ Venice, Florence, Milan, Dubrovnik, Basel, Rome, Budapest, Vienna & Bologna; 11 @ St.
 Gal, East & Duzano

LON: C @ London, Edinburgh, Fortranoub, York, Chester, Berge, Waterford & Iceland; 11 @
 Helsingborg, Wexholm & Cornwall

GEN: C @ Marseille, Lyons, Avon, Cairo, Naples, Genoa, Alexandria, Cyprus & Smyrna; 11 @ Dan,
 Jerusalem, Nipo, Coghlan & Adala

Player Holdings (in Capital Choice order) (Ham order)

VENICE (Burgundy) 864, 1K, 90M, 9C, 10C 838 2-Gal
 BARCELONA (Croatia) 8127, 3K, 90M, 16C, 0c 038 8-Gal
 PARIS (McCabe) 864, 1K, 90M, 9C, 221 058 10-Ship
 GENOVA (Coburn) 8117, 0K, 90M, 9C, 121 060 4-Gal
 HAMBURG (Capehart) 9123, 2K, 123M, 10C, 141 081 4-Gal
 LONDON (Babbe) 865, 2K, 90M, 9C, 5c 028 4-Gal

ADVANCES

0VM

A

1885

823M

115K

823M

Orders due next are for Purchase and Expansion phases. Conditional orders and/or general intentions are highly encouraged. Stand-by players requested for Barcelona ... but potential player to respond to Mark Frank may be able to assume position. Orders due to Mark no later than 1 Jul.



WINE IS FINE

Private RBs Up for Grabs



NOTE: Paul Zinke takes over for Paul Bolton.

Optional 8 Train: 2 Yes, 2 No, 2 NVR - passes as GM breaks the

Bark, 15 MS: 1 Yes, 3 No, 2 NVR - bids

Unlimited bids: 2 Yes, 1 Alaska, 3 NVR - passes

Tray Status

Farrow 5400

Zinke 5400

Burke 5000

Khanate 5400

Fisher 5400

Hanna 5000

Bids Found In

Farrow: Buys BobayBall Valley for 820 (400-20- 8000)

Zinke: Buys C&S L. Ry for 540 (400-40- 5000)

Burke: Buys D & H RR for 870 (400-70 - 8 300)

Khanate: Bids 8185 on C & A RR

Fisher: Bids 6225 on D & O RR

Hanna: Bids 8175 on C & A

Farrow Buys M & H for 110 (200- 110 - 6270)

Hanna wins auction for C & A at 5180 (400- 180 - 8220)

Fisher gets B & O for 8225, selling put at 8000. (400 -215 - 8175)

See next sec orders for SR 1b. Zinke has the priority.

Tray Status

D. Farrow 6270, SV, MSB

P. Zinke 5360, CARTL, optically

J. Burke 5000, DBH

T.J. Khanate 5400

B. Fisher 8175, B&O, 28ACRPost

C. Hanna 8220, C&A, 1 PR

CORPORATION STATUS

Corp	Priv	Value	30	Pool	For	Cash	Trusts	Holdings	Tobacco
BO	RF	A390	8	0	8100	---	---		(3)
PR			9	0					

Orders for Stock Round #11 should be in hands of GM Doc Chantry no later than 1 July.

1870

SOME SPEAK!



DC: Congratulations to Chuck for another fantastic win. I am pleased with my second place finish. I feel that I did alright ending up with as much cash as I did. Maybe one day I will be able to beat Chuck.

GM: Curiously, Chuck's key to victory seems to have been in driving the AT&SF almost into bankruptcy and using its income to finance the GM&O's regions, and the fact that a 10-train never materialized -- again possibly due to the AT&SF's low profile. I haven't enough experience in this game to comment expertly -- my only play was in DC-1870 when I too had the GM&O but never got control of a second railroad. I can only say he did much better than I didn't be win that one too, come to think of it!

1856

SOT PRESTON

GAMESTART



PLAYER STATES

Money	8400
Workforce	5400
Ferrets	8400
Fruit	8400
Cherry	5400
Balls	8400

Due next time are your orders for SR, in which will deal solely with the sale of the private companies and your votes on the three optional rules cited here. Wasteful players are invited to submit orders to ease one or more of the worthy gentlemen above how out.

OPTIONS:

1. Alternate Destinations (see p 26 of Rulebook)
2. Alternate Trains 80 tons instead of 10000
3. Extra 90000 in the Bank

FRM TITAN Rules (continued from p 2)

E. Combat resolution will be accomplished using a "guaranteed hit" system where each creature inflicts a number of hits equal to the "operation value" (to wind a term from quantum mechanics) of its attack. Thus a Centaur attacking another Centaur three dice, each with a 50-50 chance of hitting would expect to get $3 * 1.12 = 3.36$ hits. These hits (H) are calculated by subtracting the modified strike number (S) from seven and multiplying by the number of dice rolled then dividing by six. $H = (7 - S) * N / 6$

1. Fractional hits are retained from round to round. Note that ranged strikers with odd attack values do not get partial dice when their range strikes are halved. For example, a rangershooter dragon's value for "S" would be "4" as usual, not "3.5".
2. Examples: A centaur attacks a centaur: $H = (7 - 4) * 3 / 6 = 1.5$ hits. A dragon (8-3, d-3) attacks a giant (7-4, e-5): $H = (7 - 5) * 3 / 6 = 1$ hit. A serpent (5-2, d-3) attacks an ogre (6-2, a-6): $H = (7 - 4) * 3 / 6 = 1.5$ hits.

V. Miscellaneous

- A. NOBS.** If a player is NOBS for his Masterboard turn, the GM will move a random loggia to the land where it has the highest number. **EXCEPTION:** Loggias due to another die roll (boarded or

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ADVANCED CIVILIZATION

Epidemic!
Turns 15.9b-15.10a



TWA IV

15.9b: TRADING:

Babylon trades two Oil & _____ to Egypt for Spices, Silver, and _____
Egypt trades Gold, Gems, and _____ to Thrace for Oil, Hides, & _____
Cuba offers Ocher, Papyrus, and Grass for Iron(II) or Orichalcum tablets.

15.10: RESOLVE CALAMITIES:

Treasury: Babylon takes tribute from Egypt.
Suppression: Iberia reduces two cities.
Epidemic: Thrace takes 30 pts, assigns 20 pts to other players.

Don't start this yet!

15.10b: RESOLVE CALAMITIES:

Suppression & Epidemic
15.11: BUY CITY GARDEN: Cuba demands one PAPYRUS and one OCHER.
15.20: RIVER AN
16.1: TARIFFS
16.2: POPULATION INCREASE
16.3: CEMETERY
16.4: BOAT BUILDING
16.5: MOVEMENT
16.6:
16.6a: Trading (Buy Gold)

THE BOARD

AFRICA (North): C @ Carthage, Caria, Corduba, Cyrene, Palermo, Thapsus, Tripoli 10 @ Cyrene, Carthage, 2T @ Cyrene, Sabota, 2T @ Balerna, Compsa, New Africa, Neapolis, Tanitum, W. Mauritania. IT @ E. Mauritania, Juba, Libya, Tripolitania, Tunisia. POTTERY, MYSTICISM, ENLIGHTENMENT, CLOTHING, AGRICULTURE, MUSIC, Grass.

ASISIA (Del. Delos): C @ Antioch, Media, Nereok, Sabania, Sargis. 10 @ Antioch, Mikiop, Phaselia. 2T @ Arzania, Eretria, Cibus, Cyprus, Galata, Mikiop, Phaselia, Fars. IT @ Cappadocia, Ionia, E. Armenia, Lycia, Nalchik, Phrygia. MYSTICISM, ASTRONOMY, CLOTHING, DRAMA & POETRY, ENLIGHTENMENT, LITERACY.

BABYLON (Madness): C @ Nippur, Babylon, Babel, Carrhan, Jericho, Mari, Peira, Ralier. 3T @ Susania, Sasa, Ux. 2T @ Babilonia, Chaldia, Eira, Fartia, Syria. IT @ Arzania, Mikiop, Phaselia, Tyre. COINAGE, MYSTICISM, POTTERY, ENGINEERING, DRAMA & POETRY, MINING, ARCHITECTURE, MUSIC, Gems.

BARBARIANS (Nazi): 3T @ Danubia.

CRETE (Beyoncé): C @ Rhodes, Miletus. 2T @ Dalmasa, Delphi, Knossos. IT @ Athens, Argos, Corinth, Dacia, Ephesus, Eretria, Elyciaan, Perantia, Thessaly, Thrac. METALWORKING, MYSTICISM, POTTERY.

EGYPT (Kag Buffet): C @ Alexandria. 2T @ Fayoum, Jerusalem, Prokopia, Tuna, U Egypt, W Desert. IT @ Gaza, Nabis, Sasa, Thebes. MYSTICISM, METALWORKING, ASTRONOMY, AGRICULTURE.

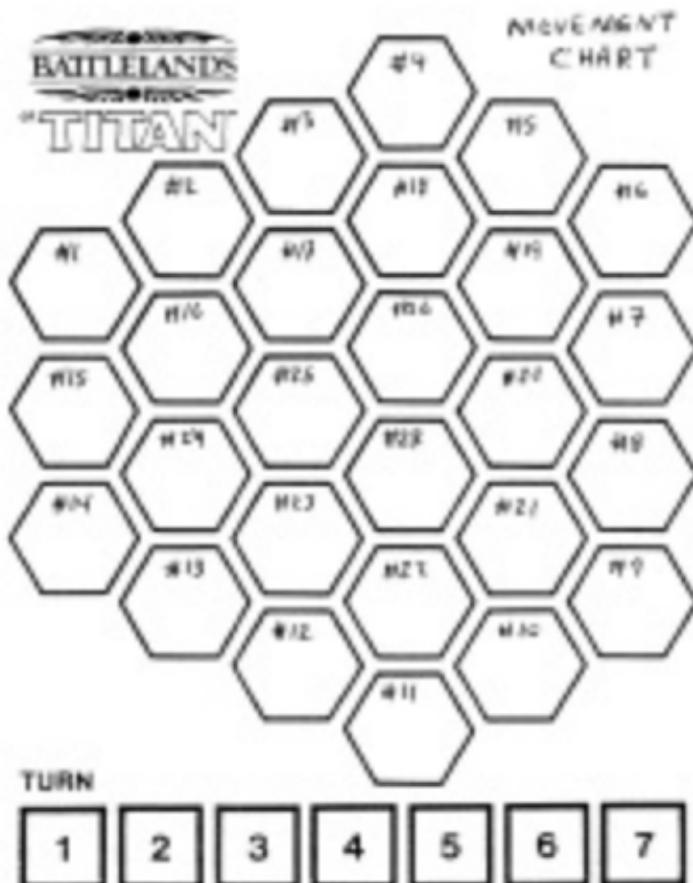
EBRIA (Fazool): C @ Ankaa, Ebassa, Gedhuss, Katsok, New Carthage, Serfina. 2S @ Ebassa. 1S @ Cordia. 3T @ Apollonia. 2T @ Ebraia, Masadia, Nafio, Pyramis. IT @ Bardia, Carath, Cirica, Harpata, Iberia, Lagheata, Lucitana, Terraconata. CLOTHING, POTTERY, MYSTICISM, MUSIC.

ELTIRA (Klaus): C @ Appollonia, Rhara, Localitava, Bona. 2S @ Lembrava. 4T @ Gerasia. 3T @ L. Gerasia, Flancata, Rubaca. 2T @ Apollonia. IT @ Cuspina, Gaul, Ilyriaan, Neopita, Rharta,

THRACE (Zankai) C @ Byzantium, Sicily, Thess, Thracopolis, Troy; 1R @ Byzantium; 2T @ Dardanis; 2T @ Dacia, Maresa, Scythia, Thrac, Tyria; 1T @ Crimea, Ionia, London, London. DRAMA & POETRY, METALWORKING, MYSTICISM, POTTERS, CLOTHMAKING.

PRESS:

YOUR CARDS ARE:



FEM TITAN Rules (continued from p. 04)

being split from either legions will move in line of a random legion. Which legion of the split to move will be chosen at random.

- B. Battle meetings should be made within 3 days of receipt of your opponent's battle meeting. The GM may declare a battle forfeited and full points awarded if it becomes apparent that one player is stalling a battle.
- C. Resolving battles by e-mail or by phone is encouraged. In the latter case, both parties should notify the GM of the outcome of the battle. In case of conflicting reports, the GM may require resolution on paper.

VI. Optional Rules

- A. *Warlord Battlelands*. See *The General*, 20, #1, pp 27-27.



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Another Spider Cuts On Board!



THE CAST

- Dave Anderson:** Beater the Berserker
John Butts: Roundbale Ironsides the Amazon
Den Chisney: Wanderer the Pilgrim
Pat Cavallone: Fern Crystallight the optional Woods Girl
Don Farrow: Sir Galin the White Knight
T/Kassette: Old Bat the Witch with DC her Familiar
Paul McCann: Conner the Dwarf Ironsides
Debbie Osborne: Xyla the optional Woods Girl

CRUCA: Roundbale is at DW2, not DW4, since DW3 doesn't connect to DW4.

EVENING 4

CONSTRUCT ROLL = 3

Wanderer, using Chapel WHITE, casts "Small Blessing" using MAGIC HP 15.2 = Health, restore MAGIC HP, then MAGIC HP 8.3 = Strength, but already here as a rat, then MAGIC HP 8.1 = Vision, via Strik, see _____

DAY 5

CONSTRUCT ROLL = 5

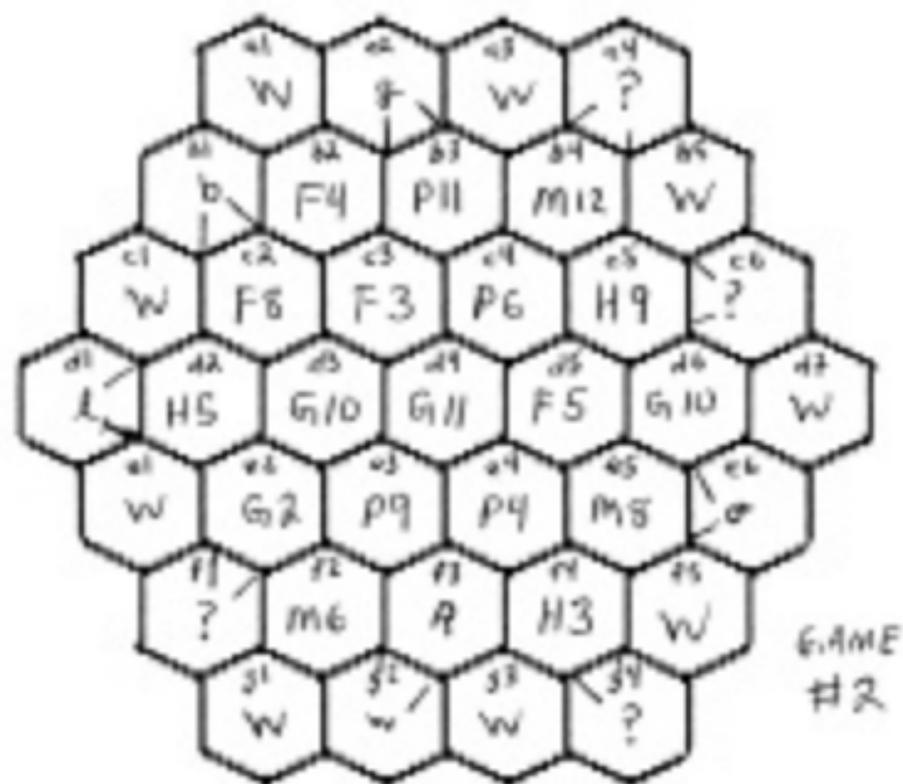
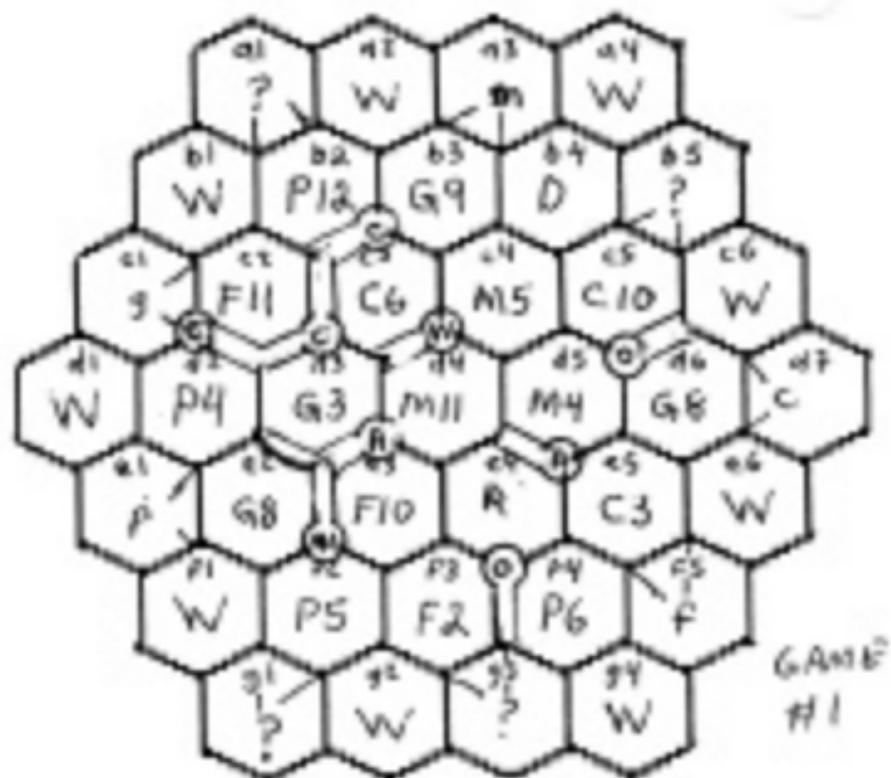
- Wanderer @ Chapel (DF3):** M MWL, H NW2, RMAGIC: H1, RMAGIC: H1. Reveal Berms W.
DC @ DW6: SPPer: 4.3 = HC; SPPer: 4.4 = - L SPPer: 5.1 = class; SPPer: 3.2 = HC & path.
Old Bat @ DW3: HS.1 = yt; SLoc: 5.3 = xl; M DW6, MLen: 3.1 = passage reveal Strik M. Lost
 Cade: 1, Howl: 8, Hoard: 8, Peter: 5, Lair: 3, Flutter: 2. H Spider appears at 5.
Beater w/ RS-7 @ DW5: HS.1 = yt; MLen: 6.3 = rl; SLoc: 6.3 = rl; SLoc: 4.1 = class. Discover
 Howl: H Spider moves from DW5 to DW6.
Fern Crystallight @ DW3: NMRI HS.1 = y; H, H, H. Spider moves from DW5 to DW3.
Roundbale Ironsides @ DW2: HS.4 = yt; M, M DW3, M DW5. Spider moves from DW3 to DW5.
Sir Galin @ MW: HS.1 = rl; M W2, M O2, SPPer: 5.5 = class. Reveal Berms M, Flutter: 1.
Xyla @ DW6: NMRI HS.1 = yt; H, H, H. Spider moves from DW5 to DW6.

COMBAT: Beater & Hoag have a spider to slay and Bob should they want it. Old Bat and Xyla could aid or hinder, either openly or from shadows, one way or the other.

Due next time, Cavalal and Spells for Day 5 and orders for Day 6.

SCARD NOTES: The Inn is at Bad Valley 6. The Chapel is at End Valley 5. The ghosts are at Dark Valley 3. The House is at Crest Valley 4. The Guard are at Awful Valley 5. The Lost Cade is at DW1. The Hoard is at DW5. The Lair & a great one are at DW3. The Strik is at MW. Fern (w/ at DW3) has the Flowers of Beat which contains GOLD.

UNADPTE: 2 bats, 2 H spiders.



SETTLERS OF CATALAN

Turns 2.2-3.2

THE CASE

David Anderson (B) Don Chissey (C) Debbie Osborne (D) Kevin Wilson (W)

TURNS 2.2-3.2:

- C: 8. C collects 1 grain from b3, while A & D collect 1 lumber from c6. No trade. No action taken.
 O: 11. Chissey collects 1 lumber from c2 while A & W collect 1 ore from d4. **WWE!** No trades. No action.
 W: 11. Chissey collects 1 lumber from c2 while A & W collect 1 ore from d4. Offers 2 ore for 1 brick & 1 lumber—no takes. Buys a road for 1 ore, 1 wool, and 1 grain. **Play Knight Card**, move Robber to c4 and draws a grain road from A.
 A: 11. Chissey collects 1 lumber from c2 while A & W collect 1 ore from d4. Offers 1 ore to C for 1 brick; offer declined. Trade 4 ore for 1 grain. No action.
 O: 10. O collects 1 brick from c5 while A & W collect 1 lumber from c5. Offers 2 grain for 1 ore—no takes. Buys 1 road at c2/d4 & c2/d5 1-2 lumber & -2 bricks, then build settlement at c1/c2/d2 1-1 each grain, lumber, brick, & wool.

STANDING TRADE OFFERS:

Anderson will trade 1 lumber for 1 brick.

TURNS 3.3-4.3 Rules:

Osborne: 8 Wilson: 7 Anderson: 7 Chissey: 8 Osborne: 7

Due next are your orders for turns 3.3-4.3. These should include your trade offers and what you'll do if a trade is made. Be prepared for a plague of robbers.

Player	brick	grain	lumber	ore	wool	VP	Knight	Cards
Anderson	0	1	3	1	0	2	0	0
Chissey	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0
Osborne	2	0	3	1	1	2	0	0
Wilson	0	1	1	3	1	2	1	0

LEGEND:

T	grain 2-1 port	#	die number
C/c	hill hex / brick special port	D	desert hex
F/f	forest hex / lumber special port	G/g	grain hex / grain special port
M/m	mountain hex / ore special port	P/p	pasture hex / wool special port
R	robber	W	water tile

SETTLERS OF CATALAN

Game Start

THE CASE

#1: David Anderson (A) #2: Lord Khane (B) #3: Don Chissey (C) #4: Paul Zinke (D)

Well, OK, we'll also before "The Hunt" starts so we've got the spent. Due next time are Dave through Don's initial placements. Anyway, if Dave will roll early in the game, we can handle something back to him by a road. Map is on previous page. Note that I've changed the routes.

LEGEND:

T	grain 2-1 port	#	die number
H/h	hill hex / brick special port	D	desert hex
F/f	forest hex / lumber special port	G/g	grain hex / grain special port
M/m	mountain hex / ore special port	P/p	pasture hex / wool special port
R	robber	W	water tile



The Hunt

Zimmermann Wins 3rd Chase!!
Farrow Leads by 2/3 Pt!



THE HUNT is a word game inspired by James Lipton's book, "An Exhilaration of Larks", where we propose a noun and the players are asked to propose a collective noun to it, such as "flock" for "sheep" or "joke" for "jokes". Bertie and Ma Nur will rank each entry for each word and the best score will be the winner. Each word is a possible 1 point, but the point will be split if either more than one player suggests the word or two or more words are ranked equally. The first player to score 10 points wins three free issues of this rag. THE HUNT is run in Chases or rounds. We report the 3rd Chase of the 5th Hunt and begin the 4th Chase of the 5th Hunt. Goodluck, to the Hunt!

CHASE 3 (Thomas Niblett)

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1. thorns | death(ILLN*), skulls(II), sackness |
| 2. leggers | hempst, cry(II), rapist, fighting(II), handout(II), press(II) |
| 3. highwaymen | ambush(II)*, hand(II), junction, road(II), road |
| 4. lips | colony(II)*, dropping, isolation(II), outcast |
| 5. rabbits | encompass(II)*, break(II), house(II), paint, street(II) |
| 6. orphans | conservatory(II-), nursing(II), house, parody, relief, school(II), substitute(II)* |
| 7. makers | adjustment, conglomerate, case, descent(II), part*, wagon(II), wandering(II) |
| 8. players | city(II), desk, game(II)*, soil, tempo(II)* |
| 9. acoustics | confidence(II), house(II), scam*(I), account, skillfulness, swirling |
| 10. walk | alley(II)*, chapel(II), model, scheme, walk(II), what! |

Legend: B = Bertie's suggestion, L = Lipton's suggestion, N = Ma Nur's suggestion, # = multiple entries, * = odd choice, @ = tied for 1st, = = note

NOTE: "Ever wondered what a consensory conservo? In the 17th Century orphans were consigned to conservatories where, traditionally, they were taught music, hence the conservatory of music." -Lipton, p. 132.

Chase 3 Score: Zimmermann 3.50, Anderson 3.08, Fisher 1.83, Farrow 1.58.

Total Score: Farrow 7.08, Anderson 8.41, Zimmermann 6.33, Fisher 3.67, Coordinator 4.50.

HUNT 5, CHASE 4 (Thomas Cirigli)

- | | | | | |
|-------------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. bishops | 2. parties | 3. rabbits | 4. ministers | 5. viruses |
| 6. televangelists | 7. nuts | 8. stars | 9. priests | 10. diseases |

STELLAR CONQUEST

JTK: Due next are Turn 37 Combat orders and any revisions to Turns 08-40.
 Wilb: Have replacement, but still to be actually replace?
 Tomer: Awaiting Turn 15 combat and any amendments to orders for Turn 16.

ON DECK

1800: Ziska, Hems, Crawford, Buzza, Frank, Farrow (56), Chissey and 0.2 more & agreement what

ADVCN: McCabe, Crawford, Osborne, Khoo, Anderson, and 3 more

AMBARON: Copeland, Crawford, Osborne, Buzza

BRITANNIA: Khoo, Hems, Boyan

CIRCUS DRESDEN: Crawford

CIRCUS MADRID:

Tourist: Andrews, Crawford, Fisher, and 3 more

CONQUISTADOR: Copeland, Crawford

DIPLOMACY:

Regular: Andrews, Boyan, and 5 more

Colonel: McCabe, Andrews, Boyan, Sordani, & Wilson and 2 more

DUNE: K Wilson, Anderson, Crawford, Fisher, Sordani's, and 2-3 more

GLADIATOR Bloodbath: Crawford, and 5 more

GUNSLINGER: Andrews, Crawford, Farrow, and 4 more

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Andrews, Del Osborne, Ziska, Crawford, K Wilson, Khoo,

SAMUELA, Crawford

KREMLIN: Fisher, H Wilson, Buzza, Crawford, Andrews, and 1 more

MAHARAJA: Crawford, K Wilson, Khoo, Hems, Anderson

MERCHANT OF VENICE: Osborne, Buzza, Chissey, K Wilson, and 2 more

HOBBS CIVIL WAR: Crawford, K Wilson's, A Bergner

SETTLERS OF CATALAN: Khoo, Ziska, Andrews, Chissey

SEAVERTON: Ziska, Osborn, Chissey, Farrow, and 1 or 2 more

TITAN: Crawford, Khoo, Andrews, A & J Bergner, and 1 more

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