

ISSUE 11

Game openings: Gunboat, Snowball Fighting.
June 8, 1985 (512) 343-8202

I only need three more entries to open the second Gunboat game; sorry to those who signed up early. Deadline will be two weeks, no press, and I will have maps. Game fee is \$5 per game plus a sub to PF which is presently \$5/10 issues.

I have one request for SNOWBALL FIGHTING. If you are interested please let me know ASAP. Deadlines are monthly; there is no game fee, but a sub is required. We will be using the new map and there are openings for 6 or 7 players.

HOBBY NEWS

For those of you who haven't received a copy of THE DRAGON'S LAIR, Stephen has gone quarterly (from bi-annually). This is in reaction to the apparent folding of DIPLOMACY WORLD which had the first publication rights to the Dragon's Teeth Rating system. As the Ratings Custodian, Stephen has done an excellent job of getting the thing caught back up to date, and has also created his own system to rate stand-by players. If you are interested in that kind of thing, or if you are curious as to just how fanatical Wilcox is, ask him for a sample at 5300 West Gulf Bank #103, Houston TX 77088. Issues are 50¢ each. Things of interest in this last issue: Dick Martin is #96 in original games, but #3 as a stand-by; Dan Stafford is #11 as a stand-by and #1 as the original player; Dan Palter has started 40 games for a record of 1 win, 2 draws, 8 survivals, and 29 eliminations; and Mark Berch is #4 as an original player, but #90 as a stand-by. If you want to know more, send Stephen four bits.

The plans for DipCon are progressing very well. For information and/or a registration form contact Pete Gaughan at 3121 E. Park Row #171A, Arlington TX 76010. A warm-up for DipCon is going to be held in Pasadena TX on the weekend of August 17. The name has been changed a couple of times now, but I think the name RAZORCON is going to stick. Cost is going to be \$5.00 per person and the con will consist of a three round Dip tournament and various open gaming. If you are going to be anywhere near Houston that weekend just drop by the Community room of the Pasadena Town Square and join in. For more info contact James Early at 3705 Uruguay Drive, Pasadena TX 77504.

Some more polls have reached my mailbox lately. Don Del Grande is compiling the 1985 Lifer awards which includes a category for Best Zine for Games other than Dip/Variants, and I was surprised to see that PF was nominated. Since I do not sub to Life of Monty nor does Don sub here, I don't know where he got the nomination from. To whoever paid me that honor, thanks. I don't really put much stock in the polls, and as a devout Capitalist I think the best measure of a zine is the number of subbers. But the polls do play a role in that they can affect whether or not someone who has never seen a zine decides to sub. For that reason I am hoping to do well in all the polls that I can, and thereby get my subs to increase. I presently have few more than forty; at 100 I go to offset printing, which means better quality, pictures, and more color. I would appreciate your help in attaining that goal.

Next up are the results from PP and the first Gunboat game. For those of you interested in an opening for PP, be patient. As this begins to wind down Jake is preparing a 1984 version of the game. Soon after it is ready I will announce an opening. See you next month!

DEMOCRATS

CANDIDATE	JIM	PETE	JARE	MARK	STEPHEN
BALANCE	<72>	<42>	740	734	727
This week					
SPENT	-0-	-0-	<58>	<103>	<101>
GAINED	-0-	30	70	21	54
BALANCE	<72>	<12>	752	652	680
Available Funds	-0-	-0-	1022	922	950
TRAVEL:					
DAY 1	*	*	K. City	Atlanta	Atlanta
DAY 2	*	*	"	"	"
DAY 3	*	*	"	"	"
DAY 4	*	*	Memphis	Grnsbro	Chrl/Grnv
DAY 5	*	*	"	"	Chst/Alntn
DAY 6	*	*	Nashvll	Charltn	Philly
DAY 7	*	*	Wimngtn	Grnvllc	"
ORGANIZATIONS:					
South Atlantic	N	1 (-2)	N	3	2
Border States	3 (-1)	2 (-2)	2	3	2
Pennsylvania	4 (-1)	N	3	3	2
Texas	4 (-1)	N	N	N	N
Virginia	2 (-1)	N	1	N	N
Michigan	2 (-1)	N	N	N	N
North Plains	N	N	1 (-1)	1	N
DECLARED FOR:					
South Atlantic	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Border States	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pennsylvania	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Texas	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Virginia	N	N	Y	Y	Y
TOTAL DELEGATES:	248	292	240	302	243

REPUBLICANS

CANDIDATES	DAVE	TY	JAMES	DAN
BALANCE	258	567	430	721
This Week				
SPENT	<208>	<218>	<219>	<130>
GAINED	35	64	39	37
BALANCE	85	413	250	628
Available Funds	355	683	520	898
TRAVEL:				
DAY 1	N.Orleans	N.Orleans	Indianap	N.Orleans
DAY 2	B. Rouge	"	"	B.R/Shrvp
DAY 3	Shrvprt	"	"	Gary
DAY 4	Lk. Chris	B.R/Shrv	S. Bend	"
DAY 5	Alexndria	L.C/Alex	N.Orleans	Indianap
DAY 6	Lafayette	Mon/Lfyt	"	"
DAY 7	Monroe	S.B/Gary	Shrvprt	"
ORGANIZATIONS:				
South Atlantic	1	2 (-1)	2	2
Border States	1	3	2	2
Pennsylvania	3	2	4	3
Texas	2	N	2	1
Virginia	1	N	N	N
Kentucky	1	N	N	N
California	1	N	N	N
DECLARED FOR:				
South Atlantic	Y	Y	Y	Y
Border States	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pennsylvania	Y	Y	Y	Y
Texas	Y	Y	Y	Y
Virginia	Y	Y	Y	Y
TOTAL DELEGATES:	143	211	200	173

LOUISIANA

WILCOX GETS 50% IN THREE MAN RACE

The only real democratic contest this week was in the state of Louisiana. The other contest in Indiana featured three candidates, two of which have dropped from the race because of financial problems. Senator Stephen Wilcox managed to take more than 50% in Louisiana, which only further proves his strangle hold on the South.

The state had very little spent on Media, and the margin of victory was attributed to last weeks whistlestop tour by the conservative Democrat, along with the strategic use of his stand in favor of Military Draft Registration.

Next weeks battles in the South Atlantic states and the Border states have Wilcox labelled as the heavy favorite in both. The momentum from this weeks win in the only contested race may make Wilcox impossible to beat. With all candidates trying to save money for the decisive western states, it will take an expensive media blitz to beat the Texas Senator next week.

CANDIDATE	JIM	PETE	JAKE	MARK	STEPHEN
ISSUES:					
Chrysler	-	+ 68	-	+ 68	+ 68
IDB	+	+ 59	+	-117	+ 59
Draft II	-	- 36	-	- 36	+175
Dom Spending	+	+	?	+	-
Food Stamps	?	+	?	?	+
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE ----		Chrysler	----	IDB	Draft II
VISITS:days/votes					
New Orleans					2.7/114
Baton Rouge					.9/ 44
Shreveport					.9/ 36
Lake Charles					.5/ 16
Alexandria					.5/ 14
Lafayette					.5/ 13
Monroe					.5/ 13
ORGANIZATION:					
weeks/votes				3/ 71	5/ 63
MOMENTUM BONUS:					
				62	.
MEDIA:					
Votes				62	62
number/cost				1/ 21	1/ 21
TOTAL VOTES:	-0-	163	-0-	416	697
PERCENTAGE:		12.77		32.60	54.62
DELEGATES:		6		17	28
CFP GAINED:		-0-		21	54

LOUISIANA

FRICK CONTINUES DOMINANCE IN SOUTH

Conservative Texans did well in the neighboring state of Louisiana today, as Congressman Dave Frick returned to a full schedule of campaigning to win. The campaign was much closer than had been expected, mostly because of the lack of a strong showing in any of the recent elections by Congressman Frick. As a result, he was forced to buy 3 media shares, and he is now terribly strapped for cash.

In spite of his money problems, Frick announced that he was intending to stay in the race by opening organizations in both Kentucky and California which hold elections in the final week of the primary campaign. Unless he can gain quite a few contributions, Frick does not presently have enough money to maintain those organizations for more than a few weeks. In addition he is facing a tough campaign in his home state of Texas.

The Hare campaign was bitterly disappointed by the loss. In the middle of the week as Hare campaigned in opposition to the Draft, Frick announced that he would have voted against the measure in Congress. Frick said his opposition was purely due to the cost of conducting registration. "If we get into a situation where there is a legitimate need for troops, the American people will respond as they always have, and come to the aid of their country. As a country, we have no business in a conflict that we can't raise enough volunteers to fight," the candidate said.

CANDIDATE	DAVE	TY	JAMES	DAN
ISSUES:				
Panama	- 67	- 67	- 67	+120
IDB	- 93	+ 45	+ 45	+ 45
Draft II	- 65	- 65	+ 65	+ 65
Dom Spending	- 70	+ 90	- 70	+ 90
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	IDB	Draft II	Dom Spend	Panama
VISITS: days/votes				
New Orleans	1/ 12	3/ 36	4.5/ 54	1/ 12
Baton Rouge	1/ 22	.5/ 11		.5/ 11
Shreveport	1/ 12	.5/ 6	1/ 12	
Lake Charles	1/ 11	.5/ 5		
Alexandria	1/ 9	.5/ 5		
Lafayette	1/ 9	.5/ 4		
Monroe	1/ 9	.5/ 4		
ORGANIZATION:				
Weeks/votes	3/ 71	5/ 83	6/ 86	5/ 83
MOMENTUM BONUS:				62
MEDIA:				
votes	186	124	186	62
Number/cost	3/ 71	2/ 42	3/ 63	1/ 21
Bids	1/ 21	2/ 21	3/ 21	1/ 21
	1/ 25			
TOTAL VOTES:	636	545	585	556
PERCENTAGE:	27.39	23.47	25.19	23.94
DELEGATES:	31	-0-	-0-	-0-
CFP GAINED:	35	13	14	13

INDIANA

HALVERSTADT FAILS TO BREAK 50% GAUGHAN PICKS UP 30 CFP IN CONTRIBUTIONS

Despite the fact that he had no active opposition, Colorado Governor Jake Halverstadt only polled 49% of the vote in today's Indiana primary. Former California Governor Pete Gaughan claimed the results as a victory for his bankrupt campaign. In opinion polls taken the day of the election as people exited the voting booths Gaughan beat Halverstadt 61% to 33% among those who could name the top issues that had been debated all week. Halverstadt had beaten the issue advantage through the use of his organization and last weeks visits to the three most populous Indiana cities.

Contacted in Kansas City where he is campaigning for next weeks Border States regional caucuses, Halverstadt pointed out that he had not spent any money on advertising, and he was able to gain 70 CFP in donations. "In fact, I actually made money this week. I spent less than I got. I can see how the voters who preferred the bankrupt campaigns this week would have a hard time voting for someone as frugal as myself."

Gaughan's campaign was helped out of some of its debt by Indiana Democrats who contributed 30 CFP to his cause. "If we can raise enough money to pay off our present debt and be able to afford registering for the California primary, then we may still have a chance here. This race is wide open!" Time is against him however, with only next weeks caucuses and the Pennsylvania primary to go before his name no longer appears on any ballots.

CANDIDATE	JIM	PETE	JAKE	MARK	STEPHEN
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ISSUES:

Nuke	- 84	- 84	+115	+	-
Chrysler	- 40	+204	- 40	+	+
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	----	Chrysler	Nuke		

VISITS:days/votes

Indianapolis	1.8/116
Gary	.9/ 65
Pt. Wayne	.9/ 38

ORGANIZATION:

weeks/votes	4(-1)/52	1(-2)/14	4/ 87
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MOMENTUM BONUS:

MEDIA:

Votes	number/cost
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TOTAL VOTES:	176	302	461
PERCENTAGE:	18.74	32.16	49.09
DELEGATES:	17	29	44
CFP GAINED:		30	70

INDIANA

HARE WINS IN ANOTHER SQUEAKER
WALL LESS THAN A POINT BEHIND; YOUNG ONE AND A HALF POINTS BACK

Indiana Republicans failed to give any of the candidates a mandate today, as only 1 and one half of a per cent separated first and third. Former California Senator Ty Hare was able to get a slight edge, mostly from his advantage in media, and as a result gained all 54 of the states delegates. Indiana is a winner-take-all primary state. These delegates gave Hare the delegate lead in what may become a see-saw battle with Wall.

California Senator Dan Young saw his win streak end at two. Had the candidate purchased just one more media share at the minimum price of 21 CFP, he would have won today's primary. The boost in his doantions should have more than made up for the additional cost. Still, with the primary race almost half way over, Young is in by far the best financial shape. Analysts see a very rocky Convention coming up, since it now appears unlikely that any candidate will have enough delegates to lock up the nomination.

Congressman Frick of Texas spent most of his energy and money campaigning in Louisiana, and had not even visited Indiana.

CANDIDATE	DAVE	TY	JAMES	DAN
ISSUES:				
Nuke	- 55	+113	- 55	- 55
Chrysler	- 29	- 29	- 29	+191
Windfall II	- 46	- 46	+139	- 46
IDB	-168	+ 30	+ 30	+ 30
Draft II	-	-	+	+
Dom Spending	-	+	-	+
Food Stamps	-	?	+	+
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	IDB	Nuke	Wind II	Chrysler
VISITS: days/votes				
Indianapolis			4.6/ 70	3/ 46
Gary		.5/ 10	.9/ 17	2/ 38
Ft. Wayne		.5/ 38		
Evansville		.5/ 29		
South Bend		.5/ 9	1/ 19	
ORGANIZATION:				
weeks/votes	3/ 78	5/ 92	6/ 95	5/ 92
MOMENTUM BONUS:				69
MEDIA:				
votes	69	276	207	69
Number/cost	1/ 23	4/ 92	3/ 69	1/ 23
Bids	1/ 23	4/ 23	3/ 23	1/ 23
TOTAL VOTES:				
	445	672	661	636
PERCENTAGE:	18.43	27.84	27.38	26.35
DELEGATES:	-0-	54	-0-	-0-
CFP GAINED:	-0-	51	25	24

GEORGE WILL

Spring 1901

AUSTRIA A Vie - GAL (A BUD S); F TRI - Ven
 ENGLAND A Liv - EDI; F Edi - NWG; F Lon - NTH
 FRANCE A Par - BUR; A Mar - SPA; F Bre - MID
 GERMANY A Mun - TYO; A Ber - KIE; F Kie - HOL
 ITALY A Rom - TUS; A VEN H; F Nap- TYH
 RUSSIA A Mos - WAR; A War - UKR; F Sev - BLA; F StP - BOT
 TURKEY A Con - BUL; A Smy - ANK; F Ank - CON

FALL 1901

AUSTRIA A BUD - Ser; A Gal - SIL; F TRI H
 ENGLAND A Edi - NWY (F NWG C); F NTH - Bel
 FRANCE A Bur - MUN; A Spa - POR; F Mid - SPA(sc)
 GERMANY A Tyo - PIE; A Kie - DEN; F HOL - Bel
 ITALY A Tus - TUN (F TYH C); A VEN H
 RUSSIA A War - GAL (A UKR S); F Bla - RUM; F Bot - SWE
 TURKEY A Ank - CON; A BUL - Ser; F Con - AEG

SUPPLY CENTER CHART*

AUSTRIA	Home-----	3	--
ENGLAND	Home, NWY-----	4	+1
FRANCE	Home, SPA, POR, MUN-----	6	+3
GERMANY	Ber, Kie, HOL, DEN, mun-----	4	+1
ITALY	Home, TUN-----	4	+1
RUSSIA	Home, RUM, SWE-----	6	+2
TURKEY	Home, BUL-----	4	+1

DEADLINE IS JUNE 20

All Caps are centers gained at the conclusion of this season; all lower case are centers lost; Combination upper and lower case are centers that did not change.



GUNBOAT NOTES

I was curious as to whether anyone would like to write a running commentary on the game. I performed a similar service(?) in The Little Dipper game AQUARIUS and found it rather enjoyable. Especially since I was able to avoid (don't ask me how!) all the controversies on player communication and GM interference. First I would like to know if it is alright with the players, then whether or not anyone is interested in writing it. So players, and you know who you are, let me know what you think.

PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS NOTES

DUE NEXT TURN: (FF only!)

Declare candidacy in Michigan and Maryland; Media bids and Spotlight issues in Border States and South Atlantic States; maintain whatever organizations that you have already set up; seven days travel. Possible issues are MX Missile on a 4, Oil Import Fee on a 6, and Fair Housing on an 8.

TIME FACTOR NOW STANDS AT: 41 (FF) and (HPG)

NEXT DATE TO CHECK THE DJIA: June 20 (FF and HPG)

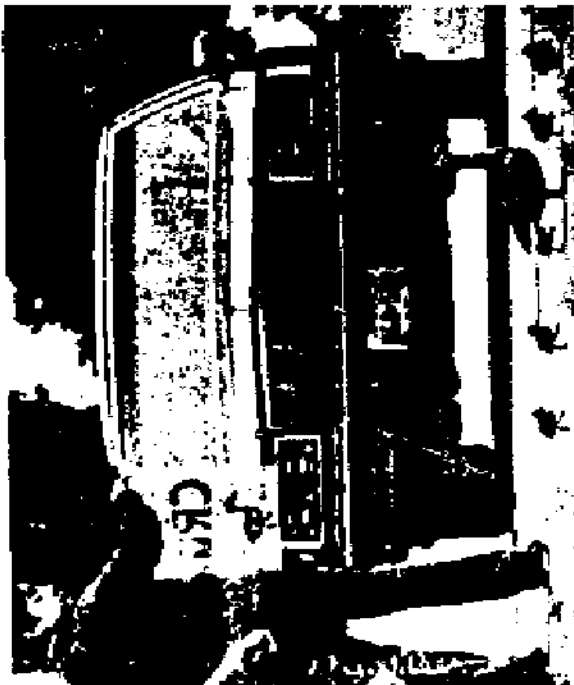
DEADLINE: July 5 (FF) and June 27 (HPG)

On the next page is this weeks HIGH PLAINS GONZO. I hope the format used is alright with the other players. All I really did was type up exactly what I was given, so everybody has exactly the same info that I do.

Looks like you all get a cartoon. It will probably be one that I rip off from Wilcox's The dragon's Lair, unless I find something better.

Austin American-Statesman

Saturday, May 10



A student stops traffic while the duck family crosses a street.

Students help ducks with geography lesson

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Students and teachers at Northeast Junior High School knew it was time for the annual duck trek when mamma mallard began pacing back and forth with downy ducklings trailing behind.

The seventh-grade science class gathered rubber gloves, wooden boards, and signs, while the English class got its video-cassette machine ready.

In a noisy, 20-minute trek, 21 students and two teachers herded the duck and her ducklings along 10

city blocks, stopping traffic, shooing away cars, and bringing curious residents out of their houses along the route to Hart Lake.

The ducklings wandered into yards, plucked worms from the wet ground and charged down the sidewalks with worms hanging from their bills before mamma and her five young ones went swimming in the lake.

It's the second year students have escorted the ducks to the lake and the third year the mallard has nested in the school courtyard.

THE HIGH PLAINS CONZO

Jake's Typewriter is broken, so I get to type this up this month.
Send all orders to Jake at 1106 Castlerock Drive, Fort Collins CO
80521.

	REPUBLICANS			
CANDIDATES	Ellis	Tighe	Wall	Woodson
TOTAL DELEGATES:	335	112	205	111
CFP BALANCE	524	689	420	772

LOUISIANA WALL GETS 50%; ELLIS A DISTANT SECOND

CANDIDATE	Ellis	Tighe	Wall	Woodson
ISSUES:				
Alaska	- 92	+ 39	+ 39	- 92
Windfall II	+ 44	+ 44	-166	? 58
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	Alaska	----	Wind II	----
VISITS: days/votes				
New Orleans			2/114	
Baton Rouge			1/ 44	
ORGANIZATION:	81	63	90	63
MOMENTUM BONUS:	63		63	
MEDIA:				
votes	-0-	-0-	186	-0-
Number/cost	-0-	-0-	3/ 63	-0-
TOTAL VOTES:	332	135	664	150
PERCENTAGE:	22.18	13.23	50.37	14.23
DELEGATES:	-0-	-0-	31	-0-
CFP GAINED:	17	6	45	6

INDIANA ELLIS BY 8 POINTS OVER WALL

CANDIDATE	Ellis	Tighe	Wall	Woodson
ISSUES:				
IDB	-168	+ 46	+ 46	? 77
Draft II	- 88	? 29	+191	? 29
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	IDB		Draft II	
DECISION BONUS	112	56	112	-0-
VISITS: days/votes				
Indianapolis	3/39	-0-	3/39	3/39
Gary/Hammond	1/65	-0-	-0-	-0-
Ft. Wayne	1/19	-0-	1/19	-0-
Evans	1/29	-0-	-0-	-0-
South Bend	1/28	-0-	-0-	-0-
ORGANIZATION:	100	70	100	100
MOMENTUM BONUS:	69		69	
MEDIA:				
votes	276	-0-	207	207
Number/cost	4/101	-0-	3/ 71	3/ 69
TOTAL VOTES:	993	201	783	452
PERCENTAGE:	40.88	8.28	32.24	18.61
DELEGATES:	54	-0-	-0-	-0-
CFP GAINED:	55	5	29	11

DEMOCRATS

CANDIDATE	Becker	Brown	Larzelere	Anderson	Felella
TOTAL DELEGATES:	323	253	291	348	162
CFP BALANCE	696	332	626	307	493

LOUISIANA

ANDERSON IN FIRST; FELELLA .7% BEHIND!

CANDIDATE	Becker	Brown	Larzelere	Anderson	Felella
ISSUES:					
Food Stamps	+ 68	- 38	- 38	+ 68	- 38
Dom Spending	+ 18	+ 18	+ 18	- 175	+ 18
Panama	- 77	+ 31	+ 31	+ 31	- 77
Windfall II	+ 39	+ 39	- 94	+ 39	+ 39
Alaska Lands	+ 17	+ 17	+ 17	+ 17	- 182
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	Food Stp	Panama	Wind II	Dom Spend	Alaska
VISITS:days/votes					
New Orleans	-0-	-0-	-0-	2/ 38	4/ 76
Baton Rouge	-0-	-0-	-0-	1/ 22	1/ 22
Shreveport	-0-	-0-	-0-	1/ 18	1/ 18
Lake Charles	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1/ 16
Alexandria	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1/ 14
Lafayette	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1/ 13
ORGANIZATION:	-0-	90	90	90	90
MOMENTUM BONUS:	62			62	
MEDIA:					
Votes	-0-	124	62	248	186
number/cost	-0-	2/ 42	1/ 21	4/100	3/ 86
TOTAL VOTES:	281	267	260	718	699
PERCENTAGE:	10.87	13.81	13.54	31.26	30.52
DELEGATES:	3	4	4	26	14
CFP GAINED:	4	6	6	38	21

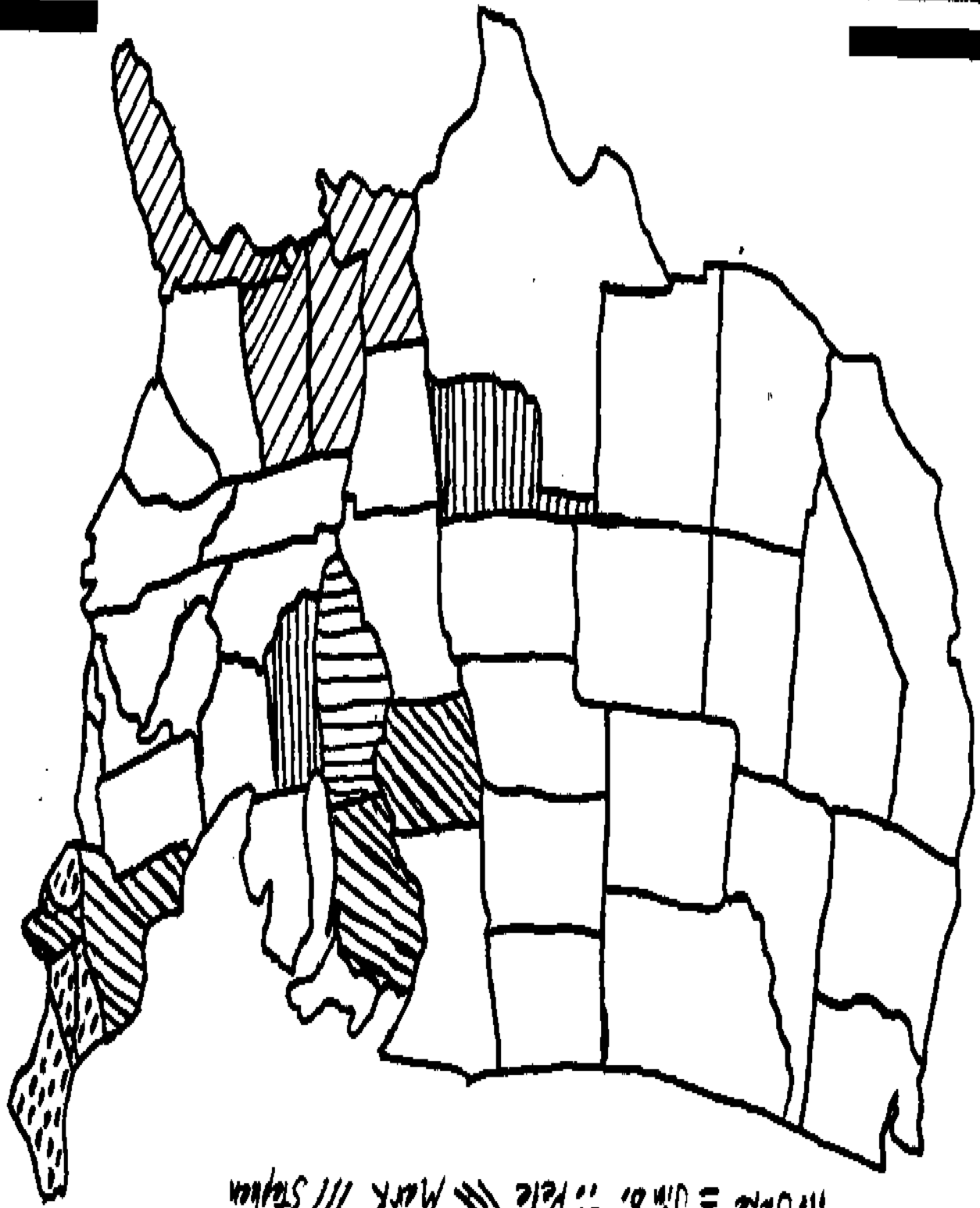
INDIANA

BECKER BEATS BROWN BY .6%

CANDIDATE	Becker	Brown	Larzelere	Anderson	Felella
ISSUES:					
Draft II	-150	+ 44	+ 44	*	+ 44
Nicaragua	+ 75	- 67	+ 75	*	- 67
Windfall II	+ 44	+ 44	-150	*	+ 44
IDB	? 53	- 58	- 58	*	+168
SPOTLIGHT ISSUE	Draft II	Nicaragua	Wind II		IDB
DECISION BONUS	-0-	56	56	*	56
VISITS:days/votes					
Indianapolis	2/46	3/70	-0-		-0-
Gary/Hammond	2/33	2/33	-0-		-0-
Ft. Wayne	1/19	1/19	-0-		-0-
Evansville	1/29	-0-	-0-		-0-
South Bend	1/28	-0-	-0-		-0-
ORGANIZATION:	100	100	100		100
MOMENTUM BONUS:	69				
MEDIA:					
Votes	207	345	69		69
number/cost	3/ 73	5/151	1/ 69		1/ 69
TOTAL VOTES:	853	836	552		548
PERCENTAGE:	30.58	29.97	19.79		19.65
DELEGATES:	45	25	10		10
CFP GAINED:	51	27	11		11

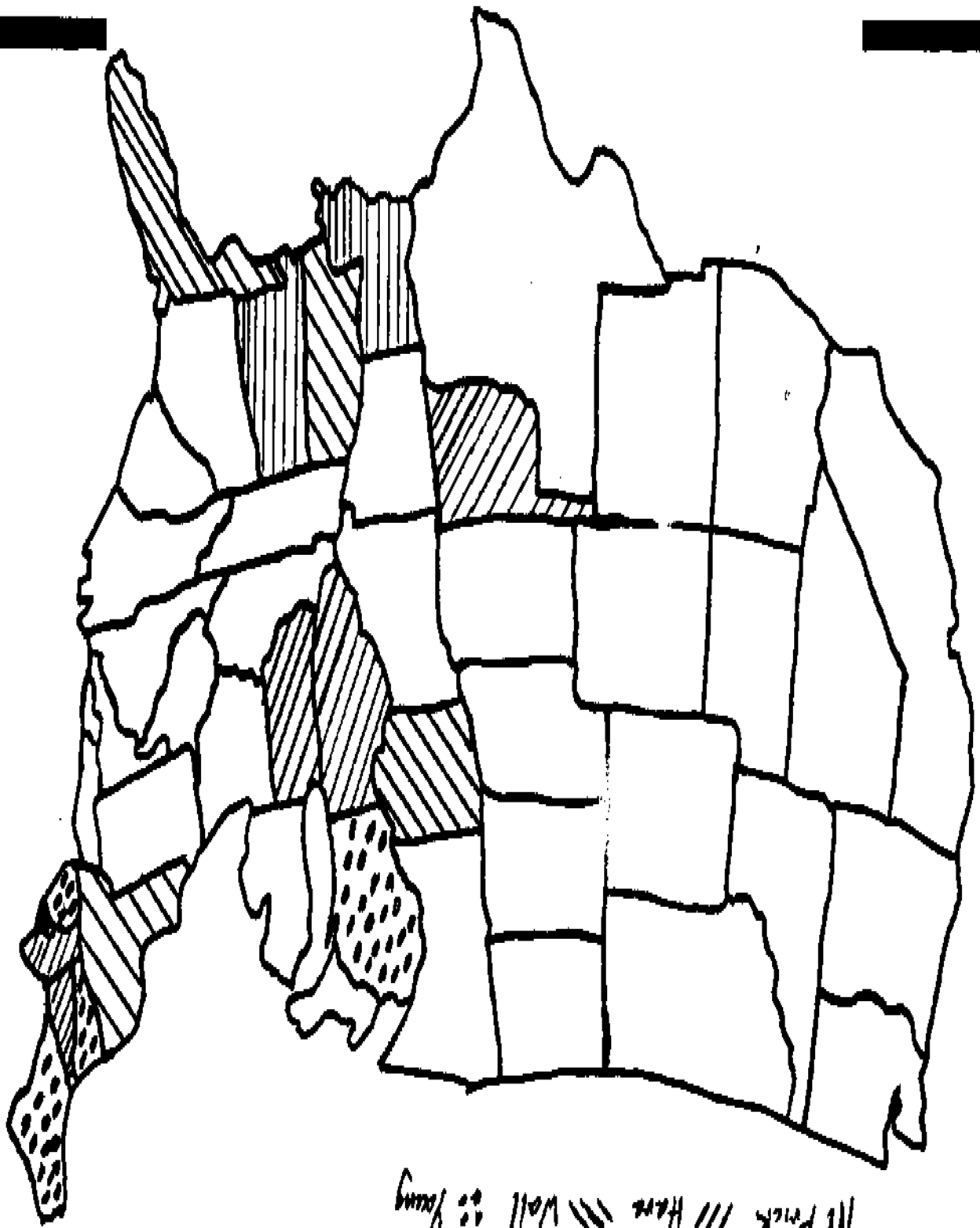
Democrats

Mike E. J. B. // Pete // Mark // Stephen



Republicans

/// Frick /// Have /// Wall :: Young



Butter Battles

"Zwiilnika" (1985A) Spring 1902

Austria (Nick Fellela, 17 Brokaw Ave., Floral Park NY 11001)

A SER-bud, F TRI H, A VIE S Ger A mun-TYR.

England (Stephen Wilcox, 5300 W. Gulf Bank #103, Houston TX 77088)

F edi-NTH, F nth-ENG, F nwy-SKA, A YOR H.

France (Larry Peery, Box 8416, San Diego CA 92102)

F bre-MID, A BUR-bel, A PAR-bur, F por-SPA(sc), A spa-MAR.

Germany (Melinda Ann Holley, Box 2793, Huntington WV 25727)

A ber-MUN, A DEN S Rus A SWE\NSO\, F HOL-bel, F kie-HEL, A mun-TYR.

Italy (Steve Arnawoodian, 602 Hemlock Cr., Lansdale PA 19446)

F nap-ION, F TUN S F nap-ION, A TYO S A VEN-tri\Del: boh, pie, Dsb\, A VEN-tri.

Russia (Ronald Spitzer, 761 N. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles CA 90049)

A BUD S A war-GAL, A moa-WAR, A RUM S A BUD, F SEV S A RUM, F stp(sc)-GUL, F swe-BAL, A war-GAL.

Turkey (Tom Boyd, 17018 Via Tomar, San Lorenzo CA 94580)

F aeg-GRE, A BUL S F aeg-GRE, A CON S A BUL, F amy-AEG.

GAME NOTES:

- Deadline is still Friday, **June 21st** for Summer and Fall 1902 orders.
- "Dsl" above calls attention to the fact that Italian Army Tyrolia was dislodged. "Dsb" reminds you that it may choose to disband rather than retreat.
- My address is still 3702 Tarragona Lane, Austin, Texas 78727. Phone: (512) 837-4039.
- My press is now identified by having my initials after the backslash, same as for guest press.
- The standby list is K. Byrne(AUSTRIA), J. Early(ENGLAND), G. Ellis(GM), M. Fleming, Givan, Kohn(RUSSIA), S. Langley, Luedi(GM), and P. Milewski. Thanks folks!!! Note that Early and Kohn are designated standbys for England and Russia because they live within our BNC's "50 mile radius" of the countrys' current players.

PRESS: (including 3 late items from Gaughan - Pete, I'll use the rest in the Fall.)

Dallas to GM:\PJG Your press i.d. is kinda silly. If Germany writes press datelined "Ger" why label it "\G"? Why not label only those items which might be ambiguous? Why not drop the whole schmeer?

Austin to Dallas:\CSM "Schmeer"??? Now everyone knows why I stomped you so bad in Scrabble! But the point is that anyone can write press from any dateline, including "Ger". Sure, I could label only those items which might be misleading. But "misleading" is in the eye of the beholder - the player, not the GM. And after all, around here, "silly" is in!!!

Ger-Eng:\G Hey, I don't play favorites! I treat all you guys like I treat Woody!

GM-Ger:\CSM Better not treat me like that!

\T Now I know - "Woody" describes fingers.

Ger-Aus:\G Thanks.

Austria-GM:\A Keep the red type. If the board can't be all red, at least the subzine can.

\T Some game of Diplomacy, IRS writes more often than you guys. (Even makes more sense.)

Vie(Walt, is that one still mine? - Oh yeah it is)-Conrad:\A What is your codeword? My password assures you that what I send you is really from me. How do I know that what you send me is really from you? I mean you do want to cover all the angles, don't you?

GM-Vie:\CSM Angles? Frankly, I prefer covering all the soft curves. My codeword, of course, is the same as yours - y'know, like everyone else's!

Ger-Ita:\G Hi Woody! Remember me?

Austria-England:\A I want to start all the games from the beginning. Including Butter Battles.

GM-Austria:\CSM Life (sigh). Ain't always a bowl of red blocks, is it?

Ger-Fra:\G Think we can make it work?

PRESS\F The results of last New Year's Eve coup d'etat are becoming rapidly apparent throughout France and beyond.

Following the military coup, with strong support from the Church and members of the nobility, the establishment of a 111rd Empire, under Empress Louise Napoleon, was proclaimed and quickly hailed by the people of Peeris. The Empress appointed a strong cabinet headed

by none other than Lorenzo Cardinal Peericelli, Bishop of St. Peeriguerx. It is believed that the Empress will seek to combine a policy representing the best of Louis XIVth and Napoleon I's achievements.

Marshal of the Armies of France has gone to the Duc d'Orleans. Admiral of the Fleets of France has gone to Duc de Berry. And Duc de Valois has been named as Minister of pieces and will head the departments of War and Foreign Affairs.

Still, France's foreign policy remains an enigma. French forces have moved quickly to seize traditional French territories and key border areas, as well as secure France's ocean frontiers. But beyond that they have done little.

The First Army remains poised in Burgandy where it can support further French advances into Belgium, or repulse another German attack on Burgandy if it comes.

The Second Army remains in Spain, preparing to move, it is rumored, against the Turks if the Italians or Austrians ask for French assistance.

The newly raised Third Army has moved out of Paris into Picardy in preparation for a further advance into Belgium.

The First Fleet has left Portugal and is now at sea in the Mid Atlantic where it is understood capital ships are being repainted from Atlantic grey to Mediterranean white.

The Second Fleet has left Brest and reports have placed it in the Channel although these have not been confirmed by authoritative sources.

In the meantime, it has been announced that the coronation of Empress Louise Napoleon will be held in Rheims on 14 July, a date picked after various astrologers and courtesans were consulted.

\T I would not say Larry is confused but Woody is making more sense.

GM-Tom T:\CSM Perhaps we just need to hire a French to English translator.

Ger-Rus:\G Now you know just how much of a gambler I really am!

GM-Ger:\CSM Now that is what I call a redundant press item!

\T \$3 bill for 1st winner in the annual Paris to Moscow mule race. Ladies and Italian donkey can not enter.

Ger-Tur:\G If only they knew!

France-England:\F Actions speak louder than words, right?

Ger-GM:\G You placed any bets yet on how this'll turn out? I'd just like to know what my odds are.

Dallas to Germany:\PJG Don't bet with Minshall. This is a man who plays backgammon for cash -- a true shark.

GM-Ger:\CSM GM commentary or press is interference. But so is a Bourse, or guest press, for that matter. If I hear no player objections I'll start some sort of mild commentary - probably just headlines, but maybe a numeric rating of how I think each country is doing.

Austria-All:\A Does anyone know who Richard Russell and Carl Schurz were? Does anyone care?

GM-Vienna:\CSM "Famous" Austrians?

\T So this is what Gunboat diplomacy is like?

Dallas to Turkey:\PJG Quit moaning about "Gunboat Dip". The old adage holds true here also: if you want a letter, write two.

As some of you already know, I'll be out of town July 21st through October 5th. The 1st week of that I'll be in Lexington KY, the remainder in some hotel in Manhattan. Greg Ellis will be running ZwiIniks for me in my absence. This introduces a bit of a problem - his deadlines are currently two weeks before (or after) ours. ZwiIniks' first deadline under Greg should be August 1st. We could have a six week season June 21 - August 1, but I expect most of you would prefer two three week seasons, giving us a deadline on July 12th. So, that's the plan of record now - bitch if you don't like it.

Langley's sub-subzine-to-be, Popcorn, should appear as soon as he gets a seventh player for the Deviant Dip game. You! Yeah, you right there! No, don't pretend you aren't reading this. Go get your pen and checkbook. Now! Yeah, right this very minute! The amount: \$10. The address: Steve Langley, 2296 Eden Roc Lane #1, Sacramento CA 95825. The purpose: Getting that game of Deviant started before Minshall has a fit!

Game map and IM, our "sub-subzine", should be attached.

This was Butter Battles 5, sometimes affectionately referred to as "the other shoe", a subzine of Ellis's FF.

IMPEERIALIST MARGINSViva Cinco de Mayo!!

Oh, I am probably the only Frog in the world that celebrates Cinco de Mayo. But, as Our Beloved Gamesmaster delights in telling me, "you are entirely too predictable." (Poetically reconstructed from the original pigin Yakut by Dr. Margaret Meade)

Cinco de Mayo, in case you didn't know, is the Mexican equivalent to the Fourth of July. Here's the story:

An outstanding event in the history of Mexico occurred May 5, 1862. It was on this day that an army of 4,000 Mexican peasants, outfitted in civilian garb and wielding machetes, threw all their force against the French army at Puebla de los Angeles and won the battle which began the liberation of the Republic from the control of France.

In 1861, Mexico's conservative establishment called on the French to take over Mexico. The president at that time was Benito Juarez, whose efforts to end the caste system which oppressed the poor were not well received by the wealthy minority.

Coinciding with these events, Napoleon III, ruler of France, wanted to expand his country's holdings and in agreement with the wealthy class of Mexico he installed Maximillian de Hapsburg as the Emperor of Mexico. He sent 6,000 of his best troops, using the excuse that payment of a large loan owed France by Mexico was overdue.

The French troops marched from the port of Veracruz toward the capital and at Puebla, some 80 miles southeast of Mexico City, met the peasant army led by Gen. Ignacio Zaragoza on Cinco de Mayo.

The Mexicans won and that victory has been the reason for a national celebration for the past 123 years in much the same manner as the Fourth of July is celebrated in the United States.

Welcome to another issue of IMPEERIALIST MARGINS, the unofficial official sub-sub-zine of BUTTER BATTLES, the game that carries ZWILNIKS, 1985 A, which is also carried in Greg Ellis's FF, etc. etc. etc. It is published by Larry Peery, the player of record for France, Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102, 619-280-2239. The zine is sent free to anyone who asks, almost.

Introduction

It's spring and all's well with the world at large. Dippydom is another matter, however. However, I will not discuss that.

This issue is prompted by the appearance of BUTTER BATTLES 3.5 and a round of letters I've recently received from several of you. The last few weeks have been rather hairy around here, for reasons you all know. Still, the game progresses and so do the Padres. Rah, hah, ja, had!

WINTER 1901 COMMENTARY

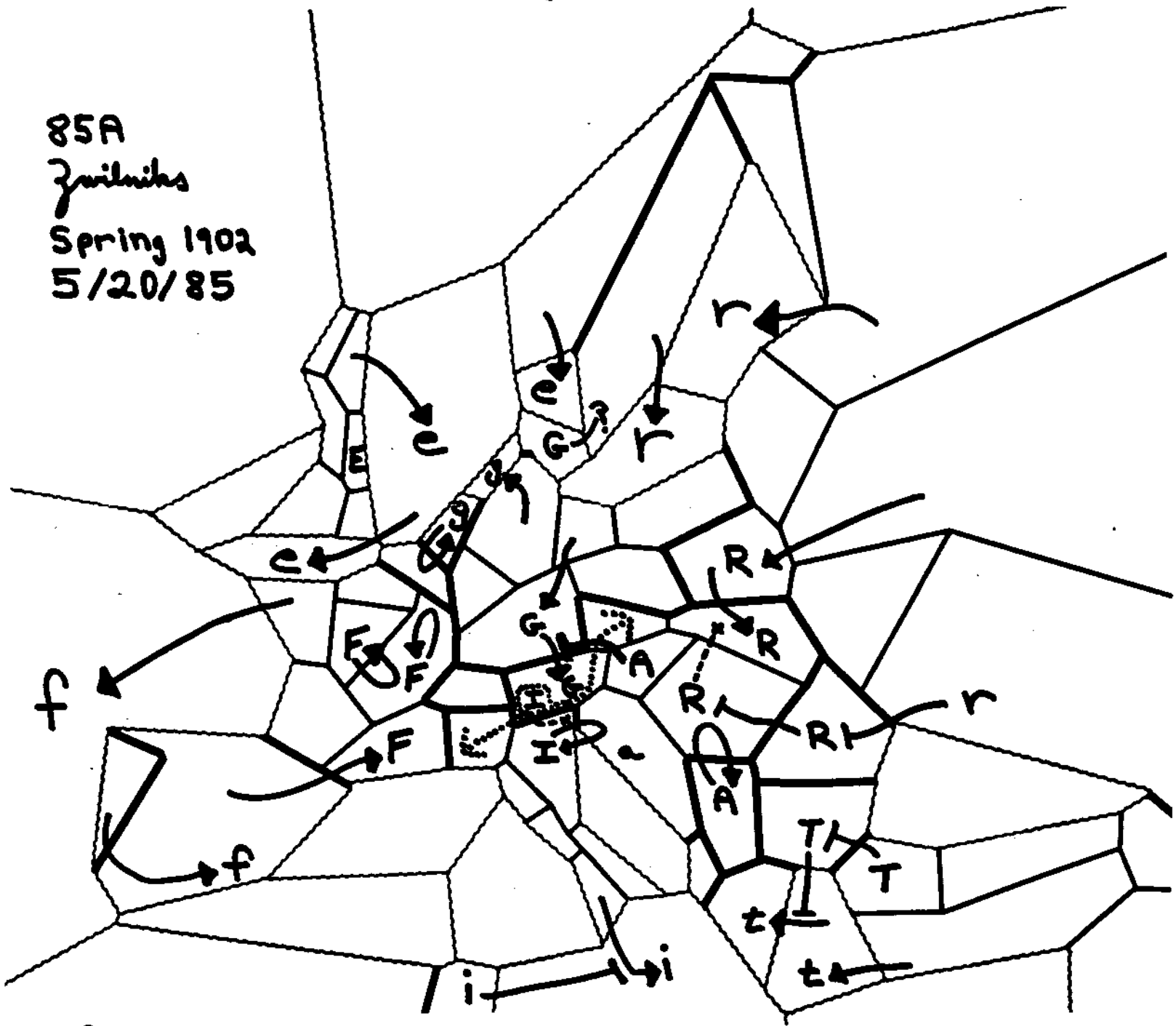
Well, 1901 is now a bit of Dippy history. An exciting season, don't you think? Most everyone did as expected and predicted. Russia and Germany seem to be baring their teeth (or bearing their teeth, if you prefer) at each other. England's looking north, France is hedging, Berlin's going to get crossed eyed from those builds and trying to watch England, France, and Russia at the same time. Italy's worried about Turley and vice versa. Russia is out to be the next Red Carpet Real Estate franchise in Tel Aviv. Terrible.

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