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7-8-80

As we say in the sewage treatment business, flush twice -- it's a long way to...

DRACONIA #1

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1978X

SPRING 1907: GERMAN LEADERSHIP CHANGES HANDS AS MUNICH FALLS TO HUNKIES; ITALIAN-RUSSIAN SQUABBLE SHAPING UP IN NORTHERN WATERS; ACTION ELSEWHERE MOSTLY DEPIES DESCRIPTION.

AUSTRIA (David Fields, 11): A Kie-Ruh*, A Sil-Ber/d/R(War, Gal, Boh, OTB)*, A Tyo* S A Boh-Mun*, A Ven*-Pie, A Tus*-Pie, F Tri-Adr*, F Bla* S A Arm-Ank*, A Con-Sny*, A Gre* H.

ENGLAND (C.D., 1): F Cly* H.

FRANCE (C.D., 1): A Par* H.

GERMANY (John Zipper, 4): F Bel-Hoi*, A Ber* S A Mun-Sil*, F Bal*-Kie.

ITALY (Peter Robson, 11): F Nat-Nwg*, F Lvp-Nat*, A Lon-Yor*, F Mid-Eng*, A Bre-Pic*, A Mar-Bur*, F Lyo*-Tus, A Rom*-Ven, F Nap-Ion*, F Aeg-Bul(sc)*, A Ank-Arm/d/R(Con, OTB)*.

RUSSIA (Peter Ashley, 6): F StP(sc)-Bot*, A Mos-StP*, F Ska-Nth*, A Den*-Kie, A Swe*-Den, A War-Pru*.

The more perceptive among you will notice that Alan Cathcart is No Longer Among Us. John Zipper (14 Cherry Brook Lane, East Windsor, NJ 08520) takes over the German position (sorry, John). I hope that neither Alan nor anyone else tried to call over the weekend, because your GM spent the holiday out of town and was unable to return as planned for deadline eve. Sorry if I missed you, or vice versa. Fall 1907 orders are due in Thursday, August 1.

This rag now has a title. It's from the setting of a short story I must've started 20 years ago and (mercifully) abandoned. Anyway, I make no claims as to its titular merits, but at least now you have something to cuss at by name when your orders bomb or your press is transmogrified.

Speaking of Press, watch out for the road apples again:

Vienna - Rome: The name of the second horseman is Pestilence.

Berlin - Moscow: Oh you of such great faith....

Berlin - Vienna: Hope I'm around to watch the Blade flash.

Berlin - Rome(?): Help.

Niederbreidenbach: The new Germany is open to all offers.

South Euclid: Hope that last was s'posed to be press. It had no dateline as received.

KENNEDY



And if you want to get away from the hustle and bustle of big-time Diplomacy, then try:

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AUTUMN 1907: ITALY -- A Rom R Apu.

WINTER 1907: AUSTRIA builds F Tri, A Vie; GERMANY removes A Hol; ITALY builds A Nap; RUSSIA builds F StP(nc).

SPRING 1908: KRAUTS RAID RUSSIA AS VISE TIGHTENS ON BERLIN; WOPS REGAIN ROME, GO A'VIKING WHILE AUSTRIA GRABS SOUTHERN CENTERS

AUSTRIA (David Fields, 13): A Gre* S F Tri-Alb*, F Adr* S A Rom-Ven*, F Bla* S A Con-Bul*, A Tyo* S A Ven-Pie*, A Ruh* S A Mun*-Bur, A Gal*-Sil, A Ank-Smy*.
GERMANY (John Zipper, 3): F Bal* C A Ber-Lvn*, A Sil*-War.
ITALY (Peter Robson, 11): F Bul(sc)-Con/d/R(Aeg,OTB)*, F Tus* S A Nap-Rom*, A Pic* S A Par*-Bur, A Edi-Yor*, F Nwg*-Bar, F Nth-Ska*, F Eng-Nth*. F Ion* C A Apu*-Alb.
RUSSIA (Peter Ashley 7): A War*-Sil, A Den-Kie*, A Swe-Den*, F Bot*-Bal, F Lon-Wal*, F StP(nc)*-Bar, A Nwy* H.

Damn, this is the last time I'll type on this lousy Olivetti. Everyone should have received word that I goofed on the center count last time. Austria was incorrectly given credit for Smy, when in fact he only passed through in the Spring. So Austria got 2 builds, Italy got 1. Sorry! Deadline for FALL 1908 is TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7.

The crack about Kennedy last time wasn't meant as a jibe at any of you, in case you took it as such. Actually, Teddy is probably no bigger an asshole than the three bezos still running after the conventions. Say, I don't suppose anybody out there would like to help run a write-in campaign for Curt Gibson...?

And now once again, the real reason Don's calling it quits -- the 1978X Press:

Berlin: CHARGE!

Vienna - Rome: The name of the fourth horseman is WAR.

Vienna - South Euclid: Punchline? ((Yeah, that's what I figured...))

KENDTEN

10-7-80

GM accuracy just ain't what it used to be. Don't believe me? Then you'd better check out Issue #4 of

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SUMMER 1908: ITALY -- F Bul(sc) R Aeg.

FALL 1908: KAISER PONDERES EXTENDED VACATION AS AUSTRO-RUSSIAN BEHEMOTH ISOLATES BERLIN; ITALIANS COMMANDEER PARIS PUSHCARTS TO MOVE TROOPS UP TO BELEAGUERED WESTERN FRONT; TSAR PETER EXTENDS LONDON VISIT; POSSIBLE AUSTRIAN BREAKTHROUGH IN MED; MEANWHILE, NO ENDGAME IN SIGHT

AUSTRIA(Fields,13): A Gal* S RUS A War, A Boh*-Sil, A Smy* S F Bla-Con*, A Bul* S A Gre* H, A Pie-Mar*, A Tyo* S A Ven* H, A Mun*-Bur, A Ruh* S RUS A Kie-Hol, F Adr* S F Alb-Ion*. CENTERS: home, ser, rum, con, sev, ven, gre, ~~Kie~~, mun, ank, ~~tob~~, SMY, BUL, MAR (14) build 1.

GERMANY(Zipper,3): F Bal-Ber*, A Sil* S A Lvn*-War. CENTERS: ber, ~~HOL~~, ~~BEL~~ (1) remove 2.

ITALY(Robson,11): F Aeg* S F Ion-Gre/d/R(Eas,Nap,Tyn,Tun,OTB)*, A Apu* S A Rom*-Ven, F Tus-Lyo*, A Pic-Bel*, A Par*-Bur, F Nth*-Hol, A Yor*-Lon, F Ska* S F Nwg*-Nwy. CENTERS: nap, tun, ~~mat~~, spa, ~~sty~~, por, bre, lvp, edi, par, ~~BUL~~, ROM, BEL (10) remove 1.

RUSSIA(Ashley,7): F StP(nc)* S A Nwy* S F Bot-Swe*(got that?), A Den-Kie*, A Kie-Hol*, A War* H, F Wal*-Lon. CENTERS: mos, stp, nwy, swe, den, war, lon, KIE, HOL (9) build 2.

Last time I failed to print Austria's move of A Vie-Boh. Affected players were notified by postcard. Obviously my mind is going. Deadline for Autumn and Winter 1908 and Spring 1909 is Friday, November 7. Players are also asked to vote then on a concession to Austria.
PRESS.....

Italy-Berlin: I'll meet you in Hell. Thanks.

Italy-Austria: I wish your moves were as bad as your press. (Wish my press was as good as yours).

South Euclid: An unabashed self-plug -- Someone was ~~damn~~ kind enough to ask whether I had a new gamestart in the works. Yep. I'm about to start two new subzines: one carrying an orphan in Dogs of War, and another, called Down'n' Dirty, to be published independently but also featured in The Brutus Bulletin. DnD will be mailed direct and will include a bit more than just games. Direct circulation will be limited to players and kibitzer press-writers. I currently have openings in two games there, one running grey press (anonymous-neutral datelines)and the other black press (where anything goes). Gamefee is \$2.50 for BB subbers, \$3.50 otherwise. Both amounts include a gamelong sub. Cheap!

Any of you are welcome to sign up, but be warned that a heavy influx of BBers should make for lots of imaginative, biting, and often raunchy press. If you don't hold your own press-wise, it can be brutal. Write me if interested....

JONES

11-6-80

"What do you make of this, Dan? Do you have any observations on how the pollsters all underestimated the magnitude of the Republican sweep?"

"Well, Walter, after talking to a cross-section of voters throughout the day, I can only conclude that we all overlooked one factor that's figured very heavily in these results. It appears that the voters weren't voting for a Reagan presidency as much as they were simply reacting against the prospect of another four years of

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AUTUMN 1909: ITA retreats F Mar-Lyo, A Bel-Pic.

SPRING 1910: AUSTRIA ONCE AGAIN PUSHES FOR PEACE AS KAISER JOHANN, PONDERING MID-LIFE CAREER CHANGE, JOINS GALLON CLUB AT BERLIN RED CROSS

AUSTRIA(David Fields,14): F VEN S & F ION S & F ADR C A alb-APU, A GAS S & A MAR S F wes-SPA(sc), A BUR S Russian A bel-pic, A ruh-MUN, A mun-BER, A gal-VIE, A con-BUL, A ser-BUD, A TUS-rom.

GERMANY(John Zipper,1): F ber-PRU.

ITALY(Peter Robson,12*): F LYO S & F TUN S F rom-TYN, A NAP-rom, A apu-nap/d/ annihilated, A BRE S A pic-PAR, A LON H, F STP(nc) H, F SKA S F ewy-NTH.

RUSSIA(Peter Ashley,7): A war-SIL, A LVN-stp, A KIE S Austrian A mun-ber, F DEN S A swe, A SWE S F den, F ENG-nth, A bel-PIC.

FALL 1910 orders are due by 10 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 16, 1981. Please submit your vote on an IRA draw proposal at that time. Votes will be considered effective after the year-end supply center count. See Austrian press below for the actual proposal.

PRESS.....

VIENNA-BERLIN: Listen you turkey (no, Turkey's gone). Listen Germany - Italy, Russia, and I have agonized over this game for two real-time years. So bleed, if you insist, and if you like such displays. I again call for a vote for an I-R-A draw. After this game year, Austria will beat 16 centers. Beginning Spring of next game year, I will cease taking centers until the draw passes.

ITALY - RUSSIA & AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: I wish you two would get your act together; your inability to destroy a badly-outnumbered enemy (me) is commendable.

ROME-BERLIN: Well said.

Note to Players: This game looks pretty close to a conclusion, but if you all decide to fight it out, it will maybe run another 3-4 months. Should 1978X still be underway when Don shuts down GAF, I'd like to move this into my 3-week zine, Down 'n' Dirty. With direct mailing to you, the negotiating time available to you under the 3-week schedule would be almost exactly the same as here. Main reason for doing this would be to cut down my publishing deadlines from 3 to 2 per month. If anyone objects to this idea, please let me know and we'll continue as here.

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FALL 1910: PEACE AT LAST AS A-I-R DRAW SUCCEEDS; EUROPE, GM REJOICE!

AUSTRIA(David Fields,14): F lon-nsp/d/R(Gre,Aeg,Eas,OTB), F ven-AIK, F adr-ALB, F spa(sc)-WES, A BUL H, A BUD H, A VIE H, A ber-MUN, A mun-TYO, A BUR S Russian A pic-par, A APU S A tus-ROM, A MAR S A gas-SPA. Centers: home,ser,rum,con,sev, ven,gre,mun,ank,smy,bul,mar,ROM,SPA (16).

GERMANY(John Zipper,1): F PRU-lvn. Centers: ~~ber~~ (0) OUT.

ITALY(Peter Robson, 12*): F STP(nc) H, F SKA-swe, F NTH C A lon-BEL, A BRE S A par, A par S a bre/d/R(Gas,OTB), F LYC-spa(sc), F TYN S F tun-ION, A NAP-rom. Centers: nap,tun,~~spa~~,por,bre,lvp,edi,~~par~~,~~spa~~,stp,lon,~~nny~~,BEL (9).

RUSSIA(Peter Ashley,7): A LVN-stp, A KIE S A sil-BER, A swe-NWY, F DEN-swe, A pic-PAR, F ENG-bre. Centers: mos,swe,den,war,kie,hol,~~ber~~,NWY,BER,PAR (9).

As headlined, the 3-way draw has passed and the game is ended. A special thanks to John Zipper for playing the German S/B position through to the bitter end. If anyone would like to submit end-game comments, I'll publish them in the next (and last) ish of DRACONIA. The game stats will appear then too, as I need to obtain the early season information from Don. Next issue will be mailed independently, so we'll shorten up the deadline and ask for your statements (if any) by March 10. Now some wrap-up press:

VIENNA to THE GERMANS: Bye.

VIENNA to ROME: One-third of something is better than nothing. The offer is sincere.

ITALIA (BRITANNIA) to AUSTRIA: I really think you should go for the win. I think you've earned it.

SOUTH EUCLID: In answer to several inquiries, my second grey press game in Down 'n' Dirty is three players shy of a start, so obviously there are still openings. Cost for gamefee and gamelong sub is \$3.50 inclusive; I doubt if you'll find cheaper. DnD is published independently every 3 weeks (the game D/L frequency), and is reprinted in The Brutus Bulletin as a subzine at odd intervals. If you're a BB subber, game cost is only \$2.50 here. While a BB sub isn't needed to play in DnD, it might be the most enjoyable buck you've ever saved. John Michalski publishes what many consider to be the best zine in the hobby: a xeroxed hodge-podge of invective, insanity, and good ol' fun.(John Michalski, Rt. 10, Box 526-Q, Moore, OK 73165.)

P.S. You should have received a sample of DnD plus HRs by the time you get this.