

DOWN AT THE MOUTH #19

Hello again everybody!! You are getting this rag because you are either in a game, a friend of mine, or an enemy of Behnen's or Frueh's and they've asked me to send this to you as an announcement that your Purgatory is about to begin.

Announcements:

A new Titan player came into the world at 8 lb., 2 oz. on April 2, 1990. Her name is Victoria Lee Behnen, congrats Ginger (Gary really didn't do all that much, you know, he wrote Ginger a few letters, got Ginger to play along, then sat back and watched, well, he got a muster, do two girls muster a boy?

Poolcon is **August 3, 4, and 5, 1990.**

Game openings in Titan, Kremlin and Acquire. See the following announcement for more details. For Titan, Blue and Black have already been picked, so send your other colors in order of preference. Acquire players, please speed up the play a bit. I may have to play your lowest tile and not buy for you if you continue to take over 10 days.

Deadline for all Diplomacy games is Saturday, May 5, 1990.

Congratulations to Melinda and Jason for their fine draw in Major Molar. Thanks to all my players, even though we had an NMR or two, the originals were in till the end.

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ALGEBRA PROBLEM: Let's see who can figure this out first.

A rope over the top of a fence has the same length on each side and weighs one-third of a pound per foot. On one end hangs a monkey holding a banana, and on the other end a weight equal to the weight of the monkey. The banana weighs 2 ounces per inch. The length of the rope in feet is the same as the age of the monkey, and the weight of the monkey in ounces is as much as the age of the monkey's mother. The combined ages of the monkey and its mother are 30 years. One-half the weight of the monkey plus the weight of the banana is one-fourth the sum of the weights of the rope and the weight. The monkey's mother is one-half as old as the monkey will be when it is three times as old as its mother was when she was one-half as old as the monkey will be when it is as old as its mother will be when she is four times as old as the monkey was when it was twice as old as its mother was when she was one-third as old as the monkey was when it was as old as its mother was when she was three times as old as the monkey was when it was one-fourth as old as it is now. How long is the banana?

Show your work !!

GAME STARTS:

TITAN: \$1.00 and send your choice of colors. One signed up, black ^{blue} is already taken. You aren't signed up yet unless I have confirmed it here _____

KREMLIN: \$7.00 and I'll take from 4 - 6 players. You can make up a name for your party. You are signed up if this space is checked _____

ACQUIRE: One signed up, Roger Cox, need 3 more at \$7.00 per player. Roger, send \$\$\$ at game start. Thanks.

DIPLOMACY: None for a while yet, I've got enough of these for now.

RAMbuti 1988AV F'04: GM ERROR CAUSES REPLAY.

The Turkish army Bulgaria is not ANN., instead it is a beleaguered garrison. This changes things considerably, so I will review the W'04 stats and we will take it from there.

SUPPLY CENTERS:

Austria: Home, Ser, BUL, RUM (5) even
England: Edi, Lpl (2) even
France: Home, Spa, Por (5) even
Germany: Home, Hol, Bel, Den, Swe, Lon (8) even
Italy: Home, Tun, Gre (5) even
Russia: Home, Nwy (5) even
Turkey: Home, RUM, bul (4) even

Austria (York): Has A Vie, Bud, Ser, Bul, F Aeg.
England (Hurley): Has F Iri, Wal.
France (Orne): Has A Par, Pic, Bur, F Bre, MAO.
Germany (Diehl): Has A Gal, Bel, Ruh, Kie, Sil, Mun, F Lon, Cha.
Italy (Hanna): Has A Boh, Tyo, Gre, F Syr, EMD.
Russia (McCrumb): Has A War, Ukr, F Sev, Cha, NAO.
Turkey (Greger): Has A Rum, Smy, F Bla, Con.

7 X 7 Gunboat Tournament:

There was an NMR, a standby player has been called, although I'm positive that the original player will return. The tournament will not be overly delayed, and I will send out moves by flyer as soon as I adjudicate the tourney.

DOWNFALL AT THE MOUTH: GM Jason Bergman calls a delay.

Apparantly Jason misplaced a few orders and will get the game on track very quickly. Either he or I will send out the moves along with the next deadline. Jason sends along his regrets.

MAJOR MOLAR ENDS!!

Country	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	Player
Austria:	5	7	7	7	7	9*	8	Rebecca/John Tompkins (surv. S'08)
England:	4	6	7	8	10	11	11	Melinda Holley (draw S'08)
France:	5	5	6	6	8	9	10	Jason Bergman (draw S'08)
Germany:	4	4	3	1	0			Kathy Caruso (elim. W'04)
Italy:	4	4	3	3	1	0		Jeff McKee (elim. W'05)
Russia:	4	4	4	5	5	3	3	Marc Peters (surv. S'08)
Turkey:	5	4	4	4	3	2	2	Jim Diehl (surv. S'08)

* Played 1 short.

Thanks to my Former Russian Standby, Ron Cameron, and to my Future Russian Standby, Garret Schenck. They were worth 1/3 of the press at least. Endgame statements due next turn.

VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE: 1990T : S'01: ALL MOVES SUCCEED, ARE CAPONE AND THE DEVIL BOTH GREEDY IN THIS GAME?

Austria (Behnen): A Vie- Gal, A Bud- Ser, F Tri- Alb.
England (Frueh): A Lpl- Yor, F Edi- Nwg, F Lon- Nth.
France (Shulman): A Mar- Spa, F Bre- MAO, A Par- Bur.
Germany (York): F Kie- Den, A Ber- Kie, A Mun- Ruh.
Italy (Mingus): A Ven- Tyo, A Rom- Apu, F Nap- Ion.
Russia (Wallace): F Sev- Rum, A War- Ukr, A Mos- Sev, F StP(sc)- GOB.
Turkey (Peters): A Con- Bul, F Ank- Bla, A Smy- Arm.

Press:

Moscow- Constantinople: Perhaps my ambassador was murdered; I need to hear from you. ((Killed by a Devil Worshipper's cult.))
Tur- Board: "WARNING", Gary is the Devil!
Tur- Russ: Hey!! The Devil made me do it! ((He made the Italian do a Lepanto too?)) ((Good work, Gary))
France- Germany: I will march on Berlin.
Aus- Ita: Hey, that's not a cover name for Bo(t) or Tailman, is it?
Vie- Ank: Silence is golden, in my kids, but I was counting on a little more chatter----- even MadLad lies, anything...
Aus- Eng: You want to do what? Worry about your own bones, pup!
Tur- Eng: If Gary is the Devil, you must be Beelzebub! ((Beelzepup, maybe))
Moscow- Vienna: Agreed.
Moscow- Berlin: Agreed. ((We are just dying to hear if you agreed to give Aus Warsaw and Germany Sweden.))
Italy- Austria: If that is your attitude, then I challenge you for Greece. ((Just don't bet your soul on the outcome))
Vie- Ber: I'm glad your intentions are peaceful, I down, 5 to go. ((Kersnick))
Aus- Rus: Yes, I got a little cold feet--- nothing that couldn't be warmed, mind you. ((Nothing like putting your feet to the fire)) No harm, no foul.
Italy- ~~Russia~~ Russia: Let's have a fight between us.

Michael and Gary both had some questions, I will attempt to answer them here.
- Yes Gary, you owe me for this game and the new Acquire gamestart, and you can't bet the outcome of our next Titan game on it. \$12.00
Michael- Most of your questions are answered in the houserules, however, I have never even played Machiavelli though I hear good things about it. I do take the most recently **postmarked** set of orders.
I do underline moves that fail. As far as a good Diplomacy Magazine, I'd refer you to Tom Nash's Zine Register (\$1.50), it has good reviews and most of the info you'll need. Also, check with the results of Eric Brosius' Rune- stone Poll out later this summer to see who's hot and who's not. Both addresses are on the address page.

F'01 due next turn.

Special note to Mark Frueh and Nancy: Yes, fillings do wear out, but a second opinion is never a bad idea. Even the natural teeth wear out, so why not the man made replacements? Actually, it's the margins between the filling and the tooth that wear down, crumble, etc. causing room for microscopic organisms to begin the process all over again.

Major Molar

ODIN 1987HM W'01: AUSTRIA PLAYS TOUGH GUY- NO BUILD.

Austria (Bergman/ Gonsalves): No build received. Has F Alb, A Ser, A Tri.
England (Johnson): Build F Edi. Has F Edi, F Nwg, F Nth, A Nwy.
France (O'Donnell): Builds A Par, F Mar. Has A Par, F Mar, F Por, A Spa, A Bur.
Germany (Holley): Even, Has A Kie, A Ruh, F Hol.
Italy (Botimer): Build F Nap. Has F Nap, A Tyo, A Ven, F Tun.
Russia (Gestiehr): Builds A StP, A War. Has A StP, A War, F Swe, A Ukr, F Sev, A Ber.
Turkey (Peters): Build F Smy. Has F Smy, F Bla, A Bul, A Con.

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Press:

Russ- Ger: Cheer up. According to the Mahler Index, this game is only .03% completed. ((You are a source of comfort to us all))
Larry- Jason: Once again, a mindless stab ((like Italy's on Germany?)), is that all you can do? ((No, he plays Titan the same way))
Italy- France: Interesting move Austria made, wasn't it? ((About as interesting as France's builds, eh?))
Italy- Turkey: The hysteria level is still high- Go for it!!
Italy- Russia: How come Stan is picking on you? ((He's just keeping in shape for his next Close Encounter of the Diehl Kind))
France- Italy: You are right, it's not the same, but you can support me anyway!
Italy- England: Is that anti- Russian, or anti- Millie?
France- Russia: Well, now what?
GM- France: Meet in the Ionian?
Italy- GM: Nice crowd you tossed me in with.
GM- Italy: I thought you'd feel right at home.
Italy- Germany: How come you didn't bounce Ken? He's cuter, I guess. ((Only her hairdresser knows for sure))

S'02 due next turn.

Would Mike Gonsalves please standby for Austria? It shouldn't be too long of a stint for you Mike. By the way everybody, check out Mike's new zine, **Crimson Sky**, all sorts of things getting started there!!!

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HOUSE RULES Updated and negating all previous rules.

1. Follow the rulebook. When a situation arises not followed by, or found in the rulebook, I'll decide the issue. If that fails, a mutually agreed upon Ombudsman will decide the issue.
2. There are no mistakes if not brought to my attention before the next deadline.
3. Black press is allowed, subject to good taste in language as determined by me.
4. One NMR calls a standby. The original player must submit orders by the next deadline or he/she is out.
A second NMR later by the same player in that game will result in a permanent replacement in that game only.
5. If orders are not clear, it's your fault. If you are in more than one game it is permissible to write all orders on one sheet of paper, just make sure that I know the difference.
6. There is an automatic season separation in W'01. All other separations will be by request of 2 or more people.
7. Builds and orders may be conditional upon retreats, removals, and potential standbys.
8. CD may be allowed if I can't find a standby and one or two units are left.
9. Draws are now allowed at any time. No DIAS allowed unless voted on in that manner. All draw passes must be unanimous. NMR's = YES. NVR's = NO.
10. Deception of the GM will result in immediate expulsion from the game, the zine, and any other action I can think of.
11. These rules are subject to written change only.
12. You must have fun or all houserules are meaningless.

*** Houserules for **Acquire**, **Titan**, and **Kremlin** will be supplied to the player involved.

WM. RASPBERRY: 1986AR- F'08. IT LOOKS LIKE A VICTORY FOR MILLIE.

England: F Nwg- (S) F Nth- Nwy, F Nth- Nwy, F Den- Swe, A Lon- Wal, F Chi- (S) A Bel, A Pic- (S) A Bur, A Pic- (S) A Rom- Ven, F GOL- (S) A Pic, F Ion- (S) F Nap, F Nap- (S) F Ion, F Tyn- (S) F Ion, F Tun- (S) F Ion, A Rom- Ven, A Bel- Hold, A Bur- Hold.

Germany: A Mun- Sil, A Boh- S (G) A Tyo- Mun(nsu), A Kie- Den, A Hol- Bel, A Ruh- (S) A Hol- Bel, A Nwy- (S) F Fin- Swe, F Fin- Swe.

Turkey: Ret: F Ion- Gre, A Ven- (S) A Tri, A Tri- (S) A Ven, A Bud- Hold, A War- Hold, A Sil- Ber, A StP- S (G) A Nwy, A Bul- Ser, A Tyo- Mun, F EMD- Ion, F Aeg- (S) F EMD- Ion, F Adr- (S) F EMD- Ion, F Gre- (S) F EMD- Ion.

SUPPLY CENTERS: W'08

England: Home, BCl, Bre, Mar, Par, Por, Spa
Den, hol, Tun, Rom, Nap, ven (13) -2

Germany: Kie, mun, ber, HOL, Nwy, Swe,
bud (4) -2

Turkey: Home, Bul, Gre, Mos, Rum, Ser, Sev,
Tri, Vie, Stp, BER, MUN, VEN, WAR*
BUD (17) +5

* Gained in W'07.

PRESS:

Granny- Pops: If you two want a 2- way, it'll have to go to 17/17. Catch my drift?

Granny- Pops: No fool, I don't want a 3- way.((Sounds fun to me.))

Proposal: E/T draw.

W'08/ S'09 next turn.

Letter from Larry Peery.

10 February 1990

Hello there!

Thank for the DOWN AT THE MOUTH. I hate hearing from you because it reminds me that I need to go to the dentist and get my teeth cleaned.

LW #57 is done and out. Now I'm working the printer through reprinting the four DWA books. Bleah...

It's a fun weekend. I'm running an estate sale that has everything from 45 pieces of furniture to a bunch of oriental art. What a mess.

Thank for the info on POCICON. I may have a problem because of the dates. It comes the weekend after PEERICON, which may make it a bit tight. Other than that I do want to come.

You did neglect a couple of major items:

1) Where is Marshall, MO, and how do I get there (and where is it in relation to Charleston, AK, and how do I get from one to the other)?

2) Are there any 5 star hotels in Marshall? Are there any good liquor stores and do they carry California wines? (I drove them nuts in Paris looking for California wines...) Are there any kosher Mexican restaurants?

3) How deep is that pool? (both ends) Is the bottom tile, plaster, or plastic? Is it heated? Is there a diving board? (how high) Will you have plenty of extra water on hand to replace what is splashed out of it? Is there any danger of flooding to the house? What is the PH factor of the water (Need to know that to determine whether I will need rubber soled shoes to walk on it...).

4) Is there any place to use my surfboard or wind sail?

5) How thick is the concrete around the pool? Is it single slab or?

6) Is Cameron going to design the scoring system?

Anyway, if Behnen shows and you can get Mrs. Ozog to bring her fur coat and wear it during the Con, I'll give it my best swim dive.

Actually, I was hoping to have my room addition, new patio, and a pool in by this summer. But I don't think I'm going to make it because they are talking six months to do it all. How long did it take you to do your pool?

Oh yea, where do I moor my yacht? That might be a problem since the yacht is 42' long. But at the waterline it is only 39', so it might make it.

What about sultan oil spills? Will you have sweepers and booms around?

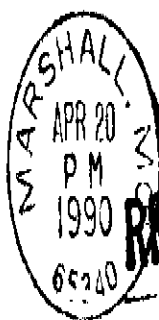
I've got a great idea for a variant. You get everybody to paint a black dot (with body paint) around their navel. Put them all in the pool with a bunch of inflatable lifeboats. Well, you figure out the rest of it...

How were phone calls. This is insane.

Love,

Pool 20x40', ten feet deep, lots of concrete
& women around - no good eats in Marshall, but
were close to Kic. & Seabie. Behnen will be here.

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