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DIPSCRIPTIONS are what Pat Hart calls what he does to EE subbers on this page and you could be next! But this month's "honoree" is Fiat Bellum's Don Williams, who's known for his close association with duck friend, Socrates and for singing Spanish songs at DafCons! Some think Socrates is really Don but Pat tells us.....

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**NAME:** Don Williams **SEX:** Only on water  
**NICKNAME:** Duck **HAIR:** Feathery  
**HOME:** Any pond **EYES:** Drenched  
**BIRTHDATE:** Ducks can't write **LOOKS:** Plucky  
**BIRTHSIGN:** Wildlife Refuge

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**NOTED FOR:** Very diplomatic **AMBITION:** Tell what he's thinking

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**TURN-ON:** Speaking Spanish **TURN-OFF:** Recognized as an American

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**FAVORITE FOOD:** Bread crumbs **FAVORITE DRINK:** Cold duck wine

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**FAVORITE MOVIE:** "Donald Duck Meets The Three Stooges"

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**BEST FRIEND:** Socrates **ONLY FRIEND:** Socrates

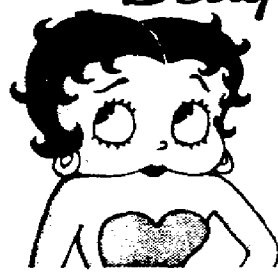
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**WIFE'S NAME:** Daisy **SON'S NAME:** Daffy

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**FAVORITE APHRODISIAC:** A plume

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**FAVORITE DESSERT:** Duck L'Orange

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**FAVORITE POEM:** ----- Don Williams' tongue wears a tether,  
 So not to ruffle any feathers,  
 One day it will come loose,  
 Then he'll be a cooked goose.

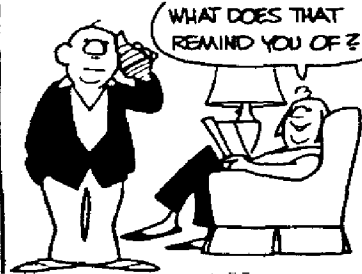
**Betty Boop**



BOOP, BOOP, A-DOOP!! BETTY BOOP LOVES MALMBERGERS!! And not only that benefit but...you get 2 EEs added immediately to your sub now...you'll only be called for one position at a time--no overkill....and if you complete that one position you win an extra 4 EEs. Join these dependable 33 Malmborgers: Peter Ansoff, Steve Arnawoodian, Ivo Bouwman, Don Del Grande, Michael Ditz, Teijo Doornkamp, Stephen Dycus, James Early, Mike Ehli, Nick Felella, Mark Frueh, Paul Gardner, Claude Gautron, Evans Givan, Scott Hanson, Pat Hart, Steve Heinowski, Nelson Heintzman, Matt Kazur, Mark Keller, Steve Knight, Pierre Kotschoubey, Mark Larzelere, John MacFarlane, Conrad Minshall, John Pack, Ken Peel, Jane Proskin, Clark Reynolds, Carl Russell, Alan Stewart and James Wall. Thank you all! No

zine can run its games smoothly without reliable people willing to standby and it's nice for me to know that y'all are there ready to help!





Except for ~~the~~ the article beginning on this page, I won't tell you what this issue will contain because I don't know at this point. This article is dedicated to 4 of my friends, but most especially Jim Briggs who is now in the US Army in West Germany.

Jim wrote: "I've really been depressed lately. Been working back-to-back(24 on, 24 off) for about a month now. When I go to the rear I've just got time to sleep, and maybe go out for a beer. Gosh I need a vacation!!!"

Well Jim's story made me think of the massive overtime that I've been having. Then I got a call from an old Army buddy of mine, Dave MacIntosh who went through Korean linguist training with me and was stationed in the 329th ASA in Korea with me. Dave met and married Sooki and both of them now live in Indiana and they plus Jim reminded me of some of my experiences in Korea. Another Army buddy, Tom DeGraaf, was with me on the particular time I'm about to tell you about and Tom is the one who mailed the fake Voice of Dooms and the fake Whitestonias that I did in 1980 and 1982 respectively. All are getting this issue.

Some background. While in Korea, I kept journals of what happened to me, and that is what you will be reading. I think it is a good example of what a peace-time army is like, why enlisted men view officers as assholes and..well you'll see. Many of the terms won't make sense to non-Army people so on page 7-9 I'll have a little definition of terms with the numbers going first and the rest alphabetically.

Most servicemen in Korea were stationed there only 12 months. But if you had less than 120 days, or 4 months left in the Army at the end of the 12 months, you weren't worth it to the Army to relocate you back to the States, so you had to stay in Korea the rest of your Army time. I had 104 days left....AAARRRRGGGGHHHH!!! So when Dave went back to America, I had to stay and make new friends, one of whom was Tom DeGraaf. I was an E-4, the equivalent of a corporal called a "Specialist 4" and solely by virtue of being in the company for so long I was regarded as knowing what I was doing. Let's just say, I saw it all, only the officers changed, their stupidity didn't!

The unit I was with, in the 2nd Division is the one that runs PT, or rather jogged 3 miles each day as exercise. President Carter, if any of you remember his visit to Korea, did this morning run with the troops. It was always at 6 O'clock in the morning unless it was too cold which meant it had to be 6 degrees Fahrenheit (I'm guessing this is -9 degrees centigrade for you Europeans) or less to be too cold. So let's all travel back to February, 1978 when I was in the Army and.... ..let Jim know that, this too will end and someday you'll write about it in your zine!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1978

No mail call. Mail truck had a wreck I hear. No PT because of the cold. I planned to do an ESC on 129 today but we get pre-empted by a Lt. Hendricks-Grim "bright idea"[Our officer platoon leader and Grim was another squad leader with delusions of grandeur] All teams in 3rd platoon must set up all their gear, like in the field(except for concertina). Grr. Originally Higgins[our enlisted man platoon leader] said only Chinese were to do this [We were Korean linguists but a small group of Chinese linguists were stationed with us] so they could get used to the field. It was so cold and so hard to even get stakes in the ground. We set it all up. Then Higgins told us to make a list of what we lacked. We could have done that without setting anything up. Katusas [Korean Soldiers attached to the U S Army] have a 1-3 PM locker inspection. The Americans take it down. Have team chief meeting with Higgins(I had to go). Our team is to be the "roaming turkey". We'll go from hill-top to hill-top the whole field problem. I heard Grim wanted to be it but we got picked for some reason. Should be interesting. All we have to do is hearability, no recording. If nothing is up, we can post a guard and go to sleep. We're to have Friday "field briefings". East at Katusa Snack Bar with Moon. Go to Green Door with Green[another buddy from Mississippi. Moon was a Katusa]. Drink a zombie and several Tequila Sunrises. Feel good. Back to barracks.

Kevin G. got orders for Ft. Hood. Get Pouk to teach for me Thursday and tell Kittrell I resign as teacher. Don't laugh but I gave English lessons to the Katusas] Too many ESCs and too much time in the field. ((continues on page 4))

DeGraaf and Green both had read the Brady article(Sept 30 here) while at Goodfellow[in Texas, where linguists trained. Brady was the gung-ho general] ③

**You'll never see them on recruiting posters and Hollywood hasn't immortalized them, but every soldier knows that at the end of a field exercise comes the drudgery of the**

# WASH RACK

So I rush to the motor pool, get Dellinger to switch huts again, get a dispatch without a request (thanks to Birkenbueler) and take it to Sig/Maintenance. Work with Tiny [of Sig/Maintenance. He was a huge guy] and Pabst beer on putting the clasp on by 7 PM. Also in the afternoon I help DeGraaf ESC 17 and positions. He's nice [God, what a judge of character I was!!] Also ESC 129. Grim is no longer team chief (Ha replaces him), he's training NCO for 3rd platoon and he doesn't like it at all. Have a beer party tonight with Greg and Bobby (Green) in barracks. Greg thinks he has a chancere. I hope I don't get anything [I had recently "lost" my Asian virginity. I'm still an African virgin and a European virgin!]. Sarah Daniels said she got a DEROS inquiry on me. Top says C.O. is still going to answer my questions. Hmm. 4 new MRPV-3s came in today.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1978

Mail from Mother, Eric Good (with \$10 he owed me) and Del. No PT due to cold. Around 3 degrees but poor new guys have to go to zero fire anyway. I spend all day with DeGraaf and Jo ESCing turkey. So much is wrong—both antenna controls, one recorder, 1 744 (only one we had) and 1 901 (we got another). Had to leave it overnight and will report tomorrow at 9AM to see if they can do anything with it. I write letters tonight. Tim picked up my cards for Robbin and Anita, they turned out super. Nasianka is out of ATSE, moves back to company tonight. Savage got his orders. Reports to Lewis April 19th.

DeGraaf said Min Ho asked him to buy Johnny Walker Black Label to bribe the 1st Sergeant [See under Katusa on page 8] Ha! I can't believe it. DeGraaf is now getting it instead of me. Same old story, won [Korean money not good in the American stores on the post] to get liquor which costs dollars.

Greg didn't go to the dispensary today. Hhmm.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1978

Mail from Carol with picture of kids. [Uh, there was no PT on Saturdays and Sundays or when you were out in the field] Up @ 7 AM. Go to Sig/Maintenance at 9 AM. Turn in stuff. No yelling. They give me 2 744s but both antenna controls still blow fuses. The local pedestal on top of turkey shakes the van. It may have been damaged in the shifting so somebody may have to pay for it. Hedrick wants me to write a statement and have Hamer (who first mentioned it) [Hamer was the enlisted man over all 3 platoons] to sign it. No way, he's already tried to weasel out. McMillian [one of the company captains, semi-gung-ho] said blame can't be assessed because of so many shifts in 3rd platoon lately. Cotton is out of ATSE too. He and Paquette were with Johnson who got caught for possession by the MPs. C.O. wanted to put the Pony Bar off limits but only the General can do that. I get off about 2 PM. Eat at ASB, get February Playboy. Have beer party with Greg and we play monopoly with Matt Root. Rumors of whole company moving to 122 but nothing comes of it, except NCOs, including Higgins move somewhere.

C.O. called me in to answer my questions. He "forgot" to ask for questions at the commander's call and clock radios can stay out overnight as long as we are physically there. I get it back too. [See clock radio on page 8]. Wilson didn't bother to take the driving test. Grrr! [See driver on page 8]. ((Continued on 5))

GARY IN KOREA...Continued from page 3.

Moon invited me to his home Feb 25th.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1978

No mail call because 1st truck was wrecked yesterday, 2nd truck blew out an engine, 3rd truck arrived but no mail because weather cancelled the flight from California. Loaned Han \$10.

No PT due to cold. Radio @ 7:15 says it's one below zero. Eat breakfast with Greg. Jo, Higgins on a site survey so I'm team chief. We split up several little chores. ESCs are the big thing. Big hassle with Sig/Maintenance over our switching the huts and 2 missing 744s, not an operational turkey and because no power supply. There are drills they say.

GARY IN KOREA....Continued from page 4.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1978

Mail from Aunt Ruby. Wake up about 8:15 AM. All shift people are moved to 122 today, including Tim. I'm really sorry to see him go. We move Matt's bed down off Jo's and take full advantage of the space. They were crowded. Go to small PX get goodies for the field, have Kim O.K. [when Katusas had the name either Kim or Lee, we had to use their initials to distinguish them!] get 2 cases of ramyon. Go with Green, Glidewell and Wilson to Green Door to eat steaks and play spades from noon to about 4. Eat at messhall. Greg has arms room guard and Leroy is CQ. I spend night writing, it has really warmed up. Hope it stays like this for the field. I catch up all my letters and fix up my duffel bag for the "field trip."

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1978

Mail from Mother, Grandma, Aunt Lena and my contact from Dr. Huie [I had lost my left contact and wrote to my doctor in Memphis who replaced it for me!]. PT. To almost fire station [about half way of the 3 miles], we were outrunning brigade [a rival company]. Field people weren't supposed to have PT but Lt. Hendricks didn't get the word out. WCYS [my shorthand for What Can You Say? to officer stupidity and incompetence which often extended down to our sergeants as well.] At 8:15 AM we get our stuff together. Put DF stuff in conex, pack down generator. Take drive antenna out of turkey so Sig/Maintenance can work on it while we're gone. Wilson looks for a donkey dick and finally found one. Get gas in afternoon. Plans to get 5 cases of pepsis. We should be all prepared for a long time. 131 (Grim's) breaks down, they switch it to 133 tonight. We're to get up at 3:30 AM and leave by 7 AM. Green Door closes its doors to E-4 and below starting today. They'll be sorry because we gave them all their business. We'll see how long it lasts. Wilson goes to PT [Pyongtech, another post in the Army] Feb. 20th, Green March 6th. Hmm. We order from chogi boy. Go to sleep by 8 PM.

Lee Y.S. is now on our team and is going to the field with us. Get my contact today. 1st Sergeant thought I wasn't going to the field and had me done for CQ duty. So I guess I'll get it soon after getting back. Root suggests we go some weekend to the ski resort. I like that.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1978

70 days til DEROS. PT guys ran to theatre. WCYS. [a very short distance on the day the field people didn't have to run]. Wake up about 3:30 AM. Motorpool late. Get vehicles about 4:30 AM. Load personal gear, eat. I have to sign for green and crypto equipment. Leave @ 8:30. Go towards 208 route but we turn before there and Higgins leads us to 188, nothing but a low hill with a road over it. We get no cuts from 11:15 to 1 PM when we shut down and pack back up. He returns, takes us to 496. I was certain it was the place I saw Grace [remember Grace, Dave?!] last June and it almost was. It's off to the side and has a nice bunker. We had trouble getting up the hill but finally made it.

We put camouflage and concertina around vehicles, trailer and generator and fix stove up. I can't get tape recorders to record off 744s and manpack has no cassette so we simply gist. Jo makes schedule and I'm to be guard 3-5 PM and in the van 5-7 PM. That's nice. Miller said Cpt. Mc mentioned sending me and Grim to PT [Pyongtech] for linguist rotation but not together because we're "so valuable." Hmm. Can't set up 292 because we have no male adapter.

Our team is Wilson, DeGraaf and me, Kims O.K., D.W, Jo and Lee Y.S. We're living in a bunker with one warm room [it had the portable stove in it] and one cold one. I'm in the warm one.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1978

Up about 7:30 AM. The jeep died at 3 AM [our radio contact with Higgins]. The generator was turned off @ 2 AM. I got it started up again @ 7:45. Put a new schedule into effect. I really wasn't working that hard and those in the afternoon get to skate out since that is most probably when we're moving around. So I have (now) guard 7 to 10 AM and van (with generator shut down so not at all) 3 to 5 AM. DeGraaf and I are the carry-weights from 10 AM to 6 PM. It should work out okay but today it didn't.

No one came until 4:30 PM when Hendricks and Son came. And they only brought gas and diesel. We're down to one case of C-rats and 1 can of water. Still no 292

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GARY IN KOREA....Continued from page 5 .

We're getting many cuts but no recordings and not up all the time. We push the jeep around (Hendricks') to get it started. He didn't even have a sandwich in his green machine, ha ha [Army humor, see sandwich on page 9]. He said someone will be here tomorrow early. Help DeGraaf on his 3-hour shift. This wasn't our day at all. I switch cots with DeGraaf. 4 are in one room with stove, 3 aren't. He froze last night so I switch with him. Wilson and Kim D.W. say they're okay.

Hendricks said that the main site was still putting up camouflage. A ROK sergeant said we would have to move, not I.C. cleared but he didn't come back. I heard Leroy so the Js are out.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1978

Wake up about 6:20 AM. In the Orient 13 months today. Kim D.W. locked keys in 880 and the turkey was locked last night at 11 PM. Wilson and I fish it out with a kimchi clothes-hanger. Snow starts really coming down. We take up concertina and start shutting down when Miller drives up with Greathead, McKay and Pfeiffer. Pfeiffer repatches in turkey so now recorders record 744s. McKay works on the 1st generator. Roads are icy and frozen already and snow keeps on coming down. They said main site hasn't had a hot meal yet. Grim's team has had only 6 cuts, the Chinese are not operational yet, Lt. Hendricks is going to work at ATSE after this, Lt. Pillsbury [we called him the "dough boy"] is going to be over the platoons and didn't want it.

They have trouble going down so they leave the trailer here and say we are to consider ourselves snowed in. Snow keeps coming and a windy fog. Set up a new schedule for 10 to 6 PM. Still snowing tonight. We shut generator off at 8 PM. We may be stuck up here. We're down to 1 C-rat base (again!) plus our goodies. C-rat is 12 boxes. We have 7 people.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1984

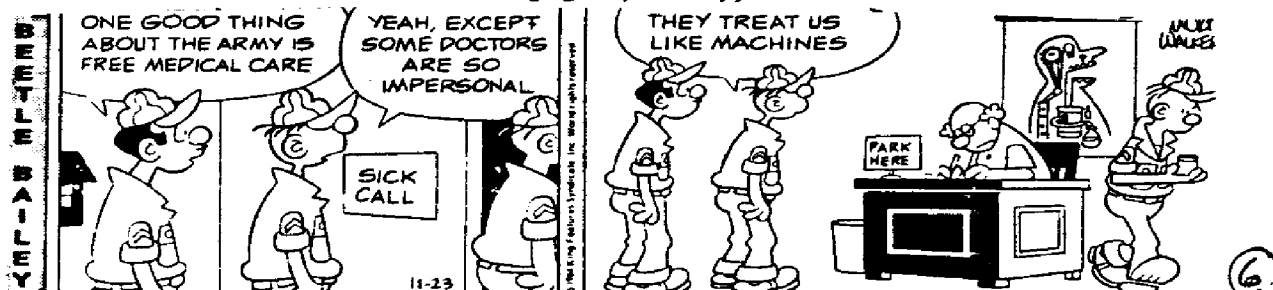
Wake up cold. Go on guard at 7 AM. It's still snowing. Check out positions, vehicles and generators for status report. They don't answer. However we can hear Casey 39er who apparently cannot hear us. Shake snow from camouflage. Kim O.K. and Wilson will go down the hill to buy supplies @ noon. ROK soldiers come by hunting rabbits. Katusa may get spring water from them. Such resistance to using melted snow water instead of water can--yet they say we won't use ROK water because it's dirty! They don't seem, Wilson included, to realize how serious this can be.

Wilson and O.K. head for a village down the hill to get some supplies. Higgins, Son, Miller, Greathead and Spear come about 2 PM. Give supplies to last til Monday. They're all fed up with Hendricks. C.O. wanted all to come in but under the conditions it's impossible. I.G. is postponed to Feb. 23rd. Miller said he wishes he was with us. Higgins tells us to work a 12-hour day and gives us a bottle of Oscar [champagne]. I got mail from Mother, Aunt Grace, Ron and return of some money from Dr. Huie.

We put up 292 and concertina and make van operational 4-8 PM. Wilson and O.K. get back about 5 PM with fruit, bread and beer. Wilson went on a short time. I take a towel bath tonight. Read in Of Human Bondage and go to sleep. Ann had a baby girl, Theresa Ann on Feb 2nd. Miller said we're going in a day early. O.K. said that unlike Wilson when the girl spoke to him "I rejected her proposal." Ha ha. I've been in Korea itself 13 months today.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1984

Wake up about 6 AM freezing again. I'm only cold @ 5:30 AM, rest of night it ((continued on page 7))



GARY IN KOREA...Continued from page 6 .

doesn't bother me. Guard 7 to 10AM. Can't establish green coms until noon and then they can hear us but we can't hear them. Hendricks said "I go prepare the sandwich" and Higgins said "Check your sandwich". Compromises [these were "secret words" which we not mentioned in broadcasts]. We now run 0500-0900 hours, 1100-1500, 1700-2100 in van. Jo says a ROK captain, apparently connected with the sergeant from Feb 8, wants to know what we're doing here, our equipment and weapon serial numbers.

Higgins says to only tell them rank, name and serial ~~number~~ number. Just like a POW I said. [I never actually saw the ROK captain, the Katusas did] Read in Of Human Bondage. It was real sunny today but snow shows no sign of melting anytime soon. Lt. Hendricks and Green come up @ 7:30 PM saying we were to pack up and leave tonight but we talk them out of it. Apparently the message got real garbled and they had thought the ROKs were going to seize our equipment unless we showed it to them. Hendricks said it went to General Grange and the ROK generals, a big mess. Skinner [our commanding officer, or C.O.] ordered Lt. Hendricks to take us off. Apparently someone will have to answer for it.

Anyway, we're to pack up tomorrow and head for 246, the main site. I sleep or start to sleep with Green in 119 but it gets so cold. Lt. Hendricks was in my cot so I sleep between Jo and Lee Y.S. half on each cot. Uncomfortable.

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1978

Get up @ 5AM. I'm so cramped by sleeping on 2 cots. Eat C-rats. Go on guard duty at 7AM and take down concertina. We load most stuff in back of 119, burn garbage and start down. Wilson and I ride with Lt. Hendricks in 129. Each curve fills me with foreboding. Once we skid sideways. ROKs help us out. We used MoGas to burn up ice in pathway of truck. We use axes and shovels to chip at ice. All want to go in to Casey, except Lt. Hendricks [Casey was our home post]. We finally get down and head for 246. Grim's team is going in for a display along with the milkies so we're to take their place. Much trouble getting up to 246 also.

It was 246 I went to last May 26th and not 296. Gregory was wrong [Mr. Gregory, a warrant officer]. Grim left tent, stove and cots for us. We set up turkey, camouflage and I get a cot right next to the stove, so does Henry [Wilson]. We deserve it, ha ha.

See the note. When Higgins told me to just give name, rank and serial number, I said "Just like Papa Oscar Whiskey right?" and from that he drew the conclusion that the ROKs were there. Anyway a message came from McMillian saying I had reacted "professionally." Hhm. Set up schedule. I get midnight to 3 AM but Higgins only wants us to go til midnight so I really luck out. Word comes down that we head in 6 AM Wednesday. Great, maybe we'll get the weekend before the I.G. then. Hendricks said that Chapman got hit by a train and was in serious condition.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1978

Green has trouble starting recorder about 7AM. I tell him what to do: change the fuse. Then generator won't power, so we're on a 4-2 schedule again. Later both recorders won't function and Pfeiffer drove Estwright back to Casey so no Sig/Maintenance, just great. If it isn't one thing, it's something else. General Grange is supposed to come here today. Miller went in expressly to get the mail.

Lt. Hendricks grabbed up all the log books [see status report on page 9], and our team was in great shape. May as well mention this now although I've known of it for a week or so. In March, the 3rd platoon will create a permanent site with rotating teams on 675 or 694 which I've never heard of. Rest of platoon will be fixing camouflage, ESCs etc. I hope that's my last field problem. They bring our generator up the hill so we're on a full schedule but we only have one can of gas. Hhm. Finally get mail after 3 days of none: from Mother, Ma and Pa, Lucille, Memie, 2 from Anita and 2 from Robbin. Supper (the hot meal!) is real late. Gets up here about 8:20PM but they forgot the utensils so had to go back down the hill. Back at 8:40 PM. It was only spaghetti. Ugh. Katusas play cards then talk, talk, talk right around the stove where I sleep or try to.

((Well let's leave it there. Who says that M\*A\*S\*H\* was the definitive Korean experience?! I don't have a holiday story so this is it. Cheer up, Jim, you could have Lt. Hendricks as your captain! Keep a journal and you will look at it in amazement in a few years. Now for the terms used in the above story...))

-ATSE...heavily guarded communications area where the "elite" of our company worked.

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((Definition of terms..continued from bottom of page 7 ))

122 was a nearby barracks.....208 was a road...292...was an antenna...744 and 901 were recording equipment....17, 119, 129, 131, 133 and 880 were jeeps and trucks... ..Hills were known by their height in meters and were 188, 246, 296, 496, 675, 694. ..C-Rats...canned food used in the field.

-bunker --concrete rooms built into hills.....C.O. - commanding officer usually a captain.....CQ - Charge of Quarters. The CQ stayed up in the company headquarters during the night and received the next day off.....camouflage - brown and green plastic nets which spread over the tops of tents and vehicles to blend in with the land...Casey 39-er - Radio station at Camp Casey which gave radio checks...chogi boy - Koreans who sold, usually food, to Americans...clock radio - The C.O., in a "bright idea" had snatched clock radios which were on our desks in our barracks. I, among others, made no attempt to get it back leaving him with a dilemma...commander's call - where the C.O stands before his men and answers any questions after giving them a lecture. Supposed to be held monthly. Ours had left without giving any of us a chance to ask questions about the asinine things being done...concertina - coils of wire strung around the perimeter of the tents and vehicles to keep outsiders away...connex - huge outdoor lockers which contained equipment for the field....cuts - tape recordings of North Koreans talking to each other on the radio...DEROS - date of return to the continental US from Korea....dispatch - the paperwork needed to drive a vehicle...donkey dick - slang for gas can spout...driver - the ones who drove the vehicles and were responsible for them. If you didn't have the army driving license, you could escape a lot of boring work. Katusas usually couldn't drive so all the work was done by the Americans with driver's licenses...ESC - checking out a vehicle or piece of recording equipment to see that it is in total working order....field - the military version of "camping out". You both worked in a van, placed on the back of a truck and did guard duty where you walked around with your rifle or "weapon"...Gs or Golfs - the army classification for my job...generator - the machine that provided power for the recording equipment in the field....GREEN DOOR - a restaurant-bar for servicemen inside Camp Casey...green & crypto equipment - radio through which you scrambled your words by means of a "sandwich" and communicated with the other sites out in the field...green coms - establishing contact with another field site...hut - the van filled with communication equipment which sat on back of a truck like 131 or 133...I.C. - Infantry Corps to which my company was a small cog in a big wheel....I.G. - where outside officers come in and inspect your company and its books and its vehicles from top to bottom....J - another communications job(see G)...KATUSA - the Koreans in our company. They got both American and Korean holidays off and couldn't drive. They told us it was a custom for each soldier to bring a gift for the sergeant when he returned from leave. Thus they constantly asked we American soldiers to buy liquor for the Katusa 1st sergeant(see page 4 ). We grew to distrust this story...kimchi - a Korean food but used to mean an inferior substitute for the real thing as "kimchi beer" or "kimchi hamburger"(really gross!)...K.S.B. - Katusa Snack Bar which served Korean food like ramyon. Yum, I'm having some right now!...Lewis.. Fort Lewis in Washington State....male adaptor - a prong which fits into a socket.. manpack - a portable radio easily carried by one person...mess hall - the army eating place...milkies - the huts of the Js...MoGas - the gas cans for the vehicles when in the field...motor pool - where the vehicles were kept...MPs - the military police...MRPVs - these were trucks with vans...NCO - a non-commissioned officer this was anyone the rank of a sergeant(E-5) or above...PONY BAR - one of the many bars outside Camp Casey catering to GIs with wine, women and song...positions in 17 - the jeep and its antenna and radio...possession - caught with drugs...PX - the big army store...Ramyon - Korean noodles now available in most US grocery stores...ROK - South Korean soldiers, not Katusas ((continued on page 9 ))

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EE CONTEST RESULTS...continued from page 9

4. Who said: "Your guilty secret is safe with me!"...

MF and RW both said Sherlock Holmes. C-G: "Mr MacBeth to Mrs McB? Well, some Shakespearean protagonist?" It was from Gone With The Wind, Rhett Butler to Scarlett O'Hara at the Atlanta ball.

III. Ships. Name the famous personality associated with each ship. MF: Thor Heyerdahl. C-G: Lord Nelson. IB: "Iwan Vasilivitsj Smirnoff. This Russian served the Dutch Royal Airline, and flew in the Pelican his famous flight from Amsterdam to Batavia (Jakarta under Dutch colonial regime) and back in 8 days." Pelican was the ship of Sir Francis Drake!

2. Reprisal: MF: Oliver Hazard Perry. C-G: Lord Nelson. IB: "My hunch is that is some Confederate vessel from the Civil War, so let me give it a try: Raphael Semmes. (Don't laugh at me!)"...OK, hahahahahaha. Reprisal was the name of the ship which carried Benjamin Franklin to France during the Revolutionary War where he became a very successful ambassador for the 13 colonies. Oh, Ivo changed his answer to Admiral Nelson. Hahahahahaha!

IV. TRUE OR FALSE.

1. Betsy Ross was a real person....4 true, 1 false. It's TRUE.
2. The game of chess is illegal in Saudi Arabia...3 false, 2 true.

It's TRUE. According to U.S. News & World Report's December 3, 1984 issue: "The game of chess is illegal because the ulema [religious leaders] ruled that the pieces are idols and the object is to capture the king."

3. King John of England signed the Magna Carta in 1215...4 true, 1 false. C-G: "No, because there ain't no such thing. However, John without land signed the Magna Charta in 1215." Well, in America and England it is correctly known as "The Great Charter" or "Magna Carta". The answer is FALSE. The Dictionary of Misinformation states: "The Magna Carta was not signed; it is even a matter of considerable doubt whether King John could write. It was, however, "sealed".

4. A member of the British Royal Family was one of the suspects thought to be the infamous murderer, Jack the Ripper...All said true and it's TRUE.

V. NAMES AND NICKNAMES.

1. Men feared her in battle and she claimed that divine voices guided her actions. Who was she?...Joan of Arc

2. Who was known as "the universal spider"? IB: "Mata Hari?" MF: "Kaiser Wilhelm II?" C-G: "Cardinal Richelieu or was it Napoleon's Chief of Police Fouchet?" The answer is King Louis XI (1423-1483) of France: The Encyclopaedia Britannica says: "Known as the 'universal spider'" he was "ugly, fat, spindleshanked and with a large head" growing up "in austere seclusion, to become deceptive, rancorous, ruthless, superstitious though devout, careless in his dress and boorish in his manners, yet intelligent, well-informed, active, supple in diplomacy, courageous in war and able to command loyalty."

3. Monte Cerrino is much better known as what?...MF: "Mount Serenity (Vesuvius?)" C-G: "As cerrino means rocky: The Rocky Mountains." IB: "The Matterhorn, the famous mountain near Zermatt, Switzerland (which, as a matter of fact, is called Monte Cervino)." Maybe if you are French, Ivo, but the Italians call the Matterhorn, Monte Cerrino!

4. Who is "Gabor" on page 6?...RW: "Zsa-Zsa?" IB: "I have no idea. The only Gabor I know is Tza Tza Gabor." C-G: All persons on page 6 are subbers to EE. So who on pages 20-23 is of Hungarian descent? And I suppose that there is some way to deduce who it could be. So who has a K und K name? Heinowski, Kakuschke, Kazur, Matuschak, Rusanak, Schilling that's who. I go for Matuschak." MF: "He's EE's subber from Hungary." Gabor Szaksz had a letter on page 3 of EE #37. He is from Hungary and he sent me a coat of arms for my Magyar name in EE games. See pages 15 and 58.

5. La Gioconda is usually called what?...MF: "A practical joke." RW: "I'm not sure what you mean here at all. La Gioconda ('The Happy Girl') was always known by that name and no other. The original Victor Hugo play was 'Angelo, le Tyran de Padoue'. However, I suspect you may mean 'La Traviata'. Her real name was Violetta Valery (a real person), also known as 'Dame aux Camélias'." C-G: "Just that--La Gioconda. Do you Anglos call her 'The Joyful'. Also Mona Lisa." Yes, it is men have named you 'Mona Lisa'.

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VI. LET'S LEARN LANGUAGES: I got these words out of a porno magazine



§ LEPRECON: March 15-17, 1985 Joan Extrom and hubbie Ken Corbin will host the 2nd annual LepreCon in their home. I'll be at this one and hope to see many of the Northwest, northern California and western Canada there. Joan and Ken live out in the country so write or call them for directions at: Rt. 1, Box 26W, Philomath, Oregon 97370 USA...(503)-929-3223.

§ CON IN MINNEAPOLIS: Scott Hanson and Frauke Petersen plan a con for the Memorial Day Weekend which will be May 24-27, 1985. I'll be at this one too. For more info write Scott and Frauke at: 2626 Stevens Ave S, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408 USA or call...(612)-874-0082.

§ CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES: Zines on the West Coast of the United States are currently choosing a "champion" to represent their zine in an upcoming Diplomacy game against the other champions.....The Dutch zine, Brutus, has assembled a "Diplomacy team" and challenges "the rest of Europe" to see who is the best by playing "seven postal games of Diplomacy simultaneously, preferably in seven European zines."

§ THIRD ANNUAL DAVE CARTER AWARD CONTEST: This award is given to the most sexist, not sexiest, person in the hobby. Send in your nominations by May 12, 1985 to: Judy Winsome, 3902 Lakemead Way, Redwood City, California 94062 USA.

§ FOLDING ZINES: Already 1985 is seeing the end of several well-known zines and subzines. In England, Simon Billenness's Flame has come to an end and rumors say that Brian Creese's and Ken Bain's NMR! is folding as well.....In America, John Daly has decided to fold his Dogs Of War at issue #76 citing lack of time. John will carry his games out to completion. James Woodson intends to fold his Raging Main with its next issue. And in this very issue of EE, the final issue of Bruce Linsey's Echo of Doom appears. As far as I know all these guys will still remain part of the hobby. Enjoy your leisure, guys!

§ NEW ZINES: Kevin Tighe has launched his Redwood Curtain which offers Dip games with 2-week and 3-week deadlines for \$8 and \$5 respectively. Subs themselves cost 25¢ an issue. The first issue contained a humorous article, with a map, about "A Mental Map of California". Write Kevin at: 290 12th Str., Arcata, California 95521 USA.....Up-Tight comes from Dave and Jacob Knee and intends to heavily feature En Garde! and a serious article in each issue. This one was about terrorism. I do not know the prices for North Americans but don't forget that you can use the International Subscription Exchange with US dollars to get British zines. Write Steve Knight at: 11905 Winterthur Lane, Apt. 103, Reston, Virginia 22091 USA about the ISE. Dave's address is on page 41 .....From Northern Ireland comes Coolnacran published by Nicholas Whyte and featuring Diplomacy, Sopwith, Bourse, Hitch-Hiker's Diplomacy and Disney Sopwith. Nicholas's address is also on page 41 .

§ NEW ZINE TO BE: Canada is getting a new zine which is being launched in February by Bruce McIntyre. Excelsior is its name and when I see it you'll hear more. Bruce's address is: 6191 Winch St., Burnaby, British Columbia, CANADA V5B 2LT.

§ NEW SUBZINE: Screed, by Bart Aikens, is a subzine in Michael Lee's The Concert of Europe. It's wacky and really defies description. To see it and TCOE wonderful color maps, write Michael Lee at: 3480 Danna Court, Eugene, Oregon 97405 USA. When checking out zines, always send at least one unattached stamp.

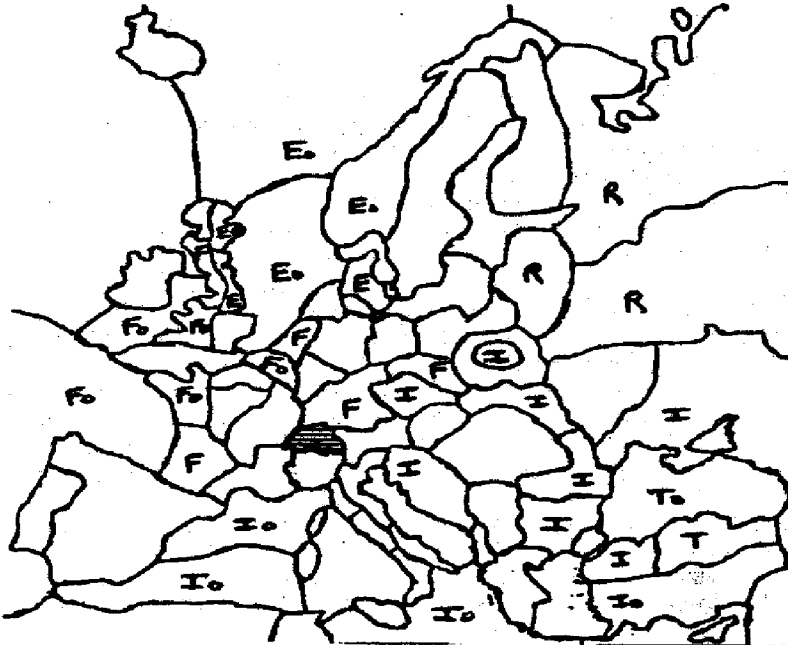
§ New Faces, New Forms.....Ron Brown wants all to know that his Murd'ring Ministers is back alive and well.....Ken Peel is assuming a larger role in Politesse, which is now to concentrate on local games and cost 30¢ per issue.... Eric Ozog is returning to publishing by reviving his Diplomacy By Moonlight as a subzine in his fiancée Cathy Cunning's Cathy's Ramblings.....Ron Brown is GMing his games in D-Day. This Ron is from Canada. The MM Ron Brown is from California.

§ Looking for a GM? Try Jeff Close, 3629 S St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20007. His work number is (703)-841-2914 and his home number is (202)-342-8736.

§ Congratulations to Steve Heinowski who recently published his 100th issue of his zine Ter-ran(see page 57). Steve was one of my very first GMs. Check him out at: 12034 Fyle So. Amherst, Oberlin, Ohio 44074 USA. He's a postman too! (12)

THE ENGLISH ARE IN DENMARK WHILE SULTAN JAAP FAILS TO RECAPTURE CONSTANTINOPLE!!!  
 RUSSIA TILTS TO ROME BY ALLOWING ITALIANS TO SWEEP FRENCH FROM WARSAW!!!  
 FRENCH FORCES RUSH SOUTH AS ITALIAN WAR VESSELS CONVERGE OFF SPAIN!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN FALL 1908 Ω



§ GAME: "Alsace-Lorraine"  
 1981 IC

§ GM: Signore Carlo L.  
 Coughlaniano

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1909

§ ZAT: Friday, February 8, 1985

§ GAME COLOR: Oro

¶ GAME NOTES: Thanks to Teijo Doornkamp for unused Malaberger orders. Your press is first, Teijo! The F-I draw failed. 2 draws are proposed: F-I and E-R-F-I. Remember a "No Vote Received" is considered as a "yes" vote.

§ Dislodgements This Time:  
 France's Army Warsaw.

Your SC chart is on page 14. If France retreats his unit off the board, he can build one so that's what "if OTB) means.

Your cartoon is from The Far Side. See you in 1985 and enjoy your holidays!

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SUMMER 1908 §

Inghilterra: Army Liverpool retreats to Yorkshire  
 Turchia: Army Constantinople retreats to Ankara

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1908 §

FRANCIA: A (LPL) Holds, F (IRI) S A Lpl  
 (Signore Thomas Franke) F (WAL)-Lon, F Nao-(MAO)  
 F Eng-(BRE), F (BEL)-Eng, A (HOL) Holds  
 A Kie-(MUN), A Pru-(SIL), A Bur-(GAS)  
 A (WAR) SEE S Russian A Mos(r-Pru-OTB)

INGHILTERRA: F (NTH)-Eng, F (NWG)-Nth, A Swe-(DEN)  
 (Signore Mike Close) F (NWY) S F Nwg-Nth, F Cly-(EDI)  
 A (YOR)-Lon

ITALIA: A Ukr-(WAR), A (GAL) S A Ukr-War, A Tyo-(BOH), A Ser-(TRI), A (SEV) Holds  
 (Signorina Kathy Byrne) F Tys-(LYO), F Tun-(WES), A (RUM) S A Sev, F Aeg-(ION)  
 A (CON) S F Smy, F (SMY) S A Con, A (BUL) S A Con

RUSSIA: A (LVN)-War, A (MOS) S Italian A Ukr-War  
 (Signore Doug Beyerlein) A (STP) S A Mos

TURCHIA: A (ANK)-Con, F (BLA) S A Ank-Con  
 (Signore Jaap Jacobs)

Teijo to Jaap: I'm very much disappointed in you: First making such a mess of it all and then dropping out. Je lijkt wel een Rijswijker.

Gary to Teijo: Oh, I don't know...I think he more closely resembles, in fact very much, a duveltje in 'n doos; you never know when he'll pop up!

Jim-Bob Adrift On The Black Sea: No sign of Russia yet. The Turkish fleet looms ahead though. Our courage is unbounded, we attack for the glory of Her Highness, the drunken baglady, Queen Kathy.

Italy to France: Well, what did you expect from a Drunken Bag Lady?!

Memphis to Alsace-Lorraine: Your press continues on page 14.



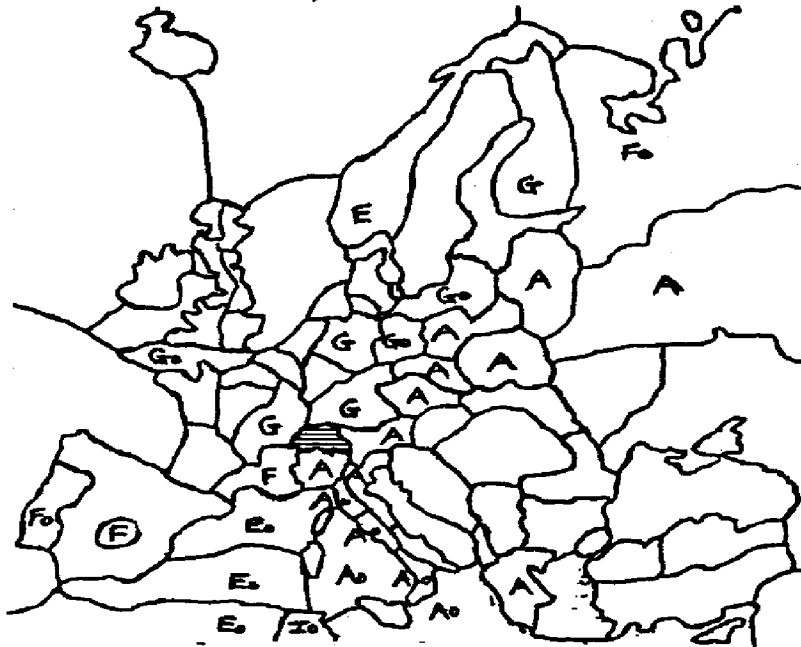
Ship of Fools

Or Is That The "Ship Of Boobs"??!



BERLIN RESISTS HAPSBURG TEMPTATIONS WHILE PARIS MAINTAINS ITS ANTI-AUSTRIAN POLICY!!!  
 THE FRENCH TELL LONDON THEY "DON'T NEED" ITALY AS THEIR ARMIES OCCUPY SPAIN!!!  
 ENGLAND'S RELATIONS WITH HER ALLIES HAVE BEEN PLAGUED BY SPORADIC MAIL SERVICE!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN FALL 1915 Ω



§ GAME: "Saxe-Coburg-Gotha"  
 1981 AN

§ GM: Carlás L. Kholányi ur

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1916

§ ZAT: Friday, March 1, 1985

§ GAME COLOR: Zöld

¶ GAME NOTES: Welcome back to a new year of fighting! All the draws failed.

New draws proposed are:  
 A-F-G, A-E-F-G and A-E-F-I.

§ Dislodgements This Time:  
 Italy's Fleet Spain (south coast).

A change in your game is my Magyar "last name", did you notice? Gabor Szaksz is EE's new subber from Hungary and he said that my Magyar name was almost like a real one and even sent me the coat of arms which I will reproduce! (See page 55)

Congrats to Faz who is now a captain! Cartoon is Rex Morgan.

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1915 §

ANGLIA: A Swe-(NWY), F (LYO) S French A Mar-Pie(NSO)  
 (Mark Fassio ur) F (WES)-Tys, F (NAF) S Italian F Tun

AUSZTRIA-MAGYARORSZAG: A (MOS) S German A Fin-Stp(NSO)  
 (Kerry Blant ur) A (LVN) S German A Fin-Stp(NSO), A Alb-(GRE)  
 A (PIE) S German A Bur-Mar(NSO), A (SIL) S A Boh, F (TUS)-Lyo  
 A (PRU) S A Sil, A (WAR) S A Pru, A (VEN) S F Tus, F (TYS) Hold  
 A (TYO) S A Pie, A (BOH) S A Tyo, F (ROM) S F Tys  
 F (NAP) S F Tys, F (ION) S F Tys

FRANCIAORSZAG: A Gas-(SPA), A (MAR) S A Gas-Spa  
 (John Marsden ur) F Mao-(POR), F (STP-nc) Holds

NEMETORSZAG: F Nth-(ENG), F (BAL) S F Ber  
 (Jack Fleming ur) F (BER) S Austrian A Pru  
 A (FIN) S French F Stp(nc), A (MUN) S Austrian A Boh  
 A (BUR) S A Mun, A (KIE) S A Mun

OLASZORSZAG: F (SPA-sc) S English F Lyo(r-Mao-OTB)  
 (Allen Pearson ur) F (TUN) S English F Wes-Tys

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: Your 1915(WOW!) Supply Center Chart is on page 16.

France to England: I'm sorry, Faz, but sentiment doesn't come into it. We don't need Al for this draw.

France to Austria: Don't take this as a sign of weakness. You still ain't gonna win!

[LONDON]- Times are tough here in the capital. No word from anyone save Italy means that we will have to guess as to the Hun's intent up north. A bad move by any one of the Allies could spell disaster in our respective areas. Ah well, no one said it would be easy...C'mon, guys! How about a letter?

France to England: No letter?! That must have been a mighty fine holiday you had....

France to England: Explanation follows.

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: Press continues on page 16 . (15)



The Pro and Con Of Italy's Choice of Reaction Is Weighed By Europeans For 1916!

§ 1915 Supply Center Chart §

|                        | <u>Gains</u> | <u>Loses</u>   | <u>Retains</u>  | <u>Has</u>     | <u>Builds/Removes</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------|---|----------------|-----------------------|
| ANGLIA:                |              |                | Home, Nwy   | 4              | No Change             |
| AUSZTRIA-MAGYARORSZAG: |              |                | Home, Con, Gre, Rum<br>Ser, Smy, Ven, War, Bul<br>Mos, Sev, Ank, Nap, Rom | 16             | +1 (was one short)    |
| FRANCIAORSZAG:         | SPA          |                | Home, Por, Stp  | 6              | +2 (was one short)    |
| NEMETORSZAG:           |              |                | Home, Swe, Den<br>Hol, Bel  | 7              | No Change             |
| OLASZORSZAG:           |              | <del>SPA</del> | Tun   | <u>1</u><br>34 | -1 (unless OTB)       |

England to Germany: Jack, I decided to leave Sweden. I don't think my plan would be too enthusiastically supported by you, and I don't want to leech a center off you. Let's hope things go well, and we can still pull this one out, I know it.

[BERLIN]- The Kaiser again stated that he wanted no part of any "running-dog draw" in this game. You all should be ashamed of yourselves--a five-way draw?!? Vote for the four-way draw and then take your sisters out to dinner and a movie. You deserve a good time.....

[SHIP OF STATE FLEMINGO STADT]- (Via Germany): We continue to circumnavigate the British Isles. Lap two coming up.

England to France: Loyal Gaul, good hunting in your area of interest. Let's make 1985 "The Year Of The Allied Victory." Death to the Austrian Trench-Monger, who keeps this insane fight going, regardless of common sense! Let's teach this fellow some manners, wot?

France to Memphis: You better believe those "move sheets". When Faz sends his move sheets, we all jump. This season I haven't had one--hence the strange moves!!!

Memphis to France: Well you're not the only one concerned with others' moves....

[VIENNA]- I'm supporting Germany into Marseille and St. Petersburg even though numb nuts never takes advantage of it.

England to Austria-Hungary: Well, Kerry, let's have at it another year. I kind of feel bad that we are putting you through this agony of being, "so close and yet so far", but that's the breaks of the game, I guess; you'd do the same to us. You may get one more center here eventually, but barring any acts of nature, you're doomed to play this thing in 1985 like you have been since late 1983: el trenchostalemateo. Good hunting, mate.

England to Italy: Honest Al, it looks like Linguine is not the food for me; I wish you luck in that one, old friend. As for this one, we are consigned for now to play the part of the Unbreachable Wall. It is a part we can play well, if the status quo remains as it does now. Together we can keep Franz-Blant's garbage scows from doing us any damage; let's do it.

England to All: A joke my buddy from Maryland told me. What do you do after you put an epileptic in the swimming pool? Throw in the laundry.

Memphis to Saxe-Coburg-Gotha: And with that high point we'll call it a season and see you all back here, same time, same station, in March!

Thanks to Greg Ellis!!





ITALIANS TAKE BURGUNDY, SEIZE GREECE AND THE TYRRHENIAN SEA BUT LOSE TUNIS TO FRANCE!!!  
 THE TSARINA MARCHES INTO BERLIN AFTER CONCLUDING AN ALLIANCE WITH AUSTRIA!!!  
 ENGLISH SHIP 2ND ARMY INTO RUSSIA AS GERMANS OCCUPY WARSAW AND MUNICH!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN SPRING 1903 Ω



§ GAME: "Chocolate Soldiers"  
 1984 AH

§ GM: H/O 2/1/85

§ NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1903

§ ZAT: Friday, March 1, 1985

§ GAME COLOR: Nurun

¶ GAME NOTES: Well welcome back to a new year of battles and this season certainly had them. This was really a hard, but quite interesting season to adjudicate.

Dustin has sent all of you his addresses so check them frequently.

Your press, that was held over from last season, is printed this season.

Are y'all tired of cold weather? Memphis was snowed in but nothing like poor Nelson's in Buffalo! Cartoon is from Punch.

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1903 §

ET\*ALLI: A Mun-(BUR), F Ion-(GRE), F Nap-(TYS)  
 (Ken Gestiehr-ssi) F (ROM) S F Nap-Tys, A (VEN)-Pie

OSUT\*RIA-HANGGARI: A Bud-(GAL), A Rum-(UKR), A Ser-(RUM)  
 (Ken Corbin-ssi) A Vie-(BOH), A (TRI)-Tyo, F Bul(sc)-(AEG)

P\*RANGSU: F Naf-(TUN), F (WES) S F Naf-Tun, F (LYO)-Tys  
 (Dave Carter-ssi) A (PIE)-Tyo, A Spa-(GAS)

ROSIA: A Pru-(BER), A (SIL) S Austrian A Bud-Gal  
 (Daf Langley-buin) A (MOS) S Austrian A Rum-Ukr

TOKIL: A Ukr-(WAR), A Ber-(MUN), A (KIE) S A Ber-Mun  
 (Nelson Heintzman-ssi) F (BAL) S English A Stp-Lvn, F Den-(HEL)

T\*OK\*I: A Gre-(BUL), F Aeg-(ION)  
 (Dustin Laurence-ssi) A Con-(ANK), F Smy-(EAS)

YONGGUK: A Ebi-(STP), F (NWG) C A Ebi-Stp  
 (Pat Hart-ssi) F (BAR) C A Ebi-Stp, A Stp-(LVN)  
 A (LON) Holds, F Bel-(NTH)



"Crazy Green Woodpeckers" Have Been Seen In The Black Forest And Greece!

Greece to Berlin (Via Italy): It seems like we have the same crazy green woodpeckers here in the Balkans that you have in the Black Forest. HOHOHOHOHOHOHO! HOHOHOHO HOHOHOHO! HAHAHAHAAAAH!!

Austria to GM: As much negotiating as I've put into this game already, I had better get the position.

GM to Austria: Seems like a lot of talking's been going on..in some places....

France to Italy: You wouldn't move to Burgundy and put the screws to France would you? I mean can we talk?

Italy to France: How many friends did you say you had in this game? Oh, you don't have the time to count, eh!

London to GM: Did you enjoy your vacation?

Memphis to London: Yes, but "It's All Over Now"! See page 18 for more!

Italy to France: Since the taverns in Munich have a "cash only" status for me, I guess it's time I headed for Paris and try a different kind of taste--like ~~lattes~~ delicate pastries. Somehow, I don't think I got the right wording in that last sentence for goodies.

London to Rome: The only thing to fear is fear itself. Unless, of course, you're next to Carter.

Moscow to Paris: I have absolutely nothing to say to you. And you can kiss your Frederick's of Hollywood catalogue goodbye!

Memphis to Paris: Don't worry, Dave....

London to Paris: Don't worry. I only use mayonnaise in bed!

Moscow to Ankara: Alas, Sweet Prince, our domination of the world is not to be. Would you settle for dinner in Sevastopol instead?

London to Constantinople: Don't listen to that vixen! She's only using you to get to David.

London to Moscow: Quit trying to rob the cradle. Of course, at your "mature" age, what else could it be?

Rome to London: I see you have quite the way with the ladies. You're so hot, there's an ice cube shortage.

London to Berlin: You take the low road and I'll take the high road and I'll be in Moscow beforrrrrrrrrrrre ya!

Moscow to Berlin: Somehow, somewhere, someone will get you for this. Ask Rauterberg how mean I get when I'm stabbed!

Rome to London: I'm doing my best to keep the game in Korean. What other language will keep Italy at its rightful place in the order of battles(First)

London to Budapest: East vs. West? Sounds like a bowl game to me.

Rome to Memphis: That tape contained Padre fight songs. Gets you ready for the next play-off when they beat the Mets!

Memphis to Rome: Well your cassette got me ready for something. BUT it sure wasn't Pinocchio and Pierre.....

[ROME]- It had been awhile since Pinocchio had seen his friend Pierre. They had both lived well and since retirement had set in, ol' Wooden Head decided to visit his friend. So he packed a few things, started out for his trip, and decided to pick up some Bavarian pretzels. Both Pinocchio and Pierre had been wine-makers and had met at numerous conventions. So Pinocchio knew that he would find his friend in a small town in Burgundy.

He had made good time to get to the town. As he walked down the main street, he enjoyed the nice little shops with their quaint decor. But as he kept walking, he noticed that the buildings were looking a little more run-down with each block. Soon he was standing on the side of a poor two-storied saloon on the outskirts of town. Since the second floor looked like apartments, he made his way to the front door. As he approached, there sitting on the steps waiting for it to open was Pierre.

With such a rousing greeting Pierre woke up. He put aside his brown bag and slowly made it to his feet. As Pinocchio was so excited, Pierre was trying to quiet him. "But this meeting calls for some excitement," explained Pinocchio. "Let's have a party." "Well," drawled Pierre "it's not opening time yet, but I do know the manager."

"Well then, let's have our party out here! Take this ten franc note inside and bring us out some refreshment." So Pierre went around to the back door to get in. He went up to the bartender and explained to him that his friend was in town and his predicament.

"Well, I would like to help you out, but we have no containers to handle take-out orders. Do you have your own container?" Pierre shook his head slowly and started thinking. Then he noticed his hat. Taking it off, he turned it over and stated "Fill it up."

As the liquid reached the top, Pierre pulled away. "Wait, that's only eight fifty. What do you want me to do with the rest?" Pierre thought again. Then he got an idea. Turning the hat over, he stated "Put it in here."

So the bartender obliged. Out Pierre went, through the front door to meet his friend. "Look Pinocchio!" Pinocchio just stared. He couldn't believe his eyes!

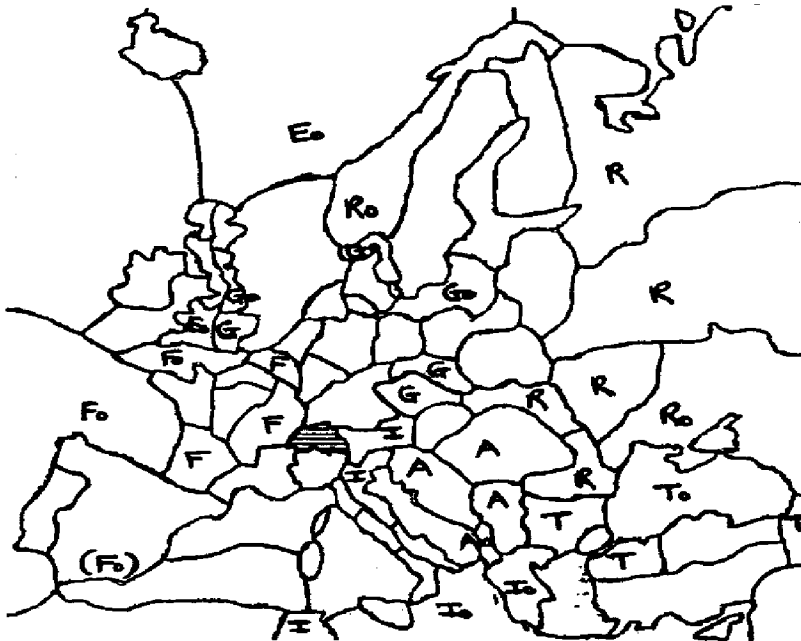
"I may just be a Wooden Head, but I can't believe you paid ten francs for that!" "Relax," said Pierre turning the hat over, "the rest of it is over on this side."

Memphis to Rome: I will not ask the moral of that story, I will not ~~ask~~ the moral of that

Memphis to Chocolate Soldiers: See you the first day of March!

RUSSIAN FORTRESSES ENDURE AUSTRO-TURKISH ASSAULTS AS "SWORD OF BURGESS" HEADS EAST!!!  
 ENGLISH PIRATES RAID NORTH SEA WHILE FRENCH REGIME SHIFTS ITS FOCUS NORTHWARD!!!  
 VIENNA AND ROME ACHIEVE DETENTE AS THE AUSTRIAN EMPEROR RECOVERS TRIESTE!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN SPRING 1903 Ω



§ GAME: "Iliad" 1984 AG  
 § GM: Gospodin Garinoid L. Khoughlanikov  
 § NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1903  
 § ZAT: Friday, February 22, 1985  
 § GAME COLOR: Zelyonny

¶ GAME NOTES: I hope you all had nice holidays and am glad to see you're starting the gaming year off right with no NMR!!

Your game is now in Russian as Russia is the strongest in terms of supply centers owned. Sorry it's not Cyrillic!

Some of your press was held over from last time and is printed now. Your cartoon is Bloom County.

Any EE subber can submit editorial cartoons for any EE game as long as it's relevant and is not blatantly pro- or anti-anyone. See you in February!

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1903 §

ANGLIYA: F Iri-(WAL), F (NWG)-Nth  
 (Gospodin Rob Winslow)

AVSTRIYA-VENGRIYA: A (SER)-Rum, A (BUD) S A Ser-Rum  
 (Gospodin Mike Mills) A Vie-(TRI), F Gre-(ALB)

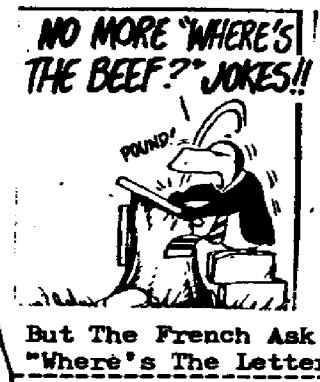
FRANZIYA: F Bre-(ENG), F Wes-(MAO), F Mar-(SPA-sc)  
 (Gospodin Mark Frueh) A Bur-(BEL), A Par-(BUR), A Spa-(GAS)

GERMANIYA: A Mun-(SIL), A (BOH) S A Mun-Sil, F Kie-(BAL)  
 (Gospodin Jim Burgess) F Nth-(SKA), F (YOR)-Nth, A (LON)-Yor

ITALIYA: A Tri-(TYO), A (VEN) S A Tri-Tyo, A (TUN) Holds  
 (Gospodin Marvin Baker) F Aeg-(GRE), F (ION) S F Aeg-Gre

ROSSIYA: F (NWY)-Nwg, A (STP)-Nwy, A War-(UKR), A (RUM) S Turkish A Bul-Ser(NSO)  
 (Gospodin Matt Kazur) A (GAL) S A Rum, F (SEV) S A Rum, A (MOS) S F Sev

TURTSIYA: A (ARM)-Sev, F (BLA) S A Arm-Sev, A Smy-(CON)  
 (Gospodin Jerry Lucas) A (BUL) S Italian F Aeg-Gre



France to All: Hey everybody--where's the letters? Doesn't quite have the same impact as "where's the beef?"

France to GM: So where did the Sword of Burgess fall? Russia or France?

GM to France: Hmm. Well I know it wasn't on England or The Boob!

Germany to England: Thank you!

England to GM: Is this supposed to be fun?

England to Germany: What's takin' you so long?

[VIENNA]- The Chancellor of Greater Austria has made accomodation with the Italian leader whereby Trieste was returned to Austrian administration without bloodshed. This event was looked upon as a watershed in Balkan affairs and in Paris the ambassador of Greater Austria was called to the Presidential Palace to explain the apparent change of plans in Italy.

Memphis to Iliad: Your press continues on page 20 .

England to Russia: Be smart, your time is near.

[VIENNA]- The Chancellor of Greater Austria has embarked on a tour of European capitals and has been briefed by the heads of state of France, Germany, Italy and Turkey. In his dispatches to the Greater Austrian capital he has said just one word: "Alliance."

But analysts here are unsure with whom the Chancellor would have us ally. Having received good solid proposals from all four countries and two provable measures from both Italia and Turkey, the feeling in the capital is that, whatever the outcome, the war with Russia is on. The German proposal for Galicia will soon become verifiable and upon that report the future of German-Austrian relations will be written.

Germany to Austria: Am I reasonable or what?

Mark to Jim: Trust and mercy are funny commodities--rarely are they given to the deserved and even more rare is the act betrayed--Merci Beau Coup, Mon Ami!

[WIEN ZEITUNG]- (Via Austria): The Kanzler of the Empire today proclaimed the year 1903 as Balkan Renaissance Year to celebrate the revival of thought, culture and communications throughout the Balkans. It is expected that the Italian leader and the Turkish Sultanate will, likewise, make proclamations to this effect, too. All ethnic peoples are asked to send delegations to the Balkan Renaissance Year Congress next month in Bucharest.

Germany to Memphis: Sigh. No one seems to care about my story..will that stop me!?!? Are you kidding?

Memphis to Germany: Am I the only one trembling with anticipation at what you are about to write?!!

[FRANCE]- Lo, what fate have I drawn my course? To take advantage of those who may have aided me or end my reign. January 21, 1985 my fate will be known. Tis written in the sands of Dip.

Memphis to France: Or in a garage! Let me know if you do get this on Monday, January 21st.

THE BOOB'S GARAGE (Via Germany): "Jim-Bob, Jim-Bob!" pleaded Thomas Franke. But all he heard was an ominous "click" as the connection was lost. Thomas fretted about what to do long and hard. In the end he knew that Jim-Boob had merely fainted and that overreaction was unjustified. After all, he couldn't afford a call to the States to check up on that klutzy fool. We'll get back to Thomas Franke and the letter that he sat down to write to the Boob at some later date. Suffice it to say that Thomas had an idea that would make the Boob's task infinitely easier.

But what of the Boob? Left to drown in the grease pit? Can he complete the armoured tractor? Can he ever fulfill his dream of jigglelating Elsie's luhtisibles? Tune in next month and find out.

Memphis to Germany: You can spread some wood shavings and that'll soak up that grease like that! Maybe the Boob should write the Virgin. Here is the latest serial in her continuing misadventures....

[STILL EATING LUNCH]- (Via Turkey): The Virgin tried to hide the flush of panic as the cook placed the bill in front of her plate. Shep had disappeared to the back of the restaurant and still hadn't returned. She considered her options, wiped her mouth and asked to use the restroom. With a jerk of his head, the cook indicated it was around back, the same way Shep had gone.

She walked around the counter and opened the door to the back. There was a short hallway filled with buckets, mops and two doors. One led to a small bathroom which was empty. The other led to the driveway. She took that one.

A dog started barking, so she started running to get away from the restaurant. She chose to go over the back fence rather than toward the street. There was an automobile repair yard on the other side of the fence and she tore her dress as she climbed over. A mechanic looked up at her as she ran through the yard and entered the street.

She ran down two more streets, once left and once right before she started walking and catching her breath. "My God, what's happening to me? What do I do now?" She walked six blocks parallel to the street the restaurant was on and encountered an old business district. She entered an antique store to get off the street and give herself time to think. The proprietress gave her the fish eye as she entered. Little wonder, here she was sweating, with a torn dress, no purse.

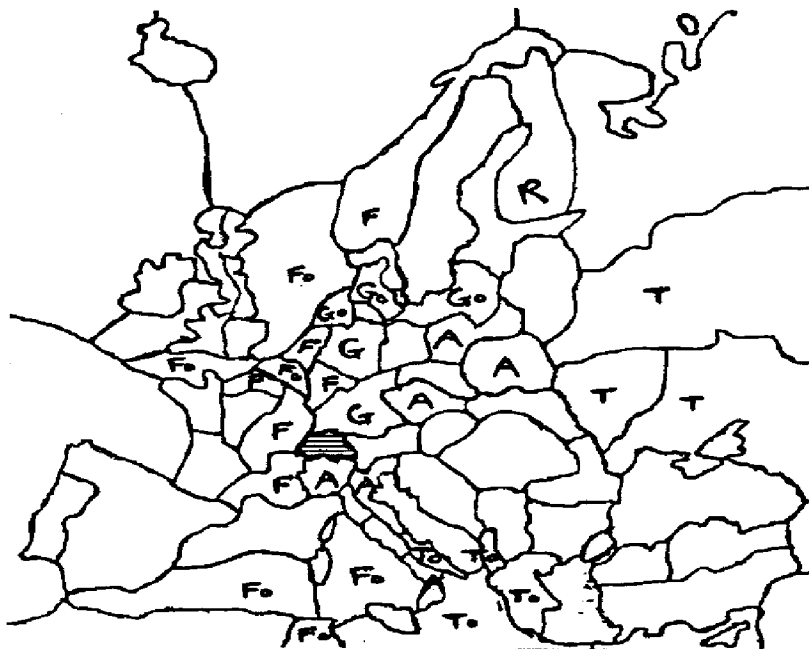
"Can I help you?" the woman asked. She was sitting behind a counter with a glass display case on top. Inside the case was a confusion of jewelry, pens, knives,

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ARCHDUKE RUSS ENDS UPHEAVAL IN AUSTRIA, SEIZES NAPLES FROM FRENCH WITH OTTOMAN AID!!!  
 RUSSIANS MOVE INTO FINLAND AS GERMAN AND FRENCH "ANTLERS" REMAIN LOCKED IN BATTLE!!!  
 SULTAN MARC AGREES HE IS "SHAMELESS BUT AMUSING" AS TURKS FAIL TO TAKE LIVONIA!!!

Ω POSITIONS IN FALL 1910 Ω



§ GAME: "Rhino" 1982 U  
 § GM: Monsieur Gâreaux L. Coughlânniqué  
 § NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1911  
 § ZAT: Friday, February 22, 1985  
 § GAME COLOR: Jaune

¶ GAME NOTES: I hope y'all had a nice year so far and am glad you all came back. Thanks to Mark Larzelere for unused Malmberger orders.

§ Annihilations This Time: France's Fleet Naples.

There is an Austrian army in Naples which may be hard to spot.

3 of you are near an upcoming con at Andy Lischett's home in Berwyn, Illinois on February 16. Andy's address is 2402 Ridgeland Ave. and phone is (312)-788-1507.

Your cartoon is from Fred Bassett. See you in 5 weeks!

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1910 §

ALLEMAGNE: F (HEL) S A Kie, F (DEN) S A Kie  
 (Monsieur Bob Foote) A (KIE) S A Mun, F (BAL)-Swe  
 A (MUN) S A Kie

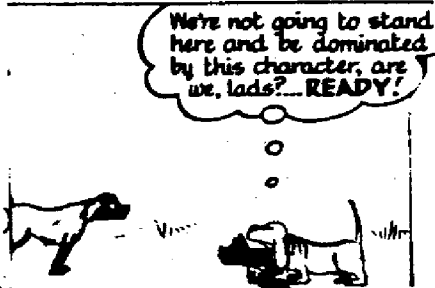
AUTRICHE-HONGRIE: A (BOH) S German A Mun, A Sil-(PRU)  
 (Monsieur Russ Rusnak) A Rom-(NAP), A (VEN)-Rom  
 A (WAR)-Lvn, A (PIE)-Mar

FRANCE: F (NAP)@@@-Ion, F (TUN) S F Nap-Ion, F Mao-(WES)  
 (Monsieur Bert Schoose) F (TYS)-Rom, A (MAR)-Pie  
 A (HOL)-Kie, A (RUH) S A Hol-Kie, F (NTH) S F Bel-Hol  
 F (BEL)-Hol, A (BUR)-Mun, A Par-(PIC), A (NWY)-Swe  
 F (ENG) S F Nth

RUSSIE: A Stp-(FIN)  
 (Monsieur Michael Lee)

TURQUIE: F (ALB)-Ion, F (GRE) S F Alb-Ion  
 (Monsieur Marc Peters) F (ION)-Tys, A (MOS)-Lvn, A (UKR)-Mos, A Arm-(SEV)  
 F (AFU) S Austrian A Rom-Nap

FRED BASSETT



Germany And Austria  
 Chastize France, In Berlin's  
 Words "For The Bloodshed And  
 Destruction They Have Spread  
 Across This Continent."

Memphis to Rhino: Your 1910 Supply Center Chart is on page 22 .

Austria to France: I never realized expecting you to act according to your word was considered a "RIDICULOUS"; if we ever do start talking again I won't make the same mistake of expecting you to follow through with your end of a bargain.

Moscow to St. Petersburg: For a one-center power, you sure submit a lot of press! Very impressive--keep up the good work. "Shameless but amusing"? Yep, that's me, to a "t". Oh, all right, sign me up for a standby in The Concert of Europe. Kind of a stiff price to pay for the price of one dot, but on the other hand, TCOE is my kind of zine--short and sweet.

Sultan to Archduke: A NMR, Russ?!? That's the first I've ever seen from you! If I didn't know better, I'd suspect it was intentional. Well, we are even now.

Memphis to Rhino: Your press continues on page 22 .

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# SAVONLINNA

SAVONLINNA is a subzine of EUROPA EXPRESS, edited by Michael Mills, 26 Laurel Road, Sloatsburg, NY 10974. S.P.Q.R. and KONIGREICH are games designed by Michael Mills.

KONIGREICH. It's a game of empire building in the 1700s. Units are infantry, grenadiers, artillery and cavalry, using area movement. Players start with a duchy, and the winner ends up with a kingdom. Elements of the game include supply, leadership (with a Field-Marshal and "you" as a king), and bribery of opponents' commands. Game rules are free. There's no game fee, and I need only six hardly souls.

S.P.Q.R. You are a patrician. You control the governorships of the provinces. You manage Senate votes, money, gold, silver, food, Legions, Imperators (leaders), and fleets. You can make binding, enforcable treaties. You plot and then strike. There are many, many successful strategies to win the game, which results in you being proclaimed Emperor of the Empire. The rules are free. The map is free, and there's no game fee. I need six players. So far we have two players: Gary Coughlan and Claude Gautron.

STAND-BYS I need you to stand-by in case of an NMR. So far, Claude Gautron is the sole volunteer. More, please!



An Independent SAVONLINNA editorial.

## "What To Do About Brux."

Well, he's done it again. That nefarious interloper has not only taken the NORTH AMERICAN ZINE POLL, he's got his fingers into the ZINE REGISTER! What are we going to do about that!

Can a guy, with such a reputation as Brux's, manage to make a positive contribution to either project, both of which carry a measure of power? Could Brux bury the old hatchet in something other than the heads of his enemies and produce neutral reports? Can Brux convince the members of Dipdom that he could do the above? Could anyone believe him? Would people disbelieve him just to sink Brux's ship? Will petty peaves be settled over this issue?

Yes, yes to all the above. But, everyone on this side of the Atlantic knows that if Brux screws up these projects, his name is "mud." I'll bet even Brux knows that and that he'll probably bend over backwards to give some folks more proof to disbelieve.

Mienel doesn't want Brux to run the N.A. Zine Poll because he believes in advance that Brux would be dishonest. Perhaps the only legitimate criticism is that some people would disbelieve Brux's protestations to honesty and thus torpedo the effort to run a clean poll in 1985. Well, Meinel will doubtless lead the charge into the pit of despair.

So, let Bruxie run the N.A. Poll, and if he screws it up, then we'll lynch him by his nose hairs in front of a group of 14 year-old novices. Until the results are in, the only success, folk like Meinel, will have is down grading the N.A. Zine Poll, itself. And that's something to gripe about.



As for the ZINE REGISTER, which is still nominally headed by Roy Henricks, I have written to Brux, having been the first editor of the ZINE DIRECTORY, and bestowed my blessings upon his labors. If he screws up, then I'll cut his ~~feet~~ feet off! But I'm not going to help down grade the ZR, before it's ready for print.

The message here is that the 'nay-sayers' can do nothing positive, except perhaps, waste their energy.

What ever happened to the idea of giving a guy an even break?

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# OF LEGIONS (An S.P.Q.R. Review)

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Basic to success in S.P.Q.R. will be your use and deployment of your Legions. Each province is entitled to raise a Legion, and in addition, each player is entitled to raise a faction Legion (Optional Rule C).

A Legion is actually a set of units collected under the same title, as Legion Aegyptus. A legion is composed of a Legion Headquarters (LHQ), a variable number of cohorts (Roman soldiers) and a variable number of barbarian bands.

An Imperator does not belong to a legion, *per se*, but his primary role is in augmenting combat die rolls.

Now, due to the command radius rule and the requirement that new cohorts be raised in cities within the home province, it is necessary for the player to weigh his moves carefully.

A legion in the field or on the march is like an octopus. The LHQ is the head and the cohorts with the hired barbarians are the arms. If the arms are stretched out more than 5 movement points from the head, the arms lose their movement capabilities and their ability to attack, unless commanded by an Imperator. And if the LHQ is captured or destroyed, the same thing happens.

A unit out of the command radius of its LHQ may only use 1 movement point. Now consider the Legion going on the great campaign. Say, Legion Cappodocia marches to Dacia and battles the heinous enemy. Losses are taken, but the legion is intact. The player then raises more legion cohorts at home in Cappodocia. Those cohorts are out of command radius and as such won't be very much good to the Legion in Dacia. Moving 1 movement point per turn is a silly use of cohorts. Thus, the CR rule forces a Legion to just about bring everything with him without much hope of replacement.

The exception to this strategy would be a Legion from neighboring province going to war next door. Replacement should be easy. The major use of the Faction Legion though is the far-off war.

A faction Legion can raise new cohorts wherever it goes, so that the use and deployment of the faction legion represents the player's trump card.

In the field, use the faction legion to soften up targets. Let them take losses and repair themselves along the march. Save the far-from-home legions for the pivotal fights or as defense.

In essence then, the faction legion is the first guy over the top. The others bring up the rear. The barbarians are relatively replaceable on the march provided your in one of the frontier provinces because the LHQ has to hire them. If such is the case, then hire as many as you can for a war and let them take all the losses.

Using the Imperator is a simple affair; he's where the action is. Imperators stay out front with the best troops, and often it's a good idea to team two Imperators together for a +/- 3 DRM.

So, you start planning your campaign to conquer, let's say, Dacia. Your jump off point is Noricum. You're using the faction Legion, L. Noricum, L. Germania. Two Imperators are leading the van of Faction Legionaires. The provincial Legions are stacked with hordes of barbarians.

The only trouble is that the man in Dacia has seen the preparations and has advanced his L. Dacia, L. Thracia and the faction Legion to the Dacian



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border. You are going to encounter some fairly stiff odds and take a pounding, but hasn't your mobilization gone to far to stop? It's cost you a treasuretrove of gold and silver for the barbarians. You've made promises to the other patricians for their votes in the Senate and you will need the gold and silver of Dacia for your coffers now. So, you must plug away...

In order to better your chances you ideally have to make your attack as much of a surprise as possible, that is you raise and station troops as far away from the target as possible. In the above, the faction Legion would stay in Gallia, and L. Germania would stay in Germania they would raise their troops in the same season that the attack is made. In this case, L. Noricum raises itself to as many cohorts as possible and gets 10 barbarians. L. Noricum pushes over the Dacian border first without regard to consequence and the faction and Germanian Legion force march (7 mps) to the border, rapido. Most likely L. Noricum would have tangled with just one enemy legion and that legion would most likely be understrength.

In the next season, L. Noricum holds and the other two leap-frog it for the front.

I am now having the rules for S.P.Q.R. reprinted. I had 100 copies and need about another 100. I am also going to make one change in the rules.

Though the change might appear rather simple, it will drastically change the flow of strategy. This is the rule in essence.

There is no fee for cohorts and barnarians to use sea movement. (It had been 5s/cohort/sea space, which is quite an expensive proposition in this game.)

Instead, units using sea movement must use transports. Transports are ships designed to carry men and their arms, without a combat capability.

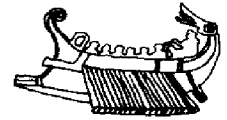
Each transport can transport three (3) strength points. Each transport costs 1 shipment of timber AND 20 sesterces to build!

This new rule will do one tremendous thing: sea borne attacks will be within the reasonable bounds of risk and possibility. Sicilia could then attack Hispania and the game would strike a balance between the prominence of the raod net and the sea spaces.

The timber market would be important, as some players would not want another to gain too large a stock of timber for sea transports.



# Bread & Circuses



## EDITOR'S NOTE:

The following pages contain the recent game reports of BREAD AND CIRCUSES, an S.P.Q.R. game currently GMed by Chuff Afflerbach. I am also a player in that game.

B&C is using an S.P.Q.R. map that has minor differences from the map in this issue of SAVONLINNA. Essentially, only the northern road-net of Cappodocia is different. And the road link between Mediolanum and Pisae, Italia, was deleted.

At this point, no military actions have occurred. Money has been saved up, resources, like gold and silver counted, food stores against a famine, and lots of letters written. Essentially, it has been a gearing up period, but believe me it wasn't boring. Now, we are at the cross-roads. Something has to give. Strong military forces are on the board and everyone's waiting for the first fight to take place.



Well, enjoy reading through these. The map in the center fold shows the approximate positions of Legions in the Empire, though not each individual cohort and barbarian band.

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## VESUVIUS ERUPTS IN ITALIA!

Thousands of frightened citizens are reported fleeing the city of Pompeii as Mount Vesuvius has come back to life, belching huge clouds of black ash into the once-blue Italian skies. Loss of life has been minimal, resulting more from the general panic than from any volcanic activity. Of more concern to Governor Severus is the effect the fallout of ash will have on the fertile farmland of the province. Preliminary reports indicate that at least half the Italian foodstuffs will be lost in the coming year; it will not be known until spring whether the entire crop will be wiped out.

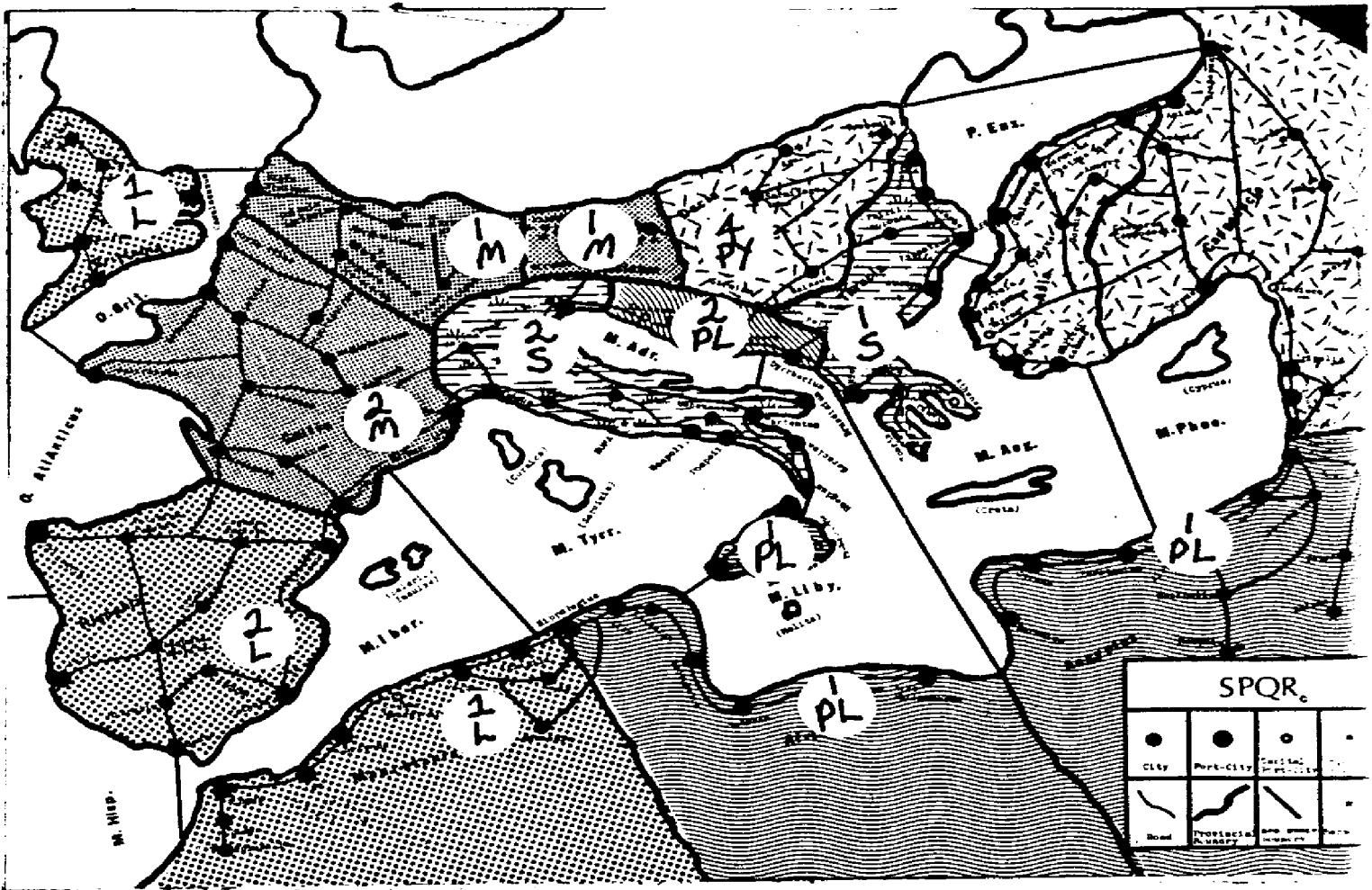
News of the eruption prompted immediate belt-tightening measures by governors across the Empire. Midamerican, Pyrrhonist, and Lusitanian leaders reduced each of their provincial food allotments by two shipments in anticipation of a future shortage. There were grumblings among the populace, but Praetorian observers report no sign of any open revolt.

Ironically, the Vesuvius blast came only days after Severus himself opened the warehouses in Ravenna and Athenae, inviting his subjects to help themselves to the bounty of the harvest. The move was part of a concerted effort by Severus to establish his own preeminence as the Empire's peacemaker. As host to the coming Senate Session in Roma, he has spared no expense in making the visiting delegates as comfortable as possible. The dramatic entrance of the volcano may very well upstage these promotional efforts.

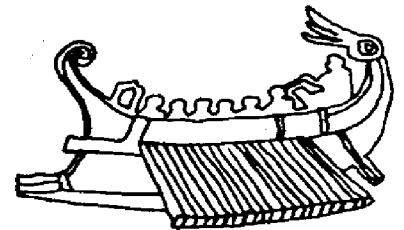
Also threatening to mar this "Unity" theme are the further intrigues of the newly-appointed Marcus Aurelius. After wooing the representatives of the City of Roma, he is now calling for a total of six Imperators to be summoned to Rome. These proposals promise to spark heated debate on the Senate floor. And like an awakening volcano, the once-dormant Allegantia Midamericus is re-emerging at the very heart of controversy.

TREATIES REGISTERED: Accords of the Northlands  
Farmers Fund Treaty

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The map above shows the approximate position of player's legions in BREAD & CIRCUSES. The number denotes the amount of LHQs in that province belonging to that player.



PL=Populares, Mike Mills: Aegyptus, Dalmatia, Sicilia, and Africa  
 PY=Phyronnists, Glenn Ledder: Cappadocia, Asia, Dacia  
 L=Lustianians, Jake Halverstadt: Hispania, Brittania, and Mauretania  
 M=Batavians, Tom Swider: Gallia, Brittania, Germania, and Noricum  
 S=Serverii, Ron Smay: Italia and Thracia.

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EXPENDITURES AND ADJUSTMENTS

MIDAMERICI OF MARCUS AURELIUS (Anderson). . . .treasury 1030\$:

|    |  |       |
|----|--|-------|
| 3  | Imperator salaries @ 100\$ each.   | 300\$ |
| 12 | Cohorts maintained @ 15\$ each   | 180\$ |
| 0  | Cohorts raised   | 0\$   |
| 1  | Fleet maintained @ 25\$  | 25\$  |
|    | SUBTOTAL   | 505\$ |
|    | BALANCE  | 525\$ |
| 3  | Barbarian Bands raised by LHQ(Nor) at Vindobona, paid 8sm gold and 6sm silver at Vindobona   |       |
| 3  | Barbarian Bands raised by LHQ(Ger) at Argentoratum, paid 2sm silver at Vindobona, 12sm silver at Argentoratum, 16sm silver at Massilia |       |
| 14 | sm food issued at Massilia (6sm stored)  |       |
| 10 | sm food issued at Argentoratum (0sm stored)  |       |
| 4  | sm food issued at Vindobona (2sm stored)   |       |
| 9  | cohorts + 24 cities + 3 governors + 7 Rome = 43 votes  |       |

LUSITANIANS OF JAKIUS MAXIMUS (Halverstadt). . treasury 810\$:

|    |  |       |
|----|--|-------|
| 4  | Imperator salaries @ 100\$ each.                 | 400\$ |
| 12 | Cohorts maintained @ 15\$ each                   | 180\$ |
| 0  | Cohorts raised                                   | 0\$   |
| 1  | Fleet maintained @ 25\$                          | 25\$  |
|    | SUBTOTAL   | 605\$ |
|    | BALANCE  | 205\$ |
| 0  | Barbarian Bands raised                           |       |
| 14 | sm food issued at Saguntum (4sm stored)          |       |
| 10 | sm food issued at Caesar Mauretania (4sm stored) |       |
| 10 | sm food issued at Londinium (2sm stored)         |       |
| 9  | cohorts + 29 cities + 3 governors = 41 votes     |       |

POPULARES OF M. CLAUDIUS MILES (Mills). . . .treasury 860\$:

|             |  |       |
|-------------|--|-------|
| 3           | Imperator salaries @ 100\$ each.   | 300\$ |
| 15          | Cohorts maintained @ 15\$ each   | 225\$ |
| 4           | cohorts raised @ 30\$ each   | 120\$ |
| 0           | Fleets   | 0\$   |
|             | SUBTOTAL   | 645\$ |
|             | BALANCE  | 215\$ |
| 4th and 5th | Cohorts(Dal) deployed at Salonae   |       |
| 4th         | Cohort(Sic) deployed at Lilibaeum  |       |
| 4th         | Cohort(Aeg) deployed at Memphis  |       |
| 5           | Barbarian Bands raised by LHQ(Aeg) at Memphis, paid 17sm silver and 11 sm gold at Singidunum |       |
| 16          | sm food issued at Alexandria (12 stored)   |       |
| 10          | sm food issued at Leptis Magna (0sm stored)  |       |
| 6           | sm food issued at Siracusae (4sm stored)   |       |
| 6           | sm food issued at Salonae (2sm stored)   |       |
| 16          | cohorts + 25 cities + 4 governors = 45 votes   |       |

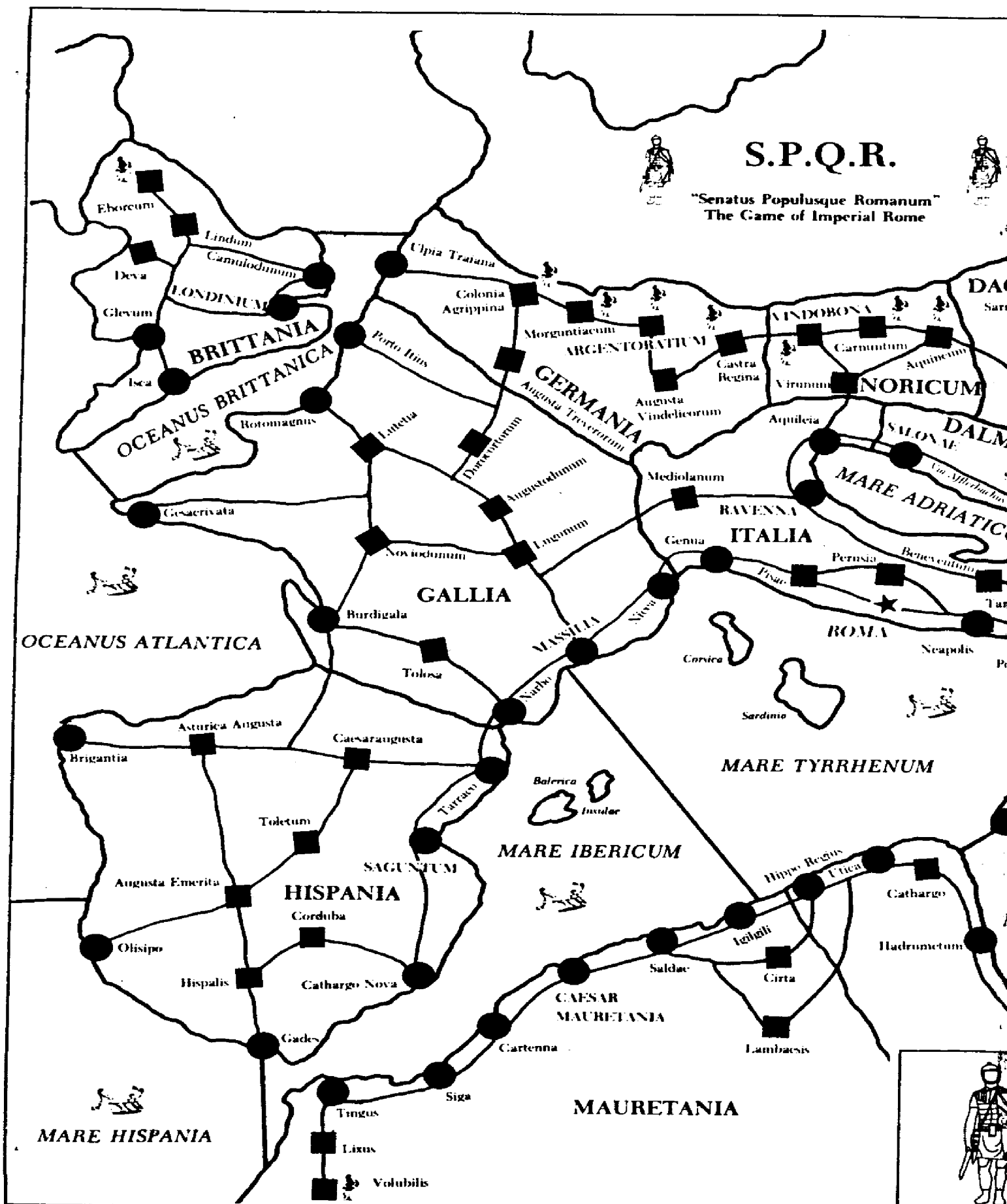
PYRRHONISTS OF LAEDAR & DIOGENES (Ledder) . . .treasury 940\$:

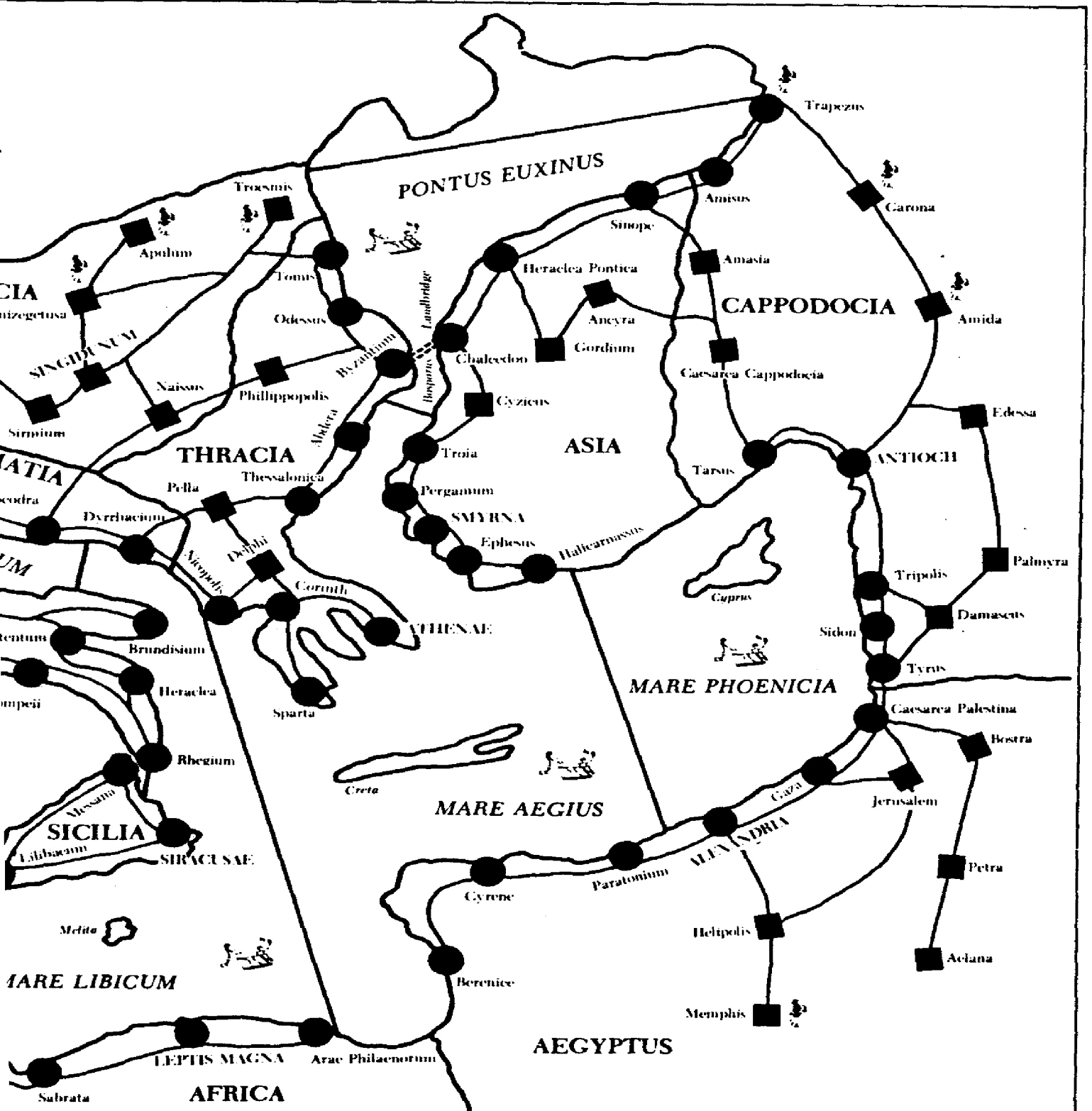
|             |  |       |
|-------------|--|-------|
| 3           | Imperator salaries @ 100\$ each              | 300\$ |
| 12          | Cohorts maintained @ 15\$ each.              | 180\$ |
| 6           | Cohorts raised @ 30\$ each                   | 180\$ |
| 0           | Fleets                                       | 0\$   |
|             | SUBTOTAL                                     | 660\$ |
|             | BALANCE                                      | 280\$ |
| 0           | Barbarian Bands raised                       |       |
| 4th and 5th | Cohorts(Cap) deployed at Tarsus              |       |
| 4th and 5th | Cohorts(Asia) deployed at Chalcedon          |       |
| 4th and 5th | Cohorts(Dac) deployed at Sirmium             |       |
| 14          | sm food issued at Antioch (6sm stored)       |       |
| 10          | sm food issued at Smyrna (4sm stored)        |       |
| 4           | sm food issued at Singidunum (2sm stored)    |       |
| 15          | cohorts + 30 cities + 3 governors = 48 votes |       |

SEVERI OF SEVERUS (Smay) . . . .treasury 970\$

|   |                                 |       |
|---|---------------------------------|-------|
| 4 | Imperator salaries @ 100\$ each | 400\$ |
| 9 | Cohorts maintained @ 15\$ each  | 135\$ |
| 6 | Cohorts raised @ 30\$ each      | 180\$ |
| 1 | Fleet maintained @ 25\$         | 25\$  |
|   | SUBTOTAL                        | 740\$ |
|   | BALANCE                         | 230\$ |

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| City   | Port City | Capital City | Road | Boundry | Barbarian |
|--------|-----------|--------------|------|---------|-----------|
|        |           |              |      |         |           |
| Tolosa | Narbo     | MASSILIA     |      |         |           |

Designed by Michael Mills

0 Barbarian Bands raised  
4th and 5th Cohorts(Thr) deployed at Athenae  
4th and 5th Cohorts(Ita), 4th and 5th Cohorts(Fac)  
deployed at Ravenna  
16sm food issued at Athenae (2sm stored)  
16sm food issued at Ravenna (4sm stored)  
10 cohorts + 25 cities + 2 governors = 37 votes

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SPRING 193 A.D.

**ANDERSONIUS DEPOSED IN COUP;  
MIDAMERICANS WELCOME NEW LEADER!**

In yet another political upheaval within the Allegantia Mid-  
americus, the current commander Marcus Aurelius Andersonius has  
been overthrown in Massilia by his own palace guard. Assuming con-  
trol of the troubled faction as well the governorships of Gallia,  
Germania, and Noricum, is the former Emperor TOM SWIDERICUS.  
(1183 Robinson Hill Road, Endwell NY 13760.)

In Massilia crowds greeted the news with a tumultuous welcome,  
emphasizing the popular support for the coup. In the Midamerican  
provinces, Legion headquarters anxiously awaited orders from their  
new leader, and Emperors accepted the latest development without  
comment.

Meanwhile in the Senate, the Midamerican representatives fell  
silent and the expected floor fight failed to materialize. Thus  
the controversial summonses of six Emperors proposed by Ander-  
sonius were rejected out of hand. And with the Midamericans  
abstaining, even their own troop increases failed by a narrow mar-  
gin. The only votes the Senators ventured to cast were for those  
authorizations previously negotiated by Michaelius. It is expected  
that the new Patrician Swidericus will continue to recognize all  
such treaties already approved by his faction.

All other proposals before the Senate met with unanimous  
approval. Jakius Maximus was on hand to sign for the 800 sesterce  
loan to his Lusitanian faction. And after adjournment, the Senate  
dispatched Praetorian fleets to insure neutrality in the Adriatic,  
Iberian, and Aegean seas.

**BULLETIN (POMPEII):** According to the environmental impact study  
just released by the Imperial agronomists, the recent eruption of  
Mount Vesuvius has destroyed one half of the Italian food and tim-  
ber production for fiscal 193 A.D.

**NEW TREATY:** The Treaty of Argentum has been duly registered  
with the Imperial Archives in Roma.

# Bread & Circuses

VOL. X

SUPPLEMENT

OFFICIAL RESULTS  
OF THE  
SENATE SESSION OF SPRING 193 A.D.

Complete Voting Tabulations as Confirmed by  
The Honorable Afflerbacchus





I'm Inge, your EUROPA SEXPRESS  
KITTEN OF THE MONTH. I'm a waitress  
in Munich, but someday hope to  
be an international commodities  
broker so I could meet all you  
fine, young Americans.

The following Proposals shall pass if YES votes exceed NO votes:

193A--We the Severi propose for all our Legions, a) to raise the Cohorts to their maximum strength, b) to raise the Barbarians to their maximum strength, and c) to allow the Severi to build ten fleets.

PASS, 214-0

193B--The Pyrrhonist faction respectfully requests that the Senate grant to the Provinces of Cappodocia, Asia, and Dacia, a) to permit each Legion its 6th through 10th Cohort, and b) to permit each Legion to employ its 6th through 10th Barbarian Band.

PASS, 171-0 (Midamerici abstain)

193C--The Pyrrhonist faction respectfully requests that the Senate grant permission for the construction of ten fleets.

PASS, 171-0 (Midamerici abstain)

193D--The Lusitanians humbly request Senate approval to hire, a) a total of ten Barbarian Bands for each of its existing Legion Headquarters, b) a total of ten Cohorts for each of its existing LEQs, and c) a total of ten fleets.

PASS, 171-0 (Midamerici abstain)

193E--The Lusitanians, in the interest of stimulating the economy of the entire Empire, request a loan in the amount of 800 sesterces, said loan to be repaid with ten percent interest, at the second Senate Session following passage.

PASS, 171-0 (Midamerici abstain)

193F--The Populare hereby seek the power, a) to raise and maintain the Legion of Aegyptus at a strength of 10 Cohorts, and b) to allow Legion Aegyptus to hire and maintain 10 Barbarian Bands.

PASS, 214-0

193G--The Populare hereby seek Senate approval, a) to raise and maintain 10 Cohorts for Legion Sicillia, and b) to hire and maintain 10 Barbarian Bands for Legion Sicillia.

PASS, 214-0

193H--The Populare hereby seek Senate approval, a) to raise and maintain 10 Cohorts for Legion Africa, and b) to hire and maintain 10 Barbarian Bands for Legion Africa.

PASS, 214-0

193I--The Populare hereby seek Senate approval, a) to raise and maintain 10 Cohorts for Legion Dalmatia, and b) to hire and maintain 10 Barbarian Bands for Legion Dalmatia.

PASS, 214-0

193J--The Populare hereby seek Senate approval, a) to raise and maintain 10 Cohorts for the Populare Legion, "The Iron Legion", and b) to hire and maintain 10 Barbarian Bands for the Iron Legion.

PASS, 214-0

193K--The Populare hereby seek Senate approval to raise and maintain a total of 10 Fleets.

PASS, 214-0

193L--It is proposed that all Midamerici Legions be allowed to raise their 6th through 10th Cohort.

FAIL, 82-89 (Pop-45Y, Sev-37Y, Pyr-48N, Lus-41N, Mid-43A)

193M--It is proposed that all Midamerici Legions be allowed to raise their 6th through 10th Barbarian Band.

FAIL, 82-89 (Pop-45Y, Sev-37Y, Pyr-48N, Lus-41N, Mid-43A)

193N--It is proposed that the Midamerici be allowed to raise their second through 10th Fleet.

FAIL, 82-89 (Pop-45Y, Sev-37Y, Pyr-48N, Lus-41N, Mid-43A)

193O--The Midamerici propose that the Pyrrhonist Emperor for Cappodocia be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici abstain)

193P--The Midamerici propose that the Pyrrhonist Emperor for Asia be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici Abstain)

193Q--The Midamerici propose that the Pyrrhonist Emperor for Dacia be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici abstain)

193R--The Midamerici propose that the Lusitanian Emperor Branta be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici abstain)

193S--The Midamerici propose that the Lusitanian Emperor Grahamicus be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici abstain)

193T--The Midamerici propose that the Lusitanian Emperor Bencurion be ordered to Rome.

FAIL, 0-171 (Midamerici abstain)

The following Proposal shall pass if YES votes equal or exceed twice the number of NO votes:

193U--The Populare, in the interest of free trade and prosperity, hereby ask the Senate to declare the following sea spaces to be neutral sea spaces: a) Mare Adriaticum, b) Mare Ibericum, and c) Mare Aegean.

PASS, 171-0 (Midamerici abstain)

SECRET

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"Two things only the people anxiously desire . . ."

# BREAD and CIRCUSES

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SUMMER 193 A.D.

## PATRICIANS FAIL TO COME TO TERMS ON THE OPEN MARKET

Those who came to trade went away empty-handed, and valuable cargoes have remained untouched at the docks and warehouses across the Empire. Financial analysts are calling the very first Open Market a big disappointment, but it may prove useful yet in setting price ranges for the next trading session.

FOOD. Perhaps the biggest surprise was the failure of the Claudian Export Office to offer a single food shipment for sale. Their large surplus and massive advertising campaign brought in bids of up to 25\$ for a shipment, but the CEO appeared uninterested:

|      |                  |       |      |
|------|------------------|-------|------|
| BUY: | 1 @ 25\$ (Lus)   | SELL: | none |
|      | 1 @ 20\$ (Lus)   |       |      |
|      | any @ 11\$ (Lus) |       |      |
|      | 5 @ 2\$ (Pyr)    |       |      |

GOLD. Buyers and sellers were not seeing eye-to-eye:

|      |                |       |                            |
|------|----------------|-------|----------------------------|
| BUY: | 1 @ 10\$ (Lus) | SELL: | 2 in Cyzicus @ 20\$ (Pyr)  |
|      | 1 @ 8\$ (Lus)  |       | 3 in Saloniae @ 30\$ (Pop) |
|      | 1 @ 6\$ (Lus)  |       |                            |
|      | 3 @ 5\$ (Lus)  |       |                            |
|      | 3 @ 4\$ (Lus)  |       |                            |

SILVER. It would seem that silver, too, is being hoarded:

|      |                |       |      |
|------|----------------|-------|------|
| BUY: | 5 @ 20\$ (Lus) | SELL: | none |
|      | 5 @ 12\$ (Pyr) |       |      |

TIMBER. And timber went begging:

|      |      |       |                                |
|------|------|-------|--------------------------------|
| BUY: | none | SELL: | 6 in Byzantium @ 2\$ (Pyr)     |
|      |      |       | 6 in Londinium @ 14\$ (Lus)    |
|      |      |       | 4 in Saguntum @ 19\$ (Lus)     |
|      |      |       | 2 in C.Mauretania @ 24\$ (Lus) |

Missing from the bidding was the new Midamerici Governor Swidericus, adding further to the cloud of uncertainty surrounding this troubled faction. Severus too declined to bid, but he was busy behind the scenes in private trading. After the Market closed, he announced the acquisition of the 3 food shipments stored by the Pyrrhonists in the city of Troia. The food was donated as relief for the drought-stricken province of Italia.

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VOL. XII

FALL 193 A.D.

## NEW FACTION RISES IN MIDAMERICA; LUSITANIANS GO ON A SHOPPING SPREE

After a season of silence, Swidericus has made it official: henceforth, his followers are to be known as the Batavians. This new faction means a consolidation of his power, but all formal treaties signed by his Midamerican predecessors still remain valid.

And with those borrowed sesterces burning a hole in his toga, Jakius Maximus took the Open Market by storm this fall. He even managed to find a bargain or two as he outspent his only competition by a two to one margin. After last summer's slump in trading, this market appeared an unqualified success.

Ominously absent from all the activity was the noble Severus. Of the greatest impact is his failure to submit a vote on the Quorum Call. Considering the austentatious showing he put on as the host of the last Senate, his senators will be sorely missed in the coming session.

Savonlinna

OPEN MARKET:

Food: buy: sell:  
1 @ 25\$ (Lus) 2 in Alexandria @ 20\$ (Pop)  
1 @ 12\$ (Bat)  
3 @ 11\$ (Lus) result:  
1 @ 10\$ (Bat) Lus buy 1 in Alexandria @ 20\$  
5 @ 8\$ (Bat)

Timber: no bids entered

Silver: buy: sell:  
5 @ 20\$ (Lus) 5 in Smyrna @ 20\$ (Pyr)  
2 @ 15\$ (Lus)  
1 @ 14\$ (Lus) result:  
1 @ 13\$ (Lus) Lus buy 5 in Smyrna @ 20\$  
1 @ 12\$ (Lus)  
1 @ 11\$ (Lus)  
3 @ 10\$ (Bat)  
3 @ 5\$ (Bat)

Gold: buy: sell:  
1 @ 35\$ (Lus) 2 in Cyzicus @ 20\$ (Pyr)  
1 @ 20\$ (Lus) 2 in Cyzicus @ 15\$ (Pyr)  
2 @ 20\$ (Bat) 3 in Salonae @ 15\$ (Pop)  
2 @ 15\$ (Bat) result:  
2 @ 13\$ (Bat) Bat buy 3 in Salonae @ 15\$  
2 @ 12\$ (Bat) 1 in Cyzicus @ 15\$  
2 @ 11\$ (Bat) Lus buy 1 in Cyzicus @ 15\$  
2 @ 10\$ (Bat) 1 in Cyzicus @ 20\$  
2 @ 9\$ (Bat)  
2 @ 8\$ (Bat)  
3 @ 9\$ (Lus)

(Note that the new gold and silver prices are computed at the end of the winter season.)

CITY OF ROME VOTES: no bids entered

QUORUM CALL:

Populares: Aye Pyrrhonists: Aye  
Batavians: Aye Severi: no vote entered  
Lusitanians: The Lusitanian delegation has its icechests packed,  
and is on the road to Rome.

UNITS AND LOCATIONS:

POPULARES (Mills): 215\$ treasury + 65\$ market + 600\$ salary = 880\$  
Leptis Magna: LHQ/1-3C/Africa, 10 food, 4 timber, 16 silver, 12 gold  
Alexandria: LHQ/1-4C/1-5B/Aegyptus, Imp "Agrippa", 39 food, 4 timber,  
24 silver, 12 gold  
Lilibaenum: LHQ/1-4C/Sicilia, Imp "Atticus"  
Siracusae: 14 food, 4 timber, 8 silver  
Scodra: LHQ/1-3C/Iron Legion, Imp "Germanicus"  
Salonae: LHQ/1-5C/Dalmatia, 10 food, 8 timber, 13 silver, 8 gold  
PYRRHONISTS (Ledder): 280\$ + 150\$ market + 680\$ salary = 1110\$  
Singidunum: LHQ/1-3C/Faction, 1-5C/Dacia, 1-5C/Asia, 1C/Cappodocia,  
Imp (Dac)\*, Imp (Asia), Imp (Cap), 6 food, 6 timber,  
18 silver, 14 gold  
Sarmizegetusa: LHQ/Dacia  
Phillipopolis: LHQ/Asia, LHQ/2-3C/Cappodocia  
Byzantium: 4-5C/Cappodocia, 2 food, 6 timber  
Smyrna: 17 food, 8 timber, 27 silver, 4 gold  
Pergamum: 4 food  
Cyzicus: 1 gold  
Ancyra: 4 gold  
Antioch: 20 food, 8 timber, 12 silver, 4 gold

(\*Imp Dac's move to Singidunum was accidentally omitted from the spring 193 report.)

SEVERI (Smay): 230\$ treasury + 600\$ salary = 830\$  
Ravenna: LHQ/1-5C/Italia, LHQ/1-5C/Faction, Imp "Caracalla",  
Imp "Vespasian", 14 food, 8 timber, 20 silver,  
12 gold, first fleet  
Athenae: LHQ/1-5C/Thracia, Imp "Geta", Imp "Papinian", 20 food,  
4 timber, 20 silver, 8 gold  
Troia: 3 food

BATAVIANS (Swider): 525\$ treasury - 60\$ market + 500\$ salary = 965\$  
Massilia: LHQ/1-3C/Gallia, LHQ/1-3C/Faction, Imp (Gal), 26 food,  
12 timber, 16 silver, 12 gold, first fleet  
Augusta Treverorum: 6 timber, 6 gold  
Argentoratum: 12 food, 10 timber, 12 silver, 6 gold  
Castra Regina: LHQ/1-3B/Germania, Imp (Ger)  
Vindobona: LHQ/1-3B/Noricum, 8 food, 8 timber, 8 silver, 8 gold  
Virunum: 1-3C/Germania, Imp (Nor)  
Aquincum: 1-3C/Noricum  
Salonae: 3 gold  
Cyzicus: 1 gold

LUSITANIANS (Halverstadt): 1005\$ - 155\$ market + 660\$ salary = 1510\$  
Eborcum: LHQ/1-3C/Britannia, Imp "Grahamicus"  
Londinium: 14 food, 12 timber, 16 silver, 8 gold  
Caesar Augusta: LHQ/1-3C/Faction, Imp "Sirkot"  
Tarraco: LHQ/1-3C/Hispania, Imp "Branta"  
Saguntum: 22 food, 8 timber, 56 silver, 40 gold  
Gades: first fleet  
Volubilis: LHQ/1-3C/Mauretania, Imp "Bencurion"  
Casear Nauretania: 18 food, 4 timber, 16 silver, 8 gold  
Alexandria: 1 food  
Smyrna: 5 silver  
Cyzicus: 2 gold

Time now for the winter of 193, where we hire, fire, and maintain units. Keep in mind that gold and silver are still valued at 3\$ and 1\$, respectively. New prices, in effect in 194 A.D., will be computed as the total \$ spent divided by the number of shipments sold plus one, with the plus one being the zero averaged in due to the lack of sales at the summer market. Any questions?

Also, don't forget those Senate proposals!

Because of the intervening holidays, the deadline shall be a week longer. Orders for Winter 193A.D. Turn #5 are due at noon PDT on Saturday, January 26th, 1985.

Until then, here's wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year, in both 1985 and 194!



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Savonlinna

Preliminary Report from the ex-Grand Kommissar of P.D.C. on P.D.C.R.A. 1984.



P.D.C.R.A. 1984 was run by R.E.T.S. Chairman of the Bureau of the Treasury Tom Swider of Zone One. As Tom was extremely over-worked with his college studies, part-time job and other commitments, the disbursement of P.D.C.R.A. funds has been late. However, Tom has notified me by letter and phone that the monies should be received by the appropriate Bureau Chairmen (sometimes referred to as 'custodians') by mid-January 1985.

The following then is a report by the ex-Grand Kommissar of the disbursement of these funds from information supplied by Tom.

1.) Total monies collected to be distributed, \$280.00.

2.) Proportions: USOS to receive \$25.00 off the top from \$280.

3.) The following Bureaus to receive the percentages listed of \$255.00.

|             |     |          |
|-------------|-----|----------|
| BNC         | 42% | \$107.10 |
| MNC         | 15% | 38.25    |
| Pontevedria | 10% | 25.50    |
| (total)     | 67% | \$170.85 |

4.) From the remaining 33%, \$84.15, the following Bureaus will receive the following listing below.

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| D.I.P.        | \$30 |
| Census        | \$15 |
| Novice Packet | \$15 |

(D.I.P. is John Caruso's project, and the Novice Packet is Bruce Linsey's "Supernova.")

5.) After immediate disbursements there is \$24.15 left in the Bureau of the Treasury. Presently there are two plans under consideration.

I. The \$24.15 will be combined with the total of the next P.D.C.R.A. and distributed.

II. The \$24.15 will be combined with monies from the next P.D.C.R.A. and applied toward the fees and expenses of the "P.D.C. Gunboat Tournament" to be run by Tom Swider, et al., at the 1985 CRIGINS Convention to be held in July 1985 in Towson, MD, outside Baltimore. In this plan P.D.C.R.A. monies would be used solely for the purchase of 'Zine Registers, to be given to the top "X" seeded boards in the second round, winner's plaques and tournament entrance fees, etc.

*Mike Miller*



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IN AIRPLANE DISASTER  
MOVIES DO YOU IDENTIFY  
WITH THE GUY WHO  
PANICS AND SCREAMS  
"WE'RE GONNA DIE!"  
"WE'RE ALL GONNA DIE!"  
UNTIL A NUN SLAPS  
HIM SENSELESS?



## WORLD WAR I CHRONOLOGY

This issue we will get only March 1915. Snow in Memphis has twice during January prevented me from spending an entire day at the library. So, in order to make the chronology as complete as possible, I'm doing a month or so at a time. Remember that these events happened exactly 70 years ago this year and month.

The following code is used: W: the Western Front (Belgium and France); S: the Southern Front (Serbia and the Balkans); E: the Eastern Front (Russia); T: the Turkish front (which ranged from Egypt to Iraq to Armenia); C: the German colonies in Africa, Asia and the Pacific; and N: Naval actions. Anything else is miscellaneous. Sundays are put into parentheses so you can find the day of the week easily, to make this seem more alive to you.

### MARCH 1915

- 1- As of this date, England and France tell neutral countries that they will not allow any neutral vessel to freely proceed to Germany nor return from Germany. This was the beginning of the blockade (see 3-8, 3-11, 3-17); Germany complains of any country manufacturing munitions to sell to warring countries; Belgium calls all men aged 18-25 to the army
- 2- Allied naval bombardment since 2-25 destroys outer defenses of Dardenelles forts (T) (see 3-18)
- 3- Austria agrees to cede Trentino to Italy after the war as a price of Italy's neutrality; Italy informs England on what conditions Italy will join the Allies
- 5- Allied ships bombard Smyrna; escaped German POW Lauterbach in Padang, Sumatra, Dutch East Indies (see 2-27, 4-16)
- 6- Kaiser agrees with Feb 27 agreement for Germany to compensate Austrian concessions of land (see 3-3) to Italy with Polish land belonging to Germany.
- 8- Russian advances cause Germans to retreat to their own frontiers (E); US protests to England and France about 3-1 (see 3-17); Joint Council of Austro-Hungarian ministers agrees to 3-3 in ceding Trentino to Italy but only after war is over.
- 9- Germans forced to abandon Taveta in German East Africa (C) (now Tanzania)
- 10-11 Chicago conference of 563 Slav delegates wanting freedom from Austria-Hungary
- 10- English launch attack at Neuve-Chapelle (W) (see 3-14); Zapata followers capture Mexico City during Civil War (see 1-28); German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich enters Newport News, Virginia, USA where US interns it for damages caused by its sinking the Frye (see March, April) (see 3-31)
- 11- England implements Orders In Council which is the beginning of the blockade against Germany. The English justify this by 1-26 German act of nationalization of foodstuffs (see 3-1, 3-13, 3-17)
- 13- Russians breach defenses of Przemysl (E) (see 3-22); English take Moshi, German East Africa (C); France formally agrees with English action of 3-11; England rejects US protest note of 2-20 (see 2-28, 3-11)
- (14)- End of indecisive Neuve-Chapelle battle (W), English suffer 13,000 casualties. (see 3-10)
- 15- English sink German Dresden (N), the last of Van Spee's force, in Chilean waters-- --England explains and apologizes to Chile.
- 17- Russians occupy Memel (E) (see 3-21); Norway, Sweden and Denmark issue identical notes of protest to France and England over 3-1.
- 18- English resume attack on Dardenelles forts (T, N). It fails and 3 ships Ocean, Irresistible and Bouvet are sunk; German Zeppelin raid on Calais, France (W)
- 20- German Zeppelin raid on Paris (W); Germany informs Italy that Germany would guarantee any arrangement worked out between Italy and Austria-Hungary
- (21)- Germans recapture Memel (E) (see 3-17)
- 22- Russians take Przemysl (E) (see 3-13, 6-3)
- 24- Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister Burian agrees to cede to Italy the southern Tyrol including Trent, a city (see 4-8)
- 25- Russians cross the Pruth River (E)
- 26- William C. Westmoreland (US General in Vietnam) born in Saxon, South Carolina
- (28)- Russian ships bombard Bosphorus forts (T), northern shore of Constantinople on Dip map; U-Boat sinks English Falaba in St. George Channel, 111 die incl. 1 American.
- 29- Benito Mussolini has saber duel with Socialist Claudio Treves. Doctors present order them to stop (see 2-25)
- 30- US protests English actions which attempt to regulate neutral commerce (i.e. limiting (31))  
(continued on page 43 )

ONLY YESTERDAY...

(Buffalo Commercial Advertiser  
August 1, 1860  
selected by Nelson Heintzman)

A CHILD CHARMED BY A SNAKE - The Rochester Union, of last evening, gives the particulars of an extraordinary case of "snake charming," which recently came to light in that city. The Union says its informants are men who are reliable and who have conversed with the family and have seen the child referred to. They represent the parents to be worthy people and the child to be a pretty one, bright and intelligent, but evidently in declining health. The story is as follows:

There is residing on Monroe street, near the eastern line of the city, a worthy family by the name of Davis, the head of the family being employed in a nursery. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have a daughter two years of age, who has become attached to a snake, which came into the yard from an adjoining field a few days since, and has become so much under the influence of the reptile that it appears to think of but little else. The snake and the child first met, no doubt, while the latter was at play in the yard near the house, but just how long since, the parents do not know. One day Mrs. Davis found the snake in the arms of the child, and the little girl was fondling it as she would a kitten. The mother was naturally much alarmed by the apparent peril in which she saw her child and seized a stick to destroy the reptile. The snake slowly retreated, showed its tongue, and hissed at the mother. The child cried, and begged so hard of its parent to desist, that she allowed the snake to retreat to its hiding place.

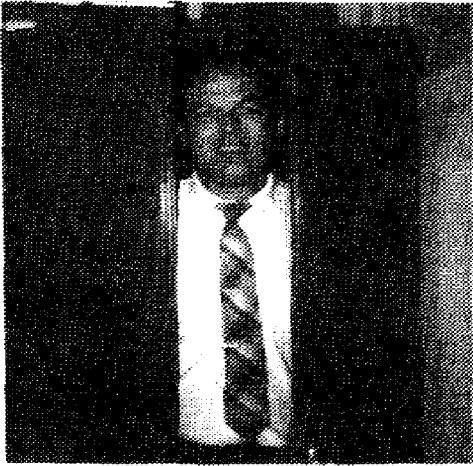
It soon became apparent that the little girl thought of but little else but her companion, the snake, and would return to the yard in search of it; ((sic)) as often as she was allowed to do so. Under the fascination of this reptile, the child - a very pretty little girl - has begun to decline, and now weighs but 18 pounds. Respectable physicians were consulted, it is said, and advised that no violence be used toward the snake, as it might prove fatal to the child. How many meetings the snake and the child have had, we are not positively informed, but we infer that they have been frequent. When they meet they rush to each other with all the apparent emotions of friendship and attachment that can exist between two living beings. Only yesterday Mrs. Davis came to the city with the little girl, and when she returned the party left in charge of the house informed her that the snake had been more bold than usual, and had actually been upon the steps leading to the door, awaiting the appearance of the child.

As to the size and variety of this reptile we are not advised. We suppose, however, it is one of the common brown wood snakes which are regarded as harmless and which seldom attain a length of more than three feet.

((Thank you Nelson! This will be a continuing column in EE done by Nelson Heintzman of Buffalo, New York. He was doing research in some old newspapers when he found some rather amusing episodes. The little girl with the snake is certainly not your run-of-the-mill story but it may explain the fatal attraction that Eve had for the serpent in the Garden of Eden!))







### THE LETTER COLUMN

Well this isn't really a letter column issue since this issue was for articles so we mainly have the picture guesses. EE #42 should have a large letter column. The guesses below are for the man's picture which appears on this page and which first appeared in EE #40. The latest picture contest has its picture and all the details on page 22. Und now...

obvious comment about coming out of the closet. I'll also pass on the second point everyone will pick on--his tie. I'll only mention that it's three times too wide to be fashionable. And finally I won't mention the receding hairline that other picture guessers will mention. The guy is one of the faceless millions of Europeans who will be vaporized in the first 30 minutes of the next war, so who really cares? Certainly not this bozo.

Screw that picture contest, let's talk about Mills' [of Savonlinna, see page 33] pic contest. On second thought, that's the one to screw...."

Judy Winsome (California, USA): "Here's my attempt to guess that creature in your new photo contest. Look at that dome! This guy can't be a Diplomacy player, he wears a tie, has no hair, and doesn't even wear glasses. Where's his funny hat? He either must be very tall or that's a very short door he's coming through. He looks like the kind of guy that for Christmas would ask for "Peace on the planet Earth." I wonder what it was like on the planet he came from?

I think this guy sells shoes in the Midwest somewhere. No, I've got it, he works for the Department of Motor Vehicles administering driving tests. Note the worried look on his brow. As a Diplomacy player he's the pits, allies with whoever looks kindly at him, and is willing to give you his supply centers if you only will ask. He loves to play Italy because of all the attention that gives him. He must be American, no one else would wear a tie like that. That must be a white shirt. No one wears a white shirt anymore.

He is one of the few guys I feel no empathy for whatsoever. I'd never want to sleep with him. By his age I figure he must be one of the old-timers of the hobby. David Crockett? Ben Franklin? Rafael Sabatini?"

Wallace Nicoll (United Kingdom): "Is this man hiding in a wardrobe/closet? He's not a bank manager is he, since I don't think he looks like a skeleton, and that's the other normal alternative! Obviously American--it's quite easy to spot the Americans who come over to University this side of "The Big Pond." It's difficult to pin down what features point the finger that says "American", but it's usually jolly obvious. My mobile random number generators (dice) and your subbers/trades list in EE #40 indicate it's James Woodson. Do you believe in divination by dice?"

Joan Extrom (Oregon, USA): "This man is a pussycat. It looks like he's coming out of a stall in the men's restroom. He loves Diplomacy, especially coming into a losing position as a standby. He may never win, but he writes great press. His claim to fame is having been stabbed more times than anyone else in the hobby. I'd love to be stuck in a Kansas wheatfield with him. It has to be Fudge Olsen!"

Ben Schilling (Michigan, USA): "A Dip player coming out of the closet, wearing a tie no less. Either that or he just lost badly to one of our more violent players, and has been put into the closet. It's kind of hard to tell. Let me make a wild guess and say John Pack."

John Pack (Utah, USA): "The man in the picture in EE #40 is most likely a European if this is a typical picture of him. He probably thinks his allies will be impressed with the white shirt and tie. HMMMMM, come to think of it, I'm wearing a white shirt and tie right now too, so maybe it's not identifying. It couldn't be me unless you had a photo touched up, so that rules that out...so that only leaves 157 possibilities (assuming he's on the latest sub list). Of course, I've seen about 10 or 15 others, so only 142 real choices. My calculator has generated a 143, so Lynn Torkelson looks like a likely possibility, but then, what do these gadgets know anyway? This guy is definitely better at playing Turkey, since he likes to have his back covered. He's the type who carries the game into real life, and that's why he's got his back hidden so well and his sides covered. Of course,

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Since the number of orthographic and syntactic mistakes is limited in these pages, what follows is probably not EXPLETIVE DELETED. More likely, it could well be

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Good food, gourmet eating and dainty delicacies, even if you don't know it, have always played a major role in the History of mankind. For instance, if the Brusselers were defeated by the armies of the Count of Flanders, at Scheut, on August 17, 1356, it is mainly because said Brusselers had considered that roasting (and eating) the great quantities of chickens they had brought with them was more important than lining their troops in good and efficient order. Since that day, we are nicknamed "kiekefretters" (chicken eaters) and, don't get anxious, we finally got rid of the Fleming occupying troops at the battle of Assault Street, two months later. Today, Assault Street is the place where to buy a second hand typewriter, but like KIPLING used to say...

A funnier episode of the great Belgian military history (and of the History of the Chester cheese) took place in 1905, in the Bahr-el-Ghazal. Remember, KITCHENER had defeated the Mahdists at Omdurman, in 1898. And forced MARCHAND to evacuate Fachoda a little later. But, at the same time, the Belgians, coming from what was then the "Independent State of the Congo", had expelled the Mahdists from southern Sudan and signed a treaty of alliance with the terrible M'BIO, who ruled the country (taking the opportunity of a solar eclipse to persuade him that they commanded to the Sun!).

In 1905, the British and Egyptian troops, commanded by the "Kaimakham" SUTHERLAND Bey, bagpipes leading the way, finally reached the Belgian fort of Lado, on the upper Nile.

"Well done! said SUTHERLAND to PAULIS (the Belgian commander). You've won the first rubber, but this is not the end of the game. Will you please return to where you're coming from and let us occupy the country in the name of His Majesty?"

"In the absence of any further order from my government, answered PAULIS, I consider it my duty to remain here. But we have no real reason to fight, so let's both send a message to Europe, and wait and see..."

The Belgians, their Congolese soldiers and their Azande allies, thus entrenched themselves around Lado while the British started to besiege them. Of course, since that was a time when "gentleman" still meant something, both Belgians and British used to organize parties where the officers from both camps could meet and discuss.

But soon, the situation became dramatic for the English. Their food supplies were low, and the region was poor in game. On an evening, SUTHERLAND saw PAULIS opening a can of Chester cheese, and he immediately proposed to exchange it for fresh poultry. PAULIS agreed, and added "If you're lacking of food for your troops, we'll be glad to supply them. One more glass of porto vintage?"

And for six more months, till Brussels ordered PAULIS to evacuate the Bahr-el-Ghazal, one saw the besieged supplying the besieging. Lado remained a Belgian enclave for 25 years but, more important, we remained the moral winners.

I recently got a letter from Kathy BYRNE. What Kathy tells me in her letters is obviously none of your business, fiends, but when she allows "somebody" (let's call him "somebody" lest he could be Tom SWIDER) to scribble "Viva REGAN!" on the envelope, I feel scared. Kathy, you'll have to mail me one more of your "I'm sexy" decals to be forgiven.

When one wants to express his admiration for somebody through a Spanish "Viva", like ! Viva Castro!, ! Viva Allende! or ! Viva los Sandinistas!, he might perhaps remember that an inverted exclamation mark is needed. Knowing this makes the difference between the VILLAGE VOICE freak and the Republican hayseed.

Even more, I'm not sure that "somebody" knows whom Donald REGAN is, so let's just unite to tell him that there must be an "A" between the "E" and the "G".

Do you remember how Ronald REAGAN beat poor Fritz? Well, for the best of you (I like you, Fred DAVIS), here is the recipe for

#### GRILLED TROUTS A LA WALTER MONDALE

You'll need: 4 trouts, 2 celeries, 1 middle-sized onion, 1 tomato (not peeled), 2 bacon slices, 250 g melted butter, the juice of one lemon, salt and pepper.

Clean the trouts. Hack the celeries, the onion and the tomato. Salt and pepper the trouts inside and outside. Fill them with the vegetable mixture. Fowl them with the bacon. Put them on the grill, basting them from time to time with melted butter and lemon juice. Cooking time takes about half an hour. Tastes better than grits and Fritz, doesn't it?

And here's my own genuine recipe for what we call "American fillet"... beef raw meat, miam:

1 pd beef ground meat; 3 egg yolks; 3 tbsp oil; 2 tbsp Dijon mustard; 2 tbsp capers; salt and pepper to taste.

Mix all the ingredients together with a fork. Serve with ~~French~~ Belgian fries and a salad. No, raw meat isn't more disgusting than snails, frog legs, eels or the like. It's just a matter of culture and civilisation.

And to allow you to make your little grey cells function again (remember, POIROT was a Belgian), here comes a quiz. It deals with another of my hobbies, geography. The winner will get an SF comic strip book from my cellar.

- 1) Which French city is both called "Brothels" and "Portugal"?
- 2) Which African country is known (?) as "the country of shrimps"?
- 3) Which French city of the "Côte d'Azur" bears the name of Athena Niké, the Greek goddess?
- 4) Everybody believes that the Vatican is the smallest State, but this is not true. The smallest State's address is Via Condotti, 61, in Rome. Name this small but proud State.
- 5) Which Latin American country is known as "little Venice"? (easy, this one).

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THE BABBLING CONGRESS..... A subzine by who else than Michel LIESNARD of Belgium, with 1 tbsp vinegar and many glasses of red wine...

Since the day when I realised that "Michel-Richard LIFSARD" meant "God's favourite, with the heart of a rich man and a lion heart", I've found that the etymology of family names was rather interesting. After all, even if God doesn't matter much about my little person and my fortune, I still remain a Ram, Lion ascending, and that's the aspect of my personality that I prefer. BISMARCK, LENIN, Marlon BRANDO, the French poet Stéphane MALLARME, and even a certain Adolf HITLER, share these peculiarities with me (though I think we'll expel Adolf from the club).

But let's turn to you, my beautiful fellows. How many among you know that Kevin (like STONE) is derived from "Caoimhin", a Celtic word that means "sweet"? That "SHAW" (like Ian) is "Scaga", another Celtic term for "little wood"? That "CALHAMER" is "The battling Fighter" ("Cadhla" = fighter in Celtic, once again). As to Kathy BYRNE, whom I kiss here, she's either a "bear" or a "peer". Bombs should be delivered before 8 am or after 6 pm, thanks!

Like I wrote it to Ty HARE, we laugh at names like "Sitting Bull" or "Mohamed ben Ali", but we proudly call ourselves "Coinneach" (moss, or Kenneth), "Donnchadh" (brown tartan, or Duncan), "Conmhaighe" (hunting dog, or Conway)... Not to mention Scott ben John and Frauke ibn Peter from Minnesota.

Take the names of our respective continents. "Europe", that's "Ereb", in Phoenician, or "the Country of Darkness". "America", derived from the name of the Italian explorer Amerigo VESPUCCI, that's "The Queen of the Alamans" (the Alamans were a Germanic tribe that invaded the Roman Empire. They got defeated by the Franks at Tolbiac in 495, but their name has survived in the French language, where the Germans are called "Allemands"). And even "Alaman" means something: the "Tall Men". The Goths, they simply preferred to call themselves "Gods"... Ah là là, that German overpride!

Want more? Let's turn to the Belgians. You can observe them eating & drinking in Belgium, quite obviously, but also in Wales (where they're called "Welsh"). And even in Ireland, where the "Fir Bolg" (the "Belgian Men") defeated the Tuathà Dé Danaàn and chased them out of Green Erin.

The largest wargames company, AVALON HILL, bears the name of the Paradise Islands of the "Welches", Avalon. A-Walloon?

But we're not only mystics. Follow me. "Brothel" is the English version of the French word "bordel" (bords de l'eau - near the water). And it's clear that in the Ancient Times, whores used to stand near the fountains or the pits. Hence, in the Latin languages, they're still named "pute", "puta", "putana"... The women near the pits... It must be harsh to be a Puritan born in Bordeaux and to be called a "Bordelais"...

Though, after all, a tenderloin "à la bordelaise", with shallots, red wine and marrow, it's not that bad. I could even share it with Vanessa WILLIAMS in my penthouse.

Pléeez, forgive me if this is MLPubl 270: I shall never never do it again till next time!

P.S. Don't believe all what I tell you: "Richard", that's "King's Heart", not "Rich Man's heart". If one of you, Ladies, wants to become my Queen of Spades...

Ephemeral it was...

# THE ECHO OF DOOM

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January 29, 1985

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by BRUX

As I announced last issue, this is the final installment of ED. With this issue I am printing the last of the RIGEL end-game statements (heck, the game ended last September!) and my decisions, based on input received, regarding the manner in which the Runestone Poll is to be run this year. Since this marks the end of my brief but pleasant stay in the pages of EE, I wish to remark on the current state of the hobby, from my perspective. You'll hear a lot of grumbling in some quarters; not here. We all have plenty to be thankful for.

Diplomacy World has a new co-editor, Kathy Byrne, who certainly has enough hobby influence and experience to give that important sine a much-needed boost. I urge everyone to support Kathy in her new role.

Bob Olsen (6818 Winterberry Circle, Wichita, KS 67226) is in the process of preparing a new novice packet, which should ultimately provide a second valuable source of information for hobby newcomers. If you have any ideas which you think might be helpful, please contact Bob.

Speaking of novice packets, Supernova just went into its third printing, though I've yet to get the damn thing collated and stapled. (I'll have to buy a center stapler, though fortunately I've still got around a dozen left from the second printing to distribute in the meantime.)

And, the Zine Register should be out soon after a long delay. By the time this is printed, I will have typed up the information I have gathered and passed it on to Roy Henricks, who informs me that it will be a matter of two or three weeks for him to get out the product after he receives the data from me. There was a delay of a couple of weeks at my end, so we aren't quite on schedule. But expect it shortly.

Finally, even though some great sines (Anduin, Dogs of War, Flame, NMR!, Snafu!) have recently folded; the hobby has several exciting new publications either recently started or about to debut. Meanwhile, many of the great, established sines (Europa Express, No Fixed Address, Denver Glont, Midlife Crisis, Life of Monty, Dip Digest to name but a handful) continue to come out month after month with very entertaining issues.

"The hobby's in bad shape"? Tell me about it. If we're in bad shape, I'm a second cousin to a bovine wombat.

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"But if there are no games herein, won't my Houserules become obsolete?"  
"No, BRUX, mark my words: they'll live forever in infamy!"

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END GAME STATEMENT - RIGEL I from RUSSIA (with love...)  
((Dave Kleiman))

Gad, what a game! Where to start? The beginning, you say? OK.

Well, 1901 saw a R/T form to blitz Austria. I was ready for some success in this hobby, and I believed that Rich Reilly was the ally for the game. I'd received a number of paranoid postcards from England and decided that he was a flake. German was polite and intelligent. Austria was a bit quiet (but it turns out that the post office mangled a letter of his that came months late). Italy and France were also quite. Well, in the fall of 1901 the first crisis hit. A last minute post card from German informed me that I would not be receiving Sweden after all. I didn't understand why, as he and I had communicated well (at least I thought). So, break out the directory assistance. And what!? Yes, Nelson's phone number is unlisted. I then occurred to me that I did not understand what was happening in the west, so I thought: Call France! And I did. Ty and I hit it off well on the phone, and he gave me Nelson's phone number. A call to Nelson and 1 hour of long distance rates and I secured Sweden for the year. But I gave away a lot in the process: No builds in Warsaw for 2 game years and an exchange of Sweden for Norway. I build A STP and A MOS.

And I was stupid. Reilly panicked (for no reason). He and Austria came after me in the south and I took Norway. Then the game settled into a long spell. F/G destroys England. G gives Russia centers to fight A/T with and everybody kills the NMRing Italian. And most importantly, I write an insulting press piece at Reilly, the Sultan of Slime. And yes sports fans, he declares the press war to begin!

And after days and days and days and days of thinking, I jeopardize my entire hobby career with the Jeopardy press series. And it was a grand press war indeed. And while this press war rages, so does the war in Europe. Hare and I get close (or so I think). He fears German growth. I think that even though my life is by a thread that leads to Germany I might have a chance with my French ally.

Then, Austria and Turkey after seasons of frustration in their Russian campaign (I was extremely good at guessing...), suggest a RAT alliance - they fear the growing F/G. I agree and quite by coincidence, Germany invites me into Silesia to out-flank Austria. I tell A/T that I'll move to Silesia if they back off. We pull it off and I have to choose between Austria/Turkey and Germany. And hindsight tells me I made the wrong choice. I stuck with the German that had helped for many seasons and attacked Austria. I did not attack Turkey, and though it took a couple of seasons for Rich to realize it, he and I eventually allied again.

Well, my ally Germany eventually stabbed me - which was unnecessary, as I was content to do whatever he desired. I had mangled poor Steve's position, and there was no stalemate lines for the R/A/T to hide behind. F/G could not be stopped. Then, I

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cash in on my seasons of loyal German support. If the F/G could not be stopped, then it had to be broken up. I did not resist the German knife. I wanted Germany to grow too fast to force France to stab. I pronounced my support of Germany to victory. I proposed concessions to Germany and I voted publically for them. And, in my mind, if I could not be a winner or part of a draw, then the next best thing would be to crown the winner, so I could not lose - either Germany would win or France would stab.

But Nelson (the fool that he is), declined victory. In a fateful phone conversation, Nelson admits that he will not stab France for the win - and why? Well, perhaps too much ego-building from Russia played hard on the "modest" Nelson. Maybe that early game alliance was too good to break up? Well, Steve and I were right when we talked in Detroit at DIPCON about the game. If France had Germany's unlisted phone number, then they are a tight alliance.

In any event, it was a great game, a great press war - and the cast of characters will certainly be fun in Rigel II, "The Revenge of the Mangled Pineapple".

Oh, and a very big thanks to Bruce for a well run game - except for that stupid ruling about the false Russian orders, though.

1983 K Rigel - Endgame Statement

Germany (Heintzman)

((Nelson Heintzman))

The very first matter I wish to discuss in my endgame statement concerns the GM, Bruce Linsey.... Bruce, I would just like to thank you so very much for giving me the opportunity to play in the most pleasurable game of PBIII Diplomacy I've yet experienced. In addition, I can not begin to tell you what a marvelous time I've had participating in your zine these past two years. For me, The Voice of Doom was "the hobby," and what a wonderful time I enjoyed! I only hope that my presence contributed to the enjoyment of others as well. So, on to the game itself, eh?

I originally hoped to do a season by season and blow by blow account of the game. Circumstances change, however (echo, what echo?), and space considerations must be considered (redundant or what?). Also, perhaps more to the point, life moves O!!!! And I am now more interested in the present and the future than I am in the past (hi, guys, Rigel 2). So, a short account capsulizing events from memory (always a precarious venture) will have to suffice, I am afraid.

When the game started out, in early 1983, it was only my fourth gamestart. A little bit nervous - my god, a gamestart in VoD!?! Supposedly a "novice" game, I soon found out that there was a bit more experience than had been originally advertised. And almost all the players turned out to be quick studies, anyway. Kleiman, for example, swiftly developed into a pubber, for cryin' out loud! But, I just turned on the old charm, nurtured for some three and a half decades or so (an "old" novice at the time).

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In any event, early on I established a nice, friendly rapport with both Ty Hare and Steve Knight, which was an especially good thing as both of them (France & Austria, respectively) just happened to flank me. In the first year or so, Dave Kleiman and Rich Keilly (Russia & Turkey) were relatively little known quantities for the most part, and the Italian position retained its enigmatic character until the advent of Greg Ellis, its 3rd or 4th standby (who could keep count?), but that's another story... I found the English player, Bob Sweeney, to be a relatively active writer; however, the more he wrote, the crazier he seemed! I mean, at times, it was like I was dealing with a paranoid schizophrenic - for real! Or so it seemed at the time... Finally, around 1902 or so, in a rapid series of phone communications, Hare of France, myself in Germany, and Kleiman from Russia, all discovered a common bond of interest: a shared perception of the mental instability of one Bob Sweeney! I will refrain from the gory details, but suffice it to say that as a result of our late night, long distance phone discussions about one Mr. Sweeney, Hare bought an attack rabbit, myself a German Shepherdess (natch!), and Kleiman hired the services of a computerized, robotic protection agency. In addition, we also decided to put that crazy s.o.b. out of the game! And, lo and behold, it so came to pass...

Now, a bit later, Bob sent copies of an open letter to the players in Rigel, wherein he confessed all: he was just playing headgames with the players - adopting a paranoid style, as it were... Apparently, he did it just to gauge what the various reactions would be and what would happen as a consequence. Well, Bob, quite glad am I to see that you are as sane as the rest of us (heh, heh, heh), but you do see where your little experiment got you, don't you? O-U-J!!!

Hence this little episode with Bob forced the decision against England. During this same time frame, while I was getting to know Kleiman a bit better, the relationship between Ty and I had cemented and we were locked into a game long effort to keep the others unaware of just how tight we were. Unfortunately, the details now are a bit foggy... (Perhaps players should record their endgame statements in the form of diaries as they play along? Yeah, right...) In any event, Rigel folks, let it be known: until the very last season or so of the game (when Kleiman's insidious temptations began to incite my greed and weaken my resolve), Ty and I never made a single move without the other knowing about it. He and I shared a singularly unique relationship in this game, indeed!

With Sweeney out, who was next? Well, hapless Italy, of course. Best of all, it looked for sure that F/G was going to get to Italy first, too. That is, as long as KAJ continued to squabble amongst themselves. Thus, another part of our strategy was to keep an KAJ from forming. Most fortunately, for reasons that are still not clear to me, Kleiman's Russia seemed to maintain a constant hostility and suspiciousness toward Knight's Austria. And I, of course, attempted to woo each, promising them alliance (or the possibility thereof) until at least midgame. While I wavered between choosing Russia or Austria as a secondary ally (Ty being my primary ally), Germany and France prepared to scoop up the Italian centers which were just lying there for the taking due to the frequent MIRA and lackadaisical playing of its previous rulers. However, there then entered Greg Ellis! The first competent and/or interested

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Italian leader, he provided a stable foundation for that position. Jy and I actually were willing to work with him for a bit. He, however, while saving the Italian position from an immediate and inglorious demise, failed to act in a properly decorous manner. I.e. he wouldn't do exactly what we wanted him to do when we wanted him to do it. I mean, after all, what good is a puppet when it doesn't respond properly to the tug of the strings? So, he had to go, too... eventually. And so he did...

Around about this same general time period, I more or less made up my mind to work with Kleiman vs. AJ - a decision definitely in the making, but which was made more palatable by the Austrian knight's semi-sudden attack. It was at this point that I made the one big promise which I sort of broke: I guaranteed Kleiman of Russia that when (if) the time came when we must battle, that I would give him a full season's notice. Well, Dave, all I can say is that I fully meant it when I said it!?! Any consolation? No. I didn't think so... Now that I think about it, the whole deal was probably somewhat naive on both our parts, given my relationship with France. Anyway, to make a long story short, Jy and I slowly secured our board positions, while trying to keep everyone else off balance. I think I'll skip the specifics (after all, folks, we are in another game together now, are we not?) and just let it go by simply remarking that a lot, an awful lot, of duplicity was being engaged in.

Interesting... I just sat down with the old zines and played a few seasons. Boy, there was a great deal of bloodshed down south early, wasn't there, Dave, Kich, Steve? I remember now why Kussia befriended me late in the game, by laying off you, Dave, allowing you access to Sweden, working together vs. Sweeney, etc. that got you out of trouble down south... hmmm. Then there was the season dubbed by Bruce, "The Knife." That's when you, Steve, moved against me, but I was, basically in good shape for that. I was more or less anticipating it, although you were a season early. Anyway, guys, I gave a broad hint as to the reality of the situation: Issue #87, pp. 13-14. I had Kasputmann give his advice to the Kaiser: "Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue?" Remember? That's the old saying, or adage, or ditty, or whatever, concerning marriage! And the reference to "blue" was a play on words. England was out... the only "blue" left was France. Oh, well, now that I think about it, it really wasn't such a broad hint, after all. In fact, it's pretty damn obscure, actually. ((Ah, ya bum... It was goddam nonexistent!))

All in all, this was simply an amazing game for me. I felt like a spider in the middle of its web. Except for the Black Seal Balran area, I pretty much knew exactly what was going on and why. Again, this was only because France was working so closely with me and we had, apparently, been totally successful in covering that fact up (with the probable exception of Knight - at times, the suspicions of others were undoubtedly aroused, but seemed to be satisfactorily allayed with a bit of effort). Thus, with a major alliance with France on the one hand, and a good working relationship with Kussia on the other, I slowly meandered southeastward toward Austria/Italy. As the game progressed, however, it became more and more apparent that Italy was too independent to keep around. So, goodbye, Greg... 'Round about the same time, it also became apparent that in order to take out AJ, Kussia would be picking up a lot of centers. A danger existed that the Jy two-way might then become a JyK 3-way. And that was a definite no-no...

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So, quick negotiations with Austria resulted in another alliance shift and brought about my one true stab: an abandonment of the Austrian attack and a complete shifting of my forces from left to right vs. Russia. In one fell swoop, I had Russia throttled. Although I technically honored my agreement by refraining from seizing certain of his natural centers (Warsaw, for example), I did use somewhat specious reasoning to occupy Silesia, etc., etc., as was illustrated by my press statements. Clearly, I did violate the spirit of our agreement. Yes, I confess, Dave.... I am guilty! *Uea culpa!* But, you know, the manuever was so-o-o beautiful and the timing was so-o-o right!

Frankly, I've always felt that the aura of the game changed forever at that point when I stabbed Russia. The tension and uncertainty of the game relationships (which Ty and I had striven to maintain throughout) was broken, and Dave started throwing his centers at me in an effort to tempt me to go for the win and break up the FG alliance. And, brother, was I ever tempted. I almost succumbed to the succubus, I must admit. However, the uniqueness and closeness of the working rapport I had established with Hare (oh, yes, folks, he *did* visit me for Xmas '83!! We almost died when Brux printed that Ty had gotten on a train to visit me in Buffalo. He made it all right, but we softpedaled the implications of Brux's remark with a story about a snow storm closing railroad traffic into Buffalo and that Ty got off at Syracuse, etc.), and the subtlety of the play we had engaged in to which was owed the evolution of the German position itself, forced me to the decision that a team effort (for that it was) deserved a team reward. Ty Hare deserved his share of the draw. Even though Germany seemed in the center of activity and engaged in much of the central board work, none of that would have been possible - absolutely impossible - without the close, behind the scenes cooperation and rapport which France and Germany shared throughout the entire game. We played as a team, and it was the team that deserved to receive the spoils of victory.

Well, that's about it. Another dimension to the game was The Press War, of course. Triggered off by Brux's 85th issue - your anniversary issue, was it? - and by a challenge issued to or by Reilly, all of a sudden we all got swept up into this press mania. Amazing.... I can't believe I wrote all that - that we all wrote that much! But it sure was a hell of a lot of fun.

Ah, well, Rigel 2 awaits us, eh, fellows? I do, sincerely, wish to thank Ty Hare, Dave Kleiman, Steve Knight, Bob Sweeney, Rich Reilly, and Greg Ellis, and, last but not least, Bruce Lindsey, for a most fun-filled, entertaining year and a half or so. Without a doubt, Rigel was the game I enjoyed the most in the zine I enjoyed the most. The Voice of Doom, I'll miss ya....

((And I'll miss the lot of you, too. Most GMs never get to have the privilege of GMing for a group of players like you seven.

Nelson touches on an interesting question of GMing ethics. It is true that Ty Hare left BRUXCON '83 on a train bound for Buffalo, and visited Nelson. I mentioned this in the zine, not dreaming that it would affect the game. After Nelson and Ty expressed extreme consternation, I agreed to play dumb in the event anyone asked me about it (though thankfully, no one ever did). That is, I agreed to say that I'd put Ty on the train, but not to say that I knew he'd made it. I suppose that this could be viewed as GM deception of the players (potentially, at least); I viewed it as doing my best to protect a player-to-GM confidence. But boy, if ED were to continue, I'd sure want to get further comments from the audience for print!

So long to RIGEL, and long live RIGEL II!))

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Jeff Richmond, 3313 Platt Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 is looking for players to fill out a game of regular Diplomacy. I highly recommend his zine Frobozz as a place to play. Tell him BRUX sent you.

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The Runestone Poll: How It Will Work

First I'll print some late-arriving letters on this topic, then we'll get to the final decisions. My thanks to all who participated in this discussion.

From Mark Berch:

Dear Bruce,

I'd like to dissent from some of your plans for the Runestone Poll.

1. I believe that only subbers should be able to vote for a zine, and only players should be able to vote for their GMS. Granted, non-subber/players can be very well informed. But their opinions are not relevant. A publisher is responsible to himself, of course, and to his readers. It is their opinion that matters; it is their judgement that should determine the "fate" of the zine, Runestone-Poll-wise. The views of others are irrelevant, because the GM has never undertaken to run a game according to their wishes. Suppose that Mr. X feels that a GM should do no more than adjudicate the orders that come in, and set deadlines, etc., but not get involved in the game in any way. Things like NMR insurance, writing a commentary or headline for the game, use of replacement orders for S '01, permitting general orders to be used, introducing replacement players if someone NMRS out, giving out the "score" of a vote, etc., are all wrong. And when he learns that GM Y does most of these things, he knows what he needs to give the guy a low vote -- these things are important to him -- turnaround or even accuracy may not be. But Y should not be held to those standards of Mr. X, because he has never undertaken to run such a game. The same thing is true of zines. Some feel that reprinting is wrong, that a proper dipzine should run games, and not criticize other pubbers, etc. By that standard, DD should get low marks, but I don't publish to meet his standards, and the fact that I don't is thus irrelevant. ((I assume you mean that his opinion of your zine is thus irrelevant...)) It's the same reason I can't vote in the New York ((Massachusetts?)) elections. Your senator is not responsible to me, and is under no obligation to do things according to my wishes, and thus should not be held "accountable" to me. Thus, your focus on "knowledge" is not enough; there is the question of accountability.

2. Inclusion of non-North Americans is very premature, when it comes to zines. We should not pretend that we have an integrated hobby. Part of the problem here is that for North American zines, with rare exceptions, the subbers are a good mix of pubbers and non-pubbers. But with British zines, nearly all their North American subbers are pubbers.

3. I agree that the subzine poll has limited value, but it has enough to justify it. It's somewhat of an experiment, but it's a decent enough experiment that it should be kept a few more years to see how it turns out. I'd run it the same way that John ((Leeder)) and Randolph ((Smyth)) did -- use a minimum vote cutoff as you think reasonable, and then just print a mean, with or without top/bottom cutoffs as you see fit. But do keep the minimum vote cutoff. There's no reason for a subzine which receives only 1 or 2 votes to "win" -- and if you do that, people will think you are trying to sabotage it. ((??))

4. Top/bottom cutoffs. Very good idea.

Every zine people vote for should be included. If people want to vote for zines, the pubbers should not be permitted to override those wishes by taking out their zines from the Poll results. It's amazing to me how fast some people are to be uncooperative or throw monkey wrenches into things.

((I'll save my replies till after the other letters...))

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From Mike Barno:

Bruce,

Here at last, too late for Echo of Doom #2, is a summarization of my thoughts on including non-North American zines in the NA Zine Poll. (All comments here refer to the zine poll, but apply in general to the subzine and GM polls as well.) To clarify terms: While the U.S. and Canadian hobbies aren't integral, we'll assume as much for these purposes and use the reference "NA". Similarly, the UK and continental-Europe hobbies are, so far as I know, discrete but with a fair amount of overlap; call them collectively "Euro".

You propose to make Euro zines eligible for the (note the name) North American Zine (and Subzine and GM) Poll. Quite simply, I disagree. To put it simply: The NA and Euro hobbies are separate groups, with established population bases and traditions. Each has its own poll: the NA Zine Poll (aka "Leeder" or "Rumestone" Poll) for Canadian and US zines, and the UK Zine Poll for British and, recently, continental European zines. (I trust I won't turn off any Britishers by not following the ethnocentric English affectation of differentiating the Isles from "Europe" as a whole.) Why encourage the halfhearted intrusion of one into the other's internal poll?

There is not and probably never will be a significant amount of trans-Atlantic interaction. Those with experience tell me that across-the-puddle Dip can exist only as a curiosity and social event. Other than "Seven Nations" games, the postal handicap is just too great and telephone/telegraph costs too high to permit a "fair" game, though PBEM networking should prove to be an exception for those with the equipment on-line. I don't want the two hobbies to lose track of each other. But I feel that, as long as most people on both sides of the ocean know about each other and have means of contact, money transfer, etc., as seems to be the case now; the "free market" will allow the hobbies to develop whatever level of interaction the players desire. Efforts to push that level higher (or lower) seem to me to be folly, and inconsistent with the purpose of the polls.

Bruce, you offer two reasons to open up the NA Poll: primarily that it would be interesting to see how the two hobbies' zines compare, and secondarily that the results might encourage transatlantic interaction by promoting NA awareness of the top Euro zines. I already offered my opinion on the second idea. Now for the first: I agree in theory. In practice, you only have something meaningful if essentially the same reader base is comparing zines on essentially the same terms. You have that if the NA and Euro polls are combined, particularly with a vote-receiver on each side of the Atlantic. If you can bring that off, super. This discussion assumes you do not.

Maybe I'm wrong, but it's my feeling that the very few people who will rate zines from both hobbies are each likely to rate zines from the two sides differently, and that these people are likely to perceive and rate zines differently from the run-of-the-mill NA (or Euro, for that matter) reader. Certainly anyone who considers timeliness a factor in a zine's quality will find his ratings affected if a zine has to cross the Atlantic. Further, the base of players who can (let alone will) vote for zines from the other side is so small as to be statistically insignificant regardless of any hypothetical bias introduced.

I feel that, if you want to compare NA and Euro zines, you should do the following. Open up the poll to zines and readers from both sides. Compile the poll regularly, ignoring votes for Euro zines. (Your work with the Zine Register will help here.) Then take the ballots listing Euro zines and compile them, giving a look at how NA and Euro zines compare in the eyes of those who receive both. It won't be too much extra work -- we're talking maybe 5-10 ballots here. If large numbers of ballots of this type come in, then I suppose I'd scrap my objections. But that won't happen this year (even discounting this senseless boycott movement), and won't happen until there's

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a change in hobby practices. Until then, I say we combine the two polls, leave each restricted to its own field, or compile the "comparison ballots" (so to speak) separately.

From John Pack (excerpt):

Dear BRUX,

...Runestone Poll entries should definitely be made in accordance with VD Houserules: eye color, zodiac sign, and social security number all to be specified.

((Uh, no thanks. You think some people are on my case about the poll now...))

All right, then, so here are my responses and decisions. Having had time to think it over, I am persuaded by the argument that we shouldn't try to pretend that the Euro and NA (to use Mike's terminology) hobbies are one and the same. In fact, they are quite discrete. I personally think this unfortunate, but the Poll is not the right vehicle to use to remedy the problem. While I still think it would be interesting to compare zines from both sides of the Atlantic, at least for this year the Poll will remain the North American Zine and GM Poll. Any member of "either" hobby may vote, however -- this is the way it's always been. But only North American zines, subzines and GMs are eligible for inclusion in the results.

I must also confess that this decision was motivated in part by a desire to change things as little as possible. There is already enough turmoil, justified or otherwise, surrounding the Poll this year. I don't want to add to it by making major changes to the voting procedure.

As announced last issue, we will keep the subzine poll. There will be a minimum vote cutoff of 5 for subzines and GMs; 10 for zines. These numbers are the same as last year's.

I'm going to keep the idea of a top-and-bottom cutoff, but for ease of calculation will make it 10% instead of Randolph's 8%. This will be rounded down. Thus, for a zine which receives 28 votes, the two highest and two lowest votes will not be counted when determining the zine's "average" score. (For the preference matrix, all votes will count.)

There will be no "official" proclamation against grudge votes this year, as such a constraint is both unenforceable and impractical. I mean, let's be open about it: my opinion of certain zines has been influenced by the way their editors deal with feuds, and this will be reflected in my votes. I'm sure that that is true of a lot of people, and has been in the past. Let the voters vote as they see fit, rather than dictating the criteria they must use for forming an opinion about a zine.

GMs will not be allowed to vote for themselves. Editors will not be allowed to vote for their own products, whether zines or subzines. Again, these decisions adhere to the status quo of years past.

Players may vote only for GMs under whom they have played during the polling period (April 1, 1984 through the present). Voters in the zine poll are on their honor to vote only for publications of which they have seen at least three issues during the polling period. Once again, these are consistent with the procedures we had under Randolph Smyth.

I reject Mark Berch's plea to allow only a zine's subbers to vote for that zine, although he argued it very well. For one thing, this is too drastic a change, in my opinion. For another, people often have reasons for not subbing to a zine -- the same reasons that might prompt them to give a zine a low vote. To restrict the voting to a zine's subbers would be to artificially inflate each zine's score, since a zine's strongest supporters are usually its subbers. I think the intent of the Poll is to obtain a hobby-wide opinion of each zine, not just the opinion of its subbers. More complete instructions will accompany the official Poll announcement, when it appears.



TO ALL WHO SHALL READ THIS: THE RECIPIENT OF THIS COMMISSION MUST BE ACCORDED ALL THE HONORS AND FAVORS DUE AN OFFICER OF P.D.O.

TO: Bruce Linsey

FROM: KOMMISSAR MICHAEL MILLS, ZONE ONE

RE: APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, you have shown considerable capability and talent within the Peoples Diplomacy Organization, and

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WHEREAS, you have been deemed the most qualified person in Zone One to complete the tasks assigned to the office of Deputy in the Kommissar's Office of Zone One, therefore,

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by order of the Kommissar of Zone One, Michael Mills.

  
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((It is with great pleasure that I announce my acceptance of this appointment. I am proud to resume my membership in the PDO at this time.))

And that wraps up The Echo of Doom. Thanks again to Gary, and farewell!

BRUX 







RESULTS OF THE 1984/1985 PEERY POLL

40 hobby members took part in Larry Peery's exhaustive question survey concerning zines and hobby involvement, and much of the results are very interesting on any number of levels. The results came in a 66-page booklet which you can obtain by sending Larry \$2.00 US. His address is: P.O. Box 8416, San Diego, California 92102 USA.

I can only provide the briefest of outlines here but some of what appeared was....

Each zine was rated in 8 to 11 different areas depending on the type of zine it was. Each zine receives a mini-review by Larry based on the votes the zine received. Since Steve Heinowski's Ter-ran has recently published its 100th issue let's take its ratings as an example: This is how Larry presents each zine.

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TER-RAN

- 9.6 Scheduling
8.0 Communication
6.6 Editing
9.4 Gamemastering
6.2 Reproduction
8.4 Price
8.75 Houserules
6.75 Usefulness
6.8 Entertainment
9.0 Game Variety
6.2 Stimulation
7.790 Composite

Steve Heinowski's Ter-ran is another hobby game zine that offers good games in a well-run manner. High marks in Scheduling, Gamesmastering, House Rules, Game Variety make this the player's zine.

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63 of the hobby's zines are rated in this manner, but the most interesting part of the poll to me was the background and opinion questions and their answers. Some examples: when people played their first face-to-face game and when they played their first play-by-mail game. Larry comments: "Surprisingly, to me anyway, many people did not take up the postal hobby at the same time as they began to play Dippy FTF. For some the gap between the two was as much as ten years."

Out of 30 people and the number of zines they receive, 13 received 0-10, 8 received 11-20, 5 received 21-30, 3 received 31 to 40 and 1 received more than 41.

Question: "Overall, do you believe the hobby as a whole is better off today than it was 2 years ago?....Answer: Yes(4), No(12), Unable to Determine(13), About the same(5).

Question: What are the 3 most important things you look for in a Dippy zine? Answer: Larry says: "Many people said the same things over and over again in slightly different ways....Among the most often mentioned: "Good, prompt gamesmastering", "entertainment", "good reproduction", "interesting writing", "reliability".

Question: What question would you like to ask the members of the hobby? Answers: "Why are there so many NMRs?" "What keeps you in the PEM hobby?" "Does anyone but publishers really give a damn about any of the feuds?" "Why do you publicly criticize people you don't like and overlook your friends' faults?"

There is much more to this poll so I'd urge you to send \$2.00 to Larry and then you can find out, among many other things, who was considered the 5 most influential people in the hobby, the 5 best face-to-face players, the 5 best play-by-mail players, the 5 favorite games of any type, how you compare in terms of hours per week spent on the Diplomacy hobby, how many PBM Dippy games other people are currently playing in(and how you compare) and much more. Good job, Larry!

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of investigating Bruce's life from elementary school! Some features in this fake were: The "very first BRUCIE BLACKMAIL letter"; "A tail(sp) of woe from Daddy Linsey"; and a front page picture of "Brucie -- A Bad Puppy at Age 5". However one thing that was authentic in this fake was The Boob Report by Jim Burgess. TER is a subzine in Tallman's North Sealth West George and Jim had sent out advance copies which featured an editorial calling for hobby members to "withhold attacks" on each other. I believe the faker to be Bruce Linsey; it's quite difficult to fabricate a postcard addressed to Bruce Linsey and postmarked March 3, 1965!

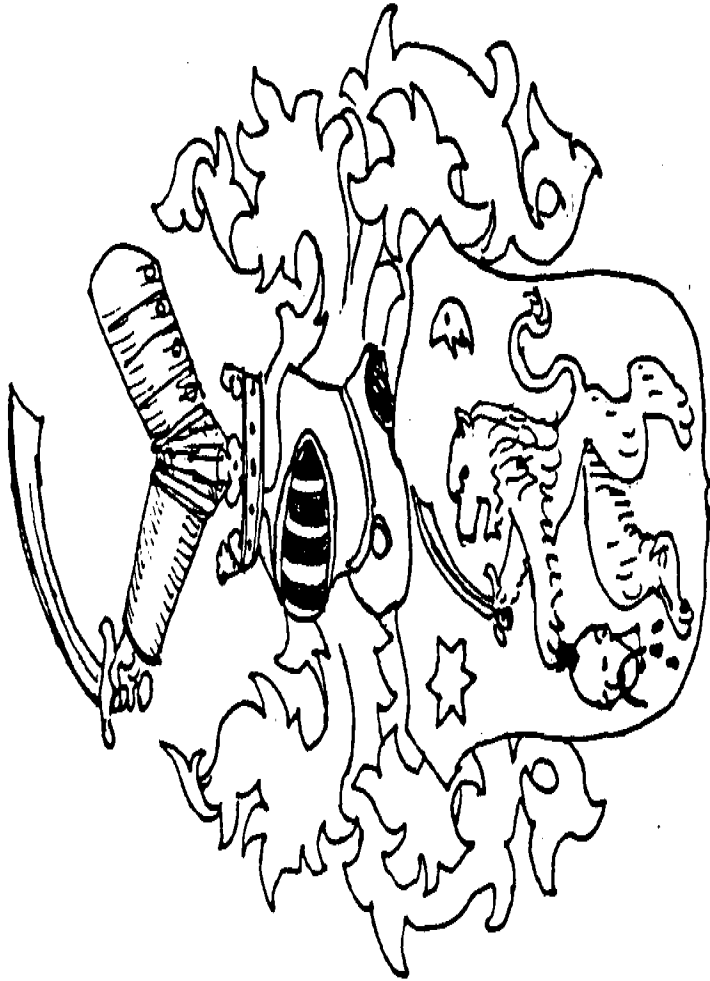
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Gabor Szakasz, EE's subscriber from Hungary, said that my Magyar name used in EE games when Austria owns the most supply centers, is close to a real Hungarian name. I was using "Kbullányi" but Gabor tells me of "Khollányi" and he sent the coat of arms of this Hungarian family. I've adopted this name instead! See the game on page 15.

Gabor said: "Here I enclose the coat of arms of the family Khollányi/ Blue shield, the lion is golden, holding in its paw a head of a Turk---seems this ancestor who got the arms fought like a lion in the wars against the Turks, circa 1526-1686. The crest is an armoured arm with a sabre, the decoration of the helm is blue-golden and red-silver. This arm was given by my fellow-war-gamer who is also a heraldist."

"Thank you very much Gabor and thank your friend too! I wonder if any of my other "European" names have coat of arms!

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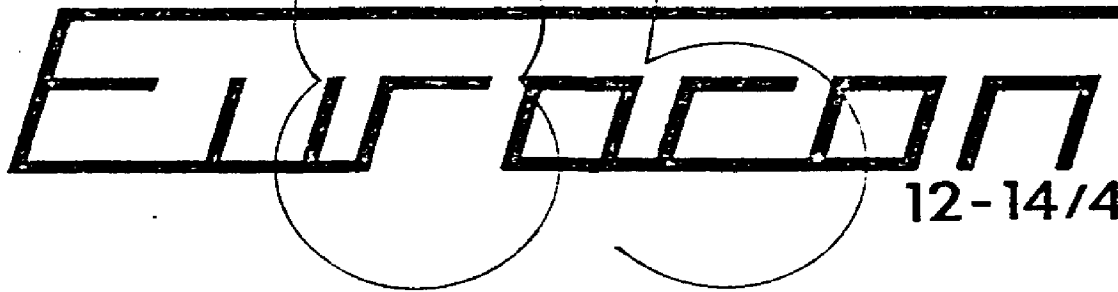
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