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# BRUTUS BULLETIN

16/34 The BRUTUS BULLETIN, this time THE BRUTUS WAREHOUSE, is a newsletter of postal Diplomacy brought to you every two weeks by John Michalski, Rt 10, Box 526Q, Moore, Oklahoma 73165. Usually I fill it with all kinds of goodies, but lately there haven't BEEN any goodies, so heck with it, I'll run what I have. This is a record issue, for it should be small enough to go first class, saving me a lot of stamp licking. Or glueing. John Leeder, publisher of RUNESTONE, sent me a sub paid for in US stamps, which is fine, but I didn't expect to find 60% of them already posted, just torn off uncanceled. (Especially since some were apparently from my mailings of BB!). But, so it goes.

CONTRIBUTIONS of all kinds are solicited, even though our big xerox machine has been having troubles. To avoid further issues like this, please send something in. You earn credit at the rate of about 2 issues per page, more or less, depending on material.

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78Piw The OAKLYN-FROST Grudge Games were going too slow for me, and what with the workload to keep track of, I disliked the possibility of having that pop up on me, so CRAIG REGES ("AGAINST THE ODDS") has kindly offered to accept them on transfer. This has been done. I recommend you ask him for a sample at 1501 Higgins Hall, Western Illinois U., Macomb, IL 61455. No cost to players, of course, as I took care of that on transfer.

STANDBYs are those heroes who keep the games rolling right along. Current list, in no particular order, is Frost, Kirchner, Kelly, Rau, Guajardo, Beamer, Christopher, and Mitchell. (Oddly enough, two of them NMR'd as players last week...). Anyone wanting on or off, say so. Standbys get 2 free issues for ANSWERING a call, 4 if you get the position and play it. In BB, you may REFUSE a position and not be listed as player of record if you wish also, a practice I'd like to see be more widespread in this hobby..

The DNYMPA may be acting on the defunct BLACK HOLE after only 11 months. I see Bob Sergeant has picked up 76EI from Reif. Whether DNYMPA had any part, I don't know...

COMING NEXT ISSUE(S): A letter from Randolph Smyth, my response to Costikyan's STAR WARS REVISITED, and maybe a playback of an Eastern Front game I'm in. We'll see.

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NOTES

① Greg Costikyan has taken over DNYMPA from Brad Hessel who wasn't interested anymore. This is good news for DNYMPA, its zines, and their players, since a) Greg will do a good job, and b) most DNYMPA zines need help. Good luck, Greg!

② I MEANT to run a short, 4-5 sheet issue, but this is ridiculous! However, our big machine is down & out, the little one is very busy --- so, this issue will consist of games & cover, period. Add 77KS wrap-up to COMING NEXT ISSUE above. #35 should be a peak issue (11 sheets) or nearly so. — John M

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SEPARATION VOTE FAILS! Winter, 1902: Austria builds A VIE  
France builds A BRE  
Italy builds F NAP

FGT HURTING, BUT ALLIANCES IN FLUX

Spring, 1903

AUSTRIA (Rau): A VIE S A Gal; A GAL, BUD, & BUL S A Ser-Rum;  
A Ser-RUM; F GRE S A Bul

ENGLAND (Katz): A DEN-Kie; F Ska-NTH; F Nth-HLG; F ENG S F Mid-  
Bre; F Mid-BRE

FRANCE (Frost): A Bre S A Par/d/r Gas, Otb; A Par S A Bre/d/r Gas, Otb;  
A SPA S F Por; F POR S A Spa

GERMANY (Shaffer): F HOL-Kie; A Pic-PAR; A BUR S A Pic-Par;  
A Ruh-BEL; A KIE-Ber

ITALY (Kassel): F Nap-TYN; F GLyo-WES; A MAR & A TUN H; F ION S  
AUSTRIAN F Gre-Aeg/NSO

RUSSIA (Hayner): F Rum S TURKISH F Bla-Bulec/d/r Sev, Otb;  
A UKR S F Rum; A Mos-WAR; F Bal-BER; A SIL S  
F Bal-Ber; F Swe-BAL

TURKEY (Pilant): A Arm-SMY; F CON S F Bla-Bulec; F BLA-Bulec

Press: TYROLIA TRIBUNE: Probability experts predict a bomb of such enormous  
destructive capacity as to make the atom bomb look like a  
firecracker. "After all", says one expert, "why are all the  
neighboring powers running away from us? Huh?"

DEADLINE for FALL, 1903, will be my mail received at work MONDAY, March 5,  
1979. (This went to players Feb. 20).

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Winter, 1914: French A Sil r BER; French  
A Pie r MAR. France builds A PAR

NEW PLAYER, NEW YEAR, NEW POSITIONS...

Spring, 1915

AUSTRIA (Kassel): A Pie-Tus/ann.; A Ven-ROM; A Sil-Mun/ann.;  
A TYO S A Sil-Mun; A Vie-BOH A GAL S A Vie-Boh;  
A UKR H

FRANCE (Ditter): A Ber-SIL; A MUN S A Ber-Sil; A RUH S A Mun;  
A Bur-BEL; A Par-BUR; F NTH H; F TUN S F Wes-Tyn;  
F Rom S F Wes-Tyn/ann.; F GLYO S F Wes-Tyn; F Wes-TYN  
F Naf-MAO; A TUS S A Mar-Pie; A Mar-PIE

RUSSIA (~~MzZlYanley~~) (Beamer): F DEN H; A PRU-Sil; A WAR-Ukr; A LVN-  
War; A MOS-Sev; A StP-NWY; F Bal-BER; F KIE S F Bal-Ber

TURKEY (Hueston): A SEV S AUSTRIAN A Ukr; F NAP S AUSTRIAN A Ven-  
Rom; F ION-Tun; F ADR-Ven; F APU-Ven; F AEG-Ion

Press:

VIENNA: The Austrian people were incensed today over the latest French  
press. In retaliation, the Austrian army in Venice has been ordered  
to attack the French garrison in Rome. In explaining the attack,  
Emperor Kassel said "We take exception at being called Weak Links--  
Missing Link, maybe, but never Weak Link".

UNNAMED PRESS: Go you weak links!

The ATR draw failed. There is a call for an ATR draw again AND an AFRT  
draw. NVR=NO on the ATR, but YES on the AFRT! SO, make your views  
known! Deadline for fall, 1915, will be my mail received here MONDAY,  
MARCH 5, 1979 at the office address. ((This went to players Feb 20)).

COMING ATTRACTIONS: "ZINES RECEIVED", a column that a lot of you (2) have  
asked for, will be made up by an outside party for BB and so should once  
again grace our pages in an issue or two. Watch for it!

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HMM, LET'S SEE--GERMANY ATTACKS ENGLAND, ENGLAND  
ATTACKS RUSSIA, FRANCE FACES ITALY, AND AUSTRIA  
TAKES ON THE EAST...NO BOREDOM IN THIS ONE, IS THERE?

Winter, 1901: Austria builds A VIE, A BUD, F TRI; England builds A LON; France builds F MAR, F BRE; Germany builds F KIE, F BER; Italy builds F ROM; Russia retreats F Bal OTB; and Turkey builds F ANK, A SMY. Everyone building fleets except the prime seapower.....

SPRING, 1902

AUSTRIA (Frost): A Vie-GAL; A Bud-RUM; A Rum-UKR; A SER S F Gre-Bulsc; F Gre-BULsc;  
F Tri-ALB

ENGLAND (Shaffer): F NTH C A Lon-Bel; A LON-Bel; F Nwg-BAR; A NWY-Swe

FRANCE (Christopher): F Bre-MAO; F Por-SPAsc; F Mar-GLYO; A Spa-GAS; A BUR-Mar

GERMANY (Kador): F Ber-BAL; F Kie-HLG; F DEN-Swe; A HOL-Bel; A Mun-RUH

ITALY (Pilant): F Rom-TYN; F Tyn-WES; A TUN H; A PIE-Mar

RUSSIA (Grabar): F Bla-Bulec/ann.; A WAR-Mos; A Fin-STP

TURKEY (Baumeister): F CON S F Ank-Bla; F Ank-BLA; A SEV-Mos; A Smy-ARM; A Bul  
writes a letter to his cousin in Sev (H)/ann.

COA: David Grabar to 812 Dawn Street, Las Vegas, NV 89110

Oh, I wish I were in this instead of Gming it! Let's see Fall, 1902, with my mail received here THURSDAY, March 8, 1979. Press follows.

MOSCOW: Yes, my friend, we DO seep from cesspools. We benefit from our homes as we have adapted to the climate there. We have developed slit eyes so our trash doesn't seep into our eyes. We carry dark skin so we are always camouflaged. As for you, you sauerbraten, why don't you take your beer and...

WARSAW: ...drink it. Nat bad, if I may say so myself.

SWITZERLAND-RUSSIA: Dave, I said "Regroup", not "lose the war".

MOSCOW: Gee! I'm getting the absolute crap kicked out of me. I advise anyone else who has dealings with Uli to beware.

The entire Russian effort will be focused in the South. I ask my allies (?) to the North to leave me alone while I contain Turkey.

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WHITE SPACE is the bane of many publishers, but not me!  
(Put your FREE AD in this space!)

which Bank or any successor bank thereof shall continue to be the agent for Lessor and Lessor's successors and assigns. Should Lessee elect, such Bank may also be used to pay any other sums, including royalties, due hereunder. If such Bank (or any successor Bank) should fail, liquidate or be succeeded by another Bank or for any reason fail or refuse to accept shut-in royalty or any other payment, Lessee shall not be held in default until thirty (30) days after Lessor shall deliver to Lessee a recordable instrument making provision for another method of payment or tender. Any depository charge is a liability of the Lessor. Any payment or tender of shut-in royalty made under the terms of this lease may be made by check or draft of Lessee mailed or delivered to said Bank or to Lessor. In the event Lessee is obligated to pay the shut-in royalty above indicated, the first payment of such shut-in royalty shall be due and payable on or before ninety (90) days following the date on which the well is shut-in, or if shut-in during the primary term then on or before ninety (90) days following the expiration of the primary term, and subsequent payments, if required under the terms of this paragraph, shall be due and payable annually on or before the anniversary of the date of the original payment. It is specifically provided that this is a paid-up lease during the term set out above as "primary term" and there shall be no obligation or liability on the Lessee to make any shut-in royalty payment or other payment during said primary term, and without any such payment this lease shall remain in full force and effect during said primary term. The obligation to pay the shut-in royalty provided for above, shall be a covenant running with the land and, under no conditions, shall the failure to comply with such obligation serve or be used to terminate this lease or to work any forfeiture.

4. If at the expiration of the primary term of this lease oil, gas or other minerals are not being produced from the leased premises or land pooled therewith, but Lessee is then engaged in drilling or reworking operations thereon, this lease shall remain in force so long as drilling or reworking operations are prosecuted (whether on the same or different wells) with no cessation of more than sixty (60) consecutive days, and if they result in production, so long thereafter as oil, gas or other minerals are produced from said land or land pooled therewith. If production of oil, gas or other minerals on said land or land pooled therewith should cease from any cause after the primary term, this lease nevertheless shall continue in force and effect as long as additional drilling operations or reworking operations are conducted on this lease, or on acreage pooled therewith, which additional operations shall be deemed to be had when not more than sixty (60) days elapse between the abandonment of operations on one well and the commencement of operations on another well, and if production is obtained this lease shall continue as long thereafter as oil, gas or other mineral is produced from said land or land pooled therewith, and as long thereafter as additional operations, either drilling or reworking, are had thereon. In the event a well or wells producing oil or gas in paying quantities should be brought in on adjacent land and within 330 feet of and draining the leased premises, Lessee agrees to drill such offset wells as a reasonably prudent operator would drill under the same or similar circumstances. The judgment of the Lessee, when not fraudulently exercised, in carrying out the purpose of this lease shall be conclusive.

5. Lessee, its successors and assigns, at its option, at any time and from time to time, and without Lessor's joinder or further consent, is hereby given the right and power to pool the land or any interests covered by this lease, or any portion thereof, as to oil, gas, condensate or distillate, or any of them, or either of them, with any other land, interests, lease or leases, or any of them, adjacent, adjoining or located in the immediate vicinity of these lands, when in Lessee's judgment it is necessary or advisable to do so in order efficiently to develop or operate said premises in compliance with the spacing rules of the Railroad Commission of Texas or other lawful authority or when to do so, would, in the judgment of the Lessee, promote the conservation of oil and gas on said premises, such pooling to be into a well unit or units not exceeding forty (40) acres plus an acreage tolerance of ten per cent (10%) of forty (40) acres for oil, and not exceeding six-hundred-forty (640) acres plus an acreage tolerance of ten per cent (10%) of six-hundred-forty (640) acres for gas, provided that should governmental authority having jurisdiction prescribe or permit the creation of units of ten per cent (10%) of six-hundred-forty (640) acres or larger to conform substantially in size with those prescribed by governmental regulations, Lessee may pool the acreage

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Feb 28, 1979

AUSTRIA (Hamill): A BUD-Vie; A SER S F Alb-Gre; F Alb-GRE  
 ENGLAND (Beamer?): NMR!NOU. F ENG-Bel; F LINTH C A Yor-Nwy; A Yor-NWY  
 FRANCE (Brown): F Mid-POR; A Pic-BRE; A SPA H  
 GERMANY (Workman): A Ruh-BEL; F HOL S A Ruh-Bel; A Kie-DEN  
 ITALY (Guajardo): A TRI-Vie; F ION-Aeg; A VEN (unordered) H  
 RUSSIA (Rau?): NMR!Nou. F GoB-SWE; A GAL & A UKR S F Rum; F RUM H  
 TURKEY (Kassel): F CON-Aeg; A BUL-Gre; A SMY-Con

Shame, shame, shame. Oh, well, NMR's are part of the game too. ("NOU" means Neutral Orders Used"). Would RANDY CHRISTOPHER, address below, please standby for Russia? And would NATHAN MITCHELL please submit standby orders for England? Due to the hazy situation, I will call for only WINTER 1901 builds, due here with my mail received MONDAY, March 12, 1979 at this address:

John Michalski  
 Harper Oil Company  
 904 Hightower Building  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73102

I suggest you cover yourself by sending in some provisional SO2 orders anyhow. Press will follow the 1901 wrapup.

Austria:	<del>7</del> Bud Vie SER GRE	4	Build 1
England:	Home NWY	4	Build 1
France:	Home SPA POR	5	Build 2
Germany:	Home DEN HOL BEL	6	Build 3
Italy:	Home TRI	4	Build 1
Russia:	Home RUM SWE	6	Build 2
Turkey:	Home BUL	4	Build 1
Neutral:	TUN	<u>1</u>	
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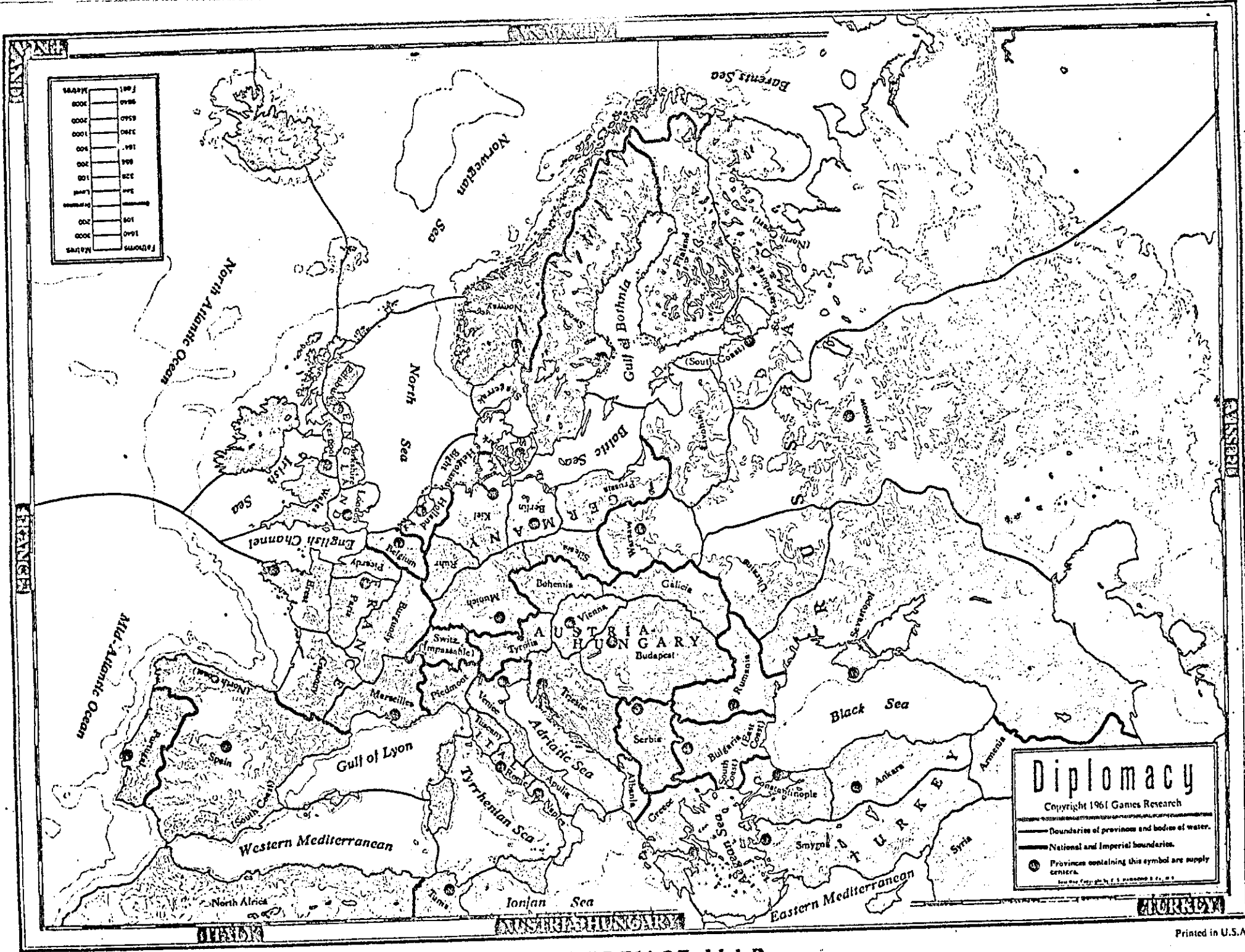
MOSCOW: Openings in the class "Hegemony in the year 1902" have been announced by Imperial University Registrar Georgi Rau. Central to the course will be a discussion of whether a 7-unit Russia is a danger to world peace. Students will be expected to complete readings in English, Italian, nervous German, Turkish, and hysterical Hungarian.

BADEN BADEN: Boredom in international relations is the number one cause of job-related deaths in the diplomatic corps, contends a report issued by the Reichsuniversität. Foreign Office officials get so accustomed to nodding politely and without expression that 50% of the personnel accidentally nod off to cosmic oblivion within ten years of joining the service.

In a complementary research project psychologists suggested that adding erotic passages to diplomatic correspondence would increase the level of attention and excitement among diplomats. "Detailed, lurid, and explicit scenes are what is needed," claimed study director Stefan Kafa.

"The obligatory smutty references to Turkish harem girls and Danish prostitutes aren't satisfactorily servicing the needs of the ambassadors," he breathed, slowly unzipping his pouch. Awkwardly he grabbed hold of the stiff 10" bundle, and stuffed the entire report into the eagerly waiting hands. "Take this, all of it!" he moaned, forcing the research document deeper into the outstretched palms of assembled reporters.

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