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1982HH -- Winter 1903

No retreat received. GM retreats Austria A Serbia off the board.

AUSTRIA: No removal received. GM removes A Tyrolia.

ENGLAND: Build A London, F Liverpool.

GERMANY: No removal received. GM removes F Holland.

ITALY: Build A Venice, F Rome.

TURKEY: Build A Constantinople, A Ankara.

-- pre-Spring 1904 (separation of seasons requested)

AUSTRIA (Brad Wilson?) Has a sev.

ENGLAND (Dale Bakken) Has a fin, a nwy, a lon, f kie, f stpnc, f nth, f nwg, f lvp.

FRANCE (Bob Osuch) Has a bel, a bur, a ber, a mar, a par, f bre, f por.

GERMANY (Richard Craig?) Has a mun, a ruh.

ITALY (Walter Loy) Has a bud, a tri, a apu, a ven, f adr, f tun, f rom.

RUSSIA (Joe Dorchack) Has a ukr, a gal.

TURKEY (Bill Quinn) Has a ser, a bul, a con, a ank, f gre, f tyrr, f rum.

A player has requested separation of Winter 1903 and Spring 1904. Bob Osuch is the new player for France. I hope that Brad Wilson will continue playing Austria but if not the country will be placed in civil disorder. I also hope that Richard Craig will continue as Germany. But in case he doesn't I am asking for Kathy Byrne to submit stand-by orders for Germany. Addresses are in issue #168. The deadline for Spring 1904 orders is Saturday, 17 December 1983, noon PST.

1977AM -- Winter 1921

French A Piedmont retreats to Tuscany.

French F Tyrrhenian Sea retreats to the Gulf of Lyon.

FRANCE: Build A Marseilles

RUSSIA: Build A Sevastopol

-- Spring 1922

ENGLAND (Dave Pengelly) a lva s a mos-war, a stp-mos, a ber-sil, a mos-war /a/, a ruh s fa mun /otm/, f bal-pru, f nat-mid, f eng h, f swe-gbot, f nafr s f nat-mid.

FRANCE (Tom Butcher) a mun-tyr /r-kie,otb/, a tus s a mar-pie /a/, a bur-mun, a mar-pie, f glyo s a mar-pie, f adr-ion, f wmed-tyrr.

RUSSIA (Horst John) a tri s a alb-ser, a ukr s a war-mos, a rom s a ven-tus, a pie s a ven-tus /r-ven,tyr,otb/, a boh s a tyr-mun, a sil-ber, a alb-ser, a tyr-mun, a war-mos, a ven-tus, a pru-lva, a rum-gal, a sev s a war-mos, f tyr-wmed, f nap-apu, f ion-tun.

1977AM cont'd.

TURKEY (Fred Winter?) NMR. f por h.

English A Moscow and French A Tuscany are dislodged and annihilated for lack of a possible retreat. French A Munich is dislodged and must retreat to Kiel or off the board. Russian A Piedmont is dislodged and must retreat to Venice, Tyrolia, or off the board. Turkey will be placed in civil disorder if Fred Winter does not continue to play Turkey. The deadline for the retreats and Fall 1922 orders is Saturday, 17 December 1983, noon PST.

1980LF -- Spring 1912

French-Italian draw vote fails.

English-French draw vote fails.

ENGLAND (Doug Karnes) a war-sil, a ukr-war, a sev-ukr, a mos s a ukr-war, a lva-pru, f bal-den, f nat-mid, f iri s f lon-eng, f nwy-ska, f nth s f lon-eng, f lon-eng.

FRANCE (Hugh Polley) a ber-sil, a gal-sil, a kie-hol, a vie-bud, a pie-tyr, a par-pic, f nafr-mid, f spasc s f nafr-mid, f mid-eng, f bel s f mid-eng.

ITALY (Robert Acheson?) NMR. a tri h, a rom h, a nap h, f adr h, f bulec h, f ven h, f alb h.

RUSSIA (Konrad Baumeister) a arm-smy, a syr s a arm-smy, f bla-ank.

TURKEY (Dan MacLellan?) NMR. a ank h, f smy h /a/, f con h.

Turkish F Smyrna is dislodged and annihilated for lack of orders. I hope that Robert Acheson will continue to play Italy, but if he doesn't I am asking Dick Martin to submit stand-by orders. I also hope that Dan MacLellan will continue as Turkey, but if he doesn't I ask Ben Schilling to submit stand-by orders for Turkey. All addresses are in issue #168. The deadline for: Fall 1912 is Saturday, 17 December 1983, noon PDT.

1981Q -- FINISHED GAME REPORT

Zine: Born to Dip (to F01), The Snake Pit (to W05), EFGIART

GM: Brad Wilson (to F01), Keith Mercer (to W05), Doug Beyerlein

A: Norm Schwartz (droF02), Bob Arnett (droF03), Dave Valentiner (outF04)

E: Phil Cooper (resF01), Dan Kuszinski (droS03), Russell Blau

F: Kathy Byrne (Win F09)

G: Dan Stafford (ress01), Greg Stebbins (resF01), Rodney Jones (droS02), Dave Carter (droF05), civil disorder (outF05)

I: Tom Hurst (droF01), Jim Bumpas (droS03), Fred Townsend (resF05), civil disorder (outF06)

R: Dick Martin

T: Phil Otis (droF01), Kevin Mooney (droS07), Dave Ditter

1981Q cont'd.

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| A | 4 | 4 | 1 | - | | | | | | |
| E | 5 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 7 | |
| F | 5 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 14 | 17* | 18 | WINS |
| G | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | | | | | |
| I | 5 | 6* | 8 | 5 | 1 | - | | | | |
| R | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 7 | |
| T | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 6** | 2 | 2 | 2 | |
| NMR | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |

Players Comments:

Kathy Byrne (France): "I'm sure Dick feels the same way I do -- thank God it is over! This game got off to a very slow start, the first time it was orphaned I thought it would die -- but Dick and I stuck with it -- the 2nd time it was orphaned, Dick and I were really disgusted! But I found the best GM I knew to finish this game with us!

"My apologies to Russ for stabbing him -- but I took my best shot. He was a good ally and his coming in as a standby really helped me! Until Russ came in I was really in sad shape. Russ and I did a great job of knocking back Russia (Dick). And I made my move, it might have been too soon. But I went for it -- Russ's NMR couldn't have come at a more opportune time -- but I must say that was something I never considered.

"My thanks to Dick for being a worthy opponent (again). And a very special thanks to Doug for helping us end this game. Your GMing should be a model for every GM in this hobby. Thanks."

Dick Martin (Russia): "My goal for the longest time was to prevent a French win. All I could really do in the end was make it clear to England that France would win unless England stopped her. I don't know why it took so long for the message to sink into Russ's head. In the end it almost worked anyway, but Kathy was just too strong. Good show, Kathy! Good game, everybody."

NEWS

A lot has been happening in the past four weeks. Yesterday I just got back from San Diego (more on that later). Prior to my trip I had some major (for me, anyway) achievements in both cycling and running. The winter series of bicycle races started in late October. The first event was a 12.5 mile time trial. I had the fastest time (30:22) and beat my previous best time by over 40 seconds. Then two weeks later I competed in a 7-mile hillclimb with 2000 feet of climbing. I have never been a good hillclimber (lighter riders have a better power-to-weight ratio) and on this course last year I was happy to finally go under 33 minutes with a time of 32:48. This year I started out strong and kept on pushing a fairly large gear (65 inches). When I caught my one minute man, who is a good climber and almost caught me last year when I started one minute before him, I knew that I was headed for a good time. I hit the finish line at 30:33 and a new course record only to finish in second place when another rider arrived a few minutes later with a time of 30:22. But I couldn't have been happier with my finish.

In between these bicycle races I competed in a 10 kilometer run and bettered

my personal record by 3 seconds with a time of 39:16. When things go right...

Last week a co-worker and I flew down to Riverside County to look over some streams that we are studying for a flood insurance study. At the end of the week my co-worker headed for LA and his girlfriend and I journeyed on down to San Diego to visit my grandparents and some old friends.

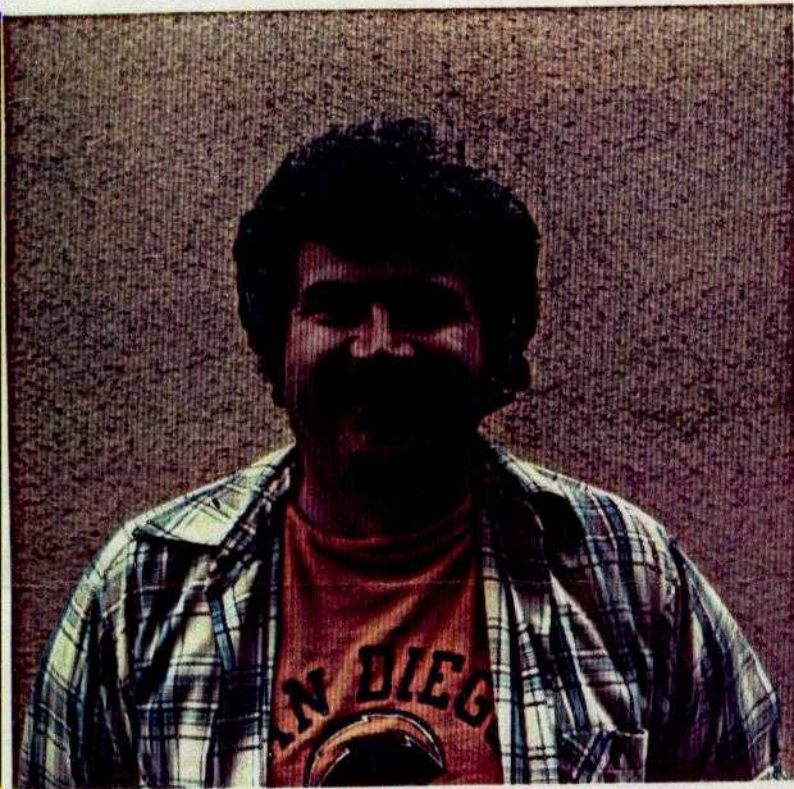
My first stop was to see Rod Walker and he and I spent an enjoyable evening talking about the present and past of the hobby and all of our mutual friends and enemies. Rod showed me his office -- wall to wall with books and Diplomacy files. He proudly displayed his Miller award (see photos) and gave me a tour of house, which is filled with dogs. His mate, Jimmy, runs a dog kennel and is one of the top poodle breeders in the United States. They have poodles everywhere.

The next day I visited with Larry Peery and his mate, Mike Maston. It had been some ten years since I had last seen Larry and while he has changed in physical appearance he is still an original thinker. Larry is an "idea" man and it is fun to listen to all of his crazy, semi-crazy, and somewhat sane ideas and opinions on the hobby. Larry is full of enthusiasm and during the course of our three-hour conversation much of it rubbed off on me (temporarily anyway). I know that there are some (many?) people in the hobby who think that all of Larry's ideas are crazy without even thinking them through just because they are Larry's ideas. But each should be considered on its own merit. Larry will even admit that he is not interested in pursuing all of the ideas he promotes in his mailings, but throws out many of them for others to pick and choose from. This philosophy doesn't seem to come out in his writings, but that may be because his excessive verbosity tends to obscure his true intentions.

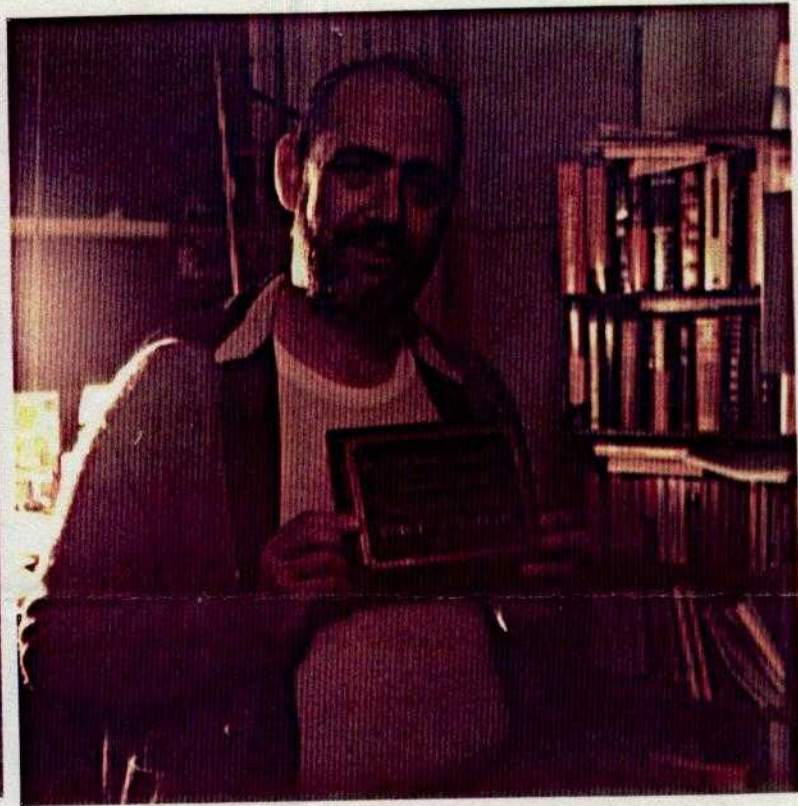
While Larry was getting ready to go to work Mike and I discussed computers and bicycles. Mike is more rational than Larry and provides a good counterbalance to Larry's unlimited energy. And perhaps not surprisingly, Mike is not impressed with the volume of Peery's output. Quite the opposite.

My last visit before leaving San Diego was with Conrad von Metzke and his family. Conrad retired from the hobby in 1978 and since then has kept himself busy with his work (as a supervisor at the Postal Service) and his family (wife Jean and sons Ross (age 4) and Eric (age 2)). Walker joined us for an evening of conversation on everything from the good old days of the hobby to how to order a business telephone system (Rod works for Pacific Telephone). Conrad hasn't changed since I last saw him at the '77 DipCon at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. The only difference is that now he has two miniature Conrads growing like weeds to keep up with. It is only a matter of time before they equal or exceed Conrad (6'8+") in height. Think of the grocery bills -- Jean probably does every week. Conrad, Rod, and I sat up past midnight before we finally called it a night. It was great fun.

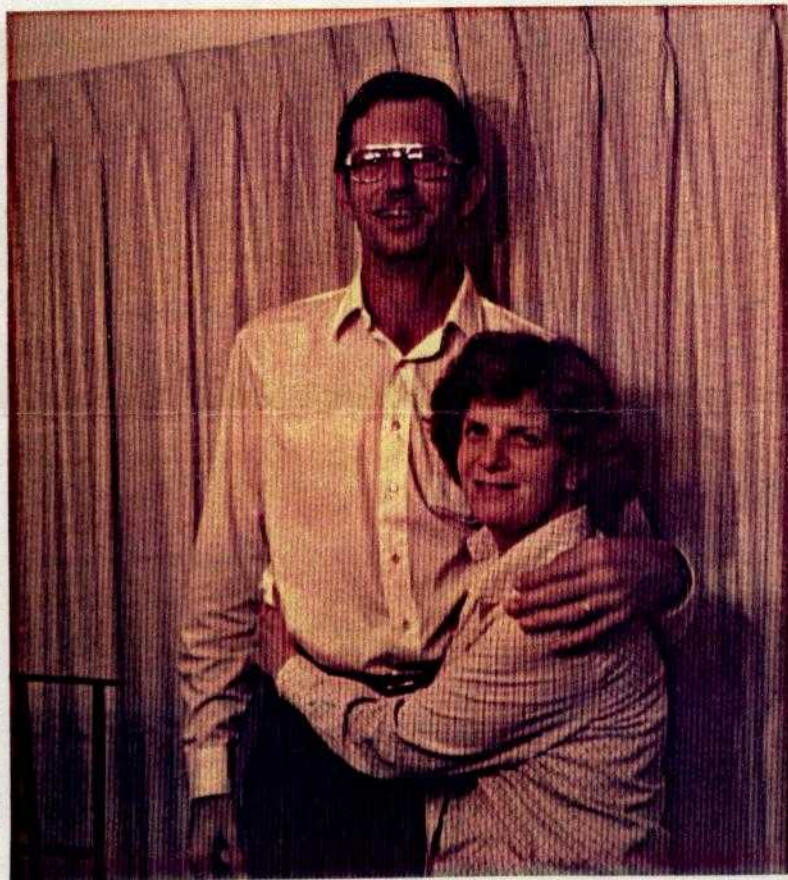
Finally it was time to fly home and put together this issue of EFGIART. So here I am. It is getting late and I am going to call it a night and an issue. See you in December and note that I am changing from Monday evening deadlines to Saturday noon deadlines for the next month or two. That is because I will be out of town either the week before or after the deadline and don't want to possibly delay the zine a week. I will be home on the deadline weekend. Until then.



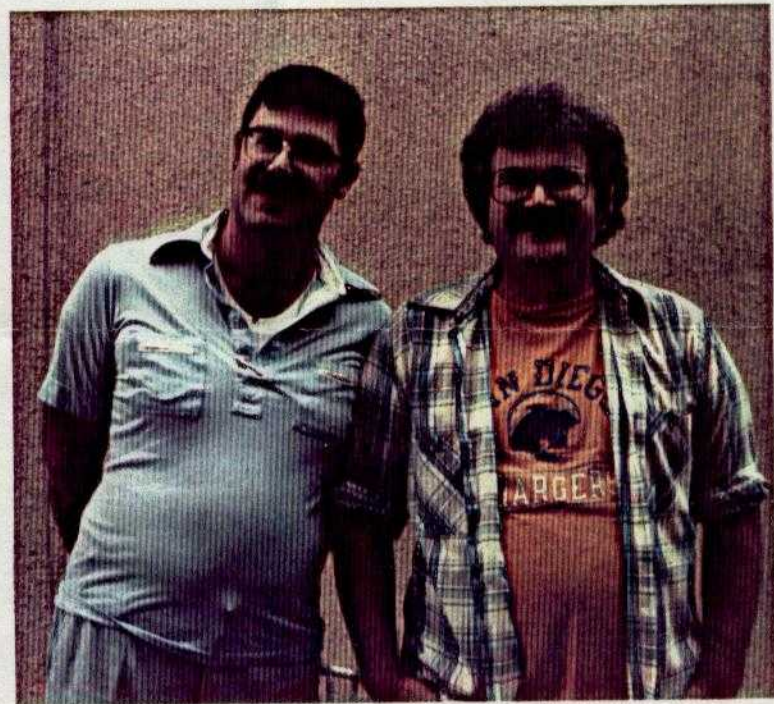
Larry Peery



Rod Walker and
the Don Miller
Memorial Award



Conrad and Jean von Metzke



Mike Maston & Larry Peery