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For info on subs, see page #2, game openings, see page #6. Here are the zine reviews (continued from page #6, and...

Lord Review, Empire of the Petal Throne: Demonstration Game (part 2), questionnaire, and Chinese Diplomacy (by Tom McCloud). 14 legal size PP mimeo.

THE MIXUMAXU GAZETTE #46, Robert Bryan Lipton, Box 1962, Lafayette College, Easton, PA 18042, subs are 10¢/issue + postage, openings for \$2? in regular diplomacy. CONTAINS: Games, press, announcements, plugs, ABCSF WXXX XIII, Postal Diplomacy Vs. Gordon Anderson, Pyromacy: The Ultimate Variant, "That Conan is a Real Teddy Bear" by Phillip M. Cohen, Letters from Peter Birks, Scott Rosenberg, and Paul Thomas, and the Tadek Jarski Memorial Department. 20pp mimeo. Good zine.

OBSSESSION CARBON COPY "C", Peter Shamray, 10614 LeConte Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024, subs are--there are no subs. CONTAINS: games. 1pp xerox.

EREHWON #95&95A, Rod Walker, 1273 Crest Dr, Encinitas, CA 92024, subs are 10/\$1. CONTAINS: games, announcements, stuff on ~~xxxx~~ Gordon Anderson, the IDA Publishers handbook, Reviews of The Hindenberg, and Shardik. "Won't You Come over Dear Richard; Oh, Won't you come Over, Charming Dicky?" by Rod, Stuff on Codewords by Eric Just, Scott Rosenberg, John Leeder. 8pp+#95A, which is 1pp all ditto. There are openings for \$8.50, or \$4 for traders.

DIMAN #15, Brad Hessel, 15 Oak Ave., Tarrytown, NY 10591, subs are 20¢/issue, gamefee includes sub, and there are game openings in regular diplomacy for \$6(\$4 to traders). CONTAINS: Games, Press, announcements, letters from Jilliam Hessel, Abbott Gleason, Henry Kelley, Robert Sergeant, and Susan Bregman. 12pp ditto.

BLACK HOLE #32, Douglas Reif, 67 Grosvenor Rd, Kenmore, NY 14223, subs are 11/\$2. CONTAINS: Games, press, "American Pie" by Len Cool (Doug, that should be Joe Cool, not Len-RF), "Admiral Boniface's Parrot" by Horatio Alligator, and that all. 7pp ditto.

THE MORAVIAN GAZETTE #9, Robert Goldman, 200 Old Army Rd, Scarsdale, NY 10583, subs are 8/\$2, openings in Dippy, Tanque, D&D, Colony Starship Captain all for 50¢ apiece. CONTAINS: Games, announcements, PBM D&D rules by John Brennick, "The Magic-Users Guild Guide" by Adam Gruen, "D&D by Computer" by Phillip Cohen, and some filler. 10pp mimeo.

HOOSIER ARCHIVES #188, Walt Buchanan, RR3, Box 324, Lebanon, IN 46052, subs are 10/\$2, openings in the Hoosier Archives Demonstration Game for \$20, which includes a sub to HA, a sub to DIPLOMACY WORLD for the duration of the game, and a sub to HA for your appointed standby, which you appoint. However, since the next issue is due out on April 3, and today is April 3... CONTAINS: Games, press, (the game is the Hoosier Archives Demo Game: 1975A, which ended in this issue.). 3pp ~~xx~~ ditto.

THE EXPONENT #25, Fred Brenner, 2821 W. 12th St, Brooklyn, NY 11224, subs are 10/\$2. Openings in regular dippy for \$0+sub or trade ~~xxxxxx~~. CONTAINS: Games, press, announcements, and plugs. 12 legal size pp mimeo.

BUMM #14/15, Walter Luc Haas, Postfach 7, CH-4024 Basel, Switzerland, openings in regular diplomacy for \$1.20 (\$0 for IDA members). There are openings in german speaking and english speaking inter-continental games. CONTAINS: Stuff on the Larry Peery Case (Larry plans to publish ~~XXXX~~ XENOGOGIC again, and also the 800p (approx) book he wrote), stuff ~~xx~~ on ~~xxxx~~ Gordon Anderson (rip-off artist of the year award was given to him--stay away from him: He's bad news!), the Sacks Awards (writing on this are Edi Birsan, ~~xw~~ Lew Pulshiper), the Micheleron drop-out, whether Walter Luc (to distinguish you from Walt Buchanan, I'll tell you Walter, and ~~w~~ the guy from Indiana Walt) will drop out or burn out, reviews, Avalon Hill and Diplomacy, Diplomacy 3rd Edition?, Standard Deviations in Diplomacy, "Notation in Diplomacy" by Martin Janta-Polozynski, future of Diplomacy by Walter, "Friends in out Midst-The Unethical Diplomats"

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THIS IS CENTURION, a magazine of postal Diplomacy, and related and unrelated matters. Subscriptions are 11/\$3, 12/\$3 to new subscribers, add 36¢ for airmail to Canada. Subscriptions include playing in one game of regular Diplomacy. Gamefee for extra games and traders is \$1, and this may rise--see my comments somewhere in this issue--after the zine reviews. Diplomacy is a registered trademark for a game invented by Allan Calhamer and copyrighted by Avalon Hill, Co, 4517 Halford (I think that's wrong, it might be Harford) Rd, Baltimore, MD. The Youngtown Variant was invented by Rod Walker. We pay 3 free issues for all articles over one page, and 1 issue for those less than that. Contact the editor for reprint permission.

ZINE REVIEWS CONTINUED

by Nicky Palmer, "Diplomacy in EUROPA" by Nicky Palmer, who knows Diplomacy Hill, Variants, the World Varinat Bank Project, A GM-PROBLEM, Phone calls, FTF Dippy in Europe, IDA Publisher Handbook, and EUROPA 12/13. this is just the first part of it...the rest is coming by see mail. so. 24pp mimeo.

IMPASSABLE #63, John Boyer, 117 Garland Dr, Carlisle, PA 17013, subs are 10/\$2, no openings. CONTAINS: Games, press, announcements, hobby news, Verhandeln #5, letters from Len Lakofka, and Rod Walker, plugs, and a puzzle. 12pp mimeo, well worth price.

JANUS #16(FAKE ISSUE). CONTAINS: announcements, filler, fake games, and of course a dumb variant.

JANUS # 15&16(The real thing), Cal White, 1 Turnberry Ave, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA, M6N 1P6, subs are 1¢/page + postage, openings in regular diplomacy, Home Sweet Home Diplomacy, and Punic Wars for \$2.50 apiece (\$2 for IDA members.). CONTAINS: games, press, announcements, "A Review of What Diplomacy Might be in 1984" by James Hymas, "D&D WILderness Adventure" by James Hymas, (that should be by James Hymas!), "1975-76 Postal Diplomacy Tournament: Final Progress report" by John Baker, Magazine Opinion Ballot and plugs. They run respectively 8pp and 10pp. Ditto.

THE SMOKEY DRAGON #5, Robert Bryan Lipton, address above. CONTAINS: D&D Combat System. 2pp mimeo.

THE PREDAWN LEFTIST #17, Ben Grossman, 29 E. 9th St, Apt. 9, New York, NY 10003, subs are 8/\$2, openings in a lot, including regular diplomacy for \$2. CONTAINS: Announcements, games, press, and book reviews. 12pp mimeo.

COMMAND #4, Dennis Agosta, 900 L Foxridge, Blacksburg, VA 24060, subs are 12/\$4, openings in "Blind" Origins, Nuclear Destruction, and Diplomacy for \$2.50 apiece+sub(trade). CONTAINS: Games, press, announcements, Letter from Rod Walker, "THE ADJUANT"(series on pre-game alliances), and a review of Wooden Ships and Iron Men. , and plugs. 10pp offset.

THE MIXUMAXU GAZETTE #47, Robert Lipton, address, and rates above. CONTAINS: Games, announcements, a letter from Peter Birks, stuff on Princecon, and the Gemignani Sacks awards. 10pp mimeo.

PRESS: 1975GS

ST. PETERSBERG: England, France, & Italy lay down your arms. The war is over, no ~~x~~ use wasting postage.

1975HZ: Roma: The end is near; the good die young. Austria, Russia, & you too Turkey. ((The rest is illegible, Gary, print your press!))

One note on press: Anyone who ~~x~~ uses the Datelings: Tarzana, Centurion, etc. will have been considered as deceiving the GM, which is punishable by expulsion from all games. There was more press by Gary, but I can't ~~w~~ read his handwriting.

GM comments:

There is a mimeo paper ~~xx~~ shortage around here--or so I am told--and this will probably force a rise in the extra game gamers fee. Luckily, I have paper to last through issue #25(apx) so there will be no problem for ~~w~~ a while.

Remember, no phone calls are accepted on Wed. (I can't spell that word.) Also, I again say that no one can stay at my house during GLASC, as that's that.

See page #7 for more.

The games: All $\frac{1}{2}$ players are reminded to see the notes at the end of this section.

1975CJ (CO1) WHAT SEVEN-WAY DRAW? ALL IS WELL FOR THE NEW GERMAN LEADER, Fall 1906
IF HE LIKES TO LOSE A FEW THINGS. ANYWAY, ITALY IS FINALLY OUT!

Summer 1906: TURKISH F Apu R-Adr.

AUSTRIA (McIlvaine): A Tyo-Mun, A Tri H, A Sil S A Tyo-Mun (-Gal, OTB), A Boh
S A Tyo-Mun, A Gal-Rum, F Alb-Gre
ENGLAND (Kendter, Sr.): A Nwy-Hol, F Nth C A Nwy-Hol, F Bar S A StP, A StP H,
A Fin-Swe, F Bot S A Fin-Swe, F Nap-Ion
FRANCE (Diehl): A Bur S AUSTRIAN A Tyo-Mun, A Pie S A Tus-Ven, A Tus-Ven,
A Rom-Nap, F Apu-Adr, F Trn S ENGLISH F Nap-Ion, F Tun S ENGLISH F Nap-Ion
GERMANY (~~XXXX~~ Brooks): A Mun-Tyo (-Kie, OTB), A Pru-Sil, F Bal S RUSSIAN A Lvn
(NSO), A Ber S A Pru-Sil, A Ruh-Mun
ITALY (Kovalcik, Jr.): F Ven S TURKISH F Apu /a/
RUSSIA (Zimmermann): F Lvn-Pru, A War S F Lvn-Pru, A Mos-StP
TURKEY (Fujihara): F Adr S Ita F Ven, F Ion S F Adr (-Alb, Eas, OTB), F Aeg S
F Ion, A Ukr S RUSS A War

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUSTRIA: Bud, Tri, Vie, Ser, Gre, BMX , Rum, Mun	(7) BUILD ONE*
ENGLAND: Edi, Lvp, Lon, Nwy, Bre, Swe, StP, <u>Hol</u>	(8) BUILD ONE
FRANCE :Ma,r Par, Spa, Por, Rom, Nap, Tun, <u>Ven</u>	(8) BUILD ONE
GERMANY: Ber, Kie, MAA , Den, Bel, HØX	(4) REMOVE ONE**
ITALY : YSA	(0) OUT
RUSSIA :Mos, Sev, War	(3) EVEN
TURKEY :Ank, Con, Smy, Bul	(4) EVEN***

*If A Sil R OTB than Build one

**If A Mun R OTB than even

***If F Ion R OTB than Build One

Winter 1901 orders are due April 21, 1976 at noon.

1975EN (CO2) DRAW VETOED AS AUSTRO-ITALIANS ENLARGE THEIR WORLD Spring 1905

AUSTRIA (Trenam): a sev-ARM, a rum-BUL, a ser-TRI, a bud-GAL, a vie-BOH, A MUN
s ita ~~/BØX~~(nsu)-ruh(nso), a war-PRU, A MOS-stp, f tri-ALB, F NAF-mid
FRANCE (Stephens): f mid h, a bel h
GERMANY (Zimmermann): F NTH c a yor-DEN, F HOL s ARUH-kie
ITALY (Ditter, Don): F POR s F WES-mid, F TUN-wes, F ION-tun, F NAP-ion, a ven-
PIE, a mar-GAS, A BUR s A KIE-ruh, a par-PIC
RUSSIA (Kovalcik): A STP s a fin, A FIN s a stp, f cly-LVP, F NAT s french
f mid
TURKEY (Diehl): F AEG s f smy-EAS, F CON-bul/amb./, a bul-GRE
Draw was vetoed. Fall 1905 orderd due April 21, 1976 at noon.

1975GK (CO3) ITALY FORGETS THAT THERE WERE 2 UNITS ON GREECE Fall 1904

AUSTRIA (Diehl): a sev-arm, f con ~~s /BØX/ec~~/nsu/, a bul s fcon, a tyo s ita
a ven-pie, a gal-rum
ENGLAND (McDonald): a swe h, a den s a swe, f nth-hel, f lon-nth, f cly-nwg(nwg),
FRANCE (Lucero): ~~xxxxxxx~~ a bel/hol, f pic/bel, a bur/ruh, a mar-gas, f mid-wes
GERMANY (Nelson): a ruh ~~s~~ a hol, a hol ~~s~~ a ruh, a mun s a ruh, f kie u, a lvn/mos,
a war ~~s~~ a lvn-mos
ITALY (Behnen): f rom-trn, f nap-ion, f adr s f nap-ion, f gre ~~s~~ f adr-ion(-alb,
otb), a tun'h, a ven-pie
~~KKR~~ RUSSIA (Boogard): a ukr/war, a mos ~~s~~ a ukr-war, f fin-stp(sc)
TURKEY (Zimmermann): a smy/con, f aeg s f ion-gre, f ion-gre
supply center chart

austria-bud, tri, vei, rum, bul, con

(60) build one

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england-edi, lvp, lon, nwy, swe, den
france -bre, mar, par, spa, por, bel
germany-ber, kie, mun, ~~den~~, ~~bel~~, hol, war
italy -rom, nap, ven ser, tun, ~~gre~~
russia -mos, stp, sev,
turkey -ank, ~~den~~, smy, gre

6- build one
6- build one
5-remove one
5-remove one
3-even
3-even

italy retreated f DEN-KIEL in summer 1904, turkey retreated a con-smy in the sam season.

winter 1904 & Spring ~~1904~~ 1905 orders are both due on April 21, 1976.

1975GS (CO5) GERMANY DYING, RUSSIA RISING, AND WE ALL FALL ASLEEP Fall 1904

Russia retreat ~~Exx~~ f cly-NAT, turkey retreated f ion-NAP, italy retreated aven-ROM

AUSTRIA (Boogaard):A VEN s a tyo-PIE, F LYO-spa(sc), A TRI s a ven
ENGLAND (Lucero):f cly-LVP, a bel-HOL, F NWG s f EDI-nth,
FRANCE (Cooper):A RUH s eng a bel-hol, A PIC-bur, A BUR-mar, A MAR-spa
GERMANY (Adam for Parker):a hol-ruh/a/, f den-KIE, a ber-kie/a/
ITALY (McDONALD):F ~~TRN~~ TRN s & A ROM s F ion-NAP, A TUS-pie
RUSSIA (Behnen):f nat-MID, f NTH s a swe-DEN, ~~xxxx~~ A SIL s a pru-BER, A MUN s
ger f den-kie, f con-AEG, a rum-BUL, ~~xxxx~~ F NWY-nwg
TURKEY (Schuetz):A BOH s g rus a mun, A GRE h, f eas-ION, f nap-APU
s.c. chart

austria-vie, tri, bud, ser, VEN 5- build one
england-edi, lvp, ~~den~~, bel, HOL 4-even
france -par, mar, bre, spa, por, LON 6- build one
germany-~~den~~, kie, ~~den~~, ~~den~~ 1-~~xx~~ even
italy -~~den~~, nap, rom, tun 3-remove one
russia -war, mos, stp, swe, rum, con, nwy, sev, mun, DEN, BER, BUL. 12-build 3
turkey -ank, smy, ~~den~~, gre 3-remove one

~~xxx~~ There has been a call for a 3-way draw between Austria, Russia, and Turkey. In fact, there have been 2 calls for this draw. Please vote with your winter & Spring 1904/1905 orders, which are due on April 21, 1976.

1975GT (CO6) FRANCE CONTINUES TO DOMINATE EUROPE Winter 1903

Austria removes F Alb; England Removes F Ska & F Nth; France retreats a Ber-Kie, and builds A Par, and A Mar; Germany removes f Holl; Italy retreats f ion-GRE, and builds F Nap; Russia builds A Mos, and Turkey is even.

Spring 1904 orders are due April 21, 1976.

1975Xcv (CY1) Russia leads Europe In Arms Race Winter 1903

China retreats A omo-SNK, ENGLAND retreats f lon-WAL. China, England, France, Japan are even. Austria builds A Bud; Germany builds F Kie, A Mun; India removes A Afg, A Kan; Italy builds F Mog; Russia builds A Vla, A Mos; Turkey builds A Ank.

Spring 1904 orders are due April 21, 1976.

1975HK (CO7) ITALY GRABS EVERYTHING IT CAN OUT OF THE DEFORMED AUSTRIA. Spring 1903

AUSTRIA (McDonald):A BOH-mun, A BUD-rum, A SER s & A bul s/a/ s a bud-rum, f gre-AEG
ENGLAND (Diehl):A BRE h, F NTH-hel, F NWY h, f lvp-IRI, F SKA s f swe-DEN
FRANCE (Weinstock):A BEL s eng f nth-hol(nso), A PIC s a par-BUR, A MAR s f mid-GAS

GERMANY (Schuetz):a den h(-KIE, OTB), F HEL-nth, A HOL s a bur-RUH, A BER-mun
ITALY (Stephens):F ION s f alb-GRE, A VEN-tri, A TRI-ser, a tyo-VIE
RUSSIA (Fujihara):a gal-UKR, a war-MOS, A STP h
TURKEY (Bumpas):F BLA s & A CON s a rum-BUL, a arm-ANK, F SEV-rum

the Austrian a Bul was /a/. Summer & Fall 1903 orders due April 21, 1976

1974Q (CO8) BRITISH EMPIRE NEARS MAGIC NUMBER OF EIGHTEEN Spring 1908

AUSTRIA (Brooks):A SIL s A GAL-war, A TYO s A ~~VEN~~ PIE-ven, a vie-TRI,
a rum-SEV, F BLA c & A CON s a sev-ANK, F AEG s a con
ENGLAND (Minton):F MID s f por-SPA~~9~~(sc), f lvp-NAT, a bre-GAS, F ENG c a lon-BEL,
f edi-NTH, f bar-STP(nc), f ~~xxx~~ BAL s a kie-BER, a den-KIE, ~~FxHx~~ F HEL h,
a par-BUR, ~~xxxxxxx~~
FRANCE (Diehl):a ber h(-Mun, OTB), f nat-CLY
ITALY (Pepper):f spa(sc)-MAR, F APU s A TUS-ven, f rom-TEN, F EAS s A SMY h
RUSSIA (Kovalcik) A Mos s a war, A WAR s a mos
TURKEY (Verheiden):~~xxxxxxx~~ a ank s aus a con-smy(nso)(-ARM, OTB)

Summer & Fall 1908 orders are due April 21, 1976. There has been a call for a concession to ENGLAND. Please vote with your Fall 1908 orders.

1974AJ (CO9) RUSSIA STABS TURKEY RUSSIA STABS TURKEY RUSSIA STABS TURK. fall 1907

Germany retreats a Kie-Ruh, A Ber-Mun

England has no units (1 short).

FRANCE (Adam for Parker):a yor-LVP, a pie-TYO, A BUR ms A BEL, f ~~EDI~~ EDI-nth,
f eng-LON, F LYO-wes, f mar-SPA~~9~~(sc)
GERMANY (Behnen):A RUH s a hol/a/-~~Kie~~ kie, A SIL s A MUN-ber. A Hol /a/
RUSSIA (Smyth):f sev-ARM, a ukr-RUM, A TRI s a bud-SER, A WAR-sil, F BAL s
A BER s a war-sil, F HEL s F KIE s f nth-HOL, F NWY-nth
TURKEY (Minton):a arm-ANK, a bul-GRE, f aeg-ION, f rom-TUS, A VEN s f rom-tus,
f wes-MID, F TUN-wes, F TRN-lyo, a ser h(-Alb, BUL, OTB)
s.c. chart

- England-~~xxx~~
- france -bre, mar, par, spa, por, bel, edi, lon, LVP 0-out
- germany-~~ber~~, ~~Kie~~, mun, ~~hol~~ 9- BUILD ONE
- italy -~~spa~~ 1-remove two
- russia -Mos, stp, sev, war, rum, nwy, den, bud, vie, swe, tri, ber, ~~Kie~~ 0-out
- ~~Kie~~ KIE, HOL, SER 15- build four
- turkey -ank, con, smy, bul, ~~gre~~, gre, nap, rom, tun, VEN 9-even

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1975HZ (C11) ENGLAND LEADS THE"PACK" WITH SEVEN GOING INTO ~~1902~~ 1903 Fall 1902

AUSTRIA (Lucero):A BUL s A SER-gre, A VIE s F TRI h
ENGALND (Fujihara):F NWG h, F nwy-STP, F NTH s F BEL h, A SWE h
FRANCE (Diehl):a tus-ROM, A MAR-pie, f lyo-trn(-Spa(sc), Tus, OTB), F MID s
f spa(sc)-WES
GERMANY (Yontz):A VEN s fre a tus-rom, A TYO-tri, a ber-SIL, F BAL c A KIE-lvn
F DEN h
ITALY (Behnen):A ~~xxx~~ PIE-mar, F TRN s f wes-LYO
RUSSIA (Kelly):F BOT & A WAR-lvn, a ukr-GAL, F RUM s aus a bul, f sev-BLA
TURKEY (Callahan):F AGE s & A GRE s A CON-bul, f ank-ARM

s.c. chart

- austria-vie, tri, bud, ser, BUL 5- build one
- england-edi, lvp, lon, bel, nwy, SWE, STP 7- build two
- france -bre, par, mar, spa, por, ROM 6- build one
- germany-ber, kie. mun, den, ven, hol 6- even
- italy -~~xxx~~, nap, tun 2-remove one

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russia-mos, ~~stp~~, sev, war, rum.~~fixxx~~ four-remove one
turkey-ank, con, smy, gre four-even

Winter 1902 orders are due ~~D~~ April 21, 1976.

1976Acv (CY2) 66% of the builds are fleets, if that mean anything. Winter 1901

Austria retreats A Rum-Ser, and builds A Bud, Atri. China builds F Can, F Pek, England builds F Joh, F Edi, A Lon. France builds F Bre, A Par, F Sai. Germany builds F Ber, A Mun. India builds A Del, F Mad, A Cal. Italy builds F Nap, F Mog. Japan builds F Osa, F Tok. Russia builds F StP(nc), A Mos, F Oms, F Vla. Turkey builds F Bag, F Con, F Smy. No nmrs.

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1976E (C12) RUSSIAN PEASANTS STAY AT HOME TO FORCE STEAMROLLER TO Winter 1901
RUN OUT OF GAS. MOSCOW THREATENED!

Austria builds A Vie. Engalnd builds F Edi. France builds A Par, F Bre, F Mar. Germany builds A Kie, F Ber. Italy builds A Ven, F Nap. Russia is Even. Turkey builds A Con, A Smy.

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1976BC (C13) STANDBY'S REQUESTED. March 20, 1901

Orders have been recieved from:Austria and Turkey.

Standby's: for...

Engalnd:Ron Kelly, Rm. 120, 225 Virginia Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20061.

FRANCE:Eric Verheiden, Caltech 1-86, Pasadena, CA 91126.

ITALY:Jim Diehl, 5008 Normandale Highlands Drive, Bloomington, MN 55437.

These people have not NMRed, but this is a good precaution. Deadline is still April 21, 1976.

C14:Entered:Diehl(MN), Ditter, Dave(CA, S.), VANSTEEL (MI), Behnen(MO).

If I left anyone out, please tell me imeediately.

No standby's needed except for Diehl, Kelly, and Verheiden, who should see above.

Maybe I should say that phone calls are discouraged.

Congratulations to Ted McDonald, who is getting married. Tough luck Mrs. McDonald, you will have to receive that *\$@! magazine, CENTURION.

AN EXCERPT FROM A SUMMARY OF 1974AW
by Henry Kelley

RF here. Unfortunately I can't find Henry's article at the moment. It will appear next issue.

ZINE REVIEWS

SAINT GEORGE AND THE DRAGON #2, Robert Sergeant, 2902 St. Paul St., Indianapolis, IN 46203, subs are 10/\$2, openings in dippy for \$3 (includes sub??). CONTAINS:Game, announcements, an article on Animal Speech,"the Italian Shuffle" by Edi Birsan, notes on houserules, and "The Adventures of Moonman." 8pp mimeo? offset? screenprinted? Nice new zine.

GASSED 2, #3, David Truman, 30 Prince Rupert Ave, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA M6P 2A7, subs are 12(apx.)/\$2.50 in the USA(airmail). CONTAINS: games, houserules, press. also there are openings for \$5 including sub. It's 3 computer printed sheets.

TAU CETI #6, Larry A. Dunning, 46 Holmesdale Rd, West Midland, 6056 Western Austrailia AUSTRAILLIA, subs are 4/\$3 airmail overseas, and 4/\$1.50 overseas otherwise. CONTAINS:announcemtns, lists of openings, editorial, Game review of GUERILLA, Englind in ANTLANTICA, Shogi(Japanese Chess), Star
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GM Comments, cont.

I would like your opinion on which form I should use for printing orders:

- For A:
 A Vie S AUSTRIAN A Gal-War, A Tri-Bud, A Ser S A Tri-Bud (use of underlining)
 B: a vie s aus a gal-war, a tri-bud(✓), a ser s(✓) a tri-bud
 C: a VIE s(✓) aus a gal-war, A SER s(✓) a tri-BUD (a TRI-bud)
 D: " " A Tri-Bud(✓*) s by A Ser(✓)

Unless there are many objections, we will use form C. All orders should look like this when you submit them:

A Vie-Gal, A Bud-Ser, F Tri-Ven
 Army Vienna-Galacia, Army Budapest-Serbia, etc.
 or any version but they should not look like the way they are wrote (xxx ((written)) in form C, in other words, xxx write them as before. when an order looks like this (this is all form C) it succeeds: a vie-GAL, fails: A VIE-gal, support cut: A BUD ✓ xxx A vie-GAL, convoying is the same as s, and when a unit is dislodged it appears like this: a vie-gal(-TRI, BUD, OTB); xxxxxx/ax/xxxxxxxxx xxxxxxxx a ser(/a/) a vie-BUD

If there are any questions, please write me immediately. Now an article:

OPENING MOVES: GERMANY
 by Terry Lucero

In Diplomacy, Germany, along with Austria, occupies a central position on the board. This allows the German player flexibility in his opening plans, but also requires that he walk a diplomatic tightrope, in order to keep from being crushed by her neighbors. Since his help is required by England or France to crush the other, and his acquiescence for Russia and Austria to proceed elsewhere, Germany is usually able to avoid a two-front war.

In 1901, the easiest expansion route for Germany is into his "sphere of influence," generally considere Denmark and Holland. This is not considered threatening for the most part, but it is most significant how Germany takes them. Occupation of Denmark by the fleet in Kiel in Spring 1901 can be interpreted as a threat to Russia's taking of Sweden. On the other hand, occupying Holland first opens the way to take Belgium in Fall 1901, a direct threat to France and/or England. In order to keep from being overwhelmed by 3 powers, Germany must be open about which moves she intends to use, and live up to his word.

One possibility is a 2-front war against Russia and England, or France. This requires a firm alliance with either England or France against the other, and the help of Austria and Turkey. Suchan opening might proceed thus: S '01: Germany! F Kie-Den, A Mun-Kie, A Ber-Pru. Aus: A Vie-Gal, A Bud-Rum, F Tri-Alb, Tur: A Con-Bul, F Ank-Bla, A Smy-Arm. By this time, Russia will realize what he's in for, but will be unable to do anything about it. The most important thing for German;y is to ~~preteet~~ prevent Engaand and France from attacking him. He may choose to move A Mun-Ruh and A Ber-Kie rather than the moves listed' above, depending on the reliability of his pact with France or England. In Fall 1901 the moves might go: G: F Den-Swe, A Pru-War, A Kie-Hol; A: F Alb-Gre, A Bud-Ser, A Vie-Gal; T: F Bla-Rum, A Bul S F Bla-Rum, A Arm-Sev. This seals Russia's doom, and allows Germany to occupy Warsaw in 1902 or '03.

Another enemy Germany might attack is Austria. To do so, however, is ex extremely dangerous for it leaves his western front open to Anglo-French attack, and gains Germany little in terms of supply centers. Assuring he can get France and England toattak each other, Germany can move thus: S01: G: F Kie-Hol, A Mun-Tyo, A Ber-sil; R: A War-Gal, A Mos-Ukr, F Sev-Rum, F StP(sc)-Bot; T: A Con-Bul, A Smy-Ank, F Ank-Con; I: A Ven-Tri, F Nap-Ion, A Rom-Ven. Then, in F01: G: A Sil-Boh, A Tyo S A Sil-Boh, F Hol H; R: A Ukr-Gal, A War S A Ukr-Gal, F Rum H, F Bot-Swe; T: A Bul-Gre, F Con-Bul(sc), A Ank-Con; I: A Tri H, A Ven S A Tri, F Ion-Tun. Yhid eill hsin Russia, Turkey, and Italy two centers each, but Germany only one. Thus, Germany and Austria do best seperately, and Germany should leave Austria alone.

