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For a change things are pretty quiet around the hobby. Perhaps it is the combination of end of school year exams and summer sun. In any case, there are only a few finished games to report and little other news. But if I want to get off on my three-day 4th of July bicycle trip I had better get on with it. So...

Once again no game reports for the U.K. were received from Richard Walkerdine. His wife, Claire, has been in the hospital and is now recovering. However, this series of events has temporarily caused Richard to cut back on his Diplomacy activities (and they are vast). And so the reason for the delay of information on British game starts and ends. I expect, though, that we will have a ton of data from the U.K. for next issue. Also, Russell Fox was unable to send in his article on game records because of other commitments. It also will be found in issue #28 in September.

As mentioned in past issues, Marie and I will be attending the DipCon in Baltimore in a few weeks time. We will be at the IDA General Meeting and I will be playing in the Diplomacy tournament. If there is anything that you would like to discuss about the Boardman Numbers, EVERYTHING, or the hobby in general please feel free to discuss it with either myself or Marie at the convention. That is far easier and quicker than the usual postal service form of communication. Also, during the DipCon I plan on meeting with the Avalon Hill people to work out an agreement with AH on their support of the Boardman Numbers. The results of that meeting and my decision regarding the discussion in last issue and this one on the financing of EVERYTHING will be reported in EVERYTHING #28.

Every now and again some publisher in a far away land will ask what the weather is like out here in sunny California. Well, up until the last couple of days the word was "HOT." Earlier this year we set a new record for snowfall and then this past week we set one for length of temperatures about 90 degrees F. For six days the temperature rose above 90 and on four of those days it was over 100 degrees. Without air conditioning that can get tiresome fast. In addition, this year (1 July 1975 - 30 June 1976) was the driest on record with only seven inches of rainfall. Some of the small towns north of San Francisco are completely out of water and are having it trucked in. Palo Alto, 40 miles south of SF, gets its water from the SF system which runs an aquaduct from the Sierra some 200 miles away and is doing slightly better. But if it is dry again next year I hate to think just what we might be drinking. If I was only back in rainy Seattle...

* But Had Better Sense Than to Ask

A number of you replied to my announcement that I was looking for someone to take over the ODD Rating System. I thank you for your interest and just want you to know that I have not forgotten about you. Hopefully, I will get a chance to write once this monster is off in the mail and prior to the DipCon. But if not, I won't forget you and sooner or later will get something off. Sorry, but that is the style of life that a BNC is forced into.

And a couple of people have sent me checks for copies of the Terminus Listing and game reports from EVERYTHING #1 through 18. These hopefully will be sent soon. Please hang on.

Below is the current status of the publishers I know of in the hobby, as updated from #26.

Current traders: John Boardman, Rod Walker, Hal Naus, Len Lakofka, Greg Warden, Walt Buchanan, Herb Barents, Burt Labelle, John Boyer, Paul Wood, Fred Davis, Richard Walkerdine, Jim Benes, Mick Bullock, Don Horton, Howard Johnson, Randolph Bart (last issue), Dan Gallagher, Jim Bumpas, Richard Sharp, Roland Prevot, Robert Correll, Tony Kniaz, Frank McIlvaine, Douglas Reif, Joel Klein, Richard Loomis, Jeremy Paulson, Dave Kadlecek, David Truman, Bruce Schlickbernd, Michael Homeier, Peter Berggren, Tony Watson, Ed Kollmer, Dave Head, Randolph Smyth, Laurence Gillespie, Walter Luc Haas, Ake Jonsson, Russell Fox, Steve Cook, Peter Birks, Bob Hartwig, Roger Oliver, David Holmes, Bob Goldman, Brad Hessel, Fred Brenner, Charles Spiegel, William Clumm, Adam Gruen, Carl Adamec, John Gross, Michael Muchnik, Rod Zaccalini, Gil Neiger, Drew McGee, George Phillies, Ernie Demanelis, Peter Shamray, Dennis Agosta, Robert Sargeant, Larry Dunning, William Turner, John Malay, Blair Cusack, Doug Happel, Alan Rowland, Don Miller, and Larry Fong. Don Miller and Larry Fong are new trades since last issue, although, in fact they have been publishing off and on for a number of years each. Welcome gentlemen.

Questionable traders (no issue since May): Edi Birsan, John Leeder, Raymond Heuer, Robert Sacks, Richard Kovalcik, Dave Staples, Dennis Brackman, Ben Grossman, Gordon Anderson, John Hulland, and Peter Dale. If nothing comes from you by the end of August then I will be forced to assume that you are no longer publishing and your trade will be cancelled.

Refuse to trade: Charles Reinsel and Robert Lipton.

Apparently no longer publishing: Chris Schleicher, Andy Phillips, and Paul Girsdansky.

Someone has asked why I list the above publishers by name rather than by zine. Most people recognize zine titles without necessarily recognizing the publisher's name. There are a couple of problems with my doing it that way. The above lists are tied to the Everything mailing list, and that is keyed to the individual names of the publishers. Second, some publishers run more than one zine, or change the name of their zine each issue, or other things that make record keeping near impossible. Thus, I have found the above method to be the easiest way to keep track of everyone. Also, I have been asked why the names are not in alphabetic order. My original mailing list was taken from a publishers survey listing in Diplomacy World. That listing was compiled by when a particular person started publishing (thus, Boardman is first). In setting up my own system to keep track of publishers I also set it up in chronological order. New names are added at the end. It works quite well and saves me the time of adding or rearranging names for each issue. It all makes sense, at least to me.

The response to the questionnaire in EVERYTHING #26 was quite good. Approximately one-third of the readership responded and many included their comments. A summary of the ballots casted follows.

1. Alternative plans available for the future of the Boardman Numbers and EVERYTHING,

a. AH's plan to combine EVERYTHING into Diplomacy World:

completely agree - 4
 somewhat agree - 9
 neutral - 1
 somewhat disagree - 9
 completely disagree - 10

Comments: (Dennis Agosta) "I do not feel that AH should have any say in how DW or Everything are run. Without the postal hobby, Diplomacy would lose money for AH; interference is the best way for them to alienate postal players."

(Bob Hartwig) "I think the whole idea of selling to AH was ridiculous. I could have told them what would happen when those idiots in Baltimore got ahold of Dippy. The hobby is definitely in trouble, and I will fight to keep Everything separate from DW if you'll just tell me what I need to do. I think that letting them publish DW is also ridiculous. You watch the free ads go for small, independent publishers. AH will kill us. A flood of Dippy will ruin by-mail, and face-to-face will be the only way. Please keep Everything separate!"

(Rod Walker) "AH's idea is not a good one although it would increase your coverage."

(Jeff Power) "It is most convenient for me to have Everything continue in its present form. However, given the financing problems you face it looks as though your future lies with DW & AH. The real problem here is that Everything is mostly a vehicle for recording postal Diplomacy's 'history' in its driest form. It has little interest to the postal Diplomacy man on the street and as a result can never even begin to be self-supporting."

(Doug Ronson) "I am certainly not in favor of Everything becoming part of DW. Many subscribers to DW, anyway, would not want to subscribe to Everything but would be forced to buy the combined version. Witness the small number of subbers to Everything now. New players, especially, will find no use in it. I am not trying to put down Everything, it is simply that it is a specialty zine and DW is a general zine."

(Peter Berggren) "Of the above options, I prefer combining Everything with DW and putting it under AH control. They would do an excellent printing job, and if they are willing to take on the financial burden, let's give it to 'em! But by no means encroach your rights as editor. If they won't respect your interests, don't play."

(Randolph Smyth) "I fail to see the advantages of a separate Everything as long as all information is retained in a condensed product. Your main argument seems to be one of delays in printing -- but the material in Everything is not the type which I find that I need hot off the press. Quarterly reports would be fine for me."

(Michael Muchnik) "Such a plan as suggested by AH would just lead to the impersonalization of the hobby. Also subbers to DW might not want to pay for Boardman Number reports, and the delays involved would be tremendous. I hope that AH sees the light and simply continues your subsidy."

b. My proposal to have publishers subscribe to Everything while still sending me copies of their zines:

completely agree - 12
 somewhat agree - 4
 neutral - 2
 somewhat disagree - 10
 completely disagree - 4

Comments: (Fred Davis) "It would make sense for variant zines to subscribe,

even if the Boardman Number fee is used for regular zines. Since there are only a very few zines which are completely variant oriented, this would not be a major problem. However, the subscription idea would enable you to treat all publishers alike."

- c. My proposal to charge one dollar for the assignment of a Boardman Number:
- completely agree - 15
 - somewhat agree - 4
 - neutral - 2
 - somewhat disagree - 7
 - completely disagree - 3

Comments: (Gil Neiger) "Paying a dollar for a Number could be voluntary."
 (Thomas McNally) "I think that the one dollar per Number is best because it distributes the cost through the hobby. It would only cost 14¢/player/game."
 (Frank McIlvaine) "Just don't think it would work out. Not everyone would pay the buck and it would cause a gigantic fight."
 (John Weswig) "I think one dollar is perhaps too much for people to want to pay, but then again making change for \$.75 is absurd."
 (Doug Ronson) "I don't think all gms will pay one dollar for a Number. If they refuse to pay we can hardly refuse them a Number. This could lead to many problems between gms."
 (Roger Oliver) "Paying a one dollar for a Number is not acceptable to a good publisher as they would be paying more than the regular subscription cost."
 (Robert Goldman) "Let me be honest -- I don't really give a damn about Boardman Numbers. This is not meant to imply an insult to you, I just am not that concerned. However, Boardman Numbers are important to my readers. So I trade. But please, don't ask for anything more."

- d. My proposal to ask for contributions to finance Everything:
- completely agree - 1
 - somewhat agree - 11
 - neutral - 7
 - somewhat disagree - 3
 - completely disagree - 10
- size of contributions range from \$1.00 to \$25. (I guess that none of you is rich)

2. If Everything is combined with DW the publishers willing to still send copies of their zine to the Boardman Number Custodian:
- agree - 27
 - disagree - 0

So, those are the opinions and ideas of all the interested individuals who make up the readership of EVERYTHING. I thank each of you for taking the time to let me know your thoughts on this matter. As for the final decision, it will wait until after I talk with Don Greenwood of AH at Origins II. I am confident that a reasonable solution can be found that will be satisfactory to all concerned parties. Hopefully, the details of that solution will be available for publication in the next issue of EVERYTHING.

Thanks again.

There is only one more thing that I can think of for this issue. In the replies to my questionnaire of last issue a couple of people said that if IDA could not support the Boardman Numbers by itself then it should not run them. Apparently I need to set the record straight. The Boardman Numbers are not part of IDA. The Boardman Numbers and the Boardman Number Custodian are completely independent of any and all hobby organizations. Funds to cover the cost of running the Boardman Numbers and publishing EVERYTHING are solicited from all. IDA (and in the past GRI) have been kind enough to donate enough money to our operation so that our financial problems are at the moment not pressing. That situation is also because John Weswig can get photocopying done at an unbelievably low price. Neither IDA nor GRI has ever made any demands on the Boardman Number Custodian with regards to operating policy. And if they would have ever tried such a tactic their money would not have been accepted. Only by acting in this manner can the Boardman Number Custodian remain completely fair and impartial in conducting his affairs. This is a policy started by John Boardman, the founder of the custodianship, and followed by each successive custodian. Hope that I clarified that point.

I believe that is all for now. John should have some information below on subscriptions and the like. Will see you in September, if not before at the DipCon.

-- Doug Beyerlein

RECENTLY ASSIGNED BOARDMAN NUMBERS:

- 1976BR. Erehwon. Walker. A- Len Lakofka. E- Doug Happel. F- Bob Keathley.
G- Trevor Baillie. I- Fred Winter. R- W. Robert Johnson. T- David Wann.
- 1976BS. Diman. Hessel. A- Geoff Burkman. E- Robert Sergeant. F- W. Elmer
Hinton Jr. G- David Mueth. I- Richard Preisler. R- Charles Spiegel.
T- Joshua Shaine.
- 1976BT. Command. Agosta. A- Andy Cook. E- Daniel Mathias. F- Robert
Acheson. G- Kurt A. Blanch. I- David Grabar. R- Yves Lagimoniere.
T- Michael F. Edmonds.
- 1976BU. The Exponent. Seligman. A- John Zorabedian. E- Lee Kendter Jr.
F- Russell Fox. G- Ira Rosen. I- David Mueth. R- Bill McDonough.
T- Jad Dittmar.
- 1976BV. Graustark. Boardman. A- Will McCullam. E- Ron Robinson. F- John
Remillard. G- Curtis L. Gibson. I- Lloyd Williams. R- Gregory J.
Gallagher. T- Richard Bergeman.
- 1976BW. Claw & Fang. Behnen. A- David Ditter. E- Edward Karlinski Jr.
F- Gary L. Burce. G- Dennis W. Goldston. I- James Kjol. R- Lee
Kendter. T- Jim Diehl.
- 1976BX. Bartovia. Adamec. A- Harold Bean. E- Douglas K. Happel. F- Greg
Quimby. G- Eric V. Youngquist. I- Bryan Mundell. R- Gregory A. Rubin.
T- Daryl Forman.
- 1976BY. Costaguana. von Metzke. A- Robert Correll. E- Blair Cusack.
F- J.H. Fleming. G- Jerry E. Pournelle. I- Steve Cartier. R- Jeff
Key. T- John Leeder.
- 1976BZ. Boast. Barents. A- Tom Kistler. E- Mike Lariton. F- Ray Lemke.
G- Chip Wingate. I- Greg Vansteel. R- Mike Wulk. T- Bill Somers.
- 1976CJ. Paroxysm. Drews. A- Brian Clogg. E- Robert Acheson. F- David
Truman. G- Cecil Nurse. I- Marty Gilchrist. R- Don Wileman.
T- Norman Weinstock.
- 1976CK. Fol Si Fie. Smyth. A- John Hulland. E- Trevor Baillie. F- Julian
Presber. G- Robert Acheson. I- David Mueth. R- William Clumm.
T- James Hymas.
- 1976DA. Quendi Khazad Dum. Clumm. A- Peter Dale. E- Craig L. Yost.
F- Linda J. Brendlinger. G- Walter J. Biess. I- Karl E. Schuetz.
R- John L. Sokol Jr. T- Wayne Callahan.
- 1976DB. Centurion. Fox. A- Gary Behnen. E- Dave Ditter. F- Greg Vansteel.
G- Lee Kendter Jr. I- Jim Diehl. R- Clifford A. Mann II. T- Thomas
G. McNally.
- 1976DC. Graustark. Boardman. A- Thomas McNally. E- Michael Lariton.
F- Lawrence Chafetz. G- Thomas W. Ripper. I- John Malay. R- William
Drakert. T- George Bakich.
- 1976DD. Command. Agosta. A- Steven Bowman. E- Steve Lebens. F- Bob Fabry.
G- James DeCook. I- Rolf Luchs. R- Tom Johnston. T- Ken Silko.
- 1976DE. Claw & Fang. Burce. A- Keith F. Dahnke. E- John Weswig. F- Henry
Bear. G- David Hance. I- David Ditter. R- David Budke. T- Mike Hudec.

Recently assigned Boardman Numbers for games started in 1974 and 1975:

- (1974IQ). Sarajevo. Alexander. A- Andy Cerier. E- Dan Miller. F- Rob
Pershe. G- Tom McMahon. I- Dave Kamowitz. R- Dave Alexander.
T- Doug Baird.
- (1974IR). Sarajevo. Alexander. A- Tom Cartier. E- Curt Kohlberg. F- Tom
Tercyak. G- Wayne Gateman. I- Dave Alexander. R- Tom McMahon.
T- Jon Averbach.

1975JM. The Polar Knight. Jonsson. A- Joseph Vanden Borre. E- Frej Wasastjerna. F- Steve Plater. G- Michael Paul Brunt. I- Larry Moran. R- Dominique Lhermitte. T- Ferdinand Heger.

1975JN. Pacific Diplodeur. Fong. A- Len Howard. E- Dieter Cordes. F- Forrest Jerome III. G- Gary Kilbride. I- Ron Shea. R- Karl Hoffman. T- Alan Beckner.

RECENTLY FINISHED GAMES:

1972AM. La Guerre (to F04), Brobdingnag. B. Tretick (to F04), Ward. A- Tim Sager (outF05). E- John Carroll (draw F09). F- John Leeder (draw F09). G- James Tretick (resF03), Steven Brooks (resF04), Thomas McCloud (resS05), Conrad von Metzke (outF05). I- Steve Cooper (droF06), Eldon Nichol. R- Mike Gutierrez (droF03), Andy Steidl. T- Greg Warden.

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	
A	4	4	2	1	-					
E	4	4	5	7	8	8	9	10	10	draw
F	5	6	6	7*	9	9	10	10	12	draw
G	5	5	5	2	-					
I	4	4	5*	5	4	2	1	1	1	
R	6	6*	6	7*	7	7	5	4	2	
T	4	5	5	5	6	8	9	9	9	

1973AI. ADAG. Naus. A- John Hendry. E- Steve Norris (win F11). F- Lawrence Peery (droF03), cd (outF04). G- David L. Davies. I- Brad Payne (outF07). R- Howard Powers (droF03), Steven Brooks (outF06). T- Irv Rosenfeld (resF01), Frank Steo (outF03).

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	
A	5	6	8	8	9	14**	12**	9**	5	3	1	
E	5	5	6	8	10**	10	12*	13	15	16	18	wins
F	4	4	1	-								
G	5	5	6	8	9*	9	10	12	14	15	15	
I	4	5	7	6	3	1	-					
R	6	6	6	4	3	-						
T	4	3	-									

1973EA. Jastrzab (to S06), Stab. Wrobel (to S06), Spiegel. A- Gary Burce (outF02). E- Andre Boulanger (outF07). F- Wayne Lanham (droS06), Ron Kelly. G- Joel Klein (win F07). I- Jeff Key (droS04), Tony Pandin (resF04), John Baker (resS06), Greg Warden (outF07). R- Eric Prasse (outF05). T- Robert Keathley.

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A	2	-						
E	5	4	2	1	1	1	-	
F	4	5	7	8	7	5	3	
G	5	7	7	9	12	15	18	wins
I	5	8	8	6	4	1	-	
R	5	5	3	1	-			
T	5	5	7	9	10	12	13	

1973FE. Drawrof (to F03), Command Post (to S08), En Passant. Murphy (to F03), Mirassou (to S08), Warden. A- James Fish (resF02), Howard Foote (resS04), Doug McMullin. E- Thomas Hubbard. F- David Lagerson (outF05). G- Ronald Kelly (draw F08). I- Bruce Schlickbernd. R- C.A. Beam (droF02), cd (outF04). T- Douglas Hollingsworth (draw F08).

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A	6	6	6	6	6	5	2	1	
E	5	6	6	7	5	5	5	4	
F	5	4	4	2	-				
G	5	6	7	7	10	10	10	12	draw
I	5	4	5	6	6	6	7	5	
R	3	2	1	-					
T	5	6	5	6	7	8	10	12	draw

1973GY. ADAG. Naus. A- Neil Langham (droS04), cd (outF05). E- Philbert Fry (droS06), cd (outF08). F- Kevin Gallagher. G- Ed Kollmer. I- Michael Dybis (droS06), Brad Payne. R- Steve Altman (win F08). T- George Boulenger (droS06), John Hendry.

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	
A	4	4	1	1	-				
E	4	4	4	3	2	1	1	-	
F	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	6	
G	4	4	5	6	5	6	6	6	
I	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	3	
R	5	8	9	9	12	12	13	16	wins by concession
T	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	3	

1974C. El Conquistador. Anderson. A- David Malmquist (draw F04). E- William McDonough Jr. F- David Holmes (draw F04). G- Len Lakofka (draw F04). I- Eric Davison (droS04), cd. R- Alan Whittaker (outF04). T- William Scanlan (draw F04).

	01	02	03	04	
A	6	7	8	9	draw
E	4	3	3	1	
F	5	5	6	8	draw
G	5	6	6	8	draw
I	4	3	2	1	
R	5	5	3	-	
T	4	5	6	7	draw

1974CM. Dorsai. N. McIlvaine. A- Robert Olimski. E- Frank McIlvaine (resF03), Doug McMullin (droF11), cd. F- Gene Giltner (droF12), cd (outF13). G- J.H. Fleming. I- Richard Mikalkovic (resS01), Ed Kollmer (droF09), cd (outF10). R- Gerald Rogowski (win F13). T- Andy Meier (outF04).

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A	4	6	7	9	9	10	9	8	8	8	10	12	10	
E	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	8	9	10**	7***4	2		
F	5	6	7	6	5	5	6	6	3	3	3	1	-	
G	5**	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	5*	3	2	2	2	
I	3	3	2	1	2*	2*	1	1	1	-				
R	6	6	7	8	7	8	7	8**	8**10**12**15**20*****					wins
T	4	3	1	-										

1974GU. The Pocket Armenian (to F08), Imladris. Diller (to F02), Rosenberg. A- Scott Bennett Jr (win F09). E- Russell Fox (outF08). F- David Malmquist. G- J. Allen LaWhon (resF02), Matt Diller. I- John Weswig (outF04). R- Russ Nekorchuk (droS03), John Torrey (outF04). T- Paul Rosenzweig (outF09).

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	
A	4	5	6	7	9	10	11	15*	22*****	wins
E	4	6	6	7	7	3	1	-		
F	6	6	8	8	8	10	11	11	10	
G	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	2	
I	4	4	1	-						
R	6	4	2	-						
T	4	5	6	7	5	6	5	2	-	

Finished games in this issue:

- 1972AM
- 1973AI,EA,FE,GY
- 1974C,CM,GU

The following games are finished, but as of this time I have incomplete records on each:

- 1973EQ,FC,GF
- 1974Q,AI,AJ

The following games have been abandoned or cancelled and are not viable to be continued:

- 1972EJ
- 1974AX