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DEADLINE FOR ALL GAMES IN THIS ISSUE IS 10 PM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1983.

Does anyone know if Ozog & Co. are planning a Spring con in the Chicago area? The wife is pestering me to make the trek to Park Forest to visit her sister, and I've agreed to attempt the 7-hour drive only if it coincides with some raucous hobby activity. No way I'll spend a weekend in that little house with four pre-schoolers... Incidentally, RANDY ELLIS also mentioned a couple of months back that they're planning a get-together in K.C. for sometime in May. That still on, Randy? I'll pass on details if you've got 'em.

Steve Langley wanted to know what I do in my new job as hot rolling production engineer. Well, eventually I'll be responsible for industrial engineering, production scheduling, cost control, and purchasing in my part of the aluminum plant, but right now I mostly go to class and attend meetings. We're being taught how to maintain a "union free" environment, how to interview, how to be assertive...you name it. That takes up 35 hours a week. Another 20 is spent in actually trying to get some work done. And I'm still covering two jobs. We work hard, but who's com-play-ning....

Well, it's hard to believe, but we appear to have a:

DnD-6 GAMESTART (You people never learn, do you?) *****

AUSTRIA: PETER ROBSON, 9011 Cheval Lane, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

ENGLAND: MICHAEL PUSTILNIK, 140 Cadman Plaza West, Brooklyn, NY 11201

FRANCE: STU LANCASTER, Hashinger Hall, Room 630, 1632 Engel Road, Lawrence, KS 66045

GERMANY: DAVE GARIEBY, 179 East Maumee Avenue, Napoleon, OH 43545

ITALY: DAN PALTER, PO Box 156, Cedarhurst, NY 11516

RUSSIA: MIKE BARNO, Box 1153, 25 Andrews Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623

TURKEY: JAKE WALTERS, PO Box 471, Natick, MA 01760

Wouldya look at this bunch of retreads? DnD veterans all. Mr. Highfield, pleading a heavy upcoming workload, bowed out of the lineup and has been replaced by (of all people) Stu Lancaster.

To get this game rolling after the long wait, I'm going to set a 4-week deadline for the S'01 season. Therefore, your initial orders will be due by the deadline shown at the top of this page. Realizing that this may be a bit tight for some of you, I'm willing to alter (extend) the deadline by an additional 4 weeks if and only if a majority of the players request such a change in writing no later than 2 weeks from the postmark date of this issue. That is, your request must reach me within the 2 weeks. If an extension is granted, you'll be notified by immediate return mail. Otherwise you'll hear nothing. Okay? Good luck to all!

1981 CH (DnD-2: The Dodoes' Game)

AUTUMN 1908: Germany -- NRR! GM R A rum OTB; Turkey -- A sev R ARM.

WINTER 1908/SPRING 1909: UNORDERED GERMAN FORCES TAKE A BEATING

ENGLAND(Steve Langley,9): Builds F Lvp. A BEL S A par-BUR, F NTH S A bel, F lvp-IRI, F SPA(sc) S & F ENG S F nat-MID, F POR & A GAS S F spa(sc).

GERMANY(Bill Highfield,13*): NBR/NMR! F DEN & A's RUH, HOL, UKR, TYO, BUD, VIE, BOH all unordered/Hold. A alb/d/(annihilated), A bur/d/R(Pic,Mun,OTB), A sev/d/R(Mos,OTB).

ITALY(Stu Lancaster,5): Removes F Naf. A MAR S F WES-spa(sc), F LYO & A PIE S A mar, A ven-TRI.

TURKEY(Peter Robson,7): Builds F Con. A ARM S F rum-SEV, F ION S A gre-ALB, A BUL S A SER H, F con-BLA.

All draws, concessions, and deathwishes proposed last time failed. COA FOR STEVE LANGLEY: 4112 Boone Lane, Sacramento, CA 95821. Same phone, Steve?

I will not request a standby for Bill Highfield as we've talked both the week before and since the deadline. Sounds like his orders, once mailed, tend to dsiaappear into the Rochester Triangle (4 games recently, he says). Anyway, Summer and Fall 1909 are due here by the deadline on page 1. PRESS follows (without Highfield's, which I'll run next time as a courtesy if the errant orders show up by then):

ROOM #151 (Part III): After an excruciating night of heavy hand-to-gland combat, Wee Willie Lancaster lustfully licked the last remnants of the fluid mixture of cum and Vaseline from his fingertips and was heard to have exclaimed, "God damn! I'm lucky my brother Stu has never caught me jiffing-off like this. He'd beat the livin' shit out of me if he ever found out." Meanwhile, the March issue of Playgirl Magazine, with several pages stuck together, falls onto the floor....

STU to DAVE: How does the Navy separate its men from the boys? With a crowbar.

STU to BILL: If I wanted any zipper from you I'd join the Navy.

STU to BILL: Why do you find shit so appealing? If you find it sexually arousing, I can send you a batch in a week or so. All I ask in return is you send me a copy of The Mod Patriot -- we're running low on toilet paper here in Lawrence.

STU to BILL: It wasn't at all hard for me to take that picture of you and Uncle Ronnie. You didn't see me behind the drapes with the 75-mm movie camera, did you? Actually, I was expecting to capture live footage of Ronald Reagan's press conference, but of course I was totally surprised to see you were the only one to show up.

EDINBURGH: The Pope's invitation to Lord Hume is the talk of the Admiralty. "What'n 'ell could 'is 'Oliness want with that old fart?" seems to sum up the popular sentiments.

LONDON: A high-placed source has revealed that Lord Hume may soon be slated for a trip to Rome. When questioned further the source replied, "No comment." It is believed that the Royal Family was dissatisfied with the results of Lord Hume's supposed trip to Germany.

LIVERPOOL: Lord Hume, albeit a trifle unsteadily, spoke before a gathering of local shipwrights. "The English Navy ish the finesht in the world, thanksh to...hic!" The rest of Lord Hume's speech was lost in the cheering of the crowd.

LONDON (ADVERTISEMENT): MP desires manservant. Foreign travel. References.

NO DATELINE((guest press -- not Tallman)):

There was a young sailor named Fred
Who once dropped his soap in the head
When he bent to retrieve it
He couldn't believe it
"I am your 'first mate'," Highfield said.

GERMANY DnD-5(JUST MUSING): Isn't it amazing the way he sort of leaks out bits of press like a leaky faucet? There is never much, and it's never important, but it's always there. (("He" who?))

GREAT MOMENTS IN DIP HISTORY:

WH: Guys, I'm gonna do a dipzine.

RG(Rochester Gang): Aw come off it, Bill. We already got more dipzines than the rest of the state combined.

WH: I mean it. I need to express the "real me" and let the hobby know what the real "Wilhelm Highfinger" is all about. I want it to be an extension of my personality.

RG: What yah gonna call it?

WH: I was thinking about "Pudwacker."

MP: Nope, sounds too much like "Bushwacker."

WH: Does Davis have a bush? I thought guys had puds?

RG: No, fuckhead! It's a Diplomacy joke. A stab is like being bushwacked.

WH: Oh, so you think I should make it sound original but I can still tell the world where my hopes and dreams lie?

RG: Right! In your lap!

WH: How about "The Mighty Pudwacker."

RG: Hmm, TMP. Not bad, kind of catchy, actually. What do you have in mind for a format?

WH: Well, I have a foldout of Woody I'd like to use. If only he knew how many hours I've spent holding it up with one hand....

SEATTLE to RUSSELLVILLE: You're lucky the rest of the hobby doesn't find out about this. ((I know. But DnD's lousy Leeder Poll ratings will help keep our smutty little secret safe.))

GERMAN DnD-5 to GERMAN DnD-2: Dave Marshall is one of this nation's most renowned psychics. He foresaw your presence in the game and thus named it "The Dodoes' Game." ((Tut. Blame Keither Sherwood for that, one.))

1982 CH (DnD-4: The Aliens' Game)

AUTUMN 1904: France -- A pie R TUS.

WINTER 1904/SPRING 1905: MUNICH FALLS TO FRENCH THIS TIME AS AUSTRIANS USHERED INTO IONIAN

AUSTRIA(Randy Ellis,8): Builds A Tri. A BOH S Russian A sil-mun, A con-BUL, A gre-ALB, A PIE S A VEN-tus, A tri-TYO, F ADR S F aeg-ION.

ENGLAND(Jeff Martin,8): Builds F Edi. F SWE S F bal-BOT, F NWY S F bar-STP(nc), F SKA S F swe, F edi-NTH, A KIE S French A ruh-mun, A HOL S A kie.

FRANCE(Robert Kraus,7): Builds A Mar. F wes-LYO, F TYN S F TUN-ion, A TUS S A MAR-pie, A BUR S A ruh-MUN.

GERMANY(Peter Robson,2): A BER S A mun-kie/d/(annihilated).

ITALY(Dan Palter,2): A ROM S F nap, F NAP S Austrian F aeg-ion.

RUSSIA(Richard Tucker,7): Builds A War. F EAS S Austrian F aeg-ion, A ank-ARM,
A SIL-mun, A stp-MOS, A WAR S F bot-LVN, A FIN-stp.

Fall 1905 orders are due here by the deadline on page 1. PRESS follows:

CEDARHURST to FRANCE: Mate in 2.

ARCHDUKE to GEOFF: Word has it that my shipload of Galician female body builders that I sent you was confiscated by a French fleet near Gibraltar. The French reportedly lost 3 ships and 175 seamen taking our ship, but when you ask Kraus about it now, I'll bet you a thousand pounds he says, "It was worth it!"

VIENNA to WORLD: I propose a concession to G/I. Any takers?

1982 CP (DnD-5: The General Belgrano Pro-Am)

SPRING 1903: GERMANS, ITALIANS BLITZ FRANCE AS COSSACKS OCCUPY LONDON!

AUSTRIA(Larry McCloud,6*): F aeg-EAS, F GRE-aeg, A BUL-con, A SER-bul, A BUD-ser.

ENGLAND(Bill Highfield,3): F lvp-WAL, F edi-YOR, F nrg-EDI.

FRANCE(Evans Givan,5): F mid-NAF, F POR H, A spa-GAS, A mar-pie/d/(annihilated),
 F bre-MID.

GERMANY(Terry Tallman,6): A bel-PIC, A mun-BUR, F NTH C Russian A nwy-lon, F kie-HOL,
 F DEN S F nth, F ber-KIE.

ITALY(Tal Seaman,4): F wes-SPA(sc), F LYO S A pie-MAR, A tus-PIE.

RUSSIA(Dan Stafford,7): A nwy-LON, F swe-NWY, A fin-STP, F RUM S Turkish F arm-bla,
A SEV-arm, A UKR-sev, A WAR-ukr.

TURKEY(Michael Pustilnik,3): F CON-aeg, F arm-BLA, A SMY-arm.

The listing of Turkey's units was wrong last time, but those affected caught it. Fall 1903 is due here by the deadline on page 1. PRESS follows:

FRANCE to ITALY: Don't you ever give up?

FRANCE to RUSSIA: Yes, he does get off on '57 Chevys. Right on them. And anything else that may be handy. That's why I move when he comes to town.

PARIS: I've recently been experimenting with using flashlight batteries (C and D cells) in place of the plastic pieces in the newer Diplomacy sets. Unfortunately, when I get 7 fleets (D cells) and 7 armies (C cells) for each country, I can hardly lift the thing. So, anybody need any batteries? I think I'll switch to empty 35mm film canisters. The Kodak kind can be fleets and the Fuji kind can be armies. Maybe I can stick a little picture of a ship or a man on the sides. Plus a big letter on top, in the appropriate country's color -- like a red "A". ((O-kaayyy....))

BERLIN to PARIS: I've seen your article on playing France and I feel duty-bound to give you as much material as I can so that it will be comprehensive.

BERLIN to EDINBURGH: Trust me, Bill. I'm trying to bring peace to England.

BERLIN to TURKEY: Hey, come on now. Give us a little smile.

BERLIN to PARIS: How could Dafcon claim to have been the formation of the West Coast in-crowd? Where were Meinel, Lee, Tallman, Fleming, Cunning, Sherwood, and McCloud?

GERMANY to ALL: Death before an alliance with Highthumper!

GERMANY to LIVERPOOL: What do you mean, no press? If anything, it could do more good here than in the other game. But I will offer a compromise. If you don't mention Old Red, the Navy, the military in general, or other right-wing catch-phrases, we'll keep the press in this game devoid of references similar to those in DnD-2.