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Well, here it is on Thursday and I think I might just get this out on time. Wallace just called and he'll be arriving tomorrow at Midway airport and will somehow find his way downtown to meet me. We can only keep our fingers crossed and hope. This issue has been cut by about two pages, but it had to be to get it out in time. Or maybe I should say, "late on time." Steve Hutton was passing through Chicago and gave me a call. He was giving me a lecture about coming out on time, but I think he was joking. You were joking weren't you Steve?

By the way, have any of you heard of a group called the "Cocteau Twins"? I just kind of stumbled onto them and find them quite good. I haven't got their newest album. I believe it's called Victoria Land. I wasn't willing to pay the \$10.00 price they were asking for it. I'll wait till it goes on sale. But I did get a kind of 'greatest hits' called "The Pink Opaque" and that has some very good songs in it. My fave is "Millimillenary." It has this haunting melody that remains long after the song is done. Why even Eric likes this group, but he thought they were too 'new wave' for me.

I was going to do an editorial about the terrorist situation and my feelings about it, but somehow I lost the fire with the nuclear accident in the Soviet Union. That kind of thing is what is really scary. I don't know, it seems that one awful event has followed another one in the news. With the Libya situation, I can remember how I took the whole thing. The night of the attack, I was downstairs working on Orknaire. Eric came downstairs and calmly told me what happened and seemed sure that the attack went off well and the Soviet's didn't even do anything and even backed away from the area. I first thought, "oh my god" and prayed that it was the right thing. The next day, my feelings started to change. I thought who are we to the Europeans how to deal with terrorist? We are babes in the woods in such areas. Our land isn't the battlefield, it's Europe that has to pay the price of our actions. Then there was the anti-french frenzy and that made me mad too. I started to blame Thatcher of all things. If we hadn't gotten the 'ok' from Britain it would never have gone off. Then I started to calm down and try to look at things differently. If nothing else, it forced the Europeans to do something, even if it was out of a fear of the US and Soviet's clashing. Now, it doesn't seem so important. How many people will be affected in Europe in the years to come because of the nuclear accident? How many will die of cancer? It seems a lot worse than just one or two people being killed by terrorist. With all this going on in the world, I'm not so surprised that a simple thunder storm made me wake up in horror. I thought a bomb went off outside our window. Eric had to hold me to calm me down. What a crazy world we live in.

hobby news

CONS:

Dipcon XIX - Marycon IV: I hope everyone knows about this by now. It is a three-day Diplomacy and Diplomacy varieant tournament, Friday, May 30 through Sunday, June 1, on the campus of Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, VA. Some notables who will be there are Russ Rusnak, Greg Ellis, Ron Spitzer and Don Scheifler. The important people you know. If you haven't gotten a reservation form and still want to attend contact Pete Gaughan, 3121 East Park Row #165, Arlington, TX 76010 ASAP!! Pete should be able to get you a form.

Tri-State Con 86: This is a war game/ FRPing con for the Tri-state area. Dates are May 16, 17 and 18 at the Southern Ohio College, main Campus. Costs are \$10.00 for the weekend. Contact Tri-State Con 86', P.O. Box 1754, Cincinnati, OH 45201 ASAP if you wish to attend. Deadline May 15.

MAD-CON IV: This is the annual event in Madison and this year it will be at Paul Rauterberg's large house. As usual the Con will be an informal social gathering. Everything, except feuding, is welcome. (Well, Paul and James fight over politics, but other than that...). Bring a sleeping bag or what not and your party hat and a good time will be guaranteed. We might even be able to slip in a few dip games in between the socializing. Matt Fleming made out an information sheet and map on how to get to Paul's house, where Matt is living too. If you want more info it's best to contact: Paul Rauterberg and Matt Fleming, 4158 Monona, Madison, WI 53716, (608) 222-7705. Eric and I plan to be there. Even Mr. Acheson claims he'll be coming down again.

BNC:

Steve Heinowski 12034 Pyle, Oberlin, Oh 44074 is now the apprentice BNC and hier apparent. Bill Quinn is still BNC for awhile longer and I wish to wish Steve Luck and I'm sure he will do a great job.

GRANITE ARCHIVE:

Elmer Hinton is working on an archive and is printing the zines he has right now. If you have any extra zines that you don't want then Elmer will be happy to take them off your hands for the cost of the postage. Also from what I understand, Elmer will send any duplicates he receives. Wait, I believe I have this reverse, if you wish to send Elmer zines and do so through Simon Billenness, Elmer will then turn around and send any duplicates he receives to Simon for the ZINE BANK. Elmer's address is 20 Almont St., Nasua NH 03060.

ZIAMVIA/BARATARIA:

These are the two game opening listings for regular dip and variants that have been listed with Diplomacy world. Simon Billenness has now taken them over and his first issue will be out May 30 Ziamvia/Barataria will come out every two months. Send a SASE for a listing. Simon also runs The Zine Register, \$1.50 an issue, it just came out and the Zine Bank, samples of zines for the cost of postage. Write to him at Simon Billenness, 61A Park Ave, Albany, NY 12202-1722

LETTERS

Letter Time and it looks like I have quite a few of them for a change, but first a chance for one of my British subbers to show the superior command of the English language and poignant details in writing that leave most Americans far behind and sounding crude.

JOHN BREAKWELL: Mutter mutter subscription blah \$5 blah blah "Cathy's Ramblings" Gibber Gibber Mutter, mutter P.O.W. #9 Gibber thankyou gibber bye 4 now mutter. ((Brilliant! Just Brilliant! The mind boggles to steal a phrase from someone, I can't imagine who. You wouldn't find an American saying such things.))

ROBERT ACHESON: As Usual I enjoyed your zine and your 'supposed' British zine influence, keep it up. If this 'Jim-Bob' character is having trouble placing orphans, he can send me a couple, as long as the players can live with 6 weeks deadlines.

JIM-BOB BURGESS: Thanks for the plug on YVSC. I'm glad that I have able help as the orphans are pouring in. Thank you for feeling sorry for me, but please don't bother, I'll get by. By the way, you're right that ~~Mr/Ms~~ Dipdom is dead at the moment though. ((See there is Acheson's offer, so mark it down. Also Jim has Scott Hanson and Steve Langley acting as his assistants now.))

LINDA COURTEMANCHE: Is Eric reading the same zine as I am? I just read your letter column, and I don't see any burnout there! Your hubby thinks that everything has been said. Maybe it has. But until enough people listen and take action -- for instance, against nuclear war preparations, a major concern of your contributors -- then the same things warrant repeating again -- and again and again! I must say that, even though I vehemently disagreed with some of the statements made, I was heartened to see intelligent people who are still grappling with urgent political issues like disarmament. Too few people bother any more.

ELMER HINTON: I'm amazed at the comment about lack of game openings; Conrad made it also. As far as I can see, there are plenty. Maybe it's just the zines you get?

Over the last few months I've had some letter discussions which turned toward the subject of organizations. Anyone who wants to participate should send me something right away. This is all in the open so no confidential letters!

By the way, who does your covers?

((What a mixture to comment on, if I was a good editor I would have it broken up better, but I am me and so... Wallace Nicoll did the cover art. He's one of the editors of Prisoners of War and he will be here in two days!! Lately either Wallace or Doug Rowling have done my covers.

Dipdom: It might be the zines I get that make it seem there are no openings. However, Jim-Bob thinks so too and so who is right? Linda, I think the burnout that you are thinking of and what Eric means are different. Also you are fairly new and Eric was an old timer when I came into the hobby. His point of view is different then yours.))

JOHN BREAKWELL: Why so many standard Dippy games? Thought I'd send you a Gingwatzim to show you the forces aligned against the Dippy zines here in Britain - thier days are surely numbered for we will soon triumph, flooding the market with new blood and washing away the dust and decay of the old ways!

But back to the subject in hand - writing to you. Mediocrity - maybe it's a good thing that I haven't the foggiest what you are talking about. Not knowing the people involved means the sarcasm and wicky-taking (at least that's what I hope it is) is a wee bit lost on me. Is the poor guy that mediocre? Maybe somebody should put him out of his misery.

((Actually, no one thought he was worth the effort. Don't worry, you're not the only one who was lost. I was in one of my rather gloomy moods at the time. Little Tommie is really a great guy!))

Not having seen many purist game zines I always thought the "what is happening to me" style was normal - I find it a bit difficult to be impersonal although I don't think it at all necessary. With a lot of the zines over here, I first look at the lettercol to see if I got in, the zine reviews for any mention of my produce, and the game reports to see how I did ... then I start with the editorial and the rest of the contents.

((Oh, at last a man who admits to doing what all of us do. Come on you know you lot do this at one time or another. I wonder if they printed my letter? I wonder if they gave me a plug? Who reads editorials anyways? I don't. Well, ok, I do, some of them you know.

I don't know why the states is more of a dip-only hobby. We have quite a few variants on Dip offered and Elmer Hinton has quite a few game openings in many different games from Reg Dip to Life, Civilization and Traveller. However, I don't know how many people will be willing to pay a \$10.00 set-up fee and then a \$10.00/3 turns game fee to play a game like Land Grab. There just isn't the FRP influence over here that there is in Britain; and thus the difference between the two. Though, despite what you say, Downfall is still a dip variant and we have many of them, I just can't GM them and that's why I don't have any in this zine. Hell, I have a hard enough time GMing just regular dip!))

JOAN EXTROM: We're slowly recovering from Lepre Con. Had 13 people (not counting Ken, me and Samantha) spent Friday night. Two more came in time for dinner Saturday. Jim Bumpas and his wife and two little kids came on Sunday, so besides Wall to wall peole and beer bottles, we had toys everywhere. Half of the house is put back together and it's more less livable.

Ever played Circus Maximus? Rusnak brought his copy and it was the hit of the Con. I decided I really don't like Diplomacy. Gunboat is tolerable, but that's about it. Every year at Lepre Con I get into a Dip game with Tallman. He always suggests an alliance and I don't take it. I tend up getting wiped out and of course he keeps threatening my hobby Sex God groupie status. Won't I ever learn? ((I don't think so. I wish I could have been there. Thanks for the streamer!))

LETTERS

ROBERTO DELLA-SALA: At last I get to write, or should I say, TYPE, personally to you, have heard quite a bit about you from Tom Tweedy. I understand that you have sent a letter to Tom concerning my trip to the states this summer - even though I haven't seen it yet, thanks very much!

Incidentally, I'll be staying in Little Rock, Arkansas and be travelling out of there, so should you be passing drop in!

((And then she asks, "Who would want to go to Little Rock, Arkansas?" just before she runs to her subber list to see if anyone is from that state. Seriously, do give me your phone number when you get in. I could at least call. I must convince you that what ever Tweedy told you about me is a lie! I'm really quite a normal person and I see nothing wrong with being married to an elf who wants to protect fur softs for a living. But when you have time, look at the people who sub to Dib, Dib, Dib and then you tell me who is normal. I mean Tweedy actually encourages these people to write! But then I love to tease Tweedy bird. Welcome to CR and soon, welcome to the US. And next we move onto to more serious letters.))

ROBERT ACHESON: I find that I have to agree with Joe Schell's letter on 'star wars'. The major drawbacks to it are. No 1. - will it work? and No 2. - will the Soviets allow it to go up?

((I'm rather surprised to find that you agree. As to your questions, who can say for sure? Only time will tell about such things.

DAN SCOTT PALTER: Re: Anderson: Again, you and I see Rambo differently. I still see him as an antiestablishment figure riding a wave of hatred against authority figures. The army will send Rambo out to be killed but won't let him win. There are an awful lot of us who feel we were stabbed in the back by the establishment in Vietnam. They started the war - the Kennedy's and Rusks and all. They decided it was not worth winning. Their kids bought draft exemptions. It was Joe Swpack whose kid came back in a bag. We don't trust the powers that be and we root for Rambo, Dirty Harry, ect. Any clearer now?

JOHN BREAKWELL: Rambo - when I left the cinema after watching this film, I was in quite a mood. It was the anti-establishment aspect that had inspired the part of me that keeps being pushed around. The violence was so over the top that it actually almost cancelled itself out in my mind, putting it on a level with Tom & Jerry or Bugs Bunny. If the film had been less violent I'm sure the plot would have come through properly and made it a more effective film - but then I doubt if it would have made so much money. Of course we Brits stereotype Americans - we also stereotype Scots, the Welsh, the Irish, Froggies, Dagos, Wops, Spics, Aussies and practically every other group of people you care to mention. Doesn't everyone? Go to Europe and everybody thinks we're all football hooligans.

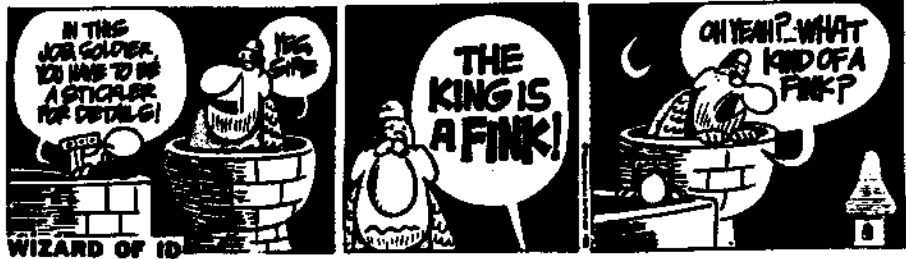
((Interesting that you and Dan say almost the same thing and yet come from so far apart. I also get a kick out of you saying "Europe" instead of "Continent" as I would say it. Most Americans consider Britain to be a part of Europe after all.))

DAN SCOTT PALTER: Re: Anderson: It is always wonderful to learn that inept dip players often cannot read non dip mail. So must it be with Anderson. TO the target population city busting by atomic weapons is the same as by conventional. Anderson sticks to technology. For the target it's a matter of results: size of fireball, balst, chance of survival, etc. Two miles from target center you had a very good chance to survive Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Two miles from target center in Dresden or Tokyo you were essentially dead. The big difference comes with the H-bombs. They appreciably can kill everybody. Technology isn't the thing. To take your analogy properly, you were less likely to be killed by Brown Bess musket than by a long-bow. You don't get a long range weapon near as dealy as the longbow until the rifle-musket of the mid-19th century. The uzi is several quantum jumps beyond. Even so it is small potatos next to field artillery, which is the reall killer on a modern battlefield. So here we have the difference. By Anderson't technology is all concept the 17th century musket is really the same as a full field artillery barrage. By my effect is all concept the musket battlefield was a safer place than that of the longbow. The big change comes with artillery, machine guns, etc., where the battlefield very quickly becomes quantum levels of more deadly. Judge for yourself. ((Just one comment. The Long bow may be more deady, but it was cleaner. 17th century man was not ready for the wounds that a musket made. Men may have lived but they lost limps and other problems that never happened with the simple and clean wound of a arrow. It was a shock for that time.))

LINDA COURTEMANCHE: I am disturbed by the tone that several of these writers took when commenting on the arms race. So many people use this same tone; I hve been guilty of it myself. We don't let the reality of potential nuclear devastation sink through to us, not really. We dodge responsibility and action by hiding behind a flippant, cocktail-party attitude; we spout clever, morbid one-liners on the subject. (A few examples from CR# 20: "Tune in for the first field test and find out." (Peace marches are)sort of like a religious experience or a lynch mon." "I hope I'm in the fireball for that one.") I guess this attitude is crucial to the "psychic numbing" phenomenon, which has obviously pervaded American society if we can dismiss the monstrous results of Hieroshima and Nagaski with a oh-not-that-again feeling. Because that is really what we are saying when we toss aside peace as stale issue and try to move on to something else.

What I am really trying to say here, Cathy, is that I am very glad that this letter-column exists, and wholeheartedly support the efforts of its writers to speak thier minds on the tremendous issues of our age. But I can't help wondering why all such voices for peace have not yet made much of a difference. My conclusion is that we have spoken too casually, too clinically, as if we felt that emotion had no place in our arguments. What we should all realize is that emotion has never been more appropriate! Who can be dispassionate about his own death? Whn we couch our desire for peace and justice in casual terms or even in jokes, we are totally defeating our purpose; we are making our aims sound trivial instead of vital. I must remember that too. ((But Lindy, WHAT CAN WE DO? Do we talk to Ronnie? It's a helpless feeling yes. But I can't see that pondering it will help. We can vote, but can we at op a crazy man from pushing the button? A Crazy person doesn't care about us. Answers and praye.))

ORKNAIRE



Well, as per normal, I won't be able to get your personal information out to you until later. Wallace Nicoll is coming in town tomorrow and I should spend some time with him. I mean I get to see him all the time. Of course he doesn't know that he will be stapling zines tomorrow and going to the post office on Saturday morning. Ha, ha, I wonder if he will come back in a few months to help me with my next issue. But enough of this, time to get on with Orknaire.

The were-hills sheet will be out as soon as I have the free time to do it. That leaves four of your waiting for that. I mentioned the limits on actions with the last sheet. Please give me some feed-back if you can. I want to speed-up turn around time and yet I don't want to ruin the style and feel of the game. As for points. Just a few notes. You can't change any of your original stats. with the points. When you add points to a skill or something like "Hide in shadows" you must send time doing this and thus say how you are practicing this in your turn. For instance: "Increase sword skill by 1/2. I practice with the Palace guards in the weapon's practice area. Also I try to get Brand to practice with me in his spare time." This, I hope, will keep things from going too crazy. As I mentioned if you have any questions write ASAP and I will answer your questions with your individual facts sheets.

GODS IN ORKNAIRE:

You live in the town of Orphire and in this town there is the Libra Church, which is the largest church in the town. There are smaller temples to Thor, Dagda, Lugh, Manannan Mac Lir, Nuada, Oghma, Silvanus, Loki, Frigga and Hel. There are ruins to the halfling gods, but there are no current worshippers to those gods. Religion is not something that is very open in Orphire. Too many problems with the Halfling gods in the past. The god's of Neutrality are the strongest gods. These are the Celtic gods and Libra. The Norse gods have some influence but it is a power struggle with them; Thor and Frigga vs Hel and Loki.

<u>GOD</u>	<u>Alignment</u>	<u>Sphere of influence</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
Libra	Neutral	Courts/justice	scales
Dagda	Neutral	authority:rulership	staff
Lugh	Neutral	generality	anything
Manannan Mac Lir	Neutral	Sea	ship
Nuada	Neutral	War	sword
Oghma	Neutral	Knowledge	Book
Silvanus	Neutral	Nature	Tree
Thor	Neutral/good	Thunder	War Hammer
Frigga	Neutral/good	weather	cloud
Hel	Neutral/evil	Death	Black&white ball
Loki	Chaotic/evil/neutral	Strife/fire	dice

HALFLING GODS

Raven	?	Air	Raven/bird
Aidan	?	Fire	Lizard in flames
Meredydd	?	Water	Spears in water
Hertha	?	Earth	rock

These are all the major gods in Orknaire. Not much is known of the Halfling gods as they have no active worshippers, unless their offspring who still live are their worshippers. Orphire has the best ruins to these gods of any town in Orknaire.

TRADE AND PRICES:

This will be brief as DS Palter promised to help me develop this further and you will see the results of that later. UNITS: 10 copper = 1 silver ; 10 silver = 1 gold. No higher units than gold. Orphire is known for its stone work and to some extent it's wool goods. Some trades try to escape the taxes of Kirkwall and do deals in Orphire and then ship overground to Kirkwall. Fishing is a big industry and a major food source. Poor meat means salted fish at best. Meat is more of a luxury. Ale is plentiful due to crops, but wine is more rare, thus higher cost. Some prices below:

Dockside Inn - Poor	Red Lion Avg.	Silver Unicorn -good	King's Sword - excl.
Meal -3-5s	Meal - 1g	meal - 25s-3g	meal 5g upwards
Room 5s	Room - 1g	room- 3g - Lady extra	room 10g upwards
			Heavily guarded

This is just to give you some scale. I'll have more on trading later. Prices may go down abit. Thanks for waiting.

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AYS is more or less devoted to the postal play of Paranoia which is more or less devoted to life in an insane futuristic computer complex. So it goes...

AYS 16?: yes, why is this issue 16? Well, you see, it is the computer's fault. Sector F has crashed. PPROBABLY BEYOND ALL HOPES OF AVING. AND NO ONE MADE A BACKUP. INDEED, NO ONE SEEMS TO FEEL IT WAS THEIR JOB DESCRIPTION TO MAKE A BACKUP. ANOTHER FEW ENTRIES IN THE FORMER EMPLOYEE FILE AND another few chapters in the endless work of fiction known as the office procedure file. All that was crashed besides my gaming subdirectories is a great deal of intercorporate communications and preliminary financial data. That is purely accidental. This time last year Sector F was the main seasonal database. By a set of accidental circumstances having to do with the last time F crashed and my superstitions on the workings of inanimate objects this info is on G this time...which also wasn't backed up. Now I know we weren't up to 16. I aslo have no way of knowing what we were up to short of trying to find my hard copy files. Only now we get to the punch line. My office moved. We reorganized again. An yet again I was in Europe whne we moved. And yet again everyone promised they would move my files exactly as they were with no attempt to rearrangement or consolidation. And yes there were very good reasons why none of these promises were kept. And no, none of the guilty parties were fired yet. And yes they didn't do anywhere near as badly as they did the last few times. And yes everything is lost as usual. So in my dubious spare time I simply must wade through the wrectage of the last three moves and reconstitute. Only sales are up in all three main divisions, the foreign exchange markets are chaotic and the chairman of the Senate Finance committee just came up with an "out of the blue" proposal to remove the deductibility of customs duties, plus I've got a few design problems in my next collections which I start work on next week...I think you get the picture...16 it is. Just remember that the computer never makes mistakes, expecially when it does.

THE GAME

Ms. Nazi does a perfect Fuhrer salute, executes the manual of arms and finishes up with her piece covering the room. The Commie Mutant from Titan, clad like Nero readying for an orgy, commands, "Let the revels begin". He tells Ms Naze to eat and drink. She asks that food and beverage be sent to her unit. Three bots oblige. On the screen the unit can be seen failing grossly at closs order drill. While our tow protagonists warily banter, the unit is served its feast. Almost immediately the unit's members go berserk, shooting each other and the bots while running in all directions. Random weapons return fire from the walls, floor and ceiling of the main room, creating escape holes in all six sides that are seized upon by the beserk fleeing throng. The guard bots mill about shooting the wounded, all four walls and each other. Ms Nazi drops into a crouch in the corner covering the room. "What foul plot is this Commie? Long live the Silicon Fuhrer." The commie dives behind the Vader Bot yelling, "Protect me. I'm a servant of the computer!"

Next move dat last week in April - faster turn around not possible on this run as if I sent a Paranoia run through the telex at my hotel I'd probably be busted by any of three security agencies before morning. At your Service.

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Me here now, you know Cathy, the one who types all of this stuff up. Quite frankly, Dan I think you underrate yourself. I know about the problems with Pink Dragon, but At Your Service has been fairly regular. Or maybe it's just that CR is somewhat slow.

Which reminds me that I'm sitting here in a mild state of panic. The major panic with come in the next few days. I predict those awful yellow clearance box blues to be followed by acute Paranoia. (Sorry, Dan I couldn't help myself.). The problem is that Wallace Nicoll is coming in this weekend and I don't think I will get this out by then. I'm going to try very hard, but I have this thing about eating and sleeping. Unlike my old days in college and even during my time in Seattle, I find that I like to eat and sleep now. I'm trying not think about how I'm going to pull this off. It's Tuesday now and after 9:00pm and I have till Thursday to get the whole thing typed up and to press. Problem is that this is the first page I have typed. Might be a short issue this time, though there was so much I wanted to say.

Well, what can I say to fill up this short space that Dan has left me with? We! we drove out into the country to the comet over the weekend. The last chance till it goes out of our view range. I like to call it the "fuzz" ball. No much to it really. No tail when we saw it. Just a big fuzz ball sitting up there in the sky. The local farmers must have thought we were crazy. They kept driving by with thier big trucks and thier brights on. Oh well, at least I saw it - the comet.

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WETLANDS

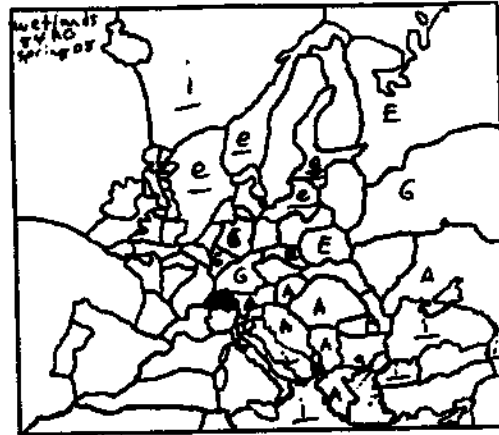
Winter 07/Spring 08

ENGLAND HAS A CHANGE OF HEART?!?!?

Winter 07: England: Build A Edi, Italy: Build F Nap, A Rom
Austria: Remove A Mos, A War,

Spring 08:

England-Holley: A Ber-Sil, A Edi H, A Lvn-StP, A Sil-War, F Bal-Ber,
F Nth S F NWY, F NWY S A Lvn-StP
Germany-Corbin: A StP-Mos, F GoB S English A Lvn(otm), A Kie-Ber,
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Italy-Courtemanche: F Nap-Ion, A Rom-Tus, A Tyr-Tri(dis,ret Pie,otb)
A Ven S A Tyr-Tri, A Apu-Alb, F Adr C A Apu-Alb,
F Gre S A Apu-Alb(Dis, Ret, Aeg, otb), F Aeg-Con,
F Con-Bla, F Ank-Arm, F NWG H, F Eng H

GAME NOTES:

What a mess you lot made for me this time. I had to go to Eric to make sure I got it right. So if anything is wrong, you can blame Eric. Draws - all fail. IEG- 3 yes and one no. Proposed for next time - 1. IE and 2. EG Please vote next time!!

Press:

Rom-Board: I see that I/E/G is on the table again. Who's not voting so I can box thier ears.

Germany- Italy: Verrrry well done.

Aus-Rom: My kind of guy. I'm a Chevy to the core.

Germany-Austria: What is this, did you write to every player in this game offering to support them to a win if they would only break up the alliance? And I here I thought it was because you felt guilty about stabbing me. ((But then, would you feel guilty about stabbing him?))

Aus-Ger: Time to make amends. Are you willing?

Germany-Austria: It isn't that your willingness to pull out of my home centers is unappreciated, it's just that it would have meant more if you had done it a few turns before you were about to get kicked out. ((Is that your answer?))

Rome-Bud: Six more to go, I wonder if I can make it. ((Not if you keep doing orders like this turn.))

Rom-Bar: Just kidding, but it's a nice thought.

Aus-Eng: Pant, pant, pant...whatever you say, I'll do.

Rome-Lon: What we need is a new minister of war. Or a good press agent.

Rome-GM: Yes, Melinda trusted me to protect her centers. Just look at my fleets in Nwy and Eng.

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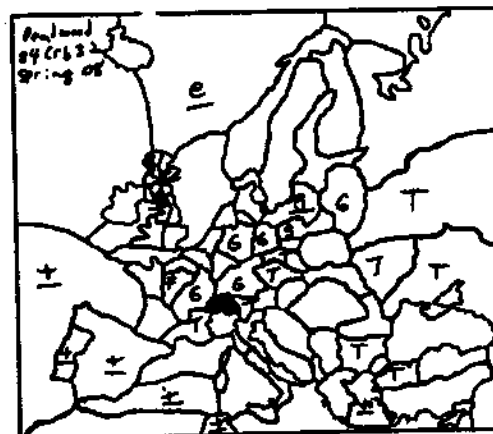
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THE SLEAZE WINS, BUT THE VOTE DIDN'T PASS!!!

Winter 07: Turkey Builds: A Cqn, A Ank, F Smy,
Germany Builds: A Kie

Spring 08:

France: A Gas-Par
Austria: A War H
Russia: F Cly H (NMR!)
England: F Iri-Lvp, F NTH-Edi, F NWG S F NTH-Edi, F MAO H (dis, ret-
Gas, Bre, Eng, Iri, NAO, otb)
Germany: A Mun S A Bur, A Kie S A Mun, A Bur S A Mun, A Mos S Aust
A War(dis,ret: StP, otb), A Ber-Sil, F Pru S A Ber(otm)
A Lvn S Aust A War, F Bal S F Pru
Turkey: A Sev S A Ukr-Mos, A Ukr-Mos, A Gal S A Sil-War, A Sil-War,
A Boh S A Tyr-Mun, A Tyr-Mun, A Rum-Ukr, A Arm H, F Spa(SC)
-Por, F Wes S F Naf-MAO, F Naf-MAO, F Gol-Spa(sc), A Mar-
Bur, F Ion-Tun, F Smy-Aeg, A Con-Bul, A Ank-Con

GAME NOTES:

The concession to Turkey did not pass due to one NVR (no vote recieved) As I have stated time and time again, NVR=no. However, there is no way that Turkey can be stopped and the game will end with next season. So next time, would you send game end statements with your Orders? This will save us all some time and then you will get to know who all the players were next time with the end game chart. Thanks to everyone who played. Note: I'm not calling a stand-by for Russia, but I do encourage the Russian player to send in an endgame statement. You lot had some long press and so I'll put the deadline here and let you have the press on the next page...

DEADLINE: JUNE 7, 1986 For Fall 08 and end game statements

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DEADWOOD PRESS:

Germany-France: I will remember this game.

France-Germany: In rebuttal to your obedient fawning parasite comment. You prevaricated the salient causation of my behavior. I entered this game as a standby in issue #11. Your armies were leeches upon French soil, not the Turkish. My first press item in issue #12 gave you the ultimatum to cease and desist your behavior, otherwise I will acquiesce to the yellow plague. Subsequent issues continued to see me berate your incessant occupation. Hence, your persistent benightedness could not go unanswered. I merely lived up to my word some 8 issues ago. In laymen terminology, I believe you're thick as a brick wall. It befits your name. ((Oh, I think Reagan could use you to write his speeches.))

England-Great Wall of Madtown: You are getting very close, yes I am one of those three. You need one more clue to figure it out so how about this; I kept alliance all game and you wind up with 10 while I have 4. I didn't NMR all game. I loyally toadied to you since day one. And during all this I kept my identity a closely guarded secret in order to maintain the integrity of the game (a concept certain people haven't even heard of...I mention no names...) Have you got it yet?

Eng-Aus: The Slease appreciates loyal allies like a barracuda appreciates goldfish. ((I think he meant Rus not Aus, but then he did type Aus.))

Gunboat Dip Drb 32 84

LIVEWOOD

Winter 07/Spring 08

ITALY TRIES TO GET TOUGH AND FRANCE STILL WANTS A FRIEND!

Winter 07: Russia: removes A Pru, Germnay: removes F Ber, Austria: build A Vie, A Bud. Please note: Italy does not build. He does not own Ven.

Spring 08:

Russia: A Stp-Nwy

England: F NAO-Lvp, F Swe-NWY

France: F Lon S F Edi-NTH, F Edi-Nth, F Iri-ENG, A Yor-Lvp, A Par-Bre

Germany: F Nth S English F NAO-NWG(nsm), F Den S F NTH, A Bel-Bur,

A Pic S A Bur-Par, A Bur-Par, A Mun S A Bel-Bur

Austria: A War-Lvn, A Mos A A War-Lvn, A Sev-Arm, A Rum S F Bul(sc),

F Bul(sc), S A Gre, A Vie-Tyr, F Tri-Adr, A Bud-Tri, A Gre H,

A Ven-Apu

Italy: A Tyr & A Rom-Ven, A Mar-Fie, F Por-Spa(sc), F MAO-Gas,

F Ion-Adr, F Aeg S F Con-Bul(ec)(imp), A Rom-Ven, A Arm-Sev

Game Notes: The old French player is still playing France. Thanks. There is a Proposed A/I/G draw. Please vote!!!

PRESS:

Russia-EFG: Will you guys get together? Otherwise, we'll get it separately.

Austria-GM: Allright Cathy, who is Russia, and will she still go out with me? Maybe if I give her back her centers. ((I tell you that Melinda can't play in every game! You must guess))

Eng-Ger: Thanks for the support. If I could read a map then I'd be all set. Why would you want to help Aus get into Scan. when I'm all set to hand it over anyway?

Germany-England: That wasn't very nice of you... I wanted to help you regain your homeland. Shall we trade?

Germany-Austria: Is my intent clear?

Austria-Germany: Attack you? No way, keep on taking those French and Iberian centers.

Italy-Germany: I'll let you have paris and Brest in exchange for some help against Austria. How about moving to Silesia or Bohemia to keep him on his toes? Also, why do you want to let him have Scandavavia? Aren't those dots yours by right?! I'm being serious here! Be too nice and he's going to win.

Germany-Italy: Is ther any chance you'll reconsider. I have no choice at the moment.

Austria-Italy: Perhaps Dad; are we still on talking terms?

Italy-Austria: I'd offer to kiss and make-up, except I don't want you to get too excited and start drooling. ((Remember, Austria, I keep telling you Melinda isn't in this game.))

Italy-GM: I really like that extra unit, but Austria is still going to get his!!((Anything I can do to help, but you really must write your orders better next time!))

Eng-Old France: Get Back Jo, Jo. ((Poor France, no one wants him.))

Eng-GM: In response to your wondering in last fall's game notes. I offer the following; a) possibly; b) Possibly, c) possibly. ((Thanks for your help!))

DEADLINE FOR FALL 08 is JUNE 7, 1986

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ANARCHY

Winter 05/Spring 06

TURKEY WALKS INTO CON AS AUST AND RUSS DRAW LINES!!

Winter 05: ((corrections: Eng A Stp was ann and F Den-Nth, should have been underlines. Also, the GM can't count. Russia had 6 units on the board and had to remove one.)) Russia: remove F NAO
 Austria: Builds A Vie, F Tri, England: Builds F Lon

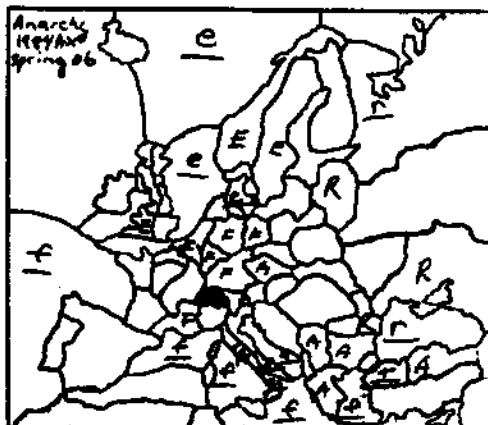
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ANARCHY CONTINUES:

Spring 06:

England-Cartier: F Lon-NTH, F Den S F Lon-NTH, F Cly-NWG, A NWY-Fin
A Swe-Fin, A Wal H
 Turkey-Acheson: F Smy-Con
 Russia-Holley: A Lvn S F StP(sc), A Mos-Sev, A Ukr-Rum, F Bla S
 A Ukr-Rum, F StP(sc) H
 Austria-Rogerson: A Tus-Pie, A Rom S F Nap, A Tyr S A Tus-Pie, A Gre
 S A Bul, A Bul S Russian F Bla-Con(nso), A Rum-Ser,
 A Con-Ank, A Vie-Boh, F Tri-Adr, F Apu-Ion, F Nap
 S F Apu-Ion
 France-Norris: A Ber H, A Kie H, A Mun H, A Hol-Ruh, F Bel-NTH,
 F Eng-MAO, A Mar H, F Tun-Ion, F Tyh S F Tun-Ion,
 F Aeg S F Tun-Ion, F GOL H.



GAME NOTES: All game proposals failed to various degrees. One set of NVR on almost all of them killed them all. Next time, there is FARE and ARE proposed. Please vote. Remember no vote = no vote. cute eh?

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Press:

Austria: Yes, yes, yes, How come France always says no? ((Well, not always.))

France-England: I agree. ((see, is that close enough?))

Smy-Sev: Okay, woman, that's it. No more support.

Smy-Bud: Okay, buddy, I've had enough of your presence in my home centers. Get out, or I'll take a little trip and pull your coal mine down around your ears. ((You didn't go to Russia instead did you? You know, up north close to Swe and NWY? Sorry, I can't help it. Never mind.))

DEADLINE: This is messy. At the moment, I'm going home to Phoenix from June 14-21. However, this may change to June 10-or 11 - June 18. So I'm moving your deadline up slightly, so I can get CR out before I leave, if I leave on June 14.

DEADLINE JUNE 12, 1986 !!!!!!! This is set, however, if I leave early, the zine won't go out until I get back. Don't take any chances and try to get orders in by June, 12, !!! Thanks!

1985 AD

PROMENADE

Fall 1904

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SUMMER 1904: RUSSIA A war R UKR, F rum R BLA

FALL 1904: RUSSIAN OCCUPATION COMPLETE!!

GERMANY(Stewart): A MOS S & A LVN S A nwy-STP,
 A PRU S A WAR H, F nth-NWY, F DEN-nth,
 A mun-TYO, F bel-SWE.

FRANCE(Holley): A pic-BEL, A TUS-ven, F IRI H,
 A PIE S german A mun-tyo, F lyo-WES, F lon-YOR.

TURKEY(Graessle): F SEV g austrian A rum,
 A arb-ANK, F AEO-con, A BUL-con, F gre-ION.

AUSTRIA(Pierce): F lon-TYN, A TRI-tyo,
 A GAL S A RUM S turkish F sev.

ITALY(Byrne): F tyn-TUN, F apu-NAP,
 A ROM S A tyo-VEN.

RUSSIA(Greier): F BLA S A UKR-sev,
 F BOT S F BAR-stp/n.

ENGLAND(Crosby): A yor-LVP, F EDI-nth.

GER: Ber, Kie, Mun, ~~Den~~, Den, Hol, Swe, Nwy, Mos, WAR, STP (10) has 9

FRA: Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa, Lon, BEL (7) has 6

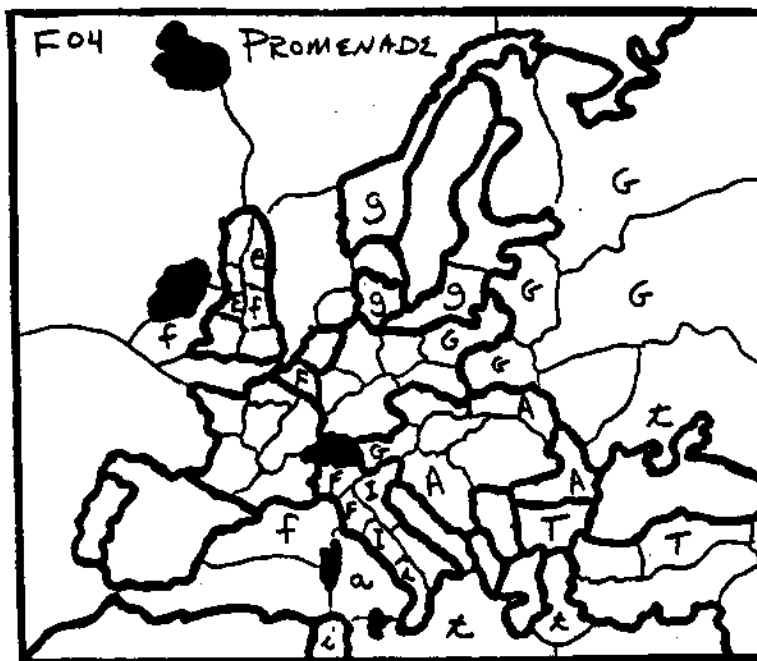
TUR: Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, SEV (6) has 5

AUS: Bud, Vie, Ser, Tri, RUM (5) has 4

ITA: Nap, Rom, Ven, Tun (4) even

ENG: Edi, Lvp (2) even

RUS: ~~Stp, Sev, War, Tm~~ (0) OUT



Deadline is: May 23, 1986

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MORE PROMENADE PRESS:

GER-GM: In the U.S. you can be jailed for drunk driving but here you only have to pay \$1000-- that's because Canadians have a finer sense of justice. Get it? Fine-r sense of justice?

GM-GER: I don't know about your Canadian sense of justice, but you sense of humor is a....joke!

TURK-PROG: You have a plan, yes. But, it's not the brightest one I ever heard. At least, I warned you. Don't forget that with your plan, you have everything to loose and the German has nothing to loose. But love is blind!!

RUSSIA-GERMANY: OK, that does it, now I'm really pissed. I warned you that a constant attack would be greeted with great repercussions.

ITA-RUS: Where were you a couple of years ago?

AUSTRIA-ENGLAND & FRANCE: I know I am new here, but has it slipped your notice that Germany is more than half way to the win.

GER-ITA: I know you really have a soft spot in your heart for Canadians but are just too shy to admit it--I think that's cute.

TURK-ITALIAN BITCH: You shut up, but before you do that, how about sending me a \$900.00 check: I offer lifetime alliance, not death threats. Ops, you may not be around to read this if that guy goes through. Wow, I better watch the 11 O'clock news.

ITA-GM: PudgeCon - July 4th weekend - you in?

GM-ITA: Yes, but remind me not to play Dip with any Madlads--they take the game, and themselves, much too seriously.

GER-ANK: You better get your ally a glass of water--didn't you see her choking?

ITA-PRA: Lady - you're outnumbered. You'll never hold off all our fleets.

ST.PETE(April 18,1904): A discussion of two peasants:
 "So, what do you think"
 "I think we should fight on the beaches, in our streets, our fields, and never surrender"
 "Have heard of German armies in Moscow, and Livonia"
 "Was damn nice knowing you, take care"
 "You too"

ITA-GER: I realize that I can be bought - but a can of Canadian Maple Syrup? Oh, okay for the syrup, I'll keep Melinda from growing!

GER-AUS: Don't forget that in the East, two's company and three's a crowd. ((That theory has been cancelled))

ITA-AUS: A player with a brain, I think I'm going to faint.

DAVE-KATHY & GEORGE: Thanks for the kind words. I hope I can live up to them.

1985 AP

WIRED

Winter 1902

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Deadline!
May 30, 1986

AUTUMN 1902: FRANCE A bur R PIC
 RUSSIA A pru R LVN

WINTER 1902: SEPERATION OF SEASONS GRANTED!

RUSSIA(Walker): Build A MOS (8)
 GERMANY(Rauterberg): Build F KIE (6)
 FRANCE(Acheson): Build F BRE (5)
 TURKEY(Bevis): Build F ANK (5)
 ITALY(Crosby): Build A VEN & A ROM (5)
 ENGLAND(Bowen): even (4)
 AUSTRIA(Holley): even (1)

Orders are on file for everybody.



FRANCE-ENG/TURK: Burp....
 FRANCE-TURKEY: Go North, young man.
 ITALY-TURKEY: Meet you in Moscow.
 ANK-MUN: ?
 TUR-ENG: And growing quieter.
 PRA-GM: Are you involved in the rubber business perchance? ((Finally, someone who has heard of 'the rubber capitol of the world' as Akron is known. Yes, I am a programmer for Goodyear.))

TUR-SER: Perhaps I will have no trouble seeing the R/I alliance myself if and when my country is full of green and white armies.

ITALY-RUSSIA: You did have an ally until your dumb move to Bud. It's amazing what greed will do to you.

FRANCE-ITALY: Hopefully, our borders will still be peaceful after your builds.

BEVIS-COLUMBUSITES/PAST & PRESENT (slightly out of date): Congrats on the NIT win. Once again, the Big Ten fails to show in the NCAA's. Perhaps (we) should have a post season tournament like most other conferences. Taste the do or die situation before the NCAA tournament.

ITALY-FRANCE: My guess is that the real alliance is F/R. Your moves this time will tell.

PRA-AUS: Every game that we're in together, one of us (usually both) does fairly poorly, does that tell us anything?

TUR-GER: I hope that gaining 8 and 5 centers respectively does not mean that Russia and Italy win this game. Your press last fall was evidently based on the fact that you could have been left with only 4 centers if France hadn't NMRed. I'd rather lose to a strong alliance (?) than listen to the futile complaints of a crybaby.

PRA-GER: With your battle with Russia and England's last moves, I think that an exit stage east is in order.

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Round 1

WIRED BOURSE

Winter 1902

	RHS	GER	FRA	TUR	ITA	ENG	AUS
	\$1.74	\$1.44	\$1.30	\$1.06	\$1.49	\$.98	\$.20
SPIN	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	+3280	+1500
DBTB	-500	+300	-500	-500	-500	+2500	-500
SLI	-500	-500	-500	+1500	-500	+1117	+1500
ASS	-500	--	--	+500	--	--	-500
BOSS	-500	-500	-500	+3000	--	--	-500
	-.25	-.12	-.20	+.40	-.15	+.68	+.15
Round 2	RUS	GER	FRA	TUR	ITA	ENG	AUS
	\$1.49	\$1.32	\$1.10	\$1.46	\$1.34	\$1.66	\$.35
SPIN	-500	-500	+3464*	-500	-500	-500	-500
DBTB	+1500	-500	-500	+500	-500	-500	-500
SLI	+2426*	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500	-500
ASS	-500	--	--	+811*	--	--	--
BOSS	--	--	--	-500	+472*	+400	-500
	+.29	-.15	+.24	-.01	-.10	-.11	Limit
FINAL	RUS	GER	FRA	TUR	ITA	ENG	AUS
	\$1.78	\$1.17	\$1.34	\$1.45	\$1.24	\$1.55	\$.18
SPIN	1094	41	4668	1200	2000	4780	1000
DBTB	3034	1727	2199	454	1090	3000	0
LIAR	993	0	2454	3257	1994	3054	0
BBB	5029	1422	0	747	777	0	0
SLI	3797	1688	782	1000	1551	617	1000
ASS	3434	500	0	1811	1000	0	0
DRUGS	2119	1514	1531	1361	1134	0	0
BOSS	400	931	900	3200	872	800	0

BOURSE COMPANY STANDINGS	RANK	GAIN	CASH	ACRONYM
SPIN BLEND	684	+29	\$0	SPIN
DOUBLE TROUBLE	653	+36	\$663	DBTB
SATELLITE LAUNCH INC	606	+79	\$0	SLI
LANDSHARK INVESTMENT AND REPUNDS	586	0	\$0	LIAR
BETTER BOURSE BUREAU	563	0	\$0	BBB
DIPPEY ROAD UNDERWRITING & GAMING SERVICE	461	0	\$0	DRUGS
ASSOCIATED STOCK SERVICE	445	-18	\$0	ASS
BOB'S OMBUDSMAN & STOCKBROKER SERVICE	368	+60	\$0	BOSS

SLI-AUSTRIA: Don't think of this as a vote of confidence so much as a calculated risk.
BOSS: How does this stupid game work?

GM: You're the play tester - you tell us!

SPIN-DOUBLE TROUBLE: It is too easy to screw up this bourse in round 2. I can only start guessing where everyone else is going in round 2 - and hope you believe in Austria's revival.

SLI-BOSS: Solomon like wisdom?

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DEADLINE: MAIN Deadline: JUNE 7, 1986 for all regular and gunboat games run by me.

Deadline of May 30, 1986 for Wired, so Stafford will get results to me on time.

Deadline of June 12, 1986 for Anarchy and Orknaire, but please see game notes. I'm going on vacation. Orknaire will not be done until I get back from Phoenix, so you have extra time.

GAME Openings: None currently or expected in the near future. Paranoia has openings - See Palter - AYS.

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SUBS: 10 for \$7.00 for North America and \$1.20 per issue for British. Rates may change after I move to Arizona, but the zine may be smaller then too. I'll keep you posted.

NOTES TO YOU: