

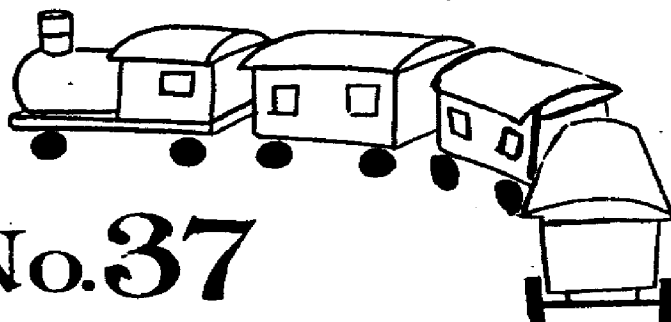
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Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Minister of England: "We do not want to crush Germany but to restore peace as soon as possible."

To which Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany replied: "Canting liar, slippery as an eel." For their "game", see p. 30!



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§ Exactly 70 years ago, World War I, the scenario on which our Diplomacy game is based, began. A new special feature of EE will look closely, on a day-to-day basis, at the events and personalities of that war, in the coming months. (See p. 30)

§ So I'll be sure to have enough room, I must complete Kevin Stone's review of KaneKon II on this page. For the start of it see page 3 first, then come back!

* Talking with Ken Halpern about:

ECONOMICS: Ken displayed a remarkable ignorance of how the market system works.

BASEBALL- BRUX and I agreed with everything he said about baseball, so he had no one to argue with.

* Looking through BRUX's picture album and finding Jake Halverstadt is just as I had pictured him--a mountain man. I was also shocked by Mark Luedi's picture--I expected a clean-cut Midwesterner.

* Cruising around Great Neck with Steve Hutton and Eric Kane and running across Ken "The Enforcer" Halpern berating a group of Puerto Ricans and telling them they should leave town. Oh, did I say this was while he was playing the cop in "West Side Story"?

* Enjoying my stay at "Kane Manor" and the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Kane and Eric.

((But what about Vicki? We want to hear about Vicki Kane!! Thanks Kevin and I hope you won't forget this "front page" treatment! Now go to p. 4 for Jim's article!))

§ Brian Greese and Ken Bain, the dual editors of a wonderful British zine called NMR! really outdid themselves with their 50th issue. It was on a cassette tape!

You could sit back and hear letters to the editor read in an expressive phrase, hear music being played, an interview with Pete Tamlyn and many sound effects. I've never heard anything like it and it will be quite awhile before anything surpasses this!

Good job, Ken and Brian! What I enjoyed most was the "newsman approach" to just how NMR! began on up to the present. They had received advice like "You can do a zine in one weekend a month", etc. The flip side was deep relaxation exercises.

§ I got impressed last week when I went to my mailbox(it's in a cluster with dozens of others) and my mail-woman singled me out when I went to unlock my mail. It seems several of you, especially publishers, are not printing my address correctly and it is causing delays. Please check it out and get the Post Office off my back! I deal with them enough by working there!

§ The nuclear articles begin on page 20, the results of this year's Runestone Poll begin on page 31(I'll carry the British Zine Poll next issue); use the table of contents on page 2 to find out the rest. The 3 subzines begin on page 42....

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After I finish this issue, I've got to do a cassette tape singing along with Elvis and reading passages from Gone With The Wind for Kathy Byrne! In return I get a Samantha Corbin(all of 2 years old) used pacifier. For more on PDO see page 19! ①

Hi y'all, see page 29! Gary

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Pat Hart strikes again with another DIPSCRIPTION based on what he reads about you in this zine and others. YOU could be next but this time it is Jaap Jacobs of Holland. He lives on Vincent Van Goghlaan(lane in English) but that's the only thing about Jaap that is "token" or "stereotyped"....Pat tells us more.....

<u>NAME:</u> Jaap Jacobs	<u>SEX:</u> In windmills
<u>NICKNAME:</u> J J	<u>HAIR:</u> Flowing
<u>HOME:</u> Any dike	<u>EYES:</u> Discerning
<u>BIRTHDATE:</u> MCML	<u>LOOKS:</u> Windy
<u>BIRTHSIGN:</u> Shoes R Us	

<u>NOTED FOR:</u> A compulsive stabber	<u>AMBITION:</u> To stab in the press
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<u>TURN-ON:</u> Going Dutch Treat	<u>TURN-OFF:</u> Too much press
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<u>FAVORITE CITY:</u> The Hague	<u>FAVORITE COUNTRY:</u> Holland
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<u>FAVORITE APHRODISIAC:</u> Peanut butter	<u>FAVORITE BOOK:</u> Robert's Rules Of Order
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<u>FAVORITE PHRASE:</u> Out of Order!	<u>FAVORITE POLITICIAN:</u> Al Haig
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<u>FAVORITE ARTIST:</u> Vincent Van Gogh	<u>FAVORITE JOKE:</u> What do you call throwing a wooden shoe into a piece of machinery? Sabotage
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FAVORITE POEM:-----Jaap Jacobs is a soft touch,
Being EE's token Dutch,
He'd do anything for Gary,
Wow! Ain't that scary?

Discover Well, maybe not music, but being a Malmberger will get you 3 out of 4! And 2 free issues of EE now and 4 more if you^xcalled(and you are only called one time--no overkill!) and complete an assignment to the end. Join these passionate and intriguing and probably murderous 32 Malmbergers: Ieapo Stabo, Peter Ansoff, Steve Arnawoodian, Ken Corbin, Don Del Grande, Michael Ditz, Mike Ehli, Mark Frueh, Paul Gardner, Claude Gautron, Richard Gee, Evans Givan, Scott Hanson, Pat Hart, Nelson Heintzman, Hauke Jansen, Matt Kazur, Mark Keller, Pierre Kotschoubey, Mark Larzelere, Dustin Laurence, Michael Lee, Jim Meinel, Bob Osuch, Jane Proskin, John Pack, Clark Reynolds, Carl Russell, Jeff Sandelin, Helmut Schmidt, James Wall and Dan Wilson. Thanks for helping me out!

--What's a tank?...It's a means of transportation the Soviet Army uses to visit its friends.....---from Paris-Match in Paris, France

14. James Wall: 1805 University Arc #5, Madison, Wisconsin 53705 USA (But I'm Happy)
15. Don Williams: 217-B Craig Ct., Redlands, California 92374 USA (Fiat Bellum)
16. James Woodson: C/O Laingen, 3500 Creighton, Apt. #N-8, Pensacola, Florida

I only know primarily about Diplomacy, not the other games that this person below will mention so I'm hoping some of you will be able to respond. Mark Matuschak, pubber of The Buzzard's Breath, in his issue #74(August 1984) said he saw this letter printed "in another zine". Like him, I want to reprint it in case some of you would like to help this guy out. He is from Hungary, behind the Iron Curtain! His name is Gabor Szaksz and his address is: Tanacsics u 18, Siklos H-7800, HUNGARY. His letter says:

((So if any of you can help Gabor ,please consider it. Jim Bumpas, didn't you once have a subscriber from Hungary for your Liberteerrian?))

WELL? COME ON, STEVE!
WHATTA Y HAVE
T'SAY?!

Now for some articles! (The nuclear discussion with articles begins on page 20). The "featured authors" this issue are Jim Finley, Pete Gaughan and Charles-André Brouwers. (Jim's intro is at the end of his article (p. 6). First up is Kevin Stone about his trip to Eric Kane's home in Great Neck, New York and... (He's "featured" too...))

--by Kevin G. Stone

* Being introduced to Dave Lincoln and his children, Brian and Becky. All 3 of them are game players. I didn't find out until just before I left that it was Dave LINCOLN, not Dave CARTER. Silly me.

* Meeting Steve Hutton, a real-life Canadian. I learned more about Canada from him in four days than I had in my previous 22 years. I also got to hear him say "En?", just like Bob and Doug MacKenzie.

* Playing Civilization for the first time. * Eating at a restaurant in Great Neck and seeing Steve order "so-called" Canadian bacon. In Canada it is known as "back bacon." A minute later, BRUX [Bruce Linsey] ordered "two eggs-any style", just as it was written on the menu.

* Trying to sleep in the same room with "Freight Train" Phil Dancause, "The Man of a Thousand Snores." * Eating my first Chinese meal. We went to a place in Little Neck that was all-you-can-eat-for-ten-bucks. BRUX wore a monster mask and brought a smile to the faces of all the workers.

* Being scared to death while riding around with Steve Brooks in his parents' Wagoneer. Then his parents gave him a Datsun 280 Z for his birthday. We started a pool to see who can guess when he will trash it. * Seeing Eric Kane stutter when he tried to explain his way out of a stab. ((Article finishes on page 1)) 3

Today is Memorial Day. America has the day off, with the idea of spending at least a few moments thinking about the millions of men who have fought and died to defend their people and way of life. The terrible ingratitude of the Sixties and Seventies is passing, and Americans seem more aware of the staggering debt they owe their grandfathers, fathers, brothers, husbands and sons who have died for them. What I would like to see now is more appreciation for those of us now in uniform - nothing fancy, just the respect we deserve. I am tired of self-styled pacifists sneering at servicemen, luxuriating in the benefits of our service while disdaining to dirty their hands to maintain those benefits.

In any free, liberal society, the professional warriors are alien figures and must deal with the hostility facing any visible, different, minority. The values we practice and personify contradict many of those our civilian contemporaries hold dearest. Too often they dismiss us as narrow-minded, bloodthirsty, callous thugs, forgetting that we are their brothers. Our lifestyle seems crude, degrading, beneath their dignity as free men.

That is a glorious thing to be - a free man, or woman, or child. How does it happen? If you are very very lucky, lucky enough to live in what is usually called Western Society today, it is handed to you on a tasselled pillow, compliments of the management. There is a catch, though, and a big one. You are not free because you are smarter or braver or better than millions now living in chains of misinformation, surveillance and censorship. Your franchise is not maintenance-free. Many have had their freedom and lost it throughout history. Someone probably lost it while you read this sentence. If you are to keep yours, you - or I - must stand ready to kill and die to stop it being taken away. The takers are there; they fall into two categories, domestic and foreign.

The menace at home is the true believer whose beliefs are truer than anyone else's, the dogooder who knows what's good for you and is determined to protect you from too much freedom, for your own good of course. The best defenses here are peaceful: a system of government that spreads power too thinly for one person or group to grab a decisive amount; frequent and regular elections to vote the villains out of office, or even recall or impeach them if they get too far out of bounds; and most important, the partnership of a free press and an informed, irritable electorate. Look around - it works.

The foreign aggressor is the one that brings my brethren in arms and me onto the stage. This is the person or group determined to enslave and exploit other peoples and lands for the benefit of their own. Common symptoms include domestic repression and heads of state strutting around in flashy uniforms.

The only defense that so far in history has proven effective against these greedy and amoral pirates is the repeated display of both the ability to beat them, or at least give them more grief than they're willing to take, and just as important, the will to do so if need be. Without the professional volunteer armed forces, properly manned, equipped and trained, the United States would have no ability to deter. The U.S., like it or not, is the biggest element in the defense of the West. So you all need us. I don't want to sound arrogant, and mean no insult to anyone, European or American, civilian or military; but the plain fact is that if it were not for the American armed forces, the tyrants of the world could and would act much more aggressively against their peace-loving neighbors without fear of effective opposition or retaliation, and a lot of people who are now perfectly free to call us awful names wouldn't be able to set foot in public with their picket signs without being arrested, beaten or shot.

So why a professional, all-volunteer, standing military instead of the traditional citizen-army of citizen soldiers, amateurs meeting a temporary need, the mainstay of both World Wars?

Today's and tomorrow's demands on military leaders - meaning anyone in charge of any group, from a four-man fire team to a million-man front - are much harsher than those of the last major war. In any war taking place from now on between first-rate powers and/or their allies, the lieutenant leading a forty-man platoon will need more sophisticated, specialized military knowledge than the colonel commanding a regiment of four thousand needed in World War II, forty years ago. He and his noncommissioned officers, sergeants and corporals must be able to meet wracking demands on their strength, endurance, will, intelligence and courage. They must also be ready and able to coordinate artillery, jet and helicopter aircraft, naval gunfire, and a host of other complications that nobody except the generals used to worry about; they must be ready to do so on a battlefield larger, faster-moving, posing more complicated problems and more lethal dangers than any that have ever been seen. They must be trained and prepared to lead the fight in the presence of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons horrible beyond anything yet seen; to move and fight hundreds of miles per week for weeks at a time, day and night; to counter, and use, electronic weapons, satellite reconnaissance and communications, computerized weapons systems... and on and on. To be properly trained, as far as is possible in peacetime, takes years of practice and the mastery of a body of knowledge and experience at least the equal of any baccalaureate degree. The modern military leader is a professional. No citizen army of recent civilians could learn the job in time to survive and win a high-tech war.

Time is very important here. At present, the time we need to react effectively to attack is measured in hours, days and weeks, varying depending on place and nature of conflict. This is necessary - Europe could be taken in a month if we were unready to defend it, as could Japan, Australia, South Korea... now consider the time needed to gather, organize, train and equip a nation in arms from a standing start. To train a civilian as a basic infantryman, tanker or artilleryman takes an absolute minimum of two months; at least an equal period will be needed to clothe, arm and equip him. That is assuming the training bases and factories for weapons, ammunition, vehicles, uniforms, bandages, canned food, radios, batteries, and so on, are all tooled up and waiting for the signal to spring into activity. If not, more time. To train and equip the more technical specialists - radar operators, aircraft mechanics, computer programmers - will take several times as long - and you can't fight nowadays without them, either.

Once you have all these new warriors ready to go, it will probably take you at least another month to get them to where they are needed, or rather where they were needed several weeks earlier.

No army, navy, air force - or Marine Corps - that waits until the war starts, to get organized, can reach the fight in time to do any good. There must be, at a minimum, enough men and weapons and supplies to delay the enemy's advance until help arrives.

We still haven't addressed the most important issue in the volunteer professional versus citizen soldier debate. That issue is conscription. Even supposing a citizen army of draftees could effectively guard the West, the only way it could be created is by compulsory military service. In the minds of a great many people, myself included, the idea of the draft is against the values a liberal free society is supposed to uphold - the values I am in uniform to preserve and defend.

Defense is a duty that must be taken up freely if we are not to destroy that we seek to defend, our freedom. The draftee is in many ways a slave. The professional volunteer is the only alternative.

The future promises more, not less, complexity in warfare. We see more dilemmas, economic, political, and ideological, exploding into welters of blood and steel than ever before. We must be more versatile, more ready, less complacent. The proportion of the world's people who are free has been slowly shrinking since the 1950s; we are under siege. We may lose. If we are to keep the liberties that we have, men must be willing and able to fight for them. As for the value of those men to their society, John Fitzgerald Kennedy put it more eloquently than I can, so I will close with his words.

"The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood... who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself at a worthy cause; who at best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and...if he fails, at least fails daring greatly so that his place shall never be with those cold timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

((Thanks Jim for making us remember something we should constantly be reminded of and grateful for. Since I'm doing this issue out of sequence I don't know if I introduced you, ~~on page~~ Jim is a Marine (his wife Robyn does Femme Fatale in EE, see page 444) and in October he will be coming through Memphis on his way to Virginia to enter Marine Officer School. I would particularly like to stress the point you brought up about military forces having to be in being. Armies, Navies and Air Forces cannot be summoned into being overnight or by the wave of a magic wand. I am for conscription too. This cartoon is for our military protectors.



((Next up is Pete Gaughan, pubber of Perelandra in Texas though he is from southern California. In the summer of 1983, Pete lived in Japan and he would like to eventually live there or somewhere else in the Far East. His article really explains itself. When I was stationed by the Army in Korea for 15 months, I was never homesick and I considered living overseas too. Many people have found success and happiness in a country that is not their native one like....Bob Hope, Napoleon, Ernest Hemingway, Rich Little, D.H. Lawrence, many refugees and maybe....

AN ALTERNATIVE TO TRADITION (A DISCLAIMER)

--by Pete Gaughan

When people say to me about America, "Love it or leave it", I respond, "I'm leaving, as fast as I can."

I recognize that this country has done a lot for me. I am in better health, have more education, and make more money (even in student poverty) than 80% or more of the world's people. I have leisure time, and the things with which I can fill it are innumerable: arguing political theory, following sports, hiking, reading, and so on. And no person is permitted to hinder me in the reasonable pursuit of these good times.

But America does not buy my loyalty so cheap.

Among the recent diatribes being thrown about in EE is the comment that Ronald Reagan's policies are un-Christian. If you define Christian properly, you can exclude the Pope or include Cromwell, so I will not waste time now on that--those wishing to have a discussion of the viability of such labels are invited to write me directly. But in my definition (obviously) I am a Christian, and this colors,

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PETE GAUGHAN's article....continued from page 6

even determines, how I view America's values and actions.

This is a country where murder of the unborn is legal, while hundreds of thousands of couples wait in line to adopt. States forbid people to exercise their choice of lifestyle or home, and then wonder at having to spend millions on prisons and mental hospitals (a line from a recent essay comes to mind: "They tear down oak trees to build homes for people driven mad by the tearing down of oak trees").

We warn people not to use products which our government supports with billions in subsidies. We have armed nations whose people did not to be armed, while rejecting the pleas of others who do.

So America is good and bad. Big deal. Every country on Earth is too. And I certainly would rather live here than in the USSR. But the criterion that decides things for me is accountability. I do not want to be held responsible for the USA. Primarily, let no one tell me that I share any blame for American military intervention abroad, or worse, for American refusal to interfere in poverty, hunger and illiteracy overseas.

Before World War II, there was a long tradition of men and some women who decided to become expatriates--Americans who left not for employment or crime but out of ideology. Some tried to improve other nations (witness Hemingway in the Spanish Civil War), others merely made their own statement by leaving. I suggest this is a possibility, despite the inability of many Americans to conceive of life anywhere else.

Today there are those who love their country--wherever they live--and are satisfied with its course. There are some who, love it or not, feel they can affect changes in the society. But for a small minority, the US falls short of whatever moral system we are using and will not be repaired. We should leave it.

((Thanks Pete. We all have to find what we're looking for. Are you very familiar with Genesis 12:1? "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." Best of luck to you.

The next article deals with the Olympics which I assume most of us saw at one time or another. Many complaints were made that ABC-TV concentrated much too heavily on the Americans to the exclusion of the other nations. ABC responded that what was being shown to the American people was different than what it was sending overseas. Charles-André Brouwers of Belgium wrote me the following:

"The Olympic Games have been vexing for poor Europe. Only France seems to be satisfied but their television channels have shown only the French successes. They also have criticized the officials' judging. It is a tradition; when they are defeated they are convinced they have been cheated. Well I have translated for you an article from a Belgian newspaper which looks at the Olympic results as a picture of our commercial behaviour."

Charles-André is not a subber of EE but he and I exchange cassette tapes quite often and the last one he sent me was partly of a convention in Switzerland. I got to hear the voices of many I had met (like Luc Dodinval, Alain Henry, Christian Rode all Belgian, Christoph Schunck of West Germany) and some I have not yet met who are EE subbers (Georges-André Brugger of Switzerland (see page 23) and Claude Gautron of Canada). Charles-André's article is from Brussels' newspaper Le Soir of August 14-15. E.E.C. is the European Economic Community or "Common Market" which now has ten member states.

IN A COMMUNITY WAY
(Translation) --by Charles-André Brouwers



The E.E.C. doesn't yet exist in sports. Nevertheless we could read the Olympic results in a Community way.

Well! The American successes then seem more relative. The E.E.C. has in fact won more medals than the USA in Los Angeles and the two populations are quite equal. (181 medals versus 174).

Inside the Community, Germany leads (59 medals) followed by the United Kingdom (37), Italy (32), France (27), The Netherlands (13), Denmark (6), Belgium (4), Greece (2), Ireland (1) and none

for Luxembourg.

We should admit that the Americans have taken away twice as many gold medals
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than the Europeans from the E.E.C., but Europeans had almost three times as many bronze medals. These results may picture a socio-economical reality. Americans lead in a lot of sectors but Europe remains strong on its old bases.

It is the same as in the economy. The Americans are far ahead but Europe's chances are not lost forever. Europe just has to pull itself together and learn to be more aggressive. Historical traditions are good, but...without the slowness and stiffness, it is better.

During the Olympic Games, this reality meant this: When the matter is to run fast, the Europeans fail. In every sprint (up to 800 meters), they have just put in an appearance. In wrestling and boxing where fast reactions are essential, the United States knocked Europe out.

There is another symptom: Americans jump further but Europeans jump higher. It is a completely different dynamic! When it is a matter of enduring, of undergoing a long effort, sportsmen from the E.E.C. are present. They excell in lasting: marathon, 1500 meters, 10,000 meters, decathlon, pentathlon...Also when it is a matter less of moving than of seeing, the Europeans carry the medals away: weight shooting, hammer, javelin.

Unfortunately, European sportswomen have been disappointing. They do not stand long pain as well as their male colleagues.

Yet we should not believe that Europeans from the E.E.C. are antipathic louts. They have been in fencing three times on the higher stage of the podium.

One can easily imagine the Americans grinning at this: "Fencing is an anachronistic discipline which suits the decadent old continent perfectly." It is right that Europeans have defeated American "Korros" thanks to traditions from the Middle Ages. Even now, the tradition is still living....

In the E.E.C. summits, they cross swords for years about Maggie's money (Margaret Thatcher) and they practice hair-splitting as nowhere else. But the Americans may not grin. They are unbeatable at missile shooting, bravo, but also at archery.

In the water, the Ten would do better to stay out of the pool. But the Americans should moderate their triumph: eight of their 12 medals were won in diving.

On the water, a European victory is to be noticed, the more so because it took place on the Pacific coast. It is the more beautiful success. A Dutchman took away the windsurfing Gold medal. The Americans are masters of the future, but in the meantime the Europeans will go on having fun with brio.

The nice performances in Los Angeles are going to speed the building of the Europe of Sports. But it is to be remembered that nationalism is still prevalent among the Europeans. The sample survey we published in May, before the election for the European Parliament confirmed it: 59 % of the Community inhabitants were against a single European team for the Olympic Games; 25 % were in favor.

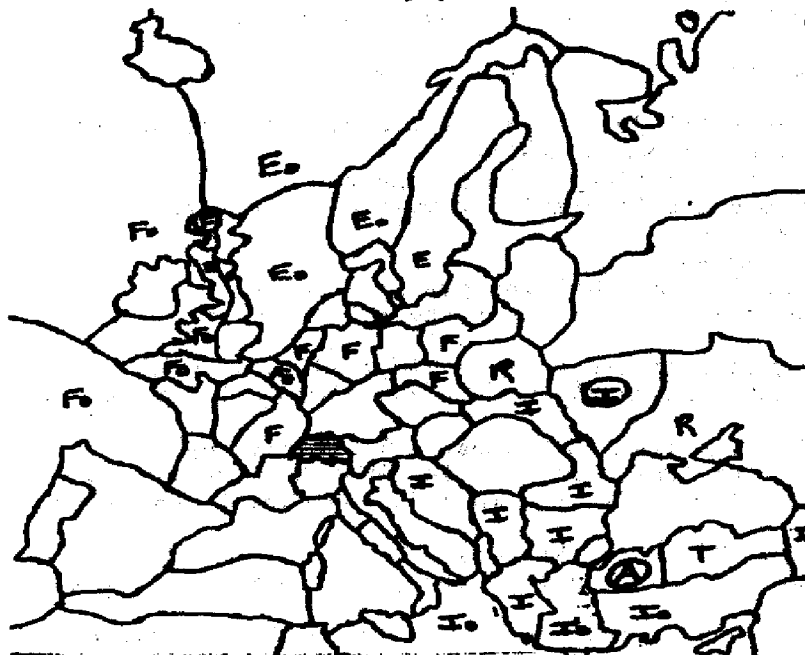
((Thanks Charles-André for a well-done translation job! Some words I was not familiar with in the context that you used them like "missile shooting" which could come across as unintentional humor in light of the nuclear discussions in this issue(see page 20). I'm sure "discus throwing" was meant.

When you said that Europeans, in their summits with each other, "practice hair-splitting as nowhere else", you reminded me of Michel Liesnard's comment. Your fellow Belgian said: "Ha! We too, Europeans, haven't much to learn from the rest of the world when pettiness is the main problem. Do you see what's happening to our Common Market? I think there are not two ways to solve the whole imbroglio: let's replace all Western European politicians by their Lebanese counterparts. Considering where we are today, this will certainly be a first step towards conciliation."

The comment that Europeans are still very affected by nationalism doesn't seem to jive with the results of a poll that John Marsden, pubber of Britain's Ode, sent me. The percentage of those who were "very proud" of their country were: Americans, 80 %; Irish, 66 %; British, 55 %; Spanish, 49 %; Italian 41 %; and French, 33 %. The article said West Germany was in last place with 21 %. I don't know what the other categories, aside from "very proud" were. John said: "Maybe the fact that many Europeans are not "very proud" of their nations explains why they don't want to spend much money on defending them". He goes on to say that many other Europeans are in favor of increased defense spending. ⑧

BATTLE FLEETS CLASH IN NORTHERN SEAS AS FRENCH LAND ON THE BLEAK SHORES OF CLYDE!!!
 COSSACKS HOLD FRENCH ARMIES AT BAY BUT LOSE THE UKRAINE TO ITALIAN INVADERS!!
 AUSTRIANS OWN THE GOLDEN HORN AS ITALY GIVES THEM CONSTANTINOPLE!!!

(M) POSITIONS IN SPRING 1907 (M)



§ GAME: "Alsace-Lorraine"
 1981 IC

§ GM: 7-10-21-11

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1907

§ ZAT: Friday, September 14, 1984

§ GAME COLOR: Gumbich

§ GAME NOTES: I wanted to make absolutely sure that I made the correct adjudications in Clyde and the Ukraine so I asked one of the best GMs around, Mark Larselore, pubber of Appalling Greed his opinion. Thanks Mark!

§ Dislodgements This Time:
 England's Fleet Clyde, Russia's Army Ukraine and Turkey's Fleet Constantinople.

A French-Italian draw has been proposed. Please vote with your next orders.

Your cartoon is from Punch magazine. See you in 7 weeks! Isn't Korean nice?!

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1906 §

France: Builds Fleet Brest

Italie: Builds Army Venice, Army Naples

Turquie: MRR! @ GM removes Fleet Black Sea

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1907 §

ET'ALLI: A Gre-(BUL), A (SER) S A Gre-Bul, A Ven-(TRI)
 (Kathy Byrne-yang) A Nap-(GRE), F (ION) C A Nap-Gre
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 A Gal-(UKR), A (RUM) S A Gal-Ukr

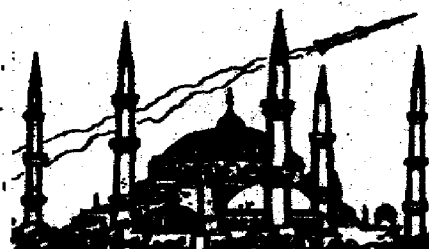
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 (Jim Burgess-ssl)

P'RANGSU: A Lpl-(CLY), F (NAO) S A Lpl-Cly, F (MAO) S F Mao, F Bre-(ENG)
 (Thomas Franke-ssl) F Iri-(WAL), F (BEL) S F Bre-Eng, A (HOL) Holds, A (EUR) Holds
 A (KIE)-Den, A (SIL)-War, A (PRU)-Lvn

ROSIA: A (UKR) ~~MOO~~-Rum(r-Mos-OTB), A (SEV) S A Ukr-Rum, A (WAR)-Lvn
 (Doug Beyerlein-ssl)

T'OK'I: A (ANK)-Sev, ~~F (CON) ~~MOO~~ S A Ank-Con (Isp) (r-Bla-OTB)~~
 (Jaap Jacobs-ssl) F (CON) ~~MOO~~ S A Ank-Con (Isp) (r-Bla-OTB)

YONGGUK: F (CLY) ~~MOO~~-Nao(r-Edi-OTB), F (NWG) S F Cly-Nao
 (Mike Glose-ssl) A Yor-(LPL), A (SWE)-Den, F Lon-(NTH), F Nth-(NWY)



The Fabled Turkish Capital
 Is Now Under The Guns Of
 The Austrian Army!!

France to All: Are you tired of writing press?

Memphis to France: Not this group!

Italy to GM: I thought it would be a kick to play Italy with armies rather than fleets--so far I haven't been disappointed, so why blow a good thing!

France to Russia: Italy is coming!

France to Turkey: Italy is coming!

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France to Austria: Italy is (was?) coming...

France to England: The French are trying to come!

Austria to Italy: A favor, eh? Just give me one good reason why I should be happy with your astute efforts to eliminate me. Now the toady must toady to the Toadmother. A brilliant trap. You know how irresistible you are....

Italy to Austria: If you don't like the way Jim-Boob toadies, just let me know and I'll wipe him out for you!

Austria to France: Now you have it straight. It wasn't very nice of her to let me live, was it? Now she has me....

Italy to Austria: Get off your knees--I'll let you be my toady! I'll do anything to avoid getting a postcard everyday for a month again!

Memphis to Italy: Are you sure it wasn't another reason, hmmmm....

Jim-Boob to Kathy: Yuck, the crows couldn't stand the putrid taste, spit out I'm stuck like the mosquito in the grease.

Memphis to Jim-Boob: That approach may work...

Italy to Russia: Don't look now, but I think that you are in trouble!

Italy to Turkey: The reason I haven't written you is because I can't write or speak Turkish!

Memphis to Italy: When people are unable to speak, they are said to be dumb...

France to Memphis: But you said Kathy is "short, chubby and dumb"? I'd never thought you were capable of that....

Memphis to France: Oh, but I'm not! I'm glad that someone knows the real me!

England to Memphis: Short, chubby and dumb, but not old, eh? I think it's about time that you replaced Kathy with a 'K' with Gathy with a 'C'--at least she likes me!

Memphis to England: But Kathy with a 'K' does like you!

Italy to England: You are cute, but I really can't do much; I'd only be cutting my own throat!

France to Italy: I see you know quite well why you are allied with me--hope we can continue until the very end!

Italy to France: I'm still watching you--one false move and you'll face the wrath of Byrne and that is a fate worse than death.

Memphis to Italy: What do you mean by that?!!

France to Memphis: What do you mean with "when 'publicity' dies down over here??"

Memphis to France: No fair, I asked my question first! Talk about something else!

France to England: Let's keep it that way until we have facts, okay? By the way how about another Rhys-story?

Memphis to France: Get your Mandeln, sit down and read Rhys!

Rhys of Dallas I's Boie(Part XIII)....A Hollow Victory....

1904 passed quietly in the Memphis International Game, which was not surprising as Kathy and Thomas were having it all their own way. [42] After the disaster of 1903, Rhys was firmly on the defensive, struggling to hold back the tide of French units. The replacements were getting younger all the time--indeed the German replacement was 15-year-old American Kevin Stone, dressed in a shiny silver Martian spacesuit, whose only means of communication seemed to be to point his blaster at you and scream "Zap" or "Powie".

As Germany did not seem destined to last long in the Game, Rhys ignored him---such to his cost, he found, as the gum-chewing juvenile pinched Sweden from England with a pointed "Pee-Yow!"...This required some action, and bribery seemed the best course, as Rhys bought up the hotel shop's supply of bubble gum and proceeded to shove pieces under the domed space-helmet regularly.

Rhys' pleadings with the other players began to worry the "Grande Alliance" in Spring 1905, and Rhys became very suspicious when Thomas and Kathy went into conclave. There was an hour's interval before the moves, so Rhys sat Thomas coming back to his room, and invited him to go for a walk, sight-seeing and taking photographs. The Welshman was eager to try out his new camera--presented to him by Gary Coughlan (who was desperate for some good publicity to counteract the bad press and scandals to date) The inscription read "For the longest survivor in the game without any ally."

As they left the hotel, Rhys noticed that the German smelt strongly of almonds, but as Thomas made no comment, they walked on, waving to Kathy who was in the Chemist [43] buying a large jar of petroleum jelly.

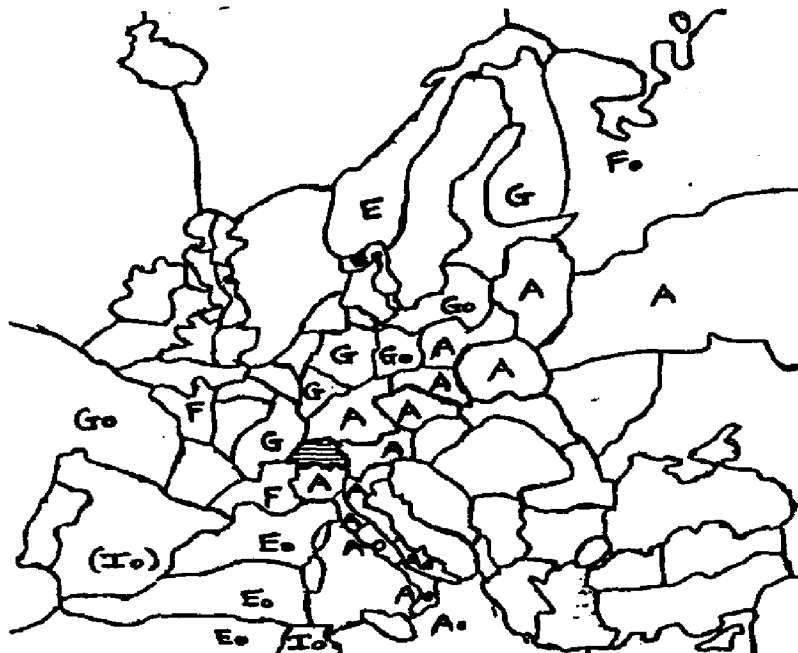
In the park, Rhys posed for Thomas to take a snapshot. Moving over to a park bench, he discreetly placed himself in front of a large sign beside it. Rhys then

((then....then....turn to page 39 to find out!))

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FRENCH RECOVER BREST AS ITALIANS PROMISE CONTINUED RESISTANCE TO VIENNA!!!
 BERLIN AND ST. PETERSBURG WITHSTAND HEAVY AUSTRIAN ASSAULTS!!!
 NAVAL SUPERIORITY IN THE TYRRHENIAN SEA ELUDES BOTH SIDES!!!

ON POSITIONS IN FALL 1913 ON



§ GAME: "Saxe-Coburg-Gotha"
 1981 AN

§ GM: Carlás L. Kállányi ur

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1914

§ ZAT: Friday, September 28, 1984

§ GAME COLOR: Zold

¶ GAME NOTES: A 5-way draw has been proposed (A-E-F-G-I). Please vote with your next orders. A "No Vote Received" (NVR) counts as a "yes" vote.

Your game reaches the season when the real World War I began, in Spring, actually Summer, 1914. Your cartoon is from The Born Loser.

I haven't mentioned ZAT for awhile. ZAT is what German zines use for "Deadline". It comes from "Zugabgabetermin". In North America, besides EE, ZAT is used in New York's Enchain Macha and California's Magus and Flat Bellum.

In a "take-off" of ZAT, Mike Mazzer in his Strange Doings uses "Zork"!

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1913 §

ANGLIA: F (WES)-Tys, F (LYO) S F Wes-Tys, F (NAF) Holds
 (Mark Fassio ur) A (NWY) S French F Stp(nc), F (SKA) Holds

AUSZTRIA-MAGYARORSZAG: A (MOS)-Stp, A (LVN) S A Mos-Stp
 (Kerry Blant ur) A Gal-(WAR), F (APU)-Ion, A (PIE)-Mar
 A (MUN)-Ber, A (SIL) S A Mun-Ber, A (PRU) S A Mun-Ber
 F (ION)-Tys, F (ROM) S F Ion-Tys, F (NAP) S F Ion-Tys, A (VEN)-Pie
 A (TUS) S A Ven-Pie, A (BOH)-Mun, A (TYO) S A Boh-Mun

FRANCIAORSZAG: A Gas-(BRE), A (MAR) Holds
 (John Marsden ur) F (STP-nc) Holds

NEMETORSZAG: A (RUH)-Mun, A (BUR) S A Ruh-Mun
 (Jack Fleming ur) F (BER) S A Ruh-Mun(imp), F Eng-(MAO)
 F (BAL) S F Ber, A (KIE) S F Ber, A (FIN) S French F Stp(nc)

OLASZORSZAG: F (SPA-sc) S French A Mar
 (Allen Pearson ur) F (TUN) S English F Wes-Tys



The Englishman Cites "Stalemate" And Pledges That Austria "Will Not Pass."!!!

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: Your 1913 Supply Centre Chart is on page 12 . That was just for you, John!

Italy to Austria: Yes, Kerry. If I had stayed on the front line, I'm sure someone would have just "happened" to pick off my centers. Now I'll support the stalemate line and hold my centers at the same time.

England to Italy: Noble Al, we just about have it sewed up down there! We may get a fleet(mine) zapped by stepping out of normal defensive boundaries, but so what: the fact of the matter is this: Austria, no matter how long he takes to slide fleets along the Italian coast, no matter HOW long it takes him to try and reign supreme, is doomed to batter his head in futility. With North Africa, Tunis, the Western Mediterranean and Gulf of Lyon, he will not pass. Period. Together we hold the southern flood---avanti!

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: Your press continues on page 12 .

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§ 1913 Supply Centre Chart §

	<u>Gains</u>	<u>Losses</u>	<u>Retains</u>	<u>Has</u>	<u>Builds/Removes</u>
ANGLIA:		744	Home, Nwy	4	-1
AUSZTRIA-MAGYARORSZAG:			Home, Con, Gre, Mun Rum, Ser, Smy, Ven War, Bul, Mos, Sev Ank, Nap, Rom	17	+2 (was short)
FRANCIAORSZAG:	BRE		Mar, Por, Stp	4	+1 (no room)
NEMETORSZAG:			Kie, Ber, Den Hol, Swe, Par, Bel	7	No Change
OLASZORSZAG:	TUN	575	Spa	2 <u>34</u>	No Change

England to Germany: Kaiser, London continues to admire your stance and your tenacity in showing the Austrian what stalemate looks like! You are the crux of the defense, and England recognizes this with true admiration! Keep up the solid wall, and England will assist in the roll-back of the Austrian menace along the sea coasts.

England to France: Loyal Frenchman! You too, by your diligence in maintaining the status quo up north, allow no passage by the Red Menace. How much longer Kerry will try to divide the alliance and attempt a military solution to a political situation remains to be seen! We salute our noble allies in this bitter, useless war....

Memphis to England: But what do you have for your enemies.....?!

England to Austria: Indeed, Franz-Blant, how long will you pursue this useless strategy? Your ONLY (read that last word carefully) hope for victory is either through treachery on someone's part (hardly likely after all this effort by everyone) or by someone blowing it and NMRing--a doubtful proposition, and certainly a "cheap" way of winning, should the situation actually occur. Your wretched forces have reached their limits, realistically. Do you not see this? England scoffs at the plaintive Austrian whining and attempts at subversion and "common sense"; your only hope is negotiation on our terms, bucko!

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: Some of you have asked questions about stalemate. I had to dig up the EE house rules to see. Under Item 15, the EE house rules state: "If the number of centers held by each player stays constant for 3 game years, the GM may declare a draw among all countries remaining that are not in Civil Disorder(CD)." Now back to the fighting fronts, all of ye!

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BERLIN WIRELESS ADDS LATIN AND SPANISH TO REACH A WIDER AUDIENCE!!
 MOST GREAT POWERS RUSH TO BUILD NEW SHIPS DURING WINTER LULL!!
 SULTAN ENDS CHAOS IN CONSTANTINOPLE, RECOVERS THRONE!!

§ POSITIONS IN WINTER 1901 §



§ GAME: "Chocolate Soldiers"
 1984 AH

§ GM: Herr Garmar L.
 Kaufflandsson

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1902

§ ZAT: Friday, September 28, 1984

§ GAME COLOR: Gul

§ GAME NOTES: Thanks to James Woodson for sending in unneeded Malmberger orders. I'm glad we're all back and in fighting trim.

Remember to check the COAs that Dustin gave you all as he will be moving frequently in the next few months.

Remember my new hours. I leave home at 2:30 PM and get back about midnight, unless I have mandatory overtime, in which case it's closer to 2 AM. This is Central Standard Time. Your cartoon is from Punch

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1901 §

ENGLAND: Build Fleet Liverpool
 (Herr Pat Hart)

FRANKRIKE: Build Fleet Marseille, Fleet Brest
 (Herr Dave Carter)

ITALIEN: Build Fleet Naples
 (Herr Ken Gestiehr)

RYSSLAND: Build Army St. Petersburg
 (Fru Daf Langley)

TURKIET: Build Fleet Ankara
 (Herr Dustin Laurence)

TYSKLAND: Build Fleet Kiel, Army Munich
 (Herr Nelson Heintzman)

OSTERRIKE-UNGERN: Build Army Vienna, Army Budapest
 (Herr Mike Cannon)

Memphis to Chocolate Soldiers: Let's get the non-game stuff out of the way first!

London to Paris: Enough stuff on Chuff!

Paris to London: Trudeau 83 (Index finger swirling in an upward motion)!

Nelson to Fassio: Thanx for the letter; it helped clear things up--will do a reply when I get a chance.

London to Constantinople: Jimmy? Is that my 'ol buddy who ruthlessly stabbed me in the back? How's 1981 IU? Heh! Heh! Heh!

London to GM: You won't let him do that to me again, will you?

GM to London: No, James didn't get in the game as Dustin came back. On with the game! Your press continues on page 14.



Denied Belgium's "French Fries", The Italians Have To Eat At Home! (See Press)



POSSIBLE COUP D'ÉTAT IN FRANCE AS THE ENGLISH RALLY TO ROB, THEIR NEW LEADER!!!
 THE VIRGIN TAKES A BEACH HOLIDAY WHILE EUROPEAN POWERS ARM TO THE TEETH!!!
 THE KAISER PUBLISHES HIS MEMOIRS: "THE BIRTH OF JIM-BOOB" !!!

Ω POSITIONS IN WINTER 1901 Ω



\$ GAME: "Iliad" 1984 AG

\$ GM: Herr Garmar L.
Kaufflandsson

\$ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1902

\$ ZAT: Friday, September 21, 1984

\$ GAME COLOR: Grön

% GAME NOTES: Tom Mainardi has NMRed out of "Iliad" so now Rob Winalow is the player of record for England.

Mark NMRed (and from The Prince I see he has a COA) so I'm asking Steve Heinowski to Malmberg for France. Their addresses are: Mark Frueh
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Joke orders are in the press,
 next time your game's in Korean!
 Nancy is your cartoon!

\$ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR AUTUMN 1901 \$

England: Fleet North Sea retreats to Norway

\$ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1901 \$

ENGLAND: Build Army Liverpool
 (Herr Rob Winalow)

FRANKRIKE: NBR!! ☹☹ ☹ Plays 2 short! ☹☹
 (Herr Mark Frueh???)

ITALIEN: Builds Army Venice, Fleet Naples
 (Herr John Schuler)

RYSSLAND: Build Army Moscow
 (Herr Matt Kazur)

TURKIET: Build Army Constantinople
 (Herr Jerry Lucas)

TYSKLAND: Builds Army Berlin, Fleet Kiel
 (Herr Jim Burgess)

ÖSTERRIKE-UNGERN: Build Army Budapest
 (Herr Mike Mills)

Berlin to London: I guess you weren't home. We'll try again later.

Turkey to Germany: I don't think Tom can read either; I sure hope he can swim.

Jim to Mark: Let's not be sarcastic now...Tom tries very hard. Tom Swider told me that Mainardi is much, much better than he was...whatever that was.

Memphis to Iliad: Ah, but now there is a new England and he has a message for you....

England to Franco-German Masters: My wish is your command...

[BERLIN]- Velly interesting!

Turkey to France: Glad you liked my film. I like your Cannes.

Memphis to Iliad: Press continues on page 16

YOUR HEART ISN'T
 EXACTLY IN THIS
 GAME, IS IT?



Tom Mainardi Of England
 Sets A New EE Game Record
 By NMRing Out in 1901!!

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[VIENNA]- Build 11th Parachute Division SERBIA; Build 6th Light Infantry Division of Das Grossdeutschland; Build 187th Bahnhofarbete Reg.; Build 65th Panzer Corp. .
[DER CHANCELLOR]- The Ruler of Austria-Hungary sends condolences to all inhabitants of Trieste for the seemingly chaotic affairs of that province in recent months. If the good Pope will return you to us we will be willing to assist him in his great and holy war versus the evil Frenchmen.

THE BIRTH OF JIM-BOOB(Via Berlin): It was an Army hospital in El Paso, Texas. The year? 1957. It was a dark and stormy night in West Texas (Translation: the sky was clear but the dust obscured the starry sky). The wind blew, swirling, gusting, whistling through the sagebrush. The hospital was dingy: gray on the outside and sickly institutional green on the inside.

A slap rang through the quiet corridors; and then a cry. Jim was born.

Skip 25 years of irrelevant events to the fall of 1982. The Army brat returns to the state of his birth after 24 years, to the big time, the big city of Dallas, Texas. A Texan by birth, a Yankee in spirit. What does he need? A new name befitting his noble heritage. Naturally the worldliness of an ex-Air Force man is needed to save the day. The saviour is there and Jim-Bob is born (no...no..not you, Gary). Terry Tallman anticipates the need and comes through.

But, sad to say, Jim-Bob had not the stuff of a Texan. He retreated, fleeing the summer heat the following spring with the taunts ringing in his ears.....
.. "Jim-Boob, Jim-Boob, Jim-Boob" and yes....by their definition he is a boob. Leave Texas to the true Texans...and good riddance.

Memphis to Berlin: With that thrilling excerpt, I can hardly wait for the movie version! For the starring role of Jim-Boob, I see.....Jerry Falwell! What do you think of that?

Boob under Cow Farm: Uhh...Where am I? Can't breath. "Pop" (his head pops up out of the collapsed tunnel, Gary has heeded the call of the Rhode Island legislature and is reporting in with his moped, the cow...the cow...) "Slurp"...Munch." Hey... ..what the? (Elsie is eating the grass off the sode on the tip of the Boob's head, but misses and...) Ow. My hair's not grass you overgrown, colorblind, big fat sow. (Elsie promptly turns, her pride hurt by the insult). Ah the luhtisibles..(as the Boob grabs...) "Plop." Arrgh! Damn cow!! My hair again!!! (The Boob flies like the wind...off to the safety of home...and a hot shower, extra shampoo. As he takes off he screams...) I'll get you yet...just you wait!!!

Germany to Turkey: I can't wait to see what happens to the virgin next! I loved the bargain notion. I'll remember it and try it sometime.

Memphis to Germany: As for the virgin's next escapade....

[ON RIVER ROAD]-(Via Turkey): She was beginning to feel uncomfortably warm as the morning shadows shortened. Hunger was beginning to control her sense of being as were her excesses of the night before. The sandy beach across the river from the road beckoned her.

She left the road and scampered down the bank to the river. The beach looked to be a private one and a few of the sunbathers had looked up to watch her descend. The virgin decided to forego crossing the river, but felt no one would mind if she took a dip to cool off. At this distance they couldn't tell that her matching bra and pants weren't a bathing suit. She kicked off her shoes, doffed her light dress and dove into the cool water. Soon the memories of the hot sun, the scratchy grass, and road smells dissipated and were replaced by cool, wet, and time forgotten.

She rolled and played in the water and enjoyed the feeling of her hair pulling on her head as she swam beneath the surface.

Hunger spoke to her again. She swam to a muddy bank and climbed from the river. Her underclothes betrayed her so she walked amongst the trees and sat on a rock to dry, tossing her head forward to cause her hair to drip on the ground before. She looked up at the sound of someone approaching.

Through her hair she could see that he was wet, probably from crossing the river from the beach opposite. "Not bad", she thought, "certainly not the creep type. More like a college kid. Maybe I can get something to eat and bum a ride."

She looked down to see how she looked. She decided what was showing might help her get where she wanted to be. But she wasn't into anything gross, so she got up and started back to where her dress was.

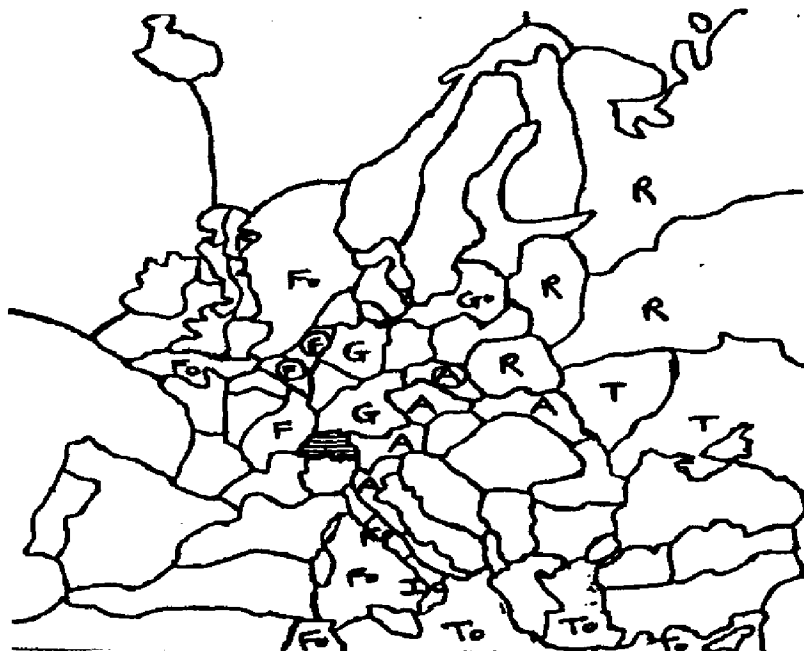
"This is a private beach", he said after her. "I'm sorry, but they'll get on me if I don't chase you off. I need this job."

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THE TSAR DENIES SHIPPING EITHER SAUSAGES OR "TORPEDOES" TO ITALIAN MILITARY!!!
 GERMANS LOSE THE LOW COUNTRIES, SILESIA AND MAYBE THEIR KAISER!!!
 ITALIAN LEADER VANISHES WHILE FRENCH AND TURKS FIGHT OFF NAPLES' SHORES!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN FALL 1908 Ω



\$ GAME: "Rhino" 1982 U

\$ GM: Monsieur Garsaux L.
 Goughlannique

\$ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1909

\$ ZAT: Friday, September 21, 1984

\$ GAME COLOR: Jaune

¶ GAME NOTES: I hope Walter and Jim will return but just in case, I'm asking Bob Foote to Malmberg for Germany and John MacFarlane to Malmberg for Italy. Addresses of everyone will be on another sheet.

Both concessions were defeated.
 \$ Dislodgments This Time: All 3 units belong to Germany: Fleet Holland, Fleet Belgium and Army Silesia.

Germany's dislodgments may affect your SC Chart (see page 18) so I will explain it in your press.

If I get any late press I will print it like last time.

Your cartoon is Hagar!

\$ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SUMMER 1908 \$

France: Fleet Ionian Sea retreats to Tunis

Italie: NRR!!! CM retreats Army Rome OTB

\$ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1908 \$

ALLEMAGNE: NMR!!! Has A (KIE) (Monsieur Walter Loy???) F (BEL) (r-Pic-OTB) F (HOL) (r-Hel-OTB), A (MUN) F (BAL) A (SIL) (r-Ber-Pru-OTB)

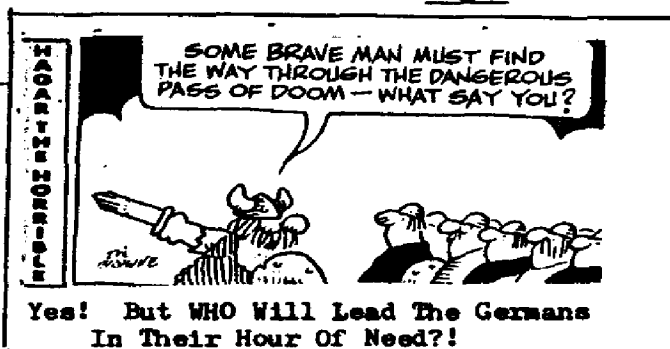
AUTRICHE-HONGRIE: A (VEN)-Rom, A Tyo-(BOH) (Monsieur Rass Rusnak) A Tri-(TYO) A Boh-(SIL), A (GAL) S A Boh-Sil

FRANCE: A Ruh-(HOL), F (NTH) S A Ruh-Hol (Monsieur Bert Schoose) A Bur-(BEL), F (ENG) S A Bur-Bel, A Mar-(BUR), A (EDI) Holds F (ROM)-Nap, F (TYS) S F Rom-Nap, F (TUN) S F Tys

ITALIE: NMR!!! Has F (NAP) (Monsieur Jim Briggs???)

RUSSIE: A (WAR) S German A Sil-Gal(NSO), A (LVN) S A War (Monsieur Ed Jacobs) A (MOS) S A War, A (STP) S A Mos

TURQUIE: A (UKR) S Austrian A Gal, A (SEV) S A Ukr (Monsieur Marc Peters) F (ION)-Tys, F (AEG)-Ion, F Say-(EAS)



Memphis to Rhino: Your 1908 Supply Center Chart is on page 18. Germany before any retreating is done, has 6 units and 5 SCs. If Germany retreats all 3 units off the board(OTB), she is entitled to two builds but has only one space open to build. If Germany removes two units OTB, she may build one new unit. If Germany removes only one unit off the board, she is even. If Germany doesn't retreat any of its dislodged units off the board, then she will have to remove one unit in Winter 1908.

Memphis to Rhino: Press and Supply Center Chart are on page 18.

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§ 1908 Supply Center Chart §

	<u>Gains</u>	<u>Loses</u>	<u>Retains</u>	<u>Has</u>	<u>Builds/Removes</u>
ALLEMAGNE:		1/2	Home, Den, Swe	5	(See Game Press)
AUTRICHE-HONGRIE:			Home, Ser, Rum, Ven	6	+1 (was short)
FRANCE:	HOL, ROM		Home, Bel, Ed1, Lpl Lon, Por, Spa, Tun	12	+3
ITALIE:		1/2	Nap	1	No Change
RUSSIE:			Mos, Stp, War, Nwy	4	No Change
TURQUIE:			Home, Bul, Sev, Gre	6 <u>34</u>	+1 (was short)

Russia to Italy: Once again we must inform you that we never, repeat NEVER shipped any sausage to you. Your culinary experts, apparently, lack expertise in this area. As an aside, the torpedoes you mention did not come from us either. I'd really hate to tell you what they were (I'm glad that you found them delicious though). As far as the Austrians go, the only idea that seems reasonable is for you to pump several bullets into his brain. I cannot, however, offer any instructions as to how to go about finding his brain. Good luck.

[PARIS]- The French Government has decided to annex most Italian soil to keep it out of the hands of the aggressive Turks. The High Command has reversed its earlier decision to allow a figurehead government to remain in Italy due to fear of revolution and betrayal.

Memphis to Paris: Well there's still some smoke in Mt. Vesuvius near Naples!

[BELGIUM]-(via France): French troops have announced the re-liberation of this vitally important piece of land out of the hands of the Germans. Fortunately, the German occupation was short-lived so that their way of life (rape, pillage and plunder) has not had an adverse effect on these good puppets...er people.

France to Austria and Russia: Now that we have all boycotted the Kiel Olympics, it is time to partake in joint military maneuvers throughout Germany. Won't you join us in this adventure? It should be fun.

Oktoberfest

HOBBY-WIDE NEWS

§ OCTOBER CONS!...On October 26-28, 1984

3 hobby publishers are sponsoring a Midwest Con. Dave Kleiman of The Diplomat, Mark Luedl of Thirty Miles of Bad Road and Pete Gaughan of Perelandra are the hosts of "con without a name" to be held at Dave's home, 651 Fenster Court, Indianapolis, Indiana 46234 USA...(317)-271-9217. Dave and Mark are from Indiana and Pete is from Dallas, Texas. That weekend, in NFL Football, Indianapolis Colts (that sounds so strange) will play the Dallas Cowboys but if I know Diplomacy players that won't be the only game on which different sides are chosen! Probably attending will be Mark Frueh, Eric Ozog and some Mad City Mafia.....Also in October the last weekend or the first weekend in November will be Liège, Belgium's "Second Mach die Spuhl International Rendez-vous". I went to the one last year and had a ball. Here's a chance to see many international styles as Belgians, French, Dutch and West Germans gather to play Diplomacy, role-playing games and to drink and insult Belgian beer and wine(while the non-Belgians guzzle it down). You also get taken on a tour of the city where big battles were fought in World Wars I and II. Write to Luc Dodinval for more information: Parc de Mehagne, Au Passou 18, B-4600 Chênée, BELGIUM. Why don't some of you British cross over this year?!

\$ NEW SUBZINES....So I Lied from Marc and Debi Peters (29 E. Wilson, #202, Madison, Wisconsin 53703 USA) seems to add a new subzine each issue! The newest subzine is called But I'm Happy by fellow Mad City Mafia-ite, James Wall and had a Mad-Con report, "hobby rumors" --like "Dale Bakken is giving up alcohol for the sake of his fish. He drained the fish tank last week thinking that it was wapatuli." --and some political talk. James will be GMing a 4-week deadline Dip game. I'm not sure whether you have to sub to SIL to play in BIH but you'll be missing what a talented group of people are putting together. SIL's fee is 10 for \$6.00. (18)

§ Richard Sharp of Great Britain mentions in his Dolchstoss that a new zine may be published in... Zimbabwe (formerly Southern Rhodesia in Africa)! (see p. 19)

REPELLING THE INVASION OF THE LOGO SNATCHERS

HOBBY-WIDE NEWS...Continued from page 18.

§ Mike Ehli ("Coming and the cards say a broken heart") does the subzine FNORD in Don Del Grande's Life of Monty and recently he's taken to doing FNORD in imitation of other zines. He's already done "Fnord Express" and "Whitefnordia/Kallisti Kormor". In the future Mike plans parodies of... "No Fnord Address", "Discordia World", "Thirty Miles of Bad Fnords" and "many, many more." I don't think we can stop this man but he says he's interested in getting subbers of these real-life zines to help him parody with letters to the editor and other features. If you want to participate (and Mike makes FNORD look exactly like the parodied zine—he must have several different typewriters..) write to him at: 1715 Cottonwood, Springfield, Oregon 97477 USA. To get FNORD though you'll need a sub to Life of Monty, the number 6 zine in this year's Runestone Poll (see page 31) Write Don Del Grande at: 142 Eliseo Dr., Greenbrae, California 94904 USA.

§ EUROPEAN ZINES.....The Acolyte from Pete and Kathryn Tamlyn is folding. I've only heard this via NMR! but the reason seems to be due to feuds in the British hobby. I always enjoyed The Acolyte and when Woody and I went to Europe last October, Pete and Kathryn came up to London for an entire day and showed us around. I hope they remain part of the hobby in spite of ending The Acolyte..... Patrice Verry (26, square des Anciennes-Provinces, 49000 Angers, FRANCE) publishes two zines, VOPALIEC JEUX and VOPALIEC SF. Jeux deals with Diplomacy and other games, while SF is about science fiction which the French fondly love. Both zines are in French but Patrice writes very understandable English. The rather unusual name of VOPALIEC comes from the abbreviations for French words: VOir = to see; PARler = to speak; LIre = to read; and ECRire = to write. Jeux is "games" in French and SF is science fiction..... Sauri Allstar Unlimited (Christoph Schunck, Zeughausstrasse 8, 5500 Trier, WEST GERMANY) has started a "Hobby News" section and they reviewed all the zines they receive. This report was reprinted in another German zine, Die Pöppel-Revue (Knut-Michael Wolf, Schäferkampsweg 27, D-2359 Henstedt-Ulzburg 3, WEST GERMANY) and Knut-Michael sent me a copy of it. The German zines are so beautifully laid out that they'll take your breath away. If anyone is interested in learning another language, Europe offers the zines in abundance and the language is about things and games you are interested in.

§ The second PDO Auction (Peoples' Diplomacy Organization) conducted this year by Tom Swider was a great success raising over \$250.00! All the money goes to the hobby service people who often had to finance their beneficial work out of their own pockets. Among other things I won one of Samantha Corbin's pacifiers and I will swap the 6 boxes of hushpuppy mix you won, Joan Extrom when I come to your home for March's Leprecon! When's the next one, Tom?!

§ Do you want to help test a new game? Pete Gaughan (7500 West Camp Wisdom Road, Dallas, Texas 75236 USA) needs 5 playtesters for a Dip variant based on a map of San Diego.

§ Bill Becker (810 Turwill, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007...(616)-349-6937) is starting a soccer league with 3-week deadlines. The fee is \$6.00 and "will cover a seasons worth of issues (10-12)."

§ The winners in Fred Davis's Buchwacker contest for those who have visited the most provinces on our Diplomacy board were: 1st Place: Michel Liesnard who has been to 40 of the named provinces on the board! 2nd Place: Conrad Minshall who had been in 23 named and 3 unnamed ones; and 3rd Place: Joan Extrom who visited 22 named provinces on one trip in 1971. Michel had also been to 7 unnamed ones!

§ Write to the guy in your country or on your continent to get zines from across the Atlantic! This is the International Subscription Exchange and for as small a sum of \$5.00 or 2 pounds, you can see how some of the other half lives. Write to either Steve Knight, 11905 Winterthur Lane, Apt. 103, Reston, Virginia 22091 USA or Doug Rowling, 228 Kinnell Avenue, Cardonald, Glasgow, Scotland, UNITED KINGDOM G52 3RU. The beauty is you can use own money to get a foreign zine. Specify the zine you wish to sub to!!

§ I've not heard directly nor any official statement but it seems that Kathy Byrne has resigned as the Boardman Number Custodian and that Bill Quinn, who was closely associated with her in conducting the BNC's business is now the new BNC. I'm sorry to see Kathy step down. She was excellent and hard-working. Bill, our new BNC, can be reached at: 301 Conroe Drive, Conroe, Texas 77301 USA. (19)

DISCUSSION ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS:



In EE #32, Mark Larzelere of Maryland wrote Reaganism Versus A Nuclear Freeze. This article generated much discussion in the following two issues and in letters and other articles which have not yet seen print until now. To fully appreciate all that you are about to read, you should go back to EE #32 and read Mark's article and two follow-up articles by Mark "Faz" Fassio in EE #33 ("Agreeing (Almost) With A Nuclear Freeze") and Steve Langley's article in EE #34 ("A Race To Destruction"). Both Steve and Mark live in California although Faz is originally from Pennsylvania.

*"You do realise, in a nuclear holocaust
we'll only have four minutes
to generate a spirit of
wartime bonhomie."*

The stationing of nuclear weapons in Western Europe had generated dissension between Europeans and Americans, on both sides of the issue. EE is lucky to have a large European readership so that many different points of view

can be represented, although all of the articles and most of the comments have been made by Americans. (Where's Canada, eh?).

In this nuclear "special section", we have 3 articles, each of which will be followed by the comments which came in, and the comments will be presented just as in the regular letter column. The articles are by John Pack of New Mexico, Mark "Faz" Fassio of California and Scott Hanson of Minnesota. I'll date when the articles and comments were written or postmarked and we'll start from some reactions to the original Larzelere article and proceed from there...

Jan Feringa (The Netherlands): "Mark Larzelere is right of course....Politically I am comparable with Jaap [Jacobs] and Hauke [Jansen--both Dutch subbers of EE], although I am against the new nukes. Why? For several reasons:

- They are forbidden by the Dutch constitution. Arms on Dutch soil should be under Dutch control. The Dutch government can't prohibit the use of the cruise missiles in Woensdrecht [where the missiles would be installed] if they would like to do so. If the Americans like to shoot with cruise missiles, they should do it from American soil, American planes or American submarines.

- It's the umpteenth militarily, absolutely, useless, new phase in the armament race.

- It's a contribution to the implicit mass murder of the people of the Third World.

- It's a contribution to the destruction of humanity, which is inevitable if the madness goes on. Indeed, Gary, enough is enough. Armament is theft of the poor." ((April 30, 1984))

Tom Swider (New York, USA): "Being a Reaganite to a degree, I see some validity to Mark's [Larzelere] arguments in his piece on the nuclear freeze. I think for a weapon as important as the nuke (and as controversial, I might add), we should spend more time thinking about nukes than actually building them. You get a better outcome if you spend more time planning. However, it should be noted that the military budget Reagan set is about the same per capita as JFK [John F. Kennedy] and some of his fellow Democrats. More of the money could be spent on the conventional aspect. For example, if the lower-ranked soldiers were paid more, I'm sure more people would consider the military as a serious career. The way we've got it now, there's little incentive to join the services; doing it for your country doesn't put food on the table." ((March 24, 1984))

□ There will be more on the Dutch postponement of stationing the new missiles on page 21 and there may be an article by Jim Finley on the military. I think most of these letters speak well enough for themselves so my remarks will probably be brief... Jim Finley's article is on page 4. III

Jan Feringa (The Netherlands): "I fully agree with Steven Langley. A splendid article." ((May 30, 1984))

James Wall (Wisconsin, USA): "About nuclear weapons, thanks to a class I've taken this semester I think that I really do have an understanding of these terrible weapons, and unfortunately, why they are so very necessary for the future of our nation. The official policy since the advent of the Kennedy Administration has been Mutual Assured Destruction [MAD] as Mark Fassio pointed out rather well. (20)

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"Unfortunately, technology does not remain static and it has become increasingly apparent to policy makers, liberal and conservative, that MAD may not provide all of the answers.

Do we unleash all-out strategic weapons because in a surgical strike the Russians take out most of the US Minuteman ICBMs and two random US cities, Omaha and Louisville? Given our MAD policy that is about all the US could do. The damn things are getting more accurate and more hideable thanks to innovations. It's scenarios like this that make the argument that we've enough warheads to destroy the world "X"-number of times over so misleading. We can only have true deterrence as long as Russia is certain that we CAN wipe them out if they get foolish.

Surprisingly however, the major reason that the US/USSR maintain their high force levels as they do isn't so much out of a fear of the other; (it's doubtful that the Soviet gerontocracy is any more likely to start throwing bombs than the US); it's out of the realization that other, less predictable nations (Iran, Libya, Argentina) may get them and they are much more likely to use them against the US or USSR than either of them are to use them on the other. They know that they have no chance if push comes to shove with either country, ergo they have little to lose by using them. It would be even more tempting if our forces were cut 50% or 75%.

The paradox is that we must continue to keep our forces up to date with the current technology to insure that we never do have to use them. The only way to think of them thus becomes that they are an expensive insurance policy that we can ill afford to do without. Our people are going to have to learn to live with the nightmares; it's the only truly safe choice." ((April 21, 1984))

□ I think the greater danger of a smaller country getting nuclear weapons is that they would use them against each other rather than the US or the USSR. Pakistan versus India, Israel versus the Arabs, the Libyans against whoever, etc. It's not a pleasant thought, is it?

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Mark Berch(Virginia, USA): "Langley's article on "A Race To Destruction" made a lot of sense. There is one exception, however, to the general question of how to get a nuclear weapon down well below one KT [the equivalent of 1,000 tons of TNT] yield: muffle the bomb. The simplest way to do that is to bury the weapon in the ground; the deeper in the ground, the smaller the effective yield of the bomb (this can also be done by changing the nature of the material below the bomb). Such an immobile bomb has severe limitations, of course, and it's difficult to use offensively (a nice plus). Basically, this is a kind of nuclear mine.

Otherwise, the escalation problem is likely to become intractable. If we hit them with a 1 KT bomb, they, like us, will make a worse case estimate and figure it was a 2 KT bomb, which is what they'll throw at us, etc."((June 12, 1984))

Ivo Bouwman(The Netherlands): "Right now emotions are running high because our government is supposed--finally--to decide whether we are going to station Cruise Missiles or not. And as you know, there is a big peace movement in this country trying to persuade them not to. The liberals (like me) are in favour of stationing, and as you may know, we have a coalition government, based on liberals (the right wing in Holland) and Christian-Democrats. If the government decides not to station the missiles, the government will fall, and elections will have to be held. However the two parties governing are economically doing very well together, so for that reason they don't want a crisis! My estimation though is that there will be no Cruise Missiles." ((May 20, 1984))

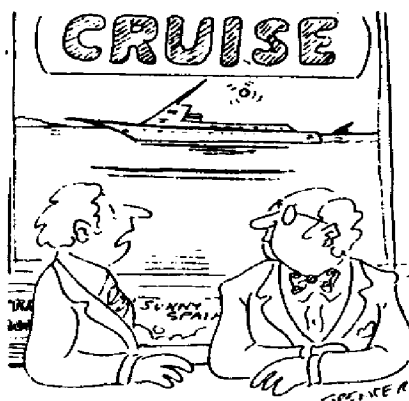
□ And your estimation was right! The Dutch Government postponed making a decision on deployment until November, 1985 in effect. Ivo will have another comment on page 23, after he learned of the Dutch decision. Mark, I'm glad you're not a terrorist! You seem to be well-acquainted reducing the yield of bombs!

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Mark Larzelere(Maryland, USA): "I'll be looking forward to seeing what the Europeans have to say on the nuclear war discussion. I doubt if they'll be very crazy about the idea of a limited "tactical" nuclear war between the US and the Soviet Union on their territory. The average tactical warhead is small compared only to a strategic warhead, which means that it may destroy Hiroshima only several times over, rather than several thousand times. How anyone could hope to achieve

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"any kind of "victory" in a war using these weapons is beyond me.

With Pershing II, US missiles can hit the Soviet Union within 10 minutes, as opposed to 30 minutes for the MAD missiles at home. As far as "fighting a war" is concerned, there's not a whole lot the Soviets could do with the extra 20 minutes if the Pershings were removed. But if they were to start a war in Europe, and nuclear missiles started exploding over their territory, how would they know that it was a Pershing missile and not the start of a MAD attack on them, with all the confusion the EMP [Electro-Magnetic Pulse] would cause?" (May 28, 1984)

□ You can see from Jan Feringa's letter on page 20 that the Europeans are not too enthused about a possible

nuclear war on their soil and many consider the missiles useless. You might also be interested in a poll that was taken here in the Mid-South (Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and parts of Missouri and Alabama) with an error factor of plus or minus 4 percent. The South has traditionally been a conservative region with strong support for the military. Some of the findings in this poll: By a 4-1 margin, Mid-Southerners favored a bilateral nuclear weapons freeze; 61% opposed US unilateral nuclear weapons freeze while 36% supported that idea; 42% believed building more nuclear weapons was the best way to avoid nuclear war; 81% agreed that there was no such thing as limited nuclear war; 73% believe that the USSR is more likely than the US to start a nuclear war while only 8% believe the US would start one. In a nuclear war, 30% believe the US would win such a confrontation, while 59% believe neither would win. 75% believed the US should keep its nuclear weapons in Western Europe and 24% want them removed.

To quote the article: "One in 14 would respond to a Soviet invasion of Western Europe with a nuclear strike. 61% would use conventional weapons, while 32% would 'do nothing until they attack the U.S.' Only one in seven would respond with nuclear weapons if the Soviets halted Persian Gulf oil shipments to the US and its allies. 61% would use conventional weapons, while 26% would do 'nothing until they attack our oil fields'."

And in somewhat unsettling news for Jim Meinel of Alaska, "73% would use nuclear weapons in response to a Soviet missile attack on Central Arkansas, 25% in response to a Soviet invasion of Alaska." Next is Michel Liesnard of Belgium with two different letters...

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Michel Liesnard (Belgium): "Dirty politics now. Let's start with THE BOMB. When you write "as a Christian, etc", this is certainly a sympathetic profession of faith, but it is not an argument. Myself, "as an atheist, etc", I well believe that the world and all humanity might be destroyed by THE BOMB.

In that discussion about the effects of "tactical" nuclear weapons, I'm still waiting for the theorician who will realize that the European density of population, especially in northern Germany and Benelux [Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg], will--willy nilly--make such "tactical" weapons "strategic" ones. The NATO headquarters are not near Brussels, they are in Brussels. 600 metres from my little intimate home. A "tactical" Dresden, in a manner." ((May 30, 1984))

"Now the serious matters. It makes me laugh when some people believe that a Dutch decision could influence Belgian policy. Though they share the "Lowlands" of Europe, the Dutch and the Belgians are, definitely, two different peoples. The former with a Calvinist tradition of thought (though Holland's majority is Catholic today), the latter with a Latin/Catholic tradition, are two different peoples.

To me, Holland, as a cultural matter of fact, belongs to Scandinavia, and Belgium, definitely, to the Mediterranean world. Personally, I feel more "Scandinavian" than "Latin" (the Swedish society is my own epitome of all societies), but through these feelings I'm letting sweat my Latin (or Celtic?) lack of measure...

Parenthesis: "Europeans" is a void term. Due to history, and not to our own will, we are different peoples. We are Italians, Belgians, Dutch, French, Germans, Czechs or Poles, and we haven't to be ashamed of these differences. KAFKA got his fame in Vienna, ROSSINI his in Paris, CHOPIN in the whole world, and this little continent of capes, peninsulas and inner seas has shaped the world. I do

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"not feel ashamed to be your "Greek" since I've never got much sympathy for Rome and its vulgarity.

Do not fume, I like you! And I love America when it is spelled JEFFERSON, F. D. ROOSEVELT, ROBERT E. LEE, MARSHALL, J.F. KENNEDY, or MARTIN LUTHER KING. But I'm ready to hate America when it shouts "America First" or "the Evil Empire is over there". The Empire of Evil is anywhere kids--future communists or future capitalists--are starving. The Empire of Evil is in SAKHAROV's room in Gorki and in Nelson MANDELA's jail. The Empire of Evil is in the camps and the slums, in the armalites and the kalashnikovs, in the bloodbaths of "Realpolitik". I know I, Michel LIESNARD, cannot do much against it, but at least I'm trying to keep my feet out of the mud. And--I know this is a romantic image--I'm trying to have a helping hand." ((June 19, 1984))

□ I know from writing to Michel and other "Europeans" that there is quite a difference between the nations. However, some of the US papers I read, speculated whether the Dutch decision to delay missile deployment until 1985 would affect Belgium who had not yet made her choice. I suppose the reasoning was that both countries are side-by-side, roughly the same in population, and with large segments who oppose stationing the missiles. So I asked Michel and....

I overlooked the fact that the three articles I have not yet printed couldn't have sparked any comments and that any comments made would have been written before then. So....I'm printing all the comments first, then the articles.

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Georges-André Brugger(Switzerland): "Reaganism Versus A Nuclear Freeze" is excellent. The question is exactly why go again with more and more nuclear bombs. Don't we have enough! But perhaps some people have a financial interest in seeing the US building every year spending many millions of dollars on the military projects? Often we forget that war is also an economical question and not only a political fight between East and West.

In Switzerland, many people are completely foolish with the army and have a terrible fear of the USSR and communists. The military officers believe that the Swiss Army will be able to stop a Russian invasion. Ha ha ha!!!

I think that it's also very interesting that the government requires all Swiss men to do 3 weeks of military service each year. It's a good way to frame the population. You see here, when you want to work in a bank, chemical industry, school or other big factory, it's better for you to have done your military service. If not...many officers are also the boss in the civilian world and are very strong everywhere in civilian life.

It was very good, your European report. We see how different is the "point of view", "Weltanschauung", "Vision du monde" between European and American. I believe, you are such a big country that you are astonished when you see that it's different elsewhere. When I read some EE readers' letters about political subjects, I ask myself if we live on the same planet...We don't read the same papers nor look at the same TV. So our world is another." ((May 12, 1984))

Mark Matuschak(Massachusetts, USA): "Nuclear freeze--first the disclaimer--I think a mutual one would be great and maybe we'll all be lucky and it will come to pass, but I'm not betting on it yet. But the real, hardcore nuclear freeze activists seem to me to be about the most selfish people around. They aren't as concerned with things like the millions of people who go hungry every day in every country. That's real, that is happening now, but it's remote. What they are concerned about is the one chance in a billion that they and their own kids will get blown up someday. It's extremely unlikely, it's in the future, but it concerns them, not like some starving kid in Appalachia or poison gas in Afghanistan." ((August 20, 1984))

Ivo Bouwman(The Netherlands): "Let me tell you a little more about the missiles. As it seems, a good majority of the Dutch are against stationing them. A considerable segment of them have joined the "anti-nuclear movement" since in 1979 the opposition united. In itself, I think it was good that the movement made our people more aware of what was going on.

However, at the same time, I feel that the information supplied is a bit too one-sided. For some reason no one seems willing to explain why missiles perhaps should be stationed. It is thus only natural that the majority of the people are opposed to the stationing. When the government decided to station the missiles,

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IT COULD MEAN THE END OF
CIVILIZATION AS WE KNOW IT.



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"provided there would be talks between Russia and the US that would not lead to the break-down of SS-20 missiles [the Russian missiles stationed in Eastern Europe], a feeling of coherence with NATO among the Dutch people was a lot stronger than today. It is therefore understandable that the decision made in 1979 was as described.

What is said to be the final decision now, is that if Russia stations no more than one extra missile over the level of June 1, 1984, we will also fulfill our duty as to the stationing of 48 Cruise Missiles. And since

it is highly unlikely the Russians won't, you can say we will station. So to me it was quite a surprise to see Parliament accepting it. And to be honest, I think it will look for a way to wriggle out of it in 1986..." ((July 29, 1984))

□ We'll see. Georges is a conscientious objector to military service and is the pubber of Switzerland's first French-language zine. Now it's time for the 3 articles. First up will be Mark "Faz" Fassio, currently stationed by the Air Force in Monterey, California. His article was written on May 26, 1984 and he called it "my reply to Steve Langley's article."

"IN DEFENSE OF DEFENSE"

---by Mark Fassio

Having just read Steve Langley's reply to my reply to Mark's letter, etc., etc., I would like to make a smaller, and hopefully more concise, reply than I did to Mark's article.

Steve, I admire the way you explained the physics and mathematics part of your article; in all seriousness, I'm like Gary on the issue: those subjects were always anathema to me in school, and I still have trouble converting meters to feet, let alone discuss centro-tons of nuclear weapons. You've done a good service, I think, for the readership who may be as ignorant as I on that subject.

One thing I do think I'm pretty "smart" on, however (based on what I know and have read in some articles) is that mankind can devise just about anything, given enough time and determination--even (so I think) a truly "tactical" weapon. I mean, there were those who said Einstein's theories were BS [Bullshit!], and look where it got them. If the Soviet Union can work on altering the basic human body structures (recombinant DNA altered to destroy the body), then I put nothing past man's pursuit for a truly "tactical" nuclear device.

But Steve, even if I'm full of so much hot air and that weapon will never be able to be produced, we can't ignore the basic facts: whatever weapon is available, if it can stop the Soviets, it'll probably be used. So, if our current inventory has "tactical" weaponry that still destroys/contaminates a massive area around it, well, it may have to be used instead of the mega-mega-ton strategic weapons.

There is no doubt, I think in anyone's mind, that the Soviets fear a nuclear attack as much as anyone; also, given the fact that the ruling elite have more or less had their outside perceptions based on the fact of being mass-slaughtered by the Nazis in World War II, one realizes they know war's terrible power. But you put the Soviets in the same mind-set as we in relation to the will to use nuclear weapons, and the factors behind such a use, Steve; and that is wrong.

You mention that I discuss nuclear use/tactical weapons as a "board game." Perhaps. But every nation "board games" their future war plans, ever since the 1800s (or even before that, I'd wager). You, Steve, even use your psychological "escalation of competition" theory based on a 1950s study of game-playing, as applied to real life. I am justified in the same application for discussion purposes.

The underlying gist of all this (i.e., why we need "tactical" nukes, whatever that animal turns out to be in relation to "strategic" nukes) is that the Soviets can probably only be cowed into deterrence or prevented from an attack into NATO by the use of them. Why do you think they were so adamant about preventing the enhanced radiation weapon ("neutron bomb" in their terms) in Europe? Not because it would kill any better than the current weapons were: BUT BECAUSE, WITH LESS COLLATERAL DAMAGE AVAILABLE FROM THEIR USE AS OPPOSED TO OTHER NUCLEAR WEAPONS, THERE WOULD BE LESS INHIBITION ON THE PART OF THE ALLIES TO USE IT. And its use would be a good deterrent for frying Warsaw Pact tank armies..the basic NATO

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deterrent wish, anyway. Trust me, Steve, the Soviets fear use of tactical nuclear weapons above all else against them. They are our "equalizer", if you will.

If you don't believe me, then why do you think the Soviets place such emphasis on rear-area commando attacks on NATO nuclear sites? Because they realize, given their preponderance in conventional weapons (and we won't even mention a massive World War I-era chemical attack), they can win in just about any conflict given speed, surprise and neutralization of NATO's nuclear delivery means. They probably think: "The US won't launch a Minuteman from Arkansas missile silos to save Bremen, but they may shoot a few hundred Pershings if they're able to." In other words, if it takes tactical nukes to stop the Soviets, NATO will use them and try to keep the escalation at a minimum.

So, you may reply, this confirms my "psychological" premise that it will NOT stay at "small nukes" combat, but will instead be a tit-for-tat bigger-and-bigger response by both sides, right? Don't think so..

Soviet doctrine calls for MASS use of MASS weapons of destruction (chemical and nuclear) either in a surprise first-strike or as a response to a threat. They realize, if they launch a massive strategic strike against NATO/US, they gain a lot of fallout and a lot of your plutonium 235 lingering on in their newly-won territory for the next 400 light-years. So they'll try to keep what they win as "contaminant-free" as possible...in other words, don't look for the start of World War III to have the Soviet Strategic Rocket Forces launching all their birds. Instead, look for a big conventional attack, with a chemical onslaught against NATO airfields and chemical/nuclear sites, accompanied by special operations troops in our rear areas (their version of Otto Skorzeny and his Battle of the Bulge-disguised troops). Speed and disruption of the enemy will be their prime aids.

So what does NATO do, given a Soviet conventional attack into NATO? Do you want the onus of launching the Big Strike and eradicating the world? Hardly. Besides, we now have "flexible response" as our strategy, not "massive retaliation", so we will balance our response.

So, you say, let's scare the Russians and drop a "symbolic" nuclear burst over Smolensk--what does that do? Nothing. In fact, it may remove the onus of "first use of nukes" and prompt the Soviets, in their paranoia, to release your psychology-study assumption of escalated response and Pandora's Box would be a reality: the Soviets won't stand by if they think all the marbles are going to be used, and they'd respond to a symbolic burst with the Big Boys.

But tactical nukes are a different story--the Soviets would be faced with either (a) responding in kind with their "tactical" nukes(making things even more messy in terms of half-lives and radiation ca-ca), (b) launching their strategic weapons (doubtful they'd invite a counter-response to a "minor" nuclear attack not directed against their country (key words) or (c) they'd bite the bullet and realize their offensive wasn't such a good idea after all.

I mean, let's face it, nuclear war, whether on a "tactical" scale (in the eyes of the beholder) or any other scale/level is just plain stupid. But NATO will use their tactical weapons if it means defending Europe--the Soviets may not respond in kind, or they may. The key thing is that we have some means, short of all-out Armageddon, of stopping a Soviet attack into Europe.

If you shackle yourself to strategic weaponry alone, you basically "hunt field mice with an elephant gun", not being able to put out brush-fire wars and attacks unless you throw an ocean of water on them. Uncool.

I leave you with quotes: guess who made them, and why we need tactical nukes?

"Nuclear weapons make possible the simultaneous accomplishment of tactical, operational and strategic tasks."

"Nuclear weapons have established even more firmly the role of attack as the decisive forum of military action and have made it necessary to accomplish even defensive tasks by active offensive actions."

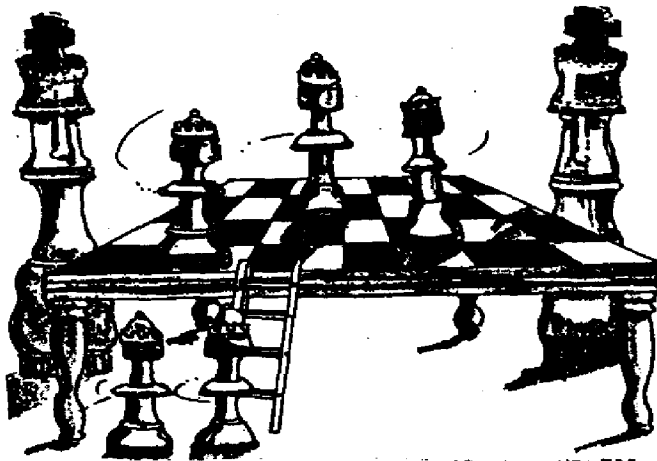
"The massing of nuclear strikes, and not of conventional forces or equipment, assumes prime importance."

"The role of surprise is increased and the duration of the impact of its consequences on the conduct of further military operations is greater."

All of these statements are made by Soviet General-Lieutenant I.G. Zav'yalov, and mention two of my points: the Soviets realize the importance of nuclear weapons to the conduct of the offensive (i.e. they'll probably use them anyway, although

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only if the offensive stalls) and they realize NATO will probably use them too. The Soviets fall into the same mind-set as we do, and they think that nuclear weapons will be used sometime in a future fight, and assume we realize that, too; hence they open themselves up for a self-fulfilling response of nukes by us once they attack. But I think, for as barbaric as they are, they will NOT be the ones to devastate the world with strategic weapons if their attack fails--they are too methodical and ponderous in their thinking for that. I think full-scale escalation will come only if they see their homeland threatened or the collapse of all their satellite states.

Steve, I'm sure you don't agree with all this, and you may have counter-proposals against my statements; I can understand that, and I'm glad SOMEONE out there discusses this, the future of mankind possibly hinging on a future war anyway. I guess the overall statement I'm trying to make (after two unsuccessful pages of explanation) is the idea that a future war, if believed by NATO as being winnable only through the use of locally-available tactical weapons, will then use those same weapons. The Soviets have a myriad of responses they can react to, given a NATO in-country nuclear response, and for the life of me (no pun intended) I really think they will not go "ballistic", but will accept that they have been "checked". But I seem now to compare it to another game, this time of chess...."

((This article should provoke some response, eh?! I read it in sort of a dream-like state as if it really wouldn't come to this, sort of thinking the unthinkable. But it could so easily happen and that's scary. Thanks for writing in again, Faz.

Next up is John Pack of New Mexico. John has just finished a year of service for his church in the Dominican Republic (I've got an article on that and if it's in this issue, it's ~~on page not~~) and is now back at Los Alamos which had something to do with the Bomb. Now John's nuclear article.....written May 28, 1984.))

A FEW NUCLEAR FACTS

---by John Pack

While my own opinions on nuclear war and the arms race are important to me, I realize that I would probably be unable to convince any of you, as none of you are able to convince me. Therefore, instead of trying to do so, I shall merely present a few facts which I have learned or researched and let you draw your own conclusions, altering your own opinions as you find necessary.

What of "mankind's mutual overkill capabilities"? Haven't we all heard how Russia and the US can each destroy the world several times over? I have. However, while figures do not lie, liars figure to serve their own purpose (we're Diplomacy players, we can understand this). For example, a 100-megaton nuclear warhead placed correctly over New York City would kill 20 million people. There exist in the world today some (approximately) 7,000 such warheads (in both the US and the USSR combined). Each has the capability to destroy 20,000,000 people. Therefore, we can kill 140 billion people or 28 times the population of the entire world. GOOD GRIEF!! We can destroy the whole world 28 times over!! This exact argument appeared in 1982 in print by "reliable news" sources. I read another similar argument using Salt Lake City in Deseret News.

However, the population density in other areas of the world doesn't match that of New York. In fact, a nuclear warhead could explode in some areas without killing anyone. Though barbarous, the military commanders of both the US and the USSR seem to be interested (according to their military doctrine) only in destroying the enemy's military. Military targets are usually not in dense population centers. Military targets have priorities (first, nuclear strike-back facilities; second, air bases; third, communications; fourth, naval and army bases; fifth, scientific and industrial military capabilities; etc.)

At present there are not enough warheads to destroy everything through fourth
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priority. Our first priority targets are beneath the waves and mainly in Alaska, while the Russian targets are in Siberia and the Ukraine. While a bomb in the Ukraine would kill many, the other locations are sparsely populated. The 1982 CIA figures released to the public (but not printed by the press in general because of their own political ideas) indicate that if the present Soviet military doctrine is followed (as reason would indicate) world loss of life is estimated at less than 3% in a total nuclear war (possible ice age due to the ash ignored), which represents 5% for Europe and much greater losses for the United States and the Soviet Union. Significantly less than 28 times the world's population. Realize however that 3% represents 150 million people, an intolerable loss.

Edward Teller (the father of the hydrogen bomb) suggested the need for development of small tactical nuclear weapons in his colloquium of August, 1982 as reported by the Los Alamos Monitor. Small nuclear weapons are, of course, larger than small conventional arms. He also indicated that the Soviets are significantly ahead of us in this field of research.

Strategic weapons cost a fortune. By the time a warhead is built and provided with a delivery system, it has cost a lot of taxpayer dollars (\$10 million would be a conservative guesstimate, I feel). How many scientists could be paid to develop defenses against nuclear weapons and devices with just the money for one warhead? Are we really spending our defense money wisely, President Reagan?

While the Soviets warn against starting a space arms race (because we do have a technological advantage in that field), such first priority targets (in the event of war) when destroyed would not take a single human life with them or destroy any valuable part of the earth or cause a new ice age by injecting nuclear ash into the atmosphere.

Our international information network (the CIA) has, due to popular criticism, been cut back. We now miss a few intelligence details like advance warning of Iranian unrest and hostage problems, warning of the sudden Argentine attack on the Falklands, and the location of radio stations and universities in Grenada.

Theodore Roosevelt said, "Talk softly and carry a big stick." President Reagan seems to have heard it wrong, "Talk war and buy a bigger stick." As diplomats, we know that talking about how much power one has worries allies (which may cause them to stab), while talking about the other guy's strength has more positive results.

I enjoyed Mark Larzelere's article on the Nuclear Freeze and Faz's "almost" point of view. I will resume my job as a programmer on Monday here at the Los Alamos National Laboratory. While working there before I left to work in the Dominican Republic, I was privileged to attend a seminar given by the CIA. I was surprised at some of the things we know about them. A couple of these thingies might shed a little light on the topic.

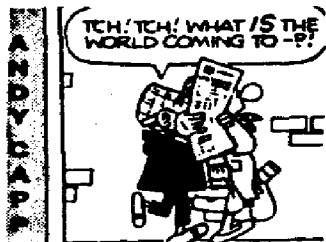
First is the published Soviet military code which states that any military unit which cannot cross the borders at the same time as the missiles fly overhead is worthless. NATO tactical strategies all depend on at least a three-week warning from satellite detection. Obviously, there is a discrepancy. Of course, this doesn't apply to strategic nuclear weapons (designed to destroy everything in an all-out retaliatory strike, something neither side would probably desire or consider; after all, who wants to rule a world that's been demolished?).

Rather, smaller tactical weapons used to wipe out the enemy before your conventional forces get there to take over. As Faz noted, we are far behind in the development of these weapons which are far more likely to be used, and needed. Defense spending certainly needs to be reapportioned away from strategic weapons, and towards tactical nuclear weapons, research and conventional weapons. Another idea presented was the placing of all such warheads far, far away from population centers (reducing life lost in a military conflict) such as on satellites, subs, boats, etc. After all, if a satellite were destroyed, not too many people would be taken along.

I have attempted to correctly represent the facts and all sides of the point. If any of you should feel I have misrepresented the facts or that my opinionated deductions are incorrect, please correct me."

((Michel Liesnard's comments on page 22 would seem to contradict your contentions that only 3% in Europe would die (possible ice age due to the ash ignored) or that military targets are not usually placed near populated areas. I feel more, much more, emphasis should be placed on conventional weapons. (27)

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And as if the present situation isn't horrible enough to contemplate, Scott Hanson discusses a possible future scenario that should unnerve all of us. His article was written August 7, 1984. In EE #36, I also got Scott and Frauke's subzines messed up. Irksome, once their gine, is now to be a subzine in Marc and Debi Peters' zine So I Lied. But it will be an Irksome without the Irksome games and only appearing on an irregular basis. The Irksome games are sent out on a flyer called Big Hits of Mid-America. Scott and Frauke's international game Bahnhof Zoo is being printed in Ed Wrobel's Politesse. Now that all of that is straightened out, here is Scott's article. (By the way, all 3 article writers in this nuclear series chose their own titles).))

NUCLEAR WEAPONS ARTICLE

---by Scott Hanson

The arms race between the US and the USSR has been a very hot topic the past few years. It seems to be a dilemma with no way out. Well, maybe there will be a way out...not a way to solve the arms race, but to have it so complicated that we'll wish for the good old days when there were only two superpowers.

The US and the Soviet Union each have about 25,000 nuclear weapons at the moment, give or take a couple of thousand. The US has slightly more. Both countries build more all the time. But in the game of nuclear strategy, you don't need thousands of weapons to play. Just a few will do quite nicely.

The trick is not in building the bomb; that's really quite easy if you can pay for it. The hard part is to get the bomb to where you want it to go off. Most of the research now is in guidance and making the bombs smaller so they are easier to carry.

But even a primitive delivery system and a few bombs still do quite nicely. China has just a couple of hundred nuclear weapons and antiquated bombers. But these bombers can make it to the Ukraine, and the weapons are laced with heavy metals. China can incapacitate the Soviet Union for decades, despite that the USSR has a hundred times more missiles.

France also has a couple hundred weapons. But they are in the process of putting multiple warheads on its submarine-based missiles. By 1990 it will have over one thousand weapons, enough to threaten both the Soviet Union and the US. De Gaulle wanted to make France into the third superpower. That dream is slowly being realized.

Britain also has a hundred or so weapons, but their nuclear strategy is so woven with that of the US that they aren't real players in the game...yet.

What about the two economic superpowers I haven't mentioned yet...West Germany and Japan? Neither has any nuclear weapons program. West Germany is prohibited by international law from possessing nuclear weapons on its soil, and Japan has a very obvious moral problem in its history. But the real difficulty in nuclear weapons is not the bomb itself, but in the delivery. Is it a coincidence that both West Germany and Japan are leaders in rocket technology? Japan builds the best weather rockets in the world. And note that West Germany is not prohibited from having nuclear weapons outside its borders. Is it a coincidence that the German Government has rocket bases in both Zaïre and Brazil? When the climate is right, it will be very easy for both countries to put nuclear weapons in their rockets.

India also has five or six weapons, but they seem intended more for Pakistan than for any play in world politics. They have no delivery technology whatsoever. Any bomb they used would probably be delivered by a semi-truck.

Then there are the two wild cards, South Africa and Israel. Both are reactionary states surrounded by hostile neighbors. Neither admits to having nuclear weapons, but it is nearly certain that both do. Neither would hesitate to use them if their existence was at stake.

Finally, there are the countries that would dearly love to have nuclear weapons. Brazil and Argentina each would like to get the jump on the other. Khadaffy wants to buy the technology for Libya with oil money. We all know about the reactor that was destroyed in Iraq. All over the world there are regional powers with old regional quarrels that somebody is willing to settle with regional nuclear weapons.

So if you feel unsafe now, imagine a world not too long from now with, say, five nuclear superpowers; the US, the USSR, China, Japan and a European coalition, ~~plus~~

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plus any number of smaller powers with weapons. What kind of quarrels, and tensions, and solutions will there be then to international problems?

It almost makes our present little two-way stalemate seem nice.

((Your article make me think of two things, both unsettling. One is that in recent days speculation has been centered on whether Prime Minister Thatcher of Great Britain possibly intended to use nuclear weapons in the Falklands struggle with Argentina. The second is a story or book I either read or heard about, I'm not sure which. Its premise was that the Communist Chinese sent a submarine into the Atlantic Ocean and fired a missile at the United States. The United States not unnaturally thought the Soviets had done it. I don't remember whether the superpowers then had it out, with China relatively unscathed or what. But when you consider a smaller power with the possibility of a nuclear submarine run by a trouble-making leader, it makes you nervous.

That's all the nuclear stuff I had on hand. I don't want to do another huge discussion on nuclear weapons like this for awhile! So if you have any comments, please keep them brief and any articles short. I'd appreciate it.

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FOCUS ON FAKES!

This is an EE "Special Department" which hasn't been seen for awhile because its purpose is to publicize any and all fakes sent to me and no fakes have been done for quite a while.

When I first entered the hobby, before I began publishing, I did two fakes and hardly any notice was taken of them so I promised that I would support fakes and faking when I became a pubber.

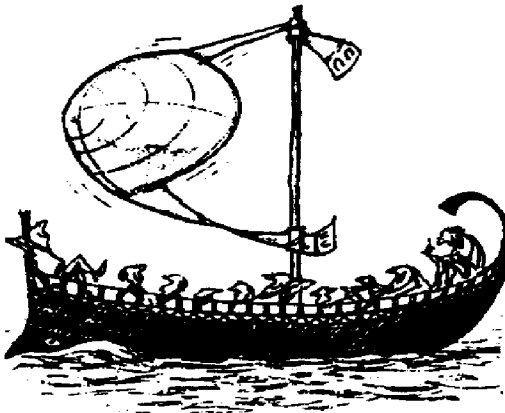
First some old business....20 issues ago, in EE #17 (August 31, 1982) I commented in the Focus On Fakes! about what I thought was a possible fake of Don Sigwalt's Hoof and Mouth. It turned out it really was a fake and was done by Linda Wightman. Linda, her husband Porter and Don all did subzines in Bill Highfield's The Modern Patriot and the Wightmans often helped with the main zine itself. Linda used these "inside connections" to do a fake. EE always tries to get the faker in the end, ha ha!

Much more recent was a fake of Paul Gardner's Perlmutter's Revenge (contrary to popular belief it is not named after a PR hobby member David Perlmutter). PR is actually a subzine in

Jim Meinel's The Prince but the fake had Paul as going independent. It was 4 pages, postmarked Grant's Pass, Oregon (Paul lives in Eugene, Oregon), and featured Paul's real-life game "Frank Burns" complete with press and a map.

Also in the fake PR was a sub price of 25¢ an issue, an article on playing Germany(I was an example of how not to, while Doug Beyerlein was "how to"), and some parodies of recent hobby disputes. It looked real except for one paragraph which said Mark Berch would be going to Oregon to study a "rare plant" for 10-12 months!.....Steve "Woody" Arnawoodian was the faker. Go get him Paul!

The most recent fake I've seen was a supposed new zine by Keith Sherwood called Ultimately Cool which spoofed Keith as a snobby Southern California preppy. There was also a spoof subzine supposedly by Konrad Baumeister called Sex. It was 8 pages, 6 of which were double-columned. Clearly someone put a lot of work into this one. It had newspaper clippings, cartoons and even a bottle cap (if my copy was any indication). The bottlecap was called "The Ultimately Cheap Free Gift -or- Puzzle of the Month". (Mine was "face the facts"). There was an article on students' opinions of their professors, complete with misspellings; Keith has written articles like this in the past, as the faker must have known. There were zine reviews comparing zines to rock bands like Irkome was like Devo, Xenogogic was like Blue Oyster Cult, Diplomacy Digest like Ozzy Osbourne, etc. It was full of how to be ultimately cool. Sub fees were said to be 2½ issues for \$1.62½ cents and Keith, who denies doing Ultimately Cool, said he's received a few sub checks! It was postmarked "La Jolla" which is where Keith lives in California. Whodunnit?! (29)



"Ship's log: July 23rd: Discovered indisputable evidence to prove the existence of the Amazon women..."

"Lunch In Paris, Dinner in St. Petersburg"
--by Gary L. Coughlan

The title of this section is not original with me; it was said by the Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany at the start of World War I on which our Diplomacy game is based. Those 7 words changed the course of history and had they not been acted on, many of us might not have been born and certainly our world would be a different one today.

I am a World War I buff, a war which does not rate the attention and the books that World War II has received. I find that odd since it is really impossible to understand World War II without knowing about World War I, which incidentally began exactly 70 years ago this year.

That fact plus a letter from Mark Berch prompted me to create this section. One of the two EE games I started was named "Chocolate Soldiers" and its name comes from World War I and I explained in great detail about the war so as to make the origin of "Chocolate Soldiers" meaningful. Mark Berch wrote me: "I liked the title write-ups in #33, but the "Chocolate Soldiers" write-up lacked balance. Most of us who are interested already know the general strategic background for World War I, so that could have been greatly shortened. Instead, you should have focused more in on the CSs themselves--how was it that they managed to resist? Tell us a little more about that campaign."

Well, I don't think that many people are that familiar with World War I and I intend to do a month-by-month survey of the war since I think it's very interesting. After all this is the war that gave us: Mata Hari, Lawrence of Arabia, the Red Baron (whom "Snoopy" imitates), Rasputin, and the Communists in Russia. Many people later to become famous were part of it: Einstein, Churchill, Hitler, Mussolini, Tito, Lenin, Rommel, Patton, MacArthur, Gandhi, Picasso, H.G. Wells, Dr. Albert Schweitzer--all were caught up in this war. I have also tried to add anything else that was done during these years to make them seem more alive and relevant. Some of our world today is similar--troubles in Ireland and Central America.

This era is one of formal declarations of war, secret treaties, betrayals, deceit and stabs. Each country tried to justify its actions by releasing "books" which I cannot find the significance of the color for--each country had a different color: the Austrian Redbook, the English Bluebook, the French Yellowbook, the German Whitebook, the Russian Orangebook and the Belgian Greybook. The war started in the last half of 1914 so I'll give a background and some explanations. I hope you read this article; I think you'll enjoy it. Let me know...

Europe looked in 1914 just as our Diplomacy board does, with a few exceptions. Where Germany, Belgium and France meet is a country, not shown, called Luxembourg. Just north of Albania where Serbia and Austria meet is a country, not shown, called Montenegro. Poland, on the map, is Russian but large sections of Polish-speaking people lived in Germany and in Austria.

There were two major alliances in this era: The Triple Alliance consisted of Germany, Austria and Italy. Rumania had secret agreements with this alliance. The opposing alliance was the Dual Alliance of Russia and France. Both of these countries had entente, or friendship treaties with England which in recent years had tended to draw closer to the Dual Alliance and antagonistic to Germany. Germany and England were engaged in a naval race.

Italy and Austria really didn't like each other and in recent years Italy had grown closer to France. Italy's treaty with the Triple Alliance also stated that she would not have to ever fight with England. England had an alliance with Japan.

Most countries believed that mobilization meant war and Germany based her strategy on this as she would be forced to fight a 2-front war in all probability. Germany had an excellent system of railroads so she could speedily shift troops from one direction to another. Germany and France both took about two weeks to fully mobilize their forces. Russia, with a tremendous population, took six weeks. Germany's plan then was to knock out France in six weeks then march east against Russia in the event of a war. German plans thus could not allow Russia to mobilize unopposed. All of this shows up in the chronology.

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RESULTS OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN POLL

This poll, also known as the Runestone Poll (and formerly the Leeder Poll) is by Randolph Smyth, pubber of Fol Si Fie in Canada. The poll has 3 parts: Zines, Subzines and GMs (see pages 32-33). 119 ballots were cast, the highest since 1981 when 126 people voted. Last year 78 voted. Voters were asked to rate publications and GMs in the 3 categories on a scale of zero to 10. To blunt the effect of all too prevalent grudge votes, zines receiving more than 13 votes had the top and bottom 8% of their votes discarded. In EE's case, the top 5 votes and the bottom 5 votes were not counted. Subzines and GMs had all of their ballots counted in their average vote.

In the Zine part of the poll, a zine had to receive 10 votes to make the main list. A further 31 zines received less than 10 votes and I'm only printing the ones concerned with EE subbers. I want to thank you if you were one of the 67 who took the time to rate EE which won first place. I'd feel better about this if some of my favorite zines (like Eric Kane's Anduin which is Top Ten despite what the poll says) hadn't been laid low by grudge votes. EE was extremely lucky in getting only one "0".

Some quick Observations: Voice of Doom and Diplomacy World tied at most votes received, 74 each. Of the Top Ten Zines, 7 have letter columns of some sort; 8 carry subzines; 8 are digest and 2 are open-page; all received over 26 votes; 3 are done by computer while the rest are xerox; 3 are from Canada and 2 are from California; 5 of the 10 were in the Top Ten last year.

In 1982, hoaxers affected the poll and according to Randolph they tried to do it again this year. "The Stabber's Journal" received 13 votes, none of them below an 8. High votes for a non-existent zine are an insult to pubbers who have worked hard on putting out a good zine or subzine. Randolph says he considered throwing out the entire ballot of these hoaxers and may do so next year.

KEY: placing--average score--NAME OF ZINE--number of mentions--placing last year if on the main list. (* indicates a zine not on last year's main list)

1 - 8.49 - EUROPA EXPRESS	67- 1	27 - 6.66 - STRAIGHT FROM THE	
2 - 8.00 - ENVOY	31-10	DIMMER'S MOUTH	21-*
3 - 7.86 - POLITESSE	27-*	- 6.65 - ANDUIN	45-22
4 - 7.68 - THE PRINCE	38- 7	29 - 6.65 - MAGUS	41-12
5 - 7.65 - THIRTY MILES OF		30 - 6.62 - XENOGOGIC	31-15
BAD ROAD	55-29	31 - 6.56 - BUSHWACKER	18-13
6 - 7.64 - THE LIFE OF MONTY	29-34	32 - 6.51 - WINSOME LOSESOME	33-35
7 - 7.62 - SLEEPLESS KNIGHTS	28- 6	33 - 6.34 - CATHY'S RAMBLINGS	38-*
8 - 7.60 - DIPLOMACY WORLD	74-11	34 - 6.32 - MURD'RING MINISTERS	35-20
7.60 - NO FIXED ADDRESS	34-28	35 - 6.31 - DIPLOMACY DIGEST	53-20
10 - 7.51 - SNAPU!	33- 3	36 - 6.30 - CHEESECAKE	15-18
11 - 7.45 - FOL SI FIE	13-*	37 - 6.28 - HOUSE OF LORDS	23-*
12 - 7.43 - VOICE OF DOOM	74- 8	38 - 6.16 - APPALLING GREED	29- 5
13 - 7.34 - RETALIATION	30-30	- 6.16 - GRAUSTARK	12-*
14 - 7.21 - RAGING MAIN	32-*	40 - 6.09 - EREHWON	37-*
15 - 7.12 - WHITESTONIA	47-14	- 6.09 - EVERYTHING	25-25
16 - 7.11 - BERSAGLIERI	19-33	42 - 5.90 - FESTUNGS HOF	13-*
17 - 7.07 - PERELANDRA	31-16	43 - 5.75 - HAI! JIKAI!	32-37
18 - 7.00 - COAT OF ARMS	37-19	44 - 5.69 - LIBERTERREAN	15-*
19 - 6.93 - NORTH SEALTH WEST		45 - 5.60 - WHO CARES?	27-*
GEORGE	36-17	- 5.60 - LONE STAR DIPLOMAT	22-24
20 - 6.89 - EMHAIN MACHA	21-27	47 - 5.52 - PARANOIACS' MONTHLY	19-23
21 - 6.85 - TER-RAN	16-*	48 - 5.36 - YOU KNOW MY NAME	11-40
22 - 6.81 - THE END JUSTIFIES		49 - 5.06 - GIVE ME A WEAPON	34-36
THE MEANS	18-*	50 - 4.65 - MANIFEST DESTINY	33-*
23 - 6.80 - IRKSOME	42-38	51 - 4.25 - BATTLE STATIONS	12-*
24 - 6.76 - MIDLIFE CRISIS	45-26	52 - 3.03 - THE MODERN PATRIOT	34-38
25 - 6.75 - THE DOGS OF WAR	18- 9		
6.75 - THE DIPLOMAT	18-*		

ZINES WITH LESS THAN TEN VOTES, THEIR AVERAGE SCORE AND NUMBER OF MENTIONS:				
1. Alpha & Omega (5.16)-6	6. EFGIART (5.38)-8	11. Ouinpuque (5.00)-5		
2. Boast (4.44)-9	7. Electric Penguin (6.66)-6	12. Passchendaele (3.00)-1		
3. Buzzard's Breath (6.14)-7	8. Flick of the Wrist (6.00)-1	13. Shogun's Sword (4.00)-8		
4. The Concert of Europe (6.00)-1	9. Probozz (6.40)-5	14. Weismark Dip-Press (1.50)-4		
5. Dawn The Torpedoes (5.83)-6	10. Just Among Friends (9.00)-1	15. Why Me? (5.00)-1		

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RESULTS OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN POLL(continued from page 31)

Last year, for the first time, subzines were listed separate from the zines. This year the number of subzines making the main list, more than doubled. A further 13 subzines which received less than the 5 necessary votes for the main list were also rated. I'm only listing the ones concerned with EE subbers. Only 3 of the zines from 1983's Top Ten made the list this time. And 3 of the Top Ten are subzines in Politesse. Mos Eisley Spaceport garnered the most votes at 55.

KEY: placing--average score--NAME OF SUBZINE--parent zine--number of mentions--
--placing last year if on main list-- * indicates not on 1983 main list.

1 - 9.00 - SEX APPEEL (Politesse)	5 - *
2 - 8.84 - TEMPORARILY DELAYED (Envoy)	13 - *
3 - 8.25 - HIGH PLAINS CONZO (Politesse)	8 - *
4 - 8.00 - FEMME FATALE (Europa Express)	6 - *
5 - 7.87 - SUBMARINE WARFARE (Life of Monty)	8 - *
6 - 7.60 - MAGGIE'S ZINE (Politesse)	5 - *
7 - 7.47 - STRANGE DOINGS (Coat of Arms)	21 - 4
8 - 7.43 - KATHY'S KORNOR (Whitestonia)	39 - 7
9 - 7.21 - VERTIGO (The End Justifies The Means)	19 - 10
10 - 7.20 - DIP CITY (The Modern Patriot)	5 - *
11 - 7.19 - EXPLETIVE DELETED (Coat of Arms)	26 - 8
12 - 7.16 - FIAT BELLUM (Magus)	25 - 5
- 7.16 - ELEPHANT HEART (Retaliation)	6 - *
14 - 7.01 - MOS EISLEY SPACEPORT (Roves about hobby)	55 - 1
15 - 6.95 - HUMBOLDT (The Prince)	23 - 2
16 - 6.89 - THE LITTLE DIPPER (The Prince)	19 - *
17 - 6.86 - GALIMATIAS (The Prince)	15 - *
18 - 6.80 - CORN OFF THE COBB (Xenogogic)	10 - *
19 - 6.50 - MeANnderings (Snafu!)	6 - *
20 - 6.41 - HARE OF THE DOG (Magus)	12 - *
21 - 6.31 - ESAD (Roves about the hobby)	32 - *
22 - 6.16 - BENZENE (Thirty Miles of Bad Road)	30 - 12
23 - 6.15 - CHOMPS & MIAMS (Europa Express)	20 - *
24 - 6.14 - MANEATER (Irkome)	21 - *
25 - 6.11 - PERLMUTTER'S REVENGE (The Prince)	18 - *
26 - 6.07 - ALEX'S COLUMN (Voice of Doom)	27 - 9
27 - 6.00 - FNORD (Life of Monty)	10 - *
28 - 5.70 - MASS MURDERS (Europa Express)	27 - 3
29 - 5.62 - BETTY DALY'S SUBZINE (The Dogs of War)	8 - *
30 - 5.50 - FATHER KNOWS LESS (Cathy's Ramblings)	20 - *
- 5.50 - FREE SPEECH ALLEY (The Modern Patriot)	6 - 6
32 - 4.89 - THE BEHOLDER (Europa Express)	19 - *
33 - 4.88 - MR. RES THEATRE (Cathy's Ramblings)	9 - *
34 - 4.67 - FOOT IN MOUTH (Roves about the hobby)	8 - *
35 - 4.66 - DIPPY DADDY (The Modern Patriot)	6 - *
36 - 4.28 - FRUMP THE MIDGET (Who Cares?)	7 - *
37 - 2.71 - REAGAN'S YOUTH NEWSLETTER (The Modern Patriot)	7 - 14

SUBZINES WITH LESS THAN 5 VOTES, THEIR AVERAGE SCORE AND NUMBER OF MENTIONS

1. Diplomatic Immunity	5.00 - 1	4. Voice of Doom's Gossip Column	6.00 - 1
2. Northern Lites	6.00 - 4	5. Phyllis's Pyramid	6.00 - 4
3. Obla-Di Obla-Da	6.00 - 1		

RESULTS OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN GAMEMASTERS POLL

I'll start the listing of the GM part of the poll on page 33 since I don't think I'll have room here to begin it. To make the main list, a GM had to receive 5 votes. 56 GMs did not make the main list and I'm only listing the 22 who are concerned with EE. 5 of the Top Ten GMs were on last year's list. John Daly, pubber of The Dogs of War is the number one GM this year and was the Number 2 GM for the two years before this one. He is also the only one of the Top Ten GMs who has been on every list since 1980 in the Top Ten positions. Six GMs had 9 votes, only one vote short, so they didn't make the main list. Was it your vote?

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"Iliad" 1984 AG Press...continued from page 16 .

"The lifeguard" she thought. She said, "That's OK, I was just going."

As she climbed the bank, he called after her, "Are you OK?" She turned and smiled, "Yes. Thanks. Just a little hungry and hung over."

"I can't help your hangover, but there's some berries back on the road to this park. You might find some Gravensteins too.

"Thanks, what's your name."

"Matt."

Memphis to Iliad: See you in September!

(The following names are listed alphabetically by last name.)

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Paul Rauterberg and Jim Meinel tied at 23 for the most votes received as a GM. I used to think that the GM part of the poll was the most free from grudge votes but it just can't be when such good GMs as Steve Langley, Steve Hutton and Mark Larzelere finish in the 20s and the 30s. I especially cannot agree that Mark Larzelere's spot of 39 out of 42 is an accurate reflection of this letter-perfect GM who was 7th last year. I've played under Mark and he never made an error. Let's abolish grudge votes, people! Another excellent GM who consistently gets marked down due to grudge votes is Bruce Linsey. There is no way that Spot 21 is an fair and impartial assessment of Linsey's GMing.

KEY: placing--average score--NAME OF GM--name of his/her zine/subzine--

--number of mentions--placing last year--* indicates not on 1983 main list.

1	- 9.50	- JOHN DALY (The Dogs of War)	8	- 1
2	- 9.25	- ANDY LISCHETT (Cheesecake)	8	- 5
3	- 9.20	- BILL PLACEK (Sidneg Archives)	5	- *
4	- 9.15	- PAUL RAUTERBERG (Midlife Crisis)	23	- *
5	- 8.82	- GARY COUGHLAN (Europa Express)	11	- 9
6	- 8.78	- JIM MEINEL (The Prince)	23	- 6
7	- 8.77	- JAMES WOODSON (Raging Main)	9	- *
8	- 8.50	- DAVE CARTER (Sleepless Knights)	8	- 4
	- 8.50	- DAVE KLEIMAN (The Diplomat)	8	- *
10	- 8.40	- MIKE MAZZER (Strange Doings)	5	- *
11	- 8.22	- JOHN CARUSO (Whitestonia)	9	- 17
12	- 8.20	- RANDOLPH SMYTH (Fol Si Fie)	5	- *
13	- 8.16	- MIKE MILLS (Emhain Macha)	6	- 15
14	- 8.12	- JUDY WINSOME (Winsome Losesome)	8	- 11
15	- 8.05	- MARK LUEDI (Thirty Miles of Bad Road)	18	- *
16	- 8.00	- STEVE ARNAWOODIAN (Coat of Arms)	8	- 14
	- 8.00	- RON "Snafu!" BROWN (Snafu!)	8	- 10
	- 8.00	- SCOTT HANSON (Irkesome)	16	- 25
19	- 7.87	- STEVE HEINOWSKI (Ter-ran)	8	- 8
20	- 7.85	- DAN STAFFORD (runs game in North Sealth West George)	7	- *
21	- 7.80	- BRUCE LINSEY (Voice of Doom)	21	- 24
	- 7.80	- TOM SWIDER (Expletive Deleted)	5	- 27
23	- 7.75	- RUSS RUSNAK (Who Cares?)	12	- *
24	- 7.60	- DICK MARTIN (Retaliation)	10	- 30
25	- 7.50	- JACK FLEMING (Paranoiacs' Monthly)	6	- 11
26	- 7.42	- STEVE LANGLEY (Magus)	14	- 19
27	- 7.33	- PETE GAUGHAN (Perelandra)	6	- *
28	- 7.16	- ROY HENRICKS (Envoy)	6	- 28
	- 7.16	- KEITH SHERWOOD (Obla-Di Obla-Da)	6	- *
30	- 7.14	- STEVE HUTTON (No Fixed Address)	7	- *
	- 7.14	- DON WILLIAMS (Fiat Bellum)	7	- *
32	- 7.00	- RON "Murd'ring Minslters" BROWN (Murd'ring Ministers)	11	- 20
	- 7.00	- TOM MAINARDI (Bersaglieri)	9	- 16
34	- 6.83	- CATHY CUNNING (Cathy's Rambling)	6	- *
	- 6.83	- LARRY PEERY (Xenogogic)	6	- *
	- 6.83	- ROD WALKER (Erehwon, Diplomacy Digest)	6	- *
37	- 6.77	- ERIC KANE (Anduin)	9	- 31
38	- 6.63	- KONRAD BAUMEISTER (Give Me A Weapon)	11	- 21

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WORLD WAR I...Continued from page 30.

The initial forces that were called up, were ready to move at once, and the railroad development are as follows: Germany: 2 million men and 62,000 kilometers of railroads; Russia, 1.4 million (soon followed by 6 million) men and 66,000 kilometers; France, 1,290,000 men and 37,000 kilometers; Austria, 450,000 men and 23,000 kilometers; and England 120,000 men and 33,000 kilometers. England's great strength was in her navy. Note the almost-equal railroad mileage of Germany and the much larger Russian Empire. This is why Germany could mobilize so fast. Of course, later on in the war each country was able to call up millions of men but this was what was each country had to throw at its enemies at the first. And each country aimed for a lightning knock-out blow and most thought the war would last a few months. It lasted over 4 years.

Of course the war overshadowed everything else but until late July, people were going about their businesses. It was thought that a civil war would break out in Ireland (then owned by England but which wanted home rule). Ulster, the northern section wished to stay attached to England. In March, some English officers had resigned rather than obey orders to march against Ulstermen. In April, the Ulstermen received some arms via Germany.

In North America, Mexico was in turmoil. US President Wilson in February had embargoed munitions to President Huerta but allowed them to his civil war opponents, Carranza, Obregon, Villa and Zapata. After the Mexicans had refused to salute the US flag (!), the Americans had forcibly occupied Veracruz. (Hi Nicaragua!). Argentina, Brazil and Chile offered their mediation and a conference opened at Niagara Falls, New York on May 20. It didn't solve anything and in July Huerta was ousted. After a period of peace (until December, 1914), new fighting broke out with Carranza-Obregon versus Villa-Zapata.

Since this was a world-wide war, I will use the following code: W = the Western Front, Belgium and France; S = the Southern front, Serbia and the Balkans; E = the Eastern front with Russia; T = the Turkish front which ranged from Egypt, to Iraq to Armenia; C = the German colonies in Africa and Asia and the Pacific colonies; and N = naval actions. Anything else is others.

The "spark" which set off the War was the assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne near the Serbian border at Sarajevo. Austria blamed Serbia, who had a powerful friend in Russia. The Austro-Serb war was quickly overshadowed by what Germany did in the rest of Europe supposedly to support Austria. The declarations of war make amusing reading in this respect. For example, although Russia had threatened Austria, Germany was at war with Russia for 5 days before Austria declared war on Russia!

Each year, I'll list what was done in that year that can't be pinpointed by a date by me. I'll do the same for each month. Then I'll do the days. And remember, when you read "Freud leaves Vienna" it happened exactly 70 years ago. I'll put Sundays in () and maybe some actual quotes by people at the time. And if you have a working typewriter--you have more available to you than the Serbians did. Their typewriter jammed when they were doing their response to the Austrian ultimatum. I'll start with June. (A lot of this was secret or meaningless until later).

1914

In 1914: Charlie Chaplin does his first movie, Making A Living; the US edition of Edgar Rice Burroughs' Tarzan of the Apes is published.

JUNE 1914

- 13- Tsar and family visit Rumanian Royal Family at Constanza, Rumania.
- 15- Germany and England work out agreements on "Berlin to Baghdad" railroad
- 20- Von Spee, German naval officer leaves Tsing-tau (C) for the South Pacific
- (21)- Bertha Suttner, Austrian pacifist dies in Vienna
- 24- ABC Conference in Niagara Fall, New York between US and Mexico ends.
- 25- English squadron (N) joins in festivities opening Germany's Kiel Canal
- (28)- Archduke Franz-Ferdinand assassinated at Sarajevo with his wife
- also in June: Greece buys 2 well-used American battleships, "Idaho" and "Mississippi"; German cruiser Königsberg arrives in German East Africa (Tanganyika today)

JULY 1914

- 2- Albert Einstein addresses the Berlin Academy
 - (5)- Germany agrees to back Austria in any action against Serbia. Called "Blank Check"
 - 6- Kaiser leaves for Norwegian cruise; Russia warns Austria over being too hard on Serbia.
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- 7- Prime Minister Tisza of Hungary agrees to an Austro-Hungarian war on Serbia only if none of Serbia is annexed to A-H.
- 8- Kaiser reaffirms full support to Austria in any action on Serbia
- 14-24 Ten days of increasing strikes by workers in St. Petersburg and in Moscow.
- 15- French leaders Poincaré and Viviani leave Paris for state visit to Russia, President Huerta of Mexico resigns, Carbañal takes over(see 7-17 and 8-13)
- 17- Huerta leaves Mexico(see 8-1)
- (19)- Austrians, having decided to attack Serbia, complete ultimatum but decide to hold it back until French leaders leave Russia so Russia and France can't co-ordinate any joint immediate action; Tsar returns to St. Pete from Finland
- 20- French leaders arrive in St. Pete; English King calls for Buckingham Palace conference to discuss the problems in Ireland
- 22- Russian Government suppresses communist newspaper, Pravda during strikes.
- 23- French leaders leave Russia, sailing for home; Austria presents 48-hour ultimatum to Serbia. It was designed to be rejected so Austria could make war.
- 24- Austria informs other nations of her ultimatum to Serbia
- 25- Serbia accepts 8 of the 10 Austrian demands and offers to negotiate the other two; Austria breaks diplomatic relations, assures Russia she won't annex any of Serbia; France assures Russia of her support; Serbs begin to mobilize.
(This is Gary--mobilization of smaller powers wasn't threatening or as meaningful as in the sense of a Great Power which would mean war)
- (26)- English Foreign Minister Grey proposes a 4-power conference(E-G-F-I)to mediate between Austria and a Russia protective of Serbia; Austria orders "partial" mobilization(see 7-31); France recalls all troops on leave; Ulstermen receive arms in Ireland via Belgium
- 27- Turkey asks Germany for an alliance against Russia(see 8-2); Kaiser returns to Berlin from his Norwegian cruise; French begin bringing 100,000 troops into France from French North Africa(Algeria)
- 28- Austria declares war on Serbia; Bulgaria declares neutrality; Germans accept Turkish proposal of 7-27; Kaiser wonders why Austria is going to war--he was pleased with Serbia's abasement; Churchill(N) requisitions two warships which England had just built for Turkey who had already paid for them. This causes great indignation in Turkey; Kaiser and Tsar begin a series of telegrams to end the tension in Europe.
- 28-31 4 days of Kaiser-Tsar telegrams to end tension in Europe, written in English
- 29- Austrians bombard Belgrade, Serbia; Tsar decides against full mobilization and orders "partial" mobilization; English fleet, on maneuvers, is ordered to stay together and go to Scapa Flow, Scotland; French leaders return to Paris from Russian trip; England warns Germany that if France is attacked that England would be unable to stay out of the war for long if war comes.
- 30- Russia orders full mobilization; French withdraw their armies 10 kilometers from their frontier in order to prevent frontier incidents.
- 31- Germany declares "impending state of hostilities"and gives Russia an ultimatum to stop mobilization within 12 hours or war; Germany gives France 18-hour ultimatum to state her intentions in the event of a Russo-German war; Austria orders full mobilization(see 7-26); Holland, Belgium and Turkey mobilize; King of Belgium sends personal letter to Kaiser; England asks Germany and France to state whether they will respect Belgium's neutrality; French socialist leader Jean Jaurès assassinated by French nationalist; Königsberg leaves German East Africa(see June 1914)(N)
- D.H. Lawrence married Freida in England; Choising in Singapore(N)(see 8-1)

AUGUST 1914

- 1- Germany mobilizes, at war with Russia, invades Luxembourg; France answers German ultimatum of 7-31 by saying she will "consult her own interest."; France mobilizes; Switzerland mobilizes; Kaiser seems to think if he doesn't attack France, England won't enter war, so he tries to get his army to march east, Moltke, his Commander-in-Chief says it cannot be done as troops are on move; Huerta(see 7-17) arrives in Spain; Choising leaves Singapore(N)(see 8-5)
- (2)- Germans occupy Luxembourg, send ultimatum to Belgium to allow them passage to outflank French; England agrees to protect French north coast against Germany; German navy bombards Libau, Russia; Germany and Turkey sign secret alliance(see 7-27)

WHERE DO I
SIGN UP??



WORLD WAR I CHRONOLOGY...Continued from page 35
AUGUST 1914(continued)

- 2)-(continued)- Moltke suggests inviting Japan to consolidate her position in Asia at Russia's expense; Dr. Albert Schweitzer, a German national, is interned by the French in Africa.
- 3- Belgium rejects German ultimatum, appeals for aid to England; Germans invade Belgium; England mobilizes fleet; England tells Turkey she is confiscating the 2 ships(see 7-28); German ship Goeben bombards Bona and Phillippeville in French Algeria; Holland and Turkey declare neutrality; both Italy and Rumania declare neutrality, saying they are not obligated to aid Germany and Austria unless G and A were the ones attacked.
- 4- Germany declares war on Belgium, bombards Liège(W); English ultimatum to Germany to evacuate Belgium by midnight, no answer so England at war with Germany; German Chancellor Bethman-Hollweg says: "Just for a scrap of paper Great Britain was going to make war on a kindred nation who desired nothing better than to be friends with her."--shocking the world by calling a solemn treaty a "scrap of paper"; French socialists rally to French cause; all German parties vote for the war credits(see 12-2); Neutrality declared by Switzerland, Sweden, Denmark and the United States.
- 5- Moltke writes: "Our advance in Belgium is brutal."; English sink German mine-layer Königin Luise off Thames River(N); English ship Telconia destroys German trans-Atlantic cable off Emden, Germany; At Germany's request, Denmark agrees to close its entrance to the Baltic from the North Sea but Sweden refuses; English capture German trawlers with carrier pigeons aboard(N); Choising in Batavia(now Jakarta, Indonesia(see 11-27)(N).
- 6-Austria at war with Russia, Serbia at war with Germany; Austrians fail to enter Serbia; Kitchener made an English war minister; United States asks belligerents to adhere to the Declaration of London on dealing with contraband items; US President Wilson's wife dies; Emden(N) leaves Tsing-tau(C); Königsberg(N) sinks English ship off Aden in Indian Ocean; English ship Amphion sunk by mine; French take Bonga, in the German Kamerun(C)
- 7- Montenegro at war with Austria; Germans in Liège(W); French invade German Alsace(W); French take Singa, Kamerun(C); Portugal declares solidarity with England based on treaties of 1386, 1642 and 1661 which had been reconfirmed in 1899; Japan decides to enter to war(see 8-15); Lenin's home in Cracow, Austria is searched and he is imprisoned(see 8-19)
- 8- Allies(French and English) take Lome, in German Togo(C); German socialists vote unanimously for the war credits,
- (9)- An English cruiser rams and sinks U-15(a German submarine)
- 10- German ships Goeben and Breslau arrive at Dardendalles(Aegean side of Constantinople on our Diplomacy board). They had successfully evaded English warships.
- 11- France at war with Austria.
- 12- England at war with Austria; Montenegro at war with Germany; Belgians repulse Germans at Haeslen(W); Austrians invade Serbia; Serbs and Montenegrins invade Austrian Bosnia(S); English ship shells Yap Island in Pacific(C).
- 13- English ships bombard Dar-es-Salaam, German East Africa(C); Carbaful resign; Carranza now President of Mexico(see 8-15, 7-15)
- 14-French renew Alsace advance(W); Russian victory at Sokal(E); Russia promises to unify all of Poland under the Tsar(see 8-16, Nov 1914); H.G. Wells first to use the term "the war to end all wars."
- 15- Battle of Cer Mountain between Austria and Serbs(see 8-20); Japan gives ultimatum to Germany to surrender Tsing-tau(in China)(C)(see 8-23); England begins shipping troops to France(see 8-17); Obregon takes Mexico City(see 8-20); Panama Canal opens.
- (16) Germans take last Liège forts(W); Austrians capture Sabac(S); Austria promises to unite Austrian Poland and Russian Poland under the Austrian Emperor(see Nov 1914)
- 17-All English troops arrive in France(see 8-15); Belgian government moves to Antwerp from capital of Brussels; Serbs defeat Austrians near Sabac(S); Russians invade East Prussia; German General Headquarters now in Koblenz, Germany(see 8-31)
- 18- Serb victory on the Jadar(S); Tsar presides over war ceremony in Moscow; US President Wilson urges Americans to be neutral in "thoughts" as well as "actions"; Emperor Franz-Josef of Austria is 84 years old, has ruled Austria since 1848.
- 19- Belgian army retreats to Antwerp(W); Lenin released from Austrian prison(see 8-7 and 8-26); Russian victory at Gumbinnen, East Prussia

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AUGUST 1914 (continued).

- 20- Germans take Brussels(W); French and Germans in battle of Morhange-Sarrebourg(W); As Russians take Lyck and Goldap, German Commander Prittwitz suggest retreat beyond the Vistula river; Austrians invade Russian Poland; Serbs win battle of Cer Mountain(see 8-15); Germans burn Andenne, Belgium and kill 110 Belgians; Pope Pius X dies in Rome; Carranza arrives in Mexico City as President; English orders-in-council permit seizure of conditional contraband if "destined" for enemies.
- 21- Russian victory at Frankenau(E); Serbs begin to drive Austrians from Sabac(S)
- 22- Germans defeat French at Charleroi and Morhange-Sarrebourg(W); Germans kill 384 Belgian civilians in Tamines; Emden sails through Strait of Molucca(N).
- [REDACTED]
- (23)- Japan at war with Germany, bombards Tsing-tau(C); Russians take more towns in East Prussia as Ludendorff and Hindenburg arrive as new German commanders; First battle between English and Germans is at Mons(W); Germans take hostages in Namur, kill 612 civilians in Dinant, burn Visé and kill some of its inhabitants, all in Belgium.
- 24- Germans take Tournai(W); Allies in France begin retreating before Germans(W); Belgians launch sortie to relieve German pressure on Allies; (see 9-5 on retreat) Serbs take Sabac, drive Austrians out of Serbia
- 25- Austria at war with Japan; Battle of Landrecies, Germans take Sedan(W); Russians approach Königsberg(the city not the ship!); Germans decide to transfer 4 divisions from the Western front to East Prussia; Zeppelins bombard residential Antwerp, Germans burn Louvain(see 8-30)(W); Baron von der Goltz appointed by Germans as Governor-General of Belgium; English invade Kamerun(C); Emden at Portuguese Timor(N)
- 26- Battle of Le Cateau, destruction of Louvain continues(W); Battle of Tannenberg begins(E); Austrians evacuate Novi Bazar(S); Lenin asks to leave Austria(see 8-19); Allies take Kamina, Togo(C); Libyans ambush Italian caravan.
- 27- English occupy Ostend, destruction of Louvain continues(W); Russians take Tarnopol and advance on Lemberg(E); German cruiser Magdeburg lost in the Baltic, from one of its dead officers, Russians retrieve German naval codes, hand them to English.
- 28- Austria at war with Belgium; Germans take Longwy, destruction of Louvain continues(W); 1,000 men die in inconclusive Battle of the Heligoland Bight between Germans and English; Lenin leaves Cracow, Austria for Switzerland(see 8-26, 9-5)
- 29- French attack at Guise(W); New Zealand takes German Samoa(C); German General Headquarters are moved to Luxembourg(see 8-17); Lenin in Switzerland.
- (30)- Germans stop destruction of Louvain(see 8-25); French Government decides to leave Paris for Bordeaux(see 9-3)
- 31- French Army begins Great Retreat(W); Germans defeat Russians at Battle of Tannenberg(see 8-26) and recapture all of East Prussia; Russians rename St. Petersburg, their capital, the more Russian-sounding "Petrograd".
- in August, 1914: English establish "Press Bureau" to control war news; Russia asks Greece to send expedition to Dardanelles. Greece agrees if Russia guarantees Bulgaria's neutrality, no answer received; Germany's Von Spee seen at New Guinea and in the Caroline Islands(N,C); Carl Jung resigns as a member of the International Psychoanalytic Association--in a quarrel with Sigmund Freud.

SEPTEMBER 1914

- 1- Germans take Soissons(W); Russians begin investing Lemberg, Austria
- 2- Germans are 30 miles north of Paris; Russians retreat to Bug River in Poland
- 3- English reach Marne River as Germans cross Marne east of Paris; French Government moves to Bordeaux from Paris(see 8-30,12-8); Russians take Lemberg(E); Allied fleets bombard Cattaro, Austria, in the Adriatic; King William flees his Albania; Benedict XV becomes the new Pope(see 8-20)
- 4- Russians advance into the Carpathian Passes of Galicia(E); Russia, France and England sign "Pact of London" promising none of them will make a separate peace with Germany, and formalizing their alliances with each other.
- 5- Allies end the Great Retreat in France(see 8-31); German sub U-21 sinks English scout cruiser Pathfinder in Firth of Forth(N); Lenin arrives in Berne(see 8-28)
- (6)- Battle of the Marne begins between Germans and Allies in France; big battle between Russians and the Central Powers(Germany and Austria) from the Vistula to the Dnieper Rivers(E); Serbs take Semlin(S)

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THE LETTER COLUMN

Due to the nuclear discussion(which is a letter column in part I suppose) the official letter column this time will only deal with responses to the previous picture contest(which was Maggie Loebach and her husband Ed Wrobel)and your guesses for the pic in EE #36. The newest pic contest is on page 14. NEVER have I had such adamant refusal to accept that the people in the pic are who I said they were as last time....

John Pack(New Mexico, USA): "About the picture contest--I checked out my program and there aren't any errors(there never are in my programs), so I'm afraid you're wrong Gary. That picture is of Joan Extrom and Ken Corbin, whether they like it or not. Ed and

Maggie are just pseudonyms."

Maggie Loebach(Virginia, USA): "Imagine my surprise when I came across Europa Express with the photograph of my husband embracing another woman! I can't tell you how thankful I am that you have exposed this man for the cad he is. Your zine is truly a hobby service. But who is she? I'm no fool--it must be that Extrom woman with whom Ed was said to be "sexually...compatible" in Voice of Doom, sans ellipse. If not for you and Bruce Linsey, I would have never found out and had the opportunity to squeeze all the alimony I can out of Ed. You can be sure that copies of EE and Voice of Doom will accompany me to divorce court. Thank you again."

Don Del Grande(California, USA): "As for the last picture--you never did mention what the poster in the background was for--or, for that matter, what Wrobel is doing in that costume. (Maybe the clothes he wore at MaryCon were the costume!)"

□ Well, let's see what Ed has to say....

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Ed Wrobel(Virginia, USA): "I deny any association with the photo alleged to be me published in EE. I believe it is a photo of my twin, Ken Peel, who has conspired with Mr. Coughlan and all of Dipdom to destroy my marriage. Besides--what gap between my teeth???"

□ ~~Note the gap between teeth~~ Well the consensus seems to be that the woman in the pic was Joan Extrom(should really enjoy my trip to her LepreCon in Oregon next March!) and the man was Ken, whether Corbin or Peel is presently undecided. Ed also claimed he mailed a detailed response but I never got it, so we will probably never learn what the poster in the background was, Don! Now for the guesses for the man whose picture appears at the top of this page....

[11]

John Pack(New Mexico, USA): "The new picture contest is not of a Diplomacy player. I didn't know you read GQ Magazine[a men's fashion magazine], Gary. I'd guess he's from California. Sure, I'd trust him, until he started playing Diplomacy. Obviously, he hasn't been corrupted yet. He could care less about Miss America's abdication. The pictures, maybe, but not the abdication."

Kevin Stone(New York, USA): "As for the new contest, Cathy Cunning is going to ogle over this blond bomb again. After seeing the Olympics on the TV, I would say this guy is from West Germany. He probably drives a Volkswagen Golf up and down the autobahns, and wonders why the Porsche 930s dust him instead of moving over like in the American TV commercials for the Rabbit GT1. I wasn't fooled for a moment. This man is none other than Helmut Schmidt."

Don Del Grande(California, USA): "Your newest picture(issue 36) is probably someone from Britain, since most EEsers, from North America, don't know him (there's an error in that logic somewhere...). Pete Tamlyn probably wouldn't be in a picture without Kat, so I won't guess him again--I'll try for Mike Dean."

Ben Schilling(Michigan, USA): "The picture: it looks like somebody's John Denver imitation, an obviously failed attempt to "Tro" us off the mark. Of course it's got to be Keith "Tro" Sherwood. (Am I close?)"

Steve Arnawoodian(Pennsylvania, USA): "This guy is definitely a European, note the artificial-looking pearl-white teeth. Then there's the grapefruit-sized Adam's Apple, which can be at best an eyesore. An American would have the sense to add iodized salt to his diet. But Europeans are too busy condemning the US to know about the wonders of modern science. Also note the unfashionable long blond

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Q I'm getting a few letters about this. Roy also is doing the Zine Register which I've not seen either along with his Envoy. I suggest you send Roy a letter with a postcard for him to mail back to you or contact his substitute editor, Al Pearson, P.O. Box 898, Charles Town, West Virginia 25414 USA who does Temporarily Delayed inside Envoy. 40 (39)



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7- Germans take Mauberge(W); Churchill urges Grey to pressure Holland into opening the Scheldt River so the Belgians in Antwerp can be aided, Grey refuses; Germans advance into Russia; German ship Nürnberg raids Fanning Island in the Pacific.

8- Germans under Van Kluck begin retreat(W); 1,200 Paris taxicabs rush French reinforcements to the front; Russian victories in Galicia; Austrians began

second attack on Serbia.

9- Germans under Von Bülow retreat(W); Belgian sortie against Germans attempts to take pressure off Allies in Battle of Marne; English withdraw their naval mission from Turkey(see 8-10..Germany gave the 2 ships to the Turks to replace the ones the English had confiscated(see 7-28)

10- End of the Battle of the Marne(W)...((Germany had failed to knock out France and the Western Front became static trench warfare instead of a war of movement. Belgian resistance at Liège and the fact that Germany transferred 4 divisions from the west to the east(see 8-25) were cited for this "Miracle of the Marne". Russia had moved much faster against Germany than expected by prematurely invading East Prussia(8-17))); End of Galician battles, Austrians retreat to the San River(E); German Emden(N) is in the Bay of Bengal.

11- French take Chalons(W); English take New Pomerania(C); Austrians take New Guinea and the Bismarck Archipelago(C); Portugal(see 8-7, 11-23) sends troops to its African colonies to aid English efforts there.

12- Germans on the Aisne River, beginnings of trench warfare(W); Russian victory at Tomosov, but Russians retreat to the Nieman River(E); Austrians take Rabaul(C)

(13)- Battle of the Aisne begins(W)

14- German General Headquarters is moved to Charleville(see 8-29); Von Spee is at Samoa(N,C)(see 8-29); German Emden(N) is off Calcutta, India; Kaiser replaces Moltke with Falkenhayn(see 11-1) ((The Moltke removal was not made public at the time. During the war, both sides suppressed information. For instance, the tremendous German victory at Tannenberg(see 8-31) was not made public until the outcome of the Battle in France(the Marne) was known. It was used to offset the disappointing(to Germany!) results of the Marne which ended hopes for a quick war.))

15- Germans in Russia, Russians take Czernowitz(E); Serbs drive Austrians across the Drina River(S)

16- Sigmund Freud leaves Vienna to visit his daughter Sophie in Hamburg, Germany. (See November, 1914)

17- Germans surrender in New Guinea(C)(see 9-11)

(20)- Russians attack Jaroslav(E); German ~~Von Spee~~ sinks English cruiser Pegasus in Zanzibar(C), then hides in Rufiji River(see 10-30) in German East Africa

22- Russians invest Przemyśl(E)(see 10-9); German U-9 sinks English cruisers Hogue, Cressy and Aboukir off Dutch coast, 1,600 die; German Emden(N) shells Madras, India oil installations; Von Spee's ships(see 9-14) bombard French Tahiti(C)

23- Germans take St. Mihiel(W); Russians take Jaroslav(E)(see 10-9); German Emden(N) is off Pondicherry, India

24- English arrive to help Japanese at Tsing-tau(C)(see 8-23); Germans surrender at Madang, New Guinea(C); Lieutenant Rommel wounded in France(see January, 1915)

26- Germans arrest Adolphe Max, Burgomaster of Brussels, for refusal to cooperate(W); South Africa invades German Southwest Africa(Namibia), but are defeated at Sandfontein.

(27)- Turks close the Dardanelles Straits to all shipping((This was in violation of international law and it effectively cut off Russia from the Allies leaving only the Far North(Germany had sealed the Baltic) and Vladivostok for access)); English take Douala, Kamerun(C)

28- Germans begin Antwerp attack(W); Russians hold Galicia, invade Hungary and threaten Cracow.

--in September, 1914: English establish a propaganda bureau to mostly influence the opinion of the United States; English launch air raids against Zeppelin sheds in Cologne, Düsseldorf and Friedrichshafen(see October, November 1914)

OCTOBER 1914

1- Germans destroy Antwerp forts(W); Battle of Augustovo begins(E)

3- Belgian Government moves to Ostend(see 8-17); Churchill arrives in Antwerp(W)

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OCTOBER 1914(continued)

- (4)- English reinforcements reach Antwerp(W); Russians invade East Prussia again; New York Times reports that Romain Rolland, French writer, has addressed an open letter to German men of letters asking how they could condone the barbarities committed in Belgium(see 10-8), such as the destruction of Louvain(see 8-30)
- 5- Germans began advance on Warsaw(E)
- 6- Germans bombard Arras(W)
- 7- Germans bombard Antwerp(W); German U-Boat enters Loch Ewe in Scotland, declared to be unsafe for English warships
- 8- New York Times says Berliner Tageblatt carried "A Manifesto to the Civilized World" signed by 93 German men of letters justifying German actions by the need to preserve Germany's survival. The manifesto also criticizes Russian barbarities in East Prussia
- 9- Antwerp and Ghent fall to the Germans(W); Austrians retake Jaroslav(see 9-23). Germans halt Russian advance in East Prussia(E); German Emden(N) lands at English colony of Diego Garcia, whose inhabitants are unaware there is a war going on(see 10-10)
- 10- Germans take Lodz(E); King Carol of Rumania dies, many say due to grief that his country didn't fight with Germany(see 8-3); Emden leaves Diego Garcia after being supplied by the islanders who are still ignorant about war(see 10-9).
- 12- Germans are within 7 miles of Warsaw(E); Germans take Lille(W); Von Spee's ships are at Easter Island(see 10-18)
- 15- Battle of the Vistula begins, siege of Przemysl(see 9-22)raised(E); Germans torpedo English cruiser Hawke(N)
- (18)- Russians cross the San River(E); Von Spee leaves Easter Island(see 10-12)
- 19- Benito Mussolini resigns as the editor of Avanti! (see 11-14)
- 20- U-Boat sinks English merchant ship Glitra off Stavanger, Norway(N); Socialist Party at Milan, Italy expels Mussolini as a member.
- 21- 1st Battle of Ypres begins(W); Adolf Hitler leaves by train for the Western Front after 3 months of training(see 10-23)
- 23- Adolf Hitler arrives at Lille, France(see 10-21)
- (25)- Germans' first attempt on Warsaw fails(see 10-5), they retire from the Vistula(E)
- 26- Von Spee's ships anchor at Mas a Fuera(500 miles west of Chile)(N)
- 27- English battleship Audacious is sunk by a mine off Irish coast
- 28- De Wet's Rebellion in South Africa prevents attack on German Southwest Africa, many Boers join the Germans there(see 12-1); Emden destroys a Russian cruiser and a French warship off Penang, Malaya(N); Roger Casement, an anti-English Irish patriot arrives in Oslo, Norway(via United States) headed for Germany(see 10-31)
- 29-30 Belgians open dike sluices to flood coastal areas and prevent a further German advance
- 29- Turkish ships,(Goeben too)attack Odessa, Russia in the Black Sea(see 11-1)
- 30- Prince Louis of Battenberg resigns as England's First Lord of the Navy, his German origins caused a hate campaign to drive him from office; English navy locates German Königsberg in the Rufiji(C)(see 9-20); Italy occupies Saseno Island, off Valona, Albania(see 12-26); Spain reaffirms her neutrality in the war
- 31- English are driven back in the First Battle of Ypres(see 10-21); Sir Roger Casement arrives in Berlin(see 10-28, November 18,19,20)
- in October 1914: United States pressure excludes conditional contraband from the English blockade; England's Lord Fisher urges a naval landing on Germany's Baltic coast; the first idea of the "tank" is conceived as a means to end the stalemate on the Western Front; the trench system protecting London is no longer in a "rudimentary state"; English launch air raids against Zeppelin sheds in Cologne, Düsseldorf and Friedrichshafen(see September, November 1914)

((And we'll leave the war here for now and pick up with November 1914 in EE #38. Some more explanations: After the Battle of Marne(see 9-10,9-14), the Germans and the Allies engaged in a "race to the sea" to try to outflank each other but neither "won" so the trench warfare settled in....Contraband is what each country tried to deny to its enemies. Absolute contraband are any items which can be used to aid a country's war effort directly. Conditional contraband are items which could be, but which not necessarily are, used to aid a country's war effort....England controlled the seas but the German ships were successful raiders which gave the English Admiralty great headaches and damaged English prestige. The English ruthlessly hunted the German raiders down everywhere but it was very time-consuming. Follow the exploits of the Emden especially(see 8-6). It would make a great movie! (4)

THE BEHOLDER #22

This is the 11 August 1984 issue of The Beholder, a subzine with perfectly reasonable margin width, published by Gary Coughlan and edited by John Kelley, Box 35, Klickitat, WA 98628, phone (509)369-4332, please feel free to call. Let it ring forever, though; the house has three stories, six miniseries, and two novellas.

Michel Liesnard's quiz...let's see, #2 is Vietnam; it's called 'nuoc-mam' in the local tongue. They love it, we hate it, as the odor is less than inviting to the American palate. They say "Nuoc-mam smells so good it makes the teeth ache wanting it", and I guess I'm happy for the Vietnamese; it's not as if they don't need some sort of bright spot in their lives. Isn't there a Diéppe cheese? "Tceu-fu" sounds like tofu to me, which is devised from soybeans somehow. I don't cook food, I eat it, so how should I know any of this?

I'm sorry the Sovs and their allies boycotted the Olympics. It's nice to win medals, even gold ones, but it's very embarrassing to win an inordinate amount of them on one's own soil, especially when the vast majority of the competition consists of smaller nations with less people and money to draw on...not that there's no competition, but I for one would just as soon see someone competing who was a fair bet to haul many medals out of the country, such as the Russians and EGs, that way everything we did win would mean much more. Give me the 1980 Winter Olympics any day, where we won even though outmatched in hockey. Let's move the games to Greece permanently, I say. It was their idea in the first place.

To reply to Jan Feringa's statements: I agree that we got a fair reward for our WWII participation, and that we have squandered away some of the goodwill we earned there. But there are two sides to the coin, Jan. Americans misunderstand Europeans, and Europeans misunderstand Americans. It's hard to please everyone when you're a large country, and it's even harder when you honestly feel you are trying your best to help your allies and hear steady streams of criticism no matter what. A joint effort is our only solution, Jan; we must listen to the counsel of our Dutch, Italian, and Japanese friends, avoid brushing them off, and act jointly with them. In their turn, they could stand with us when our actions are a bit borderline, accept us for the good we do, and be our conscience without being our condemnors. I'm about 1/8 Dutch, so why wouldn't I want the best for Holland? Europe is our cradle, our brother/sister; let's get along with them. Ok, Jan?

More for Jan, moving along. Yes, elections are controlled by the more privileged classes to a large degree. Since when has any government anywhere not been so? Also, I take personal offence at the reference to Reagan as a 'creep', and would be greatly pleased if you would admit that it was an unwarranted personal judgment. Whether he is obsessed with communism is a matter of opinion; to run him down as a fellow human is not called for, especially in a publication. It's legal--and I would be the first one out of my chair if it wasn't--but it's not pleasant.

Now to Alexander Kakuschke: Personally, I think it's long past time we dropped any WWII guilt on the part of Germany (or Japan, etc...). You make a good point that the architects of WWII are long gone and now is no time to be blaming West Germans for Nazi activities. I worry, though, because the Soviets are extremely paranoid about any Germany they do not control, mostly because the last Germany they met up with cost them 25 million lives. If Germany did start to act more independently and began to increase its military, the Russians might act to remove that independence once and for all. Neither of us wants that. So I'm willing that America sharpen its sword a little, if the Europeans are...it's really up to the Germans as to whether they want to chance it, seeing

as how it's their country. What would really give me hope would be increased Franco-Spanish commitments, along with Greece and Denmark. We could then match that with American efforts, while West Germany expands its already excellent reserve system, but these are just ideas. What do you say, Alexander?

Actually, 16 Danish soldiers were slain during the two-hour invasion in 1940. Denmark and Holland have it tough; they are rather level and clear, leaving guerrillas nowhere to hide and armies nowhere to dig in. It took Hitler two months to beat Norway into the ground, thanks to its mountains. I think the major culprits in the Western European debacle in 1940 were French WWI heroes who tried the same tricks again, even after Poland had been slashed to doll rags by a new strategy. I believe that France, Britain, Belgium, Holland, etc. could have been a match for their opposition.

Today, however, as Michel correctly points out, France has no silly delusions about how to fight an aggressor. They're well-equipped, there're a lot of them, and they won't lie down and be waltzed on. What Americans have a hell of a hard time swallowing, Michel, is that one cannot deal with France cavalierly. The best way to assure French support is to realize that, like its less powerful neighbors, its support can not be assured; it must be requested politely, and once in a while (hopefully not at a time when the future of the world hangs in the balance) it must refuse that support without being subjected to unbrotherly treatment by the requestor. If France (or Belgium, or West Germany, or Turkey) is not really allowed to make choices, it will choose anyway, unilaterally. On the other hand, if the decision is truly in French hands, I have faith that it will almost always be made with the best interests of America at heart. Again, same goes for Britain or Norway. Am I right, Michel?

I'd subscribe to European zines, but sadly I don't speak French, Dutch, German, or Swedish, or even know a little of the languages (I do understand most Spanish, some Russian, and marginal Latin), and it would be less than polite for me to expect to see English in European zines. Maybe, though, it'd be a great chance to start learning those languages. I should buy dictionaries and grammar books and decipher them, oui, ja, sí, da, yes?

On the domestic front, I've been bumped from forklift-driving and am now an electrician's helper. It's pretty varied, from oiling motors to actually making and rigging (but not designing) electrical connections. Beats unemployment all to hell and gone. Didn't have to get in and clean out the pit this year, either, which was a relief of the first magnitude. I thought for certain I'd find rats down there.

My sister recently visited California. Upon exiting the aircraft, she looked around and observed, "Wow, bitchin'..." For the benefit of those not familiar with American regional rivalry and slang, this is a dig at Californians, who are thought to be a bunch of spoiled preppies by uninformed Northwesterners, and the slang is supposedly typically Californian.. I was born in Cal, but I wouldn't say the assumptions are utterly unfounded. They probably think we're a bunch of hicks.

How'd my EE get postmarked Honolulu, HI? I'd have been less surprised (and disgusted; I don't like hot weather or crowded, overpriced beaches) if it'd been postmarked Vladivostok.

I don't think Doonesbury was very funny. Bloom County, on the other foot, is pretty good in my opinion.

Someone write to me, ok? Even if it's just to tell me to fuck off, I'd rather have that than silence. Don't tell Caruso and Tallman that, though.

Until again we meet--



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FEMME FATALE!

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By Robyn Finley, 1466 Bonair Rd. #71, Vista, CA, USA. I have a confession to make. I have this fantasy. I picture it night and day, savoring every delicious moment before snapping back to reality. It's become an obsession. Yes, I'm talking about faking a ZINE! Just thinking about it is not enough anymore. I've got to do something about it!

Diary of a Mad Housewife & the Institute for Diplomatic Studfees

Step One: The Victim

I needed a pubber who was colorful, someone I had already met, and for mailing purposes, someone who didn't live too far away. Larry Peery, publisher of Xenogogic fit this perfectly. But there was one problem. When this scheme first started brewing in my head, Larry had just mailed out a 204 page zine and who would believe that the long playing LP would crank out another so soon? Would faithful Xeno subbers notice the outside logo "Institute for Diplomatic Studies" had been changed to "Institute for Diplomatic Studfees"? Could they believe that Larry would only write two pages? These were risks I had to take.

Step Two: The Zine

Here are some excerpts from the Fake-Zine-Fantasy-Notebook that my faithful assistant (thanks Jim) and I came up with; the puddles of a 2 a.m. brainstorm:

TRIAL BALLOONS:

Dipland Wax Museum- Can you imagine all the famous Dippy players gathered in one room and no one saying a word? It dawned on me that there are many people in the hobby who never get the opportunity to attend major conventions thus never have the opportunity to meet the hobby giants. Now here's what I propose: we rent a small studio in a centrally located town and charge a small admission fee to compensate for money spent on the wax, but wait, wait...How about a travelling wax museum? I can see it now: The Travelling Dipland Wax Museum. We'd need an air conditioned semi and it could go on tour every summer to various cons! We might even get on "Real People". Interested volunteers please contact me. Candlemaking experience is helpful, but please leave your wicks at home. I am requesting all big name hobby members (you know who you are) to send a plaster cast of your head for the mold.

Dipsymphony in 7 Movements- What we need is an international anthem, a glorious, vibrant score that will touch the hearts of Diplomacy players around the globe. At the last Beethoven Con, I thought how great it would be to hear a symphony written just for Diplomacy playing in the background while you negotiated. Similar to Holst's Planets, it would have seven movements, one for each country. Imagine how inspiring it would be to hear your country's theme bursting with brass while you reveled in a stab! Of course, we'd need a condensed version to be played (hands over our hearts) at the start of every Dipcon. If we can collect \$10,000 I have reason to believe we can hire Leonard Bernstein to write it. Don't applaud, send money!

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Dip-Decathalon for the '88 Winter Games- O.k. people, even I admit this sounds a bit far fetched, but before you rip this thing to shreds hear me out. Let's face it, a lot of you Dippers are thrill seekers and I know a lot of you are avid skiers too. Would you sign a petition to put Diplomacy in the '88 games? Let me tell you how this would work: For the first round, you'd negotiate while you were skiing THEN stop at the bottom of every slope to write your orders. I imagine we'd have a few NMR'S (people falling down and such) but that would just speed the game up. Can you imagine what great publicity we'd get? And the winner would receive a years sub to Xenogogic and a gold medal.

Diplomacy in Space- Something to keep in mind for the future is renting space on the Space Shuttle for the first Dip game in space. NASA rents space for high school biology projects, why not us?

Slugs of Geneogogic- History is in the making! Yours truly and one Terry Tallman, pubber of North Sealh West George, have decided to collaborate and do a special zine. SOG will also feature the subzine Night of the Living Deadwood. Don't miss it!

Ahh, now all I need to do is type these up, address the envelopes and mail them from San Diego. You won't tell anyone, will you?



"Hold it right there, Charles! ... Not on our first date, you don't!"

Michel Liesnard, you are correct.
Americans are strange beings.

See you next month--unless Larry throws me in the ocean! (Actually, this won't be a surprise to him since I sent him a copy last week. So, I guess I'm safe.)

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Everybody must bear the weight of his heredity. I, for instance, am not only a man who loves eating (and drinking, ahem). I also belong to a people who loves eating. Just have a look at the ladies portrayed by our Rubens, or at some paintings by Jordaens, and you'll see what I mean. Or, even better, if you find the opportunity of paying a visit to Brussels, look at the names of the streets in the historical centre: Butchers' Street, Butter Street, Flesh and Bread Street, Cabbage Street, Pepper Street, Pot Herbs Street... These are signs, I think.

Even our attitude towards alcoholic beverages reflects this fondness for good things. When prohibition was plaguing this poor country so often invaded by brutal neighbours, you could not have found one high school with less than four or five pubs into a radius of 200 metres around it. Such pubs being of course filled with 14-18 years old teenagers as soon as 10 in the morning. Each teenager with a glass of beer in front of his eyes, obviously. What the Martin Morality Squad and the Federal Fund for Roads could do with us, I let you guess...

Now, I wouldn't let you think that we don't feel concerned with the health of our splendid youth (one bronze medal in LA, yeah!). If everybody over 14 is allowed to enter any pub and fill his guts with anything whose formula ends in COOH, you need to be over 18 to be authorized to play "Pac-Man", "Space Invaders" or with any other device which makes electronical bip-bips. These evil games are bad for the eyes.

I'm not joking, dears (since our Kathy said I have no sense of humour). In the kingdom of Belgium, once you are 14 if you're girl, or 16 if you belong to the other half of mankind, you may marry and experiment all the positions allowed by the laws of physics, except those implying an electrical plug and a TV screen. This probably explains why our mirror industry is such a flourishing one...

But we have many other funny laws to make you laugh. For example, our laws prohibit prostitution in the streets. But not at home. The rainy and chilly climate, I suppose. Thus, our ladies of the night cannot be found along the pavements, like in Paris or Naples, but cosily sitting and knitting into show-windows. It is a strange world, the one which allows slavery as long as slaves are presented like sausages.

Now, forgive me, but I must leave you here. I've got a lot of shopping to do. Must buy a mirror, an electrical plug adaptor for a funny American device, a set of magnifying lenses for my video camera and six bottles of claret. We Europeans are perhaps in complete decay, but we still know how to have fun!

P.S. BARZINI, the temperature of the wine must be 4°C below the one of the room. It's not that complicated and needs not a whole continent to get explained.



EE 36 has only reached my den this morning (Aug. 13) and I'm of course still waiting for the many answers to my "World's Greatest Culinary Quiz" (EE 35). Yet, since my boss is still on holydays, I thought I might as well start typing the answers to it right now...

- 1) GARUM (spelled "garon" in English). It was made of fish entrails macerated either in the shadow or in the sun. The word comes from the Greek "garus", which designated a sort of anchovy. This seasoning, slightly modified, still survives in French Provence, where it is known as "pissalat".
- 2) VIET-NAM. This invaluable source of proteins is known worldwide under the name of "nuôq-mam".
- 3) CLOVES are the main agricultural production of Zanzibar, while pepper (especially green and pink peppers) and vanilla come from Madagascar, La Réunion and Mauritius. From the same region also originates a very hot variety of chili known as "bird tongues" (langues d'oiseaux).
- 4) HIBISCUS ESCULENTUS, called "okra" in English, "gumbo" in America, "gombo" in Spanish, "quimbombó" in Latin America, "combeau" or "gombault" in French.
- 5) THE SPANISH FLY (lytta vesicaria), a most dangerous animal wrongly considered as an aphrodisiac because of its irritant effects on the urinary system. Its active principle, cantharis, is a lethal poison.
- 6) THE PULP OF PALMNUTS. The Zairean "moambe" is simply such pulp in which a chicken has been boiled with onions, salt and pili-pili. Serve with rice.
- 7) A BIG STEAK from the tenderloin of a beef from Charolais, a region of France renowned for the quality of its cattle.
- 8) THE PASSENDALE from the Flemish village of Passendale (formerly "Paschendaale"), which welcomes the "Cheese Carnival" each year in early August. Some years ago, the "passendale" was known as the "grand-ferme".
- 9) ALKMAAR. Look in your atlas to find where it is.
- 10) SOJA.

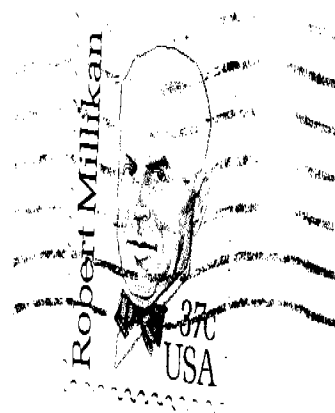
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