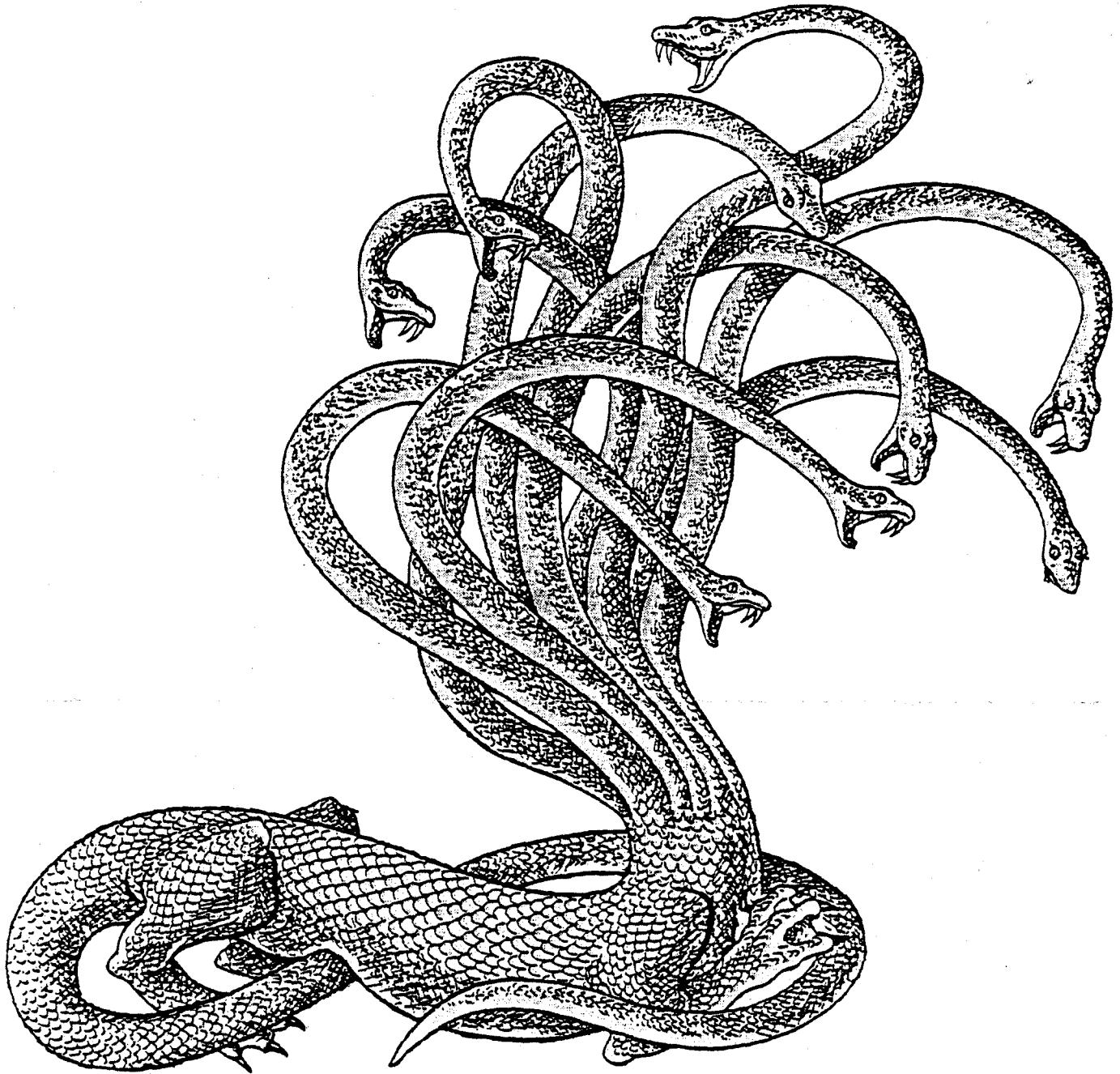


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# Cathy's Ramblings 10

This bit of fun and typo's is brought to you by..... CATHY CUNNING  
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Here it is that time again. I don't know what I have against big pieces of white blank paper, but I hate them sometimes. I also hate my fingers that don't seem to do what I want them to do. But what can I do? I could cut them off, but then you would never see CR would you? But I'm in a good mood and you might get this with only a week turnaround. The games are done and now it is up to me to fill the rest of this white space. HM...

Things have been pretty quiet here... Well, I take that back. Anyone out there heard of the Cubs? Well, I you haven't you better start listening very quickly! This is history making news here. This is the American dream. You know hot dogs, baseball, apple pie and chevrolet. Well, It goes something like that anyways. We're talking here about the CHICAGO CUBS!!! Let's hear it out there. "GO CUBS, GO CUBS, WHO'S A CUB FAN? I AM I AM. GO CUBS, GO CUBS. THAT'S MY CUBBIES!!!" Well, the fact of the matter is I'm not a cub fan. I'm from Phoenix, Arizona and in Phoenix, the question is..."Baseball?" What's that?". But say that in Chicago, at this moment and you would be mugged by 1000 people and the courts would say it was justified. I've never seen a city come ungluded like this. At work, and may I remind you that I work at an accounting firm, every radio in the place was on the baseball game and as you walked down the hall, the constant mumor of "what's the score?" could be heard. These accountants. They are like little boys. They come in so excited. "Did you hear the score? 13-0! The Cubs are going all the way!" It's all I can do to keep from laughing. These are the same men, who get so pissed off if something doesn't go thier way and like to blame us for it. Now they are like little boy's who can't sit still. Then there is going home. Now that is fun too. The venders have hit the streets of Chicago. Anyone out there want a Cub's T-shirt. Or anything else. I pass by it all on the way home. At home, Eric's brother, Kurt and his sister Paula are both big cub fans. So all I hear again is cubs this and cubs that. Luckily, Eric is quite free of it, in fact, he's sitting down here with me trying to figure out how to play this game called Wizards. And me? Why, I'm telling you about it and so I guess that in some way I am not free from the "Cubs bug" either. If I was, then why am I telling you about it?

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## Pudge Con

Ah, Another Con. This time to the wonderful land of Witchi, KS. Funny, even when I think of it now, I can't remember it very clearly. Where did it start? Oh yes, Thursday, with Bopper and Biffy, otherwise known as Derwood Bowen and Dan Stafford a.k.a The Sleaze. I had CR shot off the press and wanted nothing more then to get packed and get the zines addressed off to you lot. Now for some strange reason, Eric wanted to spend some time talking to Derwood and the Sleaze. All I wanted was thier bodies. To address the zines! Now don't go and think anything funny! Finally, I managed to get the three of them, Eric, Dan and Derwood to sit down and start stapling and zines and address them. Derwood, got the job of staple. Thus, we noticed that of the zines which Derwood stapled, some were not flat and would get ripped if they went through the mail service. I believe it was Eric, who said, He booperized the zines. From then on, if you made a mistake, or knocked something down, we said that you booperized it..

The drive. I hate long drives. I spent most of the time reading or sleeping. Once again I loved Missouri. I don't know what it is about that state, but I like the feel. Now the bugs, I could do without. Finally, we hit Kansas, and the Pudge's house. History in making. It was great seeing all those faces again. Plus, those you had never seen before. My great love, Mike Mazzer. Ok, you not Robert Redford, but then my love of film is Malcolm McDowell, so who said I had normal taste in men? Why just look at Eric. Bob Olson. Bob is just as wonderful in person as he is in games. How could anyone stab him? Michalski - it took me a few minutes to figure out who the smiling and quiet person was. Then I found out. I should have known it. John just loves to sit back and watch everything going on and laugh. Then there was the more regular crowd, but they're the ones I love to be around the most. Mark Luedi, (you've got great taste in music by the way.), James Wall, Mark Freuh, Nancy Erwin, Russ Rusnak, (Russ in a nice guy! So if you've got a complaint about Russ, come to me and I'll tell you that Russ is very nice.), Ben Schilling, Paul Rauterberg and Mike Barno. Then there was the east group. My one and only hobby Dad, John Caruso. Kathy Byrne, Kathy always takes the show. Just her charisma I guess. The still lovable Woody. I wonder what happened to the picture of me and Woody hugging each other? Dick and Julie Martin. I wonder if I should add, Julie's legs as well? Oh, but then I just can't compete with Julie there. The lady has nice legs. She also has the most deadly dip style I've seen in a female. I found myself falling for it and we were playing in a Titan game together. Rusnak has the same style in a harder kind of way. Julie makes you want to be her ally because she makes you feel good if you are on her side. That she will fight to the end with you, if only you will help her. Russ makes you his ally with common sense and if you're not his ally, then you are an asshole and deserve to die and he tells you so to your face, in much stronger language then I could use. In the end the styles are nearly the same. You won't want to be on the other side.

((By the way, the Cubs just lost and everyone here is in a bitchy mood. Me? I was typing during the whole game and it doesn't mean much to me. Still it was sad.

## More of the Pudge Con

The first night was Titan. very Popular, you know. I played with Mark and Mark again. I feel like I did that before. I finally had to get some sleep at about 4:00 am and I sleep outside. It was out there the first night. The next day there was the breakfast run. Eric got sick from breakfast those buckwheat pancakes were too much for him. I believe we played Junta next and Ty Hare showed up. This man reminds me of another smooth talking John Kador. That is good for him and bad for me. Then there was the mamthut Civilization game. I can't even remember who was all in it. There was Mark Lued ((how about some Titan, then civilization, and then Titan, and then,,,)), Eric Ozog, Mike Mazzer, and I think Ty Hare. That game went on and on. I know I'm forgetting someone, but I can't remember now. Everyone would come downstairs and say, "You're still playing?!" That night it rained. We were outside and it rained on us. I can be grumpy when i'm tired and it's raining on me.

I never did get to play dip. There was two games going on and I was left out. I got to play with Bob's computer and go for a Wendy's run. I didn't mind that much. Why, I got to see even Paul Raughterberg get wasted by this studip troll. The night was dinner. some 20 of us going to this Italian restaurant, complete with Julie and her short shorts and Wall in his cut-off's and his "Fuck 'em Bucky". shirt. The night was trivial pursuit. I was Woody's partner. Well, they considered Woody to be a handicap and so they gave me Eric too. We did, answer one question right and I came close on one question. World champions we are not.

The next morning was the drive home. Late start too. All in all it was a great time. Thanks Bob for having us and yeah next year we'll do it again and who knows, we might even play dip!

### THREE BICYCLE TRIPS- JUNE/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1984 --BY ERIC OZOG

Bicycling renews my spirit. There is really a sense of freedom I get by peddling the miles away through open countryside away from the hassles of the big city.

Every state in the union has some scenic natural areas in it. It's true certain states are more blessed in the scenery department than others, but not every state can look like Colorado. Illinois sure doesn't, but it does have over 100 state parks and conservation areas to it's credit, as well as Shawnee National Forest downstate. Most of Illinois is flat blacksoil prairie now turned to farms, with its many cities and a few natural areas tucked in between.

An hour by plane = a day by car. An hour by car = a day by bike. I think the best way to see the country firsthand is by bicycle, providing you don't mind the large amount of time it takes. A bike loaded down with equipment averages 10 miles/hour. An average ride in a day is 50-60 miles which will take 7 to 8 hours or less, depending on stops. Last year I rode to Rock Cut State Park north of Rockford, Illinois-100 miles in 13 hours. Anything over 70 miles you're pushing too hard.

My bicycle is a five year old Schwinn Continental 10-speed; built here in Chicago and as durable as a tank, but quite heavy. A light weight bike is advantageous (especially for hill climbing) but not necessary. A must is to have 10 gears working for you.

I have a rear rack with bright orange saddle bags in which I carry a tent, sleeping bag and other tools and equipment. A back pack tied on top of that contains clothes. A handlebar bag can carry a camera or bags of granola and trail mix. A water bottle to quench my thirst when there's no town for miles. For food I rely on my wallet; it's easier to stop at restaurants and grocery stores on the way instead of having to carry it and a mess kit along. Also, cooking to me can be bothersome after a long day's ride.

The most important of all my gear is a "skid lid"- the helmet is essential to keep my brains in my skull where they belong instead of splattering on the pavement. Unlike bowling there is an element of risk involved with cycling, which I consider to be very minimal- but accidents can happen no matter how safe a biker is.

The roads I take in most cases are the less travelled county and state routes, only rarely riding on the more congested U.S. highways when I have no other choice. Whatever road I took though I was treated with respect by motorists and truckers- given a wide berth most of the time when passed, no one running me off the road and no insults.

The people I encountered throughout northern Illinois were very friendly and helpful, asking all sorts of questions, "Where are you from and where are you going to?" as well as giving directions whether I wanted them or not, "You take Rte. 71 south passed the old red firehouse then make a right across the tracks and then..." I think the televised Olympic bicycle races increased the people's curiosity and interest in touring and it is becoming a more accepted form of recreation today.

#### June- Chain O' Lakes State Park, 2 days, 120 miles (round trip)

Chain O' Lakes is situated on the Illinois/Wisconsin border and touches 3 lakes in this region. My friend Chris Ryan and I rode the 60 miles in seven hours. We stopped at a restaurant for lunch that had turkeys in the parking lot- so we copped a couple white feathers, put them in our helmets, calling ourselves "The King's Men." We brought binoculars along for bird watching but the birds wouldn't shut up and sit still enough for us to get a good look at them. I remember the hummingbirds. Also the forest deathly quiet during my midnight walk- brilliant stars overhead and hundreds of fireflies around.

#### Early August- Northern Illinois Tour, 7 days, 370 miles

This was the longest trip I ever took, taking me close to the Iowa border at Morrison Rockwood State Park on the third day and White Pines State Park on the fourth. The first three days of the trip I did in sweltering heat, causing me to make frequent stops for rest and water. My endurance was cut down, and since I could not ride more than 50-60 miles/day, I blew off the Wisconsin part of the trip. Twice going swimming and a good thunderstorm the night I camped at Morrison Rockwood brought relief. This has caused me to believe the best months for biking are in June and September in the Midwest.

#### Late September- Kankakee River State Park, 2 days, 150 miles

This park is 70 miles south of Chicago and lies astride the rugged Kankakee River for 11 miles. Chris and I didn't let the gloomy weekend stop us- it rained Sunday morning so we just put on rain suits and kept going, eager for breakfast. We had pancakes and sausages and cereal and juice and eggs and hash browns and...what I can't understand about this trip was why were the furry little reddish brown caterpillars suiciding out on the highway? Some sort of mass migration? Well, I'm out of space

# Lettes to Aunt Cathy

ROD WALKER: I have a couple of replies more or less specifically to Brian Dolton, more as to history than to politics.

Brian seems to disapprove of "partner-swapping" in international relations. Sorry about that. I Didn't invent the proactive... it's as old as historical records are. However, lest he wish to criticize this on, say, the part of the U.S., pray remember how quickly his own country cozied up to the French after the Napoleonic Wars. In fact, when it comes to swapping international partners, the English are at the very least Grand Masters of that game.

Brian Dolton: No more politics? Oh well, not that I had much to say this time anyway. What shall we fill your lettercolumn with instead? Sex, drugs, rock'n' roll? Up to you, I guess. And hey, I never thought I'd say it, but John Caruso actually, said something I agree with! Yeah, Reagan and Chererko should sit down and talk....(( We won't see FKL in the future. I felt I needed the space, but I will miss him. And maybe you will too. Who will you have to fight with? No, don't answer that. I hope to have enough articles that will gain reader response. I wanted to do some book reviews as well but the subber list took alot of room. Maybe some fiction as well. As for your suggestion... tell you what, you provide the drugs, I'll provide the sex and we can get the Sleeze to provide the rock 'n' roll.))

Tom Tweedy: However, to the points you made in the latest Cathy's Ramblings. Certainly it's feasible to send master copies of zines across the Atlantic and get them printed up, but it's all a matter of what you are prepared to except/put up with. It seems to me there are but two problems: (a) the price of professional printing (litho printed British zines still go for 60p a shot over here) and (b) the long wait. Who, when playing a game is prepared to wait for a zine to be sent over here, and then wait for a printer to print it up, collate it and send it off? Some complain already for the slow litho turnarounds - wouldn't this idea just agravate the problem already? ((The wait over here would not be from the printing. I take CR to the printers before I go to work and I get it back by noon on the same day. It would be the mailing wait. The cost is somewhat high, most editors over here expect a loss. Note my own raising of cost. Most of the cost problems would be dealt with between me and the other editor and would not be passed onto the public. Still, Mike Dean was the only editor who has expressed any wish to do this and now he has folded and so there will be no need for it now.))

Anyway Cathy, I hope this has given you some food for thought. If not, watch it anyway, I am not all that old! At a young 36 (on November 9th - I hope you see fit to remember it) the word is 'mature' (( And my birthday was Oct. 5th and guess who didn't remember it! No puppy in the mail or any thing. And you were the one who was complaining about how many puppies you had. By the way, Tom edits a zine called Dib, Dip, Dip and he really wants more "colonial" subbers. It's a great zine and besides I have to get back at Tom for forgetting my birthday.))

Garv Coughlan: Has Mike Dean folded or handed over his zine to someone else - I wasn't really sure after reading Cathy's Ramblings. (( Mike handed over his zine to Wallace Nicoll and Doug Rowling. See the subber list for the adress. Mike will put out one last issue and then the transfere will take place.))

## HOBBY NEWS

Hobby news. Well, let's start with the States first.

Bill Quinn is the new BMC. Kathy Byrne has handed her office over to him. I'm sure Bill will do a fine job. Melina Ann Holley will be having a zine of her own. I'm no longer alone. Why are you doing it Melinda? It's a mistake! Turn back! Too late, I wouldn't listen to anyone either. Raging Main, is back again. Glad to see you back James! The Prince is back to trading again after closing down to all trades and subbers who were not in games last issue. Money matters under control again.

I managed to completely screw up my plug for the International Subscription Exchange. May I suggest if you wish to understant the service write to Steve Knight, 11905 Winterthur Ln. #103, Reston, VA 22091. Tell him, that Cathy Cunning has left you completely baffled as to what the ISE is and she said something about a wonderful form letter you had that explained the lot.

As for the rest of the zines there is still the fued that was mentioned before. No need to mention it again. Not much else has gone on this side of the pond.

Now for the other side. The biggest news is that The Acolyte, by Pete Tamlyn has folded. I still can't believe it. The reasons seem sad, but it is an area that I feel I should not mess in. After all I don't know the reasons involved and I consider myself to be friends with some of those mentioned. Most of the Americans won't have any notion of what I'm talking about and it's just as well that you don't. As for the British and Americans who know what I'm talking about, then you'll understand why I can not comment. Personally, I'll miss Pete. I had fun teasing him, but maybe he just took some things too far.

Kim Dent has left Denver Glont. However John Norris, has joined with Denver Glont with his subzine that came from The Acolyte. I wish John luck and I'm glad he took over my game. There's new zines out again in high numbers. Warwich area offers three. Swansea with Me, Overland to Morocco and Infernal Desire. I have not seen any of these new zines. There are some more too. Slap 'n Tickle and Bruce. I'm sure that there are more too, if anyone would like me to list the addresses of these new zines or older zines let me know and I'll do it next time.

Real quick, the top five winners of the 1984 Zine Poll, 1. Hopscotch, 2. NMR!, 3. Mad Policy, 4. Die Poppel-Revue, 5. Dolchstoss, well how about a few more... 6. Cut and Thrust 7. The Acolyte 8. The Church Mouse, 9. Mach Die Spuhl, 10 Take that you Fiend. Wierd, just wierd. Bye!!!

# Commercial PBM Scene

First, I want to say a few words about the commercial PBM scene. It is expanding with leaps and bounds. There are three professional magazines which deal with only the commercial PBM area. These being Flagship, PBM Universal and Paper Mayhem. I have only seen the first issue of the first two magazines. Terry Tallman writes for Flagship. That zine has a far more British feel to it. I Sub to PBM Universal now, but I have not seen a recent issue of it. There were rumors, and pretend you didn't hear this, that these two magazines would unite together. As for Mayhem, I haven't seen an issue yet, but I may be doing a game review for them of one of Game Systems games. It's up to Game Systems, whether they pick me or someone else to write the article.

The point is that there is a big crowd out there. Big enough to support 3 magazines on just that subject. The players are different. I've meet some very good players and I've meet some real jerks. But, the game is taken more serious. You're talking here about \$3.00 a turn on adverage. Games where a stab, really hurts. You also get cross over between games. Ages are different to some extent, that you will find an even wider variety of ages. Females are still rare. I've only run into one other female. Canadians are very active. It's just a higher intensity level. The money spent has some factor over it. You really try harder on these games. Atleast, I do. But enough, talk. Let me give you a few more reviews of what is out there.

## FEUDAL LORDS

Graaf Simulations, 27530 Haper, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081

I have heard nothing but raves of this game. Even Dan Stafford is playing it and seems to enjoy it. There is another version by the same name, offered by Flying Buffalo. As far as I know they are nearly identical to each other. I choose Graaf to give it a try. The cost is \$10.00 for the set-up and the first three turns. After that the turns are \$2.50 each. This is the lower to mid range. The time between turns is about 3 weeks and the turn around time is 2-3 days. This is a computer game. Give the codes and they give the read out. It has the feel of Earthwood when it comes to that.

The set-up is that you are a Baron in England sometime after Arthur's death. You have risen to some standing and now you want to try to get either yourself or your allies to be the new king of Britain. The game is simple, but allows many more ecomic decisions than most computer games. By the way, when I said "computer" games, I mean those games which are run off by a computer and have no human sitting there reading your orders and trying to give you a written reply to your turns. Those types of games are consided to be hand modulated with computer aid.

Diplomacy is important in this game. You really need to write to the other players. There are 15 players in a game and you get a list of the names and address of the players. I've only played one year, but I like what I've seen. The game reports give you some feel and yet are done by computer for speed. This one is good for the money, but expect to write to the other players!

## DAWN OF THE ANCIENTS

Game Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 431166, Miami, FL 33243-1166

This is another of the computer only type games. Turn-around is excellent! You can set your clock by it. This has abit of the feel of Civilization to it. You start as one of the ancient powers. Greeks, Gauls, Huns, Egyptians, etc. I'm starting as the Britons. There are three historical traditions you may choose: Republic, Barbarian and Empire. I picked Republic. There are two ways to win the game. Either destroy all the other players or be the first to gain 100 Victory Points. Republics tend to go for the VP type victory. Empire can go either way and Barbarian are almost force to go for the kill everyone type victory. Each turn you have 100 points you may spend on actions. Different Actions cost different amount of points depending on what historical tradition you are. There are many different options, which I won't go into here. For my country, I generally build colon. This gives me VP and it costs me the less in terms of points used. Example: Build colony cost Empire 15, Republic 10, and Barbarian 25, on the other side of the coin, War Status cost Barbarian 30, Republic 70 and Empire 50. God help me if I am ever attacked!

I still haven't quite got the feel of this game. I have not entered any combat situations. The player contact has been very low. This surprized me very much. The turn sheets don't have the personal feel that Feudal Lords has, or Game System's other game, Earthwood, has for that matter. One nice feature is that you get to name your army leaders and there are 15 of them. This adds some color into the game. Turns are \$3.00 each and deadlines are every 2 weeks. This is a good dependable game, but I would like to see it take a more firm shape before I urge others to go out and play it. If you like Civilization and don't mind the cost, this could be game for you!

## REALMS OF SWORD AND THUNDER

Empire Games, Inc. P.O. Box 6681, Denver, CO 80206

Here we enter into the wonderful world of hand modulated game with computer assistance. This is kind of like a combination of Feudal Lords, Silver Dawn and Tribes of Crane. You have a town and/or village to support and that part is like Feudal Lords, even the same setting. But you also have a leader, who does adventures for you. You write out your actions for your leader and any extra action for your city. Your character meets other characters, goes on quests, just about anything you can think of. I happen to have a Realm. Cairdurin is the Realm. It is in Scotland right at the mouth of the Solway Firth. I play an Elf Race and my character is a female Druid. It sounds good yes? Now the bad news. First the cost is high. \$6.00 a turn for Realm turns. But this cost is off-set by the turn around time. There are no deadlines and no victory conditions. But as with most hand modulated games, but must expect at least one month turn around time. Sometimes longer. I feel it's worth it once I get the turn, but I do wish there was some way to speed up the turnaround time. It's very good if you want the fanasty feel with some ecomic skills and don't mind the long turnaround time. It is a normal turn around time for this type of game. If you want a written response you must be willing to pay the price and wait the time for it. I think it's worth the wait for the turns

# 5 Sub List

It's about time I did one of these. Just so you can check it and I can send one of these off to Dick and Julie Martin. I never wanted to type this up because it would make me depressed. Still, here it goes...

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And There you are. A Rather mixed lot to be sure. The "CR-#" after your address is how many issues of CR- that you have left. The "T" means that we trade and the name of the zine is listed after the T. If there is a mistake in your address please let me know. It might just be a typo, but then again it may not. Part of this page was to go to Eric to type up something, but now I'm not sure what I shall do for him. If there wasn't so many of you! No, I love you all. (And If you believe that, then you can believe that I'm the best ally you could have.) Am I out of space yet? Yes? Good then, I'll be off for this page.

# THE GAMES

1981 HS International

"It's Not Dead Yet"

SOMETHING'S CHANGING SOMEWHERE!!!!....

Winter 05: Austria: Build A Tri, ENgland: Build F Lvp, F Lon,  
Russia: F Swe Retreats Bal, Remove A Arm, F Con,

Spring 06:

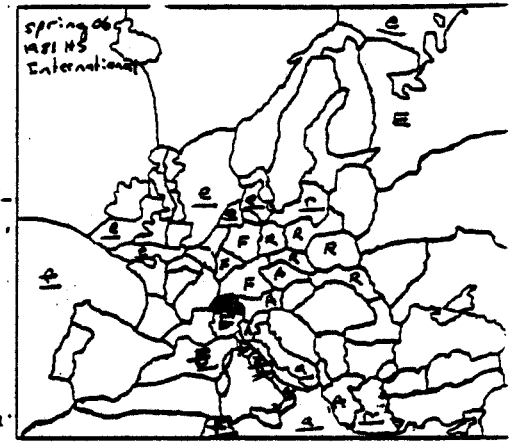
Austria-Davies: A Pie-Mar, Ann, A Boh-Mun, A Tyr S A Boh-Mun, A Tri-Ven, F Adr S A Tri-Ven, A Rom-Tus, dis-ret Apu, Oth, A Nap-Rom, F Ion-Nap, A Bul Gre.  
England-Groome: A St Pete H, F Bar S A St Pete, F Den-Hel, F Nor-NTH, F Swe-Den, F Lon-Eng, F Lvp-Iri  
Russia-Palter: F Aeg S Aust F Ion otm, F Bal S A Pru-Ber, A Pru-Ber, A Liv-Pru, A War-Sil, A Mos-War, A Rum-Gal  
France-Pearson: A Mar-Pie, F MAO-H, A Tus S F Tyh-Rom, F GOL S A Mar-Pie, F Tyh-Rom, A Ruhr S A Kie-Mun, A Kie-Mun A Ber S A Kie-Mun, dis-ann, A Mun-Tyr, F Tun S F Tyh.

The F/R draw failed. Proposed is A/E/F, E/A/R and E/F/A/R  
Please vote with your next turn. NVR=no.

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 9, 1984!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Special Thanks to Jeff "I'm nearly famous" Bevis for the unneeded stand-by orders and to the rest of you for your understanding in the GM errors last time. I think I got it right this time.

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DEADWOOD

Fall/02

THE SMALL GET SMALLER AND THE BIG GET BIGGER AND BIGGER!!!

Summer 02: Italy A Ven Retreats to Rom

Fall 02:

Italy: F WMed-Spa (sc), A Rom-Ven, F Nap-Ion, A Pie-Mar  
Russia: F StP(nc)-Bar, F Swe-Nwy (dis-ret Ska, Bal, Fin, GOB,OTB), A Mos-Stp, F Sev-Rum, A Gal-Vie, A Bul S A Gal-Vie  
France: F Pic S Eng A Lon-Bel NSM, A Bur-Mar, A Ven H  
Germany: F Bel S Eng A Lon-Pic NSM, A Ruhr S F Bel, A Mun-Bur, A Kiel-Hol, A Den-SWE  
England: F Iri-MAO, F Eng-Bre, A Lon-Lvp imp, F Nwy S Ger A Den-Swe  
Turkey: A Ser-Tri, A Gre H, F Eas S F Aeg-Ion, F Aeg-Ion, F Con-Aeg  
Austria: F Ion-Tun, A Tri S French A Ven, A Vie S A Tri (dis-ret: Tyr, Boh, OTB)

WINTER 02 Supply Center Chart:

Italy: Rom, Nap, Spain = 3, remove 1  
Russia: Home, Rum, Bud, Vie = 7, build 1  
France: Par, Mar, Ven = 3, even  
Germany: Home, Den, Bel, Hol, Swe = 7 Build 2  
England: Home, Nwy, Bre = 5, Build 1  
Turkey: Home, Ser, Bul, Gre = 6, Build 1  
Austria: Tri, Tun = 2, Remove 1 or even



DEADLINE FOR WINTER 02/SPRING 03  
NOVEMBER 9, 1984

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PRESS:

Sleaze-Toadfather: Yes, I do believe we have flushed us out a Mad-Lad. Oh, he's not the King of the little laddies by no means (more like the Court Jester), But still, he is a dot-grabbing, threat-throwing ZFT if ever there was one.

El Dorado-Toadfather: Over here, Jimmy's under this rock. Quick throw a verbal barb. Over there an innocent dip novice quick, threaten him with a law suit. Next to the tree, someone who's never bothe you, get cheap thrills by cutting him down in 3 different zines. After all, it's all in fun.

Coup de Ville-Toadfather: Jimmy who? Jimmy Carter? Guess which country Jimmy is playing... look for the one that looks like it's being played by Mondale.

Ronald Reagan: Anybody but Tallman!

Czar-Kaiser: Tell you what I'll do, you stab England, and I'll stab Turkey, Deal?

Sultan-Kaiser: Tell you what I'll do, you stab England, and I'll stab Russia. Deal?

Austria-Germany: Help! I'm being overrun by hordes of ugly white things.

Eng-Germany: Thank for the help. Hope you did it again -- perhaps you'll be rewarded if so. If it fails keep doing it and we'll think of something else. By the way thanks for the phone call. ((EH?))

Germany-England: You'd better appreciate this, good buddy.

Germany-France: You too, dying buddy. And i'm the good guy geez!

Austria-France: Good luck pal, I don't think I'll be around to help out next year.

Alexandria: Mumble, mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble mumble

Columbus: I would just like to po'nt out that I really hate U2, I really do.

Mephis-Ya'All: If a whole year goes by without a ya'all fake I am going to be extremeiy upset!!!

# MORE GAMES

## DEADWOOD PRESS CONTINUES:

Turkey-Russia: It really doesn't matter what you do, Germany is still going to hit you (big brute is so unimaginative), so you might as well take your new builds and hit him first!

Austria-Ugle White Things: This is not what is known as bargaining from a position of strength, but I think my pirate fleet is about to break into the west med. If you let my last army into a Russian center in 1903 I'll disband it & use the center to harras Italy/France/England/Germany.

Austria-GM: It is so hard to toady with honor in a gunboat game. ((I know, poor thing, I know))

Munich-GMette: Were you insinuating that if the others knew who I was that they would all attack, Cathy dearest? ((Did I say that? Why they would only attack your sexy legs, that's all, dearest.))

Turkey-England: So, it's 80LP in reverse, eh (complete with our very own "Dan Palter")! I just hope I can do better than your precious Mazzerman did!

Eng-Fra: Just bouncing you so you stay in position.

Eng-Ita: Just bouncing you so you stay in position.

Bloomington: (Part 72 of a series) ...then take the brain out of the blender and pour it into a cupcake tin and...

East-Germany: We are at least as viable an ally as England. This is your probation year, it's all you get. If by then you look solid with England, you'll have us to deal with. England then will be the benefactor at your expense. Think about it!

Gunboat Dip

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WINDYWOOD

Spring 01

Yet ANOTHER ONE'S OFF AND RUNNING.....

### Spring 01:

Austria: A Vie-Tri, A Bud-Gal, F Tri-Alb  
 Russia: F StP(sc), GOB, A War-Gal, A Mos-Ukr, F Sev-Bla  
 Italy: F Nap-Tyh, A ven H, A Rom H  
 England: F Lon-Eng, A Lvp-York, F Edi-NTH  
 Germany: F Kie-Den, A Ber-Kie, A Mun-Ruh  
 Turkey: A Con-Bul, A Smy-Con, F Ank-Bla  
 France: A Par-Bur, A Mar-Spa, F Bre-MAO

DEADLINE FOR FALL 01 is NOVEMBER 9, 1984

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### PRESS:

Venice-Trieste: The Venice Art and Historical Society would like to initiate a cultural exchange program with your fine city. If this would be to your liking, I can be reached on these pages at any time.

Berlin: Sigh, a gunboat game. Nothing to react to, all a mystery. Isn't that initial misty silence intoxicating, all soon to be spoiled by conflict, war and obnoxious press like this... ah, let us briefly savor the silent pause before the game begins...

Ruhr-Spain: It's only 1000 miles, give or take a few froggies.

North Africa: How come they let Portugal be a supply center and not me? ((Got me on that one.))

Germany-France: I'm sure you are sitting in Burgundy. whatsamtayou, (sorry, Italy) don't you trust me? I just couldn't abide the "standard" Gunboat opening, now if you would just let me have Bel... just kidding, please take it, it's all yours, I promise.

Holland Enquire: Russian boys just can't leave those German girls alone!

Livonia-Prussia: Us Hardy Russian Boys just can't leave you german girls alone.

Rome-Germany: Pay no attention to the poor job we have usually done as your allies.

Frauleins against Russian Drunkards: (FARD) Get your smeely...away from me

Rome-Turkey: Anything you might want to discuss?



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WETLANDS

Fall 02

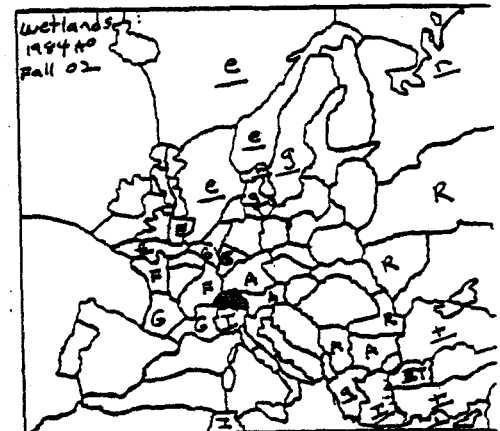
WHAT CAN I SAY? THE PRESS WINS!!!!!!!

### Fall 02:

France-Edwards: F Brest-Eng, A Gas-Bre, A Mar H (dis-ret; Spa, OTB), A Bel-Bur  
 England-Holley: A Wal-Lon, F Lon-NTH, F Nwy H, F NWG S F Nwy  
 Germany-Corbin: F Swe S Eng F Nwy, F Kie-Den, A Hol-Bel, A Ruhr S  
 A Hol-Bel, A Bur-Mar, A Par-Gas  
 Italy-Courtemanche: F Eas-Smy, F Ion-Aeg, A Tun H, A Pie S Ger A Bur-Mar.  
 Turkey-Acheson: F Aeg-Smy, A Con S F Aeg-Smy, A Bul-Ank (dis-ann)  
 F Bla C A Bul-Ank  
 Russia-Hurst: F Ska-Swe, F Bar-StP(nc), A StP-Mos, A Rum S Aust  
 A Ser-Bul, A Ukr S A Rom, F Arm-Ank  
 Austria-Lucas: A Ser-Bul, A Bud-Ser, F Gre S A Ser-Bul, A Boh-Mun,  
 A Triest-Tyr

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See next page for Winter Chart and The massive press of this game.





# THOSE BLOODY GAMES

WETLANDS: Winter 02 Supply Center Chart:

Austria: Home, Gre, Ser, Mun, Bul = 7, Build 2

Russia: Home, Rum = 5, remove 1

Turkey: Home = 3, even

Italy: Home, Tun = 4, even

France: Brest, Spain = 2, remove 2 Or 1

Germany: Kiel, Ber, Den, Par, Hol, Bel, Mar, Swe = 8  
Build 2

England: Home, Nor = 4, even

Press:

Vichy, but maybe not: With the invention of pump-top mustard jar, Army of the Holy Dijon has reached levels of new and unused fanaticism. The ranks have been swelling with deserter from the German Armies due to the under supplying of quality sandwich spreads by the German Rear Services. They will soon learn that Miracle Whip is not as good as it spreads.

Paris-London: What's a snooker? But then again, I could be wrong, or Jean-Paul Marat, he smells and now he's dead.

Lon-Vichy G'mnt: Maybe if you tried Grey Poupon...

Lon-Ber: Ha! The only reason you're hanging on to Burgandy is to control the supply of wine!

Eng-Fra: Hey, I didn't lie! Wales moved and London didn't go to Channel!

Peterhof-Vichy: I KNEW you were hot stuff! Hey folks! This guy's got the mustard! Now let's see the German try and get it to spread on his frankfuters.

The Curia-Vichy: My dear boy, you troops may be attacking the German invaders with jars of mustard, but they are taking it one step further. They are eating the mustard and creating mustard gas.

Paris: These french lassies are neat, what say you we all go down to the beach for a swim, eh?

Sweden: Hordes of sinister strangers whereing trenchcoats and very large overshoes have been wandering around. They're appear to be looking for evidence of a sevet French/Russian alliance.

Ita-Ger: This is the year (1903) that you win or lose the game. Be very careful of how you play it.

Berlin-Budapest: Usually I am not so trusting, but I seem to need all of my units elsewhere so I'm going to believe you. If you did stay out of Munich than I salute you as a gentleman, if not then you will have to pay the censences.

Munich-Berlin: Caughtcha napping. You can never trust a two headed monarch. You can't look them in the eyes unless you have two heads yourself. ((Ken doesn't need two heads, his one head is mean enough

Moscow: De Drunken Tsar, having just arrived from St. Petersburg to get away from the hords of cossack that are currently infesting that region, stumbled into the Kremlin. "God, what a hangover!" he said.

"It least they didn't get to my Dom Perigon. But, my God, it's hard keeping drink from those cossacks when it should be reserved for me!" The Place staff was silent to this outburst. It was also discovered that the Kremlin wine cellars empty. They were all executed at dawn the following day.

El Duce-DDT: Believe whatever you want about the Queen Mother, but she is good. Let's invite her to our next party. I noticed that you drank more than you ate.

DM-DDT: Ah-ha! Bought off, I see. (Darn!)

DDT-DM: Believe what you wish to. You always do, anyway. I always gave you the straight dope, but all you heard was "dope". Who that is has yet to be decided though. I have a feeling that it will be a close race, what with our mutual animosity society as well-known fact around the board. You, as well as I, are to blame for that!

Eng:Rus: You don't change horses in the middle of the stream. That's common sense,, not emotional involvement. ((remember kiddies, this is a game!))

DDT-Carney Queen: If you're the best piece the Italian will ever get, how's about a piece for me? Nah! I'll settle for Norway!

Hydra Monarch-Eng: If the Russian speaks with forked tongue, I can think of no one better qualified than we are to understand him. Methinks the sodden Tsar speaks with pickled tongue.

Austria-Russia: Well, better the cossacks end up in Turkey than my humble homeland.

The Pope-Interested Party: Weiners? Suns? Piece? Go to Wendy's not Cathy's. She might send an Orc after you if she gets upset.

Ragmuffin-Interested Party: So I have a hearty constilution. I didn't hear you complaining that night.

Italy-Eng: MMM... You were right, hot and juicy and the only one I'll ever need.

Saavik-Ragmuffin: The Gstaad Hilton damages have been taken care of. The ski season is starting up in St. Moritz. See you there with new of the shake up in the European power structure.

Ragmuffin-Saavik: Meet me in Grenoble! I sat in on the Kaiser's victory celebration and got quite a few ideas. Hope you've got good balance while on skies!

Italy-Rus: We have had to make due with our own wines. Stiff French resistance has prevented us from breaking into their wineries.

Lon-Mos: Shoes, shoes! I'm very hard on them! In fact I need a new pair now! Shoes, shoes! My Kingdom for a good pair of Adidas!

Lon: Rus: You're right... it was the worst kept secret. ((I think I should have put that earlier.))

Ita-Tur: Something tells me that I'm still at only four centers for the year of 1902.

Lon-Con: Looks like we're in the same boat. I wish you well.

Budapest: Gemini scratched his heads in confusion. His orders to convert the red caaocks into battle banners had been properly carried out, but now he was confronted by a mess of chamber pots all about the receiving room. He sommoned his chief of staff.

"Arpad, what's this?"

"Sires, it's El Duce again."

"What do you mean? He thinks I'm so full of it I need all these chmber pots? I've go a excess of heads not rectums! What with him and the Tsardine I'm surprised I have any hair left on my heads."

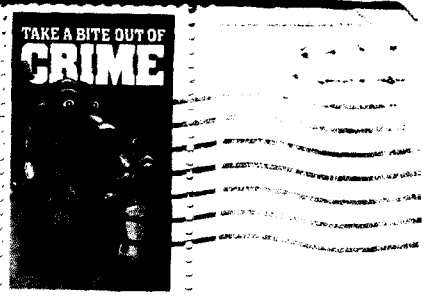
"Sirs, I believe there is a more acceptable explanation."

"Then give it to me, Arpad," the dominant head was crimson with rage, but the other appeared thoughtf

"Sires, if you remember the lettle El Duce sent us. Well, we received a communique that the person responsible for that was forced to settle in Betal to make metal kettles, Well, I belive this is a fallout from that."

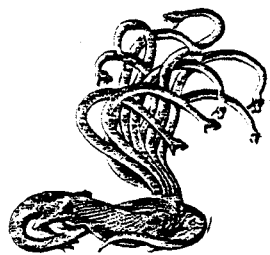
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MORE PRESS FROM WETLANDS

Budapest (continued): Gemini went over and sat down on one of the pots. The quiet head spoke. "Well, maybe we have a use for them. They appear to be fine pots. Let us use them to ferment potatoes and make vodka to send to the Tsardine. Maybe we can take advantage of the Italian's generosity and the Russian's insobriety."

Rome-Souse: My thanks to you for the Cossacks. Vatican City is now a dry town. Whenever they get a little out of line we ship them down to Naples. A few treid to break into the sacristy for the ceremonial wine. That was going too far.

Italian Ambassador: My first sight of the Hydra Monarch amazed me. I did not believe that the rumors of a two-headed man could be true. Yes, I had seen such examples in the lower species in the circuses but I never thought it would happen in a human. The scientific explanation for this occurrence was that the process of twinning began and stopped. The zygotes then fused back together incompletely leaving two heads. The Hydra was an imposing figure of a man (men?). It was no wonder that his people followed him with such devotion.

Austria-Italy: My hot tip cooled off a long time ago but I agree with you that we ought to rag on Muffin's press (Press on Muffin's rag?)

NDL: Ah, Wilhelm, a whole year in Paris was heavenly. You should be more careful though, the doctor has had to send back to Germany for more penicillin.

The Weinermach-GM: We're just having some fun with double entendres. Look at all those soldiers stand up so tall and straight. Every hair in its proper place. ((Why don't I understand that?))

Rome-GM: So you want the 1872 Pom Perignon and 1772 Pink Champagne. Where are the Cossaks? ((Next year

LIVEWOOD PLAYERS: Your game is on a separate flier with this issue.

ANARCHY PLAYERS: YOUR deadline is Oct.12 and the results will be out in a week.

This has been Cathy's Ramblings #10.

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There maybe an opening of Range Wars if Dan Stafford wishes to GM it. I will have no further games until some of those I have now end.

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