xpress uropa ♣ 4614 Martha Cole Lane, Memphis, Tennessee 38118 THE PUBBER: Gary L. Coughlan USA (901)-362-7206 By the time most of you will be reading this, I will either be in Oregon or have been to Oregon for LepreCon on March 14-18 at Joan Extrom's and Ken Corbin's. I hope 0.42 to see many of you there. If you can't come, think about calling -- it's (503) 1985 -929-3223.

I think there are more cassette from me in Oregon, and coming to me from

Oregon than any other place. I exchange, Quite frequently, cassette tapes with Joan Extrom and Michael Lee. It will be great to put the faces with the voices.

§ At the same time, or at least on Saturday, March 16th, there will be a "St. Pat's Day Party" at Paul Rauterberg's home in Milwaukee. Go if you can, call if you can't. Paul's address is: 4922 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208 USA....(414)-778-0750. At both Faul's and at LepreCon there should be many hobby members you can talk to.

§ I'd like to know if any of you know about a movie or TV that has been written about the Enden. Especially if you are German, I would like some information on this subject. If it is not a movie, this one is just waiting for a Hollywood blockbuster. See page 39 at the bottom and then read onto page 38. Thanks!

§ This issue most of the subzines did not make it but a new one makes its debut on page 18. This is...BAHNHOF ZOO, an international Diplomacy game GMed by Scott Hanson and Frauke Petersen. It is bilingual and the Diplomacy map is done with German abbreviations. For example, Austrian units are done as 0, which is for Osterreich, the German word for Austria.

MOTICE: TRAVELLERS intending to embark on the Atlantic voyage are reminded that a state of war exists between Germany and her allies and Great Britain and her allies; that the zone of war includes the waters adjacent to the British Isles; that, in accordance with formal notice given by the Imperial German Government, vessels flying the flag of Great Britain, or of any of her allies, are liable to destruction in those waters and that travellers sailing in the war zone on ships of Great Britain or her allies do so at their own risk.

IMPERIAL GERMAN EMBASSY.......Vashington, D.C.

I hope most of you read this notice as the first thing in the zine. It appeared in newspapers all across the United States on May 1, 1915 as you will find out, with a lot of other things, in the World War I Chronology beginning

on page 3. You'll also learn about Gypsy Rose Lee, the famous stripper and....
9 "Only Yesterday", a column about day-to-day happenings, some of which were
quite strange, is done by Nelson Heintzman and appears in its second installment
on page 14. The things kids did in the 1840s!

The Dutch language is supposed to be the closest of the major world languages to English. The Dutch zine, <u>Brutus</u>, provides an English synopsis of each issue, and one I found particularly interesting was 3 awards in <u>Brutus</u> 21. The awards were for "weakest editorial", "dirtiest fart" and "funniest column". See if you can tell which is which in Dutch!: "Grappigste Vaste Rubriek"..."Slapste Riitorial" and "Vuilst Stinkende Scheet"... (you can find out how to get Brutus on page 35.) and "Vuilst Stinkende Scheet"...

§ DIPLOMACY is a registered trademark for a game invented by Allan B. Calhamer and copyrighted by The Avalon Hill Company. I would like each EE subber to read my apology to Dan Stafford on page 20.

It; y'all songone much which it ovegon? A forget how BIG the western states

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host, Joan Extrom. She lives in Oregon with husband Ken Corbin and baby daughter

Samantha and somehow at last year's LepreCon wound up with the tag"Exterminator". NAME: Joan Extron SEX: Liquidating HAIR NICKNAME: Exterminator Bunned

EYES: The Northwest Funing HOME: BIRTHDATE: Whatever she says
BIRTHSIGN: Pest Control LOOKS: Intimidating

AMBITION: Let Ken do it NOTED FOR: Host of LepreCon

TURN-ON: Using cassettes TURN-OFF: Talk in person

PAVORITE SNACK: See below FAVORITE FOOD: See below

FAVORITE DESSERT: See below

FAVORITE APHRODISIAC: Chocolate chip cookies

FAVORITE CHARACTER: The Cookie Monster FAVORITE SONG: Demolition Man(Grace Jones)

FAVORITE MOVIE: The Terminator FAVORITE ACTOR: Arnold Schwarzenegger

FAVORITE POEM: ---

----Joan Extrom is a dipper's delight, Cooks, hosts and dips alike, Other things too she does real keen, Could this be our next queen?



EVEN PATTON WOULD SALUTE THE MALMBERGERS!!...Being a Malmberger (standby in other zines) gets your two EEs immediately added to your sub, yours as long as you are on the list. You are only called to one position at a time. If you stay with it to the end, you get 4 more EEs. Join these 3% Hearty and Hale Malmbergers: Peter Ansoff, Steve Arnawoodian, Ivo Bouwman, Jim Briggs, 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, 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!!

[&]quot;I don't want my friends to die for me; if they will be rolite, and let me alone, I will be satisfied."--Rd Howe(1853-1937) from The Dictionary of Humorcus Quotations



WORLD WAR I CHRONOLOGY

I'm not going to tell you where anything is 'in this issue—use the table of contents on page 2!

Did you know that W.C. Fields was on a tour of Australia as a juggler, that workers at the Ford auto factory were making \$5.00 a day and were glad of it, and that Irving Berlin had his first musical? All this happened in 1914 and is some of the things you will learn as you read this chroflogy. Help me out with anything(tell me your sources) that happened in 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918 and 1919.

Our Diplomacy game is based on World War I and since that war happened 70 years ago, EE has been doing a chronology month-by-month. This issue we do April and May, 1915 which were probably 2 of the most

important months in the war. But first let's do a sum-up of 1914:

1914: The German Army invaded Belgium in the early hours of August 4. Operating on the Schlieffen Plan, they aimed to cut into northern France, bypass Paris and surround the French armies. As the Germans neared Paris, their supply lines lenghtened, and they were halled at the Battle of the Marne. The Western Front settled into trench warfare from the Belgian coast to Switzerland.

In the East, the Germans won a great victory over the invading Russians at Tannenberg in East Prussia in August: Farther south the Russians occupied all of Austrian Galicia before the Austro-Hungarian army could form a defense line.

At the end of 1914, it was the Central Powers (Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey) versus the Allies (England, France, Belgium, Russia, Serbia and Montenegro.

Born in 1914: Jackie Coogan, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Arthur Kennedy, Yuri Andropov, Richard Basehart, Dorothy Lamour, Gypsy Rose Lee, Vivien Leigh, Carmen Miranda, Tyrone Power, Zachary Scott, June Travis, Jane Wyman, Joe DiMaggio, Stewart Alsop, Joe Louis, Dr. Jonas Salk, Tennessee Williams, Robert Alda, Kitty Carlisle, Alec Guinness, Lionel Hampton, Karl Malden, Mary Martin, Merle Oberon, Lilli Palmer, Bert Parks, Howard K. Smith, Danny Thomas, and Richard Widmark.

Events In 1914: Boston "Miracle Braves" beat Philadelphia Athletics 4-0 in

Rivents In 1914: Boston "Miracle Braves" beat Philadelphia Athletics 4-0 in the Baseball World Series...Mother's Day is established as a holiday in the US...
...19-year-old Jack Dempsey fights as "Kid Blackey"..."Watch Your Step" is Irving Berlin's 1st musical. Henry Ford pays his workers \$5 per day plus profit sharing; industry average is \$11 per week....W.C. Handy writes the "St. Louis Blues"..Thomas Burberry invents the cloth, gabardine...Florenz Ziegfeld marries Billie Burke...
Humorist Will Rogers joins the Ziegfeld Follies...The biggest stars on the London theater stage make 150-170 pounds per week....Diaghilev produces Stravinsky's The Nighingale in London and Paris...lst woman chief of police is Dolly Spencer in Milford, Ohio...W.C. Fields "best known juggler in the world" is on tour in Australia...Adolph Zukor signs Mary Pickford to contract for \$104,000 per year, exactly double her previous salary—the highest paid star in the world at the time....
.Ethel Barrymore in her first film "The Nightingale"..Renoir paints "Seated Bather"....Herbert Hoover appointed head of commission for relief in Belgium....
.The Titan by Theodore Dreiser...The Revolt of the Angels by Anatole France..Les Caves du Vatican by Andre Gide...Joyce Kilmer's "Trees" is written

And you thought it was all boring war! Now for April and May 1915. 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); I: the Italian front; 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. Sundays are put into parentheses so you can find the day of the week easily, to make this seem more alive to you.

APRIL 1915

3- John Reed's (Reds was about him) ship stopped by the English for search as it enters Mediterrean (see March, May); 15-year-old Ernest Hemingway returns to Chicago after 35-mile hike northwest of Oak Park.

(4)- Germans complain that American munitions are only going to their enemies (see 3-1) and suggest an embargo(see 8-12); Enden Germans(N) arrive in Jiddah, Arabia(see 4-8); Austrian soldier Josip Broz(later famous as "Tito") captured by Russians; Musician Muddy Waters born in Rolling Fork, Mississippi; Pancho Villa defeated at Celaya, Mexico(see 4-13). ((continues on page 4))

WORLD WAR I CHRONOLOGY...Continued from page 3

5- In reply to US note of 3-31, Germany says US ship William P. Frye cargo was "conditional contraband."

8- Italy tells Austria she must have all Italian Trentino and part of Istria and Trieste to be a free state(see 4-16,4-26) in effect calling for borders of 1811 Napoleonic Italy. In return Italy promises to remain neutral and pay \$40 million indemnity; Enden Germans leave Jiddah, Arabia(see 4-4, 5-7)

9- Babe Ruth and the Boston Red Sox play in exhibition games against the Reds in Cincinnati, Ohio(see 5-29)

10- English ship Harpalyce, which carried relief to Belgians from USA, sunk apparently by a German U-Boat.

(11)-13 - English withstand Turkish-Arab assault on Basra, Iraq(T)

12- France and Russia agree that Russia is to get control of Straits(Constantinople)

13- Pancho Villa defeated at Celaya, Mexico(see 4-4)

14- German Zeppelin raid on Northumberland, England (see 4-15)

15- German Zeppelin raid on East Anglia(see 4-14)

Austria rejects Italy's 4-8 proposal(see 4-26) but would cede Italy Trentino as far as Salarno; Dutch set Lauterbach(from the Enden) free in the Dutch East Indies(now Indonesia)(see 3-5)
17- Austrians attack near Stryj(E)(see 4-22); Caesar Sheffield, a black awaiting

trial for stealing meat from a Valdosta, Georgia smokehouse, is taken out of the Valdosta jail by a mob and shot to death near the train station.

20- The New York Herald declares : "The Chaplin craze seems to have supplanted

the Pickford craze." 22- First use of gas attack in the West(see 1-31) by Germans at the 2nd Battle of Ypres(see 5-8, 5-25,9-25) causes great consternation among Allies; Austria's

Stryj attack(E) ends in failure(see 4-17, 4-25)
23- English soldier poet Rupert Brooke dies, Skiros Island, Greece(One of his poems said: "If I should die, think only this of me, that there's some corner

of a foreign field that is for ever England ... ")

24- Turkey rounds up leaders of the Armenian comm-unity(see May); English ship Lusitania arrives in New York with William Marconi, inventor of wireless telegraphy. (25)- Allies land troops on Dardendalles (Constantinople on our Dip board) also

known as Gallipoli(see 3-18, 5-12); 2nd Austrian attempt at Stryj(E)(see 5-7);
Big U-Boat, U-21 leaves Kiel for the Mediterrean(see May, 5-26).
26-20,000 Allied troops now ashore at Gallipoli(see4-25, 5-14); Italy signs secret

Treaty of London, agreeing to join Allies in one month in return for much land and the promise of no Pope at the peace talks(see 5-7, 5-9, 5-23).

English submarine enters Sea of Marmora (Constantinople); French ship Leon

Gambetta sunk.

Germans begins great Galician offensive against Russians(E)(see 5-2;

German airship attacks US ship Cushing.
--in April 1915: French have now lost 64,000 men since February in attacks on Saint-Mihiel salient east of Verdun; By this month, 70,000 Serbs have died of typhus caught from Austrians; Canada begins sending a second division to Europe (the 1st had arrived in Oct. 1914); German Crown Prince suggests to German C-in-C Falkenhayn that Germany shift forces east to try to knock out Russia since Western Front is stalemated; English seize US Seguranca headed for Holland, US protest? US interns German Krenprinz Wilhelm when it enters Newport News, Virginia; Dutch ship Katwyk sunk; Revolution in the Dominican Republic, US gunboats land in its capital; 167 political prisoners are massacred in Haiti; Pancho Villa's forces lose Guadalajara, Mexico; Tsar tours battlefields in Galicia; Central Powers hold their Socialist Conference in Vienna(see Jan, Feb); German socialists Haase, Bernstein and Kautsky oppose further war credits in Reichstag; International Congress of Women meets in Holland to denounce the war and demand peace -42 US women including Jane Addams attend; Benes goes to Switzerland to meet with Masaryk(they were Czech patriots); Babe Ruth and Boston Red Sox play exhibition games in Memphis and Louisville, Kentucky(see 4-9, 5-29); comic strip "Teddy Tail" makes its first appearance in London's Daily Mail

MAY 1915

1- Turks attack in Gallipoli(see 5-12); Germans torpedo US <u>Gulflight</u>(see May); Paris's Le Journal carries 1st ad from Henry Desire Landru, later known as "Bluebeard" murderer of lovelorn women; ((Continues on page 6))

ENGLAND DECRIES FRENCH ATTACK ON ITALY CITING MEDITERRANEAN NOW "A HOUSE OF CARDS"!!! AUSTRIAN FLEETS BLAST WAY INTO GULF OF LYON AS ENGLISH TAKE TUNIS AND ST. PETE!!! LONDON CHIDES BERLIN, OFFERS NEGOTIATIONS TO VIENNA AS PARIS PONDERS WAR TIL 1929!!!

 Ω POSITIONS IN SPRING 1916 Ω

"Windsor" 1981 AN GAME: Garlas L. Khollanyi ur NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1916 ZAT: Friday, April 5, 1985 GAME COLOR: Z81d

GAME NOTES: Every 3 years 1981 AN changes its game name to emulate the British Royal Family changing its German name in 1917.

All the draws failed. 3 new ones are proposed: A-E-F, -E-F-I and A-E-F-G-I.

§ Dislodgements This Time: England's Fleet Gulf of Lyon.

Your cartoon is from Punch

magazine.

On draws, the largest passed draw takes precedence. A "No Vote Received" (NVR) counts as a "yes"

In the press, John mentions a British Dip game which lasted until Winter 1929! See you in April!

'Aye, lad, there I was, cast adrift in an open boat. without food or water or a major credit card.

Withdraws From The War Against

ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR AUTUMN 1915 Fleet Spain(sc) retreats to Mid-Atlantic

ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1915 9

Ausztria-Magyarorszag: Build Fleet Trieste Franciaorszag: Build Fleet Brest, Army Paris Olaszorszag: Remove Fleet Tunis

9 ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1916

ANGLIA: F (LYO) ME S French A Mar-Pie (r-Wes-OTB) (Mark Fassio ur) F (NAF) S F Wes-Tun F Wes-(TUN), A Nwy-(SIP)

F (ROM) S F Tys AUSZTRIA-MAGYARORSZAG: (Kerry Blant ur) F Tus-(LYO), F (TYS) S F Tus-Lyo) After The French Attack, Italy

F (NAP) S F Tys, F (ION)-Tun, F Tri-(ADR) (Withdraws From The War Aga:
A (MOS) S A Lvn, A (LVN) S A Pru, A (PRU) Holds Austria And Sails Into The
A (WAR) S A Pru, A (BOH) Holds, A (SIL) S A Boh North Atlantic!
A (PIE) Holds, A (VEN) S A Pie, A (TYO) S A Pie
A (GRE) Holds

FRANCIAORSZAG: (John Marsden ur)

F Stp(nc)-(BAR), F Bre-(MAO), A Par-(PIC), A Spa-(GAS) F Por-(SPA-sc), A (MAR)-Pie

NEMETORSZAG: (Jack Fleming ur)

F Eng-(IRI), F (BAL) S F Ber, F (BER) S Austrian A Pru A (MUN) S Austrian A Tyo, A (BUR) S A Mun, A (KIE) S A Mun A (FIN) S French F Stp(nc)(OTM)

OLASZORSZAG: F Mao-(NAO) (Allen Pearson ur)

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England to Austria-Hungary:
                                       Negotiations will commence shortly, Franz-Blant.
the current regime cannot break this stalemate, perhaps another tack is needed.
                         Kerry, don't bother supporting Jack anywhere -- he just wants out.
France to Austria:
If you want to be altruistic, help me!
Italy to France:
                         Maybe you don't need me; we'll just have to wait and see about
the truth of this statement.
France to England: I wonder what the postal "service" thought of that letter that
never reached me?
England to France:
                           Thanks for your recent letter, as always. I'm sorry that you
thought I was basing my relations with Italy 100 % on sentiment. Far from it--the
fact that Al has chosen this course against us is one reason I urged that he stay
free from being hit. The whole area of the south is like a house of cards, ready to fall...therefore, we need to make up the loss of the valuable Italian fleets.
Please send help.now, fellow ally. I think we can still stabilize the south, but we're gonna have to work at it. I just don't think all this hassle was worth a
measley 1-2 centers from a friend, you know?
England to Italy:
                            Al, good luck. I urge you to stick with me down there, but I :--
understand your sentiment for the move you're doing. Good luck, and if you sail
into English ports, tell the people we are still "manning the ramparts."

England to Germany: Like I said, Jack, I'm amenable, however you want to work this game. I can go, or I can stay, but I can't do squat unless I hear from you. I always thought the object of PBM Dip was "communication". If so, then your dismal card-every-6-months just doesn't hack it, if we're to defeat Austria. If
you're not interested in multi-player draws, then please vote against yourself in
the upcoming draws, I have already done so myself....
                        England votes "Yes" to A-F-G, and "Yes" to A-E-F-I. Big deal,
England to All:
right :..?
France to Memphis:
                           Same time, same station, for quite a while yet, I think.
The longest U.K. postal Dip game ended in Winter 1929 -- can we beat that?!
Memphis to France: Well you're more than halfway there already! Quick math-
without any delays or season separations with the exception of Winter 1929, such
an end for your game would be in EE #70! That is December, 1987!! I'll pass....
MAY 1915.....WORLD WAR I CHEONLOGY...Continued from page 4
-1(continued); And advertisement from the German embassy appears in many leading US papers warning Americans that they travel at their "work risk" if they journey on English ships; English ship <u>Lusitania</u> leaves New York for England(see 4-24, 5-7).
(2) - Launching an East Front attack, the Germans cross the Biala, take Ciezkowice
     and Tarnow.
     Italy declares its association with the Triple Alliance (which had been Italy,
Austria and Germany) to be null and void (see 4-26, 5-23, May).
4- Moshe Dayan, famous Israeli general, born at Deganiah, Palestine
     Gabriele d'Annunzio unveils monument to Garibaldi at the cliff of Quarto near
Genoa; Alice Faye born in New York City.
6- Orson Welles born, Kenosha, Wiscosin; Theodore H. White born, Boston, Massachusetts.
7- U-20 sinks English ship <u>Lusitania</u>(see 5-1) off Ireland--1,198 die of 2,000 aboard including 128 Americans(see 5-11, 5-13). The world was horrified and it was expected that America would declare war on Germany at once; By this time 57 torpedo attacks
had been made by German U-Boats without warning; Germans cross the Wisloka at
Jaslo driving the Russians back(E); Serbia protests to England, France and Russia
about Slav lands that it wants being given to Italy(see 4-26); Enden Germans arrive
in Alula, Arabia(see 48, 5-23).
8- Germans break Russian lines, cross the Wistok(E); Allies advance on Krithia at Gallipoli(T); English now have "respirators" to defend against the worst effects
of gas attacks(see 4-22); Henry McNeal Turner, 82, 1st Black chaplain in the US
Army, dies.
(9) French attack between Lens and Arras, English attack towards Albers Ridge.
   Canadians in heavy fighting at Festubert(W); Germans take Libau, Russia;
Australians storm Turkish trenches at Sari Bahr, Callipoli; Treaty of London (see 4-26) signed; Germany and Austria offer concessions to Italy and send offer to
the King of Italy, the Pope and Giolitti, the opposition leader. 10- Zeppelin attacks on England
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11- Russians retreat to the San(E); ((continues on page <

FRENCH WIN SEA BATTLE IN THE MID-ATLANTIC AS ITALIANS DRIVE THEM OUT OF SILESIA!!!
ANGLO-FRENCH WAR APPARENTLY ENDS AS THE WESTERN POWERS DISENGAGE THEIR FORCES!!!
THE SULTAN LEADS HIS SAILORS INTO RUMANIA WHILE THE TSAR'S ARMIES MARK TIME!!!

 $\Omega\Omega$ POSITIONS IN SPRING 1909 $\Omega\Omega$ GAME: "Alsace-Lorraine" 1981 IC Signore Gario L. GM : Coughlaniano NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1909 ZAT: March 29, 1985, Friday S GAME COLOR: Oro E " GAME NOTES: Welcome to another new year of fighting! I hope you all enjoyed your holidays. All draws failed. Two more are proposed: F-I and F-I-E . Be sure and vote with your next I orders and remember that "No Vote Received" (NVR) counts as a "yes". 9 Dislodgements This Time: France's Army Silesia. Your cartoon is from Hagar The Horrible. Any KE subber may send in cartoons for any EE game if it's not pro- or anti-anybody and - doesn't interpret what's not there. ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR AUTUMN 1908 WHAT IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL LANGUAGE ? ITALIAN Francia: Army Warsaw retreats off-the-board Ā ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1908 FRENCH Francia: Build Army Marseille Inghilterra: Remove Fleet Edinburgh Italia: Build Army Venice, Army Rome and I Fleet Naples Russia: Remove Army Livonia Turchia: Remove Army Ankara All Of Europe Is Dividing Into Two S ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1909 \$ Camps Of Strong Opinions!! A (SIL) MW-Boh (r-Ber-Pru-OTB) (Signore Thomas Franke) A (MUN)-Boh, A Hol-(HUH), F (BEL) Holds, F Wal-(ENG)
F Hao-(SPA-sc), A (GAS) S F Mao-Spa(sc), A (MAR) S F Mao-Spa(sc), A Lpl-(WAL) F Bre-(MAO), F (IRI) S F Bre-Mao F Nwy-(SWE), A Yor-(NWY), F (NTH) C A Yor-Nwy (Signore Mike Close) F Hwg-(BAR), A Den-(KIR) TALIA: A Gal-(SIL), A (Boh) S A Gal-Sil, A (WAR) S A Gal-Sil, A Tri-(TYO)
(Signorina Kathy Byrne) A Rum-(UKR), A (SEV) S A Rum-Ukr, A Con-(ANK), A Bul-(CON)
F Smy-(ARC), A Ven-(PIE), F (LYO) S A Ven-Pie, F Ion-(TUN), F (WES)-Mao ITALIA: F Nap-(ION), A Rom-(NAP) RUSSIA: A (MOS) S A Stp. A (STP) S A Mos (Signore Doug Beyerlein) TURCHIA: F Bla-(RUM) (Signore Jaap Jacobs)

France to Italy: Well, I didn't expect THAT, even if born with a "thick head"

(= drunken, German slang). But I can promise you that you'll get what you deserve!

Italy to France: This is only a dumb game, try and keep that in mind!

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

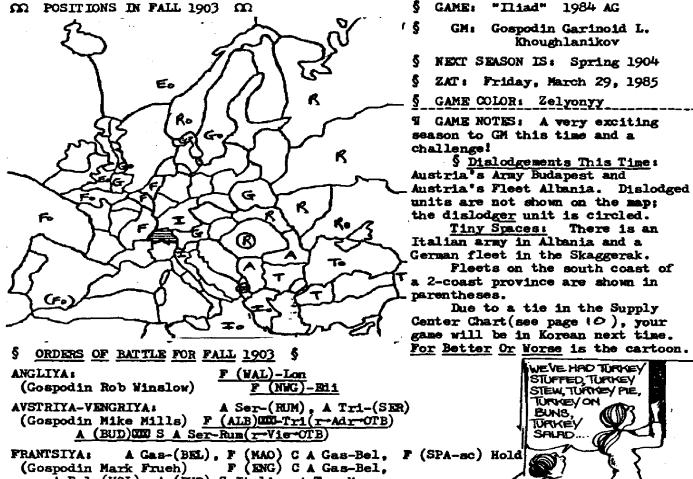
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France to Turkey: Come on, only one or two moves more!
France to England: We'll reach a draw at least!

France to Russia: Are you a real player or just an ordinary puppet of Italy?

Memphis to France: Were you perhaps thinking of someone else, someone no longer with us in the physical sense but who has, at least til now, contributed press......
Italy to Jim-Boob: I wish you had more than one country to give in this game.
But have no fear, you can continue to help me write press.
Memphis to Italy: Well Jim-Boob disppointed me this time certainly!
                      I'm disappointed too!
France to Teljo:
                 Rumor has it that you would love for me to resign my position.
Italy to GM:
To that, I say -- Fat Chance! I'm ready to stay in this game until my last unit
is eliminated, and considering my position that could take quite a long time!
GM to Italy: You shouldn't listen to rumors, Kathy. If you want to know my
opinions, try writing me directly instead of assuming the absolute worst about
me and my intentions, something you are very good at. I would hate to replace
you because I would make one Malmberger extremely happy and be hated by the
other 32 Malmbergers who would demand to know why I didn't give them such an excellent position! I hope you stay until the end of the game even if that means
we all will be on Social Security or retirement pay!
France to Memphis: This game will see a draw and not the win of one power!

Memphis to France: What was that song Doris Day used to sing.... Que sera sera,
what will be, will be.
Italy to GM:
                 I see that you are pouting. Won't even answer our press to you.
What's the matter, don't you like the topic?
GM to Italy: Nope, I was dead-tired, it was 3 in the morning and I just didn't
feel like doing anything but getting the typing done so I could sleep. Besides
the last season of Alsace-lorraine was the only thing standing between me and my
holiday of laziness. I love y'all all during the year but not during those
holiday weeks! I hope I'm forgiven and I tried to make up for it this time.
MAY_1915.....WORLD WAR I CHRONOLOGY....Continued from page 4
-11-(continued) - Turin, Italy paper Stamps reveals Central Powers' offer of 5-9;
  In Philadelphia, US President Wilson will not enter war, says there is such a
thing as a man "being too proud to fight" -- this calms Americans but Wilson is
heavily critized and ridiculed by the Allies(see 5-13); US refuses to recognize the legality of Japan's 21 Demands against China(see 1-18, 5-25)
12- Salandra Government resigns in Italy(see 5-16); At Gallipoli, English Goliath
is sunk by Turkish sub, and English casulties are now 15,000 (see 5-31), and French
casulties are 12,600 since the 4-25 landing; South Africans take Windhoek, capital
of German Southwest Africa(C)(now Namibia)
13- US sends Listania note to Germany(see 5-7, 5-14, 5-31); KingGeorge of England,
  upset over the <u>lusitania</u>, strikes off the "Roll of Knights of the Carter" the names
   of the German Kaiser, the Austrian Emperor and other German royalty.
        Rioting in Italy over whether to enter war or not
14- Lord Fisher of England urges withdrawal from Gallipoli(T), receives no support;
  (see 4-25, 5-15, July); London Times blames ineffective Western Front attacks on
  shell shortage(see May); English release Bryce Report on German atrocities in
Belgium in attempt to further incense Americans already upset over <u>Lusitania</u> sinking;
Naval mutiny in Portugal leads to a change of government there
15- Lord Fisher resigns(see 5-14); Germans take Jaroslav as great battle of the San
  begins(E); French urge renewed attack on Festubert sector(see 5-9)
(16) - French attack at Festubert sector(W)(see 5-27); Zeppelin raid on Calais(W);
   English occupy Ahwaz, Iraq to protect oil pipeline; King of Italy refuses to
   accept resignation of the Salandra Government (see 5-12, 5-23)
17- Central Powers force opening of the San(E); In US Blacks charter the National
    Baptist Convention.
18- Austrians defeated at Opatov(E); Turks attack Australians at Gallipoli(T)
19- Germans take Lutkov(E)
22- Italy declares mobilization
(23) - Italy declares war on Austria(but not Germany)(see 4-26, 8-20, 8-27-16);
     Enden Germans arrive in Constantinople to great celebrations (see 5-7)(N) Austrian ships raid Italian coast along the Adriatic
         ((continued on page 37
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KIEL AND BERLIN IN DANGER AS GERMANY AND TURKEY PURSUE ANTI-RUSSIAN POLICIES!!!
THE LATIN POWERS SPECIALIZE IN CONVOYS WHILE THEY UNITE TO TAKE MUNICH!!!
SEESAW BATTLES RAGE IN THE EAST AS BUDAPEST AND RUMANIA CHANGE HANDS!!!



A Bel-(HOL), A (BUR) S Italian A Tyo-Mun

GERMANIYA: F Bel-(SWE), F (SKA) S F Bel-Swe, A Sil-(WAR)

(Gospodin Jir Burgess) A (LON) S French A Bel-Wal(NSO)

A Boh-(TYO), F (YOR)-Edi ITALIYA: A Tyo-(MUN), A Tun-(ALB), F (ION) C A Tun-Alb / (Gospodin Marvin Baker) F (GRE) S A Tun-Alb, A (VEN)-Tri

ROSSIYA: A Rum-(BUD), A (GAL) S A Rum-Bud, A (UKR)-Rum, F (SEV) S A UKr-Rum (Gospodin Matt Kazur) A (MOS) S F Sev, F (NWY)-Nwg, A (STP)-Nwy

England Wonders About

Turkey's Aims(And About

Austria's And Italy's...)

TURTSIYA: A (ARM)-Sev, F (BLA) S Austrian A Ser-Rum, A (CON) S A Bul (Gospodin Jerry Lucas) A (BUL) S Austrian A Ser-Rum

Memphis to Iliad: Your 1903 Supply Center Chart is on page (O England to Italy, Austria and Turkey: Hey guys, what's up?
Mark to Marvin: Onward!

there.

Mark to Jim: I'm sorry-but did you stick it to Russia by taking Sweden and Warsaw? Don't call me an evil Nixon if you did. Matt would not think it was right. German Sword(Via Germany): The Sword of Burgess goes...North...South...East.....everywhere but West. As Gomer would say, "Surprise, Surprise, Surprise!" Italy to Austria: Well you did ask for a representative. I'm trying my best to get

Wien-Italy(Via Austria): Mika tyhma kysymys!

Memphis to Iliaa: On that Finnish note we will turn to page 10 for more press!

	<u>Gains</u>	<u>Loses</u>	<u>Retains</u>	<u>Has</u>	Builds/Removes
ANGLIYA			Edi, Lpl	2	No Change
AVSTRIYA-VENGRIYA:	RUM	phot. 444	Vie, Ser	3	-1(unless 1 OTB)
FRANTSIYA:	HOL		Home, Bel, Por, Spa	7	+1
GERMANIYA:	WAR, SWE	nat. Wak	Ber, Kie, Den, Lon	6	No Change
ITALIYA:	GRE, MUN		Home, Tri, Tun	7	+2
ROSSIYA:	BUD	444.444.444	Stp,Mos,Sev,Nwy	5	-2
TURTSIYA:			Home, Bul	4 34	No Change

Wien to CM: Te olette liian nemakas, herra!

GM to Wien: I have often been told that, thank you! By the way, Wien is the German word for Vienna. England to GM: Gary, I don't believe I've been a gospodin since puberty. Why, then, are you calling me names?!? GM to England: You must be a closet-Korean then (you didn't complain about that language) and next year will see that language used for your game. Wien to GM: Pane ne kirekuoreen ja kaanna ne tänä päivänä Moskovalle GM to Austria: I said Korean, not Finnish! Mark to Gary: Say, buddy-boy, one of my press releases which was held over really showed me up as a scum. I wish you had pulled that liner out. Gary to Mark: I only follow instructions and never initiate actions on my own. You must tell me not to print any press that you have submitted. The only thing I do is hold over sensitive press in case of season separation or season delay.

Russia to Turkey: Sorry if my moves do not coordinate with yours, but I did not receive confirmation in time to warrant the risk of trusting you (only to be betrayed yet again). If your orders are against me(again), as rumor says they will be, then I do not feel so bad. Better luck next turn, yes? Olen kuulut että Rumania on kaunis maa. Haluan menna, ja te? Vill you really give me your centers if I ask? No. How about Wien to Turkey: Italy to Turkey: if I beg? Grovel? [WIEN] The Chancellor of The New Regime has stated that the old order is dead! Long Live ISO ITAVALTA! Elakoon! Iso Itavalta! Memphis to Wien: I can't find my Finnish dictionary tonight but I do remember that "Itavalta" is Finnish for "Austria". Germany to Austria: Am I more than reasonable or what? WIEN -Mark to Gary: I got the results January 22nd, Tuesday---what happened?

Jim to Mark: Hmmm, the plot thickens.

Wien to France: Pelkasin, että menettäisin silmani

[THE BOOB'S GARAGE]-(Via Germany): The Boob steps out of the shower, for the tenth time today ... head shaven into a gorgeous Mohawk, extra grease not required. Other than being a bit flaky, the rest of the obscene mass of skin and bones that composed Jim-Boob was remarkably clean.

Amazingly, the Boob had the sense to abandon the armoured tractor. He didn't realize how colossally stupid the whole idea was, but he was beginning to get the

idea that technical expertise was not his strong point.

It was time for the direct approach. The pilgrimage to Memphis...he would prostrate himself at Gary's feet and plead for mercy. One might ask where the Boob's self-respect was located, but anyone who would even think such a question could not have been following our story very closely.

Memphis to Jim-Boob: An alternate title might be "My Southern Canossa", right?!

[DER CHANCELLOR]— Ei, kultani, mimm taytyy ilmiottautua kello puoli kuusi parakissa. Go on, tell me I'm stupid... I dare you! Look at these brilliant Germany to GM:

moves!! GM to Germany: You know that I am just merely an interested observer! Except when it comes to the Virgin---then I like to get intensely involved. And here she is..... [ON THE STREETS OF SANTA ROSA] The patrol car completed its U-turn and started down the street toward the virgin. She hadn't noticed it at first, but froze in

((Press continues on page 3!))

FIERCE SEA BATTLE AS ITALY SIDES WITH EASTERN POWERS AGAINST THE WESTERN TRIPLE!!! MUNICH FALLS TO THE RUSSIANS WHILE THE ITALIANS ADVANCE INTO GASCONY!!! ENGLISH ARMIES MARCH INTO MOSCOW AS GERMANS HOLD ONTO WARSAW!!!

 ∞ positions in fall 1903 ∞ E Œ Fo

GAME: "Chocolate Soldiers" 1984 AH

GM: 74 21 KM

NEXT SEASON IS: Spring 1904

ZAT: Friday, April 5, 1985

GAME COLOR: Nurun

T GAME NOTES: Lots of action this season. Remember that where a unit is dislodged, only the dislodger unit is shown and it is circled. The dislodged unit does not appear on the map.

9 Dislodgements This Time: Germany's Army Munich, Russia's Army Moscow and Turkey's

Fleet Ionian Sea.

Dustin will be sending each of you the list of his addresses shortly.

Your cartoon is from Punch and your 1904 Supply Center Chart is on page H. Next year your game is in English!

ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR FALL 1903

T'ALLI: F (ROM) S Turkish F Ion-Tys, F Tys-(NAP) (Ken Gestiehr-ssi) F (GRE) S Austrian F Aeg-Ion ET ALLI: A (VEN) S Austrian A Tri-Tyo, A Bur-(GAS)

OSUT'RIA-HANGGARI: A (UKR) S Russian A Mos
(Ken Corbin-ssi) A (BOH) S Russian A Ben (Ken Corbin-ssi) A (BOH) S Russian A Ber-Mun A (GAL)-Ukr, A (RUM)-Gal, A Tri-(TYO) F Aeg-(ION)

P'RANGSU: <u>F (LYO)-Tys</u>, F (TUN) S F Lyo-Tys (Dave Carter-ssi) F (WES) S F Tun A Pie-(MAR), A Gas-(PAR)

ROSIA: A (MOS) S Austrian A Ukr-War(NSO) (Daf Langley-buin)

Daf Langley-buin) (r-Sev-OTB)
A (SIL) S Austrian A Ukr-War(NSO), A Ber-(MUN)

TOKIL: A (MUN)MW-Sil(r-Bur-Kie-Ruh-OTB)
(Nelson Heintzman-ssi) A (WAR)-Ukr, A Kie-(BER)
F Hel-(HOL), F (BAL) S A Kie-Ber

*OK*I: F (ION)MEX-Tys(r-Adr-Alb-Apu-OTB)
(Dustin Laurence-ssi) F (EAS) S Austrian F Aeg-Ion) T'OK'I: A (BUL) Holds, A Ank-(ARM)

ONGGUK: A Stp-(MOS), A (LVN) S A Stp-Mos (Pat Hart-ssi) A Lon-(STP), F (NTH) C A Lon-Stp YONGGUK :

F (NWG) C A Lon-Stp, F (BAR) C A Lon-Stp



The English King Carries His Pursuit Of The Tsarina Into Moscow Itself!!

London to Moscow: Alas Fair Damsel, you can't dominate the world, but would you

consider doing it privately?

London to Rome: Those who do ninite the ladies, those who....

Buffalo to Memphis: I don't want to talk about it. It was almost as bad as

Memphis to Chocolate Soldiers: Your press continues on page 12 .

\$ 1903 SUPPLY CEN		\$			
•	Gains	<u>Loses</u>	Retains	<u>Has</u>	Builds/Removes
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OSUT RIA-HANGGARI		BAI	Home, Ser, Rum	5	-1
P'RANGSU:	TUN		Home, Spa, Por	6	+1
ROSIA:	MUN	nde. Vat	Sev	2	-1(unless OTB)
TOKIL:	WAR		Ber, Kie, Hol, Swe, Den	6	+1(+2 if OTB)
T°OK°I:	BUL	\$##	Home	4	No Change (+1 1f CTB)
YONGGUK :	MOS	·	Home, Nwy, Bel, Stp	3 4_	+1

.Memphis to Chocolate Soldiers: I'm hearing rumours(the "u" is for you, Dave!) of a possible Canadian mail strike. If that is so, this game will be delayed until further notice. Dave will know and I will inform the rest of you. France to Italy: What did I do to deserve such treatment? Why are you fighting this? At least Chuff had sense enough to resign when I attacked him. Italy to France: You set the boundaries, you broke the DMZ, you took part of my homeland, you captured my neutral center AND then have the gall(Gaul) to say I'm putting the screws to you!! You should be writing for Bob Hope. Germany to Russia: Say what? Who "stabbed" who? Italy to Russia: Does everybody get a chance to occupy St. Petersburg this game and stock up on ice cubes? Italy to Germany: Congratulations on saving one province (Munich) while losing the rest of your nation! London to Kiel: C'mon Nelson, at least we don't have to lose the press war. France to London: Looking forward to some cute English-type soldiers on the Continent soon. Ok eh? London to Paris: Fight on brave Canuck. I don't want those crazy green woodpeckers any closer than they already are! Italy to Turkey: My wife says any sub-zine publisher that's willing to travel all that way and treat my whole family to steak dinners, desires my allegiance. London to Constantinople and Budapest: You do know we're playing Diplomacy, not musical chairs? Do you know a publisher that might be looking for a way to Italy to Memphis: improve his Austrian game? All you have to do is convince Elsie that steaks come out of hogs! You are an udder failure at the psychology of dealing with Memphis to Italy: Better stick to woodpeckers --- you've had some success there.... COWS! [THE LONDON TIMES] - "ROYAL NAVY INFESTED!" The Admiralty has grounded all non-essential operations as an outbreak of green woodpeckers has crippled the navy's readiness. Reportedly, they were first discovered after liberty calls at German ports. One sailor remarked, "The little peckers attack anything that moves." London to CM: Pinocchio and Pierre? Sounded like Ken and Ken to me. CM to London: And it sounds like the end of another season to me. Can y'all believe that it is the end of 1903 already? It's gone by fast. See you in April!

- 1. Greg Ellis: 700 Rio Grande, Austin, Texas 78701 USA (Feuilletonist's Forum)
- 2. Richard Rotter: Lotzstrasse 21, D-623 Frankfurt 80, WEST GERMANY
 3. Jutta Hoffman: Holzrichterweg 26, D-4600, Dortmund 50, WEST GERMANY(Lothario)
- 4. Malc Smith: Bus 26, Astridplein 31-32, Antwerpen 2000, BELGIUM(Bohemian Rhapsody)

5. Dan Stafford: 58 West 9th Apt. E, Columbus, Ohio 43201 USA

NEW SUBBERS AND COAS (And Their Zines/Subzines)

Jutta's zine is Lothario which was the name of a character in a 1700s play called The Fair Penitent by Nicholas Rowe. A famous actor David Garrick played the leading role as the seducer Lothario. Mrs. Siddons played Calista whose was Lothario's seduced victim. There is more about this zine on page 27.

SULTAN PETER ABDICATES THE OTTOMAN THRONE IN PAVOR OF PRO-MUSSIAN SULTAN HELMUT!!!

GERMANY FAILS TO ADVANCE IN THE EAST AND LOSES PARIS AND BELGIUM IN THE WEST!!!

NAPLES FALLS TO THE ENGLISH AFTER A MIGHTY NAVAL CLASH WITH TURKEY!!!

GAME: "House of Bourbon" $\Omega\Omega$ positions in summer 1909 $\Omega\Omega$ 1981 HK Effendi Garabdul aL. Kofhlammed NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1909 ZAT: Friday, April 26, 1985 GAME COLOR: Mavi GAME NOTES: Welcome back to another gaming year. 1985 starts off right with no NMR! Peter McDonald has resigned as Turkey so Helmut Schmidt is now the Turkish player of record. A proposal has been made to have the game run on 7-week deadlines. Voting must be unanimous so please vote with your next orders. Dislodgements This Time: Turkey's Fleet Naples. Your sartoon is from <u>Punch</u> magazine. I'll see you in 10 weeks hopefully! ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1909 ALMANYA: A (MOS) S A Pru-Lvn(NSU) (Effendi Sellick Davies) A (STP) Unord. (PRU)-Lvn, A (SIL)-Pru, A (MUN)-S11 (BOH) S A Mun-Sil, F Lvn-(BOT) A (TYO) S A Boh, A (VEN)-Tri NGILTERE: F (ENG) C A Lon-Bel (Effendi Fred Winter) A Lon-(BEL) INGILTERE: A Bre-(PAR), F Lpl-(NAO), F (NWY) Unord F Tys-(NAP), A (ROM) S F Tys-Nap F Wes-(TYS), F (LYO) S F Wes-Tys F (TUN)-Ion, A (PIE) Holds A (MOS) S A War-Lvn (Effendi Dave Carter) A War-(LVN) Germany Watches As England Gobbles Up TÜRKIYE: The German SCs of Paris And Belgium!!! (Effendi Helmut Schmidt) A (UKR) S Russian A War(OTM), A (SEV) S A Ukr, A (GAL)-Boh, F Bla-(CON)

F (NAP)EE-Tys(r-Apr-OTB), A Bud-(TRI), A (VIE) S A Bud-Tri, A (SER) S A Bud-Tri

F Tri-(ADR), F (ION) S F Nap-Tys, F (AEG) S F Ion, F Gre-(ALB) ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SUMMER 1909

TÜRKIYE: Fleet Naples retreats to Apulia

[BERLIN]— Sorry for the miss.

Germany to Hauke Jansen: Apologies for any inconvenience.

Memphis to Germany: Don't apologize to Hauke—he didn't send in Malmberger orders!

Germany to Matthias John: Thanks for "staying with it!"

Memphis to Germany: Now that sentiment I can fully agree with!

Memphis to House of Bourbon: See you in April and don't forget to vote on the proposal of 7-week deadlines instead of the present 10-week deadlines!

TOMATO WINE - A SEASONABLE RECIPE - The following recipe for making an excellent article of tomato wine, is communicated to an agricultural paper by a gentleman who tried it successfully last season: "To a bushel of sound, ripe tomatoes cut, add four gallons of water. Let the mixture stand in an open tub three days, stir ring two or three times each day; then strain through a sieve. To each gallon of the clear liquid add three pounds of brown sugar, stir until the sugar is dissolved, after which it is not to be disturbed for three days, except to take off the scum as it rises. Then strain the liquid through muslin or flannel bags, and put it in a cask, filled to the top of the bung hole. There must be a surplus of the liquor to replace what fermentation throws off, as the cask must be kept full. As soon as fermentation becomes feeble, (which is usually at the end of a week from the time the cask is filled.) dissolve half an oz. of isinglass in a portion of the liquor, put it in the cask and bung tightly. Half an oz. of isinglass is sufficient for ten gallons. Place the cask in the cellar, with the spigot in, so that the wine can be drawn off for bottling, without disturbing the sediment. The proper time for bottling is the following may. The wine is good when a year old, but continues to improve for several years. Two and a-half bushels of tomatoes will make ten gallons of excellent wine."

(Buffalo <u>Commercial Advertiser</u>, September 10, 1860. The intent of this article is to entertain and amuse only! Anyone who attempts this recipe does so at their own rish!)

SNAKE STORIES. - The Philadelphia <u>Inquirer</u> makes fun of the Rochester <u>Union's</u> story about the snake charmed child, and adds: "This story of the child and the snake has been in the country papers for years, and comes around as regular as the shower of frogs and the mammoth strawberries. Is it possible that, with all the talent and education employed in this line of journalistic labor, there is so little imagination in the corps that when true incidents are scarce they have to clip from their old files? Do let the snakes and their victims rest for a few years - they have surely done their duty - and give us something having the merit of novelty as well as impossibility."

(Buffalo Commercial Advertiser, August 15, 1860)

AT THE POLICE COURT, this morning, business was slim - not much of anything doing. This may be attributed partly to the one fact that people are behaving themselves well, and partly to the other fact that the Justice has got a new docket-book, and doesn't wish to soil and disgrace its beautiful white pages with the names of thieves and vagabonds.

(Buffalo Commercial Advertiser, August 28, 1660)

RUSSIA AND THE TEUTONIC POWERS CO-OPERATE AGAINST FRANCE AS BERLIN BECOMES AUSTRIAN!!!
TURKS TAKE NAPLES AS THE SULTAN RAISES POSSIBILITY OF DIRECT TALKS WITH PARIS!!!
FRENCH DEPRIVE HAPSEURGS OF MUNICH WHILE WAGING IONIAN SEA BATTLE WITH TURKEY!!!

POSITIONS IN SPRING 1911 M

§ ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR WINTER 1910 §
Autriche-Hongrie: Builds Fleet Trieste,
Army Vienna and Army Budapest

S ORDERS OF BATTLE FOR SPRING 1911 S

§ GAME: "Rhino" 1982 U

GM: Monsieur Gâréaux L. Çoughlânniqué

NEXT SEASON IS: Fall 1911

§ ZAT: Friday, March 29, 1985

§ GAME COLOR: Jaune

¶ GAME NOTES: Well I really have no game notes. Thanks for not NMRing and see you in March! Your cartoon is from <u>Punch</u>.



The Tsar Gives Music Lessons In Helsinki As He Threatens To Help Burn Norway!!(See Press)

ALLEMAGNE: A Mun-(SIL), A (KIE) S Austrian A Boh-Mun, F (HEL) S A Kie (Monsieur Bob Foote) F (DEN) S A Kie, F Bal-(SWE)

AUTRICHE-HONGRIE: A Pru-(BER), A War-(PRU), A (BOH)-Mun, A Vie-(TYO)

(Monsieur Russ Rusnak) A Bud-(GAL), A Nap-(ROM), A (VEN) S A Nap-Rom

F Tri-(ADR), A (PIE)-Mar

FRANCE: F (TUN)-Ion, F (TYS) S F Tun-Ion, F Wes-(LYO), A (MAR)-Pie (Monsieur Bert Schoose) A (RUH)-Kie, A (HOL) S A Ruh-Kie, A (BUR)-Mun A (NWY)-Swe, F Nth-(NWG), F Bel-(NTH), F (ENG) S F Bel-Nth, A Pic-(BEL)

RUSSIE: A (FIN) S German F Bal-Swe (Monsieur Michael Lee)

TURQUIE: F Ion-(NAP), F (APU) S F Ion-Nap, A Mos-(LVN), A Ukr-(RUM) (Monsieur Marc Peters) F (ALB)-Ion, F (GRE) S F Alb-Ion, A Sev-(MOS)

Constantinople to Paris: Hey, at least I'M not picking on you! Do you think we ought to break down and finally write each other, or just remain in blissful silence?

Player X To Marc(Via Russia): Norway will have to fall in the fall. Play it out and you'll see why.

Rigene to Memphis (Via Russia): Schubert's "Trout" is seldom appropriate. Yes, it features a bass in the cast but in a very supportive role. Sometimes a subjugated bass is worse than no bass at all. Now if you'd like to discuss the Prokofiev Quintet.

Memphis to Rugene: That's wierd, Michael "Player X" Lee!!

Memphis to Rhino: Your press continues on page 16.

Turk to Rooskie: What is all this about "ten year olds"? What kind of stuff are .you into, anyway?!? Never mind, I really don't want to know.

Player X to Gary: Is it so much to ask that I remain anonymous in this game? We'll discuss it at Joan's but, prepare yourself for a wholesale verbal assault. Gary to Michael "Player X" Lee: I adore wholesale verbal assaults. See I adore wholesale verbal assaults. See you at

LepreCon in March!

[MUNICH] - Kaiser Fuß welcomes the delegation from Austria to the great Bavarian city of Munich. The people of Germany are optimistic that the German-Austrian war talks scheduled here for the spring will lead to a solution of the "French Problem."

Memphis to Munich: It looks like the "French Problem" postponed those spring war talks in Munich!

Russia to Gary: In your cartoon for our game that appeared in last issue I counted only two dogs ganging up against the big dog. What was I? The clump of grass in the background? Sheesh!

Gary to Russia: When I use cartoons I have to walk a very fine line and can only interpret what is clear. Both Germany and Austria had made critical remarks of France in last season's press. No other power criticized France and that was the essence of that cartoon.

Player X to Gareaux "Le Postal Worker" Coughlannique: Thanks to you and your colleagues these (or should I say this) orders cost me two more cents to send. Boy, some friend you are!

GM to Player X: That's Monsieur Gareaux "Le Postal Worker" Coughlannique to you, garçon! You blew your 2 # yourself! Your game is on 5-week deadlines and 4 of those 5 were under the old postal rates of 20 # per letter. Cry me a river! Germany to France: What shall it be -- DIAS or an A-G-R-T tie? If you wait too long, it may be both!

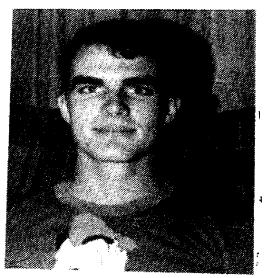
Memphis to Rhino: And another admonition.....

St. Petersburg to Turkey: Please refrain from using Moscow as the origin of your press. It hurts my feelings ... after all, I'm very sensitive. Memphis to St. Petersburg: Then you've gotta develop a tough hide like a....uh....

...uh ... A RHINOCEROS!

Russia to Rhino: Have any of you read Rugene Ionesco's play Rhinoceros? I played Berenger in a college production. My favorite line is late in the play, everyone but Berenger and Daisy have turned into rhinos. Berenger is musing over how he and Daisy can be the second Adam and Eve and restart civilization.

He says: "I'mever used to go to concerts, but I'm ready to start." Memphis to Russia: And with that I'm ready to stop! See y'all next month!



HOBBY-WIDE NEWS

- 9 Don't forget that the picture contest has a deadline of Friday, April 5th! One picture is worth a thousand words they say so here is the picture! If you actually guess which EE subber is in this picture, you win a free issue.
- EXCELSIOR is North America's newest zine and what an excellent first issue it was! Bruce McIntyre, the pubber, plans to GM β Diplomacy games which feature maps and there are also contests. I would tell you more but he sent out 400 copies so you've probably seen it already. Get it!! If you

didn't receive XL(the preferred abbreviation) Bruce says all you need do is send him your address and you will receive a free copy. His address is: 6191 Winch St., Burnaby, British Columbia, CANADA V5B 2L4. There may be a Canadian postal strike on or about March 12th. In that case, for the strike's duration, XL will become a subzine in EE! Bruce lives quite near the American border.

§ RETUEN: Malc Smith, the USA-loving Briton, has turned up in Antwerp, Belgium and by the summer he will be living in Norway. Malc has revived his excellent Bohemian Rharsdy so check him out at: Bus 26, Astridplein 31-32, Antwerpen 2000, BETGIUM. North Americans can sub by sending US dollars to Steve Knight of the International Subscription Exchange at: 11005 Winterthur Lane, Apt. 103, Reston, Virginia 22091 USA. ((Hobby-Wide News continues on page 17

HOBBY-WIDE NEWS continued from page

- § FOLDS:.....With March, Steve "Woody" Arnawoodian folds his <u>Coat of Arms</u> which featured some of the most humorous writings in the hobby, much of it by Woody. Woody will still be publishing his subzine <u>Woody's Place</u> in the Belgian zine <u>Mach Die Spuhl</u> in which he abuses French-speakers. In the last MDS, they struck back!...

 Jim Briggs, currently with the US Army in West Germany has folded his <u>The End Justifies The Means</u> and sent refund checks. TEJTM featured games with maps and multiple quizzes. Hopefully Jim will return to publishing when he returns to America.
- § MINN-CON is May 24-27, 1985 at the home of Scott Hanson and Frauke Petersen, 2626 Stevens Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408 USA....(612)-874-0082. That's the long Memorial Day weekend in the US and I will be at this one and rumor says that so will Mike Barno who will be driving in from New York.
- § EUROPEAN VACATIONS: Scott Hanson and Frauke Petersen(whose subzine is now also being published in EE-see page (8) will be in Europe during April and they hope to see many European hobby members since they will probably be at EUROCON on April 12-14 in Eindhoven, The Netherlands. Already, Belgians, Dutch(of course) and West Germans will EUROCON which will feature Diplomacy, Dungeons & Dragons and other boardgames..... Steve Hutton, pubber of Canada's excellent No Fixed Address will be in Europe for a couple of months or so during the summer. I don't know where he's going but I'm sure he'll contact his own European subbers. In his absence, Ron "Canada" Brown will publish No Fixed Address in conjunction with his own D-Day.
- § Conrad Minshall has become the long-sought-after elusive printer that the Boardman Number Custodian Bill Quinn has been searching for. Thanks for taking on a needed task, Conrad!
- 5 Dick Martin has resigned as one of the 2 Orphan Games Custodians and his spot is being taken by Jim Burgess. Scott Hanson recently resigned as the other custodian and Keith Sherwood took his place. Let's hope that Jim and Keith do as excellent a job as Dick and Scott performed. If you are in a game which has apparently been abandoned by your GM and you either want a new regular GM or simply to find out what happened to your old GM, contact either: Keith Sherwood, 8866 Cliffridge Ave., La Jolla, California 92037 USA or Jim Burgess, 100 Holden St., 3rd left, Providence, Rhode Island 02908 USA.
- § 1985 LIFERS! Don Del Grande, pubber of Life Of Monty, plans on doing a combination of England's "Rusty Bolts" awards and the (late as in no longer done) American "Eminent Awards". There are 10 categories in which you may nominate up to 5 nominees. The deadline for nominations (not voting) is April 20, 1985. There is a ballot on page 37 of this issue of EE for you to cut out and send in. Most of the categories are self-explanatory except for perhaps two. About these Don says: "BIGGEST HOBBY PERSCNALITY- the person you'd most associate with the hobby at the present time." and "THE HOBBY MASTER the one person you believe to see all, know all, and especially control all, in the hobby today." Check out Don's entertaining Life Of Monty while you are at it.
- § CHANGES: NMR!, the only European zine to make it onto a North American poll(see page 22) is changing to a games only format and will now be known as A Bolt From The Blue.....Belgium's Mach Die Spuhl has switched from an open page format to a open-paged booklet form much like England's Home Of The Brave, i.e. an unreduced digest-style zine....Rod Walker will be folding Erehwon the zine with its last issue this month and will be transforming it into Erehwon the subzine in....EUROPA EXPRESS! Look for it soon.
- § Don't forget the 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. I'm nominating Mike "No Show" Mills for his Europa Sexpress Foxes!
- § Try an international game with a deadline of 6 weeks. See if foreign players operate like you do. The Dutch zine Oxymoron is offering such a game. Write to Jaap Jacobs, Vincent van Goghlaan 16, 2345 RN Oegstgeest, THE NETHERANDS. One American and several Dutch are already signed up. Everyone will be able to speak and write English.
 - § The next EE will have the complete results of THE FRESHMAN ZINE PCLL!

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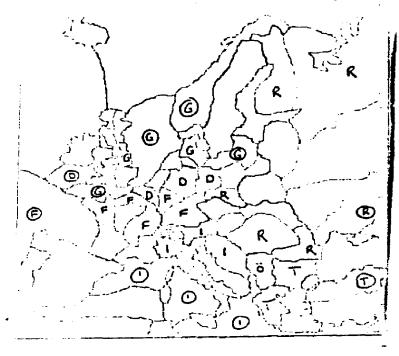
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ZAT für HERBST und WINTER 1903 ist 11MMRZ 1985. Ed's retreat was made by Just's Right Hand Rule. And I have to raid Gary's Malmberger list: would HELMUT SCHMIDT, Rehgrund 73, 8950 Kaufbeuren, BUNDESREFUBLIK DEUTSCHIAND please standby for DEUTSCHIAND. These units have possible retreats after Fall 1903: DEU all units; FRA A ruh, A mm, GRO F eng, F nwy.

STAUDBYS!! WRITE TO ME NEEDS TH'S GAME



WE LIKE IT HERE!

Well, Vladivostok, the capital of humidity is terrible during Siberia, has an average January temperature 10 degrees higher than Minneapolis. The Kamchatka peninsula of Siberia is colder and worse in terms of temperature variation and humidity, but then it is largely uninhabited. An in-law of mine who describes Duluth's climate as a "Siberian hell on earth" was only being accurate.

Temperature variation and humidity give Minnesotans the right to claim this is the worst climate in the world where anyone to speak of lives. The record for hear in Minnesota is 106 degrees: the record cold minus 52 degrees. Recause the state is two-thicks lake, river,

IS Minnesota really all that cold? slough and musket swamp, the summer. Then in winter the state is cooled by the "northwesters," the notorious winds that are among the reason mid-America's climate is so miserable.

Yet you will seldom hear a native Minnesotan complain about the cold. Instead they trea it as a conversation piece. "It's cold today." "Yup. It's cold." That's when the temperature is minus 25 degrees with a wind chill of 60 below. When it zets much worse the tone of the conversation changes to expression of civic pride. "Hey, it's 9 below with the wind chill? "Yeah, ain't that something else - Harl Nurr

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THE BAHNHOF ZOO PRESS....EVERYTHING THAT'S FIT TO PRINT AND MUCH THAT ISN'T
FRANKRIJK-RUSLAND: Je lijkt wel een Rijswijker! Now where have I heard that before?!
LONDON: Don't bark too much Wow-Wowman.
IVO-FRAUKE: No, I didn't take a train from Flensburg to Kiel, but from Hamburg to
Flensburg and onto Denmark. ((Then you missed her.))
ROME-GM: So what was that nickname Miss Byrne came up with for you? I'd be delighted
to keep it alive for you. ((No, you don't have to do that.))((Besides, it was in
the Dec. EE))
PARIS-MN 55408: What's this calling a Canadian as a standby business? Are you trying
to make this an international game or something? ((Actually, Claude missed signing
up for the game by just a week, and volunteered to standby.))
PARIS-MOSCOW: Psst! Hey Tsar! Wanna meet me on a raft in the Tilsit river?
LONDON-BERLIN: How can I keep up peace to you with a German Fleet in my Channel!
I suppose a little pressure in your north will make you give up.
PARIS-BERLIN: Du bist viel zu verführerisch in Ihre Hauchdünner Unterrock, eine
Art Feigenblatt mit Quasten, verzierte Strumpfbänder und Tiefausgeschnittener B.H.!!
IVO-SCOTT: Good news for me, bad news for you. First of all, I found out Bruce
isn't going to come when I'm in Africa, and through the fanclub I'll be sure to
obtain a ticket. Franke didn't see his first concert in Europe if it was in 1981.
He did a European tour in I think *76 as well. ((I see you're right...he played
3 cities in Nov. 1975; London, Stockholm, and Amsterdam. It was his first German
concert in '81 anyway. His current US tour just ended.))
TRIER-MEMPHIS: Who cares about Springsteen, it's the next Genesis concert I'm
waiting for! They are still the best.
PARIS-ROME: Tanzania, Burundi and Rwanda?! Take a picture of the Mountains of the
Moon for me and also some Tutis!
PARIS-LONDON: The German fleet in the English Channel doesn't bother us. But is
it still there?
LONDON-MOSCOW: Why don't we just keep calm. Scandinavia is as British as the
Falklands are...
PARIS-BERLIN: I saw a fleet that wasn't there, it wasn't there yesterday and I do
hope it goes away tomorrow!
IVO-GARY: I will only allow you to print anything of this in EE if you'll let me
censor your press to me...
PARIS-DUTCH TEACHER: Ik most beter mijn best doen en school...only 499 times to go!
PARIS-ROME: Waar spreken we af?
PARIS-MOSCOW: Ik ben de weg kwijt. Kunt U me zeggen hoe naar Jena kom.
LONDON-BORNHOLM: Be glad to belong to the United Kingdom from now on!
ITA-GER: After all the ass kissing you have done, I had no choice but to come and
save your skin.
ROME-PARIS: Don't be upset! I won't go for your capitol!
PARIS-CONSTANTINOPLE: Get out of the harem and into the upcoming battles. Upon
thee depends the fate of Dutchmen! SAURI'S-BAHNHOF ZOO: How can I print you when you're in green color. My printer
won't take that! ((I didn't know you were interested..OK, from now on, your
issues are boring white.))
PARIS-ROME: Politesse is in the process of reorganization and I don't know if the
Kaiser will still do his commentary. If so, the French will move heaven and earth
to get those copies to our brother monarchs. If France sees it, you see it.
CHRISTOPH-FRAUKE: Due to logistical problems the FlePi will need one more week.
I'll get it from a friend with whom I'm playing volleyball every Tuesday.
IVO-SCOTT: In Glasglow, in concert, Bono from U2 said: "We don't want Reagan for
president, we want Bruce Springsteen!" Smart guy, eh? ((What? Is Reagan president
in Glasglow too? Things are worse than I suspected...))
FRANCE-GM: What's all this 3rd grade business in 1970!! I graduated from high
school in 1969 and was in my first year of university by 1970!! Excuse me, I must return to my fountain of youth for another injection.....
IVO-SCOTT: How old are you? 23 or 22? ((I was born 9 Feb. 1962))
FRANCE-ENGLAND: And I really mean it when I said France was willing to fight to
the last Englishman. You can depend on us!
((Cary here. EE is proud to welcome Bahnhof Zoo! BZ is jointly GMed by Scott Hanson and Frauke Petersen and is bilingual(English and German). It will also be published in the West German zine Sauri Allstar Unlimited making it the
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first subtine to be published jointly on two different continents.)) (9)

DIPLOMACY PLAYERS POLL RESULTS

The Diplomacy Players Poll, along with the Marco Poll(see page 21) are run by Dan Stafford beginning with this year's results. (Previously they had been run by John Caruso and Mark Larzelere respectively). This year I didn't publicize or plug these polls because Dan and I had some difficulties in the

past. In fact, I ripped into Dan in KE #18 and #19 and bad feelings have festered between us since that time. Thanks to mediation efforts of Rod Walker, Dan and I are both resolved to bury the past. Dan sent me a very nice letter and I

would like to publicly apologize for my overreaction 2 years ago.

In December, 19 of you received a letter from me, along with advance copies of KE #40°s comments on the Runestone Poll controversy. In that off-the-record letter I greatly exaggerated my dislike of Dan in order to show that though I might "despise" him as the anti-Linsey crowd hates Linsey, that I wasn't allowing my feelings to actively wreck or boycott the Stafford polls in hopes that the Bruxhaters would cease trying to wreck the Runestone Poll. Dan was informed of this letter(and I can just guess by whom..) so I have sent him a copy and an explanation. I hope no one else tries to resurrect bad feelings between Dan and me for whatever reasons.

The Diplomacy Players Poll is divided into 2 parts: players and writers. 61 persons cast ballots and listed their 5 top choices in order. A 1st place mention was worth 5 points, a 2nd place mention was worth 4 points etc., u.s.w. You had to get 4 points to make the main list and 26 unnamed persons had 3 or fewer points in the Writer Poll and 39 unnamed persons had 3 or fewer points in the Player Poll.

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KEY: placing---NAME OF PERSON---Placing last year if on the main list---number of points received---number of voters---number of lst place votes.

BEST WRITER

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1.	Bob Olsen (1)	95-23-11	27.	Daniel Palter (*)	7-2-1
2.	Ed Wrobel (10)	41-11- 3	•	Jerry Lucas (*)	7-2-1
	Kathy Byrne (4)	33-12- 0		Roy Henricks (*)	7-2-1
	Steve Langley (20)	30- 9- 4	30.		6-3-0
	Don Williams (*)	30- 8- 2	31.		6-2-0
	Rod Walker (3)	30- 7- 3	32.	Julie Martin (20)	5-4-0
7.	Mark Berch (5)	27- 8- 3	33.)5-3-0
8.	Steve Hutton (15)	24- 7- 1	34.		5-1-1
9.	Terry Tallman (9)	22-11- 1		Conrad Von Metzke(*)	5-1-1
1Ó.	Ken Peel (*)	20- 6- 1		Richard Edison(*)	5-1-1
11.	Pete Gaughan (*)	20- 6- 0		Nelson Heintzman(*)	5-1-1
	Bruce Linsey (24)	18- 7- 0		Stephen Wilcox(*)	5-1-1
13.	Mark Luedi (*)	18- 6- 2		James Woodson(*)	5-1-1
14.	Steve Knight (*)	16- 5- 0		Blair Cusack (*)	5-1-1
15.	Gary Coughlan (2)	15- 5- 0		Steve Courtemanche(*)	5-1-1
	Kevin Tighe (18)	15- 3- 3	42.	Lynn Torkelson (*)	4-2-0
17.	Mark Larzelere (24)	13- 4- 1		Paul Rauterberg (12)	4-2-0
18.	Dick Martin (7)	10- 3- 1		Cathy Cunning (14)	4-2-0
	John Caruso (17)	10- 3- 1		Tom Hurst (*)	4-2-0
20.	Don Del Grande (14)	9- 4- 1	• •	Dave Carter (*)	4-2-0
21.	Randolph Smyth (24)	9- 3- 1	47.	Tom Mainardi (*)	4-1-0
22.	John Michalski (6)	9- 2- 1		Ed Innes, Jr. (*)	4-1-0
	Scott Hanson (8)	9- 2- 1		Dan Stafford (*)	4-1-0
24.	Daf Langley (*)	8- 3- 0		Mark Lew (*)	4-1-0
	Matt Fleming (*)	8- 3- 0		Bob Sweeney (*)	4-1-0
26.	Mike Mazzer (28)	8- 2- 1		John Boardman (*)	4-1-0
				Brian Creese (*)	4-1-0

BEST DIPLOMACY PLAYER

2. 3. 4.	Kathy Byrne (1) Dan Stafford (2) Mark Frueh (*) Paul Rauterberg (6) Stephen Wilcox (*) Randolph Smyth (5)	104-26-11 38- 9- 3 36-10- 3 28-10- 1 21- 7- 1 21- 5- 3	8. 9. 10.	Jim Meinel (8) Marc Peters (*) Ed Menders (*) Nelson Heintzman (*) Melinda Ann Holley (*) Evans Givan (22)	17-8-1 15-4-2 14-3-2 13-3-1 12-4-0
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((Best Diplomacy Player Results continued on page 2|))

		BEST	DIPLOMACY	PLAYER (continued from	page 20
13.	Bob Olsen (14)	12-3-2	34.	Michael Lee (*)	6-2-0
14.	Matt Fleming (*)	11-4-1		Doug Brown (*)	6-2-0
15.			36.	John Crosby (26)	5-2-0
	Blair Cusack (7)			Peter Fuchs (19)	5-2-0
	Keith Sherwood (26)	10-3-1		Julie Martin (*)	5-2-0
18.		10-2-2	39.	Bob Sergeant (*)	5-1-1
	Greg Ellis (*)	10-2-2	-	John Boardman (*)	5-1-1
20.	Cathy Cunning (*)			Lu Henry (*)	5-1-1
	Robert Acheson (*)	9-3-0		Jan Jensen (*)	5-1-1
22.		9-2-0		Jeff Key (*)	5-1-1
		9-2-0	44.	Mark Fassio (*)	4-3-0
	Lynn Torkelson (*)		45.	Dick Martin (14)	4-2-0
25.	Eric Ozog (3)	8-4-1		Tony Hecht (*)	4-2-0
	John Caruso (17)	. 8–4–0		Russ Rusnak (13)	4-2-0
27.	Lee Kendter, Sr.(10)8-3-0	48.	Fred Davis (*)	4-1-0
	Mark Berch (4)	8-3-0		Dave Carter (*)	4-1-0
29.		8-2-1		Roland Morris (*)	4-1-0
30.		8-2-0		Bob Gosselin (*)	4-1-0
	Phil Redmond (*)	8-2-0		Mark Stegeman (*)	4-1-0
32.	Don Ditter (11)	6-2-1		Tom Ripper (*)	4-1-0
	Gary Coughlan (22)	6-2-1	(This was	the 5th annual Diploma	cy Players Poll))

4TH ANNUAL MARCO POLL

In the Marco Poll, also conducted by Dan Stafford, 61 voters selected their 3 top favorites in the 3 categories of BEST ZINE, BEST GM and BEST SUBZINE. A lst place vote gave 3 points, a 2nd place vote gave 2 points etc., u.s.w.

KEY: placing-NAME OF GAMESMASTER--Placing last year if on the main list--number of points received--number of voters--number of lst place votes

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1.	Jim Meinel (4)	29-13-5	28.	Ron "US" Brown (6)	3-1-1
2.	Gary Coughlan (1)	25-14-4		Don Williams (*)	3-1+1
3.	Mark Luedi (11)	18- 7-5		In Henry (*)	3-1-1
4.	Andy Lischett (2)	15- 5-5		Jim Benes (*)	3-1-1
	Russ Rusnak (*)	12- 7-1		Robert Sacks (*)	3-1-1
6.	Steve Heinowski (*)	12- 5-3	33.		2-1-0
	Dave Carter (*)	11- 6-2		Eric Kane (*)	2-1-0
8.	Steve Langley (*)	10- 7-0		Konrad Baumeister (*)	2-1-0
9•	John Daly (7)	10- 4-2		Fred Davis (*)	2-1-0
10.	Dave Kleiman (*)	9- 4-2		James Woodson (*)	2-1-0
	Jerry Lucas (*)	9- 4-2		Mark Keller (*)	2-1-0
	John Caruso (10)	8- 4-1		Mike Scott (*)	2-1-0
13.	John Beardman (8)	8- 3-2		Ken Peel (*)	2-1-0
	Mark Stegeman (*)	8- 3-2		Rod Walker (*)	2-1-0
	Jim Bumpas (*)	7- 4-1	42.	Scott Hanson (13)	1-1-0
16.	Bruce Linsey (5)	7- 3-1		Steve Arnawoodian (*)	1-1-0
	Dan Stafford (*)	?- 3-1		Larry Peery (*)	1-1-0
18.	Pete Gaughan (*)	6- 3-1		Dick Martin (*)	1-1-0
	Ron "Canada" Brown (16)			Terry Tallman (*)	1-1-0
	Mark Larzelere (3)	6- 3-0		Mark Coldiron (*)	1-1-0
21.	Mike Conner (*)	6- 2-2		Gregg Fritz (*)	1-1-0
	Roy Henricks (14)	6- 2-2		Barry Hickey (*)	1-1-0
23.	Paul Rauterberg (12)	5- 4-0		Ed Wrobel (*)	1-1-0
24.	Mike Mazzer (*)	5- 3-1		Bob Olsen (*)	1-1-0
	Doug Beyerlein (9)	4- 2-1		Julie Martin (*)	1-1-0
	Bill Placek (*)	4- 2-0		Bob Howerton (*)	1-1-0
27.	Randolph Smyth (*)	3- 2-0			

((The BEST ZINE and BEST SUBZINE results appear on page 22. The * means that the person or zine or subzine did not appear on the main list last year. Apparently Dan has the raw data from last year's poll and can show you your exact spot last year. For instance, Russ Rusnak vaulted from 45th place last year to Number 5 this year! Dan's address is found on page 12.

4TH ANNUAL MARCO POLL RESULTS....(Continued from page 21)

KEY: placing---NAME OF ZINE---Placing last year if on the main list-mumber of points received--number of voters--number of lst place votes

BEST ZINE

1.	Europa Express (1)	42-19-7	27.	Diplomacy Digest (12)	3-1-1
2.	Magus (10)	28-13-5	· ·	Ter-ran (*)	3-1-1
3.	North Sealth West George (14)			Tacky (*)	3-1-1
4.	Whitestonia/Kathy's Kornor(3)			Kaissa (*)	3-1-1
5.	The Voice of Doom (2)	20- 9-4		NMR! (*)	3-1-1
6.	30 Miles Of Bad Road (8)	18- 7-4		Erehwon (*)	3-1-1
	Diplomacy World (4)	14- 7-2		Empire (*)	3-1-1
8.	Politesse (26)	13- 6-3	34.		2-2-0
9.	Perelandra (*)	10- 5-1	35.		2-1-0
1Ó.	The Prince (17)	10- 5-0		Give Me A Weapon (18)	2-1-0
	No Fixed Address (16)	9- 6-1		Dogs Of War (*)	2-1-0
	The Concert of Europe (*)	9-3-3		Everything (*)	2-1-0
	Sleepless Knights (6)	7- 4-1		House Of Lords (*)	2-1-0
14.	The Diplomat (*)	6- 3-1		Electric Penguin (*)	2-1-0
	Graustark (*)	6- 3-1		Festungs Hof (*)	2-1-0
16.	Envoy (23)	6- 2-2	42.	Appalling Greed (5)	1-1-0
	So I Lied (*)	5- 3-1		Murd ring Ministers (15)	1-1-0
	Lone Star Diplomat (*)	5- 2-1		Midlife Crisis (24)	1-1-0
	The Inner Light (*)	4- 3-0		Xenogogic (*)	1-1-0
	Feudesse (*)	4- 2-1		Liberterrean (*)	1-1-0
	Life Of Monty (22)	4- 2-1		Hai! Jikai! (*)	1-1-0
22.	Irksome (13)	4- 2-0		Winsome Losesome (*)	1-1-0
,	Sidney Archives (*)	4- 2-0		EFCIART (*)	1-1-0
24.	Retaliation (9)	3- 2-0		Dragon (*)	1-1-0
•	Who Cares? (*)	3- 2-0		Stabback (*)	1-1-0
	Bushwacker (*)	3- 2-0		Flick Of The Wrist (*)	1-1-0
	// NWD! is a Bwitish zine(se	a at 27)	mihlie	hed by Ken Rain and Brian	Greese

((NMR! is a British zine(see at 27) published by Ken Bain and Brian Creese Brian also showed up on the Best Writer (see page 20) at number 47.))

BEST SUBZINE

KEY: placing--NAME OF SUBZINE--Parent. Zine if Known--Placing last year if on main list--number of points received--number of voters--number of lst place votes

	Fiat Bellum (Magus)(5) 47-18-12 Kathy's Kornor(Whitestonia) 26-10-7
3.	(2) Humboldt (The Prince) (4) 24-10-5
4.	Strange Doings (Magus) (*) 17-9-2
5.	Foot In Mouth (roving) (*) 15- 7- 4
5. 6.	Sex Appeel(Politesse) (*) 15- 7- 3
7•	Mos Eisley Spaceport (roving) 15- 7- 2 (1)
8.	Benzene(30 Miles Of Bad Road)
	(6) 14- 7- 2
9.	Expletive Deleted(So I Lied)
, ,	(3) 13-8-1
10.	Hare Of The Dog(Magus)(*) 13-7-1
11.	FNORD (Life Of Monty) (*) 13-5-3
12.	ESAD (roving) (*) 6-2-2
13.	
14.	The Little Dipper (The Prince)
	(*) 5- 3- 1
	Chomps & Miams (Europa Express) (*) 5- 3- 1
6.	Perlmutter's Revenge(The Prince)
٠,	(*) 5- 3- 0
17.	Ead Doggie(North Sealth West George) (*) 5-2-1

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18. The Boob Report (North Sealth West George)
    Femme Fatale(Europa Express)(*)
                                 3-2-0
20. Malagueña(Stabback)(*)
                                 3-1-1
     Daylesford(?)(*)
                                  3-1-1
     Irksome(NA)(*)
                                  3-1-1
     Diplomacy Digest(?)(*)
                                 3-1-1
24. Mass Murders(EE)(*)
                                 2-2-0
25. Presidential Palitics(Feuilletonist's
          Forum)(*)
                                 2-1-0
   The Beholder(EE)(*)
                                 2-1-0
    Father Knows Less(Cathy's Ramblings)
                (*)
                                 2-1-0
   Vicious Hate Sheet(So I Lied)2-1-0
    Echo Of Doom(EE)(*)
                                 2-1-0
   Diplomacy World(?)(*)
                                 2-1-0
Thrill Of Agony (Retaliation)
                                 1-1-0
     Who Cares?(?)(*)
                                 1-1-0
     The Duck Wing(?)(*)
                                 1-1-0
 ((EE means Europa Express.
                             Some of
 these votes for Diplomacy Digest and
Diplomacy World had to be joke votes))
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THE LETTER COLUMN

This is the letter column issue of EE(the zine lately has been alternating between articles issues and letters issues) and I think you'll find it quite interesting, at least I hope so. First up is Jerry Lucas whose picture was the last picture contest and he responds to your guesses which appeared in EE #41. Jerry's letter appears first. The latest picture contest has its details on page 16 so hurry and send in a guess!

Jerry Lucas (California, USA): "This is fun. I recommend everyone go through the experience of subjecting themselves to the scrutiny and ridicule that comes from having your picture be the subject of Gary's picture contest. The best part about it is you get to have the last word. So here goes. I'll respond in the order that Gary presented the guesses.

First Keith Sherwood. You say my picture allows the intellect to wander? Whose? Yours? Ha ha ha. Actually, your intellect was sufficient to key on the reason for the staging of the picture, my coming out of the closet, which isn't bad, but you failed to guess who I was even though we've played in a game together. And what's wrong with my tie? It's a good tie. Ties hardly ever wear out. I've got lots of them. If it were 1/3 the width as you suggest to be fashionable, it would be a 50's tie and you're too young to know about them. Maybe you're into string ties. Oh yeah, I remember, you originally came from New Mexico. What receding hairline? It already receded, it's certainly not going to recede any more is it? So you prefer to talk about the Europa Sexpress Kitten of the Month. You and Gary are up for the Dave Carter Award with that item. I'll be sure to nominate you. What's a bozo, bimbo?

Ah Judy Winsome, you cut me to the quick. Actually, I'm not very quick anymore. Again a reference to my hairless head, not fair, fair femme. At least I don't cut my curls for charity. And I've never played Italy, I seem to draw Austria almost every time. I don't sell shoes or work for the Department of Motor Vehicles. That worried look comes from wondering if you're going to screw up again in your adjudications. I don't understand how you get rated as such a great GM unless it's based on how quickly you send out corrections. I'm glad you wouldn't want to sleep with me, but isn't that a sexist comment you made? Ah ha, what would you think if I nominated you for the Dave Carter Award too???

Wallace Nicoll, you are very astute. You got the fact that I am an American. It's probably because of the smile. Only Americans are naive enough to think there is something to smile about, right? Your guess of James Woodson is not bad since James and I are both publishers of sorts and both have a Navy background. But that is not a picture of me hiding in a closet. If I was hiding you couldn't see me and you wouldn't have made as good a guess as you did. And a picture of a wardrobe would look dumb in EE. You'd probably guess I was someone else. Do bank managers in the United Kingdom live in closets?

Dear Joan Extrom, if it wasn't for your guess, all this wouldn't be worthwhile. I have before me a map of Kansas wheatfields, trying to guess which one I will meet you in. Actually, that is a favorite fantasy of mine, an encounter on a hot day among tall sweet-smelling grass waving in the breeze. Hot bodies entangled, hidden from sight, the image excites me but I'm getting carried away again. I'm not Pudge Olsen and your offer was for him not me. You've sure got me pegged. I am a pussycat, and I do enjoy standby positions, even those played by other people. I love Diplomacy and have never won, but I share a draw most of the time. I do enjoy writing press, especially the "naked virgin" press of Iliad in EE. I'm probably the only one who does enjoy that press. Gary keeps encouraging me though. I'm only sorry I'm not Pudge.

Ah Ben Schilling, chief photographer for Winsome-Losesome, I hope my image hasn't disappointed you.

I wonder what it is about my picture that makes John Pack think I'm European? Here we wear the same clothes and I'm not even Mormon. I like the way you think. Your reasoning is impeccable. I could be you though. It's amazing what Gary can do with photographs. Actually, it's amazing what he does with whole magazines full of photographs. You guessed the country I am playing in EE, Turkey. And Lynn Torkelson is a player who I admire. He is doing an excellent job with a standby position in W-L. What's this reference to my liking music from the World War I era supposed to mean? My favorite music is Country and Western, Blues, Classical, and Soul. I occasionally listen to music of the Big Band Era and Bluegrass."

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"Dog-gone it, why all this reference to age, Ivo Bouwman? An <u>old</u> version of Jack Nicholson? I think Jack and I are about the same age. Burt Reynolds is older than me. I do too play Dip, although only once face to face. You are one of the few who can see the dirty glance in my eyes. Most people think I'm a pussycat, but they're not entirely right. You guessed the fact that I am a government efficial. I work for the same company that Gary does. I'm surprised you didn't guess the fact that I'm a soccer enthusiast. I favor Denmark in the next World Cup. I said I'm an enthusiast, not an expert.

Dog-gone it Ron Brown, you had to go and spoil it. I almost went unknown. You have an excellent memory for faces. You only saw me once in San Mateo, but that was all it took, I guess. Why did you have to go and mention my hair? Some day you will be in the same situation I suspect. A lot of people think I look like Judy Winsome, but actually, she is much better looking than I am. If I were Judy, more of me would be sticking out of the closet than what shows.

Gary, I thoroughly enjoyed the contest. I congratulate you on a great tradition. I encourage others to send in their pictures to you and have some fun."

Thank you Jerry for responding to those who guessed about your picture, that is another "tradition" which has seemed to go astray lately. Do you work for the Post Office too? The latest picture contest is found on page 16.

Mark Fassio(California, USA): "I like your choices of sub-zines, especially (yowzah!) the new-look Savonlinna. Sure is a nice hairdo on that gal, wouldn't you say?!"

John Pack(Utah, USA): "I don't know if I appreciate the "Europa Sexpress Fox." Don't think it was an improvement and I hope it goes away."

Daf Langley(California, USA): "I noticed Femme Fatale wasn't in this issue. Is Robyn dropping it? It is one of my favorite subzines and I hope she continues with it. She has a talent for making people laugh and it would be a shame to not have an outlet for it.

Chomps & Miams continues to look good. Liesnard sounds like such a character. Civilized, but still a character. I haven't tried any of his recipes yet, but one day I'll brave it. I still say you can't make authentic southwestern chili without pinto beans! Of course you could make a

beans, but it is still admit that Judy are enough to get That Judy sure can someone a good wife."
Keith Sherwood(Califo)

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U Well this issue we will just have to grin and bear it(our own selves) because I didn't get a Chomps & Miams, Femme Fatale or Savonlinna. I forget to mention that Michel Liesnard of Chomps & Miams had quite a funny story in EE #41 on page 44 about a mishap the Belgians had with the British in Africa. And don't forget to compete for a science fiction comic book(Michel's are quite good) by entering his quiz. His address is: Rue Albert de Latour, 59 (Bte 10), 1030 Brussels, BELGIUM. The contest was on page 45 of the February EE.

Both Robyn Finley who does Femme Fatale, which seeks EE subbers' most embarrassing moments, and Michel Liesnard have been busy lately....

Robyn Finley (California, USA): "Hi. Well, it's me. I'm sorry I let you down. Things have been really crazy here with the kids, 4 classes, 2 term papers in the works and now job hunting. I'm taking my vitamins and praying for sanity!

I hate to say this, but I think Femme Fatale will have to take a vacation for awhile. I don't want to fold. It's hard for me to keep the deadline, though. I love writing it, but it's just getting harder and harder to make the time to sit down and do it. I have to be realistic. I could send it to you when I can if you have room, you could use it. Would that be OK? I don't want to tie up any space that someone else could use, though. Please tell me what your feelings are about this."

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There will always be a place in KE for Femme Fatale whether it comes every issue or less frequently. Your fans as you can see on page 23 are pulling for you and I can certainly see how you have your hands full -- I hated term papers! When things get a little less hectic, we'll all hope to get our FF Fix! In the meantime, if any of you subbers have a "most embarrassing moment" to send to Robyn for FF, her address is 1466 Bonair Rd., Apt. #71, Vista, California 92083 USA. With so many good zines folding, I'm glad you don't want FF to fold! And now for Mr. Chomps & Miams himself....

Michel Liesnard (Belgium): "Firstly, let me lick your boots and thank you for having offered me a 2nd one-year sub to the Village Voice. This is a magazine I fully appreciate. Each time I read in Le Soir or Le Monde that a majority of Americans support Ronnie and Nancy and the banks, I also get a YV in my mailbox which witnesses that all Americans are not rotten.

The Shapiro case(the girl who refused to stand up for the Star Spangled Banner) amazed me. We, Belgians, are not very fond of national anthems and flags. If someone tries to invade our little land, we fight with courage and even bravery. But through 2,000 years of foreign occupation, we have learnt that coloured clouts and martial drums are just what they look or sound like, over-pride and noise.

I liked, for its pettiness, the comment of that lady who wrote "Catholic children should go to Catholic schools, Jewish children to Jewish schools and American kids to public schools". Don't mix the inferiors with the WASPs, hey you!

And, for another reason, I loved this: "...the distribution of income and wealth in the United States is so inequitable that it violates the minimum standard of distributive justice... The time has come for ... the creation of an order that guarantees the minimum conditions of human dignity in the economic sphere of every person..." (First draft of the U.D. Bishops' PASTORAL LETTER ON CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING AND THE U.S. ESONOHY, Nov. 15, 1984).

God, in Whom I don't believe, is said to inspire the Catholic Church since

it has stopped burning witches on stakes. Okay, I'm not a rancorous person. If the Catholic Church stands against the "huasipungo" [I do not know what this term means--Gary], I'm a Catholic. If John Paul II says that wealth is a sin as long as the poor are starving and being exploited, I'm a Catholic.

Some days ago, two Mormon missionaries rang my bell, and I welcomed them into my bloody (2,000 detective novels) studio. Knowing that they have funny habits about drinks, I served them grapefruit juice(bleah!). Of course, I filled my own glass with campari-soda...Immediately, they fell on their knees and asked me permission to pray for my salvation. How could I have refused such an interesting proposal? You never know, you know...

But what annoyed me was when they started explaining to me that only the Whites have a chance to enter Heaven, that the Blacks are Cham's sons in English Ham, one of Noah's 3 sons] and will be punished for eternity, and gna gna. It took me about 30 seconds to kick them in the ass and down the stairs. I'm a fiery sod.

Ha! John Pack won't like this. If I remember well, he called "alcohol, tobacco and coffee" vices, right? Well, I have something for him...

Adolf Hitler was a tectotaller. Winston Churchill was an alcoholic. Adolf Hitler didn't smoke. Winston Churchill's cigars are famous. Adolf's father died in his petty bed, Winston's died of Syphilis. Should I go further? P.S. Why did I use a capital letter to write "syphilis"?"

U It was the "Id" which made you do it! Your experience with the Mormons was funny and I'm sure John will have something to say concerning it! Gna. gna, gna!

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Gabor Szaksz(Hungary): "Thank you very much for your letter, your explanational letter and the magazine -- where I read gladly my name and letter! Thanks for it, I already got letters from persons who read it!

My friends also liked it. I showed it to some persons, who are also interested in war-gaming hobby, like myself. The First World War seems a good theme, for a war-game and it is a pet theme for my friend. I am also interested in it and seek for a monster-game of SPI of it.
Thanks for your help in getting in connection with persons. One time I hope

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"we can have some hobby magazines, like the ones you can have 'there--although I suppose it will not be too soon. A hobby must be government sponsored, then you can have a journal--is the way here."

Mark Fassio (California, USA): "Thank you very much for Gabor's address. I would love to write this fellow, but first (believe it or not) I have to start a file on myself because I will "make contact with a foreign national of a communist country." No, I'm not joking--I have to tell the OSI (our version of the Army CID) that I have been/or am contacting a communist-country

national. And they start a file on me. They're pretty routine, these files; a couple of OSI guys who collect autographs write to Ceausescu[General Secretary of the Rumanian Communist Party] and to Honecker[the leader of East Germany] and they start a file on themselves too. Still, I hate to have some "weenie" looking at me as some sort of left-wing kook for having contacts and all that...

Nonetheless--I probably will write Gabor a letter. Hungary has always been my favorite east-central European country, and I would like to meet this Gabor. After all, I thought Jan Feringalof the Netherlands would be a real loser, but he and I are quite the letter-writing pen-pals now!"

Yes, Gabor has already improved my Magyar, as the Hungarian language is known by improving on my real Magyar name in "Windsor" (see page 5), a game of which Mark "Faz" Fassio is a part. Gabor, ask your friend to send me some dates from World War I and I will use them. This issue's WW I Chronology begins on page 3

Hungary does allow US zines into it and is probably the most liberal country in Eastern Europe. The "handicap" is that Hungarian money is not allowed out of Hungary and this is generally true for all East European countries. Let's look at another one—I'm in a game in a West German zine Spielwiese in which I play Germany. The Italian player is Lothar Panzyk from East Germany and the Turkish player is Richard Rotter of West Germany. East Germany is quite strict about what is allowed into its mails from the outside. Both Lothar, and Richard on Lothar's behalf, have inquired about EE. I sent 2 EEs to Richard who had agreed to mail EE into East Germany for me. His letter is next...

Richard Rotter (West Germany): "Thank you for EE, it arrived today. I don't know what comments about eastern countries you spoke of. I didn't find any #41 did not have a letter column, how about this one, Richard?]. Nevertheless, it is very difficult to send anything like this to East Germany. In general, it is forbidden to send any "press products" at all. In the beginning, zines (mailed as letters!) arrived in Libbenau where Lothar Panzyk lives], but in the meantime they regularly vanish on the way to Lothar. So we switched over to writing letters and put some or all pages of a zine into the envelope, so it often arrives, but not always.

Once it happened that a letter was sent back with the information, that Der Netzroller (Konrad Dolata) [an EE subber] wasn't on the list of allowed journals (about 10 or 12 journals are allowed, which are scientific without the slightest idea of politics, commercials etc.). So I will send half of EE together with a letter to Lothar and we will see what happens.

East Germany as liberal as Hungary? No. Hungary has some capitalistic experiments which give them a sort of extra-position in the Warsaw Pact. With their difficult language they stand very alone, as opposed to East Germany. East Germany speaks exactly the same language as we, they are the same people. They watch our TV-programs, though it was forbidden most of the time. In the DDR [East Germany], it is forbidden to put down the reputation of the state or tell bad jokes about it. So it is not impossible that Lothar gets any trouble, but I don't think it is a good idea to send him nothing for that reason. If I see anything which will obviously get him into trouble, I wouldn't send it. In Spielwiese it was written: "Don't convince Lothar to leave the DDR"[part of the instructions for we Western players in sending mail to East Germany]. Lothar told me that this sentence can get him into trouble, if any official gets the idea that someone would really try to convince Lothar. So, one should be decent."

☐ Richard mentions Konrad's <u>Der Netzroller</u>. It is merely games, not so very different from <u>Spielwiese</u> which does get through OK. ((continued on page 27))

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But the last <u>Der Netzroller</u> was returned to Konrad by the <u>Rast German State</u>.

Security which stamped upon it "Verbotenen Gegenstände" meaning "forbidden matter".

K^Onrad wondered if this was because of "die kapitalistischen <u>Dekadenzspielchen"</u> or "the capitalistic decadent little games". He will be attempting to send exercpts of Lothar's games in <u>Der Netzroller</u> only.

All my own letters so far have reached Lothar. I sent him the 2 pages that every new EE subber gets explaining NE and also the language chart dealing with the use of languages in EE. He commented on them and wondered how a game could be played that way. Next I will mail him the game report of "Chocolate Soldiers" which appears on page 11-12 of this issue. The stated reason will be to show him how an EE game is done in another language, Korean, along with the supply center chart and that much of each EE game does remain in English.

But the real reason for sending that particular game will be because of what appears at the bottom of the page which is the "New Subbers" address list and the quote which should make absolutely no sense at all to any of you who have read it before reading this! No. 3 on that page is Jutta Hoffman, who is real and is Thomas Franke's girlfriend. Jutta let Woody and I stay in her home when we went to West Germany and when I write Thomas, I write to Jutta a little something in German for practice and she writes a little something to me in English for her practice. So Jutta's name and address will really be standing secretly for Lothar!

Needless to say, Jutta does not do a zine called Lothario but I picked that name because it is no doubt where Lothar's name came from. The nonsensical quote at the bottom is again about Lothario. I will be using using the word "Calista" in the Spielwiese international game to symbolize to Lothar that all of this was meant for him.

I feel it might be harmful to openly list Lothar as an EE subscriber and feel this is an appropriate way to accomplish it. I've never directly answered Lothar's comments but I often refer to my discussions with the "Turkish Sultan". We'll see what happens!

Evans Givan(California, USA): "Guess I'll see you in Oregon. Say. You know why California doesn't fall off into the ocean, don't you? It's because Oregon sucks. You can print that."

☐ Now I'll go to Oregon and LepreCon just to see what kind of reception you'll get Evans!

Judy Winsome (California, USA): "You're all wrong about chili; it's made with pink beans, not kidney beans nor pinto beans. Maybe I'll bring some to DafCon and test it against Steve's [Langley]. But I don't want to be competitive." Wallace Nicoll (United Kingdom): "Re: chili with pinto, or kidney beans—I, personally, detest kidney beans and always make chili with pintos. A bit less hassle, in that you don't have to boil them for twelve minutes (or whatever) to get rid of the nasty substances. All I do is put the pintos into a bowl of water the night before the day of the evening I want to make the chilli (one "1" or two?) Still with me? And then cook them along with the minced beef until tender."

Ü I wonder if minced beef is the same thing as ground beef? I'm sure it's one "l" in chili. Judy, what are "pink beans"? Daf Langley mentioned you cooking with them at DafCon on page 24 . You Pinto Preferrers are Pathetic!

Mark Fassio (California, USA): "The article on Korea made me glad I wasn't there. But I think the experiences of cold, fatigue and general complaining against the powers-that-be can be found everywhere. I certainly did my share of moaning and observing while in Germany. Your memory brought back a lot of nostalgia for me, in a strange sort of way; after all, I'm sure no one LOVES his lousy times in the service, yet there were times that a certain cameradierie, a bond, grew from the experience, be it with the buddies you make, the women you poke, or just the growing up you do while you're "serving time." Anyway thanks for printing that article—EE's GIs can no doubt relate to it very easily..."

John Michalski (Oklahoma, USA): "Fer your note on the issue received the other ((continued on page 28))

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"day: no, my experiences weren't anything like that. That's why I went AF[Air Force] to begin with: I knew the Army is pure shit. The Air Force wasn't fun, but the Army is an insult to society.

I spent 4 months TDY[Temporary Duty] on an Army post.

We called it the "Air Force Appreciation Course". It sounds cynical but it is literally true: the NCOs/lifers[Non-Commission -ed Officers, i.e. sergeants] in the Army today are identical in mentality to the NCOs in Hannibal's army crossing the Alps in 214 BC(or so). They differ only in that they now have to wear shoes all day, unlike they did as children growing up in good of west Virginny or Alabam'.(It seemed 3/4 of the senior shitheads were from West Virginia or Alabama). I've never dealt much with officers, although I did note how the Army mentality had emphasized more to them, than to AF officers, that the troops are mindless cattle over whom the officers is an annointed representative of God, to herd or drive or devour, as he sees fit.

AF officers are more humble, due to the more pronounced AF enlisted attitude of contempt and indifference(more openly expressed!) to the officers.

I'm afraid to the non-veteran readers, the pointlessness and lack of leadership and control did not come across very clearly in the story. We went here, we went there -- the non-vets assume it had some reason. Only the vets, reading between the lines, know that it's a lot of wallowing around, not accomplishing much even if someone somewhere had some purpose in mind.

"And the literal writings, with only a glossary at the end, explaining that numbers W,X,Y and Z mean a hill, a road, a truck, and piece of
gear respectively, was very unclear to readers. Probably would have been
better to put in some explanation first, or, add a word to the sentence.
For example, "We put the 410 on our 602 and took 91a to 221" might have
been typed as "We put the 410 radio on our 602 van and took road 91a to

U Well, in the future if I print excerpts from my Korea journals I will do that. I firstly wanted to make it authentic to readers who had been through one of the services. In contrast to Alabama and West Virginia, I hated the officers from South Carolina, Georgia and Ohio!

hill 221." What does the first version mean to the neophyte reader?"

Mark Berch (Virginia, USA): "I'd like to comment on the Danes in World War II. It is true that Denmark did not resist the Nazis military; that would have been more than futile, it would have been pointless and meaningless. But they did resist in a way no other European country did--and effectively.

When Germany occupied Denmark, they attempted to inculcate the country with an anti-Semitic mentality. At this they had no success. Their propaganda fell on sterile soil, as the Jews were fully integrated into Danish society, and the Germans had no meaningful under-current of native anti-Semitism to draw on.

When the German pressure increased, resistance by the Danes did as well. Thi went all the way to the top. The Danish King at a time when arson was threatened against the Jewish synagogues stated publicly that he would not tolerate these fires. When the Germans pressed for odious legislation to be passed, the King asked the Parliament to dissolve itself instead and declared himself to be King-in-exile(though he never left).

Finally the Nazis decided in 1943 on a "round-up", as had been done else-where. Elsewhere in Europe, especially in eastern Europe, the Nazis had been
able to count on the "locals" to cooperate in locating the Jews. Here there
was resistance, so much so, that for example, Jews never had to wear the "Yellow
star"--again in contrast with all other occupied countries.

When the plans were finalized, a high member of Danish society, at great personal risk, notified the Jewish community and others that action was imminent. The Jews went into hiding and were then smuggled out of the country in boats to Sweden, which was neutral. The fishermen who did this ((Continued on page 29))

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"risked their boats, their liberty and their lives -- and some paid this price.

The result was that the great majority of Danish Jews were rescued--which happened nowhere else. Those who were caught were mostly sent to the concentration camp at Theresienstadt, but even those were not forgotten. The King sent parcels to them clearly marked as coming from him, so that the message would be clear.

In Israel today, there is a Holocaust memorial. Part of it is a whole area devoted to those who rescued Jews. Those named are individuals and organizations. But there is one exception—the people of Denmark.

In war, resistance usually means killing or harming the enemy. But sometimes it means shielding the enemy's intended victims. In that category, Danish resistance had no peers. "

D Thanks for this indepth look, Mark which was a response to an earlier comment that disparaged the efforts of the smaller countries during World War II. Geography often determines the fates of nations and peoples. I think it should be pointed out though, that Denmark, alone of the invaded nations, accepted the German protectorate, albeit under protest, and her King and government remained in Denmark. The Germans took pains to show the world that cooperation with the Nazis could work by making Denmark a model protectorate., and until 1943, when the war finally turned against Germany, there was little trouble from Denmark. I agree that the Danes did aggressively act to save their Jewish compatriots but other countries also did not have a neutral country close by (like Sweden) so they could flee to safety.

Bruce McIntyre (British Columbia, Canada): "On Feb. 11, 1985 I shall mail four hundred copies of Excelsior #1. The EE list of subbers is high on my priority list, so if you get any new subbers between now and then let me know...The zine will contain three Dip games at first, no more initially, but much other interesting stuff. I'd like to keep the size down for the first little while, but you can expect growth by next year. XL (my abbreviation, unique, eh?) will take its break during December to avoid post office Christmas hasales (magnified greatly for some reason here in western Canada).

The zine's theme will be music. The first three games will be nicknamed "Albinioni", "Beethoven" and "Chopin" and its trademark will be a consistently flashy graphic layout. Two days ago, I got an agreement to have the front cover done(for a reasonable fee) by my former girlfriend: proving beyond doubt that I can get along with anyone!

stumper that took me a half-hour tonight. The question: what is the only place on the Diplomacy board that cannot be legally moved to in 1901, though it is accessible from then on? Try to do it without a map, though the map is no real help. I'll send the answer next time if it looks as though you're still stumped."

Usell I was stumped (Bruce sent me the answer) but I'll rum it in EE. The first two persons (one from North America and one from Europe) who send me the correct answer win a free EE. If you didn't get Bruce's XL, write him at the address on page 16 and you'll get it for free-I think he has about 50 copies left! XL may have a temporary home in EE if there is a Canadian mail strike as appears likely. Your ex-girlfriend's artwork is great, Bruce!

Ralph Morton (Ontario, Canada): "My wife and I are getting along on the farm just great. We've been here 16 months now and enjoying every minute of it. Yes, it's a helluva lot of work, and since we both have jobs in town, we have only nights and weekends to accomplish everything...but it doesn't seem like work when one enjoys what one is doing. N'est pas?...Nicht wahr? Our objective is to become as self-sufficient as possible in order to stretch our dollar to the maximum.

With a dozen beef cattle, 40 laying hens and a 1/2 acre vegetable garden, we've already become about 60 % self-sufficient in food during the short time we've been here. As well, we're on a crash program to up-grade or replace the farm equipment, de-rock, plow and plant the fields, etc. and we've made great strides towards achieving this as well.

In addition to carrying out some major renovations to the farmhouse, my ((continued on page 30))

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"proudest achievement to date is to site, prepare and plant an orchard comprising of 44 fruit trees and 40 grape vines. All this is in addition to the normal daily maintenance one comes to expect around farmhouses, out-buildings, machine-shop and a whole raft-full of farm equipment. Just to provide for our winter heating needs, I had to cut, haul, split and stack 15 cords of wood!

Winter does offer us a little respite...but not much. Winter is the time to carry out major maintenance on the equipment and to plan for next year. Winter 1s enjoyable on the farm, if one enjoys anow-shoeing, skiing, etc., as we do."

U If there is a con in Canada, I know where I'd like it to be, Ralph! Thanks for sharing the achievement of your dreams with us!

Marvin Baker (Alabama, USA): "We had about one inch of snow and 1/2 inch of ice but I went to work anyway, since I'm only 6/10 of a mile away... The radio down here said you got 12 inches! How long did it last?"

Mark Luedi (Indiana, USA): "Did you get the same cold wave this past weekend? 25 degrees below here! And it was below zero sometime Saturday till Monday morning. Ugh!"

Mark Fassio (California, USA): "Ho ho ho, and all that other Winter Wonderland stuff! So, now you know how us Northerners feel, getting all that snow all the time! C'mon, Gary, deep down you really LOVE the frozen pipes, the icy roads, and the frigid cold, right? I knew you were a closet Yankee after all, right? (obvious exaggeration!!!!)."

"The white stuff you found outside last week is Steve Heinowski (Ohio, USA): called snow(S-N-O-W). We get a lot of that up here now and then. The trick is to turn "snow" into administrative leave, a difficult task."

Ivo Bouwman (The Netherlands): "As far as the stereotype goes, since last week, winter really took off here. Or at least as we see it. It's -10 to -20 degrees C these days, and forecast to stay for at least another week (that is 14 to -4



/I WASN'T MADE degrees F I think). And since this is pretty unusual to us, indeed, hordes of people start skating on the lakes and canals." Thomas Franke (West Germany): "At the moment the weather is rather horrible over here. The temperatures have fallen to -10 to -20 degrees C in the night, the Rhine and the Elbe are frozen and all the land and cities are under a thick snow cover. It's rather difficult to drive by car sliding. Now some warm weather has arrived from the Sahara, but

this doesn't affect the cold front. It's just lying over it and due to the fact that there's no wind at the moment, it's acting like a "bell" which cocks up the cold front under it. The result is that no fresh air is arriving; all the dust produced by the industries and the cars remain just where they are. The authorities have given smog alarms for the whole Ruhr area, which means you are no longer allowed to go by car and are advised to remain at home! Oh, God "

The news reports have all said that Europe has had a bad winter and I know the South has! Memphis has been hit 3 times and the snow has to melt before we are rid of it and it usually lasts over a week! The 3rd time, it came after I was at work, so I didn't get into it until around mid-night. I made 6 of the 8 miles by roller-coasting sliding but one last hill I couldn't make so I parked my car and walked the final two miles to home. Today it's 70 degrees F!

C-G Spare (Finland): "Ah, uh....what...uh....yes, yes....what --where am I? Who are you, being in shining armor, who waked me with your kiss? Oh Elsie, is that you? Oh, I have slept for so long, so long. I must have gone to sleep right after I pricked my thumb on that thorn of the Psychopath-bush--thank you for waking me--I have got so many neglected chores to do. First of all--Ohmygod---- I must write to that man in Elvisville..

I have reviewed some letters I have written you in the Dear Gary L., past. They all seem to begin with profuse apologies for not writing sooner and all sorts of contrived explanations and excuses. TO HELL WITH THAT. I am what I am--a shiftless, lazy slob--and proud of it. How was that for a wheedling, ingratiating start?

We have had a period of very cold weather here. ((Continued on page 32))

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her steps as it pulled to the curb before her.

They say each of us has in our genes the instinct to fight or flee. The virgin had neither. She had fallen beyond the instinctual. She stood transfixed watching the patrolman open the door and begin to exit the patrol car. Everything that had happened through the morning had jarred her from what was cozy and familiar. She stood waiting, no longer able to resist or influence what was to come.

"Step to the front of the cruiser, please." the patrolman said, as he stepped to the curb. She obeyed wordlessly. "May I see some identification?" he asked.

She shrugged and held her arms palms front in a gesture of emptiness. "Do you have any identification?" he asked. She found her voice, "No."

"I'm taking you in on vagrancy charges, please come with me." He opened the back door of the patrolcar and the virgin climbed in. He got into the driver's seat, picked up his mike and said something into it. He replaced the mike, started up the engine and pulled into the street.

He turned at the end of the street and turned again some time later. She was

Ten minutes after pulling onto the freeway, he pulled off to a rural road that went along apple orchards. Three miles later he pulled down a dirt road that looked like it led into the hills. The virgin's mind had gone into overdrive. "He's gotten an emergency call and has to take me in later." "Then why is he driving so alowly?" "He's got an errand to make." "But there's nothing here?" "He's stopping for lunch." "Get serious!" "Oh shit, dumbo, he's taking me where we can be alone." "I can't believe this!" "Yes I can." "MOTHER!"

The patrolman stopped the car next to a creek. The bushes and the turn in the road hid the car from every direction. He picked up his handcuffs and his billy club, got out, and opened the back door. She alid as far to the opposite side as she could. He reached in, grabbed her ankle and pulled her to the open door, saying nothing. She struggled as he put the handcuffs on her and pulled her from the car with them. "You don't want me to use this do you?" he said, indicating the long threatening black club.

She stared at the club and went with him as he led her over a sand dune to a flat spot above the creek. The sand was littered with leaves; the grass was flattened as if some large animal had slept there. Certainly this animal never slept here. She cried "MOTHER" again as she falt his rough tug on the back of her dress.

The tubes leading from his nose confused her. She had been opening and closing her eyes not knowing what was dream and what was real. She dreamt she had woken up and wasn't sure if she really was awake or was just dreaming she was. The old man in the bed next to hers was sleeping. She figured he was sleeping whether she was dreaming or not. That seemed to make sense, the first thing to make sense in a long time.

"Well, look who's awake. Welcome back, whoever you are." The virgin turned to see who was speaking. The nurse was just setting down a tray of little bottles and plastic and was shaking a thermometer. "Here, let me take your temperature now that you're awake." "Where am I?" she slurred around the thermometer.

"You're in Santa Rosa General. A patrolman brought you in. You had collapsed on the sidewalk."

"Am I OK?"

"Yes, except you're probably hungry--you've been asleep for six hours."

"What time is it?"

'The nurse looked at her watch and said "8 0°Clock. Do you think you can eat something?"

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He that lieth down with Dogs, shall rise up with Fleas.

Whom should I lie down with, then—Cats?

Furthermore, I resent the Innuende.

Right! Tell that

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"The temperature here in the south has been almost -30 degrees C, and in the north they have hit this century's record, -50.1 degrees C. Today, it is a bit warmer, only -16 degrees[about 4 degrees F].

We have had a troublesome period here at home. When our old foxterrier died last summer, we soon got us a new foxterrier pup. Although this is our third foxterrier, and we accordingly knew what we were doing, it seems we had, all the same, forgotten how extremely lively a terrier pup can be.

If I do not go with him to a dog garden every day, where he can run and romp with other dogs for at least two hours, there is no peace at home. I have had to get up and out at three in the morning just to give him the workout he absolutely needs before being able to go to sleep. And in this cold weather we have not been able to do that.

If it is colder than -20 degrees C, 10 to 15 minutes is the most. Even so he seems now to have frost-bite in one hind paw. He was today at the small animals' clinic and got treated--the paw was anointed if this maybe blasphemous expression be excused. So now it is worra-worra here and worra-worra there, and no table leg or shoe is safe.

America is in the process of going metric, is it not? And in your scientific papers you use only centigrades nowadays. Does this mean that you will start using C(degrees Celsius) in everyday life also? Were you able to relate to the temperatures I just told you without first looking up what their Fahrenheit corresponding numbers were?

The other day there was also a news report on the weather in Memphis on TV. A policeman and a car seemed to just glide away in the wind. So I guess our bad weather was not because old man Sun was busy rolling around your heaven all day?

I also enclose a picture of Savonlinna. Well, it is two-sided, so you must decide for yourself which side is Savonlinna and which a Swedish summer cottage. I hope you do not come to the conclusion that Swedes really have impressive summer cottages and that Finnish medieval fortifications cannot have been much of a dierrent to the Muscovites.

I would be interested in receiving the rules to that game--it was not sent to overseas readers of KE. Maybe I could participate...You indicated that Mikko Mylly [Mike Mills who does <u>Savonlinna</u> in KE] studied Finnish. Really? Is there a university in Sloatsburgh Mike's home then? I will enclose some reading material for him--hopefully not too adult. Tom and Jerry comic books in Finnish! And it is Saimaa, not Samina. Has he heard of Saimaan norppa?

The story of the Japanese submarine delivering arms to Finnish rebels in 1904: I find it very hard to believe. Where did you find it?"

In the 1949 set of Americana Encyclopaedia. I'll send you the mention of it and you can let us know! I don't know any Americans who "think metric". Except for 0 degrees C and 100 degrees C(boiling), I am not familiar with metric at all and had to use a metric converter I bought. As you can see from Marvin Baker's and Mark Luedi's comments on page 30, over here it is inches, miles and Fahrenheit degrees. On the expressway(autobahn), the distance between cities is written in miles, and then in smaller letters, kilometers. Metric is meaningless to me.

The game you referred to was Mike Mills' own invention, S.P. Q.R dealing with the Roman Empire. He has recently sent out the nules which you should have by now. S.P.Q.R. should begin soon with 6 players from 4 countries: C-G, Thomas Franke, Claude Gautron of Canada and 3 Americans(Don Williams, Mark Frueh and me) with 6-week deadlines. I sent Mike Mills the postcard of Savonlinna and the comic books. You might enjoy his press in his EE game, Iliad, on page 9-10. It's all in Finnish!

Mark Frueh (Missouri, USA): "So far no good Christmas movies--except for Starman, very relaxing film. Don't bother seeing City Heat - Beverly Hills Cop. Bombs!

Since I got cable TV, and now a video-recorder (Betamax), I just wait for the movies to come to me! I do want to see Amadeus. Thanks for the tips.

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Ivo Bouwman (The Netherlands): "For some time I have been reading the on-going discussion on the Europe versus USA topic, currently involving Jan Feringa, one of my better friends in Dipdom. What I regret most is that both "sides" seem to talk from their viewpoint as the irrefutable truth. The only thing being done is trying to come up with examples to prove the points being made. I think it is a hazard to a discussion to use examples in itself, because people tend to end up fighting over those examples, and forget about the "main" topic. But when you use a matter to elucidate your point, why not try to look at it from both sides, before doing so?

Let me, with that in mind, say some things about the media in The Netherlands and the U.S. momentalization in the U.S., some of which there are lots of very good, objective publications in the U.S., some of which I have read during my stays. There undeniably are lots of rubbish magazines and papers as well. So are there in The Netherlands. Two advantages that our "critical" newspapers do have: they are being subsidized—in one way or another—and because of the size of our country they are to be obtained anywhere. While in the US, papers are very much restricted to certain areas, and because of the principle of free enterprise they will have to appeal to a "larger" audience.

Now we can fight over the idea of subsidizing newspapers. Let's not do that. As things are, in The Netherlands the most popular newspapers are papers of questionable level, and as Jan says, basically pro-NATO and pro-USA! (Believe it or not Woody!). I guess it must be quite the same in the US. To my opinion the big reason for the lack of mutual understanding is the fact that in Europe, people only hear the Americans(e.g. Reagan) they don't like, and the average American only hears the Europeanshe doesn't like, while there are massive numbers of people on both sides with opposite views that are not heard!

One thing I do want to add to this. I strongly believe that both Jan's, as is your, knowledge of the "other side" is highly superficial. So is mine. And that's why we shouldn't draw all those conclusions. To my opinion it takes quite some time of living on each side of the Atlantic to be able to work things out.

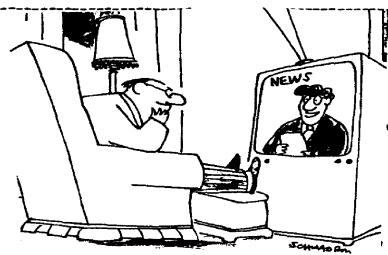
If Yes, I think people would be more understanding of each other's positions if they had to live in each other countries for awhile. Much of the American newspapers read the same—the same wire services provide the news. I notice this when I got to conventions where I already read the local papers. Driving across the country, you are struck by the sameness of the news, and when I return home to the newspapers I put on mail hold, I see the same stories. Many US newspapers are owned by "chains" who pool their resources from across the country. Now we'll look some more at the views of a Dutchman, a Briton and an American...

Jan Feringa (The Netherlands): "I'm not so sure about Teijo's Doornkamp, also from Holland, whose letter appeared in EE #40] "rather red than dead" phrase. The USSR has shown some astonishing repression examples in the past. Take Kazakhastan or the Baltic states. I don't think they could cope with the whole of Western Europe if conquered all at the same time, but I doubt if that would be their strategy.

...--Gary, you won't believe it: I just put the telly on and accidentally hit the Evangelic Broadcasters. They had a kind of "This Is Your Life" program with a Dutch woman who emigrated to the USA. The woman had survived Ravensbrück. I don't know from which company the program was bought, CBS, ABC or NBC, but it was AWFUL! Applauding, cheering, laughing, like the concentration camps had been a school trip. That she had survived Scheveininga, Vught and Ravensbrück seemed normal and even amusing, all due to the fact that she was religious. My God, I just didn't believe my eyes! The program was called "Corrie ten Boom ontmoet oude bekenden" or "Corrie ten Boom meets old acquaintances". Terrible, amusement based on the gas-chamber horrors.

Included you'll find a front-page article about Reagan's proposal to separate the Geneva negotiations in offensive and defensive weapon talks. It gives what was printed in the <u>Washington Post</u>. In the last paragraph, <u>Pravda</u> and Gromyko are quotes. Information which leaves the drawing of conclusions over to the readers. That's how it should be, as far as I'm concerned. By the way, it's from <u>de Volkskrant</u> 2 January 1985. You would call this paper "liberal", I suppose."

I guess I'll break in after each letter. I can believe the Corrie ten Boom ((continued) on page 34))



"Those were the facts, reported objectively. We now return you to your own irrational prejudices."

LETTER COLUMN...Continued from p.33 program but I'm quite sure it did. not come from CBS, ABC or NBC. The religious groups have their own

religious groups have their own stations on the cable (see Kevin Stone's letter on page 35) and many Americans find them appalling or watch them to get a laugh.

I admire Corrie ten Boom though having read some of her books which are available everywhere over here. Maybe she thought of this audience "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Ian Hardy (United Kingdom): There are very few things which actually physically annoy me but you son have managed beautifully. For that reason I intend to set you straight

on a few facts (things which you appear to be sadly lacking) and make a few interesting comparisons enroute, but to yourself not, as you did, in Brutus. [Jan Feringa's and Teijo Doornkamp's zine]

Firstly people. The people who reside on the Falklands are British in nationality, they (most of them) emigrated from this country and wish to retain their British citizenship. Argentina the country which would like to own the islands found that diplomatic means were unsuccessful and therefore tried using military means. I now ask what would your so great and democratic country do if say Chile invaded Hawaii and claimed it for themselves?

Secondly the, and I quote from my letter in <u>Brutus</u> "massive military forces" which were despatched south. The bulk of the British manpower was employed in getting the troops and their equipment to the islands which, remember, are over 8,000 miles away. The number of <u>soldiers</u> sent actually numbered just over 7,000, yet they were sent to face over 15,000 Argentinians. By my reckoning that makes them outnumbered over 2 to 1, so who had the "massive military forces"? Bear in mind also, that upon their arrival they were faced with an enemy who was dug in and expecting them!

Perhaps though our troops had a psychological advantage. They were travelling south to recapture an island, or rather islands, taken BY FORCE by another country. When you lot of berks invaded Grenada it wasn't really the same was it? After all Grenada is not, and never has been, your island(i.e. it doesn't belong to you as the Falklands do to us) and by all accounts you only invaded because some Cubans were building a bloody airfield! Jesus Christ, what's the matter? Annoyed because you didn't get the contract?

Thirdly, and I shall not apologize for quoting again, "Now we find that it was the US who sustained England's effort." I can only assume from that crap, that you are referring to our use of Ascension Island as a staging post, because there is nothing else it could refer to! So, a history lesson is required along with everything else. The Ascension Island(s) are small things near the equator in the Atlantic which are owned by the, wait for it,...BRITISH! They were then opened up, by us, for your use. It's very condescending of you to allow us to use our own island.

Fourthly "superfluous bloodshed"(i.e., the sinking of the Belgrano) the Argentine ship sunk by the British during the war]. Now I shall say, before you make some stupid sarcastic comment, that the Belgrano was nowhere near the British fleet and was, by all accounts, sailing away from said fleet. There's only one thing to say to that... SHAME INNIT'. If they don't like the consequences they should have started the war. (In actual face they (the Argentinians) said that had the tables been reversed they would have done the same. It's only the goody goody prats here and over there who are worried about it. All is fair in love, etc).

Personally speaking as a preemptive strike the sinking of the Belgrano was 100 % successful. The idea was to persuade the enemy navy to stay at home and it succeeded. How many more people would have been lost if their navy had come ((continued on page 35))

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"out to play? I suppose it's like the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour only we

got it right while they, unfortunately some would say, got it wrong.

Next we come to "...numerous young men had to die for a colonial outpost." Proportionately speaking, allowing for size of invading/defending forces/total casulties, I'm amazed you dare open your mouth. Out of 7,000 soldiers sent to face 16/15,000, we lost 250 killed from all services, yet your country lost HOW MANY against 700? At Goose Green in the Falklands], the 2nd Battalion the Parachute Regiment attacked prepared positions occupied by 2,000 Argentinians. The Argentinians surrendered. This means, in plain English, that 640 British soldiers, a small percentage of your total Grenadian invasion force, attacked and defeated a force 3 times larger than the Grenadian "enemy". And you say WE had "numerous young etc.etc." Think again son.

At this point a person who wanted to rub salt into the wounds would probably say that, as far as the wast majority of British/German/French soldiers are concerned, the American forces are a bunch of useless wankers and their only saving grace is the industrial capacity behind them and that the American forces in Europe are a pathetic waste of time but when they're all dead their equipment

will come in handy. But I wouldn't say a thing like that.

What I would say is that a colonel in the Green Berets is on record as saying "I would rather go into battle with 50 ordinary British soldiers beside me than a battalion of our so-called special forces, especially if they had our equipment -- which they never will, which is a shame!"

And also "The ordinary British squaddie is the finest fighting machine on this planet. He is the best-led, best trained, most dedicated and most lethal.

He(the ordinary squaddie) far outstrips America's finest."

That's one of your lot saying that!

So, don't criticize us--you lot are not exactly whiter than snow and the next time you do feel like criticizing make sure of your facts and don't go making wild unsubstantiated statements.

Finally I was going to send a subscription to read your comments but I can't really see the point because you either won't print it or edit the shit out of it."

Your letter is printed here in full and you are receiving this copy of kg. However, since this topic was first raised in the Brutus letter column and you also sent a similar letter there, I will answer your letter in Brutus. Later, I will probably print my Brutus response in EE; I will not print any EE subbers' comments on Ian's letter. It costs very little to receive the bi-lingual Brutus, much of whose letter column is in English, and in which a English synopsis of the entire issue is provided especially for foreign readers. If you want to respond to Ian or enjoy the other interesting topics going on in Brutus, write to Jan Feringa, Radijsstraat 11 B, 9741 BJ Groningen, THE NETHERLANDS. cost 44 \$ from the US to Europe. I look forward to responding to your letter, Ian!

Kevin Stone (New York, USA): "Jan Feringa wants to read stuff that's left-wing? Tell him to try The New Republic, Nation, the New York Times or "Doonesbury" for starters. What is so great about the government helping news magazines in financial difficulty? If it can't survive on its own merits, then it should go out of business. And once you start subsidizing magazines, why not other businesses? Where does it stop?

I think Jan is totally in the dark about how television works in the USA. The Big 3 networks[CBS, NBC, ABC], like the Big 3 automakers and the two major political parties, all try to reach as big an audience as possible, thus must aim for the middle-of-the-road. The rest of television is divided more by subject matter than by political orientation. For instance, here are some of the channels offered by the cable system in my area:

a) The Big Three

b) Several large, independent stations from large cities that offer various amounts of news, sports, old TV series and movies.

- c) CNN the Cable News Network, with 24-hour news.
 d) Cable Health Network with 24-hour reports on how to stay healthy and the latest medical news.
 - e) ESPN Entertainment and Sports Programming Network with 24-hour sports.
 - f) Home Box Office[HBO], Showtime and the Movie Channel 3 networks which ((continued on page 36))

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"offer 24-hour movies.

g) MTV - Music Television with 24-hour music videos.

- h) The Weather Channel 24-hour weather reports, both local and national.
- i) C-SPAN The Cable Satellite Public Affair's Network with live coverage of the U.S. House of Representatives and other public affairs events.
- j) The Disney Channel and The Playboy Channel Walt Disney movies and cartoons during the day and soft-core porn films at night.
 - k) The Nashville Network 24-hour country music videos.
 - 1) Arts coverage of plays, symphonies and othe fine arts.

There are more, but I think Jan should get the picture(no pun intended). If you've got a satellite dish, you can pick up over 100 channels and watch virtually anything you want."

Yes, the cable systems are wide-ranging and I especially enjoy the CNN 24-hour news. But I don't think cable is, yet, available to a majority of Americans. Doesn't the Nashville Network have game shows and other things, not just videos? There is no question that information of all types is available to Americans and Europeans, but do we take full advantage of it? I am now getting weekly articles from British, French and German newspapers about what it going on there and their view of the world. Do the Dutch newspapers provide an English version?

Ralph Morton (Ontario, Canada): "[I'm letting] you know how pleased I am with the World War I Chronology. I find it very interesting, and it helps to put certain events into proper context. Since I know you haven't lived through WWI, I'm curious to know where you get your information from. In any event, it's an effort well-done."

Wallace Nicoll(United Kingdom): "I've just looked through the book Wallace sent me many WWI dates -- there's a lot of dates cited but I'm Sure how relevant they are to you. Lots of mentions of bombing raids, plane markings... When I'm home Christmas, I'll try to dig out some more WWI stuff. I just know I've a big heap of it at home. Somewhere. But where?"

Larry Peery(California, USA): "I like your chronlogy. You missed some major dates but I'm still trying to remember what they were...."

Michel Liesnard(Belgium, USA): "For your WWI Chronology: Feb. 29, 1916,

Henry Liesnard, Michel's father, is 12 years old and celebrates his 3rd birthday. Aug. 29, 1916: Birth of Léona Taelman, Michel Liesnard's mother."

Allan Calhamer(Illinois, USA): "I don't know the significance of the colors in "The Belgian Grey Book" etc. I looked around but couldn't find anything. I suspect the first one was arbitrary and the rest imitated."

John MacFarlane(New Mexico, USA): "I like your WWI series; found your explanations in #39 very interesting."

John Michalski (Oklahoma, USA): "I like the chronology part. We forget items like the shipping incidents that each side waged against us, or the planned starvation England waged on whole populations, enemy and neutral alike, and even continued after the end of hostilities. Yet they sure howled about the U-Boats attempting to do the same to them!"

Yes, that becomes quite clear in the month-by-month events. The U-Boat or submarine was a new weapon. If it stopped to halt a ship, it lay on the surface and was vulnerable. The English ships had standing orders to ram submarines which halted them. If I were England, I would have done as the English did and if I were Germany I would have done as the Germans did. Yet the English could truthfully say to America: "What we do to your ships may inconvenience you, but at least we are not killing anyone." But they deliberately flew American and other neutral nations' flags on their ships in order to avoid destruction and to attempt to get the Germans to sink neutral ships.

The distinction here is that the neutral nations' ships were not warships, but merchant ships, usually unarmed merchant ships. The English armed their merchant ships and they carried munitions thus making them legitimate German targets. The resulting deaths of women and children made the Germans seem as barbarians so they lost propaganda points there as in the Lusitania. But, to me, it is incredible that U.S. President Wilson would claim, in effect, that American citizens' lives were to be protected even when aboard a ship belonging to a nation at war, even if a warship! Ralph, people like Wallace send me WWI dates!

"Mad moiselle from Armentieres, parlez-vous? She got the palm and the croix de guerre, for washin' soldiers' under-

Hinky-dinky parlez, hinky-dinky par-

lez, hinky-dinky parlez-vous.

Mad/moiselle from Armentières, per- 25- End of Battle of 2nd Ypres(see 4-22): Japan agrees to withdraw the most onerous of its 21 Demands on China but still forces China to agree to most of them(see 1-18, 5-11); Chicago Daily News reports 55 bombs have been exploded within the past year by the extorting Black Hand members in Chicago.

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26- Due to supposed shell shortage, England's government falls and forms a coalition government(see 5-14); Zeppelin raid on Southend near London; English ship Triumph torpedoed at Gallipoli by U-21(see 4-25, May)(T)

27- French attack in Festubert sector fizzles out(see 5-15,5-16); English ship Majestic torpedoed at Gallipoli(T); Herman Wouk born, New York City.

28- Turks have success at Gallipoli(T)

29- Allies offer Bulgaria territory from Greece and Serbia if they ally with them; Babe Ruth pitches in Philadelphia (loses morning game of a morning-afternoon double-header(see 4-9)

(30)- Italians capture Cortina(I); Council held by Irish Volunteers votes on immediate revolution against England but is defeated by the chairman's Professor John McNeill's sole "no" vote; Von Richthofen, German soldier, gets notified of acceptance for flight school

31-June 1: German Zeppelins bomb London, England for the first time; 31- Germans storm forts at Przemysl(E); By this date English casulties at Gallipoli # since 4-25 are 38,000(see 5-12)(T); Germans tell US that the <u>Lusitania</u> was not

an unarmed ship(see 5-7, 5-13, 6-11, 8-15)
--in May 1915: German U-Boats enter the Mediterrean for the 1st time(see 4-25); The English mine barrier at the Straits of Dover is so formidable that U-Boats due for the English Channel are ordered to go round by Scotland; Turkey begins deporting the entire Armenian population, a process which will go on til October--of 1,750,000 Armenians, over 600,000 will be murdered; John "Reds" Reed arrives
in Bucharest, Rumania(see 4-3); Germany announces that reparations will be made to
US over sinking of US Gulflight(see 5-1), attacked by mistake they say; Germans introduce Fokker monoplane on Western Front(it could fire through the propellors due to an interrupter gear); Egyptians defeat Darfur troops in the Sudan and occupy El Fasher(see 11-6); Allies capture Eseka, German Kamerun(C); Some Berlin restaurants change name of "Italian Salad" to "Traitors' Salad" when Italy enters war on Allied side; Since July 1914(the last peace-time month), prices in Germany were generally 65% higher and those prices in England were generally 35 % higher.

Comments: When stalemate hit the Western Front, both Germany and the Allies sought other theatres of war in order to "turn the enemy's flank". Germany turned to concentrate on Russia in 1915 while England and France attempted to knock Turkey out of the war by a daring landing at Gallipoli.

The Gallipoli attack could have worked, in March when the bombardments first started but by April the Turks were ready to defend. Had Turkey been knocked out, the Allies could have had direct access to Russia and increased the pressure on Bulgaria, Greece and Rumania to attack Austria-Hungary.

Italy, having decided in February to join the Allies, haggled with both sides until April when she signed with the Allies. When it was revealed in May, how much Italy could obtain from the Central Powers without war, the government fell. The Italian Congress had a majority who wanted continued neutrality but a mob campaign stirred up Italian emotions and war was declared.

The sinking of the Lusitania shocked Americans and caused more of them to view Germany as a greater evil than the Allies. It would be 2 years before the US entered the war but the <u>Lusitania</u> sinking started the thinking in that direction. Years after the war, it was proven that the Lusitania was definitely carrying munitions. President Wilson's insistence that Americans should be able to travel on ships free from harm exasperated the Germans who saw this as the English using American passengers as "shields" to protect their munitions---guns and bullets that would be used against Germans--from being legimately sunk.

World War I had a horror that World War II did not and that was gas attacks. It perhaps makes one hope that since nuclear weapons were used at the end of World War II that maybe the horror of the nuclear weapons will prevent anyone from using them in a future war. ((Continued on page 39

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across the Indian Ocean, finally landing at Yemen which belonged to Germany's ally, Turkey. But they weren't safe yet! The Arabs there wanted them to stay and fight there and opposed all attempts at their trying to leave! They finally struck out on their own, were attacked by Arab marauders but eventually made it back to Constantinople and Berlin where they were regarded, quite justly, as heroes. One of the Enden crew, Lauterbach(see April 16 on page 4) had been captured with the original Enden crew and imprisoned by the English in Malaya. He fomented a riot by his Asian guards and escaped to the neutral Dutch East Indies(Indonesia). Lauterbach eventually made it back to Germany via China, Japan, the Pacific, the United States, the Atlantic Ocean and Norway sending postcards along the way to his former English captors!

In The Dragon And The Lamb there was a Diplomacy game called "Enden" and Mark Berch, pubber of Diplomacy Digest, wrote the following:

"The Enden was a German raider operating in the Indian Ocean in the early months of World War I. Although it had a displacement of less than 14,000 tons and a top speed of just 26 knots, it destroyed at least 22 vessels, doing damage estimated at

\$20,000,000(which was a lot of money in those days).

"Its principal targets were British merchant ships in the Bay of Bengal--which it entered on Sept. 10 and sank 6 ships. It also disrupted access to Ceylon and bombarded Madras in British India. Its most audacious exploit was the penetrating of Penang harbor[in British Malaya]. Flying a Japanese flag, and rigged with a fourth false funnel, it sank a British destroyer[it was actually Fremch] and the Russian cruiser "Jemstchug" (Germany was at war with both countries).

"A fleet of cruisers was sent to find the <u>Ruden</u>, and the Australian "Sydney" drove it ashore at the Cocos Island, where the <u>Ruden</u> was trying to destroy the wireless station. Oddly, some of the crew escaped, and made their way back to

Berlin. Its reign of terror lasted less than 3 months!

"So it is in Diplomacy as well. A raider behind the lines can tie up 3 or 4 pieces easily if the enemy decides to annihilate it. Such a unit can cut supports, prevent the formation of a stalemate line, etc. Typically, it is generated by pushing a breakthrough forward rather than going for a center(e.g. a new F Mid does F Mid-Nao rather than -Por), retreating a dislodged unit forward, or getting a minor ally of your enemy to switch sides."

Thank you Mark for letting me reprint your article here in EE! Does anyone, especially German subbers of EE whose attention I'm directing to this page, know if a movie has been made, or a television program, or the exploits of the <u>Enden</u> and its crew? I think this would be a tremendous idea for a movie.

With this installment, the World War I chronology is up to May so in the next EE we will probably take a breather by looking at actual quotes of the people who participated in the war. If you notice the dates of April 24 and then under May 1915, you will notice the Turkish extermination of the Armenians. The Armenians were Christian (the Turks Moslem) and it was felt they would aid the Allies if they invaded Turkey.

unite often recently, the newspapers mention attacks on Turkish diplomats and usually an Armenian extremist group claims responsibility. These events of April to October 1915 is where the Armenian justification comes from they say.

And when we get into the quotes in the April EE we'll see this one:

"I have given orders to my Death Units to exterminate without mercy or pity men, women and children belonging to the Polish-speaking race. It is only in this manner that we can acquire the vital territory which we need. After all, who remembers today the extermination of the Armenians?"

--Adolf Hitler, August 22, 1939

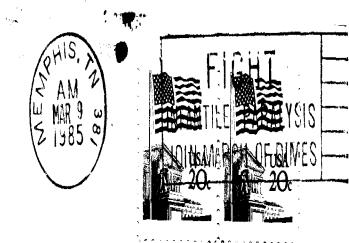
"The South American llama got its name by mistake. When the Spanish invaders saw the strange animal, they asked the Indians [Como se llama?---"What is it called?" The Indians, trying to understand what the Spanish were saying, kept repeating the word "llama". The Spanish took their own question as an answer, and dubbed the animal they had been calling "Indian sheep" a "llama."

--from Native Tongues by Charles Berlitz

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