

It was a bad time for the Rebellion. Although the evil Death Star had been destroyed, there was still ISSUE 66 of

TO DEATH TOY BROUOY

THE BRUTUS BULLETIN, titled in Greek this time courtesy of David Perlmutter, one of the few Jewish tank commanders in the German Army, is a newsletter of postal Diplomacytm brought to you every few weeks by John Michalski, ("Mih-HOLL-skee"), Rt 10, Box 526-Q, Moore, Oklahoma 73165. Subs are available at the rate of 12/\$5. There are no openings here, but for fast openings (2 week deadlines) contact Bob Osuch or Steve Heinowski, or Steve or Bob Sergeant for regular (monthly) openings. All good reliable bets. Me, I'm slacking off for the summer. It will take me all summer just to type up the wrap-up of Nid and now Iid. And go see EMPIRE a few more times. But the big news is that DIPLOMACY is a game invented by Allan Calhamer and copyrighted by the Avalon Hill Game Company of Baltimore!

THIS ISSUE will be better than last of course, but not by much. Lots of material, but much of it is game wrap-up. 1979Iid, the first blind madman game, has ended. However, since it will be at LEAST next issue before the second game, 79Nid, gets finished up, it will be a LONG time before I can start typing up Iid's history. Frankly I'd skip it if it weren't a pretty hairy-assed game. So for now, I've included some maps of its history and some stuff Bruxus Linsey (Turkey) submitted in early game that he thought was midgame and his evaluations of where things stood.

Speaking of Bruxus and his famous VOICE OF DOOMB, one of the few active hobby feuds was in progress there until recently. Sometimes called the Black Hole affair after the VD game that started it, it was also one of the few I stayed out of, as game feuds seem dull to me. To liven it up though, Bruce made up a fake WHITESTONIA to make one of his opponents, John Caruso of the real WHITESTONIA, look bad. He succeeded, getting a couple of other prominent publishers to denounce John, which made it a little more than the roiginal dispute over the running of one game. Then, faster than it came up, the whole thing blew over with the original complainants apologizing for their actions and Bruce admitting to the fake and to exaggerating his side as well; all in all, not making any of the participants look very good. Just as well its buried. Now, if you're in the market for some debates that have a little more substance to them than the above, I've received some material from Robert Sacks reprinted this issue, and there's some of the usual Gibby stuff for those of you who are fans of his stuff. Next time I hope to have the Nid blow-by-blow.

SUBSCRIBER WARNING! The notorious John Masters, root of all non-Oaklyn evil, has received a set of BB address labels to "send samples of BLACK FROG". Sure. Anyhow, watch your mailbox for a top-quality BB FAKE soon. John is the best of the fakers, so I fully expect something good. Someone warn Boardman for me, OK?

THIS ISSUE, while coming along late for me, turns out to suddenly have more than enough stuff for one full issue, so watch for another quite soon—soon as I can get it copy-ready, and not counting Master's fake.

Does anyone write to "Bernie Oaklyn"? If you do, let me know and I'll send you some blank stationery from Century Pipe and Supply Co for you to use to gross him out. Don't mention it, just use it. I've got two full pads here after sending one out already.

FAST GAME ANNOUNCEMENT: David Perlmutter is opening a SEVEN DAY DEADLINE GAME. This will not be like Jack Frost's "Bill Shaffer Memorial Demolition Special", the first 7-day deadline game, though. Dave will allow NO PHONE CALLS with orders! Strict postal orders. (Dave thinks it will be over in less than two months. Ha! He obviously isn't following the Special, 80AQ, entering 1908 with at least another month or two to go!) No standbys of course, and no separations. Gamefee \$4, refundable NMR deposit \$1, 608 Latches Lane Apts, Merion, PA

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STILL FOR SALE: Assorted wargame zines, about 5 or 6, no GENERALS or S&T, \$2 ppd. Also, a stationery box full of assorted DIPZINES from here and there, \$3.50 ppd. Write editor.



Random John's Notes

A blurb from EXECUTIVE REPORT, a newsletter put out by the Independent Petroleum Association of America, responding to Carter's terming the Windfall Profits Tax "Good news...for the whole world.": "With inflation in the US approaching an annual rate of 18 percent and interest rates not far behind, with Soviet troops (in) Afghanistan, with the turmoil in Iran and El Salvador, the world undoubtedly could use some "good news". However, the imposition of an excise tax on the production of crude oil in the United States is unlikely to lift the free world's spirits—not when it means less US crude production than possible; more US dependence on imports than necessary; and closer identification of US interests with the Persian Gulf."

Not only that, but the WPTax is killing my time to do a better job on the BRUTUS BULLETIN! Seriously, it is a serious mistake in its present form, and just possibly in ANY form. Makes a lot more accounting jobs in the oil industry before we're nationalized, though.

WEATHER here has suddenly turned incredible. We had lucked out with about two weeks of irritating but much needed nightly rains in June, the finale of a nice mild spring that ran its proper course in Oklahoma (mid-February to late May). In fact, real 'summer' that usually starts in earnest in late May here was delayed a month this time. Now, though, we're looking at 110 degrees each day this last week of June. Making up for it all at once! Ah, for a return of some nice mild 87 degree weeks. This business of calling the time and temperature number before going to bed and hearing "the time...ten...fortytwo...ninetytwo degrees" is just not nice at all!

THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK has been reviewed by others and now by me, but there's no room for it in this issue, since my feature on it has gone onto a fourth page and isn't done yet. So, something to look forward to. Also included will be some 79lid Endgame comments (the first blind Madman game) and some DipCon reviews. Bill Becker has submitted a good lengthy note of his impressions, and Bill LaFosse gives his own inimical views from his lofty position on the next Dipcon committee, showing us the inner workings and important evaluations that go on in the mind of such a personage of high hobby position at a Dipcon. Plus some good filler courtesy of Dave Carter. Matter of fact, in order to finish this sheet and run the cover (last thing this issue), here's a few odds and ends from Dave now:

The Scottish sergent major walked into a Glasgow drug store and took a beat up condom out of his kilt. "How much Mon," he asked the prprieter, "would it cost to fix this.?"

"Let's see," murrered the druggist. "I could launder and disinfectant it, heat weld the holes and tears and insert a new elastic in the top. That would cost you two shillings, the same price as a new one". The sergent major said that he would think it over.

He returned the next day.

"You've convinced us, mon," he announced.

"The regiment has decided to rreplace."

The Italian Immigrant travelling from New York City to Charleston, South Carolina by train arrived at his destination in bad humour.

"What happened Carlo?" asked the cousin who met him at the station.

"Goddam conductor tella me no do too many things," fumed the paisano. "I take outa my sandawich and he say, 'No - Inna the dining car.' I starta drinka some vino and he say, 'No - inna cluba car.' So I go inna clubba car, meeta girl and she go inna empty compartament with me and then goddamn conductor comes alonga yelling, 'No'fuka Virginia no'foka Virginia."

Shrink restistant means that the clothes do shrink, but they don't want to .

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The Adopted Game

OPPOSITION TO E-F DISOLVING FAST

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FALL, 1906:

AUSTRIA (Cartier): A VIE-Tri

ENGLAND (Reese): F BAR & F GOB S A Fin-StP; A Fin-STP; A SWE H: F NTH H;
F Hlg-DEN; A Hol-KIE; F Den-BAL

FRANCE (Columbo): F ION-Alb; F APU-Adr; F Tyn-NAP; F Tun-ION; F GLyo-TYN;
"A Tri H"/NSU; A VEN S A Tri/NSU; A TYO U, H; A Mun-SIL;
A BOH S A Mun-Sil; A Ruh-MUN

RUSSIA (~~Ed/11/14~~) CD NMR! CD A BER, LVN H; A Sil H/d/rOTB; F StPnc H/ann.

TURKEY (Guajardo): A Arm-SEV; A BUD S A Rum-Gal; A Rum-GAL; A SER-Tri;
F ALB & F ADR S A Ser-Tri; F Aeg-GRE; F Eas-AEG

1906:

A: Vie byd	1	-1
E: Home Nwy Swe Den		
Bel Hol Kie STP	10	+1
F: Home Spa Por Mun		
Ven Rom Nap Tun	10	-0-
R: S/P Mos War Sey Ber	3	1 ann., A Sil r OTB
T: Home Bul Ser Gre		
Rum Tri BUD SEV	<u>10</u>	+2
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THERE IS A CALL FOR AN E-F DRAW. NVR will equal Yes. Votes, winter adjustments, and SPRING, 1907 will be due with my mail received at home TUESDAY, JULY 1, 1980. Press follows.

WANTED: Oriental despot seeks alliance with western European power. Object: To aid in a good clean turn of the surgical blade, to stabilize Europe's balance of power, and to insure the general welfare of the Turkish people. Only the most capable and dastardly of rogues need apply.

80 Lji

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NOW WE'RE STARTING TO ROLL

Linsey-Leritte 2 man Game

SPRING, 1902

Leritte:ENGLAND A Yor-NWY; F NTH C A Yor-Nwy; F Eng-BRE

ITALY A PIE-Mar; F Nap-ION; A Ven- TYO; F TUN-Wes

GERMANY F SWE S ENGLISH A Yor-Nwy; A Sil-Pru/d/r Gal, Boh, Otb;
A BER S A Sil-Pru; A Tyo-MUN

Linsey: FRANCE F MAR-Pie; F MID-Wes; A Bur-RUH

RUSSIA F BAL-Ber; A PRU S A War-Sil; A War-SIL; A Rum-BUD; F Con-AEG;
A StP-FIN

TURKEY A Arm-SEV; F Bulsc-GRE; A SER S RUSSIAN A Rum-Bud; F Smy-EAS

CD: AUSTRIA F TRI H; A VIE H; A Bud H/ann.

Winter, 1901: Germany builds A BER; Italy builds F NAP
French A Pie r OTB; builds F MAR; Russia
builds A WAR, A STP; Turkey builds F SMY

Fall, 1902, will be due NLT my mail received at home THURSDAY, June 12, 1980, to allow for this season being mailed a day late. Press follows.

BER-ROM: That Blankety-Blank Limey stabbed us.

BER-LON: OK guy, you're on your own.

STP-PAR & LON: We got them by the balls.

ENGLAND to GIBBY: HELP!!

LON-BER & ROM: Did you hear the one about the woman who stuck her rear end out the bus window as it scraped a building? Dis-assed-her!

80 Lji

Linsey-Leritte 2-man Game

Summer, 1902: German A Sil r GAL

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FALL, 1902:

Linsey:FRANCE F Mid-SPAsc; F MAR-Pie; A RUH-Kie
RUSSIA F BAL-Den; A FIN-StP; A Pru-BER; A SIL S A Pru-Ber; A BUD S Turkish
A Ser-Tri; F AEG S Turkish F Eas-Ion
TURKEY F Eas-ION; A Sev-UKR; A SER-Tri; F GRE S F Eas-Ion
Leritte:ENGLAND A NWY-StP; F Nth-HOL; F BRE H
ITALY A PIE-Mar; A TYO S AUSTRIAN F Tri; F Ion H/d/rAlb,Adr,Apu,Nap,Tyn,Tun,Otb;
F Tun-WES
GERMANY F SWE-Den; A Gal-WAR; A MUN S A Ber-Kie; A Ber-KIE
CD: AUSTRIA F TRI H; A VIE H;

1902: Austria: Tri Vie ~~Spa~~ 2 1 ann., even

France: ~~Spa~~ Par Mar SPA 3 even
Russia: StP ~~Wdr~~ Mos Sev Rum 7 build 1
Con BUD BER 7 build 1
Turkey: Ank Smy Ser Bul GRE 5 build 1

England: Home NWY HOL BRE 6 build 3

Germany: ~~Ber~~ Mun Kie Swe WAR 4 even

Italy: Home Tun 4 even

Neutrals: ~~Spa~~ Por Zel ~~Wdr~~
~~Nwy~~ Den ~~Gre~~

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Winter, 1902, and Spring, 1903 will be due with my mail received TUESDAY, June 24, 1980, if not sooner. Press follows.

EGI-Gibby: Get the funk outta my face!!

EGI-Gibby: (Correction) The "n" should have been a "c".

Leritte (ANNOUNCEMENT): Novice or no, I resent any interference in my games.

I also abhor any inferences that cast any dishonesty on the part of my friends. Bruce Linsey IS an HONORABLE man. The division of countries in this game was decided by the both of us. As a novice, I look at any game I play in as a learning experience. Gibson, stay out of my business.

80 Lji

Linsey-Leritte
Two Man Challenge Game

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W 02: England builds F LON, F EDI, A LVP; Italian F Ion r TYN; Russia builds F STPnc;
Turkey builds F SMY

SPRING 1903:

Leritte ENGLAND: F Hol-HLG; F Bre-GAS; F Lon-NTH; A Lvp-EDI; F Edi-NWG;
A Nwy S German F Swe
ITALY: A TYO S Austrian F Tri; F WES S F Tyn-GLyon; F Tyn-GLYO; A PIE-Mar
GERMANY: A Mun-BUR; A Wal-SIL; A Kie-DEN; F Swe S English A Nwy/d/r GoB, Ska, Otb

Linsey FRANCE: F Spasc-MAO; F MAR H; A Ruh-KIE
RUSSIA: F STPnc-Nwy; F BAL S A Fin-Swe; A Fin-SWE; A Sil-MUN; A BER S A
Sil-Mun; A BUD S Turkish A Tri-Ser/NSU; F Aeg-ION
TURKEY: F Smy-AEG; F Ion-TYN; F Gre-ALB; A SER-Tri; A Ukr-WAR
CD AUSTRIA: F TRI H; A VIE H

Summer and FALL, 1903 will be due with my mail received Saturday, July 12, 1980, if not sooner. Press follows.

The real Leritte to Curt G: Curt, please don't let Linsey's black press offend you.
I do value your help and advice. Please help me. Bruce Linsey is a liar.

A zine published by Jack Frost

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THE CANAL DREGS

AND THE RACE IS ON!

Winter 1904: ENGLAND builds A LON, A EDI, F LPL
GERMANY disbands F Eng, A Pic, (NDR)
ITALY disbands F Gol
TURKEY builds F ANK, A SMY

June 6, 1980

Spring 1905: AUSTRIA (Sniegowski): A VIE-Gal; A BUD sup A Vie-Gal; A Tri-TYR;
F Ven-APU
ENGLAND (Becker): A Hol-BEL; F Den-BAL; F KIE sup F Don-Bal; F Nwy-NWG
A Stp-LVN; A Lon-DEN; F NTH con A Lon-Den; A EDI holds; F Lpl-IRI
FRANCE (Baumeister): A Par-BUR; A Mar-PIE; A SPA holds; F MID holds;
F BRE sup F Mid
GERMANY (Liddell): NMR A RUH & A MUN hold
RUSSIA (Michalski): F BER holds; A Lvn-WAR; F SEV-Rum; A Rum-Bud,
dislodged, retreat to Ukr or disband; A GAL sup A Rum-Bud
TURKEY (Osuch): F Ank-BLA; A Smy-ARM; A Bul-RUM; A SER sup A Bul-Rum;
F Ion-TUN; F Nap-TYN; A Rom-TUS; F NAF-Mid; F WES sup F Naf-Mid

Deadline for the next set of orders in this game is Monday, June 16, at noon.
PRESS

CON-LON: You'll be able to enjoy your golden shower soon enough, kink old boy.
Be patient.

CON-MOS: John, you're too busy for this game so I'm gonna help you out. Aren't I nice?

RUSS-TURK'Y: Turkey's in Asia, right?

RUSS-GERM: Since you've given up, I helped myself via conditional orders. Thanks for the NMR-drop, as it makes everything even: I now have no friends at all in Europe.

VIE-PAR: I have pulled off the greatest press war spoof of 1980. By prior agreement everyone else agreed to allow me to write all the press, and you never suspected! Dumb frog.

LON-CON: Sorry to hear that you ran over your garden hose with your lawn mower.

MUNICH: NMR HQ: Troops disbanding as per your order, Sir!

ANKARA: Turkish officials announced that they would not be sending an Olympic team to Moscow, as they have been drafted and sent to Armenia.

LOCKPORT: And hear I thought it was just a large squad for the sharp-shooting even

LONDON-OZ WRITER: Need some brains, Scarecrow? Or how about some courage, you Turkey?!

IZOO: I'll be vacating in California June 14-25. I will not NMR.

Your Taxes at Work

At the beginning of the 1978-79 school year, most of the 1,240 kids in California's Center Joint School District were testing below the national average. By year's end, grades were up dramatically and most children had above-average scores.

The only thing the district did differently was to drop out of two federal and state school aid programs that had provided \$111,000 in funds to help slow learners. Superintendent Dr. E. Robert Bagley explains that the teachers had to spend 12 to 25 percent of their time on meetings and paperwork required for the program. Now they can spend all their time teaching.

Here's what the National Science Foundation has been doing with your money lately:

—A two-year grant to New York University to study "The Creation, Distribution and Economic Significance of Knowledge." (The economic significance of that one is \$109,719.)

—\$23,241 to Montana State University for research on "Stress Waves in Wet Snow."

—\$35,614 to the University of Washington to come up with "A Procedure for Determining Freeway Origin-Destination Matrices."

—\$51,826 to Columbia University to study "Theoretical Sociology: Unintended Consequences and the Self-Fulfilling Prophecy."

The Census Bureau wants everybody to stand up and be counted this year—including millions of illegal aliens now in the country. Since census results are used to reapportion congressional districts, small states with few illegals, such as Vermont, fear that they will be underrepresented, but alien havens like New York City and State think the bureau's position is just fine. So does a special federal court which ruled against an effort by the Federation for American Immigration (FAIR) to block the counting of aliens.

The Justice Department, which rep-

resented the Census Bureau in the suit, even says that nothing in the Constitution prohibits a state from allowing illegal aliens to vote for representatives. Will candidates now start planning campaigns to capture the Iranian vote?

(submitted by Henry Bisson)

After mulling over whether to ask for a \$200,000 juvenile-justice grant from the federal government, the state of Wyoming decided not to bother. The paperwork involved would have cost \$500,000.

(submitted by Duncan Mackenzie)

In California, a city official decided to find out just how much paper was sent to him by federal, state and local governments. After saving every document and report received over three years, he ended up with 84,000 pieces of paper—enough for 300 novels.

(submitted by Harold R. Sproul)

The anti-ERA Eagle Forum had a bright idea: an essay contest for young people on how the Equal Rights Amendment would affect the draft and combat duty. To give equal time to the sexes' different viewpoints, the Forum decided to award two first prizes—one to a boy, one to a girl. Then HEW found out. Separate first prizes, it warned, would be discriminatory because "if the two top essayists were both females, only one of the two women could get a prize" and the other prize would go to a boy's "less qualified" essay. The contest plans had to be changed.

How did the federal government get into the act? Simple, if you know HEW: The contest was being promoted through public schools, and schools receiving federal money would run afoul of Title IX—the law prohibiting sex discrimination—if they posted and distributed the contest materials.

(submitted by Arthur R. Ahrens)

First there was a four-day conference at a picturesque Maryland country inn, attended by 44 Agriculture Department

employees. Then, a few days later, 28 bureaucrats attended another meeting at the same idyllic spot. All but six of the participants at the two conferences worked in Washington, D.C. Agriculture could have saved \$15,500 in transportation and accommodations by holding the meetings right in town.

(submitted by James Porter)

Travelers passing through Bedford, Ill., will someday be able to gaze up at a ten-story pyramid and reflect that they helped pay for it. The federal government gave the town half a million dollars for the project honoring Bedford's status as "limestone capital of the world." The pyramid is supposed to lure one million tourists a year.

(submitted by Donald E. Burns)

As part of its push to hire minorities, the Department of Labor is spending \$350,000 to bring 300 Hispanic farmworkers to Washington to take permanent clerical jobs with the government. Three private counseling groups have been awarded contracts to recruit candidates from as far away as Puerto Rico and California. Meanwhile, there are plenty of minority job-seekers right in Washington, just a 40-cent bus ride away.

Each year Illinois spends over \$100,000 to pay elevator operators in the state capitol complex. There are a dozen operators and that many elevators, so sometimes an elevator is unattended when an operator is out to lunch or off for the day. When that happens, passengers don't panic; they just push buttons. All but one of the elevators run automatically.

(submitted by Marvin Alisky)

The Social Security Administration figures that more than one dollar in every ten spent by the \$10.5-billion Aid to Dependent Children program goes to people who are ineligible or overpaid. That's over \$1 billion down the drain every year.

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THE PERILS OF PAULINA
(as featured in the
Brutus Bulletin)

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IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SURPRISES,
YOU CAME TO THE WRONG PLACE

Autumn 1902: Germany retreats F Nth-Edi, no retreat received for A Swe,
GM retreats A Swe Otb; Italy retreats F Ion-Nap

Winter 1902: England removes A YOR; Germany builds A BER, F KIE; Russia
sent no removal, GM removes A SWE; Turkey builds F CON; France builds A PAR

Spring 1903:

AUSTRIA (Mainardi): A TRI S A Bud-Vie; A Bud-VIE; F ALB S A Tri;
A Ukr-MOS; A RUM S TURKISH A Arm-Sev

ENGLAND (Kelly): F Nth-LON; A Lon-WAL; F Nwg-NAO

FRANCE (Howe): A Par-BUR; A PIC-Bel; F Por-SPA(sc); A MAR S F Por-Spa/
d/r to Gas, Otb; F ENG S GERMAN F Hol-Nth

GERMANY (Kirchner): A Ber-SIL; F Kie-HEL; F Hol-NTH; F EDI S F Hol-Nth;
F BEL-Hol /NSU; A BEL H (unordered); A DEN H /NSU; A TYO S
FRENCH A Mar-Pie /NSO

ITALY (Henthorn): F NAP-Ion; A Pie-MAR; F LYO S A Pie-Mar; A VEN-Tri

RUSSIA (Frost): NMR! F BLA, BAL, STP(nc) H; A WAR H; A SEV H/d/r to
Ukr, Otb

TURKEY (Mooney): A Gre-TUN; F ION C A Gre-Tun; F CON-Bla; A ANK-Con;
A Arm-SEV

Players should note that Germany is playing one unit short this year. Also,
I'm not calling a stand-by for Russia, as he'll be submitting orders next
season, right Jack? On miswritten orders, I would allow them in an all
novice game, but since none of you are novices... Another reason for not
allowing miswritten orders is that some players may want to intentionally
screw up an order, and this is one good way to do it.

As you may have noticed by now, the separation failed. Now for the scratch
sheet on the game with a few comments.

AUSTRIA (9-2) Clever stepper working well with Turkish ally, but sledding
could get a mite tougher soon. Tab action.

ENGLAND (99-1) Started well, until Germany and France got ahold of the
latest EVERYTHING. In a bit rough now.

FRANCE (7-1) Early Anglo-Italian opposition further hinders this one's
chances. German generosity may be a factor here. Possible handsome mutuel.

GERMANY (5-2) Fate smiles on this entry, even when he appears to be taking
the scenic route. Should grab a slice this time.

ITALY (35-1) Can't find a friend among these. Save for later.

RUSSIA (60-1) Used to tear off some sizzling panels, but last few starts
have been dismal. Doesn't figure to threaten here.

TURKEY (3-1) Likely choice to take it all. Gets the nod with these.

Deadline for the Summer retreats and Fall 1903 is Tuesday, June 10, 1980.
There was no press.

CORRECTION: Eric Kirchner pointed out, and rightly so, that I should have removed F-Bal instead of A-Swe for Russia in Winter 1902. So it is. Affected parties were notified, so we'll go ahead with Fall 1903.

Summer 1903: Russia retreats A-Sev-Ukr

Fall 1903:

AUSTRIA (Mainardi): F-Alb-GRE; A Tri-VEN; A-Vie-GAL; A-Rum-BUL;
A MOS S GERMAN A Sil-War

ENGLAND (Kelly): F NAO-Mid; F LON S GERMAN F Nth-Eng /NSO; A WAL S
F Lon

FRANCE (Howe): A PIC-Bel; F ENG-Mid; A Bur-MAR; A GAS S A Bur-Mar;
F SPA(sc) S A Bur-Mar/d/r to Wes, Por, Otb

GERMANY (Kirchner): F Edi-NWG; F NTH C A Bel-Lon; A BEL-Lon; F Hel-DEN;
A SIL-War; A TYO S AUSTRIAN A Tri-Ven

ITALY (Henthorn): A Mar-SPA; F LYO S A Mar-Spa; F NAP H; A VEN H/d/r

RUSSIA (Frost): F BLA-Sev; F StP(nc)-NWY; A SWE S F StP-Nwy; A UKR-Mos;
A WAR S A Ukr-Mos

TURKEY (Mooney): A TUN H; F ION-Nap; F Con-AEG; A Ank-CON; A SEV S
AUSTRIAN A Rum/ NSO

10: Still no rock solid alliances that I can see. In case you're wondering what I meant by the headline, my wife was so shocked when she heard that I had finally made a mistake that she went into labor, so I should be a daddy within the next twelve hours or so. So far her contractions are about ten minutes apart, so we should be heading to the hospital in the next few hours. Center chart follows. Oh yeah, Eric Kirchner will be receiving all mail at his regular address (McConnell St.) as of June 15.

1903	#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
	9	+4	Austria	Vie, Bud, Tri, Ser, Rum, MOS, BUL, GRE, VEN
	2	-1	England	Lon, Lvp, Nth
	4	-1	France	Par, Bre, Mar, Por, SPA
	7	+1	Germany	Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel, Edi
	3	-1or0	Italy	Ven , Rom, Nap, Tyr , SPA
	4	-1	Russia	StP, War, Mos , Sev , Swe, NWY
	5	0	Turkey	Con, Ank, Smy, BAL , Gr , TUN, SEV
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Jack Frost has resigned the Russian position citing time limitations as the reason, but we all know the real reason, don't we? Anyway, the new Russian player will be Ken Sniegowski, 508 Illinois St., Lemont, IL 60439. Ken and Jack are both friends of mine, but as you can see by Jack's position, I don't cheat. I tell you this so that it won't seem peculiar should you find out later. You might not think it necessary, but I've seen games ruined due to an argument over a similar circumstance.

Deadline for Winter 1903 adjustments and Spring 1904 orders is ^{Monday} ~~Tuesday~~, June ~~24~~ ³⁰, 1980. From here on out the deadline will be fourteen days.

13: Excuse the condition of these adjudications but my wife gave birth to a baby boy, Daryl Bernard, 7 lb 12oz, after this typing, not to mention a change sent in after this issue was "put to bed", as I typed this before midnight on 6/10. From now on, DL will be noon, deadline day,

A zine published by Jack Frost
In this issue: 1980 S

WITCHES ON A SPREE !

Spring 1904: FRANCE retreats F Was-MID
GERMANY disbands A Bur (NRR)

Fall 1904:
AUSTRIA (Sniegowski): F VEN holds; A Tyr-TRI; A VIE sup A Bud; A BUD sup A Vie
ENGLAND (Becker): A Fin-STP; F NWY sup A Fin-Stp; F Swo-DEN; F Den-KIE;
A Lon-HOL; F NTH con A Lon-Hol
FRANCE (Baumeister): F MID sup F Bre; F BRE holds; A Bur-PAR; A MAR sup A Spa;
A SPA sup A Mar
GERMANY (Liddell): (NMR), A MUN, A RUH, A PIC, F ENG hold
ITALY (Shaffer): (IMR), A Rom dislodged, disbands, F GOL holds
RUSSIA (Michalski): F Bal-BER; A Stp-LVN; A GAL & F SEV sup A Rum; A RUM sup
A Gal
TURKEY (Osuch): F Tun-NAF; F WES sup F Tun-Naf; A Apu-ROM; F NAP sup A Apu-Rom
A SER sup Rus A Rum-Bud; F Aeg-ION; A BUL sup A Ser

Supply Center Chart for 1904:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
4	0	AUSTRIA	Bud, Vie, AA , Tri, VEN
9	+3	ENGLAND	Edi, Lon, Lpl, Den, Nwy, Swe, STP, KIE, HOL
5	0	FRANCE	Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Por
2	-2	GERMANY	AA , KIA , Bel, MA , Mun
0	-1	ITALY	MA , MA
5	0	RUSSIA	Mos, MA , Sev, War, Rum, BER
9	+2	TURKEY	Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Nap, Tun, SER, ROM

Deadline for 1904 adjustments and Spring 1905 orders is Friday, June 6, 1980,
at noon.

PRESS

PAR-MOS: You know, everytime I read your press, I wish that you were Nick in
"The Deer Hunter". One shot, just one.
LONDON: Pay no attention to the other London Press, I the Kink am the one and
only power upon the throne pay no attention to the nothing behind the
curtain. "I am the great and powerful Oz."
EAST END: Schlick! Stab, Slash, Lust, blood, gore, stab, stab, stab ...
LON-CON: I just read in the (Turkish) National Enquirer that you were circum-
cised when a mere babe, but alas your family Doc's scimitar slipped and you
were destined to be a member of the Royal Eunuchs. However you were the only
son of Spermaia, 63 offspring- 62 daughters and you- woe the shame that was
brought upon the Royal family. But chance stepped in, as a child you
became fascinated with garden hose and yanked and fondled the hose of the
gardener's son. They got pissed off and stuffed 20 feet of garden hose up your
ass. The picture the Enquirer ran of you without your sheet shows you've got
a topping 5 inches. The other 19' 7" is still in place. Really didn't you ever
wonder why your pickle was green. (It's not just envy old boy.) AS for fetishes
cram 'em up your ass.

THE CANAL DRESS 62

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ITALY TAKES A STAND

Fall 1904: FRANCE retreats A Mar-SPA

Winter 1904: AUSTRIA disbands A Gal, A Vie
FRANCE disbands A Bel
ITALY builds F NAP
RUSSIA disbands F Swo no orders received
TURKEY builds F SBY, F CON, A ANK

Spring 1905:

ENGLAND (Howe): F POR-Spa(sc); A PAR-Ges; F Nth-EDI; F Lon-ENG

FRANCE (Pillant): A GAS-Par; F Cly-NWG; A SPA-Por; F MID sup A Spa-Por;
F NWY sup F Cly-NWG

GERMANY (Henry): F Ber-BAL; F Den-BEL; A Kie-RUH; A Bur-BEL; A Mun-BOH

ITALY (Mitchell): A VIE sup Ger A Mun-Boh; F Rom-TYN; F GOL & F NAP sup
F Rom-Tyn; A MAR sup Eng F Por-Spa(sc); A Pie-VEN

RUSSIA (Henthorn): A PIN & A SIL hold, NMR

TURKEY (Michalski): F TUR-Tyn; F Ion-APU; A War-GAL; A Mos-UKR; F Sny-EAS;
F Con-ALG; A Ank-RUH; F BLA con A Ank-Rum; A SER sup A Rum-Bud; A Rom-BLA

Fall 1905 will be due Wednesday, the eleventh of June, 1980, at noon. In
answer to a question, ethics forbid my direct answering of your question,
a complete report will be submitted to the BKC (upon completion of this
game), which will include the area of your inquiry, along with one or two
comments of my own. Oh well, the Pluff Special continues next time.

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THE CANAL DRESS

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AUSTRIA PAYS THE PRICE

Spring 1913: RUSSIA ordered F BAL con Eng A Kie-Pru (my mistake)
TURKEY retreats A Bul-CON

Fall 1913: AUSTRIA (Kador): NMR, A Bul dislodged, retreats to Rum or disbands;
A Sev dislodged, retreats to Rum, Ukr, or disbands; A War dislodged, retreats
to Gal, Ukr, or disbands; F EAS, A SER, A MOS hold

ENGLAND (Howe): A PRU sup Rus A Sil-War; A Mun-BOH; A RUH-Mun;
A Lon-NWY; F NTH con A Lon-Nwy; A Bre-PAR; A BUR-Mar; A GAS sup A Bur-Mar;
F MAR-Gol; F SPA sup F Mar-Gol; F POR sup F Spa; F MID-Weg; F Eng-IRI

ITALY (McMahon): A PIE-Mar; F GOL sup A Pie-Mar; F WES-Spa; F NAP-TRI
F Nap-ION; A TYR-Mun

RUSSIA (Michalski): A LVN-Mos; A Sil-WAR; F Stp-FIN; F Bal-KIE

TURKEY (Osuch): F Aeg-BUL; A CON & F GRE sup F Aeg-Bul; A Arm-SEV;
F BLA sup A Arm-Sev

Oh, how the fortunes of war can change. The deadline for 1913 adjustments, and
1914 orders is Monday, June 16, at noon.

Supply Center Chart for 1913:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
4	-2	AUSTRIA	Bud, Ser, Rum, VAY , Mos, MA
12	-1	ENGLAND	Edi, Lon, Lpl, Nwy, Hol, Bel, Bre, Par, Mun, MA , Mar, Por, Spa
6	0	ITALY	Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun, Vie, Tri
6	+2	RUSSIA	Stp, Swe, Den, Ber, KIE, WAR
6	+1	TURKEY	Smy, Ank, Con, Gre, Bul, SEV

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THE CANAL DRESS

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IT'S JUST A MATTER OF TIME,
AND GOD'S ON OUR SIDE!

Fall 1906: AUSTRIA retreats A Vie-TYR; A Ser disbands

Winter 1906: AUSTRIA disbands A Bud
ENGLAND disbands F Bar
GERMANY builds F BER
RUSSIA builds F STP(no), A SEV
TURKEY builds F ANK

Spring 1907:

AUSTRIA (Parker): A Tyr-VEN; F GRE holds.

GERMANY (Osuch): F Ber-BAL; F NTH-Eng; A Lon-WAL; F BEL sup F Nth-Eng; A TRI-Ven
A RUH sup F Bel; A Kie-HOL; A MUN-Bur; A Boh-TYR; A VIE sup A Boh-Tyr;

ITALY (Howe): A PIE sup Rus A Ty-Ven; F IGH sup Aus F Gre; A PAR sup A Bur;
A BUR sup Ger A Mun-Swi; F PIC sup F Eng; F ENG sup F Iri-Wal; A Wal-YOR;
F IRI holds, unordered

RUSSIA (Sniegowski): F IPI holds; A Sev-RUH; F Stp-NWY; F BLA sup A Sev-Rum;
A Gal-BUD; A SER sup A Gal -Bud; A Mos-MAR; A NWY-Swe

TURKEY (Johnson): A Cu-Bul; A BUL-Gre; F ANK-Con; A SKY-Ank

The bloodshed continues June 16, at noon (Monday), which is the next deadline.

Fall 1913: AUSTRIA disbands A Bul, A Sev, A War; NRR

Winter 1913: AUSTRIA NBR
ENGLAND disbands A Par
RUSSIA builds A STI
TURKEY NBR (see below)

Spring 1914:

AUSTRIA (Kader): F EAS, A SER held; A Mes dislodged, retreat to Ukr or disband
ENGLAND (Howe): A Boh-VIE; A Pru-SIL; A Ruh-MUN; F Mar-Gel; F Mid-WES; F SP
sup F Mid-Wes; F POR sup F Sp; A GAS-Mar; A BUR sup A Gas-Mar; F IRI-Mid;
F KTH cea A Nwy-Bel; A Nwy-BEL

ITALY (McMahon): A PIE-Mar; F GOL sup A Pie-Mar; F NAF-Mid; F ION-Gre; A Tys-
BOH; F Wes-Spa, dislodged, retreat to Tun, Tyn, or disband

RUSSIA (Michalski): A WAR & A LVN sup A Stp-Mos; A Stp-MOS; F Fin-SWE;
F KIE holds (unorderd)

TURKEY (Osuch): F BLA sup A Sev; A SEV sup Rus A Lva-Mos; F GRE sup A Cex-Bul;
A Cex-BUL; F Bul-BEG; F Say sup F Bul-Beg, no such unit

TURKEY'S Winter orders were made conditional on another player's Winter orders,
which is illegal. Deadline for Fall 1914 is Friday, June 27, at noon.

PRESS

TP: It's good to be in second place again!

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THE CANAL DREGS

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FRANCE FAILS TO CONTROL MED,
NEXT MAJOR POWER TO GO OUT?

Spring 1905: RUSSIA disbands A Rum, NRR

Fall 1905:

AUSTRIA (Snigowski): F AFU-Ven; A Bud-GAL; A VIE sup A Bud-Gal; A TYO sup
Tur A Tus-Pie

ENGLAND (Becker): A Dem-BER; F BAL cea A Dem-Ber; A KIE sup A Dem-Ber;
A Edi-DEN; F KTH cea A Edi-Dem; F IRI sup Fre F Mid; F Nwy-NAO; A LVN held
A Bel-HOL

FRANCE (Bausewitzer): F BRE sup F Mid; F MID holds; A SPA holds; A Bur-BEL;
A Pie-Ven, dislodged, retreat to Mar or disband

GERMANY (Liddell): A MUN, A RUH held; NRR

RUSSIA (Michalski): F Sev holds, dislodged, destroyed; A Wsr-SIL; A Gal-BOH;
F Ber-Kie, dislodged, retreat to Pru or disband

TURKEY (Osuch): A Arm-SEV; F BLA & A RUH sup A Arm-Sev; A SER sup A Rum;
A Tus-Pie; F Tyn-GOL; F TUN-Wes; F WES-Mid; F NAF sup F Wex-Mid

Supply Center Chart for 1905:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
4	0	AUSTRIA	Bud, Vie, Tri, Ven
10	+1	ENGLAND	Edi, Lea, Lpl, Den, Nwy, Swe, Stp, Kie, Hel, BER
6	+1 or +2	FRANCE	Bre, Mar, Par, Spa, Fer, BEL
1	-1	GERMANY	BAI, Mun
2	0 or -1	RUSSIA	Mos, BAI , War, BAI , BAI
11	+2	TURKEY	Ank, Cex, Say, Bul, Gre, Nap, Tun, Ser, Rom, RUM, SEV

deadline for the next set of orders is Friday, June 27, at noon.

PRESS

TOO: Dippes was fun, you guys should have come. Besides playing Dip and doing
well I get about a half hour conversation with Allen B. Calhoun, Diner
conversation with Mark Berch. Met Bob LaFosse, Jack Browner, Rick Kovalick,
and about 40 other assorted Dips. I also get first hand knowledge on way
Diplomacy politics are screwed up. Watch for my letter in BB.

ON-VIE: Thanks for the tip. Since you know it's coming sooner or later why
don't you fight it?

USSIA-ENGLAND: Your terms are unacceptable. We will choose instead to sink
under our own direction, at yours.

ORE-KIOO: Enjoy your vacation. Italy phoned his orders in and look what it
got him. "I will ask MER" hey? Is that like "I am not a creek"?

CKMORT: Re Italy's ahead-in orders: It's not our fault you forgot to tell
him which gave the orders were for. So don't put the words in his mouth...

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THE CANAL DREGS

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[The Shafter Memorial Donation Game]
Seven-Day Deadlines

Fall 1905:

ENGLAND (Howe): A PAR sup F Eng-Pre; F Eng-BRE; F POR sup It F Col-Spa;
F EBI sup Ger F Hel-MTH

FRANCE (Pillant): A GAS sup A Spa-Mar; A Spa-MAR; F MWG-Edi; F MID-Par; F Nwy-STP

GERMANY (Henry): F Bal-BER; F Hel-MTH; A Ruh-MUN; A BEL holds; A BOH-Vie

ITALY (Mitchell): A Vie-TRI; F TYM-Ion; F Col-SPA; F NAF sup F Tyn-Ion;

A Mar sup F Col-Spa, dislodged, retreat to Bur, Pic, or disband;
A VEN sup A Vie-TRI

RUSSIA (Heathorn): A FIN, A SIL hold, NRR

TURKEY (Michalski): F Tun-WES; F PU-Ven; A Bud-VIE; A GAL sup A Bud-Vie;
A Ukr-MOS; F Bal-Ion; F AEG sup F Eng-Ion; A Rum-SER; F ELA holds; A Ser-LB

Supply Center Chart for 1905:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
5	+1	ENGLAND	Edi, Lea, Par, Fer, BRE
4	-1	FRANCE	BAI , BAI , BAI , Lpl, Nwy, MAR, STP
6	+1	GERMANY	Ber, Kie, Hol, Mun, Den, BEL
5	0 or -1	ITALY	Nap, Rom, Ven, VIA , Tri, BAI , SPA
1	-1	RUSSIA	BAI , Swe
13	+3	TURKEY	Ank, Con, Say, Bul, Rum, Sev, Gre, Bud, Mos, Ser, Tun, War, VIE

Please note the correction in the ownership of Nap and Tun from the list in #56.

1905 adjustments and Spring 1906 orders are due on Thursday June 19 at noon.

PRESS

FRANCE-WEST: You all suck.

CON-ROM: Two down, one to go.

WANTED: One western ally. Write Sultan Fuq Azmani Az Ucan, Sayrha.

UK-STP: Good luck in the west.

? Is the Kaiser still playing?

EBANIA-WEST: Watch out for the fearsome It-Tur alliance!

ROM-CON: End of the line for you dogface.

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THE CANAL DREGS

June 16, 1990

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AT THE TOP OF THE STRETCH...
IT'S RUSSIA!

Fall 1907:

AUSTRIA (Parker): F GRE holds; A VEN sup It A Pie

GERMANY (Osuch): F Bal-SWE; A Wal-LON; F BEL holds; A RUH sup F Bel; A HOL-
Edi; F NTH cea A Hel-Edi; A MUN-Bur; A TYO-Ven; A TRI sup A Tys-Ven;
A VIE-Tye

ITALY (Howe): A YOR-Edi; F Eng-BRE; F Iri-ENG; F PIC sup F Iri-Eag; A BUR
holds; A PAR sup A Bur; F ION sup Aus F Gre; A PIE sup Aus A Ven

RUSSIA (Snigowski): F LPL holds; F Nwy-NWG; A Swe-DEM; A WAR holds; A BUD
sup A Ser; A SER sup A Rum-Bul; A Rum-BUL; F BLA-Con

TURKEY (Johnson): F ANK, A CON, A SPY held; A Bul dislodged, destroyed, NRR

Supply Center Chart for 1907:

#	NET	COUNTRY	CENTERS
2	0	AUSTRIA	BAI , Gre, VEN
9	-1	GERMANY	Ber, Kie, BAI , Hel, Mun, BAI , BAI , Lon, Swe, Bel, Vie, Tri
8	0	ITALY	Nap, Rom, VIA , Mar, Tun, Spa, Par, Per, BRE
12	+4	RUSSIA	Mos, Sev, Stp, Nwy, Rum, Edi, Ser, Lpl, BUD, BUL, DEN, WIR
3	0	TURKEY	Ank, Con, Say, BAI

Deadline for Winter adjustments and Spring orders is Friday, June 27, at noon.

CURTIS GIBSON

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BRUTUS BULLETIN #64 (it's about time you dropt t superfluous 'e t i n'; I guess t reason your not t most awestraking + hily bid-for zine is tt misleading picayunism—'Bull' it ot to be, for t zine tt has only Graustark rivalling its weyt in both game + intellectual activity) came today. Impressive contents!

Can't say wch I enjoy most, seeing another array of Gibby's gems of enlytnment (penetrated 50,000,000 yrs into t future ts time, wow!) or the feeble sprays of popcorn fired at him by such as Rod Walker, whose pseudo erudition makes it fairly easy for your sincere truth-seekers to see where t bull shit is to be found.

Poor Kelley, returned your \$s just too quickly. Bet he cd sweep up a bu. or 2 of Mt St Helens dast now. Myt be holed up afraid to go out in tt ash-laden air, tho.

I liked t way Miami + St. Helens erupted in unison. Astrologers hv always noted tt t same influences from t stars bring violence in nature + violence in human affairs. Tt ash wl hv greatly increased t fertility of much of Wash. + Idaho, + t Miami bash has set t deep South in for years of rethinking. ((Curtis proceeds to predict a white backlash))....

Rod Walker's popping off had litl worthy of comment. His level of info is tt of t average BA or MA or PhD, all superficially educated. In the one area he seemed fairly informed, re t Essenes, he attacked me for what he assumed, without basis, was my understanding of t identity of t Essenes. He is ryt tt it was a very diverse array of sects + currents, as is Protestantism today. Also ryt tt Jesus probably cd not be claimed by any of these mere sects + 'schools of thot'. All that I knew perfectly, and had said nothing even implying otherwise. I'm glad to see tt R.W. is not so stuck in t mud in every area of scholarship. But he is ignorant, apparently, of t central gnostic doctrines, + tt t Essene gnosticism had for ages, from Ur + Egypt, fully recognized t truth of reincarnation, even tho Greek gnosticism had become hazy about it.

Just as his attack on my etymologies (re Bruce, Brutus, British, etc.) was nothing but a display of shallow incompetence, so was almost everything he spouted in #64. I'm tempted to reply in detail, but you only print half what I send you + so why waste my time. ((Then this marginal note inserted at this point:)) No, John, J. Chi said litl about punishments, as you imply. And re Dives—Haydes, tt was a lost soul, not t pneuma, wch is what reincarnates. ((Back to main text))

By contrast, Berch sticks so well to subjects he is competent in, + usually bery sober + intelligent + cogent; + for his age Kelley is also outstanding. It's their contributions that make B.B. respectable. But Kelley + others in the North misunderstand t KKK. Like any good thing, it has elements tending to overdo, to fanatical extremes. But its main purpose is idealistic, to defend the religious freedom + the Puritan morality wch were t heritage given us by heroes + martyrs. (It's the fanatics tt get noticed) ((Curtis then elaborates on the place of blacks in human society))

PPS There are a number of ways to reduce gambling. Unblock capitalism, for one.

((I'll let Rod respond for himself if he wishes. I have disagreed on the issue of backlash in a private response, saying basically that people in the south are little less apathetic than anywhere else, and will let themselves be used by liberals just like the rest of the country does))

J.M.

DAVID PERLMUTTER

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Tra-la tis summer! Now I can forget mundane things like work, country, honor, duty, flag, and concentrate on real important stuff like Dippy letters and sending in orders. Also I write letters to you, just to make sure Gibby/Kelley/Marley/Coughlan and Berch don't take over the whole damn zine.

You are wrong though about the nondangers of Klan/Nazi groups. That "Grand Imperial Kleagle" Metzger won the Demo nomination to congress in CA. Harold Covington, head of the South Carolina Nazi party got 43,000 votes in a recent election there. Not bad for lunatic fringe if you ask me.

The truth is that Klan/Nazi/Commies feed off bad times. The nation is doing pretty

Perlmutter, cont'd

poorly now with Jimmy "what, me worry?" Carter at the helm of the USA Titanic. Facism is very tempting as a form of government. It solves all the problems of management and all that. Yet contrary to popular belief, during the days of Mussolini, the trains in Italy did NOT run on time. Who knows? Anyway in bad times the minorities get blamed. Like G/E/A/I working badly against an R/T onslaught, neither do people in the US work together at all. Hispanic and Blacks, as Miami proved are not "good" friends. This thing over Andrew Young split the black leadership over their relations with jews, yet in a recent poll only 2% of blacks cared about the mideast at all. Still assholes like Jesse Jackson come on 60 Minutes and say that Jews control the banking system in the US. Not one single major (or minor) bank in America is owned by Jews. But who can protest? I'm very prejudiced against blacks. I have black friends but would never go in a black neighborhood. Some would call that wisdom instead of prejudice but who's to say? I used to be prejudiced against Germans but that's gone, just died for lack of fuel I guess.

The thing you really can't escape from are stereotypes. If a jew drives a big car, he's rich. If a jew drives a small car he's still rich but is miserly. I'm really a pessimist about the future of my whole race. But then no other people in the world have better cause to be paranoid. Next time though, we won't go down without a fight. Israel has the H-Bomb, and bye-bye Moscow and oilfields if things ever really go wrong there.

On the lighter side of the news, an old joke with a new theme...A patient in a coma for four years wakes up in Miami General Hospital and sees the rioting, and says "Carter was elected, wasn't he?" Another one...((Polish joke deleted)) Well, enough fun for now, I must leave some room for Berch et.al. Keep thinking the disgusting thoughts, ya heah?

((How would Israel get a bomb to Moscow? Might reach Baku on a one-way trip, but that would seem to be about it. Maybe slip a loaded submari ne into a port? Good luck to 'em, though!

No differing groups work together. Such examples as might be found would be exceptions rather than the rule, I'm sure. Even in war, alliances facing a common enemy are a real problem to maintain, let alone differing cultures in an open society at peace. That is human nature. Right now times must be good for at least government, for while the man in the street may rail against minorities, the only Evil in this country that the government recognizes for punishment is the white working majority.* There are some signs that all groups (exc gov't) are coming to recognize that GOVERNMENT is the main evil, but it's probably like a lot of other things, too little and way too late.

The stereotype would be easier to break if there were more exceptions to it. Were there more Jews raising wheat or working on auto assembly lines, the association of Jews with finance/business/law/arts would be diluted. Your success is your weakness there, for the Jews are ahead of the rest as a group, and will hardly 'drop back' to cruddy working jobs when law-media-govt beckons, right? Also, Jewish influence does far exceed Jewish numbers, and this will be read into the situation differently by someone in the lower middle class than one in the middle upper class. Be glad you're in a group that is criticized for its success than in some others that are criticized for their obvious and myriad failures!

I don't blame people for voting for Nazis or whatever. I wish one were on the ballot here so I could register a protest vote! What better way to vote "up yours" or "none of the above" than to vote for something as farcial as a Nazi or Klansman?))

ROBERT SACKS
(excerpt)

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J.M. *maybe
oil companies
too!!

I think the best answer to Walker's letter would have to be the comments before Orthanc by Gimli, Theoden, and Gandalf. (see Tolkien, THE TWO TOWERS, Book 3, Chapter 10, "The Voice of Saruman".) It is a long chapter, but well written; Gimli's comments come closest to the point: "The words of this wizard stand on their heads, in the language of Orthanc help means ruin, and saving means slaying, that is plain!"

((Mr Sacks wrote in response to another matter I had inquired about, and this was included. He also asked that I publish his letter or notice that follows. I print it as hobby news, as the IDA hasn't sent me anything in a long time, I being a mere paid member.))

J.M.

SWAN SONG

Robert Sacks

How bad do things have to get before the President of a group must warn the public against it? With the International Diplomacy Association of North America, I think that point has arrived.

Consider the cabal of Scott Marley, Eric Verheiden, and Rod Walker. They decide that an election is unnecessary; if no one files against the provisionally elected candidates, they are elected. Before the ink is dry, Walker proposes that the IDA council cut the subsidy to the OGP (which has never been paid during the tenure of the current Director, in spite of repeated requests) and give it to one of his henchmen instead. The Director of Orphan Games files for election and again requests payment of the outstanding subsidy owed, with part to be applied to membership dues. The practice of applying debts to dues is a tradition with hobby officers - IDA so rarely honors its debts that this is the only way they ever get a semblance of payment, and sending money to someone who owes you money is pointless. Now the cabal assembles: Walker, the challenged candidate, Marley, the editor who has resigned, Verheiden, the treasurer who acknowledges but refuses to honor the debt. They decide to suppress the membership application, the campaign statement, the election, and the constitutional provisions which permit the candidacy even of a non-member. They will not permit the membership to hear and decide the grievance.

It gets worse. In spite of these decisions, it is possible that the IDA council might not go along with them. They now propose that, without even consulting the membership, the council close down IDA, hand over the Treasury to Eric Verheiden, and bequeath it to a new player's union that will have no constitution, no elections, and by inference, no rights for the membership. This is, of course, unconstitutional, but that won't stop them. This is also embezzlement, but that won't stop them either. It is difficult to judge an organization in advance, and it apparently is under the aegis of Diplomacy World, but that publication is not part of the hobby, the members of the organization will have no control over it, and the organization is willing to get started by looting the IDA Treasury, hardly testimony for their trustworthiness.

Unless you want to throw away your money, avoid such organizations. Any group aspiring to mass membership (IDA/NA, NADF, DPA, &c) with such people as Marley, Verheiden, Walker, Berch, Davis, Martin, and Young in control is a guaranteed loss. Don't waste your money.

Now this is not an enemies list. Some of these people are quite pleasant in person. I've worked with some on projects; some have good ideas. Several supported me for President; I supported others for hobby office. That is not the point - if the fate of a group depends on one of them making a good decision, forget about it.

I wish I had an alternative to present at this time, but this latest proposal took me by surprise. Besides, I don't believe in asking people to join a group that hasn't been formed yet. However there will be an alternative. People interested in joining once the group gets started can drop me a letter or postcard. Wait before joining anything these days.

Robt Sacks

JOKE TIME

These jokes were taken from the June issue of REDBOOK magazine. They were part of a humour article "for women only."

An exhibitionist decided to take a plane trip. It came time to board, and a stewardess at the boarding gate was collecting tickets. When the man got to the head of the line, he flung open his coat and exposed himself. "I'm sorry, sir," said the stewardess, "you have to show your ticket here, not your stub."

A newly married couple walked into a hotel and asked for a room. The desk clerk asked, "Bridal?"

"No thank you," said the bride. "I'll just hold on to his ears until I get the hang of it."

An old woman went to see a lawyer about her will. "I have ten thousand dollars put aside for my funeral. You see, I want a wonderful funeral. I've lived in this town my whole life and nobody ever noticed me. I want them to talk about my funeral when I'm gone."

"Okay," the lawyer said. "What about your remaining three thousand dollars?"

"Well, she replied, "I'm old and would like to be with a nice young gentleman for a couple of hours once again. I'll pay him three thousand dollars."

At home that night the lawyer told his wife the story. "You know," she said, "we could really use the money," and after some discussion they agreed he should be the gentleman. His wife drove him to the old woman's house and promised to return in two hours. When the time was up, she drove to the house and honked the horn. Her husband didn't appear, so she honked again.

Finally the bedroom window flew open and her husband yelled, "Hey, honey, could you come back in the morning? She's decided to let the county bury her."

Q. What's the difference between a light bulb and a pregnant woman?

A. You can unscrew a light bulb.

Other
jokes

A frenchman was in the foriegn Legion and had'nt seen a woman for nearly two years. Naturally he was getting a bit frustrated and so he went to the commandant with his problem. The Commandant was vry understanding and said.

" Why don't you use the camel that the men have tied up in the stable. Thats what evrybody else does when they want some sex."

So the frenchman went to the stable, took of his cloths and started to make love to the camel. Naturally this brought a crowd of soldiers around and they all started to laugh at him. This brought the Commandant over and as soon as he saw what was going on he started to laugh too.

"What's everyone laughing at," asked the soldier.

" Well what usually happens," said the Commandant, "is that the men ride the camel into town and get thier sex there."

A neurotic was in hospital under delusions that he was Napoleon. One day the psychiatrist was examining him.

" Just why do you think that you are Napoleon?"

" Well you see," came the reply, "god told me."

Just then a voice from the other end of the room piped up.

" I DID NOT."

ROD WALKER

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Like my new typer? Finally, an electric! Sears had this one for sale @40% off & I couldn't resist. Now my old one can go in for some much needed fixing.

Thanks very much for the courtesy copy of Gibby's letter. I decided to send in a reply. Before I get to that, let me ask you to announce a couple of things. First, RUDDIGORE #1 is available from me for a stamped, self-addressed envelope (copy enclosed). This is a listing of the archival holdings of ORChives South, together with a notation of what items (mine and others) I have for sale and at what price. Second, ARDA 4 is now out, with a long article on the Miller Number Recategorization Project now under way plus the map & rules for Gary Gyax's game, Napoleonic Diplomacy II, which have not been printed anywhere in a decade. Price is 90c. ARDA 3, 50c, updates our catalogue and has articles on the Cline 9-man game and on Mercator (no maps/rules, just comments). ARDA 2, \$1.10, is our catalogue. ARDA is the publication of the North American Variant Bank.

Most people see pink elephants. Gibby sees "50,000,000 yrs into t future ts time, wow!" Uh-huh, sure. Gibby is discovering an unfailing formula for Being Considered Wonderful: Make your "predictions" far enough in advance and some fools are sure to be impressed merely by the magnitude of the claim; besides, nobody will be around then.

Apparently, by "superficially educated", Gibby means "in possession of facts"...as opposed to the suppositions and fantasies Gibby would prefer to take as "truth". A good example of this is the etymological thing... Gibby would like to pretend that a bunch of words which have quite different origins have a common source. I give a detailed list of the actual etymological sources of these words. This accumulation of factual material is then labled "a display of shallow incompetence". That may be, but the incompetence would then not be mine, but that of the Encyclopedia Britanica, the Oxford English Dictionary, two etymological experts (Joseph Shipley and Ernest Weekley), and other standard sources which I normally consult in such matters.

As usual, Gibby's letter makes sweeping unsupported statements which bear no relation to the facts. The only question that got any detail (and of course they were the wrong details) was that of the Essenes. Anybody who thinks the Essenes were a gnostic group either does not understand gnosticism, or does not understand the Essenes, or both. That is like some Gibby of the next millenium trying to convince us that the Marxists promoted capitalism.

Whatever other garbage they promoted, the Essenes were first and foremost Jews. That means they worshipped Yahweh Elohim, creator and lord of the universe.

Now, the central tenet of the confused tangle we call gnosticism is that the Supreme God and the creator-god (the demiurge) were not the same individual at all. In fact, the god who created the universe was an evil, perverted being who was the enemy of light, truth, &c. Jewish and, later, Christian gnostics identified this black demiurge with Yahweh, who was therefore not the sender of the Messiah at all; the Messiah would come (or did come) from the Supreme God and would liberate men from the bondage of matter. At its root, therefore, gnosticism is totally incompatable with Essene beliefs. It's true that some little bits of gnostic tommyrot crept into Essene writings (their notion of the Sons of Darkness and the Sons of Light sounds a teeny bit gnostic), but in no important way were the Essenes gnostic in their beliefs.

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As for reincarnation: Would Gibby care to quote from any known and acknowledged Essene document? Josephus clearly states (in Wars of the Jews) that the Essenes believed that the soul, having been imprisoned in the body, was liberated by death and ascended permanently into heaven or descended permanently into Sheol. I know of nothing in the Qumran documents which contradicts his assessment.

As for the gnostics: A few years ago, Gibby might be able to hold forth all sorts of fantasies about them and it would be hard to prove him wrong, other than saying he had no proof. But now we have the Chenoboskion documents, which constitute a pretty complete Gnostic-Christian library. We now have, for instance, the long-suppressed "gospels" of Philip, Mathias, and Thomas, the Gnostic trilogy which they used to replace Mark, Matthew, and Luke. Before you mouth off your misconceptions of gnosticism, Gibby, please bear in mind that I have good reference materials on it.

The point here is that the gnostics turn out to be just as loony as the Church Fathers said they were. The fact that they believed (rather half-heartedly) in reincarnation proves nothing. Gnostics were not very selective; within certain fuzzy limits, they would believe anything.

But this is all off the real track, isn't it? Please note how Gibby has changed ground on exactly the most important point. Let's return to it. Gibby previously claimed that Jesus of Nazareth believed in reincarnation. I pointed out that if this were so, he went to great lengths to disguise this belief, since none of the canonical gospels bear any evidence of it. Even the semi-gnostic gospel of John says nothing on the subject. (I say "semi-gnostic"; there seem to be elements of gnosticism in John, and the most attractive theory I've seen is that perhaps the author, who was almost certainly Egyptian, was trying to reconcile gnosticism and traditional Judaeo-Christianity.)

Anyway, the doctrine of reincarnation must inevitably conflict with the doctrine of resurrection. And it is the latter which is the mainstream of late Jewish and Christian belief. Jesus was, if nothing else, within that mainstream. It is clear from all the evidence that Jesus espoused the doctrine of resurrection and not that of reincarnation. I do not myself care for either belief, since in either event the process seems automatic and therefore is not something we need to worry about. But it is ridiculous for Gibby to assert that Jesus believed in something which, manifestly, he did not. I realize that one can dredge up all sorts of "secret" and esoteric sayings and teachings attributed to Jesus (if you want your stuff to be read; put a famous name on it). However, none of these is demonstrably genuine. In my opinion, and I've done some little study of the matter, anything which differs from the Gospel of Mark, to the extent that it differs, must be considered suspect. (And even Mark has problems: the last 12 verses of Chapter 16 are a later forgery.).

What is this about "Dives in Hades"? I thought everyone knew about that old chestnut by now. This error derives from the Vulgate. Jesus begins the parable, "There was a certain rich man...", and in Latin, "rich man" comes out "homo dives". But Dives is not anybody's name. Well, trust Gibby not to get it right.

Best,

P.S. Enclosed is some letterhead for Tretick. Also some of the paper we print our bills on. Why not send him a bill? I have word from three different players of his: they've checked his telephone numbers: they are owned by "B. A. Tretick", and the name of "Oaklyn" does not appear on his account. They ask to remain anonymous for fear of reprisals from "Oaklyn".

79 Iid ENDS

The First Bl ind Madman Game

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WAR WEARINESS GIVES THREE-WAY E-R-T DRAW!

Final Press:

Italy to Turkey: I have never called anyone a cheat. Even if you were cheating (which you're not), I would still beat you. In fact, I like to play cheaters. It's a no-win game. If they win, they did it by cheating, and if you win—you have really done something.

No, you're not a cheater, and you play a very good game. I hope you win.

1979 Iid in Review

Austria	6	7	5	4	3*	4**	4**	5***4**	2	1
England	3	4	6	5	5	6	7	8	8	11
France	2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	5**	5**	3	3	3	2	1	1	1	0
Italy	5	5	5	7	5	5	4	2	1	0
Russia	5	5	5	6	8	9	10	10	12**10	12
Turkey	5	7	9	9	10	8	8	8	8	10**8
Neutral	3	1	1	0						

Our cast of players:

Austria, David Pilant, dro S10, CD
England, Gary Howe, drew F11
France, Roberto Guajardo, dro FO1, CD, out F 02
Germany, Madman, out F11
Italy, David Grabar, dro FO9, out F10
Russia, William Shaffer, drew F11
Turkey, Bruce Linsey, drew F11

Zine: BRUTUS BULLETIN GM: John Michalski

The chart doesn't do the game justice at all, but I can do the chart on a lunch hour whereas I cannot get near doing 22 game seasons like that. In fact, it will be some weeks before I can get that into gear, as I still have half of Nid to finish up, and it is only 2/3s as long as Iid was. For the interim, I have done up some maps like I did for the end of the 1st 10-day-deadline game 79E, to give you a graphic view of the happenings by centers owned each year. It too is distorted in that Austria, for instance, has a large west European empire the last half of the game, but as you will see from the blow-by-blow history, it was created and maintained solely by two remnant armies that were either fleeing the Turks thru Munich in one case, or being uncerimoniously expelled from N Italy in the other. Pilant took 5 centers in the west by 1908, mostly out of Italy's hide to Linsey's benefit. Shaffer and Linsey played a wild game which does not show up here, but does fairly well on the maps: one season Shaffer lost 4 to Linsey, yet gained 5 at his expense in a not-untypical wild brawl theese two were engaged in. Even 1901 seems bland on the chart, but fails to show the truth in specifics. Russia, for instance, appears to have a mediocre start, yet in reality took 3 centers in 1901. Only problem is that he lost Warsaw and Sevastopol to his two southern neighbors in the process, and wound up with a mediocre "5" on the chart. It wasn't mediocre in play, though! Another cute thing that won't show up is the press. Linsey did it up well, writing stuff like 'Shaffer is really a GOOD ally, you just need to know how to talk to him' while fighting off a massive Russian invasion! It was a lot of fun to GM (more so than to play, I think), but I'll not be doing anymore. Way too damn much work. Also, diplomacy is a quicker casualty than France was, as I've seen in blind games others are running in which I am a player.

Just as a preview, I will run some statements submitted by Brux Linsey early in the game plus the maps this issue, and invite any endgame comments from the players.

Well done, but I'm glad it's over.

W.C.

FIRST BLIND MADMAN GAME

Mid-Game Statement (Fall, 1903) by Bruce Linsey (Turkey)

Not for publication until the game is over..

There is no question at this point that I will be the eventual victor of this game. The only other player with a potentially winning position now is Bill Shaffer (Russia), but I can't see him going all the way.

When I saw the ad for the blind madman game, I sent in my dollar right away and requested that John put Bill Shaffer in the game whether or not he wanted to play, and John obliged me. I knew exactly how the entire game was going to go as soon as I received the country assignments. For those who don't know, I am Turkey, Shaffer is Russia, Dave Pilant is the ill-fated Austrian, Dave Grabar is the silent Italian, Gary Howe is England, Roberto Guadjardo was France until he dropped, and Germany is the madman.

My first letter was to Shaffer, offering to bounce him in the Black Sea and sweep west, forming an alliance. His response could not have been more perfect! Plus, I suspect it was the only letter he wrote to anyone the whole game. "Why bounce in the Black Sea?", he asked. "I'm taking Rumania. Let's go for CENTERS!!!!". This, of course, is Bill's way of playing, and I knew he would say that even before I opened his letter. It was exactly what I wanted to hear! Additionally, he told me he would move A Mos-StP to bounce England out of Norway - and he did this - GOOD! I agreed with Pilant early on that Shaffer, and all traces of him, must be destroyed no matter what. But why take Shaffer out early, when the much more cunning Pilant was sitting there peering at me over the Balkans? Shaffer could be done in any time - but he did have to be shown who was boss! So, diplomatically, my efforts were directed toward putting Austria safely at war with Italy before I stabbed Austria in fall '03. But I digress.

Spring '01 found me in the Black Sea and Armenia. Fall '01, I walked into Sevastapol, thus thoroughly enraging Shaffer. But with support from my always-valuable Black Sea fleet, and later from my army in Rumania, I knew that Shaffer couldn't break my position.

Pilant was well set up for my attack. I must confess that I relied heavily in my negotiations upon his mutual dislike of Shaffer. I had a fleet in Albania before Dave knew what the hell was going on. There was only one hitch: I was supposed to have vacated Rumania in spring '03, but couldn't if my fall stab was to succeed. This brought an embarrassing phone call from Dave prior to the fall deadline. "WHY are you still in Rumania??" GULP!!

My 1903 stab hasn't occurred yet, but I suspect it will net me Serbia and Trieste, and, of course, I shall keep Rumania.

Before continuing on this line, though, I should summarize the situation in the west. England, who had failed to receive any builds in 1901, had managed to sneak into Denmark and now has four centers. I encouraged Gary to keep on fighting Shaffer - I want to win before Bill does! However, it looks doubtful that Gary will be around by the game's end. France dropped out in fall, 1901, after Italy slipped into Marseilles. Italy, I suspect, is currently building himself a nice little empire in the western Med region, but the Austrian invasion of Venice must bother him somewhat. Nonetheless, there is probably not a full-fledged war between the two.

The madman was absolutely no factor. Shaffer took over his home centers right off the bat, and there was nothing he could do with his units scattered all over western Europe. Also, the black press was really obnoxious, but I just figured that someone was getting their kicks and laughed along with it, writing a little of my own on occasion.

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O.K., back to my war with Austria. That army in Sevastapol was just sitting there holding down the one center. I really needed it to help finish off Pilant. So, I now pulled my master stroke. Gathering up all my nerve, I proceeded to call Bill Shaffer and kiss his ass! I pleaded, lied, and begged for well nigh half an hour, and do you know, by the time I was done, I think the son of a gun actually LIKED me! Now THAT'S Diplomacy! Anyway, the gist of it all was, look, Bill, sorry about the stab, but all of a sudden Austria's kicked me out of Rumania and there's a goddamn Italian army in Syria! Neither was true, of course, but Shaffer bought it (actually, he said that he had already known about it!) and finally agreed to let me exit Russia via the Ukraine! Hot snot! I can already see the petrified Pilant, two weeks hence, watching his empire explode as heretofore invisible forces come swarming into his homeland!

Another thing that Shaffer said amused me. "If you betray me again, I'll come right down there and clean your clock in no time!" Of course, I already had seven centers and was ready to explode for more, making this impossible, but I'm good at acting scared, and I replied meekly, "Yes, sir!". Poor Bill! He really is a lovable character after all!

For Grabar (Italy), I don't have a lot to say. His correspondence was almost nonexistent. So after the fall of Austria, it is he who shall get the knife. Boy, will he get it.

But the real clincher will be at the end, when I stab Shaffer for my winning center. Little does he know... Actually, I envy his current position. He owns Munich, Kiel, Sweden, Norway, and three home centers, Pilant having been expelled unceremoniously from Warsaw in 1902. If he was a good tactician, or a good diplomat, there'd be no stopping him. But he is neither, so I shall grab my 18th before he does! I'd like to finish up in some beautiful manner, like convoying A Syr-StP for the win, but that might not be possible.

This is a very enjoyable game, gentlemen. And you too, J.M.

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Turkey

Mid-Game Statement

Fall, 1904

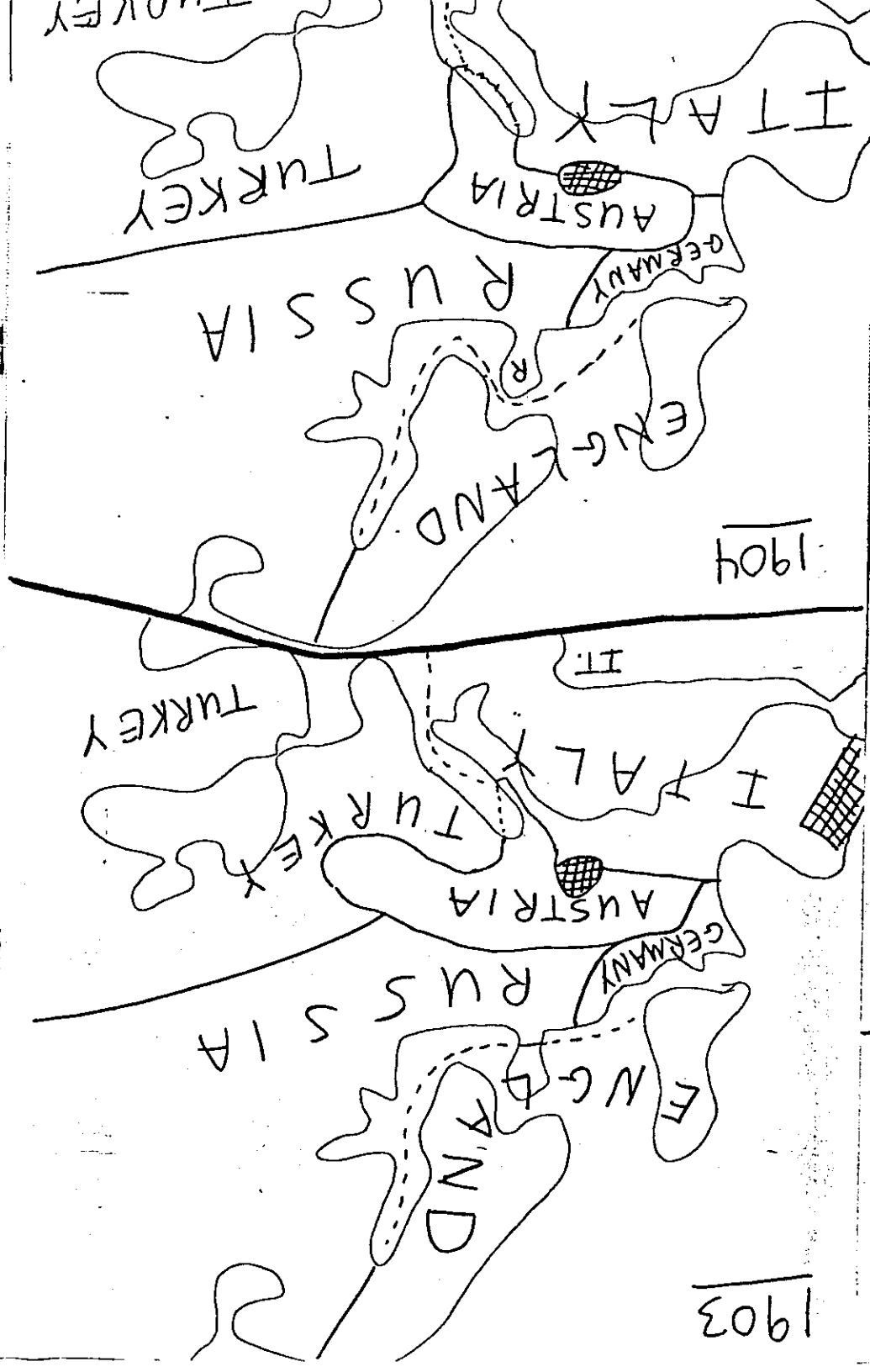
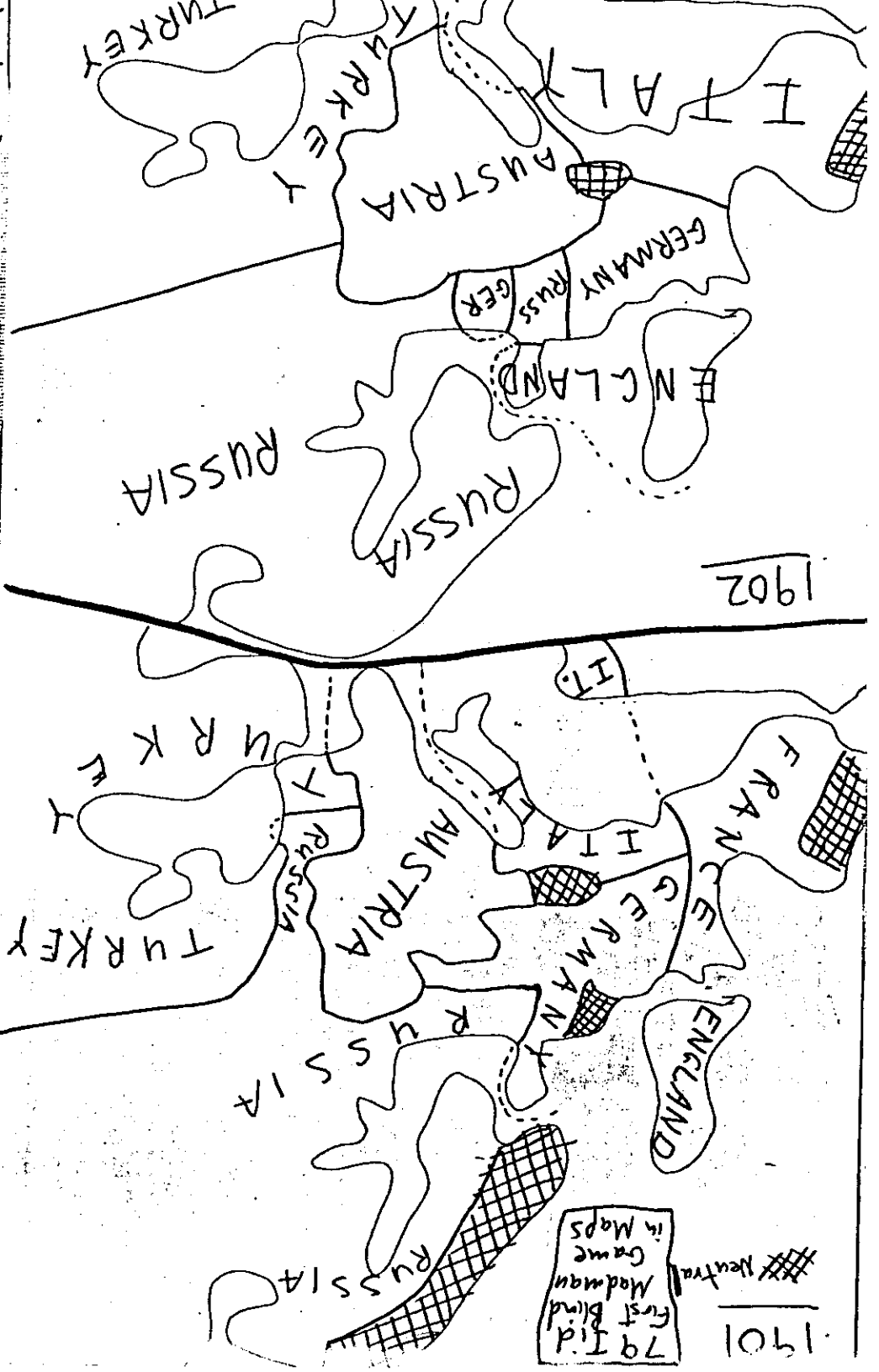
As the Turkish forces march toward their inevitable victory, several patterns have definitely emerged around the board. For one thing, the English-Russian war is a virtual stalemate, with England now having numerical superiority, and Russia having position. The English are forced to tie up their units in Liverpool and London in a self-bounce to protect Wales from the madman. Meanwhile, the English army Gascony, fresh out of Paris, cannot harm Italy much because it has no other friendly units nearby. Italy, despite his NMR, is in a decent position, second, perhaps only to mine. He lied to me on the phone about the positions of his units and about the NMR, but from the background quaver in his voice it is obvious that he is in Rom, Nap, Ion, Mar, and Spa(sc). He must wonder about the sudden reversal of the Austrian army, but we know the real reason for THAT now, don't we?? To defend against me, ha ha! Austria will retreat the dislodged A Bud to Vie, and also took Tri back from me, annihilating my fleet as I had planned. He doesn't think I know about that army in Venice, either, but I have ways of finding these things out (not from Italy, mind you, he didn't utter a word of truth!).

England didn't know that the Russian F Ber slipped into the Baltic Sea; thus he will be shocked at the fall of Sweden. However, there's another side to this coin; Russia is totally unaware of the English F Bar and could lose StP! Of course, that Russian army in Finland may come in handy there, too. These two are aware of each others' presence in Den and Kie now, as they bounced each other there last season. Although no one is currently ready to move in, I think that England is making a big mistake in leaving the North Sea open.

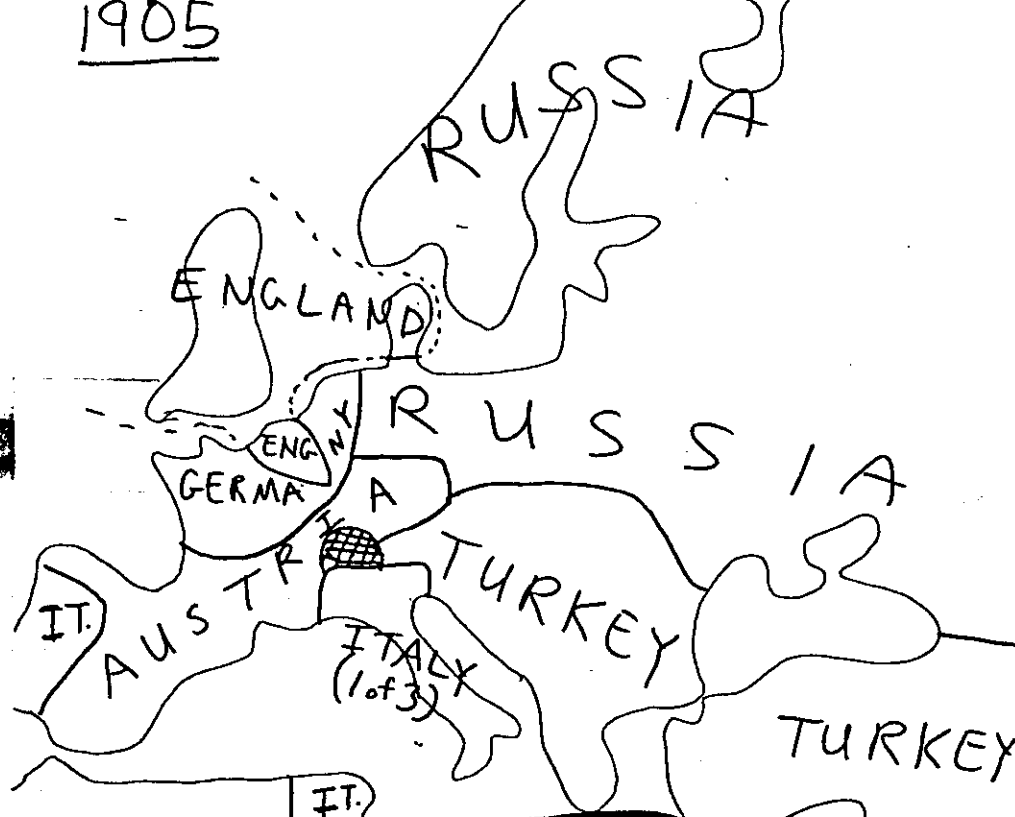
Surprisingly, Shaffer supported my sneaky move into Gal, but this turned out to be unnecessary as this province, as well as Vienna, was empty. Austria will now retreat to V/E, though.

So the score now is Turkey 9, England 7, Russia 5, Italy 5, Austria 4, Madman 3, and the Turkish navy really gets rolling this fall. It is of interest to note that I have every other player in this game thoroughly and totally under my control, as well as knowing every position and every move.

Onward to victory!



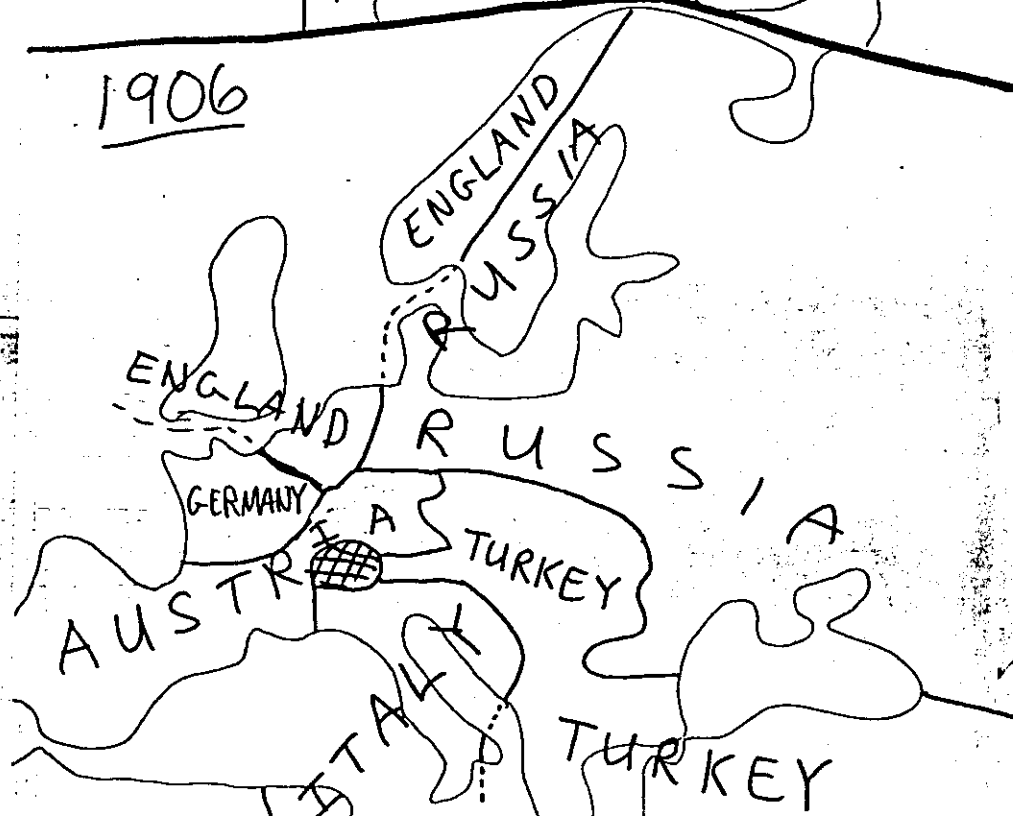
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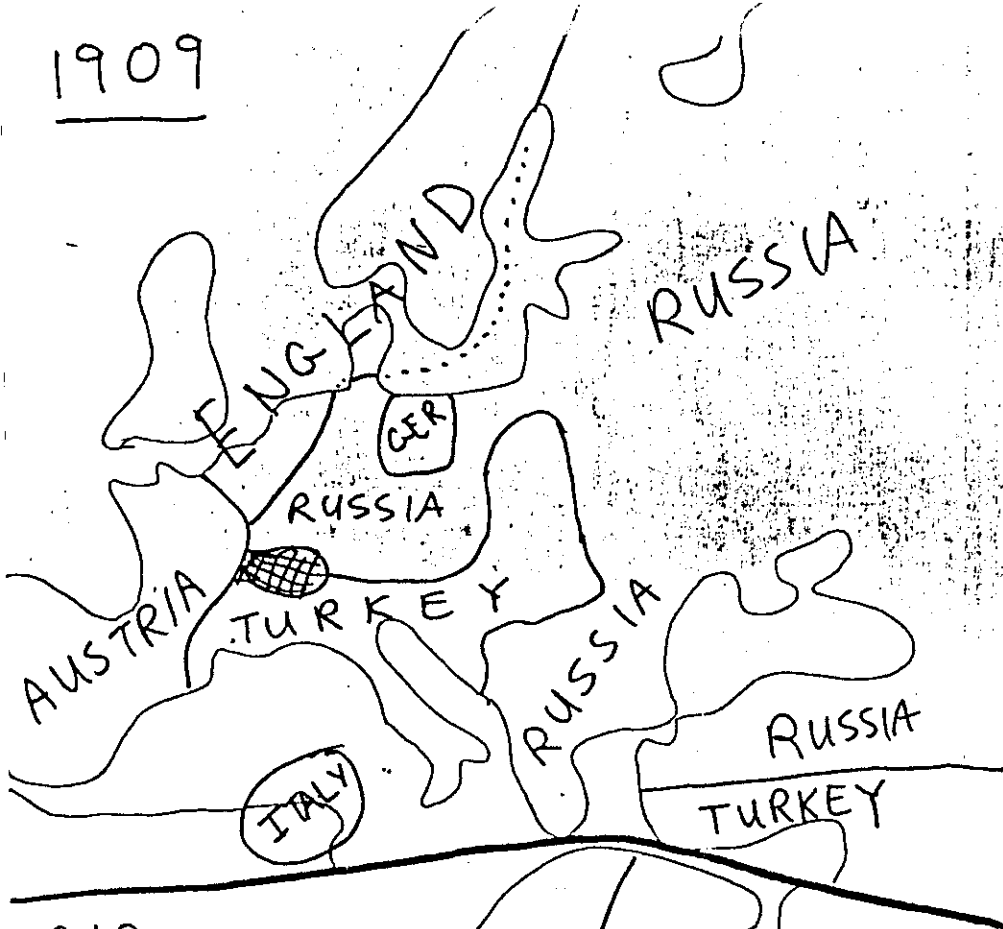
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