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It is now 3 p.m. on the day of the deadline and I have yet to figure out what to put in this issue. I may come up with something, but don't count on it. Next time I want to reprint the list of publishers, but let's get all the college CoOA in first.

I suppose we do the regular stuff and then take it from there.

Changes to Listing of Publishers

ADD:

"The Book of Stab," c/o 19160 Olympia St., Northridge, CA. 91324  
(Book of Stab).

Chiolero, Steve - 1435 La Alameda, Morgan Hill, CA. 95037 (Skull and Crossbones).

Shamray, Zehnder, Rubinow and Bailey - P.O. Box 24872, Los Angeles, CA. 90024 (Obsession).

DELETE:

Bond (defunct), Pull (defunct).

CHANGE:

Schleicher - add % symbol.

Cooper - add % symbol.

Note - In both the above cases there are apparently claims that publication will continue, despite stirrings to transfer some games. I think it is only realistic to note that, even should they continue to publish, the prospects for any sort of regularity are exceedingly poor. For practical purposes I suggest we ought to consider ATLANTIS and LU (Schleicher) and ARMADILLO (Cooper) gone.

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\* But Had Better Sense Than To Ask.

MAGAZINE TITLES

A flicker of memory engenders an idea. Someone - Durt Labelle, I believe - suggested I do a listing of all Diplomacy magazines by title, indicating the source of the name. Well, why not?

In the early days of the hobby there was a bit of a tradition to name 'zines after mythical, fictional or otherwise imagined geographic locations. This tradition was broken almost immediately by the two local 'zines WITDIP and WORIDIP (1963-4), but on a mass-distribution level the first title to go at variance was STAB in 1965. Since then, the pattern has broken down in wholesale fashion, though the thread of the old tradition still lives and spawns occasional new 'traditional' titles even now. But it must be said that, at this writing, there is no pattern of any consequence left in the naming of Diplomacy magazines; sources are as varied as the magazines themselves.

Following is a list of all Diplomacy-related newsletters known to me and the source of the name unless obvious on the surface. I would be grateful if readers who can supply sources for titles marked 'unknown' or equivalent would advise, and I'll update as possible later on. In addition, if I've omitted any titles altogether, please tell me. (Subsines and organisational journals are intentionally excluded.)

- ADAG - A semi-acronym from the French phrase 'A droite, a gauche', which means 'to the left, to the right' and underlines the publisher's well-known neutrality.
- Albion - An appropriate name for England's first Diplomacy journal, since 'Albion,' whatever its actual definition, has come to be synonymous with 'England.'
- Andromeda Chronicle - No; not the book title about the mysterious disease; this comes from a science-fiction novel by Fred and Geoffrey Hoyle; Andromeda, of course, is a real 'place.'
- Anschluss - a German word meaning 'union' or 'joining-together.' I presume it was selected because this magazine offers to run any war game at all.
- Aquarius - This being the age thereof, the title strikes me as indicating modernity. It might also indicate watery content, though Aquarius is not a water sign, which might indicate schizophrenia.
- Arena - just exactly what it seems to signify. A place to play games.
- Armadillo - It's in the dictionary, and that is all there is to it.
- Arrakis - A planet name taken from Frank Herbert's novel DUNE.
- Atlantis - oh, come on!
- Aventi - Italian (?Latin?) for 'forward.'
- Backstab - yes.
- BDC Journal - obvious. BDC is British Diplomacy Club.
- Bellicus - My Latin is faulty but the root word is 'war.'
- Berserker - I think this one is self-evident, but....
- Big Brother - and doesn't he wish he were!
- Big D - I'll give you a hint; if I published this it would be Big VM.

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Black Spot - there are thirty-four of them on the Diplomacy board.  
Blood and Iron - Remember the 'Bismarck!'  
BOAST - An acronym on 'Bottom of a Sewage Tank.' Enough said.  
Bolshevik Star - The question I have is not what, but why?  
Book of Stab - No comment.  
Brobdingnag - The fictional Land of the Giants from Swift's GULLIVER'S TRAVELS.  
Brunus Edwardii - Some kind of plant, that's all I know. I think.  
Bushwacker - Intentionally misspelled; it's the name of a cartoon character invented by this 'zine's editor in high school.  
Carbon 13 - You know, I never have understood this....  
Carmilla - unknown.  
Cimmeria - One of the mythical lands of Conan the Conqueror.  
Circle Trigon - Of sorts, a mythical place; it refers to the 'encyr' in United States Army war games.  
Claw and Fang - Maybe not very subtle, but at least honest.  
Il Corriere Diplomatico - 'The Diplomatic Courier' (Italian).  
Costaguana - Fictitious Central American country from Joseph Conrad's NOSTROMO.  
Courier - uh-huh.  
Crush - also known as Kill, Destroy, Mutilate, Pillage, Deface....  
Diplomat - Where a Diplomacy player wipes his feet.  
Diplophobia - With subtitles by Sigmund Freud.  
Dolchstoss - look this one up in a German dictionary, mine isn't at hand. It means something logical....  
Doomaflickies - gotta find this one out, folks.  
Down Alien Skies - To my way of thinking, this is the most imaginative non-obscure title yet seen.  
Drawrof - 'forward' drawkcab delleps.  
Dune - cf. Arrakis.  
El Dorado - The great pie-in-the-sky fantasy of the Spanish conquistadores in the Southwestern United States - the City of Gold.  
En Passant - cf. any chess manual.  
Ethil the Frog - Hell, I dunno!  
Everything... - At the risk of absurdity, this astonishingly brilliant name is a parody on a popular sex manual.  
Foreign Office Report - Published in South Africa. Next question?  
Gamesletter - yup.  
Gamesman - ditto.  
Games Record - and on and on and on they go....  
Grafeti - Try this one yourselves. The misspelling is intended.  
Graustark - You won't believe this, but...I forgot!  
Guide to Wargaming Periodical Literature - a mythical kingdom from a fourth-grade primer on jejunal dyspepsia.  
Holsbrucker Diplo - If you know any German and I tell you that this is published in Woodbridge, Virginia, then will you know?  
Hoosier Archives - The 'Hoosier' is a tag name for a resident of Indiana. The 'Archives' is by now legendary.  
IGHIP - Acronym time again, this time for 'Interest Group Highland Park' (Michigan).

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Impassable - very.

I'm God - indeed?

I'm Not God (But I'm a Good Friend of Charlton Heston) - and as if that weren't enough,

I'm Not Moses, Either - You know, I'm responsible for this!

International - Carries 'international' games. How did you guess?

Irregularly Issued Idiot - Blatantly obvious. This is the child of a sub-tradition within the hobby, perpetrated by this publisher, of quixotic titles in the same pattern. Remember The Toorey Triennial Tortoise? The Wereld-Schemering Weekly Wombat?

Jastrzab - 'eagle' in Polish ghetto slang.

Der Krieg - 'The War' auf Deutsch.

Ledom Gazette - unknown.

Liaisons Dangereuses - 'Dangerous Meetings' auf Französisch.

Logenboek - unknown.

Lost Horizons - The title of the book from which comes Shangri-la.

Mad Policy - An anagram from the word 'Diplomacy.'

Mars Vigila - My Latin hasn't gotten any better since Bellicus, so....

Midwestern Courier - From the midwestern U.S.A., if you were worried.

Minas Vale-anda - one of those fascinating places out of Tolkien.

Mircalla - unknown.

Misalliance - quid pro quo.

Mirumaxu Gazette - unknown.

Moeshoeshoe - the name of an African tribal chieftain of some repute, emphasis on the 'some.'

Morder Gazette - Tolkien again.

Mu - The name of another Atlantis-type absurdity.

Nemo - Named for the captain of Jules Verne's submarine.

Neophyte Grand Tournament Gazette - just what it says.

NGC Bulletin - NGC = National Games Club (of England).

1901 and all that - less a title than a philosophical observation.

Obsession - and it is, I assure you.

O.J. - unknown.

The Orphan - named for the type of games it carries.

Our 'Enry - don't know, and not sure I want to.

Pacific Diplodeur - Published in California, get it?

Pandemania - Another one for you, all by your bright little selves.

Pellucidar - you're standing on it, or at least Edgar Rice Burroughs thought so; it's his earth's-core locale.

Phoenix - For orphan variants, yet published in Tucson!

Phrederick the Great - Published by the same Narcissus that brought you I'm God.

Platypus Pie - It's hard to talk with a clothespin on your nose.

The Pouch - As in 'diplomatic,' I'd think.

" " - Do-it-yourself?

Quo Vadis - Latin for 'Where are you going,' a common question in this hobby.

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Rename - The successor to the now-defunct journal whose name was not 'Name.'  
The Rigot - origin unknown, but derives from a local gaming club.  
Runestone - it's in the dictionary.  
Saguenay - The Canadian equivalent of El Dorado, and also a real genuine river.  
Die Schuldigkeit des Ersten und Vornehmsten Gebotes, K.35 - not in this magazine, you don't!  
Shaaft - Pronounced as though you had just sat on one.  
Siberian - reason for title unknown.  
The Silmarilli - unknown.  
Skull and Crossbones - for sure!  
Slobinpolit Zhurnal - a contrived Slavic name drawn from the name of the game it carries, Slobbovia.  
SPQR - It would be a Latin acronym if it were pronounceable. (ce?)  
Stab - it could be more obvious, I suppose....  
Stuttgart Sentinel - Name derived from a local gaming club.  
The Voice - of abject misery, no doubt.  
Voice of God - another in a series for the origins of which you have my big mouth to thank.  
Voice of the North - north, in this case, being uppermost Michigan.  
War Bulletin - aren't they all!  
Washington Reports - that's Washington State, Judge Sirica!  
Western Star Post-Free Press - Sounds almost like a rural weekly newspaper, and as a matter of fact....  
World War Three - Sponsored by the Voice of Prophecy.  
Xanadu - To find out about this one, pick up a volume of poetry by William Wordsworth. It isn't in there, but at least you'll be able to stomach Shelley afterward.  
Xenogotic - unknown.  
Yggdraeill Chronicle - unknown.

end.

Some of the unknowns I could look up, but I'm lazy. I will, however, if someone doesn't do it for me. For having done this entirely from memory, not bad!

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Abandoned Games

The following game has been abandoned and cannot be revived:

1972EZ.

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Number Revoked: The number 1973DS, listed in Everything 12 has been revoked and reassigned. Please change the listing to the one which follows.

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International Boardman Numbers Recently Assigned

(1967BG). Usurper. Snider. Local game. Only sketchy data is available on this; what there is will be offered at a later date under Completed Games.

1973DS. 1901 and all that. Bullock. A- Andrew Herd. E- David Pink. F- Ronald Kelly. G- T.H. Ferguson. I- John Lettice. R- Allan Doodes. T- Peter Woodin.

1973ER. Mixumamu Gazette. Lipton. A- John C. Morgan. E- Bruce Coy. F- Larry Weinstein. G- Joseph Ritter. I- Joseph O. Fickard. R- Wayne Lanham. T- Rich Keller.

1973ES. Western Star Post-Free Press. Bones. A- Chris Seymour. E- Pete Fox. F- Wayne Lanham. G- David Skaja. I- Greg Dority. R- Ronald Kelly. T- Randall Senn.

1973ET. Costaguana. Von Metzke. A- J.H. Fleming. E- Laurence Johnson. F- Steve Doubleday. G- Don Rinton. I- Jack Stewart. R- Francis McIlvaine. T- Patrick Walker.

(1973EU). Voice of God. Coleman. A- Steve Waiguist. E- Don Efron. F- Dennis Debol. G- Don Collyer. I- Mike Tomkins. R- Mary Ann Collyer. T- Lothar Stien. Local game.

1973EV. International. Leader. A- Michel Feron. E- Terry Knowles. F- Richard L. Sykes. G- Roy Night. I- Greg Lee. R- Ake Joneson. T- Greg Pitts.

1973EW. Son of Bellicus. Haven. A- Michel Feron. E- Gordon Nielsen. F- John Lettice. G- Helen Humphreys. I- Geoff Corker. R- Clive Hamilton. T- Peter Charlton.

(1973EX). Big Brother. Reinsel. Player list unknown. Statistics not available.

1973EY. World War III. Staples. A- C.F. von Metzke. E- Nick Shears. F- Dennis Turner. G- Ronald Kelly. I- Kenneth Burke. R- Dennis Brackman. T- Les Pinley.

1973EZ. Jastrzab. Wrobel. A- Chuck Liebenaucr. E- Richard Swies. F- Eric Prasse. G- Herb Baronts. I- Dennis Corbin. R- Ronald Kelly. T- C.A. Beam.

1973FA. Rigot. Staples. A- E.J. Harsney. E- Douglas Dick. F- Ronald Kelly. G- Drew McGee. I- Larry Yeorgan. R- Dennis Turner. T- Duncan Smith.

1973FB. Claw and Fang. Horton. A- Scott Robinson. E- C.A. Beam. F- Bradley Smith. G- Michael Lott. I- David Ayres. R- Kathy Wood. T- Gary L. Burce.

1973FC. Morder Gazette. Morgan. A- Robert Vivian. E- Ronald Kelly. F- Blair Cusack. G- John C. Morgan (no relation to GM). I- Laurence Johnson. R- John Leader. T- Richard Swies.

1973FD. Skull and Crossbones. Chioloro. A- Randy Christopher. E- Wayne Lanham. F- Ronald Kelly. G- Jeff Bourget. I- Derek Ferrera. R- Derrin Ferrera. T- John Mirasoa.

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1973FE. Drawref. Murphy. A- James Fish. E- Thomas Hubbard.  
F- David Lagerson. G- Ronald Kelly. I- Bruce Schlickbernd.  
R- C.A. Beam. T- Douglas Hollingsworth.

1973FF. O.J. Bennett. A- Carter. E- Andy Davidson. F- John  
Balson. G- John Fatcher. I- Richard Sharp. R- Frier. T-  
Phil Jones.

1973FG. O.J. Bennett. A- M.H. Wassall. I- Allen Doodes. F-  
Kelvin Blackburn. G- J.W. Gravenor. I- A. Hungerford. R-  
M. Peter Taylor. T- N.B. Nathan.

1973FH. Pellucidar. Labelle. A- George Lowrance. E- Jon Southard.  
F- Larry Rehbaum. G- Harry Holloman. I- Mike Clinton. R- Robert  
Sacks. T- Francis McIlvaine.

1973FI. Our 'Enry. Sherrad. A- Andrew Heard. E- Allan Doodes.  
F- Colin Walsh. G- Allan Ovens. I- Garoth Lodge. R- Steve  
Doubleday. T- John Lettice.

1973FJ. The Pouch. Neiger. A- Jonathon Jacobs. E- Douglas Dick.  
F- Eric Robinson. G- John Arensmeyer. I- Richard Swies. R-  
Steadman Westergaard. T- Duncan Smith.

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Getting up there, are we not? As of now just 26 short of the  
1972 grand total, and the predicted total for 1973 is still holding  
fairly steady at 249.

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Games Recently Completed

1969B. Magazines: The Voice (to F07), Jastreb. Gamemasters:  
Jeff Key (to F07), Stan Vrobel. Players: A- Loring Windblad (res  
F05), Eric Just (res S10), John Koning. I- Sidney Witt (out F15).  
F- Fred C. Davis (won F15). G- Dick Reiter (out F09). I- Scott  
Borschig (out F10). R- Russell Doggs (out F11). T- George Grayson  
(out F13).

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A	3	5	5	6	7	6	7	10**	9*	7	9	9	11	16**	16*	17*
E	3	3	4	5	5	8	8	10	11	13**	13	14*	10	3	2	-
F	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	6	7	7	8	9	12	15	16	17
G	3	5	6	5	4	3	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I	3	4	4	6*	7**	6*	5	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
R	4	5	7	6	6	6	5	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
T	3	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	3	2	1	-	-	-

Victory criterion was majority of units.

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1969CH. Magazine: Aniera (to S05), Stab. Gamesmasters: Jeff Key (to S02), Eric Just (to S05), C.F. von Metzke. Players: A- Rich Purdy (dro S05), Hal D. Norman (out F06). E- Pete Wityk (dro S03), Jac Cerney (dro S05), Leonard Lakofka. F- Bob Erudsen. G- David Johnston (res F01), Lawrence St.Cyr (dro S05), Elair Cusack. I- Steve Cairns (dro S11), Harold Kaus (won F11). R- Sidney Witt (dro S05), Steven Lange. T- Steven Bruce (dro S05), Robert Ward (out F06).

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11
A	3	4	3	2	2	2	-					
E	3	4	3	4	4	5	4	4	6	7	7	7
F	3	4	5	5	6	6	7	6	6	6	5	4
G	3	4	6	5	6*	5	6	6	5	3	3	2
I	3	5	6	6	8	9	9	10*	13*	14	16*	19**
R	4	5	7	10	7	6	8	8#	4	4	3	2
T	3	4	4	2	1	1	-					

# = one unit too many on board for that year.

1971BK. Magazine: ADAG. Gamesmaster: Harold Kaus. Players: A- C.F. von Metzke. E- Earl Hodin (res S03), Ida Birsen (won F08). F- Sam Deakin (out F06). G- Howard Magill (res F02), c.d. (out F04). I- S. Reun (res F07), c.d. R- Dennis Hall. T- Michael Head (dro F03), Andrew Phillips.

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08
A	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	6	5
E	3	5	6	8	9	10	13	14	20***
F	3	4	4	4	2	1	-		
G	3	5	2	1	-				
I	3	4	7*	4	5	6*	4	3	1
R	4	6	8	9	10	10	10	9	7
T	3	4	3	3	3	3	3	2	1

(1971DR). Magazine: Diplodeur. Gamesmaster: Robert Johnson. Players: A- John Seitz (out F03). E- Dieter Cordes (out F07). F- Stan Wrobel. G- Burton Labelle. I- Dennis Hall. R- Thomas Eller. T- Larry Valencourt (out F05).

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07
A	3	5	4	-				
E	3	4	4	2	2	2	1	-
F	3	5	5	6	7	6	4	1
G	3	5	6*	6*	4	3	2	2
I	3	4	5	7	9	10	12	14
R	4	6	6	9	11	13	15	17
T	3	4	4	4	1	-		

This game was decreed at an end effective F08 following the F07 moves (SIC), by the Gamesmaster who chose not to bother playing it out. Despite player protest, the game was declared a victory for Russia in Fall 1908.

Italy surviving with 16 centres and France and Germany out. It is irregular on the basis of gross gamesmasterial irregularity and is considered abandoned by the GM prior to completion.



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1972E. Magazine: Graustark. Gamesmaster: John Boardman. Players:  
 A- Eugene Prosnitz. E- Bill Abbott (won F13). F- Don McCormick  
 (dro F02), Elliot Lipson. G- Larry Fong (dro F06), David Ayres  
 (out F07). I- Robert Strayer (dro S04), Victor Ricci (out F09).  
 R- Stephen Malone (dro S04), Chris Pearson (out F06). T- William  
 Osmanson (res S09), John S. Hendry.

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13
A	3	4	5	5	6	6	7	8	9	7	6	4	4	4
E	3	5	5	6	8	10	11	12	12	13	14	16	16	20*
F	3	4	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	7	8	7
G	3	4	6	6	6#	4	3	-						
I	3	4*	6*	4	3	2	2	2	1	-				
R	4	5	3	3	1	1	-							
T	3	5	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	9	9	7	6	3

(1973BW). Magazine: The Pouch. Gamesmaster: Gilbert Neiger.  
 Players: A- Michael Wolff (out F07). E- Luis Restrepo (dro F04),  
 Raymond Heuer (drew F09). F- Evan Jones (drew F09). G- Phil  
 Kahn/Com/Can/Kohn/Konn/Gahn/Cohn/Conn/Kon/Ean (out F05). I-  
 Eric Robinson (drew F09). R- Alex Katzoff (out F07). T- Duncan  
 Smith (drew F09).

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	
A	3	4	5	3	4	2	1	-			Local game.
E	3	5	7	9	9	12	11	12	13	12	The correct version
F	3	5	5	5	6	7	7	8	7	8	of the German
G	3	4	3	2	2	-					player's name is
I	3	4	4	5	5	5	7	5	5	4	believed to be
R	4	5	4	5	3	2	1	-			Kahn. (Thank
T	3	5	5	4	5	6	7	9	9	10	goodness he didn't
											survive longer!)

(1973CB). Magazine: Untitled. Gamesmaster: Karl Pettis. Players:  
 A- Jo Nevill (out F10). I- Robert Schafer (out F04). F- Hal Keen.  
 G- Kris Ferric. I- David Tonkin (out F07). R- Sandra Swetnick  
 (out F08). T- Tom Berendt ("won F11").

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11
A	3	4	4	4	4	3	3	4*	3	1	-	
E	3	4	4	3	-							
F	3	6	6	7	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	17
G	3	5	5	6	7	7	8	9	11	13	15	16
I	3	5	4	3	4	3	2	-				
R	4	6	6	7	5	5	3	2	-			
T	3	4	5	4	5	6	7	7	7	6	3	1

Game "conceded" to Turkey (!) after S12 moves. Kah!  
 Local game.

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Various miscellaneous editorial comments.

I've typed this issue on a borrowed typer, hoping for results superior to my fast-deteriorating 1933 Underwood; however, glancing at the as-yet-untried masters, I expect rather poorer realization. Obviously it is time I broke down and invested in a decent machine. But instead I shall get my 1947 Smith-Corona fixed and struggle with it. Meanwhile, my apologies.

If anyone is as yet unaware, the new Director of the Orphan Games Project is Gregory A. Warden, 4305 Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA. 19104. I respectfully urge all Gamesmasters to begin trading their publications with Greg (he offers his quite superb EN PASSANT); without massive cooperation in this respect he cannot hope to achieve worthwhile results.

Every now and again I ought to mention that the Associate Custodian of the International Boardman Numbers is Fred C. Winter, P.O. Box 604, Madison, WI. 53701. Should I, for any reason, drop away from the Diplomacy scene, Fred is waiting to pick up the pieces as quickly and accurately as possible. If at any time you, as a Gamesmaster, are advised by Mr. Winter that he has assumed the duties of this job, regardless of whether you hear from me or not, said notice may be considered official and operative. I beg you all to cooperate at such time with Fred in the same magnificent way you have been with me.

Speaking again of orphaned games, Richard Hull (TANGERO EXPRESS) has ceased publication and has offered the sum of \$50 plus his spirit duplicator to anyone willing to take over the magazine in toto. As it turns out, in toto excludes the '1776' variant game, which has been adopted by Richard Vedder and is being resumed in QUO VADIS. Anyone interested in the rest of Mr. Hull's offer should contact Greg Warden, address above.

And again of orphans, it is important to consider the rare instance of a Gamesmaster, forced to close down shop, who breaks the normal rules of abandonment and actually takes care of his commitments. In the last few months we have seen three exemplary individuals take just such a mature course: John Lavrey (IPOMOEA), Mark Weidmark (LARCUS et al.), and Stephen Bell (CARPETBAGGER - I'm distributing the money for Steve, so be patient until my new check order arrives). Far from the breed of vanishing crook that we have come to abhor in this hobby, these three have made financial settlements and aided the transfer process no end. I sincerely hope this surge of integrity lately is indicative of a trend. (Imm. Obviously Rich Hull should be included in this list of 'good guys'.)

And as if all the preceding weren't enough for one issue, I present you now with a genuine one-word concluding sentence. Adios.