

DIPPY

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OUR THANKS to Kathy Byrne and Dick Martin, who apparently have been commenting to each other about how interesting they find the Sunday STAR. Let us just point out here that the STAR's white pages are published weekly by-and-for anyone who cares to receive it at the usual rate (3 for a dollar) with the hope that the reader would also on occasion, help fill the vast open spaces with something for publication, real, satirical, or pertaining to games...or what-have-you

DIPPY Game #21, the Bradbury, 1982GL, Fall, 1912:

France (Russ Rusnak): A ALB H; A TYRO sup a boh-vie; a boh-VIE; a mun-BOH; a sil-WAR; A PRU sup a sil-war; a nwy-STP; F BAR sup a nwy-stp; f nwg-NWY; F NTH sup f nwg-nwy; F SWE-bot; f mid-por/NO SUCH UNIT; f n atl-MID; F SPA SC H; F BAL-lvn; F SKAG-swe

CONTROLS: mar, bre, par, bel, por, spa, lvp, lon, edi, holl, den, mun, ber, kiel, vie, war, stp, nwy, swe --19 WINS!

Italy (John McArdle): F AEG sup Turkish a ankesny; f adr-IGN; a ser-BUD; A TRI sup a ser-bud; A ROME H

CONTROLS: nap, ven, tun, tri, ser, rome, bud --7--

Russia (Ronald Kelly): A SYR sup a sny; a sny sup a arm-ank/DISLODGED; a arm-ANK; f sev sup a gal-rum/DISLODGED; a gal-RUM; a vie-bud/DISLODGED; a war-MOS; f BOT-swe; a stp sup f bot-swe/NO SUCH UNIT; A LVN, unordered, H

CONTROLS: mon, rum, ank --3--

Turkey (John Stewart): a rum-SEV; F BLACK sup a rum-sev; F CON sup a ank-sny; a ank-S.Y

CONTROLS: con, gre, bul, sny, sev --5--

Press:

HINSDALE--Our congratulations to Russ Rusnak on a game well-played and won. Russ, you win free entry into a new game in DIPPY. Just send us a country preference list. We hope you all enjoyed the game.

CON-MOS--The Turkish government expresses its sympathy to the Russian people on the passing of Czar Durham.

DIPPY Game #22, the Levy, 1983J, Fall, II 1906:

Austria-Hungary (Ronald Kelly): A GAL-rum; A SER sup a gal-rum; A VIE sup a bud; A BUD sup a ser

CONTROLS: bud, tri, vie, ser --4--No change

England (Dave Kleiman): F NTH con a edi-bel; f eng ch-PIC; F HEL-kiel; A KIEL-ber; F HOLL sup a edi-bel; F NWY-nwg; F LVP-n atl; a edi-BEL

CONTROLS: lon, lvp, edi, nwy, bel, holl, kiel, den--8--No change

France (Dwayne Shreve, NOTE ADDRESS CHANGE: 3916 Lancaster Pike, #A, Wilmington, Delaware 19805): F N ATL-nwg; f mid-ENG CH; F W MED R; a pic-BRE; a bel h/DISLODGED, must retreat to ruhr, bur, or oth

CONTROLS: bre, mar, par, spa, por --5--No change.

Germany (Ken Iverson): a ber-kiel/DISLODGED, destroyed; A STL-mun

CONTROLS: mun --1--No change.

Italy (Jack Frost): F NAP-lon; A TYRO-mun; A VEN H; F ALB sup f nap-lon

CONTROLS: ~~rome~~ rome, nap, ven, tun --4--No change.

Russia (John Stewart): F BAL sup a pru-ber; a pru-BER; A WAR-sil; A UKR sup a rum; A RUM sup a bul-ser; A BUL-ser; A GRE-alb; F AEG-lon; f black-JON

CONTROLS: ~~mos~~ mos, war, stp, sev, swe, ank, sny, bul, con, gre, rum, ber --12--

--Add 3 units

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STANDBY: Needed

DEADLINE for Winter 1906/Spring 1907 adjustments/orders is mail delivery of Feb. 22.

Press:

HINSDALE—There is a proposal for ~~me~~ a Russian/English draw. For this to be accepted, the vote must be unanimous, but silence will be considered acquiescence. Please make your feelings known with your Winter/Spring communication.

DIPPY Game #23, the Omelet, 1983CN, Winter, 1903:

Austria-Hungary (Philip Redmond): Builds A TRI, A VIE, A BUD...Also has F ION, F TUN, F TYRR, A ROME, A VEN, A BUL, A WAR, A UKR, A RUM

England (Terry Lachcik): Builds F LVP, A LON...Also has F NWY, F STP NC, F NTH, A DEN

France (David Bruss): removes f iri...a bur ret PAR...Also has A RUHR, F ENG CH, F PIC, A MAR

Germany (Dwayne Shreve, NOTE ADDRESS CHANGE: 3916 Lancaster Pike #A, Wilmington, Del 19805): Builds A BER...Also has A BUR, A MUN, A KIEL, F BEL

Russia (Jack Schneider): removes a swe, a sil...Has F HAL

Turkey (Ken Iverson): Builds A ANK...Also has A STP, A MOS, A SEL, F BLACK

Standby: Ronald Kelly

DEADLINE for Spring, 1904 orders is mail delivery of Feb 22, 1984

Press:

VIENNA TIMES, VOICE OF THE BALKANS AND ITALY—References to something called "the Russian Empire" continue to turn up in artifacts found throughout the east. Scholars at the Imperial Academy of Sciences are puzzled and suspect a hoax. One theory has it that the name refers to a dissident group of Swedish rebels, soon to be put down by English mercenaries.

VIENNA TIMES, VOICE OF THE BALKANS AND ITALY—A worried Council of State has been meeting to consider the turmoil in the West. The Empire hopes to maintain its friendly relations with all states and, according to Count von Redmond, desires nothing more than mutual nonaggression pacts with its western neighbors.

BERLIN COMMUNE—FRENCH FASCISTS: Die, you lackey running dogs of imperialism! Aspire to enslave the proletariat of the world, will you?

STOCKHOLM-EUROPE: I must apologize for my NMR's—the first was because of a delay in the mail and the second because of plain frustration. It appears that there are more players in this game than diplomats.

STOCKHOLM-BERLIN: Bruss ~~is~~ may be making tactical errors but you made a strategic mistake in not opposing Redmond. From letters I was getting from Dave (and he had little reason to lie to me) Munich WAS negotiable.

STOCKHOLM-LONDON: You also decided to help Phil leaving your back completely unprotected. Had Phil been lying to you rather than me you would have been out before I would. It appears that Dave's stab, though too late to help me, has nevertheless totally shafted you also. I think it deserved.

STOCKHOLM-ANKARA: The Swedes have informed me that they intend to award you the Nobel Prize for being the puppet of the year. Affectionately referring to you as Pimochio the note elaborates on your failure to seriously negotiate with the czar and accept conditions from Austria totally inconsiderate of your survival or security. Obviously the failure to retake Bulgaria is inexplicable (it was the least of what you should request) and now that Phil has secured his rear and you have next to nothing in the Med. I doubt you can hold. At the least kiss your Russian possessions good-bye.

STOCKHOLM-VIENNA: Obviously I must give up my attempt to stake you now but I thought you should know that had my first NMR orders gone through your attack for that season would have totally blocked—I guessed right that turn. In any event congratulations on what appears to be the easiest postal win I have ever seen (I don't believe you've had less than three builds in any season).

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DIPPY Game #24, the Mays, Boardman number 1984F, Spring, 1901;

Congratulations, gentlemen, all of your opening moves succeeded!

Austria-Hungary (Tom Slaughter): f tri-AIB; a bud-SER; a vie-BUD

England (Jack Frost): f edi-NWG; f lon-NTH; a lvp-YORK

France (Philip Redmond): f bre-MID; a par-FIC; a mar-SPA

Germany (Neil Kiersz): f kiel-DEN; a ber-KIEL; a mun-RUHR

Italy (Wes Erni, NOTE ADDRESS CHANGE: 2615 N Farwell St #106, Milwaukee Wis 53211);

a ven-TRI; a rome-APU; f nap-ION

Russia (David C Bruss): f sev-BLACK; a war-SIL; F stp sc-BOT; a mos-UKR

Turkey (Daniel W Wallick): a con-BUL; a any-ARM; f ank-CON

Standby: Ken Iverson

DEADLINE for Fall, 1901 orders is mail delivery of ~~EME~~ February 22, 1984.

Press:

HINSDALE TO TOM SLAUGHTER—You're quite welcome. And welcome back to DIPPY.

ITALIAN PRESS—Due to the recent atrocities committed against Italian nationals along the Adriatic coast, army group north has been ordered ~~xxxx~~ across the Isongo to protect our people. The Austro-Hungarian Empire has been warned that unless it ceases its degradation perpetrated against minorities within its empire, the new Roman Empire with its glorious ancient traditions of equal treatment for all imperial citizens, will declare war.

MOSCOW—The Czar has decided that even though the new year has just begun he will take his first four day weekend. Reports are that the Czar (Tsar in old Russian ways) will be visiting Acapulco, Mexico. Activities will include sun tanning, swimming, and most importantly visiting the disco's. The trip is scheduled for Feb 2 to Feb 6.

HINSDALE TO DAVE BRUSS—You'll love Acapulco. Be sure to ~~x~~ dine one night at Blackbeard's...and there's a good place called Los Rancheros on the road to the airport too!

ANNOUNCING DIPPY Game #25, the Orwell, in honor of the man whose book made this year famous.

Sign up now! Seven openings. First come first served. Game fee is \$5 plus a continuing sub to this rag at the rate of 3 issues per dollar.

Nashledanou,
Oscar Twiddie,

Gamesmaster

HERB COHN

Seen leading the cheers Dept: ANDI WILEY and hobby at Rick's Cafe American, Chicago's highly regarded jazz club, as the John Young trio put on a most enjoyable show...and MARY NOVAK lunching with friends at La Casita de Santa Fe, in Cicero, the only New Mexican restaurant in Chicagoland and a discovery of none other than that old Southwesterner JOE ANTOSIAK.

Ms Novak is going to go on jury duty next week, telling intimates that she hopes she gets on a juicy double axe murder case...

Speaking of murders, ~~xx~~ and fires and things, JOE CUMMINGS is still out there looking for something to do while living on "da nort'west side." Perhaps Joe could take a cue from OLGA PELLER, the 85 year old maverick who's been wowing TV audiences with her "Where's the beef?" demand in the ever popular Wendy's hamburger commercials making the rounds. Joe certainly is a colorful enough figure to land in a similar commercial for anything from used cars to hamburgers to beer. Just a suggestion...

Getting back to Ms Peller, she's been vacationing down Mexico way. Perhaps she'll run into the Gorskis and Kings who'll be seeking the sun of Puerto Vallarta shortly...

Travel also is on the minds of ANDI WILEY (See "COHN," page 2)

The World's Degradest Newspaper...
QUOTABLE: Mary Novak, after hearing the story about the Italian school that has engaged a prostitute to teach a course in sex education: "Could it fall under the heading 'Getting it from the ~~the~~ whores's mouth?'"...

KALDENAR: February 11 is Sharon Benes' natal day...

KVIZ: Answer to a last week's question: Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, and Herm, any two. Question #18: A new word, "serendipity" was coined from the title of a book, The Three Princes of Serendip. Where was Serendip?

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE STAR:

--The STAR came out with one of those extremely rare Extra editions because Alan Peters finally had gotten himself a job. And, yes, it is the same job Alan still holds, with the Chicago Public Library. But Peters' action still had people commenting: ~~xx~~ "I still wonder whether I can claim him as a deduction on my income tax for 1978," said Jim Benes. John McArdle, upon hearing the news was succinct: "It's about time." And Robert Lamm, the Players Association rep on the Anaconda Celtics was saying, "Now maybe we'll start to get paid again."

--Peters celebrated his new job by retrieving his car from the repair shop and promptly getting rear-ended on the Eisenhower Expressway...

Five years ago Rich and Marge King were winging their way to a Florida vacation. Meanwhile it was snowing in Chicagoland and the Kings' front walk was impassable.

--Gail Gorski was wondering whether she'd be going on strike against the Brookfield Zoo. Her teamsters union local was voting on a zoo wage proposal. Gail had proven herself a union militant, walking around wearing a union button, and complaining about her Zoo uniform, which, said she, made her look as if she were dressed in something designed by Rich Mylak.

--Bolingbrook had the best record in the TBA, 10-2...

PRIMARY ELECTIONS ONLY
WEEKS AWAY

The race for Republican representative for the 13th US Congressional district, the seat now occupied by John Erlenborn, is heating up with nine candidates entered for the primaries. Of particular interest is Diana Nelson, now a member of the Illinois House of Representatives. Nelson, who lives in LaGrange, is a wife and mother, a former teacher, and a common-sense thinker who believes that being involved is the key to a fruitful life. She comes highly recommended by Janet Sted, who heard Nelson speak last year and has now signed up to work for the Nelson campaign. Another candidate, Bill Snyder of Hinsdale, has made an early morning appearance at the Westmont radio station to seek support. The other seven candidates will be running up around the district. Election day is March 20.

AS YOU PERHAPS CAN TELL, there is little in the way of news to report in this issue. So the STAR will wax literarily, with various and sundry reviews and critiques.

And in line with this haute couture, let us mention the wine-tasting/Open House that's being held Sunday, Feb 12 from noon to 5 pm at the Wollersheim Winery in Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin, just north of Madison. One of the few wineries in the Midwest.

REVIEWS

BOOK: Fevre Dream by George R R Martin
Reviewed by Mary Novak

When I attended last fall's World Fantasy Convention, I picked up a copy of Fevre Dream, one of the five books nominated as Best Novel of the Year. I even had my copy autographed by the author, but I never got around to reading it until ~~now~~ now. I'm glad I did.

The novel takes place on the steamboat "Fevre Dream"—which travels the Mississippi in 1857. It's named after the Fevre River (now the Galena River), where steamboat Captain Abner Marsh started his career...but the name has other significance ~~in~~ for Marsh's partner, Joshua York. Joshua is something of a tragic hero: a vampire who wants to lead "the people of the night" away from their heritage of blood.

Is it an impossible dream? It seems that way through much of the book—which takes Joshua and Abner through 1870. Neither the idealistic Joshua nor the down-to-earth Abner ever gives up, despite the horror they see and experience along the way.

Fevre Dream is more than a horror novel. It's a story of heroism—and of the friendship between two very different kinds of heroes.

Fevre Dream by George R R Martin is available in paperback from Pocket Books for \$3.95. (Or you can borrow my copy.)

BOOK: The Mortal Storm by Phyllis Bottome
Reviewed by Jim Benes

While reading some Chicago history, I came across a group known as the Friends of American Writers. Basically it was a women's club devoted to the idea of promoting good literature in the Chicago area. It's still in existence, now some 60 years old.

Anyway, in the 1930s the FAW began presenting promising young writers with cash rewards for their work, and one of the works so honored was The Mortal Storm, published by Phyllis Bottome in 1937.

The scene is Germany in the early 1930s as Hitler comes to power. The heroine of this novel is 20 year old Freya Toller, medical student and daughter of a Jewish Nobel prize winner. Her father, however, is married to a woman who has two sons by a previous marriage. ~~Up~~ Up until the time of this novel, ~~the family~~ the family Toller has been very loving and very close. But Freya's two step-brothers have joined the movement that is sweeping Germany; they are avid Nazi party members, and besides Freya's bloodlines, her future is even more clouded when she falls in love with the peasant farm boy, Hans, who happens to be a member of the Communist party of Germany.

As you can see, all the elements are present for a dramatic piece of writing, and indeed, The Mortal Storm is nothing if not dramatic. There are a few moments when the author engages in platitudinous writing, but not enough to turn the reader away from the inherent drama.

If you're interested in The Mortal Storm, you'd probably have to get it from your library.

COHN (continued from page one)

and hubby, who spent a good hour at Lefte Banque travel this week, making more plans for their "Grand Tour of Europe" this fall. We just hope El Hubbo doesn't pull a sea-sickness gig during their Greek isles cruise—that's two weeks aboard a boat that's in the works...

Diplomacy player DAVID BRUSS also is Mexico-bound, a quickie in Acapulco. Bruss is to be congratulated on his 2.4 grade point average at TCU where the norm is 2.1. One of our favorite companions for Thai food, DWAYNE SHREVE, finds himself in Wilmington, Del, while his wife remains in Crystal Lake. Something about Dwayne getting a transfer to follow his wife to the East, and then she not going. Sounds like it's very complicated or a real fake out. Do they have many Thai restaurants in Wilmington, Dwayne?

NIGHTLIFE DAFFODILIA CUNVACEOUS RECOMMENDS: Restaurants: Como Inn (Italian; Milwaukee & Grand), Ananda (Thai; 900s N State), and Bohemian Crystal (Bohemian, Ogden in Westmont). MOVIES: El Norte (Fine Arts), Yentl (locals), Never Cry Wolf (locals) THEATRE: The Merchant of Venice (Body Politic), Katuki Medea (Wisdom Bridge—~~far~~ fabulous, but (See "REVIEWS," page 3)

BASKETBALL: THE TBA TODAY

Standing of the Clubs

FRONTIER	SKYLINE	ROUNDTABLE
Cvl 10-6	Nap 13-4	Mhk 10-3
Aug 11-9	Whse 10-8	All 13-5
Nev 9-9	MG 6-10	Pesh 5-8
JH 2-13	Hins 2-12	Bgk 5-10

SCHEDULED: OVERDUE: Mhk @ Pesh; Hins @ Pesh; Mhk v All, 2 games; JH v Cvl, 2 games; Pesh v Mhk, 2 games; Hins v MG, 2 games; JH @ Nap; Mhk @ Bgk; Whse @ JH; Pesh @ Nev

DUE Feb 7: Bolingbrook at Mohawk;

ROUNDUP

Oh, oh, the Winds almost did it, coming from an 18 point halftime deficit to lose, but not by much, thanks to 24 of Duncan Idaho's 43 points in the 2nd half.

Augusta	26	20	27	28	-	101
Canaryville	32	32	19	24	-	107

Bolingbrook and Peshtigo both won on the road in a home & homer.

Bolingbrook	37	29	31	29	-	126
Peshtigo	25	23	25	18	-	91

Peshtigo	35	26	29	22	-	112
Bolingbrook	33	21	28	18	-	100

Missed Free Throws did in the 98ers at wild and wooly Merner Field House. The Prospectors missed 10 from the charity stripe, and look at the final score!

Whitehorse	23	31	23	26	-	103
Naperville	30	31	27	25	-	113

And some late results, in at press time;

Alliance 114	Bolingbrook 107
Alliance 115	Bolingbrook 112

The TBA Commissioner's office is now open to take nominations for the various annual honors: Coach of the Year, Rookie of the Year, and Most Valuable Player.

Make your nominations, in writing, now, and we'll try to have all relevant stats printed on the ballot in a few weeks.

Also, TBA owners, now is the time to propose any other new rules that you'd like to see take effect next season. XE Again, anything submitted should be so in writing, to the Commissioner's office.

REVIEWS (continued from page 2)

it's extended run is now over). **OPERA:** watch for Smetana's Bartered Bride coming soon at the Chicago Opera Theatre.

BASEBALL: THE WINTER LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs

team	w	l	pct	gb
58 Braves	19	7	.730	-
82 Brewers	20	17	.540	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
82 Cardinals	17	17	.500	6
69 Cubs	17	19	.485	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
59 White Sox	15	16	.483	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
59 Indians	6	19	.240	12 $\frac{3}{4}$

Ron Gorski has completed his Winter League assignments for 1983-84. We hope to finish out the Winter League around mid to late March.

(APBA)

BASEBALL: NATIONAL LEAGUE, May 9, 1916

Standing of the Clubs

team	w	l	pct	gb
Brooklyn	15	3	.833	-
St Louis	14	4	.777	1
Chicago	8	9	.470	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pittsburgh	9	11	.450	7
New York	8	10	.444	7
Cincinnati	7	11	.388	8
Boston	7	12	.368	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Philadelphia	6	14	.300	10

SUNDAY'S RESULTS:

Boston 7, Pittsburgh 2, 4

Brooklyn 5, St Louis 4

Chicago 5 New York 3

Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 2 games, ppd, rain

MONDAY'S GAMES:

Pittsburgh, Chambers (1-1) at Boston,

Voiselle (0-2) or Antonelli (1-1), night

St Louis, Brazle (4-0) at Brooklyn,

Newcombe (1-2)

Chicago, Hacker (1-2) at New York, Koslo

(1-3), night

Cincinnati, Blackwell (1-1) at Philadel-

phia, Roberts (0-2), night

TOP TEN HITTERS:

Musial, StL, 32/70, .457

Thomson, NY, 32/74 .432

Robinson, Bkln, 24/57, .421

Saffell, Pitts, 29/69 .420

Litwhiler, Cincy, 24/63 .380

Furillo, Bkln, 24/64 .375

Jeffcoat, Chgo 21/56 .375

Marshall, NY 26/70 .371

Slaughter, StL 23/76 .368

Mueller, Cincy, 23/53 .365

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