

Well, what ya think? Is this paper OK by you? I hope so. It cuts paper cost and lets me get more into an issue for the 15¢ limit. So...

Another incident of baseless character assassination has reared its ugly head. The accuser, who is well known for insult and slander, has once again gone off on another vendetta. Suffice it to say that I regard the accuser and his actions as irresponsible character assassination void of truth. Enough...and on to other things...

Seems the IDA is about to or is attempting a comeback. Problem is their track record seems to breed skepticism, and since the IDA is often regarded as "them", perhaps its rejuvenation will only matter to "Them". But let's wait and see...

And now...Happy St Patrick's Day! To commemorate this day this is EM's "Irish Issue". Thus a majority of the articles are concerned with Ireland. A quite interesting piece is John Marsden's views on Northern Ireland, prompted by my article in EM#3. John pubs "Ode"--an excellent zine from the UK--and he's on the Soapbox this month.

Drew McGee and Gary Coughlan both provided articles on personalities who have shaped Irish history in the 20th century. Drew highlights E. Carson, a staunch Unionist, and Gary features a Republican, Roger Casement.

David Perlmutter sticks up for football, after John Masters degraded the national religion last issue, and I'm sure we all thank Dave for putting the heretics in their place!

Well...76BD & 76EZ have been delayed. It's all explained inside. A player had asked for a delay of the games, but that wasn't necessary in light of the developments and my subsequent decision.

The War Wolf, EM's 1st BB game, was started in the publication interim. The Winter 1169 placements and a ton of press seems to indicate that this will be quite interesting. Future and prospective players ought to monitor its progress. Also The Assassin (1980 O), EM's 1st Diplomacy start is inside, as a reminder to the players and FYI.

Before I forget, please read the About Games lists to see if the lists are correct for NMR insurance and standbys, and if not please drop me a line.

As you know The Great LaFosse has decided to run for the White House. His candidacy surely is the best news to come off the wires in some months! While all these Republican/Democratic hopefuls only tell us what the "problems" are, only LaFosse has proposed solutions. In Nov 1980, I heartily ask you not to vote! But if you do vote LaFosse as a write-in. Don't go out and vote for Jimmy or Ronnie or Teddy or Georgie just because you think you have to do something! They're all ass-holes. Vote LaFosse or Not At All. A' Natural Party Candidate!

Question: Is Mark Berch still pubbing DD? Last ish I got was Dec '79's! Also, B Sergeant mentioned that me may revive St George and the Dragon, but in light of the Tourney starting does anyone know what Bob's planning on now?

Oh yes, may as well give this front-page treatment! Would you like to participate in a bourse? If so! EM will start running one in May. The rules will be printed in April's EM, and the Emania Bourse will be run in conjunction with 1980 O. If you interested, let me know. I think a fee of \$1.00 is fair. The Assassin players will be allowed to bourse, but they can't sell their currency short.

Well, before I run out of space, I'd like to say thanks to you all for your continued interest and support and all that. The common thing to say is that pubbing can take a lot of your time. Well, it can, but if your effort is really appreciated, it's worth it. If you are thinking of pubbing, go do it.

EM Notes

Emhain Macha is a monthly journal of postal Diplomacy available from Michael Mills, 3457 Makyes Rd, Nedrow, NY, 13120, and published on the 1st Monday of the month::Subscriptions are 6 issues for \$2.50 or 12 for \$5.00::The Bhearna Baoghail game fee is \$1.00, plus \$1.00 refundable NMR fee::There are game openings in Diplomacy::BB is a six player Diplomacy variant set in 12th century Ireland::A set of rules/map can be had for an SASE::Make checks payable to Michael Mills. (*Diplomacy is the registered trademark for the game invented by Alan Calhammer,)

*BB Rules Question: What if King A surrenders to King B, and King B does not accept the surrender, which means King A becomes a Lt to King B, and then King A drops out of the game anyway? Ans: If King B does not accept surrender, King A does not become his Lt. Surrender must be accepted, before the surrendering King becomes a Lt. If a King's Lt resigned or NMRed out, the King would take direct control. Q: In surrender, does the King gaining the unit also gain control of the SC? Ans: Yes, as the King is surrendring, not the unit. Also, note that accepting surrender the King may remove the surrendering unit and use that SC in question to build his own unit. Q: Is there CD in this game? Ans: Yes, when an NMR is followed by no orders from a standby that Kingdom will go into CD in that season, however if the position entails 3 or more units, the units will hold unsupported in that season, and efforts made to find a reliable standby.

Thanks to Torbjorn Strom, Greg Costikyan and John Marsden for their invaluable help with information for the ZD! Note: ZD print date is April 12th, so if there's any thing out there that should be in here!

What are Gallowglas? Well besides being orphan games in EM, they were Scottish mercenaries in Ireland--a common practice in days of yore!

Next month: "The Theory of Anarchy: 5 Weaknesses" by Francois Guerrier, which may help you rationalize the days ahead. "Confession In The Star Chamber", selected tape transcripts of Volkerwanderung's quest to find the Heretic of Volker #5. "The Clemenceau Letters" by Jake Walters, delayed to next issue because of space. This 2nd installment highlights the Fireman of Rome

*Another BB Question: Do we have to hold our conquered SCs for one season only? Also does it have to be the fall season, or can it be spring and summer also? Ans: A conquered SC is the possession of the last King to occupy that center in the latest Fall season, when it was occupied, as per the reg Dip rulebook.

*To players: It is not necessary to send orders for separate games in separate envelopes, BUT for GMing ease write them on different pieces of paper.

*Oh yes, Diplomacy Game Fee is \$2.00 plus an NMR fee of \$1.00

*Also, next month: Rules for a bourse, appropriately called The Emhainia Bourse.

*The Number above your name on the cover is the issue your sub expires on. If I circled it, you know that I know that your sub is expired...

(This article originally appeared in "Rebus Sic Stantibus" March '76 issue, and appears in EM with permission of the RSS editor and the author, Drew McGee.)

The Man of The Month is the architect of present day Northern Ireland, Sir Edward Carson. A Dublin lawyer and Member of Parliament representing the British establishment stronghold in that city, Trinity College, he was the one man to most brilliantly and tenaciously fight the birth of free Ireland. On the whole, he lost, but his success in Ulster we still can feel today.

The issue of "Home Rule" for Ireland was the raging issue of British politics in the three decades prior to WW I. The British Gov't had given autonomy to Canada and So Africa and was hard-pressed to rationalize the hold kept on Ireland. The Irish bourgeoisie no longer felt that their destinies were improved by London control and were constantly using pressure in Parliament to gain Home Rule. The Liberal Party, at about the turn of the century, had formed an alliance with the Irish nationalists. The Conservatives were linked with the Ulster Unionists, the then governing class of Ireland, opposing Home Rule.

A number of times Liberal Gov'ts in London had passed Home Rule legislation through the House of Commons only to have it defeated in the House of Lords. The Parliament Act of 1911 removed from the lords the power to defeat Commons' legislation. They were left with only the power to delay implementation for two years.

After 1911 Home Rule seemed inevitable. The Unionist inheritors of the absentee landlords of potato famine fame had to take quick action to preserve their position as final arbiters of Irish Gov't.

Losing solidarity with large sections of Britain's ruling circles, the Unionists had to find some kind of alliance with some segment of the Irish working-class. The landlords had few ethnic or cultural ties in Ireland, but were quick to discover their "religious" ties to the descendants of the Scottish settlers in the Province of Ulster.

The "religious" issues that were, and are, supposed to separate the Irish people, for all the nonsense about the Battle of the Boyne in 1690, are largely a modern invention. Scottish Presbyterians in Ulster, until the 1800s, were the most violently pro-Republican and anti-British groups in Ireland. The Irish Rebellion of 1798, which proclaimed the first Republic of Ireland, was led and armed by Irish Presbyterians. The Irish parliamentary leaders for Home Rule, Parnell and Redmond, were both Irish Protestants. The Catholic bishops in Ireland, like their counterparts in the rest of the world, never supported resistance to authority. From 1800 on the landlords had pitted Catholics and Protestants against each other, trading one side against the other for higher rents. Any "religious" resentment in Ireland was a product of the Unionists.

It was the lingering resentment that Carson was to exploit so well. A brilliant propagandist and orator, Carson organized giant rallies in Belfast. In his speeches he invented amazing stories about "Jesuit" control over the Home Rule movement and decried that "Home Rule means Rome Rule". Just how Redmond was supposed to be planning to threaten the religious liberties of the Belfast working-class was never explained. He was convincing enough in his condemnation alone.

Having whipped up sectarian feeling, Carson knew that mere agitation, even with the few riots that were produced, would not be

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The Man of The Month: Sir Edward Carson (continued)

enough to permanently break up domestic peace. Given time the force of Carson's argument was obviously so weak that the agitation would subside. If Carson could permanently change the mobs into armed camps, the religious factions of working-class Belfast would really have something to fear in each other and communication in an armed stand-off would be almost impossible.

In 1912 the Liberal Asquith Gov't introduced the awaited Home Rule Bill. In that same year Carson and his Belfast organizer, James Craig, organized the Ulster Volunteer Force (UVF), a clearly illegal army of over 100,000 men. A British general was found to train the UVF. Money was raised in London for arms. Carson lunched with the German Kaiser to arrange the purchase of heavy infantry weapons, including machine guns.

This private army succeeded in hardening sectarian lines. Fear drove the Ulster Protestants from the nationalist camps. A nationalist private army of 10,000 was raised. The fear of open warfare delayed final passage of Home Rule until 1914, implementation to be delayed for two years.

With final passage of the bill, all would be lost if Carson's faction had indeed been dedicated to the legitimacy of Westminster. Of course, they were not.

Carson was not in fear of the law, but concerned about the British army, which might be called upon to enforce it. In what seems to be an amazing success today, Unionists persuaded officers of the Regular British Army to sign a pact, promising that they would not fight the Unionist forces. In effect, the British Army in Ireland had mutinied.

At that point Carson had won. The majority in Commons was not strong enough to force Home Rule in the face of all the trouble that would ensue. With war brewing in Europe, Home Rule was delayed supposedly until after peace in Europe.

With the absolute defeat of Home Rule in Parliament, the task of revolution fell into the hands of other men. Carson's threat of force was countered by nationalist groups, who from 1916-21 had succeeded in raising enough Hell in southern Ireland so that a neo-colonial Home Rule Gov't had to be established in Dublin. But Carson also had to be appeased.

Though he was forced to withdraw his control to Ulster, Carson had fought a brilliant battle to keep his class in control of Ireland. In 1921 the Irish Free State was established in Dublin, and the Northern Ireland state-let was set-up at Stormont.

The Province of Ulster is 9 counties large: Northern Ireland has but 6. The purpose of this abbreviation was to include in the Unionist enclave only the largest area that would be Protestant controlled. Consistently throughout the history of No Ire, the population has been 2/3rds Protestant and 1/3rd Catholic--a perfect ratio for instability. If the two were about equal, control could not be assured, but if the minority was too small, they could not be feared.

Sir Edward Carson deserves our salute. His work is pure genius.

((The "spiritual" successor to Sir Carson in one, Rev Ian Paisley, whose talent for polarizing the communities rivals Herr Gobbels.))

"Up the long ladder, and down the short rope! To Hell with King Billy, and God Bless the Pope! If that dosen't do, then we'll tear them in two, and send them to Hell with their red, white and blue!"

The Clans Sound The Drums of War
 Albion's Fleets Cruise Coast Unhindered

The O'Connor of Connacht (Mooney): A Ros/A Sli/A Gal
 King Henry II of England (Ledder): F AOn/F AOs/F Iri
 The MacLochlainn of Leinster (Russon): A Kik/A Kid/A Dub
 The O'Brien of Munster (Coughlan): A Lim/A Nen/A Orm
 The O'Donnell of Tirconnell (Perlmutter): A Tyr/A Tir/A Fgh
 The MacDonlevy of Ulaidh (Schaller): A Lou/A Arm/A Gle

Deadline for Spring 1170: SATURDAY April 5, 1980

Press:

*(Raphoe): A drum beats upon the mountain sides, calling the clans to battle. Yet among the blood, among the screams of dying men a satirical poem can be heard..."The Love Song of P Rosie O'Grady":

"Come out ye lads/Come out ye lads/Come out ye sons of the brown and tans/Once more the banner must be raised/So come out ye warriors, mighty and praised/And as the poet said to his dog/'Kill and be done with it all.'"

*The MacDonlevy to the other Irish Kings: Let's keep a tight reign on the English Dogs of War!

*Munster: The monks of Terryglass monestary in Tipperary, after a prodigious labor, have inscribed on parchment the latest wisdom of The O'Brien aka our own beloved Toirdelbach, and have faithfully delivered it to Emhain Macha. Toirdelbach feels the effort is probably wasted as his fellow Kings are all illiterate 12th century barbarians but nevertheless here it is: "I, Toirdelbach, the O'Brien and grandson of the great Brian Boru, do hereby submit my first and last Limerick of the 12th century, only because I own Limerick. All others are "counterfeit limericks" (say it fast 3 times).": "The English Knight Strongbow, though quite hairy/Ventured to the land of the elf and fairy/The Irish had the stuff/And Strongbow's had enough/And it's a long way to Tipperary!"

Dublin (FARCE/Foundation of Armed Reporters in Connacht, Etc.): Some of our agents in Galway North have recently reported a massive concentration of Connacht arms in this province. Stones for the army's slingshots are being shipped in by the sackfull. No One is too worried about this, however, as the slings have been recalled for inspection by the manufacturers in London. Connacht is expected to comply with the recall.

*Proclamation from The King to the Irish Clans: Gentlemen, It has come to our Royal attention that certain powers on the Continent have designs on your territories. Since your lands are very close to our own, it is in our interest, as well as yours, to take action to prevent Continental interference. Accordingly, we are dispatching elements of the Royal Navy into your coastal waters to guard your shores We shall not send troops to garrison your land, nor shall we interfere in your internal affairs.

*Munster to GM: We faithfully send our orders to you at Emhain Macha in Armagh. But what assurance do we have that The MacDonlevy will not seize and read them and profit the cherry hills of his Kingdom thereby?

*Derry: Yes, "I'm proud to wear the sash my father wore." The 1st to identify that phrase will get an undying friend.

*The Ard-File/GM of Emhain Macha to The O'Brien: 15 cathas of Knights of the Red Branch led by Connor MacNessa guard Emhania. We fear no common Kings, nor pretenders to the throne of the Ard-Right!

 Germany: Spring 1901

Chart A shows the # and %age of each opening move. Chart B shows the moves in combination; their #, percentage, the wins resulting and that %age. These charts are from Mick Bullock's "The New Statsman".

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	2-Den	321	60.7	2-Sil	9	1.7		2-Ruh	344	65.0	
	3-Bal	5	0.9	3-Pru	13	2.5		3-Sil	17	3.2	
	4-misord	1	0.2	4-H	2	0.4		4-Tyr	22	4.2	
	5-Hel	2	0.4	5-Mun	3	0.6		5-H	16	3.0	
				6-Misord	1	0.2		6-Boh	6	1.1	
								7-Kie	4	0.8	
								8-misord	2	0.4	

K-B-M		#	%	Wins :	#	%	:	K-B-M	#	%	(#	%	for wins)
B)	1-1-1	65	12.3	5	16.1	:	:	2-1-6	4	.8	-	-	
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	1-1-3	3	.6	1	3.2	:	:	2-2-4	1	.2			
	1-1-4	11	2.1			:	:	2-2-7	1	.2			
	1-1-5	4	.8	1	3.2	:	:	2-3-2	3	.6			
	1-1-6	1	.2			:	:	2-3-3	6	1.1			
	1-1-8	2	.4	1	3.2	:	:	2-3-6	1	.2			
	1-2-1	1	.2			:	:	2-4-2	1	.2			
	1-2-7	1	.2			:	:	2-5-2	2	.4			
	1-4-5	1	.2			:	:	3-1-2	2	.4			
	1-6-7	1	.2			:	:	3-1-5	2	.4			
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(Note: charts were compiled from the records of 541 completed Dip games in the UK.)

The Fatherland is not to be envied. Faced with 3 Nachbarn of the Dreadnought class, Germany places 3rd in wins (60), 3rd in draws (116) and 2nd in eliminations (172!)--Austria is 1st with 174! These dubious honors are derived from 693 games in "Everything" #19-42.

The Kaiser's western neighbors, if allied, pose nearly insurmountable problems, given English sea-power and French armies in the Pic/Bel-Bur-Mar corridor. And the age old paranoia of a two front war looms ominous if Russia gains advantage in the Balkans!

Thus Germany's strategy in 1900-01 is two-fold: 1) diplomatically isolate France from England or vice-versa and, 2) obtain peace from the Tsar. The optimum and minimum goal in 1901 is a 2 unit build in the Winter, and since Germany can only wage a 1 front war with acceptable risk, Germany must make peace with the Tsar--the Lowlands and the Western nations are too bountiful to ignore and too dangerous.

Thus Germany's openings are generally variations of a French Attack. A Primary FA is a 1-1-1 or the less effective 2-1-1. The Secondary FA is a 1-1-2 or 2-1-2. In each case the F Kie-Den is used for insuring Russian cooperation by threatening Swe. The 2ndary FA positions units for the attack, but allows more diplomatic leverage, while the Primary FA shows total commitment. Lacklustre in the charts is a "Barbarosa" opening (2-3-3/1-3-3) because it is risky!

Britain and Ireland: An Englishman's View

Firstly, let me say that these are my personal opinions, as an active Liberal politician, and do not necessarily reflect others'.

Probably the most common opinion amongst the ordinary people of Britain towards Northern Ireland is to "get out and let them fight it out", which indicates the Gov't's dilemma--to abandon the six counties would precipitate a bloodbath (and it would--there are millions of weapons in private hands that would come out, and the Irish Republic's Army is too small to be able to do anything), yet anything they do or don't do gets attacked from one quarter or another.

The trouble is that little has changed since 1920. Most of the UK would prefer to see a united Ireland, but a majority of the population of the six counties wish, as they wished then, to remain in the UK, and are prepared to fight to do so. Whether this is right or not is irrelevant--it is political fact and cannot be ignored. The northern Protestants would only agree to rule from Dublin if Eire was secularized, and considerable concessions were made to ensure that they would not be second class citizens, and this would, at present, be politically impossible for the Dublin Gov't.

So, consequently, successive British Gov'ts have been put in a situation of trying to maintain a status quo that they do not really want, for lack of an alternative that all can agree to.

Now, let us look at your allegations. Torture/inhuman treatment, first. Let me put it this way: if you were a member of an army where you were constantly being assailed by missiles, had seen your friends and colleagues shot or blown up, and were forced to live in very uncomfortable conditions, would you be gentle with those you believed to be responsible? I don't recollect the GIs being particularly careful how they treated the Vietnamese, guerrillas or not. The IRA claim to be fighting a war: do they expect their "enemy" (their term, not mine) to fight with kid gloves on? Personally, I would sanction anything within the Geneva Convention, but no more; if that mark were overstepped there are disciplinary measures.

Censorship. This is a complete fallacy. The only censorship that exists is self-censorship by the main British media (always willing to see the Establishment view), but there are plenty of ways of getting the other side of the story.

Deprivation of Human Rights exists, but--hell--hardly to the extent in most countries of the world. And remember, Protestants are denied the "rights" to go shopping without being searched, or to live peaceful lives; Catholics who want to join the Police or Prison services are prevented from doing so (because the IRA will murder them if they do). The Civil Rights movement has disappeared since 1968 (most of the genuine activists joining the Peace movement) precisely because Catholic's Civil Rights are not being significantly more infringed than Protestant's since direct rule started. The fact is that the Protestant politicians no longer have any power, because London has taken it all away from them and refuses to give it back (despite the rantings of Ian Paisley).

"Ulster is Britain's main source of non-unionised labor." Ulster has twice the level of UK unemployment; the main source of employment is non-unionised, and wage rates are roughly the same as in other poorer parts of the UK, such as Liverpool, the NE and west Scotland.

Is Iad A D'Adhain An Tine Beo

"Let Erin remember the days of old,
Ere her faithless sons betray'd her:
When Malachi wore the collar of gold,
Which he won from the proud invader;
When her Kings, with standard of green unfurl'd
Led the Red Branch Knights to danger:
Ere the Emerald gem of the western world
Was set in the crown of a stranger."
: We Serve Neither
: King Nor Kaiser!
: John Bull was
: successfully oper-
: ated on today,
: O'Donnell Abu!

-Moore

"Ireland has outlived the failure of
all her hopes--and yet she still hopes."

-Casement

"Ireland unfree shall never be at
peace." -Pearse

"I am of Ireland,
And of the holy land
Of Ireland.

Good Sir, pray I thee,
For of saint charite
Come and dance with me
In Ireland

In Defense Of Football

by David D
Perlmutter

I commend Jack Masters verbal ability, but condemn his conclusions. How can any man, any member of the American people say that football "Isn't a real game". Football is what our nation is all about. It is our Pacifier, our baby sitter, our one true religion. How many of you out there can tell me that you've never dreamed the following scene...

--You are a linebacker, the unstoppable force that leads the defense to its Destiny. The Play starts. You toss aside crying offensive linemen like so much dust in the wind. There, only a few feet away is the ballerina-quarterback. He is dancing here, darting there. In a booth a hundred feet away Frank, Don and Howard argue about your playing style. A hundred thousand fans scream the happy chant, "Kill, Maim, Destroy!" You advance like a lumbering monster from a bygone era. The twirling QB screams in fright and wishes that instead of a ball he carried a white flag or better yet a Panzerfaust. He has neither, and as the twilight descends on the field, you pick up the frozen QB and "Terminate his assignment with extreme prejudice".

...Yes, the Big F is "the" sport of sports. But why listen to just me? Here are some famous quotes on the subject of Football.

"Let Tampa Bay sleep for when she awakes, all the world will tremble." --Napolean

"Thou shalt not suffer a Bradshaw to live." --Job 11:1:2

"The old man played football. The old man lived; the old man died." --Ernest Hemmingway in 'Tales of The Texas Civil War'

"You shall not press down upon the brow of the defense this crown of rule changes, you shall not crucify Joe Green upon a cross of Coca-Cola." --William Jennings Bryan

Thus, you see fellow warmongers, History is on my side and anyone who disagrees--I challenge them to a game of "touch" (heh, heh) at DipCon. Any takers?

Note: David is a small cringing coward but likes to play gam

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DipCon XIII will be held in Troy, MI on the weekend of
6-8. For info: M.D.G. MichiCon 9/DipCon XIII, PO Box
48099.

"I may, I must suffer but my country can only gain from my treason."

The country to gain was Ireland, The treason against England. The words by Sir Roger Casement, both Irish patriot and English traitor.

In 1911, Sir Roger Casement was an internationally renowned figure. While in the British Consular Service, he had exposed abuses against Belgian Congo natives and brought world-wide publicity to similiar abuses of Indian workers in Columbia's Putumayo region. In recognition, he was knighted by George V, the highest honor the British Empire could bestow.

Yet in 1916, 5 short years later, that same Empire, despite world-wide appeals for mercy, hund him as a traitor and buried his body among executed murderers, and for almost 50 yrs (til '65) refused to give his remains to the Irish who venerated him as a hero.

What happened in those 5 short years involved 4 nations, a world war and an impulsive, excitable, impractical self-appointed Irish diplomat, Sir Roger Casement.

In 1913, Sir Roger retired from the Consular Service and took up the cause of Irish Freedom. In 1914, he was on a lecture tour of America when WW I broke out. Staked by funds from Irish-American societies, he went to Germany, via Norway, to win German help in freeing Ireland. The Irish had always believed that England's difficulty was Ireland's opportunity.

He was remarkably successful, at first. He met with Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg, toured the Western Front, got interned Irish civilians released and received backing for an "Irish brigade", which was to fight for Ireland's Freedom with Germany's help. The Germans liked this as it would offset their negative image in America caused by their Belgian invasion. Ireland was to be made England's "Belguim".

The "Irish brigade" was to be formed from 2,200 Irish POWs the Germans had captured. But only about 50 joined. The brigade itself caused trouble mainly because it was never used anywhere.

For over a year nothing happened. Sir Roger often worked himself into a dither, feeling every English action was directed against him personally and that the Germans were putting him off.

Then in 1916, the Irish Republican Brotherhood independently arranged for Germany to supply 20,000 rifles for their Easter Rising. Sir Roger felt a rebellion would be hopeless without German soldiers, who were not to be provided. He melodramatically thought he could stop the rebellion.

The Germans allowed him to go to Ireland in April 1916, on a U-boat commanded by the officer who had sunk the Lusitania. His dinghy overturned and he waded ashore. He was captured that very day by a constable who thought him English.

He was taken to England, questioned and spent part of the time in the Tower of London. Meanwhile, the abortive Easter Rising occured and he was popularly believed to be its leader, although he had nothing to do with it.

Sir Roger was tried as a traitor for his actions in Germany. This was the first case involving a knight of the realm in several centuries. The world-wide publicity was enormous. "The NY Herald" called him the "Irish Benedict Arnold".

The English had to be acreful of America's opinion because of its large Irish population and its neutrality. They discovered Sir

The Irish Benedict Arnold?

Roger's private diaries and used them to smear his reputation and reduce his popular support. It worked and it still works, in part, today, for the diaries revealed that Sir Roger was a homosexual, which was completely irrelevant to the treason trial.

He was condemned, hung and buried in the prison cemetery, which contained only executed murderers. Until 1965, England refused to give his remains to the Irish. In 1965, his remains were reinterrred in Dublin, after a state funeral. Sir Roger Casement, Irish patriot, had come home at last.

(My main source for this story is BL Reid's "The Lives of Roger Casement" and should be available at your local library.)

The Assassin

Winter 1900

EUROPE POISED ON THE BRINK OF WAR
PEACE DOUBTFUL

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*Deadline for Spring 1901: SATURDAY April 5th, 1980.

About 76BD & 76EZ

Gentlemen of 76BD & EZ, the games have been delayed, but for good reason! Bob Acheson, the original English player in 76BD and the original French player in 76EZ, wishes to resume the games.

Though Bob did not respond to the restart notice before the deadline, I do believe, since he's in Port Radium in Canada's NW Territories, that the short time allowed for a response was unreasonable. I erred, but I'm sure that we're happy to see Bob resume his positions.

The standbys assigned to Bob's positions (Arnett in 76BD and LaFosse in 76EZ) in EM#5 need no longer submit orders. I will hold all orders received for the new deadline unless I receive a superceding set.

Bob's address is: Robert Acheson, c/o Echo Bay Mines, Port Radium, North West Territories, XOE OXO, Canada.

Deadline for Winter '12/Sp'13 in BD and Winter '07/Sp'08 in EZ is SATURDAY April 5, 1980.

ATTENTION!...The Contest of A Lifetime!

One dollar cash goes to the first person who identifies the meaning and history behind all of the following quotes.

- 1)"Ma! Ma! Where's my Pa?//Going to the White House. Ha! Ha! Ha!
- 2)"Roi ne suis, Ne prince ne duc ne comte aussi; Je suis le sire de Coucy."

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Fragile Peace In West
 Balkans In Flames-Austria Stunned

Austria (Vielmann): A VIE-Gal/A SER-Rum/F ALB-Gre
 England (Price): F Lon-NTH/F Nth-NWY/A Wal-YOR
 France (Ledder): F Bre-MAO/A Pic-BEL/A Mar-SPA
 Germany (Coughlan): F DEN H/A Kie-HOL/A RUH S FRENCH A Pic-Bel
 Italy (Walters): A Ven-PIE/A Apu-TUN/F ION C A Apu-Tun
 Russia (Nightingale): F Bot-SWE/A War-GAL/A UKR S A War-Gal/
F SEV-Rum
 Turkey (Aucott): F Con-AEG/A Arm-SMY/A BUL-Gre

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*Charles Price is resigning as the English player. As you know he is in the Navy and is scheduled to be transferred to Italy in the near future. He'd like to see another take the English position ASAP so as not to complicate the takeover. I'm asking Mike Carroll, 172 Bruce St, London, Ontario, N6C 1H1 to take the position starting next season--Winter 1901.

PRESS:

- *St Petersburg: Reliable spies report that the Austrian Emperor is dead. His Ministers are holding the idiot heir-apparent incognito. They fear that his coronation would trigger a slavik nationalist uprising. The Tsar will march into Vienna next spring to end this farce
- *London-Paris: All I wanted was a bottle of wine! Can't we have a truce?
- *Vienna-Moscow: NICHT!!
- *Vienna-Berlin: Ihr bange unser. Viel?
- *Trieste-Berlin: Sie besser Rhetorisch Lexikon muss gewinnen!
- *Berlin: After considerable soul-searching, the Kaiser has decided to insure the French occupation of Belgium. This action is solely to maintain the balance of power in the West, which seems to be threatened by "Roman rumors". Germany prefers stalemate in the West and is willing to go to considerable lengths to preserve it. Within these limits, Germany is neutral toward the Anglo-French War.
- *Germany welcomes her northern neighbors to Scandinavia with a hearty Nordic greeting! Välkommen. Är denna kejsares Svensk underlig eller bara en vänlig gest? Denna gest skall aldrig hända igen.

Possessions:

	#				
A: Vie Bud Tri <u>Ser</u>	4	has	3	build	1 unit(s)
E: Lon Edi Lpl <u>Nwy</u>	4	has	3	build	1 "
F: Par Mar Bre <u>Spa</u> <u>Bel</u>	5	has	3	build	2 "
G: Ber Mun Mie <u>Den</u> <u>Hol</u>	5	has	3	build	2 "
I: Rom Nap Ven <u>Tun</u>	4	has	3	build	1 "
R: StP Mos War <u>Sev</u> <u>Swe</u>	5	has	4	build	1 "
T: Con Ank Smy <u>Bul</u>	4	has	3	build	1 "

GM Note: Por Rum and Gre are still neutral

Britain receives more agricultural products from Eire than Northern Ireland.

One thing Britian emphatically does not want to see is the Protestant politicians firmly back in the saddle ruling their own little domain. Consequently, they find themselves having to say that until all parties can agree on political measures that will allow Britain to withdraw, we stay there and try to hold the line. I wish I could see an alternative, but I can't.

Personally, I am a believer in European unity. Only when the outdated concept of nationalism is replaced by a common European identity will the passions that have inflamed Ireland for decades be lessened, and a real solution be possible, in my opinion. Until then I believe that the British and Irish Gov'ts will have to accept that only by trying to dampen and not inflame passions can any progress be made. Precipitate pro-Catholic action by Britian would be exceedingly dangerous.

In conclusion, I would say that your article would have been fairly reasonable in 1970. In 1980 it is simply behind the times and grotesquely unfair.

A Reply

by Michael Mills

John's article is a reply to The Soapbox in EM #3. In that issue I expressed my view of the situation. John's reply is notable for several reasons: a different perspective by virtue of living in England, and his English heritage; he notes that he is an active Liberal politician; his reply indicates that he has taken the time to inform himself on the stories behind the headlines; his arguement is clear and direct, relying not on passion but political fact and; I can agree with some of his points and disagree with others.

Yes, little has changed since 1920, and virtually nothing has changed since 1970. Thus, I cannot see why my arguement was "Behind the times". If you disagreed with a majority of my statements, it would be "grotesquely unfair", but it is not outdated. When the violence escalates, and it will, my position will be in tune once more.

On one point we are both in agreement: the pre-direct rule system and the current status quo are unacceptable, but I fear the wear-and-tear of the past 10 years have stifled John's ability for initiative.

It is a fact that the trust needed by all involved parties in a political settlement is sorely lacking. The British Army/UK Gov't cannot hope to act as guarantor. Unlike their role in Rhodesia, the British Gov't in London is part of the probelm in Northern Ireland. Added to this the fact that the UK vetoed UN assistance and steadfastly spurn US interests, it is no wonder Thatcher like John can't see an alternative. The policy is one of isolation and containment. The main benefactors being the disenfranchised militants.

Concerning inhumane treatment, John justifies such by the Army because the IRA say they are fighting a war, but actions by the IRA in this war are "murder". If the IRA are guilty of crimes so are the RUC and Army. If it is "war" then it's just KIA/WIA. You can't have it both ways.

John does note the tendency of news media to toe the official line, but it does go further than that. BBC IRA programs have in the past been banned out-of-hand, and several journalists, ie Bull, Kyle, Breslin and Holland have spoken out against the "restrictions".

I must stop here, but will continue next time. Letters, please!

Summer 1902:

Austria: A Ser retreats to Bud

Fall 1902

Austria (Price): F ALB-Tri/A VIE* S F Alb-Tri/A BUD** S F Alb-Tri

England (Bixby): F ENG-Bel/F NAO-Lpl/A NWY*** S GER A Den-Swe/
F NTH S A Nwy

France (Turner): A MAR-Bur/A POR H/F IRI-Lpl/F BRE-Eng

Germany (Hart): A Den-SWE/A Bur-PAR/A BEL-Bur/F Hel-HOL/F Bal-DEN

Italy (Schaller): A Tri-VIE/A TYR S A Tri-Vie/A VEN-Tri/F GRE-Alb/
F Ion-TUN

Russia (Masters): F Swe-NWY/A STP S F Swe-Nwy/A FIN S F Swe-Nwy/
A Gal-BUD/A RUM S A Gal-Bud/F Sev-BLA

Turkey (Carroll): F Con-BUL(ec)/A SER S F Con-Bul(ec)/F Aeg-CON/
A Ank-ARM

(* A Vie must retreat to Gal/Boh/OTB:**A Bud Annihilated:***A Nwy a)

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Underlined moves fail/CAPS denote unit's final resting place

Possessions

#SCs

A: Vie Bud Ser	0	has 2	remove 2	unit(s)
E: Lon Edi Lpl Nwy	3	has 3	even	
F: Par Mar Bre Spa Por	4	has 4	even	
G: Ber Mun Kie Hol <u>Bel</u> <u>Den</u> <u>Swe</u> <u>Par</u>	8	has 5	build 3	"
I: Rom Nap Ven Tri Gre <u>Tun</u> <u>Vie</u>	7	has 5	build 2	"
R: StP Mos War Sev Rum Swe <u>Nwy</u> <u>Bud</u>	7	has 6	build 1	"
T: Con Ank Smy Bul <u>Ser</u>	5	has 4	build 1	"

∅∅∅ denotes SC lost this year: XXX denotes SC gained this year

Austria is eliminated (C'est le vie)

Press:

Austria: Boy, I must be good to get a 3 on 1 in Spring 1901!

About Games

*The waiting list for the last Diplomacy game for some time includes:
Ron Brown and Bill Hart

*The waiting list for the 2nd Bhearna Baoghail games includes: Drew
McGee and Michael O'Connor

*The following have NMR Insurance: W Aucott, G Coughlan, B Hart,
G Ledder, R Nightingale, D Swartz, J Vielmann, D Walker and R Brown

*The BB standby list includes: Martin, Russon, Chatfield

*The Diplomacy standby list includes: Martin, Vielmann, Walters,
Ledder, Turner, Coughlan, LaFosse, Kelly, Sawyer, Scott, Masters,
Chatfield, Aucott, D Walker, Palter, Carroll

*Note the CDO and IDA Ombudsmen are Francois Guerrier and Elmer
Hinton, respectively

Letters

Dear Michael,

I'll just fire a reply to your reply to my letter printed in EM. My commentary on the theory of Anarchy will follow later.

Re: The Crusades. You should distinguish between the "reason" for undertaking an action and the "cause" for its failure. Therefore, it is quite true that the "reason" for these was a flame for Christianity. But it wasn't the cause for their failure.

Thus, the Crusaders didn't fail to account for position changes. They just forgot what they were fighting for.

Take the following examples. During the 1st Crusades, the mobs were leaderless: that was the cause of their defeat.

The others failed exactly because the Crusaders forgot their principles. For all practical purposes, they stopped fighting the Infidels, which was the raison d'etre of the Crusades. The Christians then turned around and invaded Christian powers, ie the Byzantine Empire, Zara and even... Bohemia! The succeeding Crusades failed for similar reasons. Had they not forgotten the "reason" for which they were fighting their task would have been easier.

Besides, I wouldn't really say the Crusades failed. Sure, Jerusalem was lost forever, but the Turkish menace was reduced. Also Europe discovered a lot: the alphabet, the Indies route, spices, etc. Finally, the Crusaders came back enriched by the products of their rapine.

I guess it is true that Hitler could have used Russian deserters and Ukrainian Nationalists and many others, but the whole thing should be viewed in a socio-cultural context.

There were hardly any signs of an imminent German defeat until the end of '42. The world was convinced the USSR would crumble by mid-'43, and that the Germans would then stalemate the Allies along the West Wall.

Therefore, at the time, when a major German victory followed another, there was no reason that I can see why Germany should have revised its Arianization policy. Of course after '43, the situation was different, but it was too late. The deserters, et al were now quite anti-German.

Thus, "a cause" (as opposed to "the cause") may have been adopting a policy of Arianization in the first place--not just refusing to change a position in view of a different situation.

((Francois then goes on to mention the European minorities that the Germans did enlist, who moreoften than not proved minimally effective.))

-Francois Cuerrier

((First of all, I hope you don't mind the editing at the end. I do not think it detracted from the body of the argument. Secondly, though I do not know that much about the Crusades, I do believe that the reason for an action dictates its outcome as success or failure. If the reason for the Crusades was to sack the East, then those expeditions were quite a financial success, but if it was to hold Jerusalem, which it was, then alas, a failure. Gain is the reason for action, but motivation of the action may rely on religion/creed, etc. EX: The UK's PR campaign to save "poor neutral Belgium" in WW I. As for the Nazi policies, the German General Staff, prompted by Armies East, had set in motion a large recruitment program for the conquered territories, training was commenced, but the program was nixed by Hitler. This in '43. Indeed the marginal effectiveness of the Axis Minor powers was due to the Nazi "purists". Lastly, it is virtually impossible to point to "a cause", when events are impinged upon by a myriad of causes, personalities, etc. I await your reply.))

Russia Rolls To The Balkans

Austria (Walters): F Tri-ALB/A Bud-SER/A VIE-Tyr
 England (Arnett): A Lpl-YOR/F Edi-NWG/F Lon-NTH
 France (Hollingsworth): A Par-PIC/A Mar-H / F Bre-MAO
 Germany (Turner): F Kie-DEN/A Ber-KIE/A Mun-RUM
 Italy (Scott): F Nap-ION/A VEN-Tyr/A ROM-Ven
 Russia (O'Brien): F StP(sc)-BOT/F Sev-RUM/A War-GAL/A Mos-UKR
 Turkey (Sawyer): A Con-BUL/A SMY H/F Ank-CON

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 Press:

- *The Spendthrift (Paris): This is the most ridiculous start to a game of Diplomacy that I have ever seen. I would not be surprised to discover next that I am being attacked by Switzerland.
- *Constantinople: The Sultan has decreed that all former territories of the Ottoman Empire south of the Drava and Danube rivers are to be returned to the Suzerainty of its rightful rulers: the heirs to the Ottoman throne. War will be declared on any power which attempts to interfere with the internal affairs of our Balkan provinces.
- *London, March 1901: War was declared today! The PM noted, "Our fleets are prepared to conquer Ankara. Yet, where is it?"
- *Liverpool Free Press: It was reported today that an Austrian battalion of headless zargots was approaching the Munich-Tyrolia border. At the same time, a French legion of zealists were encroaching Munich. What is happening out there?
- *St Petersburg: Palace Press: Throughout the Winter round of negotiations; and with every power on Earth competing for the Tsar's favor; among all the conflicting reports, promises, counter-promises lies, truth and everthing inbetween; one idea has made itself heard. The one point on which all the other great powers have fervently agreed, is that the German can not be trusted. This beleaguered Minister has been referred to as a scoundral, a liar, a backstabber and a rotten GM. Court officials were shocked, when His Most Noble Majesty, The Tsar, announced a non-aggression pact between Germany and Russia had been reached.
- *Moscow News Service: Dyspepsia: Preparations are being hastened for the departure of Prince Rotchakokov's 4th Army Group to the Ukraine. When asked to comment on the worsening situation in the Balkans Rocky, as he is popularly known, replied, "Who cares!" When the Prince was asked what will he do while in the Ukraine, he yawningly replied, "Drink some wine, eat some cheese, catch some rays."

Turks Land In Italy
 Russia Pushes Deeper Into Central Europe

Winter 1902

France: Builds F BRE. Germany: F Den retreats-HEL. Russia: Builds A WAR. Turkey: Builds A SMY.

Spring 1903

Austria: CD A VIE/F TRI (GM disbands both dislodged AUST units)

England: F Den-SWE/F NTH-Nwy/A Lon-WAL/F Nao-IRI (D Walker)

France (Scott): A SPA-Mar/A Por-Spa (nsu)/F BRE S F Iri-MAO/F Iri-MAO/F ENG S A Bel/A BEL H/A PAR H

Germany (Vielmann): A Mun-BER/A Ruh-MUN/A Hol-KIE/F HEL S A Hol-Kie

Italy (Kelly): A TYR S A Ven-Tri/A Ven-TRI/F Mao-POR/F LYO-Mar

Russia (Greiner): F NWG-Nwy/F Swe-BAL/A Liv-PRU/A War-SIL/F RUM H A Gal-VIE/A BUD S A Gal-Vie

Turkey (Sergeant): A Gre-ALB/A SER S A Gre-Alb/A BUL H/A Smy-NAP/ F AEG C A Smy-Nap/F ION C A Smy-Nap

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Press:

- *Munich: Round and round....where we stop....
- *Vichy: The peasants are crying, "The King is dead, the King is dead. The Army is coming home. Long Live the new King!"
- *Berlin: Rumor has it that those Limey Anglo-Saxons plan to transplant their island fog onto the Continent. This is very apparent by their recent takeover of our duchy in Denmark. The teutonic people will not take this lying down; we will attempt to alleviate this situation by calling upon our best warriors and sorcerers to thwart this motley horde from the Isle of 'White'.
- *Spain: Col Charles le Frank, the surviving commander of all the army in the Iberian, is marching home after a year of bitter fighting in Spain and Portugal. The Col, on his way to a hero's welcome in France has said, "To my friends in Germany and England, let there be peace among us, Russia and his puppets are our enemies. The enemy will not set foot on our native soils. The English will once again be strong, The Germans can again be proud, and we can all be Free forever!" The Col has also expressed thanks to the Italian navy for their support and wishes them a safe journey home to battle the Turks.

BN: 1979HC

Gallowglas V

Wtr'02/Sp'03

Turks Breakout

Bitter Fighting in Silesia and Denmark

Winter 1902:

England: Builds F Lpl. France: NBR!. Germany: F Den r-BAL.
Turkey: Builds F Smy.

Spring 1903:

Austria (Brawner): NMR! A VIE/A BUD/F TRI/A Ser* all H (*d must r)

England (Toland): F Lpl-IRI/A Pic-BEL/F ENG S A Pic-Bel/F NTH S A
Pic-Bel/F StP(nc)-NWY

France (Perczak): NMR! F MAO/F SPA(sc)/F BRE/A Bel* all H (*d must r)

Germany (Boudon): F Bal-DEN/F SWE S F Bal-Den/A MUN-Sil/A BER S A
Mun-Sil/A HOL-Kie

Italy (Sawyer): A Tyr-VEN/A Ven-TUS/F ION-Aeg/F TUN-Ion

Russia (Van Alkemade): *F Den-Kie/A War-SIL/A PRU S A War-Sil/A GAL
S A War-Sil/F RUM H (*F Den is d and retreats to SKA)

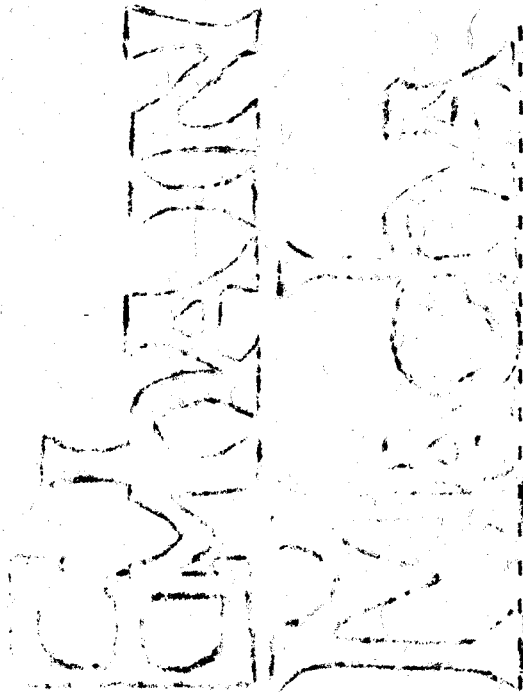
Turkey (Walters): F Con-BLA/F Eas-AEG/F SMY S F Eas-Aeg/A Gre-SER/
A BUL S A Gre-Ser

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- *The Italian standby (Sawyer) and the Turkish standby (Walters) are now the permanent players of the respective countries.
- *Would DS PALTER please submit orders for Austria for Sm'03/Fall'03 (c/o Bucci Imports, 123 Grove Ave, Cedarhurst, NY, 11516)
- *Would Walter Aucott please submit orders for France for the next deadline (2428 S Conway Rd, #281, Orlando, FL, 32806)
- *According to Lee Kendter, Sr (BNC) 79HC is this game's official BN.

Press:

- *The Times (London): Despite intense diplomatic declarations from our German allies, England wholeheartedly rejects any truce with France until the citizens of Belgium are freed from the French yoke. The smokescreen flung up in the furor over the Russian bugbear seems strange, emanating from the most powerful nation in Europe...does one run in terror from a distant and weaker foe? Are the British people really supposed to be so gullible as to believe it is now safe to abandon the Channel and the North Sea to our neighbors?
- *Moscow: From his temporary HQs in the Kremlin Palace, the Czar sends his humble and sincere apologies to all European Heads of State, for his woeful lack of diplomatic correspondence. This lapse which everyone knows to be quite uncharacteristic for the Great Peter Jacovski, is due to the Czar's heavy schedule of mandated foreign travel. He will be out of the country again from March 13 thru April 4-5 or thereabouts, so no immediate improvement can be expected. Nevertheless, he hopes to be able to dash off some letters or postcards to friendly powers between the Spring and Fall Seasons.
- *The Guardian (Manchester) Lyle's Studios announce special low-cost rates on lesson programmes for Russian, Turkish and Austrian. All classes in Italian are cancelled until further notice.



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March 1, 1980

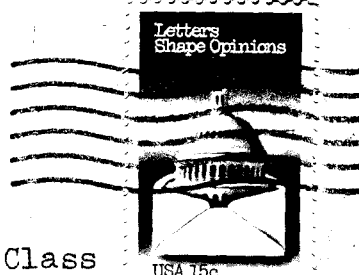
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