

FANTASIA

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 Variant Postal Diplomacy Game: The EYE of Sauron is upon you!!!
 FNI(1970Fck)(pp 1,2) (FMH-A & FOH will reappear in FANTASIA #50)

The Players -- No more CoA's since lastish.

The House-Rules -- As published in DIPLOMANIA #26. These are mandatory.

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Replacement Players -- List appeared in F-45; changes in F-50. Stand-by Replacement moves needed for nextish from: Andy Phillips (FNI: SCOTLAND); Lewis Pulsipher (FNI: ULSTER); Larry St.Cyr (FNI: LEINSTER). Replacement moves for FMH-A & FOH were requested in FANTASIA #48, pubbed as subzine of DIPLOPHOBIA #71.

New Games -- As noted in F-47, reservations (no fees yet) are being taken for: Regular Diplomacy, Mordor-Vs.-the-World V, Indianomacy III, Foundation II, and the Youngstown Variant.

Miscellaneous -- See bottom of page 2, space permitting....

FNI (Scotice Scripti) -- ENGLAND TAKES EARLY LEAD, AS GOVERNMENTS OF LEINSTER, SCOTLAND, AND ULSTER SIT OUT FALL CAMPAIGN!

The Players -- Andy Phillips, pls. let GM know by Nov. 17 if you will take over play of SCOTLAND (Grayson); George Grayson, pls. let GM know by Nov. 17 if you wish to remain in game. Larry St.Cyr and Lewis Pulsipher, pls. send in required AUT/WINT orders NLT 17 Nov. for, respectively, LEINSTER (Ritchie Dean) and ULSTER (Mike Riley); Ritchie & Mike, better get on ball or you're out of game....

FALL, 1015 moves --

CONNACHT (Libby) -- A Anghaile-Meath; A Leitrim (S) A Ang-Mea; A Hoscommon (S) A Ang-Mea.

ENGLAND (Reiter) -- F Irish Sea-Mona; F Bristol Chamel-Dyfed; A Shropshire-Powys.
 KYMRU (Gemignani) -- A Hereford-Shropshire; A Gwent-Morgan; F Cardigan-Cardigan Bay.
 LEINSTER (Dean?) -- A Meath (U) (D (Uriel, o.b.)); A Tara (U); A Kildare (U).
 MUNSTER (Linden) -- A Cork (H); A Offaly (S) LEINSTER A Anghaile-Meath (no LEI A Ang); A Cashel (S) LEINSTER A Ang-Mea (no LEI A Ang).
 ORKNEY (L.Clark) -- F North Minch-Caithness; F Skye-Sutherland(SC); F Lorne(NC)-Islay Firth.

SCOTLAND (Grayson?) -- A Alcluyd (U); A Lismore (U); F Solvay Firth (U).

ULSTER (Riley?) -- A Dalriada (U); A Donegal (U); A Tyrone (U).

Supply Centers held at end of AUT'15 (retreat does not affect count) --

CON -- Hos, Sli, Tua, Lei, Mea (may build two units).	(5)
ENG -- Ber, Che, Sta, Pow, Dyf, Mon (may build three units).	(6)
KYM -- Bue, Car, Phr , Shr (stands pat).	(3)
LEI -- Dub, Kil, Tar (stands pat).	(3)
MUN -- Cas, Lim, Tra, Cor (may build one unit).	(4)
ORK -- Heb, Kin, Sky, Cai (may build one unit).	(4)
SCO -- Alc, Dun, Lis (stands pat).	(3)
ULS -- Arm, Dow, Oma, Don (may build one unit).	(4)
NEUTRAL -- Lei, Dyf, Mon, Shr, Mea, Cor, Cai , Dur, Man, Don.	(2)

Propaganda --

Cashel -- King Teige paused in his banquet for young Macbeth MacFindraech to make a statement to the press. "We would like to thank Earl Sigurd for providing us such unparalleled entertainment by his 'outlawry' of the King of Scotland. By the same authority, I hereby expel Sigurd from the Ancient and Fraternal Sons of St. Columba."
 ##### The King expects much further entertainment from the war in south Britain, where the two most incompetent rulers in the world are at each other's throats.

FNI (Continued) --

"I don't know who this Princess of Deheubarth is, but old Ethelred must be delirious with joy at the advent of someone even he can beat. And here's a real laugh. There's a local hedge-druid going around saying that in another 150 years, Ireland will be conquered by the English!" ##### At the height of the festivities, the usurping "King of Cork" was thrown from the top of Cashel Rock.

Dind Rig -- Scowling blackly, Malachy II, Ard-Righ of Ireland, paced his council chamber. Passing his seated advisors and ministers, he stopped and brought his fist down on the table. "The fools! Christ curse me if the kings in Ireland have more sense than the shepherds they rule over! Now, when arms are forged across the sea that shall be leveled at us, now in Ireland do all men raise their hands against one another! Idiots!" The King's eyes remained on the table, as though in its nailed surface he might spy a way out of his entrapment. At length he spoke more quietly. ##### "Dead Brian, why could you not give your sons wisdom in statecraft to equal their ambition? Willing did I surrender to you the High-Kingship, for to fight for such an ephemeral prize would aid neither of us, and perhaps would destroy us both. I aided you at Clontarf, but your sons cannot find it in themselves to aid me in my turn; nay, rather they would tear me from your high seat, that none of them can mount, and scabble for another fraction of a kingdom than consider submitting to the rule of another. Yet, once the greater are gone, they but bare their throats to one another." ##### He looked up. "Have the kingdoms replied to our peace offerings?" Man looked to man; finally one spoke. "Sire, the Kings of Munster and Connacht send letters requesting an honor guard for them when they enter the capital at the heads of their armies." Malachy's shoulders slumped and he waved dismissal. Long after their departure, his gaze remained fastened on the counsel table's surface.

Kymru -- Do ye not know Fate favors the courageous? Present thy case--Kymru will listen. Even to England I offer a choice--steel and death or none will call ye a coward who realizes the field is lost and retreats.

Orkney -- Strange rumors have been broadcast of late concerning the actions of Norsemen in Sutherland during the spring of 1015. It has been suggested that entry of Vikings thereof constitutes an invasion. All who would believe the Scot King's claim to suzerainty in this land are led astray by a smooth and crooked tongue, for it is well-known that Norse settlers occupied this empty land over a century ago, and no Scot gainsaid it. Let all be warned -- those who persist in slander risk retribution by blood-feud.

III, vi, 14 (Continued from F-47) -- "... Thortinn, and she is Hel-bound. For this the king of the Scots owes thee a great weregild. Do as I bid, and thee shall have it, and more! Go thou to Dublin, and slay me Brian Boru, and all those who would banish me from the Green Isle. Do this, and the crown of Leinster shall be thine. Make sail then to the land of the Scots; thy wife will be avenged by thy wielding Malcolm's sceptre. All this I grant thee, for thy day approaches. Look for a sign of black ravens--there shall I be. Until Clontarf, farewell."

So passed Sigurd, and every eye in the hall he held. "Old am I," he said. "My years grow short, but now I am doubly called. For gods and kinsmen I go over-sea to the Green Isle. On this I bind my wond; who accompanies me?" He drew his broadsword; he hurled it on the great table. "By this also!" He strode to his throne, pulled a great furled standard from behind it. He snapped the thongs that bound it, and shook it out. A shiver ran through the hall, for a great black raven spread its wings on a field of white, screaming a silent challenge. Silence lay thick; men sat as though frozen in ice. Wood grated on stone as Thorsten the Ice-lander rose. "Odin, and Clontarf!" he cried. A great insensate roar rolled through the hall, mead-horns and handaxes were held high in brawny arms, and swords lay in heaps before Sigurd-jarl. (Thus ends the Saga of Sigurd-jarl.)

GM Notes -- Postponed to F-50 was propaganda from "North Minch" and more from "Kymru". ##### Add province of Limerick to those listed under Rule #12. ##### Note short deadline for AUT/WINT orders -- this is to get FNI phased with DPBA and other two FANT games, in order to avoid huge gap at end of year between deadlines. If you send your orders by return mail (no diplomacy shud be necessary), you'll be o.k.

Deadline for AUT'15 retreat (LEI: A Mea) and W'15 builds -- Noon, Tues., Nov. 17.

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