

# DIPLOPHOBIA

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 Regular Postal Diplomacy Games: THIS is war!!!  
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 @\*QEC(1970AD)(F/W10)(pp2,3) QHC(1971W)(Su/F05)(pp7,8)  
 \*QFC(1970AO)(A/W09)(pg3) QIC(1971BI)(W03)(pp3-5) \*Plus Diplobourse.  
 Variant Postal Diplomacy Game: FNI(1970Fck)(Su/F22)(pp1,8) This is WAR???  
 @WON WINT 1910, Rick Brooks, AUSTRIA-HUNGARY. Diplobourse won by Wm.Linden.

The Players -- Changes to Roster in P-86 (as changed by P's 87-91); new Roster in #93 or 94 -- Ackerman: (CoA) %Cheshire Home, 890 Main Road, MOSELEY, Natal, Rep. of South Africa; Brooks: Delete entire entry; out of game QEC; Hodin: Change ZIP to 33140; Linden: Delete "B's"; Phillips: Delete E; St.Cyr: Delete E (will be out of Bourses unless he subs to DPBA by nextish, as his eligibility ended with the completion of QEC); Walker: (CoA) 4719 Felton St., San Diego, CA 92116 (same phone), delete E; Welsh: will be at 6917 Cherry Lane, Annandale, VA 22003, from 23 Jan.-1 Feb., then back to Providence.

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The House-Rules -- As published in DIPLOMANTIA #26, and amended thish. These are mandatory.

Replacement Players -- Replacement moves needed nextish from: Phillips (QDC: ENG; FNI: ENG), Naus (QGC: ENG), Walker (QHC: ITA), Boyer or anyone (FNI: MUNSTER). More stand-by Replacement Players needed for FNI.

FNI (Continued from page 8) --

ORK -- Heb, Kin, Sky, Cai, Dur, Lis, Don (may build one unit). (7)

ULS -- Ros, Sli, Arm, Dow, Oma (may build one unit; was one short last yr.). (5)

Propaganda -- None.

Deadline for WINT, 1022 builds/removals -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15.

Miscellaneous -- All DPBA players note information on pages 9 and 10 of thish re the H-R changes. ~~###~~ IMPORTANT: All players are asked to place the date the latest issue of DPBA was received on their orders, in the lower left-hand corner, from the coming deadline until otherwise noted by the GM. Also, players are asked to put the date (and time, if possible) mailed on the back of their envelope (or the upper left-hand corner of the front of their post card). This will help us to develop a statistical picture of what's going on as far as the mails are concerned; there've been far too many persons hurt by slow postal service or postal-goof-ups during the past few months (an average of one out of five players for each issue). We need to pin-point the problem areas before taking corrective action. Please cooperate on this, as it's for your own benefit.... ~~###~~ DPBA is 20¢ ea., 6/\$1 (no 12-issue subs, please; issue #100 may be the last....) (or, 15¢ ea., 7/\$1 Games Bureau members); free to players within, traders, & contributors of letters/articles published within. Pubbed tri-weekly. Address Code: B, Player in Bourse; P, Player in game(s) within; S, Sample; T, Trade; W, Subber; X, Last issue, unless.... For air-mail, send 50¢-\$1 to cover extra cost.

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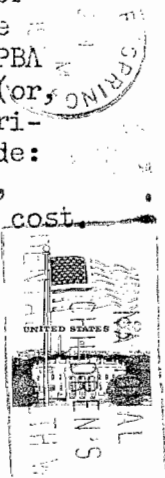
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QEC (Regular Diplomacy Game #14) -- AUSTRIA VICTORIOUS! SETS RECORD!

FALL, 1910 moves --

A-H (Brooks) -- A Nwy-Swe; A Fin (S) A Nwy-Swe; F NtS-Den; A Kie (S) F NtS-Den;  
A Pic-Bre; A Bur-Par; A Pie-Mar; A Ven-Pie; A Nap (H); F Ion-Tun; F Aeg-Ion;

A Vie-Tyo; A Mun-Bur; A Boh-Mun; A Bel-Pic.

ENG (St. Cyr) -- F Edi (H) (D (NtS, o.b.)); F Yor (S) F Edi.

ITA (Walker) -- A Gas-Spa; A Bre (H); F Nwg-Edi; F Cly (S) F Nwg-Edi; F Lon-Yor;  
F Wal-Lon; F Iri-Lvp; F WMe-Mid; A Boh-Vie (no A Bch).

RUS (Phillips) -- A Den (S) A Swe (A Den (A)); A Swe (S) A Den (A Swe (A));  
A Fin-Swe (no A Fin).

Supply Centers held at end of '10 (retreat does not affect count) --

A-H -- Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Rum, Ser, Bud, Tri, Vie, Mos, StP, Sev, War,  
Nwy, Rom, Ven, Bel, Hol, Bar, Kie, Mun, Swe, Nap, Tun, Mar, Par, Den (may  
build three units; has only 15 units on board, but just three home supply  
centers in which to build). (28)

ENG -- ~~Edi, Loh~~ (remove two units). (0)

ITA -- ~~Nap, Loh, Bre, Mar, Por~~, Spa, Lvp, Edi, Lon (remove 2 units). (6)

RUS -- ~~StP, Loh~~ (stands pat; two units dest. F'10). (0)

WINTER, 1910 builds -- A-H: (B) A Tri; (B) A Bud; (B) A Vie.

GM Note -- And, with 18 units on the board at the completion of a Winter  
season, A-H, played by Rick Brooks to a smashing conclusion, is the victor. Con-  
gratulations, Rick! (For the record, the GM will assume two removals each by  
ENG and ITALY, making the final line-up: A-H: 28 supply centers, 18 units; ITA:  
6 supply centers, 6 units; ENG and RUS: no supply centers or units; both out of  
game. 28 supply centers, it should be noted, is a record in Postal play.)

Propaganda --

Al-Mariya (Almeria) (15 Sept 1910) (A Boh-Vie) -- Emperor Nero II today addressed  
cheering throngd, declaring the Roman Empire of the Far West ("Let's hope it does-  
n't have to go much further west"), excoriating the enemy ("whoever it is"), and  
grandly predicting the utter conquest of England ("wherever that is"). Meanwhile,  
His Hystrionic Majesty also congratulated the Dual Monarchy for a "well-fought  
war". When asked by reporters what He meant by "well", Nero replied, "Avaricious-  
ly, of course." I could not be denied.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY -- Now that I have finished my Games Bureau games, I also want  
to say that I regret no longer being able to play in Don Miller's games. Not  
only is he the best GM I've played for, but his games have been the more in-  
teresting and civilized. ((Thanky, there, Rick. But we guess the time has come  
to own up--Rick Brooks is really Don Miller....--GM))

Zaragossa (27 Oct 1910) (A Boh-Vie) -- The end of the war is being greeted  
throughout the Empire with sighs of relief. "At last", said Senator Fumblus  
Yappaticus Beshara, "we can get back to normal. You know, orgies, name-calling,  
cheating at cards....".

QEC Diplobourse -- **BILL LINDEN TRIUMPHANT!**

No trading in session #27.

Final Player-Holdings & Conversion to New Diplodollars --

Name/Player	Crowns/NDD	Denarii/NDD	Remaining Holdings*	Total NDD
Borecki	1195/1195	None	10 Pd, 20 Fr, 100 Mk, 382 Ro, 2 Pi, 343762.5 Dd	1195.00
Linden	1735/1735	1694/298.99	17 Pd, 200 Mk, 357 Ro, 2 Pi, 139 Dd	2033.99
Schelz	235/235	340/60.01	131 Pd, 10 Fr, 30 Mk, 223 Ro, 20 Pi, 58636 Dd	295.01
St. Cyr	5/5	5/.88	917 Pd, 1010 Fr, 20 Mk, 245 Ro, 28 Pi, 1688 Dd	5.88
Ver Ploeg	785/785	1396/246.39	20 Pd, 1910 Fr, 3330 Mk, 846 Ro, 2680 Pi, 573 Dd	1031.39

\*Now worthless.

QEC (Continued) ---

(Converted as follows: One New Diplodollar (NDD) per unit of currency of winning country (Crowns) per unit of currency held; 5/34 NDD (n equals # of supply centers held by subject surviving country per unit of currency held for each of the surviving countries (Denarii) (thus, for ea. Denarius held, 6/34 NDD); full rule (incl. provisions for drawn game) on page 12 of DIPLOMANIA #28.)

Final Bourse Standings -- #1, Bill Linden (2034 NDD); #2, Ken Borecki (1195 NDD); #3, Brenton Ver Ploeg (1031.4 NDD); #4, George Schelz (295 NDD); #5, Larry St. Cyr (5.9 NDD).

Overall NDD Holdings (from QAC, QBC, QCC, & QEC Bourses; # of Bourses shown after avg. for those players in more than one Bourse) -- #1, Ver Ploeg (2722 NDD; 693 avg.; 4); #2, Power (2345.3 NDD; 781.8 avg.; 3); #3, Linden (2166.4 NDD; 1083.2 avg.; 2); #4, Borecki (2005 NDD; 1002.5 avg.; 2); #5, McCallum (1388.3 NDD; 694.1 avg.; 2); #6, R. Johnson (1088.2 NDD; 544.1 avg.; 2); #7, Schelz (965.6 NDD; 321.9 avg.; 3); #8, St. Cyr (733 NDD; 244.3 avg.; 3); #9, Bobker (705.9 NDD); #10, Beyerlein (702.9 NDD; 351.5 avg.; 2); #11, Rosamilia (502.9 NDD).

BM Note -- Five players left, out of a total of nine who started. Names of the other players who started the Bourse but dropped out along the way: Bobker, Ferris, Grayson, C. Wells. (D. Lindsay and Rosamilia expressed an interest initially, but dropped out before player-roll was finalized.)

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QFC (Regular Diplomacy Game #25) -- ITALY, TURKEY CALL ADDITIONAL MEN TO ARMS, WHILE ENGLAND, GERMANY CONSOLIDATE THEIR REMAINING FORCES!

AUTUMN, 1909 retreat -- GER (Welsh): A Pic (R) o.t.b.

WINTER, 1909 builds/removals -- ENG (C. Johnson): (E) F NtS; ITA (Calabria): (B) A Ven; TUR (Rosamilia): (B) A Ank; (B) A Con.

Propaganda --

London -- Ankara: It looks like I'm going to have it your's and Turkey's way.

Positions at end of W'09 -- ENG: A Wal; F's EnC, Edi (3); GER: A's Bel, Kie, Swe; F's Hel, Bar, Nwy (6); ITA: A's Vie, Bud, Ser, Ven, Pie, Gas, Par; F's NAT, Mid, Spa(SC), Bre, Tyn, Ion (13); TUR: A's Ank, Con, Bul, Gal, Sil, Mun, Ber, StP, Fin; F's Gre, Bla; A Pru (12).

QFC Diplobourse -- MARKET INACTIVITY CONTINUES!

No Action in Session 25. Market at end of W'09 (Selling Price): Cr, .00; Pd, .09; Fr, .00; Mk, .18; Li, 1.23; Ro, .00; Pi, 1.95.

77-- One miss.

Deadline for Session 27 -- Feb. 14.

Deadline for SPRING, 1910 moves -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15.

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QIC (Regular Diplomacy Game #28) -- VOLUNTEERS ADD TO ARMED STRENGTH OF FOUR NATIONS, WHILE ENGLISH SAILORS DOFF UNIFORMS, TAKE TO MOORS!

GM Error in P-91 -- Under Supply Centers Held, opp. ENG line through "Edi", chg. "(stands pat)" to "(remove one unit)", and chg. "(2)" to "(1)"; opp. GER, add "Edi", chg. "(stands pat)" to "(may build one unit)", chg. "(6)" to "(7)".

WINTER, 1903 builds/removals -- ENG (Walker): (E) F Yor; (B) Dirigible Fleet, Oxford (illegal); FRA (Tonnesen): (B) A Mar; GER (Ackerman): (B) A Ber; RUS (Sageser): (B) A StP; TUR (Boyer): (B) F Con.

Positions at end of W'03 -- A-H (Quist): A Vie (1); ENG: A Lvp (1); FRA: A's Mar, Spa, Tus; F's Lon, Iri, Lyo, Tun (7); GER: A's Ber, Mun, Edi, Den; F's Bal, Nwg, NtS (7); ITA (Beyerlein): A's Ven, Tri; F's Nap, Ion (4); RUS: A's War, Gal, Bud, Boh, Nwy; F's Swe, Rum; A StP (8); TUR: A's Gre, Ser; F's Con, EMe, Aeg, Bul(SC) (6).

Propaganda --

Beyerlein -- To NSG: Just to keep the record straight I have never played in any "Championship" games. And obviously, with all the abundant talent in QIC, neither will the rest of those poor blokes.

QIC (Continued) --

Daughter of Impassable Imposter -- I don't like being called a verbose slob; verbose yes, a slob most definitely not!

Ankara -- The Revolution has overthrown the tyrant Sultan and established the new government in Ankara. The only comment by the new President of the country has been the statement that Turkey will seek better relations with the world. He also promised that the government would seek to keep the press open and free.

Delhi (15 Dec 1903) (B.D.F.O.) -- Sir Sebastian Moran, Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Expeditionary Forces, reported that French control had been entirely eliminated in southern Asia, and that British Imperial control was unbroken between Teheran and Hanoi, between Aden and Saigon.

Hanoi -- When England goes we lose this game's most prolific propagandist.

Heinz "57" -- Dear #87, I am out of this one, but I would place real money on France and the whiz from South Africa.

Impassable (Imposter) -- My, my, but the verbal garbage does run rank. Stop impostering whom....? Besides, who has time to sit around and figure out who wrote the most garbage. Well, I must get going and find Imposter #87.

Impassable (the 1st to use this byline) -- From my view up hear (or is it up here?) it sounds like (or looks like) Russia's got this game. Even with three fleets in the Mediterranean France is in a deadlock. Italy is gone and all Turkey can do is come in 2nd unless he and Germany attack Russia.

Imposter #87 -- What happened to Imposter #86? I think I last saw her around the sewers of London. Maybe Impassable knows. Impassable?

Oxford (17 Dec 1903) (B.D.F.O.) -- Preparations for moving His Majesty to a new capital are already underway, even before International Get Day. Rumors in the press of supposed French successes against British Imperial Forces in Africa, Asia, and North America are, of course, false, and have been vigorously denied by His Majesty's Government. The heads of Frogs killed in combat are to be seen on pikes everywhere around the capital.

Quebec (18 Dec 1903) (B.D.F.O.) -- Preparatory to the movement of the British capital, all the British subjects which His Majesty has found worthy have been sent to Canada. The Army and the Navy are here, of course, and the nobility of the Realm, as well as His Majesty's faithful servants, hosts of sexual acrobats, and so on. His Majesty is counting on Her Imperial Majesty, Empress Lucretia IV, to aid His cause. Already the two monarchs have pledged alliance against the Frogs and the Huns, and papers from Nueva Roma are full of stories of war preparations in the Kingdoms of California and Virginia under Her Imperial Majesty's personal direction (in fact, Lucretia has often been referred to as history's most blue-blooded camp follower since Cleopatra).

Rome -- Well, France, glad to see that you accepted the invitation to my party. However, I doubt there will be enough room for all those strange-looking frogs you brought along. Perhaps Turkey could take a few off your hands. I hear that he will arrive any time now.

Sacramento (25 Dec 1903) (B.D.F.O.) -- Although it is International Get Day, the Empress of America is still pressing the war effort. Far to the north of Her capital at Nueva Roma (on the sunny shores of the Bay of San Diego del Nuestro Señor del Amor Fisicál), Her Imperial Majesty readies a war machine which will someday crush the Frogs by land and sea. Rank upon rank of fierce soldiery have been assembled from all parts of the Empire. From the Matriarchy of Maryland are 10 brigades of Amazon Axewomen, commanded by the famous General Elizabeth Borden herself. From the Kingdom of Virginia is an entire army of slaves, contributed by Count Wudro Wilson, owner of Slave Farms of Virginia, Inc. The Archbishoprics of Atlanta and Filadelfia have sent an army of fierce knights, all members of the Order of the Temple. Millions of Her Majesty's loyal subjects have responded to Her call to arms. From everywhere they come: from Nuevo York, from El Boston, from San Francisco, from Nuevo Orleans, from Ciudad Borgia (once called "Washington"), from Ciudad del México, from San Luis; Her Majesty has called and they have rallied. Even the Harvard Rowing Team has come, presumably to serve in the galleys. They have had many private audiences with our Empress, and it is guessed

QIC (Continued) --

that they practice rowing with Her--in any event, one can always hear the cockswain at such times, shouting, "Stroke, stroke, stroke, stroke....".

Spain -- The Second Army of France has been given a one-year leave. The Third Army built in Marsilles will be sent to the Front post-haste.

U.E.N., Switzerland -- The survivors of the bombing have declared unilateral war on the black forces of the Impassable Imposter. It has been rumored that this destruction was the act of none other than the original Impassable Imposter, who has been traveling through Europe claiming himself to be the real Impassable. May the allies of the U.E.N. succeed in their worthy cause.

U.E.N., Switzerland -- Let this be a fair warning against any further attempts to restrain my literary style. I am the original Impassable Imposter, and let me make that perfectly clear...I, writing these very words, am the original Impassable Imposter--Don Miller can vouch for that. ((Sorry--We've forgotten who the original I.I. was, and are just as mixed up as the rest of you.--GM))

Vienna -- From this beautiful city, it is amusing to hear the Impassable Imposters talk big while staggering under the weight of their "gold-plated" iron medals--I pronounce Daughter and Son of Impassable Imposter man and wife. Whoever disliked my "childish code words" probably wasn't able to solve them. Read "Congratulations", what have we wrought? In Vienna, the Russian troops marched to the cheers of the liberated Austrians. In Greece, the Turks are still keeping a tight clamp on the Greek Freedom Press. Do not pity the Italian Prince Machiabelli--he still has some unpublished tricks up his sleeve! I think I might stay here for awhile, Vienna has such a lovely serenity, especially after a 14-inch snowfall. I'll do my best to get out of here, but no clues on my next stop--seems that there have been some complaints.

Deadline for SPRING, 1904 moves -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15.

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QJC (Regular Diplomacy Game #27) -- SUCCESSION SOLVES, AS NEW KING IS CROWNED IN ENGLAND!

The Players -- Conrad Von Metzke is now playing ENGLAND.

SPRING, 1903 moves --

A-H (Lakofka) -- A Tri-Tyo; A Vie-Boh; A Gal (S) A Vie-Boh; A Ser-Tri; F Gre (S)  
A Bul; A Bul (S) F Gre.

ENG (Von Metzke) -- F Nwg-Cly; F EnC-Wal.

FRA (Lowrance) -- F Mid-WMe; F Mar-Lyo; A Spa-NAf (impossible; not connected by land); F Bre-EnC; F Lvp-Cly; A Par-Gas; A Bel-Ruh.

GER (Tonnesen) -- A Ber-Sil; A Boh-Tyo (D (Mun, o.b.)); A Kie-Den; F Den-Bal; F NtS (S) F Nwy; F Nwy (H) (D (Bar, Ska, o.b.)).

ITA (Welsh) -- F Ion-Tyn; F EMe (S) A Syr-Smy; A Syr-Smy; A Ven (H).

TUR (Borecki) -- F Aeg-EMe; F Con (S) A Smy; A Smy (H).

RUS (Hodin) -- F StP(NC)-Nwy; A Fin (S) F StP(NC)-Nwy; F Swe (S) F StP(NC)-Nwy;  
A Mos-War; F Rum-Bla; A Sev-Arm.

Propaganda --

Germany -- It is strange that Gronk, the Magnificent, alias Chicago punk, alias Chicago Prince, alias Len Lakofka, alias momma's boy, only knows one type of descriptive words--three and four-letter.

Kiel -- The Bland Kaiser has ordered his units out of Austria-Hungary and sent them to War with Russia.

Og, the Great -- Now, now, Gronk (Len), let's not let your bird-sized brain run away with your truck-sized mouth! I have taken some pains to discover what Mark may have done to offend your giant-ego and, for the life of me, I can't figure it out. As for a Austro-Russian conflict by 1905, Earl had damn well better believe it because you are in a unique position to see that it happens. As for the Germans, Mark, you had better bid high for either French or Russian friendship, because the Austrians seem to be somewhat neurotic about you and will be coming your way. And Italy, my lad, you do make a most tempting target!!

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QJC (Continued) --

Paris -- The Frog Prince has been forced to order certain units of His armed forces into the Mediterranean area to emphasize to our Italian, Austrian and Russian neighbors that we are quite serious when we say: "Lay-off the Turks!" As soon as these wanton attacks have ended, these French units will be immediately withdrawn. We have no territorial desires in that area, as our Italian allies well know.

Slomph Predicts -- English victory by 1912, Austrian collapse by 1905, Russian-Austrian-Italian war by 1904, and that Gronk will die of an ingrown toenail on July 22, 1906.

Deadline for SUM'03 retreats (GER: A Mun, F Nwy) and F'03 moves -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15. (Note that there is a possibility that this will be extended one issue, as Earl Hodin will be on cruise, with no mail delivery, when this issue arrives, and may not have time when he returns to conduct diplomacy and get his moves in. Please send in moves anyway, and we'll leave it up to Earl as to whether or not he has enough time....)

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QGC (Regular Diplomacy Game #26) -- ENGLISH THRONE ONCE AGAIN IN JEOPARDY; GERMANY KAYOED!

The Players -- Hal Naus, pls. send F'06 moves for ENG (Reiter), in case.... (Thanks for stand-by moves for RUS, Conrad; actually, we goofed--asked Hal for them inside mag., and you for them on page 1....)

SPRING, 1906 moves --

A-H (A. Miller) -- A Bud (S) A Rum-Ser; A Rum-Ser.

ENG (Reiter?) -- A StP (U); A Ber (U); F Bot (U); F Bar (U); F Fin (U); F Den (U).

FRA (Cochran) -- A Hol-Kie; A Ruh (S) A Hol-Kie; A Mun (S) A Hol-Kie; A Mar-Pie;  
A Bur-Mar; F Mid-WMe; F Spa(SO) (S) F Mid-WMe; F Bre-Mid.

GER (Quist) -- A Kie (U) (A).

ITA (Welsh) -- F Adr-Ion; A Ven-Pie; A Tyo-Tri; A Vie-Tri; F Tyn-Lyo; F WMe-Mid  
(F WMe D (NAf, o.b.)).

RUS (Webber) -- A War-Mos; A Nwy (S) F Swe; F Swe (S) A Nwy.

TUR (Tonnesen) -- A Ank-Arm; A Con-Bul; A Ser (S) A Con-Bul (A Ser D (Alb, o.b.));  
A Sev-Rum; F Bla (S) A Con-Bul; F Bul(SC)-Gre; F Ion-Tun.

Propaganda --

Ankara -- The Sultan hopes His two bylines last time (Ankara and PPPP) have gotten others to send in some ideas. Thanks to Russia's missed moves the Sultan Abdul-Hamid II is in a good mood and willing to let His advisors on the Eunuch Fleet sign up for ten more years.

Budapest (Jan. 3rd 1906) -- The pleadings of the Sultan demonstrate the continuing importance and influence of the Austrian culture upon Europe. However, I, Duke Ferdinand, regret to inform the Sultan that Major Prolick, Hölder of the three-diamond medal, is too occupied in attacking your forces to issue a press release. I speak in his place and for Emperor Joseph. I hope we are not coming on too strong for you. The Serbian offensive is a direct result of the Sultan's new alliance structure, which is not in our interest.

France (Jan. 16, 1972) -- Italy: Now that Germany is gone I can devote all my time to getting rid of you.

Paris (March 22, 1906) (AHTK) -- In the absence of a communique from the Italian Government, the French Army and Navy have been given orders to take defensive counter-measures necessary to insure the security of the Republic and its allies.

Russia -- I could not decide to slow up England or to slow up Turkey, so I just decided to not slow up either. Sorry about that, France.

Deadline for SUM'06 retreat (TUR: A Ser) & F'06 moves -- Noon, Tues., 15 Feb.

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QDC (Regular Diplomacy Game #23) -- TURKEY INVADES GERMANY, EDGES CLOSER TO VICTORY! COUP REPORTED NEAR IN ENGLAND!

The Players -- Andy Phillips, pls. let GM know NLT 15 Feb. if you'll play ENG in case Dick Reiter misses again. Dick, let GM know NLY 15 Feb. if you'll stay in

QDC (Continued) --

SUMMER, 1911 retreat -- ITALY (Calabria): F Tyn (R) Nap.

FALL, 1911 moves --

ENG (Reiter?) -- A Gas (U); F NtS (U); F EnC (U); F Spa(SC) (U); F Lyo (U); F Naf (U); F Tun (U); F Tyn (U) (D (WMe, o.b.)).

GER (Riley) -- A Bel (H); A Ruh (S) A Bel; A Bur (S) TUR A Pie-Mar; F Hol (S) A Bel; F Nwy-NtS; A Mun (H); A-Lvn (S) A Mos; A War (S) A Mos; A Mos (S) A War.

TUR (Calabria) -- A Pie-Mar; A Tyo-Boh; A Gal-Sil; A Ven-Tyo; A Bod-Gal; A Sev-Mos; A Ukr (S) A Sev-Mos; F Tus-Lyo; F Rom (S) F Ion-Tyn; F Nap (S) F Ion-Tyn; F Ion-Tyn; F Alb (S) F Aeg-Ion; F Aeg-Ion; F Con-Aeg.

Supply Centers held at end of AUT'11 (retreat does not affect count) --

ENG -- Tun, Bre, ~~Mar~~, Par, Por, Spa, Edi, Lvp, Lon (stands pat; was one unit short last year). (8)

GER -- Mos, StP, War, Nwy, Swe, Bel, Hol, Ber, Kie, Mun, Den (may build two units; was two short last year). (11)

TUR -- Ank, Con, Smy, Bul, Gre, Rum, Ser, Bud, Tri, Vie, Sev, Nap, Rom, Ven, Mar (may build one unit). (15)

Propaganda -- None.

QDC Diplobourse -- MARKET INACTIVITY CONTINUES!

No Action in Session 34. Market at end of F'11 (Selling Price): Cr, 0; Pd, 26.7; Fr, 16.3; Mk, 74.2; Li, 0; Ro, 99.1; Pi, 193.4.

Deadline for Session 35 -- Feb. 14.

//--One miss.

Deadline for AUT'11 retreat (ENG: F Tyn) & W'11 builds/removals -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15.

QHC (Regular Diplomacy Game #27) -- AUSTRIA, RUSSIA TIE FOR LEAD AS GERMANY IS SHATTERED, PROBABLY ELIMINATED! UNREST REPORTED IN ITALY!

The Players -- Rod Walker, pls. let GM know by 15 Feb. if you will take over ITA in case Dave Border misses again; Dave, let GM know by 15 Feb. if you will continue. (Failure to respond by 15 Feb. counts as 2nd consecutive miss.)

Error in DPBA-90 -- In DPBA #90, we reported the position of one of the TUR Fleets as "Syr" instead of "Apu". This messed up at least two persons, who assumed that TUR had removed one unit and rebuilt in Syr; as a result they were surprised when, in S'05, TUR F Apu moved to Ven. One of the two persons involved said to let it go, the other wanted the S'05 moves corrected to reflect a TUR unit in Smy rather than in Apu. ##### We can not go back, as the S'01 moves have been published, and they were correct. The error was in the WINT positions (we picked up a poorly-erased TUR F in Smy on our map, and overlooked the TUR F in Apu, as we had our correct count by that time), and, per DPMA H-R's, errors must be called to our attention by the next deadline if they are to be certain of correction. ##### The error should have been obvious--there was a valid TUR retreat published in P-90, so, under the rules of Diplomacy, there was no way he could have subsequently removed the retreating unit and built for it. He has the choice of either a retreat or a removal, not both. The WINT positions are not gospel--they are published for the very purpose of enabling the GM and the players to check their respective positions--and any errors so discovered should be reported to the GM immediately. Players should never (unless the mistake is obvious) assume that the GM is right and they are wrong. Also, whenever pointing out (or protesting) a mistake, players should always submit the requested orders (conditional, if they wish, on whether or not the protest/correction is allowed); otherwise they stand in danger of having the protest disallowed and missing the move, both at the same time....

SUMMER, 1905 retreat -- GER (Tretick): A Kie (R) Ruh.

FALL, 1905 moves --

A-H (Power) -- A Rum-Sev; A Ukr (S) A Rum-Sev; A Gal-Rum; A Ser (S) A Gal-Rum; F Gre-Bul(SC); F Aeg (S) F Gre-Bul(SC).

ENG (Phillips) -- F NtS-Den; A Yor-Lvp.

QHC (Continued) --

FRA (Calabria) -- F EnC-Lon; A Lon-Yor; A Bel-Hol; F Iri (H).

GER (Tretick) -- A Ruh-Bur; F Hol-Kie (D (Hel, NtS, o.b.)); F Bal (S) ENG F NtS-Den; A Lvn (S) A-H A Gal-War (A-H A Gal NSO).

ITA (Border?) -- A Spa (U); F Lyo (U); F WMe (U); F Ion (U); F EMe (U); A Boh (U).

RUS (A.Miller) -- A Kie (S) FRA A Bel-Hol; F Den (S) A Kie (F Den D (Hel, Ska, Swe, o.b.)); A Ber-Mun; A StP-Nwy; A Sev-Mos; A War (S) A Sev-Mos; A Sil (S) A War.

TUR (Dix) -- F Ven (H); A Bul-Ser (A); F Smy (H); A Con (S) F Smy.

Supply Centers held at end of AUT'05 (retreats may affect count) --

A-H -- Gre, Run, Ser, Bud, Tri, Vie, Bul, Sev (may build two units). (8)

ENG -- Edi, Lvp, Den (may build one unit). (3)

FRA -- Bre, Par, Bel, Lon, Hol (may build one unit). (5)

GER -- (Swe), ~~Wiz~~, ~~Wiz~~, ~~Den~~ (remove three units, unless RUS F Den (R) Swe, in which case must remove all four). (1 or 0)

ITA -- Nap, Rom, ~~Viz~~, Tun, Mar, Por, Spa (stands pat; was one short last year). (6)

RUS -- Mos, StP, ~~Siz~~, War, Nwy, Ber, Mun, Kie, (Swe) (stands pat, unless F Den (R) Swe, or F Den (R) Hel & GER F Hol (R) Hel, in which case may build one unit). (7 or 8)

TUR -- Ank, Con, Smy, ~~Wiz~~, Ven (may build one unit; one dest. F'05). (4)

Propaganda --

Holland -- This has been a hell of a game. Only the English monarchy bothers to respond to the mail call. I think you others are asleep. Look at the board and decide for yourselves. The Kaiser signs off by taking another sleeping pill.

Paris (July 3rd 1905) -- The French Government does not sleep! We are fully aware that the Italian government has decided upon a sneak attack into Paris or Brest. This forces the French Government to publicly denounce Italy for breaking a solemn treaty between our two countries. As their actions void the contract, France is free to take actions against Italy, and shortly our forces will be moving south.

Ruhr -- The invasion of France begins. (Well, somebody had to do it.)

Deadline for AUT'05 retreats (GER: F Hol; RUS: F Den) and W'05 builds/removals -- Noon, Tues., Feb. 15.

FNI (Scotice Scripti II) -- ORKNEY RECOUPS A BIT AGAINST ENGLISH, WHILE IRISH NATIONS FIGHT TO STAND-STILL. CIVIL UNREST IN ENGLAND, MUNSTER!

The Players -- Andy Phillips, pls. send W'22 removal for ENG (Reiter), in case.... And John Boyer (or anyone else not in game), pls. let GM know NLT 15 Feb. if you will take over MUNSTER if Bill Linden misses again (and Bill, let GM know NLT 15 Feb., if you plan to continue; else, you will have missed 2x in row).

SUMMER, 1022 retreats -- LEINSTER (Welsh): A Barrow (R) Wicklow; ORKNEY (Calabria): A Caldeonia (R) Sutherland.

FALL, 1022 moves --

CONNACHT (Libby) -- A Tuam-Leitrum.

ENGLAND (Reiter?) -- A Cal (U); A Lot (U); A Cum (U); F Bri (U); F Sat (U); F Gal (U); F Dun (U); A/F Mon (U); A/F SlB (U); A/F Alc (U).

LEINSTER (Welsh) -- A Ang (S) A Mea; A Kil (S) A Mea; A Mea (S) ENG F Gal-Lei (ENG F Gal NSO); A Wic (S) A Kil.

MUNSTER (Linden?) -- A Lim (U); A Cas (U); A Off (U); A Bar (U); A Lei (U).

ORKNEY (Calabria) -- F Lis(SC) (H); A Sut-Cal; F Nth (S) F Lis(SC); F Isl (S) F Lis(SC); F Mid (S) F Don; F Don (H).

ULSTER (Pulsipher) -- A Ros (S) A Sli; A Sli (S) A Bre; A Bre (S) A Sli; A Oma-Ern.

Supply Centers held at end of F'22 (no AUT retreats) --

CON -- Tua (stands pat). (1)

ENG -- Ber, Che, Sta, Bue, Car, Pow, Dyf, Mon, Shr, Alc, Dun, ~~Wiz~~, Man (remove one unit). (12)

LEI -- Dub, Kil, Tar, Mea (stands pat). (4)

MUN -- Lei, Cas, Lim, Tra, Cor (stands pat). (5)

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## DIPLOMANLA HOUSE-RULE REVISIONS

As promised lastish, we are publishing below a game-by-game breakdown of the changes to the House-Rules resulting from the recent balloting; we will not completely reprint the H-R's until we are ready to start a new game.

Games QDC and QJC -- Voted to adopt new Rulebook in toto; thus major H-R chgs. are:

1. Victory criterion is now 18 supply centers instead of 18 units.
2. Criteria for removal of unit when said removal is not ordered by player:
  - (a) Unit farthest from nearest supply center, as computed by the shortest available route, including sea provinces. (Nearest home supply center, i.e.)
  - (b) Fleet before Army.
  - (c) Lowest alphabetically of province names in which units are located.
3. Exchange of positions by convoy is now legal.
4. Reinhardt Gambit applies (i.e., if either unit in a "self-standoff" situation is supported, the move succeeds and the self-standoff fails).

Game QFC -- Only House-Rule changes were as follows:

1. Criteria for removal of unit when said removal is not ordered by player:
  - (a) Unit farthest from nearest supply center, as computed by the shortest available route, including sea provinces. (Nearest home supply center, i.e.)
  - (b) Fleet before army.
  - (c) Lowest alphabetically of province names in which units are located.
2. Reinhardt Gambit applies (see 4, above, for explanation).

Game QGC -- Only House-Rule change was:

1. Reinhardt Gambit applies (see 4, above, for explanation).

Game QHC -- No change in current House-Rules (which means Reinhardt Gambit is illegal).

Game QIC -- Only House-Rule changes were as follows:

1. Victory Criterion is now either 18 units at end of WINT season or 24 supply centers, whichever occurs first in game.
2. Criteria for removal of unit when said removal is not ordered by player:
  - (a) Unit farthest from nearest supply center, as computed by the shortest available route, including sea provinces. (Nearest home supply center, i.e.)
  - (b) Fleet before Army.
  - (c) Lowest alphabetically of province names in which units are located.

Game FNI -- Voted to adopt new Rulebook in toto, where not in conflict with rules of game. Thus, the following House-Rule changes apply:

1. Criteria for removal of unit when not ordered by player:
  - (a) Unit farthest from nearest home supply center, as computed by the shortest avail. route, incl. sea provinces for ENG, ORK, & any Irish nation w/Fleets.
  - (b) Fleet before Army.
  - (c) Lowest alphabetically of province names in which units are located.
2. Reinhardt Gambit applies (see #4, above, for explanation).

Voting were: Boyerlein, Border, Boyer, Brooks, Dix, Hodin, Lakofka, Libby, Lowrance, A.Miller, Power, Quist, Reiter, Rosamilia, Sageser, St.Cyr, Tomnesen, Tretick, Walker, Welsh (and Beshara, whose vote didn't count, as he isn't a player).

Negative Votes (and therefore Vetoes--one Negative Vote and entire question failed for that game) were cast as follows: Question 1: Beyerlein(QIC), Brooks(QEC), A.Miller(QGC,QHC), Quist(QGC,QIC), Rosamilia(QFC), Sageser(QIC), Tomnesen(QGC,QHC,QIC), Walker(QEC); Question 2: Lakofka(QJC, but since he voted "Aye" on #6, and #6 passed, this took precedence), Tretick (QHC), Walker(QEC), Welsh(QFC,QGC), Beshara; Question 3: Border(QHC), Dix(QHC), A.Miller(QGC,QHC), Tretick(QHC);

Question 4: Beyerlein(QIC), Border(QHC), Boyer(QIC), Brooks(QEC), Quist(QGC,QIC), Rosamilia(QFC); Question 5: Border(QHC), Lakofka(QJC, but was overridden by his "Aye" vote for #6); Question 6: Beyerlein(QIC), Brooks(QEC), Power(QHC), Quist(QGC,QIC), Rosamilia(QFC), Sageser(QIC), Tretick(QHC), Walker(QEC), Beshara. No votes were also cast in FNI for rules which were not applicable, by Reiter & Welsh.

Detailed Player-Comments (except for Beshara's, who doesn't want them published):

John Boyer -- I think that with the post office changing to a single post mark without the City names, it will be easier for cheating in "black ordering" to take place. Also, what about allowing each player a "protected byline" without affecting black propaganda in any other way? (In another letter, John suggests a unique code for ea. player, known only to him and the GM, to be sent in each time with his orders. Is this necessary? Or is the danger of "black orders" minimal? And the "protected byline" can be attained by the method now used by Rod Walker and others of using a unique order to identify their propaganda. But we are considering other methods for future games. More on this later.)

Rick Brooks -- (Re Question 2) I prefer 20 units; (Re Question 3) Don't like either.

Alden Miller -- In regards to Question #3, I would like to see us keep the present criteria parts a,b,c, & then adopt lowest alphabetically in lieu of current parts d & e. I would like to see part c remain, as I feel that often a player may hold one front with just one unit on the supply center held by that player which is nearest to territory held by a neighboring ally. This is just meant to discourage that ally from betrayal by making his nearest supply center into a fortified position. Thus parts a & b proving indecisive, maintaining part c of current criterion may well save an entire front, which would not as often be the case in the removal of a non-supply center piece. (We agree--which is why the criterion was there in our H-R's, and why we gave the players the option of keeping the current H-R or adopting the Rulebook version; perhaps we could offer a combination choice? Any comments from anyone else?) #### In regard to Question #6, if possible I would like to vote yes with the exception as indicated by my affirmative vote on Question #2 and with the exception as indicated by my negative vote on Question #3. However . . . if my exceptions to total affirmation of Question #6 would mean total rejection of all changes as put into the new Rulebook (most of which I consider to be good) for the current games I am in, then for the sake of allowing the better changes to take effect, my vote may be considered a total Yes.

Phil Sageser -- Still think the last unit to occupy a province on any turn (not just Fall) should receive credit for that province--current ruling makes no sense--why should there be any difference between a unit moving in in the Fall and out in the Spring and one moving in in the Spring and out in the Fall--as long as no one else occupies the province in the Fall, the country should receive credit for it. (Allan Calhamer, or anyone--any comments? (Shades of the Spring Raid!))

Mark Tonnesen -- Re Question 2: Victory Criterion: Own 18 supply centers and have ability to build or have total of 18 units (i.e., have enough units on board plus empty supply centers to have 18 units if desired). (Don't know--seems needlessly complicated. What do the rest of you think?)

Buddy Tretick -- Yes on #3, but not in current games.

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Well, we had planned to give a complete list of Variants here--but now it will have to wait until next issue (i.e., complete list of all Variant Dippy games known to us which are currently active). (We'll probably type up the list anyway, and send Lew Pulsipher a copy, so he can get started assigning new numbers.) But we need info on the following games (i.e., what is current status, and if over, how did it end): 1967AAag (Anarchy III) (Dan Alderson?); 1968Dar (Stab-V) (Conrad?); 1970Bbp (Godawful Game) (Anyone?). #### Also, we planned to discuss responsibilities and ethics involved in reporting or not reporting errors to GM, and other matters. But it'll have to wait 'til nextish. (Comments welcome, for publication.)